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SAINT JOHN, N. B., MARCH 7, 1879.

- INDIANA has a new sect of Mormons. They are better than the Utah saints in that they repudiate polygamy.

- DR. EGGLESTON, one of Brooklyn's well-known pastors, following the example of Joseph Cook, has introduced the practice of preludes on current events. Why not weave the current events with the sermons?

- THE VETOING of the anti-Chinese bill, passed by Congress, does President Hayes credit. The Chinese that have taken up their abode in California may not be a very desirable class, but the United States has some others quite as dangerour to the welfare of the country.

-BIENNIAL SESSIONS. - The Maine Legislature has been considering the propriety of having biennial sessions. A report favourable to the change was adopted by a large majority in the House of Representatives ; and it is thought it will carry in the Senate. Provincial Legislatures had better think of this matter.

-LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS. - The Governor's speech at the opening of the P. E. Island Legislature as well as that of the Governor of New Brunswick, foreshadowed measures looking towads the abolipropositions will receive.

- FOREIGN MISSIONS. - We have time and space in this issue to merely direct attention to the appeal in another column, addressed by the Executive of the Foreign Mission Society to the churches. We shall write somewhat fully on the subject in a full penalty provided. It will be a mistake to wink future number. Meantime we commend the appeal at the illegal sale now. A little vigorous applicachurches. The request for contributions should have a prompt and generous response.

- EXTRAVAGANCE. - The editor of the St. Croix Courier who was in Ottawa at the opening of Parliament, writing to his paper of the brilliant scene in the Senate Chamber on the night of the Drawing Room, says "It was an exhibition of great ex- Cottage Prayer Meetings to be attended with great travagance, certainly greater than the country can blessing. Held in their proper places and wisely stand. It is stated that the members of the Civil conducted they must be a means of good. Of Service are in a great majority of cases living be- them the Star recently said,-similar meetings yond their means, which is a state of things much were held by the early church. "And daily in the to be regretted. It is surely the duty especially of temple, and"-we translate-" from h

head, near Bristol, a parish with some 2,000 inhabitants, for whose spiritual consolation and instruc tion the sum of £729, derived from tithes, is, by

the authority of Parliament, devoted to the main-At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee tenance of a clergyman of the Church of England. of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Society, it was For several years the rector was the Rev. J. Arkell, decided to make an appeal to our churches and the an Evangelical clergyman, who co-operated with friends of the cause, hoping thereby to raise a few Nonconformists in the work of the Bible Society. hundreds of dollars to aid us in our present Recently, the living has been sold, and the resident

Churchmen, having, of course, no voice in the matter, have been handed over to the care of the Rev James Stuart, a Ritualist of the most pronounced wpe. A few days since, a member of his congrenterment in the parish churchyard. The child had not been baptized, and Mr. Stuart having ascer- The Executive are anxious to raise all the funds

tained that fact, not only refused to read over its possible and meet, if possible, the above deficiency. remains the service of the Church of England, but True, our obligation with the parent Society was added the gratuitously offensive suggestion that to pay what we could, and if we cannot pay-the night was the proper time for the burial of unbap- whole amount, we wish to pay what we can. Will been appealed to by telegram, replied that the We beseech you do not say no. The Society is sign the petition in favor of the Permissive Bill... rector could not be compelled to read the service, sadly in need of funds to carry on its important The Legislature of P. E. Island met on Thursday

grave. The sorrowful father than applied to a dare we-drop the work now? Will not the Master in session for three or four weeks. Congregationalist minister who offered to read the be displeased? Will we not suffer irreparable service in Union Chapel, an offer which was readily loss ? Unused machinery soon rusts, and rusty accepted. Meanwhile an application was made to machinery is hard to start. If we ever hope to Mr. Stuart to allow another clergyman, who had have a missionary from our own country to send offered to do so, to read the service in the churchout, we must keep the Society working efficiently.

yard, but this was refused, and on Wednesday the remains were committed to the grave in silence. Nature," says an eye-witness, " as if in sympathy, weeping tears over the shameful scene.

rom many of the friends of the mission soon. All -ONE LICENSE .- York County Council at its January meeting, having the passage of the Pernissive Bill in view, resolved to grant liquor licenses John, N. B. The Executive Committee wishes also to recom-

for only six months, and fixed the license fee at \$50. The Secretary-Treasurer was directed by the Council to publish a list of licenses taken out. The list has just been published, and it contains but one-John Staples, St. Mary's. We give him the tion of the Legislative Council of the Province. benefit of this free advertisement. He is the only It will be interesting to watch the treatment these man in York County, outside the limits of Fredericton, who has legal authority to sell rum.

We refer to this matter chiefly to inform the friends of temperance that any other persons selling liquor in the County are doing so without license. Temperance men should watch them, and if cases Foreign Mission work. of violation can be made out see that they get the Brethren, something should be done, and must be done at once. What shall it be ? Shall we fail to the prayerful consideration of the ministers and tion of the present law will cause them to have a all time. Or will we make one noble, united effort, lively dread of the several penalties sure to be put and do something worthy of ourselves?

upon them if they sell after the new law comes in Watch them, temperance men, and let them

know that you mean business.

