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- Universalist Mission. - The propriety of establishing a Foreign Mission is being agitated Act. amongst the Universalists of the United States. The organ of the body-the Christian Leadernow provided for.

"OLD CATHOLICS."—About two years ago Dr. Leonard Bacon, being then in Geneva, Switzerland, wrote to some of the papers predicting the failure of the Old Catholic movement in Europe. He has recently written another letter in which he states that the collapse of the movement is now visible all over Europe, and that " it will be manifest and complete in about twelve months, extraordinaries excepted.'

- INTEREST THE CHILDREN. - The report of Sabbath School Mission Service in this paper is in teresting. Other Sunday schools will do well to follow the example of the one reported. The children should at the earliest age possible be taught the importance of the great missionary work. If this be done there will be no empty mission treasuries a few years in the future.

-The Week of Prayer was quite generally ob served. In this city the meetings were quite in teresting. In Fredericton there was a growing interest from the first meeting; which had increased so much at the close of the week that the pastors and officers of the churches considered it wise to con tinue the meetings another week. More services are, therefore, being held this week. Christians are praying for a rich blessing.

-" Blue Ribbon," in a communication in another column, calls attention to a matter that should re ceive attention. It will probably be considered a the Convention in Fredericton on Tuesday next. No man whose business has been rumselling can be trusted with the sale for medical purposes under the law. Temperance men should look to this

- LORD LORNE ON THE BIBLE. -The Governor General having been requested to act as patron of the Ottawa branch of the British, and Foreign Bible Society, of course he complied with the request. In his reply to the address of the Society, he said amongst other things: "I rejoice to hear of the success of your Society, as shown by the great number of copies of the Holy Scriptures which it was in your power to distribute during the last year in the districts more immediately connected with the Ottawa Valley.

"I can conceive of no nobler work than a spreading abroad, and with no stinted measure, that education which you thus make free to every man within your reach, and which gives to the poorest about the churches praying for us." God has put among your fellow-countrymen the boundless a great honor upon us, as a Christian people, in treasures which when found provide for the wealthy and destitute alike the inestimable blessings contained in the Word of God.'

- The Young Men. - The Guardian has a timely word in behalf of the young men of the churches. "I should not be forgotten-it says-that the young people of the present with the the workers and standard bearers of the future. The young men of to day have the fuere of the Church in their keeping. The Church of the next generation shall be just what the young of to-day will make it. It will largely bear the impress of their character. If they are full of faith and love the Church will arise all classes of the citizens are reached. Major and shine with heavenly light. If they are worldly Welch has for more than a week been addressing and selfish, the Church will be feeble and unsuccessful. In view of these facts, we are prompted to M. C. A. Hall, being well and ably assisted by Col. ask : Do we do all that we ought to do to secure | Ray and other prominent members of the Reform the intelligent loyalty of the young men of orir Club. A great many have been induced to sign Church? Are we fully alive to the importance of the pledge, and a great impetus has been given to taking steps to interest our young men in all the temperance work. Major Welch is to be in Carleton departments of our work? Neither young people next week, where we have no doubt he will help the nor old will feel much interest in any movement | Cause. towards the advancement of which they do nothing.

_ "TYRANNY." - The Freeman is not at all pleased that wherever a vote has been taken on the adoption of the Canada Temperance Act the majority in its favor is so large. Of the 214 who trade is increasing rapidly. The Permissive Bill is in York voted for rum, he says: "These had the growing in favor, and before many months the right on their side, and the attempt to prevent any friends of temperance hope to have a vote taken, one of these using what food or drink he chooses and believe it may be carried. to use in moderation, is a violation of right and an

This tyranny notion is an invention of the Free-That is what may be done, and is often done in species of prohibition given under the provision the present condition of affairs; and that is what of the Permissive Bill passed last session. This is the Freeman pleads to have continued. The Per- acknowledged to be the proper time to take decisive missive Law simply gives the people the privilege steps in regard to securing such means of prohibiof saying whether they will have a rumshop. It tion of the liquor traffic as are within our reach. recognizes the will of the people as more important | And failure in the present movement (which howand more potent than the will of some consciencedebaach themselves and their children.

THE CAUSE. - Cincinnati is frequently referred to in the papers as a very wicked city-wicked beyond most of its fellows. There is but little regard for the Sabbath, theatres and similar places being in full blast on Sunday as on other days. The churches are largely responsible for this state of affairs. At a recent meeting of ministers to discuss the state of religion in the city, one state-

There is a weakness among the churches here in regard to the administration of discipline. Members nected with the liquor traffic or manufacture; others rent houses for gambling and other purposes of vice. Morally, whether always legally or not, such persons are particeps crimmis with the evil our motto. Men who will sacrifice principle for a sent. Queens County has for a number of years little paltry gain, who have no regard for reputation, refused to grant liquor licenses. The sale of inbe hurled headlong from the church, as the fallen afresh, and put Him to open shame. If pastors ficult under the old laws to prove the violation and experience and observation, he is using his memory. and church-officers were more unitedly and persistently to apply wholesome discipline, cut off incorrigible offenders, and thereby tone up the moral sentiment, it would be greatly to the ad- County, it will be a much more perilous thing for vantage of true religion. The temporary loss in any one to sell rum, and the proof and punishment numbers would be quickly made up by fresher and better material from the world. If we interpret God's word correctly, office-bearers in the church far is so good to fall readily into line, and by an disciples to preach be gave them their sermon constitutions. It is a good to fall readily into line, and by an disciples to preach be gave them their sermon constitutions. hold a fearful responsibility, if they fail to purify far is so good, to fall readily into line, and by an disciples to preach he gave them their sermon, comtolerated with impunity.

