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THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

To any new subscriber paying \$2.00, we will send the INTELLIGENCER from the date of receiving the money till January 1st, many renewals for the next year. A few have the rum-sellers give an equivalent for the \$75,000. 1881. By taking advantage of this offer, already come. Will the friends of the paper new subscribers will receive the paper for everywhere do us the favour of being prompt as the remainder of 1879 FREE!

THE INTELLIGENCER FOR 1880.

Being now within a month of the close of the present volume of the INTELLIGENCER, it is fitting | Saint John, N. B. to make announcement of what may be expected in 1880.

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TERMS AND NOTICES.

INTELLIGENCER, Fredericton, N. B.

THE PAST.

Of the INTELLIGENCER's past it is scarcely necessary to say anything. In another month it will be dressed, REV. JOSEPH McLEOD, P. O. Box 81, Frederic twenty-seven years of age. While it has not been "read and known of all men," it has been read by a large number, and to them its record is well known. We are willing that they should sit in judgment upon it; and we feel assured that, although they may be able to point out defects of greater or less magnitude, they will freely accord it the credit of having SAINT JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER, 5, 1879 been true to the platform of principles announce by its originator

GOOD READING.

This is a reading age. It is of highest importance that the papers as well as books read by the many churches. We guess this preacher under families of the country be of the right kind. Where stood the matter. There is nothing like work and people are able they should take a good secular plenty of it, to promote church health. The paper. We say "good," for there are too many that cannot be so classed. They are enterprising in gathering news, they treat many questions with of laziness are almost more than can be numbered much ability, and give a dash of spiciness to all Go to work ! they contain, but, unhappily, they contain a great deal that does harm to all who read. Criminal actions, immoralities, gambling transactions, and a host of things in the same line, are constantly re ported with the greatest particularity of detail. Not only are readers familiarized with these bad things, but the reports are clad in such phraseology that not infrequently the actors in the worst deeds are limit of the pastorate, and the English Wesleyan exalted into a sort of heroes. Against papers of this class good poople cannot too carefully guard their homes and dear ones. Then there is an army of foreign papers of the most wretched description in Philadelphia, and nine ministers. freely circulating through the country. They are published at a low price, some of them are "illustrated," and all are made more taking by premiums in the shape of cheap chromos. They may contain some good things, but the bulk of their contents is of the most vitiating character. The "stories" and other things they contain are full of moral poison. But they are cheap, and that seems enough to com-mend them. Such "cheap" things are dear at take steps to prevent their circulation throughout

Good reading is what the families of this country need. And they will find it in the religious papers postal service of any country should be allowed to of the country. Every family should subscribe for be used for the dissemination of moral pestilence. a religious journal. If they are able to take more than one, let them select carefully a good secular newspaper also. If they are able to take but one, but correctly stated by a writer in the Observer thus let that be a religious one which furnishes a synopsis of all important secular news each week.

THE FUTURE.

Looking towards another year we wish to say to for the natural and legitimate resistance of the our patrons that the INTELLIGENCER will not forget its mission ; it will be true to its record of more tribe to these encroachments ; fourth, an Indian than a quarter of a century on all matters that may war to punish the tribe for defending their treaty properly be discussed in its columns. The past is rights. our chief guarantee for the future.

It will be an Evangelical family newspaper. It will most carefully exclude from its columns every altogether disgraceful to them. They might take harmful thing. It will contain evangelical sermons, a lesson from Canadians in the matter. by, Christian experience, help

RENEWALS. thoughtful man to think the matter over, and then The last month of the year should bring us- say what his conclusion is. It is no use to say that Neither in themselves, their families nor their

property are any of the purchasers better for having expended the money; and the great majority of these are infinitely worse in every respect. There are very few papers in this country that now take ground in favour of the rum-trade. To do so is coming to be considered somewhat disre-THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER is published weekly, om the office of BARNES & Co., Prince Wm. Street putable. We are very sorry to notice that the Farmer's sympathy is on the rum side. It is making Terms : \$2.00 a Year, in advance. a mistake in two ways, (1) it is helping a business RT All exchanges should be addressed, RELIGIOUS destructive of every good thing in society, and (2) IT All communications for insertion should be ad-

armers of this country will not long support : paper which supports the rum-trade. We hope the Farmer may change its course, both for its own sake and in the interests of good society. THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

" Overfed and underworked "-according to : recent preacher-is the cause of the weakness of churches and individual Christians who are dying

--- A new branch of Methodism has taken organized form in the United States. It embraces a por tion of the Methodists who are dissatisfied with the Government of the M. E. Church. The chief prin-

the abolition of hanging by the substitution. What of faith and practice.

t may result in can scarcely be correctly conject-Christianity has won many victories, which would ared; though if the press were agreed in favouring have been utterly impossible if her attitude had ome "humane" substitute there can be no doubt been simply negative. Let none therefore be dethat public opinion would very soon strongly favor ceived who would embrace the truth. We enter the vineyard not to be idle, but for aggressive

We do not propose to discuss the question of work. apital punishment for murder ; but simply to state

ur agreement with those who, believing in it hink some other mode of putting the criminal to death ought to be adopted. The objections to he method now in vogue are many. The Watchan some time ago named three chief objections

vithout mistakes, and barbarous when in the hands of a bungler as it often is. The first objection had nore force when executions were public. They are yet in some places ; but in the majority of cases they are now private we think, being witnessed only by the officials and a very few others. But as o the bungling, &c., the objections have full

details of the appalling results.