ARTHURETTE, V. Co. - The church at Arthurette - COTTAGE PRAYER MEETINGS. - We have known s without a pastor, and would like a visit from some minister. Cannot some of the brethren in the First or Second District spend a few days or weeks there ? Perhaps some brother can arrange to visit the church regularly. We hope so.

so well-qualified to judge intelligently, they should have the right to vote. I therefore heartily approve that in consequence of the ravages of the phylloxera O THE CHURCHES AND ALL FRIENDS OF THE FOREIGN the plan, and earnestly hope the Illinois Legislature | the area under the cultivation of the vine in France |

AN APPEAL

MISSION CAUSE.

will give it the form and force of law." - Total abstinence will be an essential requirement in the selection of servants of the new Goyernment railroad of Quebec for promotion, and all than 8,000,000 of hectoliters. engine drivers, firemen, switchmen, operators, de- The young Mortara, whose abduction from his

spatchers and foremen must be abstainers. Thus Jewish parents at Rome made such a sensation in Since the organization of the Society, we have temperance principles are progressing. The econo- 1800, has been preaching in the Catholic church at endeavored to pay the salary of Dr. Phillips and mic argument is beginning to be felt in influential Vienna. He is described by an unfriendly paper wife, who were at that time adopted as our missionaries to India; but for the two years past there gical, the economic, the philanthropic, the moral a marked Italian accent, incorrect and embarrassed masters based on receipts would be readjusted and gation had the misfortune to lose a child, about six has, for some cause, been quite a falling off in the and the religious argument will soon be too strong in style, very wandering, and scarcely intelligible." receipts, and the Society was \$997.00 short of for the only forces which remain arrayed in defence meeting the required sum up to January 1st, 1879. of the liquor traffic, avaries, fashion and appetite,

SUNDRIES.

pointed either by the king or some lay patron, or Mennonites in the Virginia valley choose their the Ecclesiastical Consistory. During the last year ministers by lot. At the conclusion of the ser- a considerable agitation has gone on in Sweden tized children. The Bishop of Bath and Wellshaving our brethren and friends aid us in this good work? Mr. Mitchell invited the young men to remain and share in the appointment of their ministers. with a view of obtaining for the congregation some The Moravians report 823 missionaries, occupying 05 stations in Greenland, Labrador, among our

but had no right to refuse permission to open the work. Hitherto we have done well. Can we- last.... The Newfoundland Legislature has been Indians, in the West Indies, Surinam, South Africa, Australia, and Central Asia, at which have been gathered 70,646 adherents, including 23,185 com-

CURRENT TOPICS.

COST OF FOREIGN MISSIONS. . (Morning Star.)

If we cannot raise sufficient to continue to support We have all heard with more or less frequence Dr. Phillips and wife, let us do what we can the not very smart remark that for every dollar given to the foreign missionary cause it costs another towards supporting the cause. We hope to hear who will aid us in this work will please send their more truth than satire in the remark. The attenremittances to the Treasurer, Wm. Peters, St. tion of such people is asked to a table recently pub-

Foreign Missions showing what was done, propormend to our churches the propriety of holding one that it disbursed. Here is the table :

Missionary Prayer Meeting each month, in which In Mexico, \$1.25; in Spain, \$1.50; among the suitable addresses may be delivered by the pastor North American Indians, \$2.50; in Ceylon, \$3; in the Hawaiian Islands, \$3.50; in Austria, \$3.75; or brother leading the meeting, and others; and among the Zulus, Southern Africa, S4 ; in the Foothe cause of missions be earnestly prayed for, and chow mission, China, \$4; in the Micronesian Isa collection taken. By this means the missionary lands, \$4.50; in Northern China, \$5; in European spirit would be fostered and developed, and funds | Turkey, \$5.50; in Central Turkey, \$5.50; in Wesraised. We think, in this way, the several amounts Madura District, Southern India, \$8.25; in Japan; apportioned to the churches could be raised, and \$8.50; in Western Turkey, \$17; making an aggrethe credit of the denomination be sustained in our gate of \$93.50 thus widely distributed. The re maining \$6.50 constituted the total cost of the home

the service of the missionaries abroad, and a part has been misplaced switches. in the communication of missionary intelligence a now? To fail now would, we fear, be to fail for home. The total cost of administration last year. relatively to the entire receipts, including the pay-

per cent. Until the testimony of this table is impeached. let the enemies of foreign missions not repeat their old story about the cost of transporting funds, and to his contributions to the Lord's cause, let him Louise, the illustrious consort of His Excellency the

(The Guardian.)

of no use to pay a half year's rent ; so it is solemnly and sacredly set apart to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Jensen, of the Danish navy, in Greenland. As long

ago as 1751, Dalager, who made an expedition to In Prague, Bohemia, on the evening of January CORNHILL, K. Co.-Rev. A. Kinney informs us strengthened. There were several conversions, five attempts have been made to reach these mountains. converts have been baptized, and others will prob- it was not until the present year that this was acand to confirm or to disprove the supposition ; but

From the official statistics just published, it appears Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of St. John, the issue, by the Governor in Council, of new depraying that the harbor be placed in commission. bentures in place of the debentures lost, whose Mr. Bechard introduced bill of abolish insolvency numbers are not known.

A bill was introduced by Mr. Marshall to amend Mr. Casey introduced bill to amend act respecting the School Act. It provides that the 30 cents aselection of members of House of Commons. sessment and 10 per cent. extra levied shall not be Returns were laid on table, showing imports and exports from July to January and cost of weights but on that of population. The same bill contains

and measures act. Sir John said any line calculated to injure the teachers for the oath now made to correctness of Canada Pacific road would not be permitted. The returns.

