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### SAINT JOHN, N. B., JULY 4, 1879.

-HOME SUNSHINE. -How much this is needed Carry the sunshine from the church to the home. From the store and the social circle. Give not friends all your best graces and forget wife and family. She has been worried, and perhaps tried in patience all day with her many cares. Let the evening hours be filled with godly sunshine, "kind words never die." They have a golden influence. and quickly scatter hovering ominous clouds. Find your best friends at home. Let cheerfulness, comfort, peace and the pleasantries of soul reign there.

- HOME WITHOUT GOD is night without day. Darkness without light. Gloom without sunlight. Adversity without real sunshine. War without peace. Disease without healing. Sorrow without solace. Death without life. Oh ! the darkness of were appointed. A vote of thanks to the people a godless home. No ray of hope to cheer the evening hours. No smile of heaven to gild the morning gloom. No sweet eternal sunshine to brighten and ease the corroding cares of the domestic hearth. How different the touching picture of Burns' " Cotter's Saturday Night." So real, so beautiful.

THE EDITOR'S LETTER No. 5.

earth drank in the rain drops, and smiled ; the expended in supplying the destitute with preaching. leaves of plants, the rising grain stalks and the Revs. B. Colpitts and J. Gravinor, and Licentiate grass blades were bathed, and looked their satisfac- Hartt were engaged ; the first for two months and tion-were happy. "Just what we needed," said the others each for one month, at least, and inthe farmers, and they made merry. A marvellous structed as to the places they should visit. The change has come over the face of the whole country, and there is promise of abundance in this section.

#### A PIC-NIC.

That was a select party which, a few days ago. wended its way to Vinegar Hill. Congenial spirits were they. The distance was not great-perhaps a mile or thereabouts. The weather was propitious the time of day was well chosen-the sunset hour of a day that had been hot to a roasting degree. Nobody need laugh at the strange hour; we are bound to hold to the belief that it was well chosen, just the right hour; no hour in the day would have suited half so well. We beg most respectfully to suggest a general adoption, for pic-nic purposes, of the sunset hour. The the last Saturday in June, 1880. pic-nickers can fix the closing hour to suit themselves; we simply suggest the beginning and venture a hint that it is pleasant to let it run well along a meeting of the women interested in Foreign Misinto the beautiful soft moonlight. The old sion work was held during the session. After road from Grafton to the hill top has not a few at- mature consideration it was resolved to organize a tractions. The top soon reached, a pretty spot is District Mission Society. Officers were appointed readily chosen, the horses are secured, and in a very and a Constitution adopted. The object of the few moments the tea-kettle is singing over the fire. Society is to increase, throughout the District, in-Meantime, the cloth has been spread on the grass, laden with the dainties the thoughtful of the denomination. Each local society will send given up to the enjoyment of the hour-never Each seemed bound to contribute as much as possible to the good cheer of the party ; and the efforts good number of ladies attended the meeting, and ing a mellowing influence upon the spirits of the party. What with speech and anecdote, and perthe ride to the pic-nic ground. It makes all the sions worthy themselves and the denomination. difference in the world whether one is going up-hill or down-hill, as to speed. Woodstock, seen from the hill-top, shows to good advantage-looks a hundred per cent. better than when looked at from the boat deck, or its own | ceipts of the society for the year amounted to \$1,level. Its area is larger than the casual visitor 040,512; the issues were 3,340,995 copies of the would fancy. The trees throughout a large portion rather pleasant picture, which is well set off by the society is rapidly developing in a great many hea deep green foliage of the trees which cover the side then lands and Catholic countries. At the Paris and crown the summit of the heavy hill in the back ground .... Grafton, as seen by the pic-nickers, is very prettily situated. A beautiful flat, almost semi- Scriptures in Germany, the number having arisen circular in form, stretches away from Mr. John to 354,000 volumes, of which more than 100,000 A. Shea's at the south, to Col. Baird's at the north. It has grown to be a place of considerable activity. The steam saw-mill of Messrs. Boyer, Shaw & umes were distributed ; in Northern Russia, 253, Bragdon, and the carriage factory of Mr. D. A. 000; and in southern Russia 70,000-making a total Grant give employment to a large number of men, Of Mr. Grant's factory it is not improper to state the year just closed. - Exchange. that it is said to do more business than any establishment of the kind in this part of the country. The carriages, &c., turned out of the factory certainly reflect credit upon it, and it is said they are its chief and most effective advertisements. A number of fine residences and well-kept grounds, including those of Mr. F. H. Hale and Mr. D. A. Grant, help the appearance of the place very much. while they are indicative of the success which the enterprising owners are winning in their respective businesses....Considerable attention is given to gone. the growing of fruit trees, though not so much as in former years. The name of the place-Grafton -had its origin in the fact that for some years it was largely devoted to the cultivation of fruit.

Churches that have been without the regular min- groom cometh," they would respond, "Even so, provinces of the island istry of the word have had the least prosperity, come Lord Jesus, come quickly." These are wise. of every right-minded person for their persistent some of them having had a whole year of weakness They are wise unto salvation. They shall shine endeavors to keep temptations to drinking out of and struggle. It was always so, it will be always as the firmament. They shall be forever with the the way of the people. In almost every part of Madagascar, except Imerina, drunkenness is a fear-

so. In the evening there was preaching by Rev. Lord. W. E. Pennington, subject -- " The Spiritual Gifts." Because these things are so, I am resolved, The Sabbath began pleasantly, with apparent 1. To esteem myself in fault, and to count that promise of good weather throughout the day. But day lost, wherein nothing is done for the glory of facture or importation of ardent spirits in the cen the weather, as other things and some persons oc- God, nothing for the profit of my neighbor, nothing asionally are, was disappointing, and between noon for the good of my soul. and night there were frequent showers. These, 2. Always to do promptly what I can for increas-

however, did not dampen the devotion of the ing my knowledge, piety, and usefulness ; and not similar laws on the castern coast, where, to their people, nor perceptibly lessen the attendance at any to defer till the next hour what can be done this shame be it said, English and French traders yearly f the services. The congregations were large. moment.