The blunders of sheriffs in hanging the condemn-

furious denunciation of the sentence, based solely

NEGATIVE RELIGION.

or a leniency that would lead to murder.

ian gives his lancet.

orce, and there is scarcely an execution

The great Gentile missionary shows us in theory and in practice what he understood Christianity to be. Paul's religion was both negative and, like his Master's, pre-eminently positive. This beloved and zealous apostle knew what it was to keep the body in subjection, and he was familiar with suffering for Christ's sake. Mark his words : "Of the Jews, five times received I forty stripes save one, thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by my own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the it is paving the way for its own death, for the sea, in perils among false brethren," &c., &c. Christianity implies aggressive work ; its attitude is not only defensive, but it is offensive. Our Lord came into the world to bring peace, but first the sword. By the truth the world was to be set at variance, and the history of the Church proves

the truthfulness of Christ's declaration. As in the infancy of the church, sc now, Zion can only gain The question of capital punishment has received, her conquests through valiant-hearted men. Says irst and last, considerable discussion. There is Paul, take unto you the whole armour of Christ. never an execution but the discussion is revived, And, reader, we are to be as true to the Captain o and the old arguments on both sides are gone over our salvation and as loyal to the old blood-stained again. Occasionally official statements and statis- banner as our Saviour was true to us on Calvary tics are given which at first glance seem to prove And we must not overlook the most difficult part o that capital punishment is no preventive of crime; the sacred drill. If loyal to God, we will establish and then other and presumably equally reliable our moral heroism as willingly at the mouth of the official statements and statistics are forthcoming collection box as thousands have their patriotism at which seem as clearly to prove the other side of the the mouth of the cannon. There is no point where question, viz.: that capital punishment is a most the Church is more liable to tarnish its honor than effective preventive of the higher crimes. And in the pratical work of benevolence, and the world so the controversy goes on, and probably will go looks on and in no unmistakable voice whispers

ridicule. Positive Christianity attacks the enemy Now and again by those who believe that man- in his strongest holds, and establishes its genuineness laying should be punished by taking away the life at the point of the financial bayonet or at the marf the man-slayer have advocated the adoption of tyr's stake. He who was rich, but for our sake's beome other mode of execution than hanging. Re- come poor, plainly demonstrated by His life the ently there has been a revival of the agitation for | nature of Christianity, and that life is our best rule

THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

- Temperance sentiment is strong in Truro, N. Several rumsellers have been fined and imprisoned lately. Some of them are now in jail-a very proper place for them, no doubt. gainst hanging as,-theatrical, difficult to practice Mr. J. R. Pidgeon, President of the Provincial

INDIA LETTER.

MIDNAPORE, India, Oct. 14, 1879. DEAR INTELLIGENCER : This is the last month of the rains." We are getting considerable rain for so late in the season, but it will help ripen the rice, which suffered much for lack of rain in the early part of the season. There will not be a full crop, perhaps not more than half, or at most two-thirds of a crop. The market price of everything in this part of India depends on that of rice. When the rice crop fails, every thing is high ; when there is plenty of rice, every thing is low. I am not looking for anything like a famine this year, but shall be surprised if there is not a great deal of real suffering among the poor people.

The glorious north breeze is beginning to blow, which indicates that the cool season is coming Thank God for a few weeks of cool weather in this limate, How we build our hopes of health on these ! How could we live without them ? We are already making plans for country work, for tours into the district, The tents that have been packed away for eight months are now moving out of their hiding-places and being fitted up for ser-

vice. The old carts, with their date-leaf-mat covers. are being repaired, and the bullocks are being fed up for hard work. Soon the book and medicine poxes will be packed, and the workers will be startng out to publish the blessed gospel of salvation to he multitudes who have no other opportunity for hearing it than this, when it is brought to their own door by the living preacher himself. May all who go forth as preachers have the spirit and the blessig of the Master.

The Bible school is just closing its first year. The annual examinations are now being held. This has been only a preparatory year, and next spring we hope the regular course will be begun by our first class. There are sixteen young men undergoing examination now, and I trust a few will be able to enter the regular course next year. We shall gain, I think, by being pretty strict about these examina tions this year, so that future applicants may understand that they must be studious and thorough in order to gain admittance to the school. While I have had no particular reason to complain this year, still I have had students of all sorts, just like any

other school of this kind. On the whole, however, quite a number of these young men will be employ- respect most successful. The Secretary, Mr. Isaac ed in missionary work in the country. Would they S. Vanwart, made a full and interesting report of

forthwith.

Harbou Resolved, That Rev. Wm. Downey visit Yarmouth | workmen engaged in excavating for the New Parand Session Hill Pastorates.

Resolved, That Rev. T. O. DeWitt visit Tusket, Ply-Argyle and Pubnico.

River and Kempt pastorates. place between this and 1st February next.

ings and communicate with the delegates appointed. | don through the aid of Mr. Gladstone. Resolved, That all Ministers residing on the Pas-

torates be requested to take part in the meetings. Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the friends of East Pubnico for their kind and generous hospitality

RAVAGES OF DIPHTHERIA .--- Every week the paers contain notes of deaths by diphtheria in these rovinces. Sometimes whole families are carried of him and using words to characterize his conduct off. But the most distressing account of the ravages neither very becoming nor very complimentary of this dreadful disease come from Russia. A late ccount says that in some sections of the country, the children have nearly all died from its effects. about it. They take it for granted that he knows In Odessa, since May last, diphtheria took 77 per all the facts of the case. "He might have seen cent. of the children, and in Strurapol in four they were not in church for one or even for two months one-half of the infant population fell victims. In Kisheneff and in the vicinity of Kieff and Poltava the epidemic has been raging all are that he knew nothing about their being "cff for two years without interruption. In the their usual." Before they write such bitter things

village of Kapleonofkain, the government of Kharkaff, fifty children died in two weeks. In the hamlet of Nakomabka two hundred infants have earnest painstaking pastor has had the very life died since January last, in addition to a large number of adults. In the village of Tamorofka not one child escaped the epidemic. The Maripol District showed an average daily death roll of ten. Many what he ought to be, a sort of local cyclopedia with other towns show equally as large mortality from the disease. The government has appointed a special commission to investigate it.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONCERT. -- We have just re-During the approaching cool season we hope concert was given on the 15th ult., and was in every need the information.