missionary meeting of the M. E. Church, New the proper management and earnest effort there is (the Methodist) church is equally true, we fear, of work at once. almost, if not every other church. He said: In some parts of Nova Scotia the matter is being went. The Apostle charges Timothy: "Till I "Brethren, I desire you to bear with me. I wish taken hold of in good earnest. A convention of come give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to to utter a deep conviction in great gentleness and Picton County temperance men is to be held in doctrine. Neglect not the gift that is in thee, sorrow of spirit. It is this: While I have full New Glasgow on the 29th inst. faith in our people as compared with any other | Charlottetown, P. E. I., has petitioned to have a people in this vital matter of giving, I am yet per- vote taken, and it is hoped will do nearly as well thy profiting may appear to all." And again: "If Richards, resigned. Church to hell for the sin of covetousness than for In Toronto this week there was held a conven-

hard work to give, that is a bad sign. The enemy is eating out your spiritual life. You must awake hibit onists, allow themselves to act indifferently and cast him forth. Giving is the sure remedy. towards the Permissive Bill, because, as they say, windows of heaven, and pour out upon your heart their indifference is most satisfactory to the rum Straits of Babelmandel into this Gulf of Aden

"If the war against intemperance now being saged by the total abstinence societies meets with air degree of success, there will be little or no ne cessity for the adoption of the Canada Temperance

Our contemporary but gives expression to a too

ommon error. Even some temperance speakers urges the occupation of some heathen country not declare that the people being persuaded to sign the emperance pledge, the rum shops will soon close or want of business. Did it never occur to them that it is a mistake to sanction a trade, the very existence of which depends on undoing the good work done in temperance meetings; and that the men of the trade leave nothing undone that will drag back to drinking and drunkenness those who have been persuaded to sign the total abstinence pledge. To teach temperance from pulpits and platforms through the press, in Sunday-schools and homes and at the same time legalize and protect the traffic that puts temptation in the way of the rescued, and that lives by luring the young and innocent to destruction, is, to put it mildly, a most grossly absurd thing. It is more and worse—it is wicked. God bless the temperance meetings and make them instrumental in winning thousands from the downward course; but just as fervently we pray God help the people to see the terrible wickedness of allowing the temptations to have the sanction and

support of law-their sanction and support.

We are sure our readers will be glad to hear from Dr. Phillips. The letter which appears in another column was, as the date indicates, written on shipboard. Accompanying it we received a brief note dated November 28th, and written in Calcutta where the missionary party had just then arrived Dr. Phillips says: "Through God's infinite mercy we are safely here. Our good ship reached here this evening. The latter part of the voyage has been very pleasant, indeed, and we have every reason to be thankful to our Heavenly Father. All our party are quite well, and we hope (D. V.) to start for Midnapore on Tuesday next. I shall write you next from the Mission Station."

Our readers will be very glad that the missionarie had so pleasant and speedy a voyage. They have, of course, been now some time at the Mission Stations, and have gone to work in right earnest. Before many weeks we shall probably hear from

Meantime, Christians at home should remember them and their important work in prayers and contributions. Among the last words Dr. P. wrote were these: "My heart was in every word I wrote permittirig us to be so well and ably represented in the Foreign Mission work. Let us now faithfully do our duty. O! may the mission spirit—the Spirit of the Lord Jesus, pervade all the churches, and fill every heart.

THE TEMPERANCE CAMPAIGN.

This city is being well instructed concerning the evils of the rum traffic. Every week there are sove ral temperance meetings. They are held in different parts of the city and under various auspices, so that large audiences in the Reform Club Rooms and Y

The Roman Catholic Total Abstinence Societies hold frequent meetings, and are doubtless doing

St. John is being thoroughly aroused, and the determination to grapple with the merciless rum

Westmorland County has gone to work to secure the adoption of the Act. A meeting was held on Tuesday, of which we will probably have some man. Did it never occur to the Freeman that to account before going to press. The Moncton invest one man with the right to plant, a rumshop Times, always true to temperance, says: "The in a community not desiring it savours of tyranny? people appear to be ripe for at least the moderate ever is not at all anticipated) would be disastrous less rumseller, who, for the sake of dollars, would to the best interests of this County from a temperance standpoint. York County only polled a little over 200 votes against the adoption of the measure, and Prince County, P. E. I., about the same, while warms with the showers and sunlight of Heaven. ver a thousand of a majority was rolled up in ither instance. Westmorland cannot be so far be aind other constituencies in temperance matters as to bring about a state of affairs reverse from that formed the human frame and so fixed the qualities ecured in the instances mentioned, but at the of the remedies that health may be thus regained. ame time temperance men will of necessity need

In Queens County a convention is called for Thursday, 23rd inst. It is to be held in the Temare tolerated who are directly or indirectly con perance Hall, Jemseg. Clergymen of all denominations? are requested to attend; churches and temperance organizations are desired to send representatives; and all persons favorable to the doers. "First pure, then peaceable," should be adoption of the law are cordially invited to be pretoxicants has been greatly diminished. In some from the church, as the fallen cases of violation it has, however, been found dif-eaven. They crucify Christ cases of violation it has, however, been found dif-eaven to self what God designed for mankind. The "old for submitting all questions of wages and other poths" to day are to be found in the best means. enforce the penalty. By adopting the permissive in the order in which his thoughts are presented, law, which can be done without any expense to the or in such suggestions as at the moment may

all other sins put together. It is a respectable sin. I tion of representative temperance men to consider It kills in the dark. It strikes with dry rot. and adopt the most effective measures practicable It constitues the centre, leaving the outer appear- for the early introduction of the Temperance Act | The preparations for the pulpit may be direct or auces unscarred. May God save us from covetous- throughout Ontario, both in those counties where ness! In this great cause God gives you a chance the Dunkin Act has been in operation, and in those

Some temperance men claiming to be strong pro-Keep giving till you like. Then you will keep giv- it does not go far enough. They want absolute Dear Intelligencer,ing because you like it. Then God will open the prohibition or nothing. They make a mistake, and Our noble ship has just passed through the party. Every temperance man should remember which admits us to the Arabian Sea and to the

BIBLE SOCIETY MEETING.