There was a good prayer meeting at 9, A. M. The 3. As "he lives long, who lives well," I will try preaching was as follows : 10.30, A. M., Rev. A. to think most of the manner of spending my days, temptation by Christian teaching, civilization with-Taylor, subject-The Resurrection; 3, P. M., Rev. G. | and but little of the length of my days.

W. McDonald, subject-The Church-her strength, 4. As the number of my days is with the Lord, growth and beauty; 7, P. M., Rev. Wm. DeWare, I may well mind my own business and let him say subject-Weakness and Strength.... At the close of when, where, and how my earthly existence shall the afternoon service the ordinance of the Lord's terminate.

Supper was administered to a very large number of 5. I will try to set the Lord always before me, Christ's followers, and it was a season of much and keep in view the early and solemn close of my have a case where prohibition, after having been gleaning items of news from the churches. This peace.... The preaching and all the services of the earthly life.—Canada Presbyterian.

day were accompanied by much fervent prayer, and it is confidently expected that the good seed sown

will bear fruit to the glory of God. Monday at 8, A. m., the business of the session

DEAR INTELLIGENCER,-In your last issue rewas resumed. Much of the time was occupied with eived in our Indian home I am grieved to find an mere routine. Six delegates to General Conferenc count of the destruction by fire, of our beautiful eeting house at Carleton. This is a heavy blow for their hearty hospitality was passed; and cer

indeed for our good brethren there, but I hope they tainly no vote could be more deserved. may be blessed with the courage and faith to push Considerable time was devoted to a discussion of the needs of the Churches. The conviction was on, and put up another house, and dedicate it to general that more ministerial labor must be given the glory of God. I shall not soon forget some of the the Churches, in order to save them from weakness very pleasant seasons I was permitted to enjoy with and possibly ultimate death. It was resolved to the friends in that house now reduced to ashes. send missionaries to the most needy sections. A The human being, who did the work of an incendiconsiderable sum of money-about \$100-was ary, should have meted out to him the full penalty raised in the meeting, and the delegates pledged of the law. Even the heathen have a just regard After nine days of most beautiful sunshine, there themselves to present the matter to their Churches for the rights of such property as is solemnly concame, on Friday evening, a refreshing shower. The immediately, and raise all the money possible, to be secrated to the worship of God, and the defamer of a temple is counted no ordinary sinner.

Thank God, we have had a thunder storm at city and district, will begin to abate. Yesterday afternoon we had one of the heaviest thundermission work is to be done under the auspices of storms that I ever knew here. Rain enough fell, the H. M. Society. There is no doubt that the ourse adopted is wise, and will result in much good. | not more than two and a half inches, for the far-

t would be well if one or two missionaries were kept mers to begin ploughing, and this morning I saw onstantly employed in this District. And there is many people at work in the fields. The lightning was very sharp yesterday, and several persons were no reason why they should not be, for the District is abundantly able to support them. Bro. Colpitts will not enter upon the work appointed him for three or four weoks ; meantime he will hold a series They were out under the trees, in a very exposed of meetings at Victoria Corner ; probably, will have position, and were killed instantly. Another little ommenced them before this reaches its readers. The business of the meeting was concluded at 5, P. M., Monday. The next annual session will be held with the Church, Seventh Tier, Jacksontown, THE WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETY. According to announcement in the INTELLIGENCER, terest in the mission work undertaken by the women ladies of the party have brought in such abund- two delegates to the District society, and any lady ance. A better natured little company-one more not a member of a local society, may become a member by the payment of \$1.00 a year. The Dis-" squatted " on that hill, nor on any other hill. | trict Society will hold its meeting each year at the time and place of holding the District Meeting. A to entertain were eminently successful. Before the interest in the good work was deepened and light, giving a new charm moon sent her soft, sweet greatly extended. Miss Hooper's letters, as published in the INTELLIGENCER, are doing great good more and more for their sisters in far-off India. sonal reminiscence, &c., the hours passed all too The men should take a lesson from the women, and quickly. The ride home occupied less time than bestir themselves to do something for Foreign Mis-

intelligent person will be surprised to learn that the they at any time hear the cry, "Behold the Bride- followed the prohibition of liquor in the central

" The native authorities merit the commendation

ful source of degradation to the people, threatening the very existence of some of the coast tribes ; bu owing to the very stringent laws against the manu tral province, a drunken man is there very rarely is it to be wished that the government could enforce

pour into the country thousands of gallons of rum, and to it, Free Baptists, ministers and laymen, to the ruin of the weak and ignorant population. To these poor people, as yet unfortified against

out religion mean rum and rifles to the vices of Europeans, which often sweep them away before That it is the province of the Star to supply such they have a chance of learning what true civiliza- reading, no one will for a moment question. But traffic in alcoholic liquors.

We commend these statements to those who are sure prohibition will not prohibit, and who are sure that the Maine law is a failure, and who think that manager of the Star. It is evident he can not ocai option will only make things worse. Let us range the whole denominational field in person, freely tried, has made matters worse. The only one province and is absent from the others. This quately or at all. It is just to say there has been guess-work, reduced to a science and an art; 2, trouble in this case is that the law only exists in iquor traffic, wherever found, whether in Africa a commendable increase in this matter of church

destroyed, and will be in this country whenever cont and sacrifice their prejudices for the good of more might be done, if all the friends of the dethe nation May all good men help to hasten for- nomination and the cause of Christ would interest ward that time.

### CHRISTIAN EARNESTNESS.

ruthful and pertinent remarks on this subject : correct. If men will manifest so much earnestness

in the pursuit of that which is temporal how much more should Christians be in earnest in the pursuit last ! The air is cooler, and the small-pox and of that which is eternal ! In seeking for glory and cholera, which have been raging all around us, in honor and immortality they claim to be actuated by purer motives and stimulated by loftier and holier spirations than worldly intensts and sinister objects can supply. The very genius of Christianity is opposed to everything that is calculated to entangle the heart's affections or to bring them in bondage to the motives and maxims and manners of the unthinking and vain and irreligious world.