Government would look into all bills in due time. Messrs. Frazer, Sayre, Blair, Morton and Ritchie Mr. Langevin said, replying to Mr. Hay, that are Committee on Bills relating to legal procedure. quarters. The combined strength of the physiolo-gical, the economic, the philanthropic, the moral a marked Italian accent, incorrect and embarrassed masters based on receipts would be readjusted and cies, in which Mr. Blair was formally recognized as salary of Toronto Postmaster had been reduced the leader of the Opposition.

Mr. Masson, replying to Mr. Thompson, said Several new members spoke in this debate, ap pearing to advantage, including Messrs. Hill Ritchie, Lynott, Kenny and others.

forms a congregation, of which every person born was under consideration, and intentions of Governin the parish is a member. The minister is ap- ment would be made known when estimates were Returns were ordered, on motion of Mr. Robertson (Shelburne), of monthly receipts of Intercolonial between River du Loup and Halifax, for two years check abuses, and suggested holding back the report to consider and amend accordingly

The suggestion was opposed by Messrs. Covert, On Thursday of last week the New Brunswick Willis, Davidson and others, on the ground that it would interfere with the privileges of the House, or be ineffectual for the object intended. As the report was, by the rule, final unless the formally opened the session with the following

chairman agreed to hold it over, it was adopted and the old system continues.

Marshall had a petition from Simeon Jones and others read, for a bill making one County Council to take the place of the present civil and municipal governing bodies in St. John and Portland. Saturday. - The House met at 2.30 P. M. The

ollowing bills were introduced Mr. Crawford, a bill to establish liens in favor mechanics and others ;

Mr. Marshall, a bill for the protection of mehanics and other material men

Hesse Darmstadt. How deservedly the Princess Notices of motion were given by Mr. Hutchinhad endeared herself to Her Royal Mother and to son, for information in reference to the appointment and dismissals in connection with the Tracaie Lazaretto Board of Health for Gloucester and affliction be more deeply and sincerely deplored Northumberland during the years 1878-9; by Mr. Willis, for expenditure connected with repairs of than in this Province, and I have no doubt you will Marsh Bridge; by Dr. Vail, for a statement of the readily join in the expressions of respectful sympathy which have reached or are reaching Her Majesty expenditure connected with roads and bridges in Kings County, from May 1st to Sept. 1st, 1878; y Mr. Barbarie, for suspension of the rule to atroduce a bill incorporating the Dalhousie Branch nobleman as the Marquis of Lorne as successor to the Earl of Dufferin, whose administration of the Railway ; by Mr. Blair, relative to expenditures, deposits, balances, etc., in connection with the various Provincial services ; by Mr. Fraser, of a resolution making former standing rules applicable Government for the welfare of this Dominion, and has been hailed with unmingled satisfaction by all till new ones were framed and providing for standng committee rules, Messrs. Fraser, Davidson, The arrival in Canada of H. R. H., the Princess

Dr. Lewis moved for a committee on mining in-Governor General, has afforded the people of terests ; Messrs. Lewis, Ryan, Butler, Lynott and Ritchie were appointed such committee.

onnected with the agricultural interests ; Messrs. Black, Lynott, White, McManus, Johnson, Moreton, Theriault, Gillespie, Butler, Barbarie, McLellan, Covert, Beveridge, Colter and Turner Immediately upon the arrival at Ottawa of His

were named as such committee. Excellency the Governor General and H. R H., I

of which \$34,430 were from "societies and friends of other Christian denominations," leaving \$28,435 | Legislature met. The Assembly having elected as the amount received from their own membersihp. Mr. Stevenson, Speaker, the Lieutenant Governor A judgment was given in the Agar-Ellis case, England, adjudging to the father the absolute to send it to its destination. Many people are and inalienable right of determining in which Mr. President and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislathoughtless enough to suppose that there may be religion, in the case of mixed marriages, his children Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, are to be brought up, utterly regardless of promises ished by the American Board of Commissioners for or engagements made before marriage. This has greatly annoyed the English Catholics, who propose

has decreased since 1874 by as much as 370,000

acres. The yield of wine last year was, furthermore,

below the average of the past ten years by more

Sweden is divided into parishes, and each parish

municants. The receipts for 1877 were \$83,355,

petitioning Parliament to legislate in the matter. The number of accidents to railroad trains in 1878 was smaller than that of any previous year in the which she has sustained in the death of Her Royal history of railroading-being 740, as against 891 in 1877, and 1,283 in 1873; the number of killed and wounded are also the smallest on record-being the nation, has become matter of universal comment 745, as against 1,049 in 1877, and 1,172 in 1873. In no portion of the Empire will Her Majesty's

of the injuries are to be attributed to the Tariffville, Mingo Junction, and Wollaston disasters. Nearly all of the accidents have been due to derailments from all parts of the British Dominions.

ment of the debt, was only five and three-quarters made for means for the Lord's treasury, has wholly

it is too weak to bring home a sack of flour : it is least interesting and important is that of Lieutenant

that a good revival has been enjoyed at Cornhill. served a series of mountain peaks, which he sup-the sky in a south-westerly direction, and exploded and I shall direct public announcement to be made when I am informed by His Excellency of the time the citizens to rush from their houses into the streets approve of the course I have adopted in this in terror. Some said they beheld a large, white, matter.

March 7, 1879.