The fifty-ninth annual meeting of the New Brun swick Auxiliary Bible Society was held in the Me chanics' Institute on Thursday evening of last week The attendance was, as usual, large, and the meet ing was one of decided interest.

The President, Dr. Botsford, occupied the chair. He made a lengthy opening address, reviewing the work of the B. and F. Bible Society, and speaking words of counsel and encouragement. The Secretary, Thos. McLelian, Esq., read his report, containing many cheering facts. It said :-

If the Committee cannot record any special effor nade, or work accomplished, under their own im nediate supervision, it is a matter of devout thank fulness that the great institution with which we are associated is constantly making new inroads on the was the older and breader path to the East domain of darkness, whilst from north, south, east The other evening wile on the Great or Mediter being received, that the Bible, as distributed our Society, is being made instrumental in "pu ling down the strongholds of sin and Satin," is still the close the captain exclaimed :- "What distre ving itself to be "the power of God unto salva n to everyone that believeth.

The circulation during the year ended Marc

that of the Franco-German war. The number copies of Bibles, New Testaments and Portions i sued was 2,943,597—almost three millions—bein 270,000 copies more than the issues of the previo year. This increase in circulation is partly caused by the secretary's efforts to supply the soldiers of Russia and Turkey, engaged in the war in the East. with the Word of God. This increased work ne tated increased cost, and the expenditure for the year was £10,000 more than that of any pre ous year, and £15,000 in excess of the year's inome. It is to be hoped that the deficiency will oon be liquidated. Although the year was on remarkable for commercial depression, and for ap eals on behalf of the victims alike of famine and the sword, the income of the society was £5,000 God's wonders in the deep. greater than that of the previous year. The total ome was over £211,000, and the total expend ture almost £228,000. A more detailed account the toils and triumphs of the Parent Society will b given in the published report, but the facts jus iven, taken in connection with the thought that reached 88° F., the heat has not been at all oppres the highest spiritual results have followed, and doubtless will follow, from these labors are surely sufficient to excite in every Christian heart gratitude for the past and to inspire hope for the future. as well as to render the devout acknowledgment of read, when "there shall be no more sea!" Your the Psalmist appropriate in our mouths: "No unto us, O, Lord; not unto us; but unto Thy name give glory for Thy mercy and for thy truth's

read, showing the sales that had been made here New York, I assure you I should branches, last year, were \$1700, \$100 higher than previous season, but \$500 was received in legacies Association report the result of their efforts this winter at about \$300, \$276.80 having been received with two districts to hear from. This is \$50 in excess of last year's collections, but is more than \$200 short of the annual contributions before the fire. From the churches the committee look for about \$100 this spring, \$70 more than was acknowledged at the last anniversary. This, together with the \$300 from the ladies, and the contributions to be taken up in the meeting, of \$100 or more, would enable the Society to send a good contribution t be freely received by Him whose glory was promot

d by the Society. Following the Report, addresses were made by the following gentlemen, -Rev. Messrs. Weddall, Waters, Stevens, Chappell, Carey and Hartley. The speeches were all good and elicited considerable applause. The collection at the close of the meeting amounted to \$108.

PULPIT PREPARATION.

Bishop Simpson, of the M. E. Church, who is this year delivering the Yale Lectures on preaching, devoted a recent lecture to preparation for the pul-Every work of importance demands preparation

as preaching is the most exalted duty which God has devolved upon men, it requires the most thoroug alifications. Yet there are a few persons who claim hat the minister is to speak without premeditation. hey profess to obey the declaration of our Saviou o his disciples : "Take no thought how or what ye shall speak; for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the spirit of your Father which speaketh in you." This direction, however, was given only to those who were delivered into the ands of governors and kings to be scourged and bound for their faith. It was given also only t those who were miraculously endowed, and whom Christ had given power over unclean spirits to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases. Hence, the direction is applicable only in the present day to such as can how similar power, or who are arrested and brought efore magistrates for Chist's sake. Those wh reak without premeditation claim that they thus cnor the Holy Spirit, and that they rely not on their own knowledge, or argument, or eloquence at on divine inspiration. I would not for one mo acut depreciate the office or influence of the Holy pirit, nor the promised presence of Christ with his disciples; but the work of preaching has an analogy o other work which God requires men to perform The farmer prepares the ground, procures the de ired seed, sows it preperly, and carefully protects growing crops ; yet God alone gives the harvest. He has put life into the seed, and waters and The physician calls at the bedside of suffering, careilly examines the character of the disease and its logress, and selects the best remedies, according his knowledge. But it is because God has s God has given to the minister his Word as the sword of the spirit; has given to him knowledge and

kill for its use and sympathy for his congregation The Holy Spirit shines upon them all, illumining the sacred page, guiding the minister, and inclining the hearts of his congregation to receive the truth; so that, though Paul may plant and Apollor nay water, God gives the increase.