were all fully fitted for this important work. They, the work of the school during the six months then

by the increased valuation of land along the route

as men elsewhere, must learn largely by experience, ended. There were recitations and singing by the Papists often deny that they ever put Christians Lodge of the United Temperance Association in and we shall give them all chance for experience. members of the school, and addresses by Mr. S. L. They might as well deny that they have had a Pope. this Province, has been holding temperance meet- During these cold season tours one feels as never T. Wiggins, the teacher of the District School, who It is as certain as the chronicles of past times can ings in Kings Co. lately, and with good effect. His before the need of more workers in this large and was also Superintendent of the Sabbath School, and make it. The story, as told by Prescott, Froude neeting at Sussex seems to have made a good im- destitute field. When we come to divide up the by Messrs. E. W. Slipp, and Isaac S. Vanwart. real to torture one's nerves now. But let one go pression, and it is likely a Lodge of the U. T. A. land that should be traversed, and find that over Miss Laura M. Vanwart presided at the organ. into the Salle de Inquisition in Genea, see and will be started there. It is needed. Success to it. very much of it no missionary and no native preach- Judging from the long programme of music, recita- handle the implements of forture there, the thumber either, will be able to sow the good seed of the tions and dialogues great pains had been taken to screw, rack, pinchers, fetters, eye-burners the iron -The Young Ladies' League of Cleveland, Ohio, kingdom, for the field is so large and the toilers so give a good entertainment, and the effort was emi-evidence that these dark dungeons and horrible at which something does not happen greatly horri- numbering several hundred of those in the few, then do we feel to cry out for help. When nently successful. We congratulate our friends in implements have witnessed scenes of tort Woodville on the success of the school, and hope as these historians have described. What a caritheir efforts in behalf of the young may be crowned cature of Christianity is a Church that holds the fealty of its members by such terrors ; and even in with abundant success. Protestant lands, hunts and hounds them till they fear for their lives, if they venture to think for COWARDLY .- A young woman, who lately served themselves, and are Bible Christians instead of the Evangelical Alliance for the Week of Prayer, State Prison, found means of education, and bepapists ! There are very few Catholic converts in other Churches who have not had their lives threatcoming thoroughly reformed and a Christian left the ened for the change. Sunday, Jan. 4.-Sermons on the "Fullness of prison in appearance a lady. She was employed by a dry-goods firm in Portland as saleswoman, and

of Home Missions, and that arrangements be made | both inveterate smokers, and both suffer from dyspepsia.... Dr. Holland calls a man who steals his Resolved, That Rev. T. H. Siddall visit the fol- preaching a Sunday bummer Charleston, S. C., wing pastorates : Cape Island, Barrington, Port has had its first fall of snow within ten years.

Latour, Barrington Centre, Wood's Harbour, Shag Hundreds of school children had never seen snow before Three skeletons have been discovered by

liament building, Quebec..... He who lives for money, cannot die for God Whether old age is

mouth, Salmon River, Little River, Glenwood, to be respected or not, depends much whether it applies to men and women, or poultry The cattle Resolved, That Rev. W. Weston, visit Beaver plague has broken out violently in Poland The

grape crop of Switzerland is a failure Shad have Resolved, That all the visits to said Churches take been domesticated in Lake Ontario. The rabbi of the Jewish synagague at Strasburg has become a Resolved, That the pastors on the different Pastor- | convert to Christianity It is said that a branch ates make arrangements for holding the said meet- of the Old Catholic sect is to be established in Lon-

CURRENT TOPICS. WHO IS TO BLAME ?

(Can. Presbyterian.)

Every minister knows to his sorrow, and some times to his annoyance, how some of his members. when sick will lie for days and fret over his supposed neglect, thinking all imaginable hard thoughts while all the time they have never taken any trouble nor have any of their household, to let him know the fact of their sickness or anything whatever Sabbath days." Yes, he might or he might not, but the fact of such absence did not necessaril imply sickness at all, and at any rate the likelihood in judgment against him they might at any rate send him word and thus meet at once the law of charity and the direction of the apostle. Many an fretted out of him by such foolish unreasonable grumbling and fault-finding. The minister is not omniscient. He is not supposed to be gathering all the gossip and news of the district. He is not. full information down to the latest date of who may

have been born, who married, who sick, and who dead. And if he is ignorant of such items, does it follow that his ignorance is of a culpable descrip tion ? In many cases very far from it, and, at any I have been well pleased with the painstaking and ceived an account of a concert given by the Sabbath Even Christ himself got notification of the sickness rate, the ignorance can very easily be removed devotion to study exhibited by almost all the pupils. School in Woodville, Hampstead, Q. County. The of His friend, though in one respect He did not

STUBBORN FACTS.

(Christian Advocate.)

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for aged Christians and young Christians, encourage life, gems of Christian thought from all sources,in a word every available good thing, as becometh a Christian journal.