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When the contingent report was presented, which provided, as formerly, for franking members' telegrams, sent or received, usually done by the Speaker, also by members of the Government, Hon. Mr. Wedderburn expressed regret that he had not been at the committee meeting, as he wished to inform it that the Government would arrange a new method as to telegrams ; namely, to dispense with and number of car loads of freight forwarded from the Speaker's frank and allow members to telegraph directly through the offices, an account of each being Several orders for papers passed and some returns made up at the end of the year and which the Government would pay. He thought this would

The other business was unimportant. Mr

Vail, Willis and Hill to be such committee.

Mr. Black moved for a committee on matters

transmitted an invitation to His Excellency and the intention of the Government to make explanations regarding the changes in the Executive since last session, also if the Government intends filling the vacancy at present existing in the Council. The Attorney-General replied that it would be made at the proper time. House adjourned till 10 A. M. on Monday. Monday .- House opened at ten a. m.

tern India, \$7.75; in Eastern Turkey, \$8; in the One fourth of the deaths and twenty-eight per cent.

administration, a part of which was employed in and collisions, and the chief cause of the former The recent appointment of so distinguished

We trust that, with all people, the temptation to Government of Canada was so brilliant and successfeel for the smallest piece of coin when a call is ful, again testifies the deep regard of the Imperial lost its power. But if this is not the case, if any

let those who have money to give have no fear read the following and be cured :bout its finding its place and doing its work.

ARCTIC EXPLORATIONS.

Among the various explorations in the Arctic gions prosecuted during the year 1878, not the

Canada another opportunity, which they have "An English writer discourses somewhat sarheartily embraced, to manifest in a marked manner astically of that small coin, the three-penny piece their loyal devotion to the person and Throne of He says : ' It is too small to fetch a flitch of bacon ; Her Majesty the Queen and the other members of the Royal Family

PARLIAMENT OF CANADA

the Windsor Branch Rallway.

hose from foreign countries.

avigable streams.

one still has to battle with that temptation in regard

-CUT OFF.-It is said that a large number of names have been struck off the Rideau Hall visitor's list, on account of the drunkenness at the State Ball. There must have been a larger number drunk than was at first supposed by the outside public. In order to keep others from drinking to excess it is announced that all further offenders will be struck off.

It will be very pleasant to go to Rideau Hall, knowing that you are being watched. An easier and vastly more sensible and Christian way of avoiding a repetition of the drunkenness, &c., of the "State Ball" would be to remove the cause.

- THE PLAGUE, - A lecture on the plague from of our chuches. which Europe is now fearing so much has just been delivered by Dr. Virchow, the famous German pathologist. He is said to be the best authority in the world on contagious diseases. In his lecture he does not give great cause for relief to the fears of Europe by the declaration that it is not more serious than the cholera ; he declares it to be contagious, and enhances the reasonable dread of the contagion the sick and careful disinfection by means of dry

cloud which had passed over the mission-field of caused by a blow from a boot hurled at him by his Southern Africa, by the outbreak of hostilities be- wife, a woman of sixty-five, in a fit of drunken tween the British and the Zulus. The natives, he frenzy." The same day he was sent for to a lady said, had been driven from their abodes, and were of advanced years, the mother of a large family, suffering great privations. He had received a for an illness brought on by secret intoxication. wilds, which was forwarded to Mr. Moffat's son in the family to "an elegant and accomplished lady, of mission-field. "We have nothing," writes this na- independent fortune, lying on her face on the floor Douglas and Bright for a donation of \$68.00, pretive; "we are scattered, we have fled from war, of her room, not dead, as the terror-stricken sented on the 25th February. a book or two, and more especially the Bible."

- A MISSTATEMENT. - The Globe says :

"The RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER demands that intoxicants be dispensed with at state dinners and all dinners.

truth. Our readers know what we did say in slain through drink !" referring to the disgraceful actions of some who attended the Governor-General's ball. When we protested against the absurd " low-neck and short sleeves regulation" at Halifax, the Globe matter worse. Covering our sins with subterfuge laughed a silly little laugh; but when within a is a garment of filthy rags. Denying a thing by week it found other sensible papers uttering a pro- affected conscientiousness is simply justifying one test similar to the INTELLIGENCER's, it fell into line wrong by another wrong. Taking refuge from the and protested too. Perhaps it may some day inner and the outer law of Sinai under some fallafollow the INTELLIGENCER in this matter, too.

- THE KING OF SIAM, yielding to the solicitations of Christian missionaries among the Laos, has issued a proclamation declaring that henceforth every person in the Laos states and in the Lakaun and Lampoon is free to make choice of any religion he believes to be true. Any who wish to become Christians " are freely allowed to follow their own choice ; and this proclamation is designed from this time forth to remove any fear that may have ex-

ladies who lead the fashion, to curb this tendency they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." to extravagance by setting an example of simplicity There is much to be said in favor of these meetings of Christian people from house to house. They

tend to make our homes more truly contres of religious culture. They bring the means of grace ably be baptized soon. within the reach of some who cannot gather " in CAPE SABLE ISLAND .- Bro. McLeod, - You must

On behalf of the Executive Committee.

DENOMINATIONAL.