Strictly speaking, extempore preaching is impossible. The minister may select a text without having his thoughts specifically arranged, and may de pend upon his memory and imagination for the ut terances he is about to make. But his power of speech he received in infancy. The words he em-

The office of the Holy Spirit is thus defined by of their preaching, which they were careful to refrom Midnapore. member and faithful to proclaim wherever they which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. Meditate upon of New Brunswick, is to be appointed Chief Justice these things. Give thyself wholly to them, that of the Supreme Court of Canada, vice Chief Justice any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus

indirect. The direct preparation applies to the arrangement of the materials which may be already 10 per cent, reduction all round, including the to secure the gold of heaven. Actual giving is the where no action has been taken. Ontario will give materials which shall be held in reserve and ready for use whenever necessary,

LETTER FROM DR. J. L. PHILLIPS. S. S. CITY of LONDON, Gulf of Aden, Lat. 12° 29' N., Long. 43° 55' E., November 14, 1878

that "there is no probability of our obtaming any great Indian Ocean. This is our nineteenth day - A MISTAKE. One of the daily papers—the further Prohibitory Legislation till we have fairly from Liverpool, and the voyage so far has been Globe-referring to the numerous temperance meet- test d the efficiency of the Act of 1878. While we very pleasant and prosperous. What a wonderful ings being held in this city, and the increasing hesi ate or delay, the drinking usages which flow contrast this to the old route to India around the rigor with which the campaign is being pressed, from the legalized traffic in intoxicating liquors are | Cape of Good Hope! I am continually reminded spreading poverty, vice and suffering through our of the experiences of fourteen years ago, when our sailing ship was six months making the trip from Boston to Calcutta. Since the opening of the Suez Canal in 1869 how wonderfully has eastern commerce been accelerated by this "short cut" to India and China! Thank God, it has helped mis sionaries as well. Very rarely now do mission aries go the old way. In six or seven weeks time from New York they may reach their stations in these dark pagan lands. Surely the lands are oming closer together and man's brotherhood ecomes more manifest. May the church perceiv her enhanced opportunities for doing good, and espond cheerfully to the additional responsibilities devolving upon her in the presence of a world pening so remarkably to the gospel. I need not remind the intelligent reader that

these smaller seas through which we now sail to India are strewn more thickly with dangers than ranean sea, we were reading at the hour of praye the 27th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles. At poor Paul had in that fourteen day tempest Both this sea and the Red Sea (where we read again ast exceeded that of every previous year except the thrilling story of Israel's redemption from Egyptian bondage), have witnessed many ship wrecks. In the Red Sea navigation is so danger ous that some ships carry pilots through its entire length. We had pointed out to us many rocks and reefs where ships had struck and sunk. How mer cifully our kind Heaven'y Father has brought u through these many perils! The more I am at sea the more profoundly am I impressed with the power and majesty of God, and the more sensible do I become of the absolute impotence of man. David must have known much of the sea, or he neve could have written so beautifully in the Psalms of

We have had very Little rough weather since leaving England, and nothing approaching a storm since embarking at New York. Excepting in the Red Sea and the Suez Canal, when the temperature sive. Comparatively few of our number have bee tormented with sea sickness, though several have seemed to sigh for that good time of which we correspondent is prepared to most thoroughly sym pathise with all such. To me it seems like almost a sheer waste of time to go to sea, and could I with Statistics of the local work of the Society were my pack on my back walk over to Midnapore from taking passage on the finest Atlantic steamer affoat. Reading, writing, even thinking seem altogether winter, fell \$460 short of what they were the out of the question for me at sea, save on those blessed days when the vessel is steady, and I have The year began with \$800 in hand, which has a lucid spell as to-day, when our good ship is gliding so softly and quietly through a sea of glass. Port Said in Egypt, at the Mediterranean en trance of the Suez Canal-our only stopping place on this voyage has grown much during the three and a half years that I have been away. We were there several hours for coals, and went ashore to post letters for America and India. From this point the travellers may take ship to the ports of good in this part of the county. Palestine, and could our steamer conclude to lay the parent Society. He trusted our offerings would up here for repairs a week or fortnight we might visit Jerusalem and Jericho, Antioch and Capernaum. As it is that must be put off till some other day. We caught a fine view of the Siniai range in Arabia

> French infidelity and profligacy go hand and hand, the gloom of trade depression resting upon us, we of Africa. Gambling houses, liquor saloons, and temperance movement holds a firm grip here; the brothels abound, but we heard of no place of wor- meetings are lively and well attended. ship or school house. No missionary could be blamed for leaving his ship at Port Said and beginning work for the poor Africans and Asiatics, the past year, Bro. Weston has had oversight, and and the worse European heathen at this point.

It has been a great pleasure to me to instruct the church and people. The Sabbath-school is main- have been totally destroyed or rendered practically new missionaries of our party in the languages of our tained all the year round, with growing interest. field. Several hours each day—when the weather The prayer meetings are steadily kept up. is propitious—have been devoted to the Bengali should never forget or fail to add a special suppli- salvation of souls. cation on this point. While they ask God to grant His missionary servants strong and loving hearts and the rich supplies of the Holy Spirit, let them also entreat Him to grant them free and fluent utterance in the strange tongues they have to acquire, so that the message of life and salvation may be intelligently and profitably communicated. I have The Sabbath-school is one that reflects the highest in not a few cases, been the bar to success in this foreign work. Might not missionaries possess the gift of tongues, were the church to supplicate heaven more earnestly in their behalf?

