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With this number of the INTELLIGEN-CER a great many subscriptions expire. We are expecting to have them all on our list for 1881, and shall be pleased to receive their renewals within the next week.

Several weeks ago statements were sent to subscribers in arrears. From some of them we have heard. We thank them for their prompt response. From the others we want to hear at once.

Business generally has so improved during the past year that there is a much freer years before, and we think our friends, on whom we have waited so long and so patiently, will not find it very difficult to pay now. Regard for the golden rule will move bill. We expect to hear from every one in arrears immediately. Let no one be unkind as to neglect this matter.

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They will confer a great favour on the paper if they will take a little extra interest in it just now.

## THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 31, 1880

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

- Good-bye 1880. Welcome 1881.

- This number completes Volume Twenty-Eight of the Intelligencer. We shall try to make Vol. XXIX. better than any of its predecessors.

- THE PARLIAMENT of Canada is having a holi-

society." Beecher is reported to have said that Ingersoll is "one of the greatest men of the age; and Ingersoll, not to be outdone, returns the compliment by declaring that Beecher is "the greatest, grandest man in any pulpit in the world.' " Let brotherly love continue!"

- A HINT needed by some churches is given by things; pay them well and promptly.

- Some San Francisco ladies recently sent the Pope a pair of embroidered slippers. The gift made the occasion for a speech in which "his holiness" uttered himself with exceeding modesty (!)

"These ladies," he said, "are inspired by sentiments like unto those of the women of the Gospel. In like manner as they followed the Saviour at the time of the Passion on Calvary, when he was abandoned by all, so do these in their affection toward me, whom they see suffering on this Calvary, and who, however unworthy, am still his representative and vicar." How very humble !

climate, and will fervently hope that his anticipations | prises of the Church? And what affection for the of further improvement may be speedily realized. Church will they have? These questions suggest We hope to hear of his complete restoration to their own answers, and they admonish parents to he for so many years toiled earnestly and success- guards and all possible inspirations to a complete

- Spurgeon is decidedly of opinion that there are few if any persons so good that they cannot be better. He is rather suspicious of those who profess perfection, and fears their profession is a mere cloak to cover their "imperfections." In a recent sermon he said : "I have heard of some professors who dream that sin is utterly destroyed in them, and that they have no more evil tendencies and desires. I shall not controvert their notion. If it be so, I congratulate them, and greatly wish it were so with me. I have, however, had some little experience of perfect people, and I have generally found them the most disagreeable, touchy, and sensitive persons in the world, and some of did not disturb him with questions, and when his them have turned out to be such detestable hypo- thought had run its round he broke out in hurried. crites that I am rather afraid of a person who has rapid utterances as follows: no imperfections. As soon as I learn that a brother wonder whether his secret vice is lewdness, or theft, lightened and Christian country. Morality should to the polls. The latter is the better course proor drink, but I feel that somewhere or other there | never be robbed of its true and full meaning.

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might have been justified in withholding it. and treating ourselves to a rest, and the saving ber. It is our Christmas-New Year gift to them. We are sure they will appreciate it; and think that the paper on different classes.

# UNION IN PRAYER.

gratifying to every man of catholic spirit to notice sign, John Jones, Barrister, and he may offer his FREE CHRISTIAN BAPTIST MISSIONS. the growing spirit of concord and unity of effort services each hour in the day to help criminals cheat which prevail more and more. Too long have the the ends of justice, and you dub him a professional enemies of Christ been justified in pointing to the gentleman and elect him to your legislature and jealousies of different Christian Churches as incon- give him your honors. Does the fact that he pursistent with their professions of experimental reli- sues cheating-justice for a living take off the wrong ion. That taunt is happily growing weaker as the of the operation? Nor will it help matters to say intercourse between Churches becomes more fre- that he balances the sheet by working part of the quent and intimate. That the spirit of union may time for the right side of the case and for justice, ontinue to grow should be the devout wish of since it is not the principle that sways him but the every true Christian, and to promote it every one fee. who is such will labor. It is enough that the wick-