J. T. PARSONS, Chairman.

the temple." The very aged, the very young, the not think I am getting beside myself. I write infirm, the indifferent, may thus have the bread of often because I think you and the many lovers of life broken unto them. They offer an opportunity the dear Saviour would be pleased to hear that the mountains and ascending the highest of them on for putting responsibilities upon some who need sinners are still coming to," the fountain filled with the 31st of July. Itsaltitude proved to be about 5,000 the discipline which responsibilities bring to the souls. blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins." I had the Then, in the smaller circle of a cottage, or neighborhood, prayer-meeting some timid soul is encour-

aged to pray, or speak of its experiences,-result- and eight, and still the good work is going on in The summit of the mountain ascended by Lieutening in its own good and frequently in the great all parts of the Island. We all feel that we need gratification of others. Let us have cottage prayermuch faith and to lay low at the feet of Jesus. Oh ! meetings by all means, but be sure that they are what a precious Saviour we have to help us in the sheet has not been able to cover them. He also thrust out into the regions that lie beyond the pale time of need. He has promised never to leave nor states that there are no grounds for believing that forsake us. Trust in Him and be of good courage,

and He will bring it to pass. Yours, T. O. DEWITT. --- WOMAN AND DRINK .--- In Great Britain there Feb. 17, 1879.

is either an increase of the use of intoxicants by MILLVILLE, YORK Co. - Dear Brother McLeod, women, or drinking by women is attracting more Knowing that you and the readers of the INTELLIattention than formerly. The press and public GENCER are always glad to hear good news, I write by saying that it is not known how the contagion my profession I have had under my care large of Bro. Ichabod Grant. A deep religious interest This movement, though carried into Congress, numbers of dipsomaniacs in every rank and condi- seemed awakened at once. Bro. C. has remained backed up by petitions claiming to be signed b tine system, together with the complete isolation of tion of life. Intemperance seems to me to have since, and the Lord has blessed his labors in the 70,000 people, and argued before the Committee slightly decreased among men, but this decrease reclaiming of backsliders and conversion of sinners. has been more than equalized by a decided increase Sixteen happy converts have been baptized, all of

of drunkenness among women." He mentions as whom (with the exception of four) are heads of - THE ZULU WAR AND MISSIONS. - Speaking at recent illustrations in his professional experience families. The work is deep, and the interest still Obstacles in the prosecution of the Society's work a missionary meeting held in Clapham-road Presby- the case of a "man of seventy who had nearly bled increasing. We hope many more may be enabled had been the unfair and unjust criticisms of the press terian Church, Dr. Moffat alluded to the terrible to death from a wound of the temporal artery, to give their hearts to God. Yours, &c., Feb. 22, 1879. on Sabbath last (2nd inst.), thirteen more converts beautiful letter from a native who had fled to the In another instance he was summoned by a terrified abated. were baptized by Bro. Currie. The interest is not

and now we are naked. Do have pity and send us children thought, but drunk !" He presents a

he says : "In every public-house are to be seen converts. women, old and young, treating each other to liquor,

where ten years ago scarce a woman could be seen," Of course the Globe knew it was not stating the and he adds : "In how few families in the land are truth in the above paragraph ; but it must have its there not lamentation and mourning and woe for little thrust all the same, even at the sacrifice of some loved female member of the domestic circle

SECRET SINS.

Waiving truth by paltry excuses only make a bad tious argument is like running under a tree in a

thunderstorm, which draws the lightning. Let us not be deceived. Nature is a tender yet ruthful mother, who will not deceive one of her little ones. We may violate her teaching, but not without incurring guilt ; we may persist in the vio-

lation until she ceases to forgive. If the fruit is good the tree must be good, and vice versa. We may depend upon it our sins will find us out.

complished Lieutenant Jensen, with three Danes shining ball in the sky that darted toward the and one Greenlander, entered the ice-fields on the 14th of July, dragging their provisions and instruchurch steeple, burst and disappear after a ments on three small sledges. After very great vicissitudes the party finally succeeded in reaching momentary emission of an intense violet flame. The same phenomena was observed in neighbouring cities. For a moment the meteor illuminated the The labors of the husbandman have been crowned above the level of the sea, and the vision swept earth with a light as bright as day. over ice-fields and hummocks to an indefinite dis blessed pleasure, on Sunday, 16th, of baptizing tance, showing conclusively that this was not the

Dr. Post's Congregational Church in St. Louis, has more happy souls, making, to date, one hundred eastern coast of Greenland, as had been imagined ant Jensen was bare, thus, according to Mr. Robert Brown, establishing the interesting fact that there are peaks in the interior so high that the great ice see how many families are without a religious newspaper, and to induce the destitute to take one. We are not pleading the cause of the Congregationthe inland ice of Greenland comes, like ordinary glaciers, from mountain ranges.

> SUPPRESSION OF VICE. (Christian Statesman.)

The annual Report of the Society for the Sup est in the prosperity of the religious newspaper, we ession of Vice, whose annual meeting was held speakers are discussing the matter quite fully and a few lines to tell you of the glorious work going stremuous effort had been made on the part of infidels, be one of the greatest importance to every minister freely. Dr. Norman Kerr, a distinguished physi-on at Millville, York Co. Rev. S. E. Currie went the verte large of 1872 by which is prevented the of the churches is to be distinctly promoted by ject also will be laid before you. its circulation.