There are many inconsistent professors of re

killed by it in this vicinity. Among them were If any man in the world ought to be in earnest it is two lads belonging to Dr. Bacheler's Santal school. the Christian. His work is of more importance, his aims are more grand, and his reward more glorious than those of any other class of men. Christian fellow just saved his life, his hair being badly earnestness implies sincerity. A person can scarceburned, and his whole body, more or less, shocked |1y be in earnest in anything in which he is acting a by the electric charge. The two boys who were fictitious part ; much less can an insincere person killed, were buried together in one grave in our be an earnest Christian-it is as impossible as it is mission cemetery, near the chapel. One of these for a man to be honest and dishonest at the same was a Santal, and his poor mother made loud time-it involves a contradiction.

DENOMINATIONAL.

If the friends of the denomination, who can write, would send the editor local and other articles for publication, they would not only help him in making the INTELLIGENCER more interesting, but would

often relieve him somewhat in his work. Suppose they read the following article, written possessions are dissipated at an early day, and long and fully practiced. by a correspondent to the Morning Star, and change the name Star to that of INTELLIGENCER, as they seen in public; so that Imerina is one of the most read. We think they will find it quite to the point. long list of blind, deaf and dumb, insane, idiots temperate countries in the world. Most devoutly Try it friends, and then act upon the suggestions. and imbeciles who are supported at the public ex-

The Morning Star is distinctively a Free Baptist paper ; the organ of the Free Baptist churches, must look wholly for denominational news. Other classes of religious matter might be obtained from vast unoccupied lands, and boundless resources, other religious papers, but this class but seldom.

the inquiry, "How shall they hear without a

preacher ?" is applicable to the situation of the work must be done by other hands if done ade-America, is an unmitigated curse which should news, since the adoption of the present admirable system of arranging the items by States. And still

themselves in this matter.'

DONATION

know, depends much on practice. Clairvoyants The Christian Advocate makes the following very | mit me to acknowledge a kind and generous donadevote their lives to the practice of this game, for tion from a number of ladies of Tusket connected they play it with every victim they meet. " Dr. Russell said of the Southern States when | with the F. B. Church. To each and all we tender e visited them during the late rebellion, "These our heartfelt thanks. Especially to Mrs. Waters, history or of human nature, than it deserves nen are desperately in earnest." In the long and for her trouble and interest. On behalf of myself little, indeed, has been written upon it. Among ierce conflict which they sustained with such heroic allow me to acknowledge a generous gift from Capthose who have given the subject any thought, the fortitude they gave the strongest proof that the tain Jacob Robbins. I thank him most sincerely most erroneous impression prevails that it can be tatement of the learned Englishman was entirely for his substantial gift. Yours faithfully, the life of every active human being are frequent,

Tusket, N. S.

be in And if the case was exceptional it would ot be so had, but the masses of men are living in at least, a partially unconscious moral condition. If people would only put away their prejudices and preconceived opinions,-if they would no longer have fellowship with ignorance, and would cease to glory in their shame, what mighty changes would take place in men, in families, in the state, and all over the land ! How universal is apathy, how widespread is vice, how tyrannical is passion, how horrifying is crime, how increasingly strong a habit formed, how brief this life upon which eternal lestinies are suspended, and how terrible is the un-

enchable fire of romorse ! A few days since I was at a Temperance Convention, and the Hon. Neal Dow was there-the cham-

pion temperance veteran of the State of Maine. It s worth far more to see that old man, whose locks are white by the footfal's of time, and to hear him ligion in the Church, and in no way, perhaps, is tell the truth to listening thousands, than it is to see Barnum's "greatest show on earth." To illus- The Sabbath throughout should be sacred and de- Methodist Conference, on the 26th inst., in Chartrate the fact that men are living morally in an voted to sacred purposes ; but if any part of that day insensible state, I will give one of his illustrations, as nearly as I can remember it. Raising his voice so that all, if possible, might hear him, he said : Why are we all here to-day ? Evidently, it is not sess a deeply spiritual character the sermon, as to hear something new on temperance. But, we holding perhaps the reigning position in Proteshave come to get aroused upon the subject, by the tant churches, should in a profoundly emphatic contact of mind with mind," etc., etc. "What manner appeal to the religious in man. All proper fools men are not to think more for themselves. allowance being made for the other features of wor-How few decide in matters which are moral, each ship as prayer, praise, and scripture reading; it is for himself. I appeal to ministers of the gospel to after all the sermon toward which nine-tenths of those who enter a Protestant house of worship look forward to with the greatest interest. It may be church-going people, whether right or wrong, expect to reap greater religious and spiritual benefit into a pit, all the rest of the sheep will do the same from the sermon than any other part of the service. thing. So with men. If one drinks, others will From this point of view every effort which tends follow, without once considering what tools they to turn the sermon from its original high purpose re," etc., etc. Now, if persons would only stop to think, and just ook facts squarely in the face, they would find cal, literary, and other merely secular questions, as themselves waking up very soon. We are so constituted that like begets like. Thinking upon subjects of moral import soon takes shape in practical work, and the thinking and the working will grow government projects, of financial interests, has no into enduring character. Doing right becomes a sturdy tree, beautiful to look upon, and from whose original design and of the highest efficiency of the FREDERICTON DISTRICT. -Fredericton -E. Evans, branches others may pluck ambrosial fruit. It is the truth of the Bible and of inexorable natural law, that without a surrender of the will to that which is right, none can be saved ; and without for the discussion of all miscellaneous subjects. Crisp ; Sheffield-W. Dobson ; Gagetown-J. A waking up to a sense of our state we will never When the sermon comes to be regarded as a mere Duke ; Woodstock-Charles Comben ; Northamp yield our will to God. "Awake thou that sleepest literary feast, intended only to satisfy an intellectual ton and Benton - E. C. Turner ; Canterbury-H for the work of the Church or for a suffering fellow. and arise from the dead and Christ shall give the We shall all wake from this insensible condition, after a few more years have passed ; but shall we have light then ? and will that light give us pleasure mon is lost. or pain ? An active business man seeing death approaching said, "Doctor, I have made every provision for living ; and now I must die, though audiences, such as popular topics, unusual themes, utterly unprepared for it." Reader, art thou living

months they are able to secure the bare neccessaries attention to the doctrines and various requirements of life, and in the winter season they must be help- of the Church. The principles preached by the Apostles should be the principles preached at the d by the public Habits of idleness are engendered. The victim present day. He spoke at length upon the observ-

before old age comes he finds himself in the poor-

only thing that really stands in the way is

York, writes as follows :

coincid ences; and 3, trickery.