Prayer" are occasions which, contemplated in their him a pleasing sensation and he takes more. This ocal aspect, may not appear to have much signifi- time he is seized with dizziness and forgetfulness cance, but when we view them under their broader and wakes from a stupid sleep with a dead feeling aspect they assume proportions the results of which of pain. But the man is kind and next day offers t is impossible to estimate. It is the centraliza- him more. Soon after he introduces him to other tion of the thought of the Christian world upon the boys of his age, together they use this liquid, they same object, the offering up of universal prayer for are infatuated with it, and become so much under circulation of money than for three or four the same end. And can it be that this unity of its power that they lose health, purity and respect. purpose, this Pentecost of the Churches, shall fail At the end of several weeks he brings your boy who has said "I will that they all may be one," to your boy? You would denounce it, and if the each one to resolve to immediately pay his swer to their pleadings. These thousands of pray- scamp till he could not stand. But just let him than the hostility of evil or the craft of cabinets or from the authorities, and he can go on doing this ance of Christ's ideas as those only by which man- | baseness and terrible results? No, not in the least. subscriber will do his part towards carrying | kind is to be redeemed from sin and the universal | But now the man has risen from the low plane of protherhood of the human race established. The eident prayer is not less so to the Christian Church. and the great heart of Christendom throbs with one mighty impulse, setting at work an invisible force which ascends the throne of the monarch, presides at the Councils of State, makes itself felt in the halls of legislature, in the class-rooms of universities, in the counting-house of the merchant and upon the conscience of men everywhere. It is a niversal and simultaneous petition to heaven and earth for the enthronement of Christ in the hearts of men. And it must be gratifying and encouraging to every Christian who studies the subject to notice how certainly, though it may be gradually. Christ is making his way in the earth, how his form | village, purposes to make burglars' tools and self is being taken on in the growing aversion to war which is manifest among civilized nations, in the broad schemes of philanthrophy which have been distillers, even though they supply the instrumen and are being devised, in the combined effort for lities of ruin to the drink shops we deplore. day. It will meet again on the 4th of January. | the restriction of prevalent vices, in the increas-The Pacific R. R. Contract discussion will then be ing thirst for intelligence, in the legislative resumed, and will continue-nobody knows how enactments against the sale and circulation of the honest maledictions of every nine hundred and - Beecher and Ingersoll appear to have resolved ginning of the present century, looked upon with city and give him policemen to execute his will,

his sway, they are yielding to it.

PARENTS. In this age of much reading, parents cannot too arefully guard their children against the dangerous literature, so much of which is being scattered the Telescope after this manner: A preacher and everywhere both in books and periodicals. Much his family have to eat and wear clothes and keep of the danger may be avoided if parents will supply up a fire every day just like other people. How is their homes with good religious reading. Christian he to do this when he gets no money from his parents fail lamentably in their duty to their childpeople for two or three months? Now, brethren, ren if they neglect to provide a Christian paper for lies infinitely below our private life. And as it remember those who are your ministers in holy their children. Referring to the importance of this the Western Advocate puts the case strongly. urging parents "to remember that the question is not, whether or not you will have your children The same crisis came in Greece and Rome, was not read at all or not, but whether they shall read only met, and Greece and Rome passed from the gallery what the secular press will supply. If you decide to give them only the secular sheet, you must expect he Church, to have little or none of its true spirit, to be ignorant of its grand and stimulating history, to have little of its spiritual benefits, to be indifferent good men, Christian men, allow it to be so. I to all that contributes to its progress and aggresiveness, and to have but an insignificant share in the work and in the glorious rewards of the Christian I wish Sabbath-schools could be run in the line good and great men, the heroes of the Church? and a little less wasted in exhibition and concert. -THE friends of Rev. J. I. Porter will read with What sympathy with their sacrifices and devotion ; pleasure his letter in another column. They will with their labors, hopes, and triumphs in the cause pews on what ought to be done to-day by us, and be especially pleased to learn that he is already of the Master? What intelligent acquaintance can feeling the benefit to his health of the change of | they have with the doctrines and plans and enterhealth, and then of his return to the field where be wise in giving their families all possible safefully. Meantime we hope he will write frequently. knowledge of the Church, and to a perfect and lifeong sympathy with its enterprises and its best men and women. And to secure these ends they must be willing to expend more money for religious literature than for secular.