SABBATH SCHOOL WORK will receive more atten-Sabbath School Lessons now in almost universal Lise. We trust these may be a great help to the faithful Sabbath school workers who read our paper.

not be neglected in the INTELLIGENCER. Stories, sweet and helpful, will be provided for them, and lots of things which they will enjoy. The Puzzle Department, too-in which so many of them have taken an interest-will be continued if possible. We are of the opinion that too much attention can- fewer and less debased. not be given the young ; and we wish to contribute our share towards turning their precions lives in the right direction. We will do this not only by what we may provide for them, but also by helpful hints, suggestions and counsels to parents.

in the marked progress of the temperance sentiment, remains much to be done ; and we are pledged to do all we can to carry on the agitation till the people, recognizing the accursed traffic as "the giganic crime of crimes," shall make an end of it.

individuals may consider the INTELLIGENCER their Though now sin-stained and imperfect, your raisworn foe; and all movements that aim to make communities or individuals moral, may rely on it as their firm friend and helper.

of the world by the servants of Christ. Of these things the people desire to know, at least they need to know. Our readers will be kept informed ; and we trust the knowledge they may receive of what others are doing may be an incentive to more and better Christian doing on their part.

SECULAR NEWS. -- Of secular news, both home and foreign, we will each week give as full a synopsis as possible. Knowing that many subscribers ment. We shall not do less, but rather more, if more than liberal-may become "loose. possible, in the next year. We are anxious to adapt the paper to those who can take but one, giving them the religious and secular at one price.

FREE BAPTISTS.

The INTELLIGENCER has subscribers in all Protestant denominations. We have been gladdened by their words of commendation a great many times. We wish to keep them on the list of our-patrons, and hope they may never have cause to think less of the paper than they do now.

Yet it is upon Free Baptists the paper has strongest claim, and to them especially it looks for support. While it was established and has been conducted in the interests of Evangelical Christianity as a whole, it had in view from the first and has it view yet, the building up of the Free Baptist Deor little to the success, it is an undeniable fact that during the years of this paper's existence the Denomination has made very rapid progress, and has their Christ-like spirit and martyr zeal." grown greatly stronger in those things essential to real permanency

The paper is the acknowledged organ of the Denomination. It is set for the advocacy and defense of Free Baptist principles. It contains news of the work of the Denomination; and is a medium through which its ministers and others may communicate with each other, the churches and the public.

HOW FRIENDS MAY HELP.

To the Free Baptists who are now subscribers we

- How common it is in denouncing vice to aim "It is difficult for one who is not accustomed to the 1,800 meals have been given to poor girls the past ment to Christian workers, incidents in Christian all the shots at the vicious poor, the corrupt and work to hang a criminal without bungling. It year, and 174 situations been found for them. This criminals in the back streets, those who have very would be easy to shoot the criminal with infallible League takes charge of children's temperance meet-

The treatment of the Indians by our neighbors i

system of making appointments. Already this

Church has twelve appointments, ten of which are

- United States papers are commending the

Postmaster General of Canada for having taken se

decisive action towards preventing the passage

through the mails from the U.S. to this country

of the Police Gazette and like grossly immoral pub-

their country. It is certaintly too bad that the

The Indian Policy of the United States is briefly

"First, the removal of a tribe to a new reservation

second, at an early date and proper time encroach

ments by whites on the reservation ; third, allow

weakness, &c. It is a mistake. The vice that is But there are so many possibilities of mistakes in The young people-even the very youngest-will hidden under "society" tinsel is the worst vice, the complicated arrangements of the gallows that and should be struck to death. " Let society strike not a few are strangled slowly in the air. It is

the sinners in broadcloth as impartially as the sin- claimed that even under such circumstances death ners in rags, and the general atmosphere will be- is painless, nay, that the sensations attending it become more wholesome-the waifs and strays both come delightful after a little while. But there

- Many Christians feel at times that their lives are burdened, and that they are almost alone. They where the sentence is properly carried out. The are tempted to discouragement, perhaps to aban-

TEMPERANCE. - As always, the INTELLIGENCER's don the struggle against the world, the flesh and the mistakable. Regarding the liquor traffic as the fis this one of the hard times? Here is good advice; giant evil of the day, we will, in the ways that seem heed it ; " Hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown." Are you one of the few in we do not shut our eyes to the fact that there yet the Sardis Church who have not defiled their garments with worldliness? Are you one of the Phila. delphia Church with little strength and a great opportunity? Persevere till God giveth thee vic All things affecting the morals of communities or | tory. Listen to the promise and the hope of God.

ment shall be white, your soul pure ; though now which oppose the death-penalty appeal almost exunknown and unrecognized, your name is recorded clusively to the horror of the reader. And if we CHRISTIAN WORK .- Of the progress of Christian by God in His book, and you shall be confessed by work we shall give a full and faithful record. Great Christ before God and the holy angels ; though now and the consequent increase of violence, it is from

a pilgrim, you shall become a pillar in God's temple, this source. Every strangulation is followed by a which shall be your everlasting home. - Bigotry is a despicable thing-offensive to God and disgusting to sensible men. Church loyalty i a good thing-pleasing to God and commended h

all good men. Sometimes, unconsciously : doubt, one drifts from loyalty to bigotry. This of the INTELLIGENCER take no other paper we have should be guarded against. There is also danger always been careful to have a full News Depart- that in the desire to avoid bigotry one may become

The highest form of Church loyalty is to exhibit its highest spiritual life and possibilities. "Bet ter," says Zion's Herald, " than any loud-voiced poasting of self-commendation, better than the labored grouping of the grand accomplishments of a church, better even than a triumphant defence o its polity and power, are the holy walk, the humble

temper, the ready self-sacrifice, the efficient Evangelical services of its disciples. Nothing is more ridiculous than the sight of a pretentious youth taking upon himself high airs on account of the confessed greatness of his father, while his own personal claims to respect are without foundation nomination in these Provinces. It is not for us to We are the sons of honored fathers, ourselves only say how much success has attended its labors in this honored as we emulate their heroic virtues. We direction. But whether it has contributed much honor them most, not by shouting their praises, but by following in their footsteps and exhibiting