> and through the press during six weeks, had been happily unsuccessful, and the laws yet remain in force. More than this, they had been declared

will be called to the Senate and take the portfolio apon the Society's methods, and the inactivity of State courts ; not a single indictment of all those A SUBSCRIBER. found between 1875 and 1877 having been tried

luring the year. The United States courts, how-Since the above letter was received, we learn that | ever, had been prompt, and the police courts and Special Sessions had enforced the laws with more vigor than ever before. During the year fortyeight arrests had been made, of which twenty-two had been convicted. Three convicts were pardoned from Winnepeg eastward ; bill to incorporate railduring the year, one of whom was the notorious way from Selkirk westward. Heywood of Boston. The greatest triumph of the

year had been the closing of Mme.' Restell's estaluced by Messrs. Langevin and J. H. Pope. lishment in New York ; and next to this, the water pa

retailed at fifty cents each, making a prospective profit to the dealer of \$49,000. Besides these, aptures had been made of other obscene matter. dicines for criminal purposes, and lists of over buffalo, recently presented by his friends in Mill- 300,000 names and addresses for circulars, mainly taken from catalogus of seminaries and boardin schools. As many as 3,000 copies of the Society's

last annual report with a circular letter had been sent to the principals of institutions of learning all over the country cautioning them against printing the names of their pupils in their annual catalogues. and some had already acted upon the warning, President Colgate said at the annual meeting that the work of the past year had fully equalled that of my of its predecessors. Five years ago 100 different kinds of obscene books could be bought anywhere latter and a request for return were printed on the and in any quantity; now it is impossible to find

THINGS IN SHORT METRE. BY PEN AND SCISSORS.]

Sunday. In the Illinois legislature a bill is pending for the according to God's ordinance. texation of church property when assessed above \$5,000.

Every tenth person in a Hungarian town of 20,000 inhabitants has recently been attacked with diph- to recognize the sanctity of the day.

Her Royal Highness to visit New Brunswick. His with a detonation so loud and violent as to cause appointed for their visit. I have no doubt you will

classes in every Province of Canada.

increase if necessary.

brought down.

were laid on table

speech

New Brunswick.

question of forming camps of military instruction

The subject of allowing American wreckers to

operate in Canadian waters was discussed. Mr.

Bowell promised full report of the subject soon.

River de Loup to Maritime Provinces last year.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

It is with great pleasure I meet you for the first

time as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of

You have already heard with profound sorrow of

the great affliction which has befallen Her Most

Gracious Majesty the Queen, in the bereavement

Highness the Princess Alice, Grand Duchess

Notwithstanding the severe depression which so earth, but at the distance of twice the height of a Province at the present time, I am happy in seriously affects the commercial interests of the believing the general condition of the Province at large is such as to call for expression of satisfaction. A feeling of security and of confidence in the institutions under which we live generally prevails.

with an abundant harvest and we have been permitted to enjoy manifold and great blessings. undertaken an excellent work, which might well be that this depression may soon be materially alleviat-While, therefore, we venture to entertain a hope imitated in many other churches. A committee ed, we ought not to lose sight of the many other has been instituted to canvass the congregation, to considerations which are calculated to inspire our hearts with thankfulness for the many inestimable enefits which we possess.

Many unavoidable circumstances of an important character operated against the Provincial Exhibition alist especially, but that of the religious papers, are held in the city of Fredericton during the month of more particularly of the churches and pastors October last ; when due allowance for these is made, however, it may be fairly affirmed that the Exhibithemselves, when we commend this plan to the tion was satisfactorily successful. A detailed report general attention. Apart from our personal inter- on this subject will be submitted to you.

During the last year my Government ordered the nportation of a number of pure breed Leicester The seed wheat imported by the Government

during the last spring was very generally distributed over various sections of the Province, and so far as I can learn the results have fully justified the Feb. 26 .- It is rumored, but the report requires expenditure in that behalf.

A large amount of intelligent consideration has onfirmation, that Hon. Mr. Masson is about to re- been recently directed to the subject of cultivation tire from public life and that Hon. Mr. Chapleau of sugar beets in different parts of the world. With a view to encourage and facilitate the fair trial of so Minister of Militia, and that Hon. Mr. Baby will interesting an experiment as the culture of sugar was therefore brief. The Attorney General made retire from the political arena to the quietness and beets in this Province my Government has ordered a few remarks, and then the address passed. gnity of the Bench, to be succeeded by Mr. the importation of a quantity of pure and reliable Mousseau, a leading Montreal lawyer, as Minister seed, and due notice will be given upon its arrival. The proposed manner of distribution, together with Hanington Feb. 27.-Several bills were introduced among the probable expenditure in this direction, will be them ; bill to amend Canada Life Co. ; bill to insure submitted for your consideration. I sincerely hope annual report of the Chief Commissioner of the greater efficiency in the public service ; bill to in- the cultivation of sugar beets in this Province may Board of Works.

prove successful and remunerative. During the recess, plans for Legislative buildings Mr. Perrault, member for Charlevoix, was intro- | will be duly laid before you.

The claims of my Government upon the Govern-Mr. Langevin laid or the table the Letellier ment of the Dominion have again received the earnest consideration of my Council, and I trust the Dr. Tupper laid on the table the Cow Bay Breakpending negotiation will result in the early adjust-Mr. Tilley laid on the table papers respecting in the adoption of such measures by the Federal ment of all matters in difference in the premises and Government as shall secure justice to this Province In reply to Borden, Tupper said he expected in a few days to be able to give full information respecting the intentions of the Government in regard to of the Province, by vesting the powers of legislation In reply to Yeo, Sir John said no portion of the to the rights of the Crown, and under such provision in one Legislative Chamber, subject, nevertheless Fishery Award had been set apart for the use of as may be deemed expedient in the interests of the Point Bridge, King's County.