# COUSIN THOUGHTFUL'S TALKS

Partaking of the soft sadness of the day's sad our, twilight, my cousin walked slowly into the oom, and replying nothing to my kindly salutation sat absorbed in meditation. I saw that some new idea had taken possession of his mind and that the point of view was by no means a pleasing one. I PRIVATE MORALITY, AND PUBLIC.

Morality should be one and indivisible in an

signifies more than personal piety, it applies to all a hypocrite. But you see we have restricted mor-A year of a weekly paper consists of fifty-two is- ality mainly to the idea of personal purity, and so sues. But this is the fifty-third issue of the INTEL- these other sins go without a term strong enough LIGENCER in 1880. Not being in the contract we to condemn them, and slip through the fingers of public opinion as trivial faults. When we say that of one week's printing bill. We prefer, how- what does not belong to him, plays with another's ever, that there should not be the omission of even reputation or character, we should pick up the good shrub and jutting rock; the moon and the stars they will not object that, under the circumstances, And I would not say a word if the cords were tighta little space is devoted to urging the claims of ened around the public man, and a higher action demanded from him than from one in private from the body of our public life. right. But the sadness arises from the fact that our public standard of morals is infinitely lower and The Week of Prayer for 1881 will begin on Sun- looser than our private, and it should, if different day next. The programme as issued by the Evan- at all, be infinitely higher and stricter. If a man their work. Those members of the churches who gelical Alliance has already been published in these puts his hand in my pocket and steals my money, read the denominational paper are sure to be the The custom of holding Union Meetings during if he puts his hand as a public man into the treasury fore the best members of the churches. Pastors tion of the Christian Churches, and will probably takes what he is not entitled to, he is rather looked the denominational paper as widely as possible. -as it is desirable it should-continue to be sc. upon as clever, and his stealing is called "appro- They will help themselves too. No doubt these meetings and the fraternal associa- priation" or "transaction," and he goes almost tions of the pastors of the various Churches con- scot free of public condemnation. Men go to Connected with the Evangelical Alliance, have done gress or Senate "poor as Job's turkey," and in much to harmonize the relations of those holding two or five years come back with respectable fordifferent doctrinal views and to facilitate the evan- tunes. Have they earned it? No, they have gelistic efforts which have been so eminently suc- stolen it; but no strong lash of public opinion is cessful in both Europe and America. It cannot be laid upon their recreant backs by the virtue and otherwise than that men, loving the Lord Jesus | honesty of the country. What would be thought Christ, when met together for a common purpose, of a man in privite life, who, knowing that another in the promotion of which each has an equal inter- had taken life, or injured his neighbor, or swindled est, should learn to love each other and should a friend, or done any other wrong action, would go seek agreement upon all points not involving the to him and say, "You give me money and I'll get donation from his congregation on Christmas.

Here is a man, your neighbour. He meets your d are the enemies of Christ; members of his own boy some day, engages in conversation with him, busehold should certainly be at peace with each and by and by pulls a bottle of liquid out of hi pocket and asks him if he will not have some, it is These annual gatherings in the "Week of real nice. The boy takes it; the sharp taste gives quicken their energies for the accomplishment of home to you in that condition. How would you hat which all have united in seeking, or that Hc look upon the action of your neighbor with regard shall not more graciously manifest Himself in an- law gave you no relief, you would horsewhip the ng ones command the aid of an energy more potent get an office, put out a sign and get a little paper ouncils—that mighty energy of the Spirit which, very thing to your boys and all other boys whom he soon or late, will shut up the world to the accept- can gather together. Has the act changed in its dastard villiany to the respectable level of "Licensed girding of the globe with a belt of electric wire was Victualer," " Hotel Keeper," " Saloonist;" laws an idea worthy of science and of vast importance to are made for his protection, and the hat must be mmerce, to diplomacy and to the diffusion of respectfully raised as he passes. He does it now general intelligence; the encircling of it with coin- as a business! The public take him under a de lightful and pleasant patronage. Here is a man From tower to tower the watchmen see eye to eye, who wishes to live by his wits; so he pursues the gambler's calling and victimizes "green 'uns.' We say, "The villain -- put him behind the bars." But if a number get together and concoct a national "Three card" game and call it a lottery, the State incorporates it, the passive goodness of the country endorses, and even churches make lesser imitations of it and play at fairs and festivals. The morality changes as the bulk and numbers interested