> - Who has not noticed that every time a glaring custom will not much longer perpetuate the display, wrong has been done by one in any way connected the bungling, the torture, which too often attend with a Church or any Christian or moral institution, hanging.

papers and people of a certain class raise a great cry about the matter. In telling the story of wrong-doing, much stress is laid upon the fact that the culprit was connected with the church, was a

There is a difference between Christianity and re-Looking forward to another year we feel strongly prominent Christian, &c., &c.; and there seems to thing as negative Christianity, no more than nega- that labor," &c., &c., Matt. xi. 28-30, also John vi. that the paper ought to be introduced to hundreds be a disposition to make the professed Christian tive holiness. Christianity implies doing right, as 35 and 45. be a disposition to make the professed Christian tive holiness. Christianity implies doing right, as character of the man in some way responsible for well as not doing wrong, it is both negative and whilst Jesus Christ says, "I am the door," &c., To the Free Baptists who are now subscribers we have to appeal to make an effort to introduce to the his evil deed. No notice is taken of the number- positive. To suppress the vices is all well enough John x. 7, 9. have to appeal to make an effort to introduce to the non-subscribing ones. If each will do a little the less bad things done by others, while the one done so far as it goes, and this may be regarded a re-3. The Romish Church teaches that we must East Pubnico, N. S., was dedicated on Sunday, aggregate will be a great benefit to the paper and a by a hypocrite or a well-meaning, but sadly-weak ligious act, but this falls far short of reaching the honor Mary as the Mediator between God and man Nov. 23d. It is a neat, solid place of worship and Christian, is heralded with a gleeful flourish of doctrine of the Sermon on the Mount and therefore -an inveterate error invented by Satan and his tified. The ministers especially may help in the way suggested in an article addressed to them last trumpets. This manner of treating wrong-doing trumpets. This manner of treating wrong-doing the provide the serminon on the mount and therefore cannot save us. This negative religion was saving one God, and one Mediator between God and man, by men connected with Christian work, though not in its nature during the antedeluvian period, and the man Christ Jesus," &c., and John vi. 6, 8; There are other ways in which the co-operation so intended, is really a compliment to Christianity. perhaps under the Jewish dispensation, but it is xvi. 26, 27. of the ministers with the INTELLIGENCER is desir- The S. S. Times says, "It shows that better things not now. are looked for among Sunday School teachers and "Thou shalt not," is the negative part of Chris-The INTELLIGENCER wants to commence 1880 other Christian workers than among other classes when it will be a matter of like surprise that a member of Congress, or a lawyer, or a bank presi-the stature of men in Christ or develop into the I deny the Pope and all his ordinances ; and I con-2. The friends of the paper should make an er-fort to secure new subscribers. Each one get one dent, is caught stealing. And we hope the time full corn in the ear. In speaking of those very sent to be excommunicated by him who was excomwill never come when it would seem less strange classes to which I have refered, our Lord shows us municated by God. than now that a Sunday School teacher should be plainly, in the 25th of Matthew, the difference in iishonest or otherwise unworthy. the reward of negative and positive religion : " Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand. - The Maritime Farmer in an article on Freder come ye blessed of my Father inherit the kindom icton affairs mourns over the loss of the money the prepared for you from the foundation of the world." City might receive for liquor licenses. It says : "The city loses from the abolition of the liquor Why so? "For I was an hungered and ye gave icenses. Staunch temperance people will think it me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me drink," etc., no loss, but it is a loss nevertheless. etc. Giving meat and drink and shelter and There are two sides to this question. The clothes, and visiting the sick, &c., are positive acts, Farmer sees but one side. Let us direct attention and the reward of such as do this from right moto the other. When Fredericton granted twenty tives will be, "come ye blessed of my Father," &c. liquor licenses the treasury of the City was enriched | But this reward will not be given to negative re-

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little ambition above vice and crime. The more precision. It would not be difficult to behead him ings held at the five Friendly Inns (places where polished and pretentious, the "good families" fel- with a single blow of the axe, or at least to sever Gospel temperance meetings are held), has sewing tion than heretofore. We are endeavoring to make lows are lightly touched, or more frequently not the spinal cord, and thus put an end in an instant schools, and in all ways lends its influence for total arrangements for the publication of Notes on the touched at all. Their vice is covered up, or, if to pain and to life. Or chloroform might be ad- abstinence. And it is telling largely on the habits mentioned at all, is spoken of as a pardonable ministered by any one in quantity sufficient to kill. of the young men of the city.

> - The Presbyterian Witness thinks, "many a generous-hearted man has been in the trade (rumselling) for very many years, and he sees nothing wrong in it.

We cannot understand how it can be. A "genrous-hearted man" may sometimes have gone into must be a moment or two of agony before the apthe trade, but that he could still be generous-heartproach of unconsciousness. And the law does not ed after spending many years in the trade is beyond contemplate torture. Nor is there any torture our power to conceive. And how a " generoushearted " man can persuade himself there is nothing people ; for peace and religious liberty. difficulty is that sheriffs seldom have more than one wrong in the trade is also more than we can underor two executions during their term of office ; they

come to the awful duty with neither knowledge nor But our contemporary puts the matter pithily, coolness, for these are acquired only by practice. In when, in the same article, he says : " On the other a very large precentage of cases they commit mistakes hand, when the rumseller is the means of bringing of the most serious nature, and the daily papers your father or brother, your son or daughter, your feed the popular appetite for horrors with elaborate

wife or mother to the grave of the suicide or the damned drunkard-when there is unspeakable woe where there was nothing bot happiness-when the ed constitute the real weight of the popular argument against capital punishment. In books more life to come-how do you feel about the trade, and any fail to receive them they will be supplied by This change in the Cooke affairs has been wrought serious objections are advanced. But those papers