More than half way to India, our thoughts are turning very frequently and fondly to the dear Christian friends whom we have left behind us, and to the churches that have sent us as their representatives. We cannot pray without imploring our Father's blessing upon those friends and upon while we go down into the deep well of iniquity, his hands and hers must hold the ropes. We ask no man's pity-we ask every man's prayers. We who go to resume the tois of other years need a hold a fearful responsibility, if they fail to purify the church and rid it of defiant offenders. A little overwhelming majority to adopt the Temperance manding them; "As ye go, preach, saying: the significance of the Master's words, when He significance of the Master's words, when He said, "Without me ye can do nothing." Am I In Carleton, Charlotte and Albert Counties the heard it. His further directions were to re-preach asking too much or am I over confident when I ask regret to learn, been very sick for several weeks. vote will be taken very soon. Northumberland, the lessons they had heard from him: "What I for the daily, earnest prayers of all our friends? The worst is over though, and we are pleased to be forth its best energies and invoke the said of weather the bailding trades with the masons, we Coverousness.—In a recent address at a Kings and other counties are getting ready. With tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light; and what we hear in the ear that preach we hear that preach we have the ear that preach we have the ear that preach we have the ear that preach w York, Rev. Dr. Fowler, editor of the Christian probably not a County in this Province in which rected them to teach all nations to observe all he stood in the presence of large and inviting fields, Master's work. animated the great Apostle to the Gentiles, when hopes soon to be strong enough to engage in his man's vote. about penuriousness. What he said of his own Temperance men should lose no time, but get to thus gave to his disciples the sum and substance PRAY FOR US." Next month I hope to write you

CHIEF JUSTICE RITCHIE. -It is stated, evidently by authority, that Judge Ritchie, late Chief Justice

The lady evangelists, Miss Baird and Miss Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to Logan, are holding meetings in St. Mary's Church godliness, he is proud, knowing nothing, but doting (Episcopal) in this city, this week. REDUCTION. -An Ottawa despatch says, it is ru-

SABBATH SCHOOL MISSIONARY

SERVICE. On Sabbath afternoon, January 5th, in Plymouth, Yarmouth County, N. S., one of the most interest- and made him a donation of \$33.00. A pleasant arge attendance, yet about 100 parents and Colpitts, and G. W. Boyer, Esq. scholars assembled in the neat and handsome meetng house. The superintendent, R. A. Sims, takes a deep interest in missionary work, and has infused mission spirit among his scholars. Each month aims to have a service entirely devoted to the resent it would have cheered their hearts to note the pleasing zeal the young folks manifested in their work. Over 40 of the scholars are banded in a Young People's Society, and contribute one cent per week. Why cannot this excellent method of nlisting our youth in the work of God be established in all our Sabbath-schools? Such a means f helping on a permanent work that is an inheritance given to God's church for all time, not only stimulates the work, but blesses all who participate in it. The recitations were all well rendered, and the singing was really refreshing.

A PROPER SUGGESTION.

DEAR INTELLIGENCER.—The passage of the "Canda Temperance Act" in the County of York was ailed with acclamation of joy by the Temperance people of this place. Probably there is no part of the County where prohibitory measures will be of such benefit in the suppression of the accursed trafic as here. There are two large establishments in ull blast, the proprietors of which, from very small beginnings a few years ago, have accumulated large and valuable properties.

The principal portion of the purchases are from cross the lines, who carry on a large contraband rade which is productive of considerable loss to ncle Sam's revenue, and as well of a great deal of nisery to many of his subjects. So you see, Mr. Editor, the trade is responsible not only for the large amount of misery and wretchedness in this ocality, but also for a similar mournful state of hings in the adjoining county of a neighboring tate. Several of the real temperance friends across the line have often and often said to the writer were it not for your abominable license system we would have but little trouble in Maine to make eir establishments very pleasant and very orderly, that we do not witness so often such disgraceful ows as formerly. And one of them has even gone disciple of Esculapious instead of in the home of spirits." The writer then carries the have the ear of His Honor when the appointments some, and very encouraging. parish where the largest number of ratepayers are resident (which is at Poquiock) be the place selected for Dumfries. If St. Croix be so unfortunate as to be the desired place, the appointment should be given to none but a thorough, earnest Temperance man, one who has been tried and found not want-

Yours &c. BLUE RIBBON.

DENOMINATIONAL. Tusker, N. S.—Our interest here is moving in a Speaking of Port Said reminds me how strongly County, and possesses some excellent features. RIVERDALE, YARMOUTH Co. - The church here is

small, but a unit in heart and purpose. During his labors have been fruitful in the blessing of money at so short a notice, all the notes would

LITTLE RIVER, YARMOUTH CO.—Here a someand Oriya, and I am del ghted with the spirit and what scattered church has, during the past year, progress of my pupils. How much depends upon had no pastoral care. As a result, the interest is acquiring a correct and ready knowledge of a for- not strong. The prayer meetings have been regu-

PLYMOUTH, YARMOUTH Co.—Bro. Babcock has ministered to the church here, the last year, to edification and blessing. The church is compact of love and zeal, maintain the standard. The credit upon all connected with it. Temperance finds a good home in the settlement.