The burglar uses his jimmy and tools to break open a bank. If we catch him he is put away in safe place. Suppose a man sets up a factory in the them to the craft: is his calling moral and honest Yet we make no outcry against the brewers and

If there be a private father of a family who would set up a brothel in his own home he would earn ently but surely leavening the whole mass, and every street. Has his conscience undergone a hough the enemies of Christ will not acknowledge metamorphosis in the act of election which renders it quite a different commodity, or do we think that the house of society need not be kept so clean as the house of the family?

So, my friend, I might go on quoting from the book of experience and actuality illustration after illustration of this sad fact that between our private and public moral standard there is a great gulf fixed, which differs only from the chasm of Dives, in that it can be so easily crossed by humanity. And so our whole public life is sinking, and to-day sinks, it draws down the private standard and our life grows more corrupt in both its parts. Destruction stares us surely in the face unless we turn. of nations to the tomb of defunct civilizations. What is the remedy? Light, more light. If tothem to grow up with little love and veneration for day wickedness is exalted in high places, and a corruption is tolerated in public life which would be frowned down in private conduct, it is so because wish morality could be a little more taught in our schools, and mathematics, if need be, a little less. life. What communion will they have with the of careful teaching as to what is needed in conduct, I wish the pulpit would take time to instruct the spend a little less in telling what the Israelites did or did not do. I wish that fathers and mothers would be as careful in training children for moral success, as for business and social success. More light-We are dying from very ignorance.

> What is the remedy? More patriotism. When ogues and rakes are clothed with honor and power, t is most frequently when the honest men are away from the polls, so busy sowing a field that they can do nothing to save the country. In New York at the last election but one 100,000 voters staid at home. Were they the unstable, dishonest, office-seeking, franchise-selling voters? Not at all. The opposite element was at home—they had no interest in it. They don't sell their votes, expect sops, seek-offices, and so stay at home while the best interests of the country are sold to the worst elements of the State. More patriotism. If no other thing will bring it about, I shall favor compulsory surffrage. Why not? An army with banners gleames upon the frontiers. Cannon sound. The nation compels her citizens to arms to save the country. But greater far are the interests at stake at the election booths of the nation, and the citizens should be compelled to protect them, if they will not voluntarily do so. Either the tag-end of the suffrage must be cut off, or the respectable end must come bably, and certainly the only feasible one.

More light and patriotism. No difference standards of public and private morality. To them I must nail my colors and for them do my feeble

Cousin Thoughtful ended his sermonette and went his way. I walked to the window and gazed upon mountain, plain and lake bathed in the soft moonlight. The heavens were blue and quivering with their lesser and greater lights sown in rich And when a man embezzles funds, speculates on profusion. In the lake's unruffled bosom were mirrored the delicately limbed outline of tree and rouble is that we are rapidly developing two kinds | image of itself in the yielding waters. And I said of morality, one for the man in private life and the | Cousin Thoughtful is right. And as each tree and other for the same individual in a public capacity. shining star and white mist-cloud gives back an image of itself from crystal lake, so ought every virtue and beauty of private life to be reflected

TO PASTORS. The Intelligencer is designed to help pastors in he is looked upon, and deservedly so, as a thief; most intelligently interested and active, and there-

# DONATIONS.

Rev. Lewis Jack (Freabyterian) received a generous donation from his friends in Springfield, K.

Rev. C. T. Phillips (Free Baptist) was the recipient recently of a donation from his Sussex friends.

sacrifice of principle. It may not be that denominational distinctions will ever disappear in this world, and it might not in the pulpit not be best for the cause of world, and it might not in the pulpit. Now is the time for the true world and say, "You would say he was as bad as the crimination of the Bible Society in the pulpit instead of sin. And sin is so respecting to the same man go through a course of late and say of the sa

No. 2.