In reply to Mr. Mangnois, J. C. Pope said it was not intention of Government to repeal the act for- tain alterations may be advantageously made in the You will also be asked to consider whether cer bidding the throwing of sawdust and rubbish into constitution and procedure of the Supreme Court, Tracadie Lazaretto to the latter. by which justice may be attained more easily and In reply to Robertson (Hamilton), Mr. Langevin expeditiously than at present and with less expense

said Postmasters were instructed to return uncalled to the suitor, and I have no doubt you will care- age rates, and if so, when the new scale would come for letters to the senders when the address of the fully weigh any proposed changes which may be submitted to you envelope, but not when written on; and that this Measures relating to inspection and inspectora applied only to letters mailed in Canada, and not districts under the Common Schools Act, to the

Mr. Christie moved resolution, declaring necessity Free Grants Act, to trespasses upon Crown Lands, of closing all Post Offices in the Dominion on before you. and to other matters of importance, will be laid

It was necessary for the prosperity of the Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly : Dominion that the Sabbath day should be observed Mr. Charlton argued that as this was a Christian ation we were bound to enforce the observance of tailed statement of the receipts and payments of the close of the session. current year up to the opening of the present Mr. Davidson moved for statements and papers the day set apart by the Creator for Christian rest and worship, and that the Government was bound

Hon. Mr. Wedderburn moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Fraser, that Mr. Davidson be chairman of Supply Committee.

Committee of five was appointed to whom shall be referred all matters connected with liens. The ommittee appointed were : Messrs. Crawford, Lynott, Marshall, Hill and Black. Mr. Wedderburn moved that 400 copies of the

urnals of the Assembly be printed for the use of the House By Mr. Butler, a bill to amend chapter 4 of the

consolidated Statues relative to the election of nembers to serve in the General Assembly. By Mr. Marshall-a bill relating to slaughter

uses in the city of St. John. By Mr. White-for copies of all papers connected

with reporting of the debates of Assembly during ne sessions of 1877 and 1878. Mr. Landry moved that leave of absance be ranted to Mr. Johnson for two days. Dr. Vail asked leave to introduce a bill to provide

or simultaneous elections in the Province. Mr. Blair gave notice that he would move on

Thursday for copy of orders or minutes of Council sheep. They arrived in time for the Exhibition, of Council to investigate Chatham Branch Railway matters, with instructions of said Committee ; also for copy of reports of Committee ; also for all orders

f Council relating to certain suits brought by Attorney General on behalf of Government against Chatham Branch Railway Company, with present state of suits.

The Address, being the order of the day, was taken up at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Sayre, in moving the address, made a short and pleasant speech. Mr. Woods seconded it. Mr. Blair announced that it was not intended to

The following were appointed a committee to resent the address : Messrs. Sayre, Woods and

Hon. Mr. Wedderburn stated that owing to the in Fredericton were asked for, and those received and some delay in the preparation of agricultural report, it could not be laid on the table as soon as he would wish. However, it would be on hand as soon as possible.

Tuesday .- House met at 10 a. m.

A number of bills were read a second time. Mr. Marshall supplemented a petition of St. ohn citizens relative to City and County Councils. Dr. Vail gave notice of a motion for a statement appertaining thereto ; also a statement of moneys

paid or due on contracts entered into for extra expenses incurred in the erection of the Ferry Mr. McManus gave notice of inquiry if any negotiations were pending between the Provincial

and Dominion Governments for the transfer of the Mr. Gillespie gave notice of inquiry if it is the

in force. Hon. Mr. Crawford introduced a bill to abolish

preferential claim for rent on goods and chattels seized upon execution. Mr. Covert presented a report of the Contingent

Committee on franking privilege, recommending that all telegrams bear the signature of members and be franked by the Speaker; that telegraph I have given directions that the accounts of the officials keep detailed accounts with each member, receipts and expenditures of the past year and a de- which shall be presented to the Chairman at the

session, and the estimates for the ensuing year be relating to the claim of J. B. Snowball in stumpage matters during 1876, 1877, and 1878. Mr. Adams

presented for your consideration.

- The Bishop of Exeter says the cause of tem-

--- Indiana has a law which prohibits any person to sell, barter, or give away, to be drank as beverage, any spirituous, vinous, malt, or any other Character stamps itself upon the soul. Character intoxicating liquors, on Sunday, July 4, January theria, and 927 have died. The malady also prevails Mr. Langevin said the obse

ACKNOWLEDGMENT. - Licentiate J. E. Sleep. wishes to acknowledge the gift of a very fine ville, York County. Bro. Sleep preaches regularly to the churcher at Millville and Lower Southamp-

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

Madame de Ramsey of Sweden, has inauguratd a Gospel temperance movement, which promises assume large porportions in that country. - A Local Option Bill, similar to the Canadian

Permissive Act, is now before the Legislature of such a book. Pennsylvania, and is likely to become law.