The outlook all round for this year is encourage ing. The four places named are ranged in a circuit. They are all within a few miles of each other, and can readily be worked. It is a trial, but a good one. The success of the plan, largely, is in the ands of of the ministers. Just now the deepest warm, intense loyalty and fidelity to the principles own part, and that the whole burden should not be those churches. We shall try to keep in mind the of mutual love and the mutual weal of the interests charge we have received. We shall strive by all of the society. Honest purpose, honestly made, the strength God grants us to push on the conquests of the great Redeemer's kingdom in this liberty and progress, must ultimately secure an have succeeded to the satisfaction of all. In New Mohammedan owners, stolen from the provinces paths" to-day are to be found in the best means matters in dispute between employer and employees Every officer of the government holds slaves, and used to secure the end of all preaching and teach- to a board of arbitration, whose decisions are ing, viz.: salvation of church and people. The binding upon both. This plan seems to imply light comes, sometimes slowly-but it comes, and come it will, for the crudeness of the finite cannot matter. Without mutual confidence no plan abolition of this nefarious traffic—the foreign auarrest the purposes of the infinite. "Come up would succeed, and with it no plan would be neceshigher" is the cry. May we all heed it, both sary. pastors and people, and seek, in 1879, to grow in the true liberty of the children of life. T. H. S.

REV. JOHN PERRY is now living at Bridgewater, Maine. He preaches in Wicklow, we learn. WATERVILLE, C. Co.—Rev. B. Colpitts is now olding a series of meetings in Waterville, and we

are informed there are signs of revival. His labors at Jacksonville, referred to in a previous number, were considerably blessed, the church being much benefitted and a number being accurate return even in the revenue department.

Our thanks are due Rev. Dawson Burns,

London, for late English papers.

THE SUNNY SIDE.

The friends of Rev. G. T. Hartley, Upper Woodstock, met at his residence on Tuesday of last week, g services it has been my pleasure to attend was evening was enjoyed. Speeches were made by ven. Although the day was not favorable to a Revs. G. T. Hartley, G. W. McDonald, and B.

We are pleased to learn that the friends of Rev. A. Taylor, at Tracey Mills, C. Co., made him a donation visit at his residence on New Year's Eve. A large number met, a good time was enhission interest. Could our missionaries have been joyed, and Bro. Taylor was made richer in this world's goods by \$51.00, and very happy in the knowledge that he possessed so many warm friends.

-Rev. Mr. Lodge (Methodist), of Salisbury, W. o., received a donation of \$100 a few days ago.

Rev. Thos. Neales (Episcopal), of Woodstock eceived a New Year's donation of useful family articles from his parishioners.

Rev. Robert Wilson (Methodist), was made appier by a gift of \$50 from his friends in Hopewell, A. Co.

SUNDRIES.

Ninety-six executions for murder took place in he United States last year....Dr. N. West, the codfishing off the coast of Ireland.... The Duke of perance laxness. Edinburgh, having served 21 years in the Royal Navy, has been promoted to the rank of Rear Admiral....The United States sends 460 missionaries to foreign lands, Germany more than 500, and Great Britain 1,000 . . . Mr. Gladstone completed his 69th year a few days ago, and received a silver axe, presented by a few friends in honor of his exploits as a woodman....The Bishop of Gibraltar has been offered 1,000 Greek Testaments for circulation in Cyprus.

CURRENT TOPICS.

A PROTEST. (Zion's Herald.) The Interior contains a remarkable article from Catholic priest, reviewing with great severity the justification by the Catholic Review of the gambling and liquor selling which marked and disgraced the our people all right." The dealers referred to late fair held in the uncompleted Roman Catholic re now each one vieing with the other in keeping cathedral in New York city. The Review justified these successful measures for securing money on the ground that the unfinished church had no sanctity bout it, and was like a simple hall or any other edifice, and that objection to such things was simply far as to convert the bottles which formerly Puritanical. The intelligent priest calls the editor's ntained brandy, gin, whiskey &c., into veritable attention to the very solemn act of consecration a dicine bottles, has imported a choice assortment the laying of the corner stone, the antiphon which the Bishop's cantators sign, being: "Place, O Lord drugs, chemicals &c., together with a first class | Jesus, the sign of salvation in this place, and suffer nggist,—in fact such a transformation has occur- not the destroying angel to enter here!" and to the ed in the establishment that upon entering one im- Bishop's prayer closing with, that "He may purify gines he is in the private sanctum of some aspiring it from all uncleanness, and preserve it so purified, and that He may chase away from it all wicked acchus. I notice upon reading the 2d part of the Africa, and protests, in the name of the Church, in and the Rev. Whirlwind are members of the Cher-Temperance Act that there shall be but one place behalf of the temperance men within it, in the name okee Indian Baptist Association. Some 800 persons in each parish where the poison is to be sold. I of Cardinal Manning, against such "a scandalous attend the meeting of the Association, representing in each parish where the poison is to be sold. I sale of beer, ale, wine, whiskey, gin, and all kinds of liquors anywhere." All of which is very whole-A CURIOUS EPISODE IN THE BANK PANICS.

(S. A. Journal.)