That has the true ring. What can one think of the trade and the men who do such things ? Can the man be "generous-hearted" who knows such to be the direct, the inevitable fruit of his doing ? -The Life-Boat about expresses our sentiments Esq

upon the manner in which it was carried out. when it says,--" We have an unlimited amount of Those who are deeply concerned for the repression charity for all, the devil only excepted ; but it is of crime should strive to remove this standard plea becoming a question in our mind whether charity should be extended to his willing agents and tools. It would not be difficult to construct an instrument When he tempted our first parents in Eden, and the Sec-Treasurer. y which death could be administered in an instant brought down upon the race the terrible judgments ithout pain, without the possibility of error on of the Almighty, he laid the foundation of the gi

the part of the executioner, and without theatrical gantic citadel of sin, and afterwards crowned the effect. Let the prisoner be seated in a chair like whole structure by the diabolical invention of alco that used for the purpose in Spain ; but instead of hol, the fruits of which have been borne along rangulation, which is practised there, let a sharp through the ages, ever deepening, ever widening, blade, when a spring is touched, sever the spinal His agents are found by the score in every city and ord at the base of the brain. The criminal would village all over our land-the rumsellers ; men who not know when the blow came ; there would be no see the results of the traffic about them every day. ensation. And, as the whole appliance would be a and yet for gain will steadily persist in dealing out at nachine of the most simple construction, and easily the bidding of their master that which they know ested, there would be no instance of failure. The to be poison. We are losing all pity for them ; only action necessary on the part of the officer our charity for such we feel is fast oozing out. ould be a touch as light as that which the physic-

AN ABJURATION.

If our subject is ghastly, it is far less so than the Rev. Mr. Paradis, of Grand Falls, N. B., the lunders we seek to render impossible, or the mur-Protestant missionary to the French Catholics in ders which will follow when the horror of the peo- Madawaska County, writes to the Presbyterian Witple leads to the abolition of capital punishment. ness of the abjuration of Mons. Roy, a young man It is sometimes necessary for us to think of the who has been studying with the Priesthood in may be effected this winter all along these shores. disagreeable in order to do away with it. We are view. The following is the young man's letter to It is truly wonderful to behold what God will do quite sure that even the argument of immemorial Father O'Leary, the priest at Grand Falls : Mr. J. J. O'Leary, P. P .:

Having read and studied the Holy Scriptures that the teachings of the Church of Rome differ widely from those of the Bible. In the first place, the Romish Church teaches that we must honor ligion. I think it safe to say that there is no such shows the contrary, e. g., "Come unto me all ye

ew Brunswick have her own missionary here J. L. P.

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THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The following is the programme suggested by January 4-10, 1880

Christ's Salvation Monday, Jan. 5 .- Thanksgiving for the blessings | gave perfect satisfaction to her employers, till one of the past year, and prayer for their continuance. day a wealthy lady of the place entered the store Tuesday, Jan. 6 .- Confession of sin, and humiliand recognized her. Calling the proprietor aside, she ation before God.

Wednesday, Jan. 7 .- Prayer for the Church of He replied that he knew it, but that she had done Christ, its ministers, its growth in grace, and its her duty faithfully, and that they were well satisenlargement ; and for revivals of religion through fied with her. "Well," said the lady, "if you out our country. keep her in your store I will neither trade with you

Thursday, Jan. 8.- Prayer for Christian education ; for the family, and institutions of learning ; or Sunday Schools, and Christian Associations. Friday, Jan. 9.-Prayer for nations, rulers and Saturday, Jan. 10.-Prayer for Home and For ign Missions; for the out-pouring of the Spirit upon all flesh, and the conversion of the world. mer and merchant met.

DENOMINATIONAL.

TRACEY MILLS, C. Co.-The meeting house Tracey Mills has been undergoing repairs.

THE MINUTES of the last Conference are printed, ruin is such as cannot be healed in this life or the and are now being distributed to the churches. If writing to Mr. D. McLeod Vince, Woodstock.

> NOVA SCOTIA HOME MISSION SOCIETY, -A meeting of Executive was held at East Pubnico on Monday last. Present, Revs. Wm. Downey, J. I. Porter, T. O. DeWitt, W. Weston and Amos Scott,

Resolved, That the Secretary-Treasurer be inliabilities are cleared.

T. H. SIDDALL, Sec-Treasurer.

FREDERICTON.-The Pastor of the Fredericton for the present of two fine carpets, one of them in- been a physician in good practice, and died of grief. tion have a way of doing pleasant, generous acts in the family. a most delicate way. The Pastor feels deeper thanks than he can well express for the present and many other kind deeds they have done for him and his Rome, speaks of the Pope and his interviews with

family. He hopes they experience the truth of the him, in enthusiastic terms. He says the Pope declaration :--- " Inasmuch as ye have done it to " asked very particularly about the archdioceseone of the least of these my servants ye have done its extent, the number of Catholics and Protestants, it unto me."

commonded great kindness and forbearance." The ARGYLE, N. S.—The work continues with grow- Archbishop says Leo is wearing himself out very The last rain fell on the 29th of July. ing interest. Last night (Monday) 90 came for- fast with his work and anxiety and his confinement. ward for prayers, and 12 professed to have found He regretted that so many of the churches in peace in believing. It was a glorious victory. Once America were in debt. It was good he thought, to more God is visiting us, and a large ingathering remember the Scripture about counting the cost.