perance is making way rapidly in England. He says that at one time he was the only Bishop on the Bench who was a total abstainer, but it is not so

mournful picture indeed of the drink havoe among has been very refreshing and powerful. When we out of the drink havoe among has been very refreshing and powerful. When we out of the drink havoe among has been very refreshing and powerful. When we determine the drink havoe among has been very refreshing and powerful. English women in a concluding paragraph, wherein last heard, Bro. Colpitts had baptized seventeen These books had cost \$1,000 to print, and were

friends of those who may wish to embrace Chris- tianity that they throw no obstacle in the way, and that no creed be enforced on the Christians, nor work demanded of them, which their religion for- bids them to hold or to do—as the worship and feasting of demons or departed spirits and working.	 1, December 25, Thanksgiving-day, or upon the day of any State, county, township, primary, or municipal election. — The London <i>Telegraph</i> says : "It is not poverty, it is beer that has robbed the children of knowledge, of liberty, morality, health and long life. It is not poverty that fills our hospitals and jails, it is gin. By the time a child can use its hands and earn eighteen pence a week, it is offered 	An old man who was recently found "dead from exposure" near Northampton, Mass., had removed his coat and carefully wrapped it around a bottle of whiskey which he was trying to convey to his home —a case in which loving one's enemy was not exactly according to Scripture.	passed last session. The amendment was carried without division. Mr. Caron moved, m absence of Mr. Domville, an order for papers in connection with the purchase of deal ends, etc., in Northumberland for the In-	Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, I now leave you to your deliberations, with im- plicit confidence in your desire and your ability to promote the welfare of the Province, and with the prayer that your legislation may be guided by wis- dom from on high to wise and salutary results. Returning to the Assembly Room, motions were made—by Mr. Blair, for Public Accounts Com-	derburn promised the papers. Mr. Marshall moved for a statement of lands granted to the New Brunewick Boilmon G
ties of inind and character, peculiar surroundings, peculiar perplexities, peculiar temptations, and, of course, requires peculiar instruction and encourage ment. Unless he treats each scholar individually he fails to be a teacher of that scholar. The in junction to "train up a child in the way <i>ke</i> should go" includes the command to know the way of each child as distinct from every other child. The study of a child's ways is an indispensable prelimi- nary to good teaching and training in the home or in the Sunday-school. B.A.S.	to sen neededs at auction, at the rate of not more than one license in any ward, town, or village for every five hundred inhabitants, with the provision that there may be at least one in each ward, town, or village. The law is well enough as it is, unless we are to have a better one in positive prohibition. — A \$50 prize is offered at Cornwall for the essay which will best champion the cause of free and un- restricted sale of intoxicating liquors, and demon- strate the advantage of the trade, so as to satisfy thinking men that rum-shops are a necessity. The essays are to be submitted to the clergymen of the town or to a committee appointed by them, and the editor of the <i>Mirror</i> will receive the manu- scripts. — Respecting the movement of giving women the right to vote on the license question, ex-Gov. Perham says : "It appears to me eminent!	The Rev. Dr. Shaw, of Rochester, a staunch Presbyterian, says women shall pray at his prayer- meetings, and he should like to see any one stop them ; and the women say so, too. Exangelist Foote, in his three years work in Essex county, N. Y., has engaged in fourteen revivals, resulting in six hundred conversions and reclama- tions of backsliders. Weak Churches have been strengthened, pastors settled, and union restored. A party of young men went sleighing at Philadelphia taking a gallon of whiskey with them. One of their number complained of the cold and was covered up. After driving about for some hours, the party re- turned home, and the man who was thought to be stupid only trom drink was found to be dead. Rev. Joshua V. Himes, of Nebraska, formerly a wellknown "Millerite" preacher in New Hampshire, has joined the Episcopal Church, and is now a candidate for holy orders. He is 73 years old, and	 Institute the paymasters, increasing the term of service to five years, and giving the Government power in case of emergency to increase the force to 500. Hon. Mr. Bowell moved that the House approve the contract for reporting and printing the debates, which had been entered into, believing it the wish of the House to continue the system of official debates. After some discussion, the contract was approved. Mr. Cartwright asked for returns of revenue since the last report Mr. Tilley said they would be furnished at six o'clock. The motion of Mr. Cartwright, for copy of prospectus of the loan recently effected in London, and a statement showing the amount of commission paid, also passed. In reply to Mr. Cartwright, Mr. Tilley said the Government were not in a position to name a day when the estimates would be brought down. The Government wanted the estimates as complete as possible and the supplementary estimates as small as possible. They wanted to receive deputations before receiving the estimates—not afterwards. 	Rev. Joseph McLeod was elected Chaplain. The Speaker appointed Committees as follows : Contingent—Covert, Turner Leighton, Cottrell, Ryan, Johnson, Vail, Themault, Kenny, Hutchin- son, Woods, Wedderburn, McLellan, Beveridge, Black, Thompson. Rules of House.—Wedderburn, Vail, Davidson, Willis, Elder, Sayre, Lynott. Library.—Covert, Butler, Elder. Accounts.—Blair, Marshall, Beveridge, Ryan, Willis, Killam, Hill. Friday.—House met at 2.30 P. M. Among the notices given were the following : By Mr. Wedderburn of a suspension of rules to admit a bill relating to St. John streets. By Mr. Butler of an enquiry as to steps taken by the Government to secure a share of the fishery award. By Mr. Davidson for papers relative to the claim of Mr. Snewball for reduction of stumpage. By Mr. Marshall of an address for statistics of Crown Lands. Mr. White inquired as to the official debates of	given to Mr. Wedderburn. No other charges in the personnel of the Government took place till after the elections, when the office of Chief Commissioner being vacant, it was accepted by Mr. Landry, Mr. Adams at the same time accepting the office of Surveyor General, vacated by Mr. Stevenson; Mr. Hanington also being appointed to the Executive without office. These gentlemen on appealing to their constituents were elected by acclamation. In January last Mr. Stevenson resigned his seat in th Executive Council, which position is yet vacant.