THE SUCCESS OF CLAIRVOYANTS.

' Guessing is at once a science and an art,-

out; with the privilege to the guesser of but

rought under the laws of pure mathematics. In

almost daily occurring coincidences, which those

who give any attention to them may, if they choose,

make the basis of most absurd delusions. Usually

than an exclamation of surprise, and then forget all

just been passing through the mind of our friend. We meet with a certain experience, and t hen we

emember or fancy we remember, that the same ex-

eriance has happened to us in a dream. Of all

these daily and hourly happening coincidences, clair-

oyants skilfully avail themselves, and in that

irection they are aided by the ignorance and

the art of making their victims unconsciously reveal,

by word or look, facts of personal history, and

hen, at the proper time, in re-imparting the in-

ormation to them. In this way they gain the

credit, even among persons of keen intellect, of

being endowed with Divine powers.'

The trickery of clairvoyants consists mainly in

overness of their victims.

we give no more attention to these occurrence

of drink would rather spend his time at the tavern ance of prayer, of the prominence that is given to over the bottle, while at home his fare is poor, and prayer throughout the teachings of Christ and his his family is almost starving, than to exert him- Apostles, and cited that act of devotion as one of self for better fare and home comforts. So all his the doctrines that should be faithfully adhered to

EVENING SERVICE.

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onse. Add to these the victims of hereditary Rev. J. E. Reud again officiated at the evening evils, the result of intemperance, and we have a services. His text was from Ecclesiastics vi. 12. "For who knoweth what is good for man in this ife, all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow ? for who can tell a man what shall be Banish from this nation the traffic in intoxicating iquors, and the poorhouses of eight counties out of after him under the sun?"

The rev. gentleman reviewed the different ideas ten might be closed. Indeed, I doubt whether any advanced by some men in regard to life, the varipoorhouses would be needed. Our country has ous means of enjoying life, and the different characteristics of men. Jesus Christ was the great exand industry and thrift are all that are needed to ample, and all practices or system of life not in acfurnish a competence to all of our people. The cord with His life, were false lights to lure men on the to destruction. People should not entertain the ideas promulgated by the exponents of atheistic or infidel principles. He regarded the act of doing good as one of the efficacious means towards securing happiness, not only in this life, but in the life In a paper in the July Scribner on "The Delusions of Clairvoyance," Dr. George W. Beard, of New | beyond the grave. - Tel

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS. - His Honor the 'The practical success of clairvoyants, public Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to appoint and private, is the result of these three factors : 1, the Honorable John C. Allen, Chief Justice, Allan A. Davidson, Esquire, Q. C., M. P. P., and Boyle cience, because it may be regulated by certain

Travers, Esquire, M. D., to be Members of the principles. The familiar 'guessing game' illustrates | Senate of the University of New Brunswick. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor has also

what can be done by guessing scientifically carried been pleased to make the following appointments : twenty chances, he may yet, beginning with the Harry Pollock, of No. 47 Gresham House, Lonkingdom to which the article belongs, reach the on (England), Solicitor, and Joseph B. Braman. most minute object before his list is exhausted. Court street, Boston, (U. S. A.), Attorney-at-Law, Commissioners for taking affidavits in and for Courts of New Brunswick, under Consolidated Statutes, chapter 36 ; James W. Deveber to be a ommissioner in the County of Queens, under Con-The subject of coincidences is one that has exolidated Statutes, chapter 43, section 37, and Chas. cited far less attention among the students of Palmer, Charles O'Donnell, William Henry Hatheway, John J. Harrington and HenryA. Powell, Esquires, to be Notaries of Public.

In the County of Albert-J. Alfred Stevens to e Commissioner of the Parish of Harvey, Civil Court, Elisha Peck, junior, of the Parish of Hopewell Civil Court, David Bazley, of the Parish of Hillsborough Civil Court, and Ralph E Colpitts, of the Parish of Elgin Civil Court.

In the County of Charlotte-Wilfred Alexander. Wm. A. Fraser and Edward Carroll, to be Justices of the Peace.

about them. We are talking of a person whom, In the County of Gloucester-Henry A. Sormany erhaps, we rarely meet, and have not seen for a be Commissioner of the Parish of Shippegan ng time ; suddenly he appears. A thought-out Civil Court, and Richard Miller, Justice of the of the ordinary course, it may be-enters our mind ; we express it, when behold ! the same thought has

In the County of Kent--Louis N. Bourque, M. D., to be a Coroner, and Jean B. Richard, Sebastien Babineau, Michael Savoie, and Jude Le-Blanc, to be Justices of the Peace.

In the County of Kings-Charles Murray, M. D., Seorge H. Johnson, M. D., and Rolla A. Ford, M. D., to be Coroners, and George A. Worden, Patrick W. Ryan, Thomas W. Kierstead, Justus S. Wetmore, James Givan, William D. Fowler, and John H. Mace, to be Justices of the Peace.

In the County of Victoria-Jonathan H. Brewer to be Commissioner under Act 42nd Victoria, Chapter 4, relating to Free Grants of Crown Lands, for Red Rapids

In the County of Westmorland-Robert B. C. Weldon to be Issuer of Marriage Licenses.

ture, why N. B. & P. E. I. METHODIST CONFERENCE.