VENNOR is out with his weather predictions when Christians get to work. Well may we rejoice for the winter of 1879-80. He does not anticipate is a marvel of both physical and intellectual vigor. and be glad when the Lord gets His children in the very heavy snow-falls, but rather what he desig- He is now in his eighty-ninth year, and more active right place. The promise is still sure, "If I be nates as " dry and extremely cold weather." The than many who have not touched seventy. carefully in order to strengthen my faith, I found lifted up I will draw all men unto me." Oh ! may neighborhood of the New Year will be again open all who are called to lift up a standard for the peo- and mild, with copious rains, and a general break estate dealer, of Detroit, on Sunday, presented

Mary as the refuge of sinners. The word of God the church and people still possess a charm to re- "dry and intensely cold"—in fact one of the cold- \$16,000 in clear cash, thus clearing every dollar of deem and save a fallen race. God grant that his est Februarys on record in a number of years. The debt that hung over the church. servants may be nothing that He may be "all in spring of 1880 is to be early, dry and warm, and is As many as 1,000 Testaments have been sold in

CREMATION. (Christian Statesman.)

The disposition of the bodies of the dead by crenation rather than interment, repugnant as it is to told him that the girl had been in the State Prison the general sentiment of Christendom, is gaining fresh and influential advocates. The Municipa Council of Berlin, a fortnight ago recomm universal adoption of the practice of cremation, myself nor suffer any of my friends to if I can help oing back to the custom which, according to it." So the proprietor, rather than lose his cus-Tacitus, was in use among the Germans a thousand years ago. At a meeting of the National Social tomer, called in the poor girl and discharged her. The above story of cruelty appears in one of the Manchester, the Bishop of that diocese delivered an science Society, held the first of this month in papers. A contemptibly weak and wicked woman, address upon the subjects of education and sanitary and a cowardly cur of a man met when that custo- science, in which, while considering the latter topic, he stated that "the disposal of the dead was a problem which must shortly be faced more practic-Good News .--- The news that the estate of Jay ally and seriously than heretofore. Cemeteries Cooke & Co., whose failure six years ago was so diswere becoming not only a difficulty but a danger in English cities." The "earth," he added signifiastrous, will not only pay the principal of the indebtcantly, " was made for the living, not for the dead.

edness, but even a part of the interest will be re- He confessed frankly that cremation was repugnant ceived with delight by the army of creditors, who to his feelings, as it is to those of most people, but had settled into the belief that only a mere pittance alleged that it was no longer a matter to be decided would be awarded them from a general wreck. health and life of the next generation. sentimental dislike, since it concerned the

UNITED STATES POLITICS. (Montreal Witness.)

of the Northern Pacific and by the enormous increase in the price of railroad stock that has been The Spirit of Militarism seems to be gaining brought about during the last ninety days .- Adground in the United States. There is no doubt that the more substantial classes of the population are thoroughly tired of being ruled in city, state and country by pandering politicians who have

SAD CASES .- The papers frequently tell sad graduated from the corner-grocery ward clubs, and stories of the reverses caused by the failure of the pettifogging lawyers, whose chief aim in life is to structed to pay all monies, pro ratio, until present Glasgow Bank. One of the latest is that a few hold places of profit and power by saying nothing weeks since a young man committed suicide after that will offend, and everything that will please the Resolved, We adjourn to meet again at the call of having endured for a whole year the loss of £30,000 in all parts of the Union. The hoodlums of the by the failure ; and by the last papers a young girl Pacific, the Ku-Klux of the South, the lynching was charged with theft by her employer at Islingcommittees of the West, the Socialist riotors ton, whose family lost their all by the failure, and Pennsylvania, and the Fenian element of the East who committed the theft to get food for her starvern cities are all regarded as natural developements Church has to thank the ladies of his congregation ing mother and two little children. Her father had hands of the lowest of the people. A limitation of tended for his study. The ladies of his congrega- The Charity Organization Society will provide for the objective point aimed at by powerful but quietly working organizations of respectable men, whe find it of little use to spend their energies in deal-ARCHBISHOP LYNCH of Toronto, writing from

ing with the political system as it stands. Meantime, General Grant and plenty of efficient soldiers

> THINGS IN SHORT METRE. BY PEN AND SCISSORS.]

if I were kind and tolerant to the latter, and re-The earth is so cracked on the prairies in Erie County, Tex., that it is dangerous to ride on them.

The last two gubernatorial canvasses of General Butler are said to have cost him two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars. This is paying rather dearly for honors sought, but not won.

For a man nearly ninety years old, Peter Cooper

ple let Jesus do his own work. The talisman of up in some localities. February he forecasts as Grace Episcopal Chuach, of that city, with a gift of

to preface an exceedingly hot and extremely dry London on a Saturday night, from the Bible carriage of Mr. Henry Moorhouse, the evangelist. For two-pence he sells a package which contains a copy of the New Testament and also some illustrated The old Dutch Church of Harlem, N. Y., is active, and is now under the pastorship of the Rev. Henry Mandeville, D. D. Sultan Abdul Hamid has \$20,000 every twentyfour hours. But he never pays his debts. The Czar has \$25,000; the Emperor of Russia about \$10,000, Kaiser Wilhelm still less, while the King of the Belgians has only \$1,500 a day. An index of all suits for divorce, brought in San Francisco, up to Jan. 1st, 1879, shows that the period aggregated 72,000. This shows that one out of every twelve suits brought was to dissolve mar-

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right. To this end several things seem necessary : of good citizens. We hope that the time will come 1. All money due it should be paid at once, and

1880 subscriptions be paid in advance. 2. The friends of the paper should make an ef-

3. An additional thousand Free Baptist families in N. B. and N. S. should become subscribers. The work of securing these devolves chiefly on the ministers. Others will help, but they have opportunities of doing more than others.