Sharing in the misgivings that prevails as to the security of banks at the present day a well-to-do farmer, residing a few miles from Preston, Engand, recently called at one of the North Lancashire banks, where he had deposited £1000, and desired to withdraw that sum. £750 was tendered to him ing; otherwise the Permissive Bill will be of little in notes, and the remainder in gold. Having taken the money out of this place of security, the next point to solve was where he should secrete at home. After a great deal of thought he hit upon a place ander the stairs, and finding a little hole in the woodwork of the partition, he folded up the notes quiet, steady groove. Bro. Babcock has been pastor | miled up with a piece of paper. The farmer is a tenant of a large landed proprietor on the western from the Red Sea, but those peaks around which during the last year, and his labors have been side of Lancashire, and as a few days after this cluster so many hallowed associations cannot be profitable and acceptable. The church is one of event it happened to be the rent day, he decided the oldest and most interesting in Yarmouth to take some of the notes out of their place of concealment, with which to meet the demand. Ac one is impressed there with vices of civilization. The deacons are tried and stable men, always to be removed the paper plug, and to his horror could received out-door relief. Compared with the cor-Her population is chiefly French and Arab. The relied upon. Although the business features of the not find his treasure. He groped about the place Arabs (with a sprinkling of Turks and negroes) sub- town are greatly changed, and the halcyon days of for a time, and eventually discovered a crushed up sist by manual labor, and some are engaged in prosperity for the present departed, hope still looks mass of paper, which turned out to be a mouse nest trade. The French are the merchants and the to brighter days in the near future. Material ded at the bottom of the nest, other notes were embedhotel keepers. In no like place of its size will prosperity is closely entwined with the church's twisted around the edges in all directions, and some you find more open, unmasked, shameless vice. growth and increasing influence. Notwithstanding were scratched and nibbled at in an extraordinary manner. In a great state of alarm at this unlooked and a christian is made to hang his head for very are expecting a time of revival and strength in the ed the nest minutely, and found that a £100 note shame in the presence of such exhibitions of Euro- church during the ensuing months. This week, had been very seriously damaged; that a £50 note pean civilization as are here put before the heathen all the churches combine in a week of prayer. The had been partially torn and eaten, and that four £5 notes had suffered considerable injury. The numbers of some of the notes had been entirely deowner may sustain the loss of them. The damaged notes, under any circumstances, will have to be sent to the authorities in London, and it is almost certain that if he had not fortunately wanted the

useless from the damage they would have sustained BRITAIN'S SUFFERING MASSES. (Montreal Witness.) ?

cial depression through which Great Britain is at eign language, none can appreciate better than larly held, with profit and blessing. This year, from time to time against the reduction of wages, present passing, is heightened by the strikes which borers, operatives, and skilled artisans have made missionaries among the heathen. When our hope is strong for better times. May God shower which the employers have found to be the only algood friends at home pray for the laborers whom upon them rich spiritual blessings, and endue ternative to a complete closing up of business. At they have sent out to the pagan lands, they church and people with an earnest zeal for the necessities of life, it at first appears to be utterly necessities of life, it at first appears to be utterly and criminally thoughtless in employees to resis these reductions by refusing to work at all, and thus stop for the time the wheels of commerce cause a great loss of capital, and voluntary throw and full of interest. Some excellent workers, full port at a time when all aid is needed for involve themselves upon unions or other societies for suptary idleness. But the employees have, perhaps. some reason from their own point of view in their action. They have been compelled from time to time to submit to necessary reductions, which have, gaen saul; he weises me roun, for his ain name's: as they contend, left them with merely the means sake intil right roddins. Na! tho' I gang thro' the of a bare sustenance for their families in exchange | dead-mirk-dail; e'en thar, sal I dread nae skaithin; for hard labour, whereas recognized paupers are for yersel are nar-by me; yer stock an' yer stay being supplied perhaps more liberally who do not work at all. Their employer who claims business hand me baith fu' cheerie. My buird ye has been all it for yersel are nar-by me; yer stock an yer stay hand me baith fu' cheerie. My buird ye has necessities as the reason for his action has not from hansell'd in face o' my face; ye hae drockit my their point of view reduced his style of living at all. head wi' oyle; my bicker is fu' an' skailin. E'en His curtailments are not apparent to them. It ap- sae, sal gude-guidin an' gude-gree gang wi' me, ilk pears therefore to them that if a reduction of ex-pears therefore to them that if a reduction of ex-day o' my livin; an' evir mair syne i' the Lord's and best interests of the denomination call for a that some reduction should be on the employers ain howfi, at lang last, sal I mak bydan. laid upon the employees as it seems to them to have been. The only remedy for this state of affairs York, a large firm and its employees formed a lately the scene of war, many of the parents having confidence between employer and employees, the want of which is really at the root of the whole

TWO VOICES ON TEMPERANCE. (Rev. Joseph Cook, Association Hall, N. Y.) So far as drunkenness depends on open temptations

In New York City there are 8,000 licensed and front, and make allowance of streets of standard size, and your grogshops make a solid line thirtyfive miles long. Church property in the United States, all massed together, is worth only three hundred and fifty-four millions of dollars. The drink bill of the United States is seven hundred with the ship building trades, of boiler-makers and millions of dollars a year. That is an estimate of the National Bureau of Statistics. There is no

lation it may be provided that in the State of Illi- permanent provision of this character, but aliment

nois the question of licensing at any time, in any locality, the sale of any and all intoxicating drinks, acluding wine and beer, be submitted to and determined by ballot, in which women of lawful age shall be privileged to take part, in the same manner and under only such restrictions as obtain in reference to voting by men on the question of license." The Massachusetts Temperance Union passes this resolution : "That, while we disavow any connection with the general movement for giving the bellot to women, we yet believe that women should have the right to vote on all questions relating to the legislation on the liquor traffle, and we hereby resolve that we will petition the Legislature for the right until it is granted to us.' Let the thunder be heard in your City Hall and Legislature, and heard loudly, for politicians are not likely to take the lead on this subject. After ten years of experience of woman's suffrage, Wyoming Territory, by the voice of three of her Governors, proclaims it a success. In New Hampshire the line has already been broken as to the exclusion of women from participation in the settlement of questions closely touching the home. Let it be noticed that New Hampshire, a conservative New England State, has just given women the right to vote on all uestions concerning the school laws. I am not a woman suffragist Do not applaud this platform under the mistaken idea that I am a defender of extreme positions as to woman's rights. I am meditating on that theme. But this I dare say that one of the fragments of self-protection for women-namely, a right to vote concerning temperance laws, when the question of local option is p-I am willing to defend, and intend to defend. the end of the chapter. Great natural justice is minent Presbyterian clergyman of Cincinnati, has on the side of such a demand. Woman's interests btained a separation from his wife on the ground are among the chief ones concerned; and as to of desertion....The French have a monopoly of family divisions, why, they come largely from tem-

THINGS IN SHORT METRE. BY PEN AND SCISSORS.]