T. H. SIDDALL. INSENSIBLE OF RIGHT What an alarming state this is for a moral being

Success in this game, as all who have played it BRO. McLEOD. -- On behalf of Mrs. Siddall, per-

#### SECOND DISTRICT MEETING.

there. The drive from Woodstock to Victoria Cor- nothing but iniquity. for, at least, three days.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY .- The seventy-fifth annual meeting of this society took place Wednesday, June 7th, in Exeter Hall, Lon- this Bible school. We hope it may send out many don, the Earl of Shaftesbury presiding. The re- excellent and efficient workers into this great and Scriptures in over 225 languages and dialects, show of it, the houses nestling amidst them, the churches and increase of copies over the previous year of in this school, as the name indicates, is the Bible, occupying prominent positions-all go to form a were from the depots abroad. The work of this and we hope to study every book, chapter and Exhibition there were given away 110,000 copies of the Gospels in these 225 languages and dialects. Wonderful elasticity marked the circulation of the doos, Mahommedans and Santals. Brethren of school. were entire Bibles. In Roumania and Bulgaria 242,-000 copies, and in the Caucasus 194,000 making : total of nearly half a million. In Italy 50,000 vol in Russia of 323,000 volumes. The report gives

## WHAT IS YOUR LIFE?

What is your life ? An inspired writer says : " I is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." It flies away as a dream. and cannot be found. Our life is wind. It moveth swifter than a weaver's shuttle. It is as a tale that is told. It is swifter than a post. Hume says, 'While we are reasoning concerning life, life is

Short as life is, we strangely desire each period of it abbreviated. The child longs to be full grown The youth at school wishes for the day when he will assume the duties of manhood. The man of busi ness lives in hope of the time when he shall retire.

It is marvellous how men waste their present mo A most sultry morning was that of Saturday fol- ments. I have heard of a fool lighting his cigar lowing the aforementioned pleasant shower. But | with a bank-note of some value. The same man rain or shine, cool or sultry, a meeting must be held | committed greater unwisdom than that-he wasted | at the appointed time ; and the people must get | the precious minutes of a whole summer in doing

ner was hard enough for men, but harder for Short as life is, it is the seed-time for eternity. horses-the faithful brutes that struggled so bravely Whatsoever a man sows here, he shall be reaping along, drawing their human freight the tedious ten to all eternity. If he sows the wind, he shall real miles. Glad enough that the journey was ended, the whirlwind. If he sows to the flesh, he shall the pleasure was the greater that our resting was at reap corruption. If he sows in righteousness, he so pleasant a place as "The Corner," and that the shall reap in mercy. If he sows to the Spirit, he tarrying among so hospitable a people, was to be shall reap life everlasting. This life is the day of grace, the season of mercy, when enduring riches

over him, as is the custom of this coun try. The other was an orphan lad whom Dr. Bacheler has had for several years in his school. this more strikingly manifested than in the triffing How this will warn those who are left against such and vain pursuits of members of the Church. Can reckless exposure.

OUR INDIA LETTER.

MIDNAPORE, May 14, 1879.

a man be an earnest Christian who is more ready to The chief event of the past month has been the spend time and money in the gratification of the opening of the Bible school. The day to which senses than in the promotion of the cause of religion some of us have looked forward for years, came on and the development of a Christian character ? the first of May. It was, let me assure you, a day | Will the world believe such persons to be in earnest ? f great rejoicing in the mission. All of our Can men be so blind as not to see the inconsistency churches were asked to offer special prayer for the of such a course ? Can that man be in earnest who Bible school on that day, and I hope the request will leave his seat vacant in the house of God and was generally heeded. The opening exercises oc- go to some worldly amusement ? Is he in earnest enpied two hours, and all seemed to be much inter- who can neglect the prayer-meeting for the clubested. Addresses were made, prayers offered, room-who will deprive himself of the strengthenhymns sung, and then the names of the applicants ing influence of the championship of pious and know if this is not true of the masses? Men follow for admission were entered on the books. There devoted servants of the Lord for the society of the each other like a flock of sheep across a pasture. have been twenty admitted so far, but as this is gay and thoughtless men of the world ? Such If the leader of the flock chance to jump right up safely affirmed, we think, that the vast majority of only a preparatory year, and the examination for persons may sing very fustily and say, "The time on all fours, then each one that follows will do the admission to the Bible school proper does for such trifling with me now is per." But do they same. If the leader jumps right over a stone wall term there will, doubtless, be a thinning out mean it? Are they in earnest?

What can be thought of a Christian who can I am well pleased with the spirit with which these afford to take a renging momentaner or buy a good students have begun their work of studying the book for himself and his family to read and improve Bible, and I hope some of them will take high rank their minds, and yet can spend a whole day for all as Biblical students. Let all our brethren pray for hands together, with a nice sum of money, in going to a circus where his boys and girls will learn more trash and nonsense than they can unlearn in half a needy field. We have long needed such a school. year. Perhaps he sung that very morning as a

Our native Christians will not be slow to avail part of his family worship : themselves of its privileges. The chief text book " Let worldly minds the world pursue, verse of the sacred volume in the regular course There will be other studies also, such as will serve But he rose from his prayers, hurried up the to equip men for thorough work among these Hinwork and went to see what the new trifles were that

the world was talking about. Can that man be in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia do pray for this earnest? or that other man who can only give dimes Am I saying too much, when I remark, that I creature, and yet can afford dollars toward fitting ardently hope the day is not far off, in which our up a race-course or getting up some special amuse churches in the Provinces will have a Bible school ment or for an election protest fund, etc., etc.