4. The work of renewal and canvassing for new subscribers ought to begin at once.

On our part, we purpose, by the help of God, making the INTELLIGENCER in 1880 better than it has ever been. Of all readers and friends of the Christian cause we ask sympathy, prayers and active assistance so far as they may be able to give them.

ARREARS.

to them two or three months ago. But a very few have responded with the cash. This is to remind them that we expect to hear

There are many subscribers in arrears. \$1,000 therefor. "Tis that \$1,000 the Farmer mourns ligion, as may be seen from this chapter in Mat-Statements of their indebtedness were sent about. At a very low estimate those twenty licensed thew, and many other passages, rum-shops took into their tills at least \$75,000 Though filled with worthy theoretical impulses.

per annum. In simple English, the City for, and and strictly moral as to the letter of the Decalogue, in consideration of \$1,000 paid into its treasury, from youth up, and though public-spirited and gave twenty men (?) the right to take \$75,000 from magnanimous in many a noble enterprise, yet our from them at once. The money they owe the citizens. Does it pay Fredericton or any City perfection must come by selling all and following Meetings in this City, on his return from Halifax.

Although the Bible gives innumerable proofs against the Romish religion, I am satisfied with the above. Accordingly Mons. le Cure, I pray you not tianity ; thou shalt, is the positive part. To sub- to consider me any longer a member of your Church. due the vices is well, but the virtues must be Knowing that the Bible must be my rule of faith strengthened and ennobled, else we shall never reach as well as that of all Christians, I abjure the Rom-

Yours, &c., FRANCOIS X. ROY.

He also went to see Father O'Leary, but the priest would have no conversation with him, threw his Testament on the floor, and ordered and then pushed him out of the room.

Mr. Paradis says M. Roy is a worthy young man. Four of his relatives are priests, and one a nun. He is anxious to be of service, and is already visiting his old friends, telling the "good news." He will probably enter the ministry.

Mr. Paradis says another person abjured the Romish faith to him on the 20th ult.

7.3 Small-pox is almost always in Ottawa. There ports from the Churches, a general discussion was is a number of cases there now.

D. Banks McKenzie for a series of Temperance S. K. West, Wm. Knollin and Wm. Downey.

A COOL RECEPTION, according to a Sun correspondent, was given a Montreal drummer by a finished in excellent style. The committee have Waterford, K. Co., trader. The Montreal man papers.

worked well and not been daunted by the pressure was very anxious to show his samples; but was of the times. The ladies by their industry and zeal quietly informed that no Montreal firm would re- among the oldest churces in America, its existence have sustained the committee with commendable ceive an order from him as long as the \$10,000 Gift dating back to the year 1660. It is still vigorously activity and devotion. It has cost \$2.000. Comto St. John remained unpaid.

mittee-B. Hines, A. Jonas Larkin, Caleb Larkin, DR. EDWARD EGGLESTON of Brooklyn, author of Edward Goodwin, and John Larkin. The dedicathe Hoosier Schoolmaster and other books, is breaktory sermon was preached by Rev. T. O. DeWitt :

Text, Matt. xvii. 4. It was an able sermon and abandon all work for the present. He has been attentively listened to by a large congregation. The trying to do the work of two men. The result is following ministers took part in the service, viz., always the same, sooner or later. Revs. J. I. Porter, W. Weston and S K. West

In the afternoon a social service was held. In the THE ENGLISH FARMERS delegation to this counevening Rev. S. K. West preached to a large congre- try is likely to bear much fruit. They have given gation, in the absence of Rev. T. H. Siddall, who so good an account of the country that large num- kinds filed in the district courts during the same on account of the stormy weather was unable to bers are contemplating seeking homes in Manitoba. leave Glenwood. All the services were profitable It is quite probable a large number will come next and interesting. season.

QUARTERLY MEETING .- The following is the con-THE WORLD MOVES, and the United States with it. It is recorded that in a late election in Virginia an clusion of the Report of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting :

On Monday at 9 o'clock the business meeting opened-Rev. W. Weston, Moderator; Clerk, had formerly been his slave !

SUNDRIES.

Amos Scott, Esq. A goodly number of members

There is a negro woman in Montgomery County, entered into on Home Mission work-the following Ga., who has become the mother of seven children 20 Report says it is in contemplation to engage taking part :- Revs. J. I. Porter, T. O. DeWitt, in the last sixteen months.... The deaths in Japan, for them, and it urges that part of this be put intofrom cholera, during the present epidemic had, up the INTELLIGENCER is needed by us to take into its treasury \$1,000 at a cost of \$75,000 Christ. Paradoxical as it may seem, "he who will The banquet to Sir John A. Macdonald in by Rev. J. I. Porter, and passed :--That meetings 000....The latest estimate of Mr. Tilden's wealth It is said that not half of the children of Kenbe held at once in all our Churches in the interest puts it at \$20,000,000 Tennyson and Carlyle are | tucky of school age are in attendance upon any school

Rev. George Nugee, founder of a number of Episcopal brotherhoods in England, has been making old politician who had been frequently elected to an extended inspection of the Episcopal Churches. the Legislature was defeated by a coloured man who of Canada. He does not think the system of brotherhoods so much needed in this country as in England.

The Mobile (Ala.) Register reckons that \$20,000,-000 will be made this year by Southern planters by the rise in crops over what they expected to get on Wedne one of his foot cut Stephen. parents re when it w to the Pu parents w Monday Inflamma was foun which res case of si who lives Portland man nam died rath his foot and as th no preca receivin which a ening de habit of stated b the wou two we

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