The Pope is about to fill the vacancies in the Sacred College by the appointment of twelve new cardinals. The deaths in New York during 1878 amount to 27,005, against 25,729 births, showing an excess of he former by 1,276.

Professor Cox, of Indiana, who recently examined the Arizona mining region, says that the mining property of Southern Arizona, once developed,

would supply the world with precious metals. Texas has 1700 convicts, of whom some five hundred are kept in prison, and the rest are hired out to work on railroads and farms. One, undergoing

a life sentence, is hired by his wife, and lives comfortably at home. The Catholics claim that their missions in China are very fruitful, and that the kindness shown the sufferers by the famine has brought many converts to the missions. The lives of many children have been saved, and the little ones, after being baptized

placed in an orphan asylum. A Good Rule.—Young ministers sometimes get restless by thinking that they are labouring in too quiet and remote a sphere. It would be well for them to remember that the best way for a man to get out of a lowly position is to be conspicuously

The Rev. Jack Walkingstick, the Rev. Poor Wolf. eleven churches, and heard the above gentlemen Next year will be the hundredth of the establish-

ment of Sunday-schools, and the Committee of the Church of England Sunday-school Institute propose commemorating the event by a series of services, conferences, and meetings of an unusually important character. The proceedings will extend from June 28, 1880, to July 4. When we hear of a woman who has allowed numerous suitors to propose marriage to her, we set her

down as a heartless coquette, as it is so easy generally to save a suitor the pain of a rejection by intimations which a noble-minded woman will know and shoved them through the aperture, which he how to give. There are ministerial coquettes who show equal heartlessness, if we can judge from the number of calls which they receive. The total number of paupers in London at the end of the fourth week in November was 81,241, of

rosponding week in 1877, these figures show an increase of 105, but as compared with 1876 and 1875 they show a decrease of 1,002 and 3,241 re-

China has a Governor-General by name Li Hung Chang. He is at the head of the progressive party in that country, whose great aim is to avoid the course pursued by the Japanese in leaning so much upon Europeans, and to develop China by Chinamen. With this view a variety of great undertakings are in contemplation-a steam navigation comstroyed, and it is feared that in consequence the pany, extensive mining operations, the gradual introduction of railroads and telegraphs, and a postal system on the ordinary model.

The Euphrates Railway is very much needed, and somehow England has got to build it, but the statement that England offers to guarantee to the Turkish Government a loan of \$125,000,000 in return for a concession by which England gains the right to build the railway and to hold five acres of land on The great distress consequent upon the commer- every mile of the railway, and to establish on land granted for the purpose a colony of 100,000 Europeans, and also to hold the revenues of Bassora, should be having British influence predominant indeed in Asiatic Turkey. And responsible for its

The Psalms in Scotch. - Following is Dr. P. Hatley Waddell's translation of the 23d psalm from Hebrew into the Scottish dialect

The Lord is my herd, nae want sal fa' me: Hea louts me till lie amang green bowers; he airts me atowre by the lown watis: He waukens my wa'

A correspondent, in Turkey, of the Christain Union, calls attention to the fact, that slavery, in its worst slaves are bought and sold every day in Constantinople. An earnest appeal is made to the moral thorities in Constantinople hesitating to take decided ground on account of political embarrassments; but such a condition of things cannot long be en-

learn that amorg the total of about 2,000 men in Glasgow and suburbs, between 1,300 and 1,400 are mlicensed places for the sale of liquor. Put all unemployed. The total number of joiners in the those shops in a line, allow them each twenty feet city is somewhere about 2,500, and of these fully 1,000 are unemployed. The painters number about 1,200, and fully 900, are out of work; the plumbers about 550, and 49 are idle, glaziers about 170, and about 60 are unemployed, Again, in connection iron shipbuilders, the total number in the Glasgow district-which comprises Glasgow, Govan, Parick, Whiteinch, and Dalmuir-is 1,336. Of these The queen of lecturesses, Mrs. Livermore, a lady | 80 are described as out of work and 160 on strike. whose eloquence has had a larger public recognition Of blacksmiths the total number in the district is than that of any other woman in ancient or modern than that of any other woman in ancient or modern 1,700, of whom 100 are out of enployment; of Temperance Union, and informs New England that | engineers 4,000, of whom fully 500 are idle. In THE NEW BRUNSWICK LEGISLATURE is to meet on the seaboard and the Mississippi Valley are to unite addition, there are about 1,200 shipjoiners and moured that the Government has determined on a 10 per cent. reduction all round, including the salaries of the Ministers, also of officials in inside and Searcher, St. John, has been superannuated.

The Data and the Mississippi valley are to unite in asking a vote for woman in regard to the temperance laws. The language of the West and that of the East are nearly the same. The Chicago women say: "We petition that by suitable legisby the several societies. The masons have no lation it may be recorded that in the State of the several societies. The masons have no lation it may be recorded that in the State of the several societies.