of this sort for the education of their rising minis- | Can these persons be in earnest ? Are they giving the distribution in other countries, but these figures try. How often this thought came to me when I all diligence to " work out their salvation ?" If and give the place importance as a business centre. will indicate the great work of this great society for was working in your churches. There should be they are, they have a queer way of showing it. some plan settled at the very next Annual Confer-And what shall we say of Christians who are

ence, to meet the daily increasing demand for more solicitous about the decorations of the body laborers in the large and promising field that the than they are concerning the spiritual condition of Lord has given you in America. The fathers in the soul-who seem more anxious to have their the ministry are passing away, and the burdens fall garments in keeping with the dictates of fashion more heavily on the young men. My dear breth- than they are to have their hearts and lives in har ren, do not put off this matter another year. Let mony with the dictates of the Bible ? "Better be some among you who are rich, give abundantly to- out of the world than out of fashion," is an old wards the founding of a Bible school for the train- adage, but these persons act as though it were bet- moval of the liquor traffic. County after County is dissemination of Christian doctrine and in the un- Salisbury-J. Colter ; Elgin-E. Colwell. ing of candidates for the ministry, or, if this seems ter to be out of the Church and out of God's favor adopting the Scott Act, thus asking the authorities impracticable at present, let your yo ung men who than to be at variance with Dame Fashion.—They to remove the curse from their midst, and who can wholesome vitalizing Bible truth, and not the hand- F. Harrison; St. David—G. Harrison; St. James have the ministry in view, be provided with the re- appear to care less for what the Word of God says wonder it should be so. News reaches us daily, al- ling of secular themes, which is of the most value \_\_J. T. Baxendale; Bocabec\_R. Opie; Deer usite funds, and sent to our school at Lewiston, about their souls than they do for what the world most hourly, of the most atrocious crimes perperwhere some have already been admitted as students. will say about the cut of a coat or the trimmings trated either directly or indirectly by rum,-mur-No people, it seems to me, can prosper, or do a of a dress? Is this Christian earnestness?

It has no charms for me :

Once I admired its trifles, too,

But grace has set me free.

Only one more item shall I be able to mention | came in earnest about his personal salvation he enthis time. The other day we received the news of quired, "What wilt thou have me to do ?" And the death of one of our very best Santal teachers. this seems to be the feeling of all true and earnest ing forcible and truthful manner: While lecturing in America, I often spoke of this Christians. If the world is ever to be led to Christ man. He was by far the eleverest of the village it will be instrumentally through the efforts of the eachers, and he has done a good work in advoca- Church. And how soon would the world realize ting and promoting education among his own peo- the moral and spiritual force of an active working ple. He has often aided me much in this line of Church if every Christian were, (to use Dr. Russell's use of liquor. The evidence returned is of one our work, and I shall always remember his cheer- phrase) " desperately in earnest." .

ful, willing help in his own village and elsewhere And what calls are there on every hand to earin organizing schools for boys and girls. How I wish I could say that this young man died a Chris-tian. Perhaps he did, for we are told that during his last illness he prayed much to the Lord Jesus. bit ast illness he prayed much to the Lord Jes zing schools for boys and girls. How I nestness on the part of Christians? When we poverty here except from some illness, if there was largely attended, the afternoon services, particularonfession of his faith in the Saviour, but the fear should be. When we think of the shortness of as the proportion of paupers who are the victims of inof man kept him back. His own father always time, how soon we shall be called away from the temperance." "Ishould say that three-fourths of the threatened him with much persecution-once with busy scenes of earthly toils ; how soon our span of death-should he become a Christian. I firmly be- life will be run out, we see the need of greater 70 or 80 per cent. of the paupers come to that state lieve, he for years secretly lived a life of faith, but earnestness. When we remember our individual through drink." "And so it goes on, '80 per cent.,' he had not the courage to suffer for Christ's sake. responsibility to God and humanity, and how much '80 out of 100,' 'three-fourths,' '80 per cent.,' in We must leave him now in His hands, who is both depends on our faithfulness in discharging our perfectly just and perfectly merciful. to an earnest, devoted life do we find here.

with a hope based upon the blood of Christ? B. A. S.

Evidences are daily multiplying in this Province olding of a noble Christian life. It is strong, in the sermon of to-day. There may be danger of erring in the other direc-

tion of a dry, dull, uninteresting presentation of ermanent work, that neglects to care for the pro- But not only must the earnest Christian be sin- One day a drunken man lost to all sense of danger, truth, as there undoubtedly is in many cases ; but aries ; Cornwall-S. R. Ackman ; Little York-H per education of its rising ministry. I most earn- cere and consistent, he must also be active in the is carried over the Niagara Falls; another day a an error in this direction may perhaps be more R. Baker; Pownal-Wm. Maggs; Bedeque-W estly hope that the next Annual Conference will not Lord's work. In fact it is hardly possible to be in woman is literally cut to pieces, while in a drunken leniently treated. To preach Christian truth as if W. Percival; Tryon-J. S. Phinney; Margateestly hope that the next Annual Conference will not be an active work. In fact it is hardly possible to be in earnest about religion and not be an active worker carouse; others are murdered; others robbed, and it had no interest for either mortals or immortals is Bideford—J. Goldsmith; Murray Harber—J. C. in the cause of God. As soon as Saul of Tarsus be- thus the work goes on. Well may a writer, in a bad enough, but to present it as if it were chiefly Berrie; Montague-George Steele; Souris-A worse still. - Christian World.

> A few years ago, the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, England, called for evidence, from clergy, recorders, governors and chaplains of prisons, of lunatic asylums, governors of workhouses, and superintendents of police, as to the results of the complexion. "I can trace," said one clergyman,

nearly every case of family destitution to intemperinmates of this house have been victims of intemperance." " Without hesitation I should say that text from Ephesians ii., 19th verse :---terms that very soon range themselves into a grim "Now, therefore, ye are no more strangers and obligations and performing our duties, what calls have been relieving officer eleven years, and during of the household of God.' Mr. Reud after commenting upon the subject of that time I never knew a teetotaler applying for When we think of the reward that awaits the parish relief.

CHRISTIAN TRUTH IN THE PULPIT. Sixth Annual Session at Charlottetown\_The Station The observance of the Sabbath should reach its Sheet.-Rev. Joseph Hart, the president, occupied highest perfection in the worship of the sanctuary. | the chair at the New Brunswick and P. E. Island lottetown. This is the second meeting in this place since its organization. There is a large attendance should be more devoutly observed than another it is of delegate

that part during which the services of God's house are Rev. M. R. Knight, A. B., (late assistant minisheld. While every feature of worship, should pos- ter at Centenary Church), preached his trial sermon in Prince Street Church at 630 A. M., and the previous evening Rev. J. K. King preached in Upper Prince Street Church

On the third ballot Rev. H. McKeown, who is to be stationed in Exmouth Street Church, was elected president. The retiring president, Mr. Hart, made a brief address, and was followed by his successor. Officers were chosen as follows :---Secretary-Rev. Fred. W. Harrison ; Journal Secretary-Rev. H. P. Cowperthwaithe : Assistant Secretaries-Revs. H. R. Baker, A. B., R. W. Weddall, A. B., and Thos. Marshall; Conference Reporter to Wesleyan-Rev. C. W. Hamilton. Rev. Dr. Sutherland of Toronto, Missionary Secretary, and Rev. J. Shaw, president of the Toronto ference, were introduced to the conference and spoke briefly. The draft station sheet is as fol-

ST. JOHN DISTRICT-Germain street-John Read: should be disapproved. On the same ground we Centenary-J. Hart, J. R. Narraway, A. M. should oppose the discussion in the pulpit of politi- Henry Pope, D. D., John Prince, Supernumeraries, Exmouth street-H. McKeown; Portland-B. tending to turn the worshipper from a devout and Clark, supernumerary; Carmarthen street-To be religious frame of mind to the consideration of supplied ; Fairville-W. W. Lodge ; Sussex-J. F. temporal affairs. The discussion of the tariff, of Betts; Apohaqui-Wm. Tweedy; Upham-Edwin Mills ; St. Martins-A. R. B. Shrewsbury ; Grand place in the sanctuary. It is a prostitution of the ford-A. E. LePage ; Kingston-G. B. Payson. Lake-S. James ; Jerusalem-H. J. Clark ; Welssermon. The day is sacred, the place is sacred and H. Daniel, supernumerary; Kingsclear-E. Bell the services also should be sacred. This can not Marysville-W. W. Brewer ; Gibson-W. W, Colbe, however, if the pulpit degenerate into a rostrum Wells; Boiestown-J. K. King; Keswick-J. appetite and to entertain people who possess or at Jacksonville-R. S. Crisp; Richmond-W. Harrileast affect a literary taste rather than a religious son ; Florenceville-T. Allen ; Andover-W. J. culture-when this idea comes to prevail, as it does | Kirby ; Upper Kent-Wm. Penna ; Arthurettein many places, the highest usefulness of the ser- W. P. Pepper.

MIRAMICHI DISTRICT.-Chatham-S. T. Teed; Newcastle-M. R. Knight; Richibucto-J. Under the same category must be placed the many Parker ; Bathurst-J. Howie ; Campbellton-Wm. methods resorted to by some ministers to gain large | Tippett ; Derby-D. H. Lodge.

SACKVILLE DISTRICT.-Sackville-D.S. Chapman; H. Pickhard, D. D., Book Steward ; Theological announcement of sensational subjects, and the Professor and Chaplain, Charles Stewart, D. D. whole train of modern expedients and appliances. Professor of Natural Science, John Burwash A. M. The sermon is not an essay or a lecture designed to | Tantramar-W. B. Thomas ; Point de Bute-G. mpart information useful indeed, but not neces- W. Fisher ; Baie Verte-J. S. Allen ; Monctonsarily religious; but it should be a discourse R. Duncan, D. D. Currie, Editor of Wesleyan Coverdale-C. H. Manaton; Shediac-W. Wass dealing with truths relating to the highest Dorchester-T. Marshall ; Hopewell-R. Wilson interest of the soul. It should be engaged in the Hillsboro'-C. W. Hamilton; Havelock-A. Lucas

ST. STEPHEN DISTRICT. - St. Stephen-H. Sprague Island-T. Hicks ; Grand Manan-One wanted. PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND DISTRICT. -- Charlottetown-H. P. Cowperthwaite, M. A., Geo. M. concerned with temporal affairs is, if anything, Hagerty; Mount Stewart-Wm. Lawson; Alberton-J. Seller, A. M. - News.

NEW BRUNSWICK UNIVERSITY. -- Fredericton, June 26. - The following gentlemen will form the graduating class at the Encoenia of the New Brunswick University to-day :-J. F. Horseman, Albert ; W. D. McLeod, Carleton : G. H. Balkham, Char-Baptist Church, on Victoria street, Indiantown, of lotte; C. G. D. Roberts, Fredericton; J. M. which a description was given in the Telegraph a J. D. Hazen, Fredericton ; T. E. Coleman, Sun-O'Brien, Gloucester ; W. D. B. Jack, Fredericton ; few days ago, was dedicated Sunday. The three bury ; A. W. Stratton, Fredericton ; H. M. Bal-

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THE GIGANTIC CRIME OF CRIMES. as well as elsewhere that the people desire the re-

10, A. M., found the church well filled with Chris- may be secured. Many have seized the moments tian people. Rev. John Perry, Chairman of the as they passed, and become immensely rich in faith, District, presided over the meeting. The opening in good works, in bright hopes, and in a blessed inservices over, a large number of men and women heritance beyond the skies.

promptly and heartily gave relation of their Chris- Most men's lives are full of toil and care. Many tian experience. When the closing hour came, are full of sorrow and disappointment. But, thanks there were very many who had not had opportunity be to God, all men's lives abound in opportunities to speak, all of whom, by request of Bro. Perry, of gaining and getting good. Nor ought any to testified their love for Christ by rising. A good object to the divine arrangement, which fills up a spirit pervaded the meeting. great part of life with duties and responsibilities.

The ministers present at the meeting and through- To every man, life is the beginning of endless, out the session were Revs. A. Taylor, W. E. Pen- shoreless, fathomless, inconceivable happiness or nington, E. Sipprell, J. Perry, T. Connor, T. S. misery. To the wicked, the end of life is the end Vanwart, G. W. McDonald, G. T. Hartley, G. B. of all sinful mirth and pleasure. To the righteous, Gray, B. Colpitts, J. Gravinor, W. DeWare and the end of their earthly existence is the end of all J. McLeod; Licentiates Hartt, Shaw, C. F. Rideout, doubt and pain. There is no middle course. "The A. Rideout and Lewis.

At 2, P. M., the Reporting meeting was held. Rev. A. Taylor was elected Chairman of the District for the year. Twenty-six Churches sent reports and for the year. Twenty-six Churches sent reports and for the year. Rev. A. Taylor was elected Chairman of the District pose." Time misspent is not lived, but lost. for the year. Twenty-six Churches sent reports and In former days public executioners carried an tions, remove many of the miseries that now affect ever with the Lord," what incouragements are here were represented by delegates. One hundred and hour-glass to the place of death, and set it down society, and curse and destroy individuals, no one presented to earnestness in religion. six persons were added to the Churches during the before the unhappy criminal, telling him that when will question. Even the opponents to this princiyear by baptism. One new Church was organized the sands were all run, he must close his eyes on ple do not deny its beneficial effects, but object beand received into the District. One new Meeting earth. Sometimes his spiritual adviser said to him, cause it interferes with their individual liberty. House is in course of erection, and a considerable "Your sands are almost run," and he saw it was They have not the spirit of St. Paul when he exsum has been expended during the year in repair- so. But the sands that measure our days are hid- claimed : "If meat make my brother to offend, I ing and improving places of worship .... After the den from our eyes. They have been running for will eat no more meat while the world standeth. reading of the reports, speeches were made by Revs. some time. They are running now. They may be Let the objectors to prohibition read what is said Messrs. McDonald, Sipprell, Taylor, Pennington all run in another minute. But we may live some of it in Madagascar. Says an exchange: and Colpitts, and a number of lay brethren. While days, or months, or years. This is our solemn con- It is known to our readers that some months ago

referring in proper terms to the encouraging fea- dition. Yet how few are impressed by it. tures of the reports, the speakers all spoke their Some indeed are wise. They live very much reports that so many of the Churches have during out day as they would if they have during for an English maregret that so many of the Churches have, during each day as they would if they knew it would be the whole year, been without pastoral care. No their last. They are waiting and watching. Should the dagascar," thus speaks of the success which has have recently visited this city.

PROHIBITION IN MADAGASCAR.

That Prohibition will be a panacea for all the ills | carnest, diligent worker in the Master's vineyard\_

and that we have an inheritance that is incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away."

the Queen of Madagascar prohibited the use of in-WM. LARMOUR, Esq., who is connected with the

The causes of pauperism in Great Britain are the auses of it here. The superintendents for the poor for gates, next took up the domestic aspect of citizencondition by drink. Where liquor is not sold and claimed that each and every member of the church

It is enough that worldlings and pleasure-seekers land, New Jersey, the constable is superintendent spend their time and means in the foolish frivolit- of the poor, and has but seventy-five dollars a year ies of fashionable dissipation and the senseless pur- for both offices. Everywhere pauperism is an alsuit of trifling follies. Let us who have a more may then ask why the use of alcoholic liquors proenduring substance be sober and in earnest, feeling that we are not of the world, though in the world, And first I answer by the direct outlay. The And first I answer by the direct outlay. The

household-the household of God. amount spent for drink is about \$600,000,000. If there are 5,000,000 who drink, each would spend Rev. G. A. Hartley preached in the afternoon, \$120 a year. This calculation, though not exact, choosing his text from Acts ii., 41. shows how the earnings of the multitude are dissipated. But this of itself would not be a sufficient

Persons who drink become unreliable, and do not eadily find employment. When help is plenty effective and practical address npon the neccessity B., and Frank Milledge, A. B.

Class-J. T. Horseman and W. D. B. Jack in MORNING.

OPENING OF THE NEW F. C. B.

CHURCH.

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AFTERNOON.

As formerly announced the new Free Christian

At the morning services, as well as during the and J. D, Hazen in mental and moral philosophy, mathematics ; W. D. McLeod, C. G. D. Roberts afternoon and evening exercises, Rev. Mr. J. W. Clark led in the singing and prayer and Scripture readings. Rev. J. E. Reud preached taking his readings. Rev J. E. Reud preached, taking his Wilkinson, J. W. McCready and W. Winslow in English ; C. P. Hanington and M. McLaren in

science ; A. W. Wilkinson in classics ; H. P. Pickforeigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints and ard in mathematics. In the Freshman Class to H. V. B. Bridges, W. B. Carman, J. Harrison and F.

Harley in classics ; W. B. Carmen in mathematics. the text as it reads in reference to the privileges en- and G. R. Devitt, A. D. McPherson and F. Harley joyed by the citizen over the stranger within acity's in English.

At the meeting of the Associated Alumni of the Uuniversity held in the library, last night, the following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing

A. B. Atherton, A. B., M. D., president. Wm. Crockett, A. M. 1st vice-president. Wm. Pugsley, A. B., B. C. L., 2nd vice-presiterrestrial should feel drawn towards each other by

the same bonds of fellowship as the members of the H. S. Bridges, A. M., 3rd vice-president. family circle. The latter was an epitome of the A. J. Vanwart, A. M., secretary-treasurer. F. E. Barker, A. M., D. C. L., Rev. G. G. Roberts, A. M., Geo. E. Coulthard, A. B., M. D., G. Herbert Lee, A. M., C. A. Macdonald, A. B., George W. Allen, A. B., Loring W. Bailey, A. M., Ph. D., Council.

F. E. Barker, A. M., D. C. L., and Wm. Pugsley, A. M., B. C. L., were elected to the Senate. "And they continued steadfastly in the Apostles The following new members were admitted :-doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers." Robert M. Raymond, A. B., Geo. W. Allen, A. B., Rev. Fred. Powers, A. B., Wallace Broad, A. B.,

readily find employment. When help is plenty effective and practical address npon the neccessity they are left to do nothing. During the summer which existed for faithful adherence and constant It was resolved that the right to compete for the

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