From the beginning of our denomination in this

Province much attention and labor were expended

on Home Mission work. A large part of the Cenference Fund, collected between 1850 and 1864, was spent in paying the ministers for labor among the poorer churches and in remote settlements where there were no churches. From 1859 till 1862 the incubus of debt, caused by failure of the "Book Concern" established in St. John in 1854, to pay ogether with the dishonesty of many persons who received the INTELLIGENCER but refused to pay for it, well nigh crushed the missionary spirit out our people and produced a general decline in both spiritual and financial prosperity. Debt is always sure to put a damper on spiritual life; any people who fail to keep their engagements will become weak and scattered, and the church that fails to pay is sure also to fail to pray. Having paid off all liabilities in 1862 the Conference and churches began to breathe easily again and the old love for souls revived. The Home Mission work began to extend and revivals increased rapidly. During tho four years of financial trouble an average of only 331 persons were baptized each year. In the next four years the average was 530 per year. In 1864 the Home and Foreign Mission Societies were organized. Dr. J. L. Phillips, then a young man, was engaged to labor in India for us, and several of the elders were sent by the Home Mission Society to destitute districts in our own Province New life and zeal were infused into the careless and indolent by the earnest, soul-stirring addresses of Dr. Phillips and some of our leading men. During the next ten years there was much good done and many souls brought into the kingdom of Christ, both here and in India, through the instrumentality of these Societies. After the return of Dr. Phillips from India, prematurely aged by his arduous labors in 1875, there seemed to creep into ou people a feeling of dissatisfaction in regard to the way he was controlled by the Freewill Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the United States. The times being hard also made the raising of money difficult. Subsequently, he having been appointed Principal of the India Bible School, his services Mission Society we would not now have any Foreign Mission interest in active working order. The time seems near at hand, though, when the Foreign Mission Society should arise and inaugurate a new system of helping the Foreign Mission cause. wish to enlist the sympathy and aid of all tru lovers of Christ in this work; and I hope to show that unless we perform our whole duty every interest of the denomination will languish. Some thought that we were not able to engage in Foreign Mission work in 1864, and argued that our home interests would suffer for want of funds. But a careful study of the following table compiled from the long. At the present rate the session will be full vile literature, and in that almost general reprobaand Foreign Mission Societies prosper equally. tion of evil practices which were, even in the be- man to public office, make him an alderman of a falls off in funds. The fact seems to be that God prospers the cheerful giver; consequently the more the more is the love for souls increased and spiritual life quickened and strengthened. Before the great many trials in the denomination. Many churches were at variance with each other, and Conference and District Meeting Committees were frequently appointed to settle discords. Such ency to strife among church members. For our own good, then, as well as for the good of the world, we ought to unitedly work for the extension

Year.	Number Baptized.	Conference Fund.	Home Mission.	Foreign Mission.	Woman's Mission.	Total.
1864	550	\$374	\$326			\$700
1865	509	373	644	-8666		1684
1866	600	248	1302	457		2007
1867	585	648	1118	696		2462
1868	610	311	789	735		1835
*1869	370	220	576	848		1644
1870	486	246	619	794		1659
1871	277	356	748	1032		2136
1872	430	305	1010	733		2048
1873	420	444	226	800		1470
1874	533	216	370	848	1000	1444
1875	576	297	304	739	15000	1394
1876	1200	279	442	447	\$146	1314
1877	331	260	103	906	519	1888
1878	310	109	400	331	398	1238
1879	184	425	140	98	390	1053
1880	628	262	130	109	658	1159

time for holding Conference.

showing how our Mission Societies have been sup- I shall long remember that visit to Lewiston. ported during the last 16 years. Observe how they Thursday I came on my way as far as Salem have run along hand in hand. As one fails in Mass., at which place and Lowell I spent a few days funds so does the other. Why? Different people resting and visiting my brothers. On Tuesday, 30th will give different answers no doubt. Stringency ult., I left Lowell, Mass., for this place arriving n the money market has no doubt had something here Saturday, 4th inst. Much of the journey was in the heart, the purse always seems lank, no mat- the country is prosperous, and the great West a

If each one of the 10,360 members who have I have now been here fourteen days, had time to

minister of Christ to go to the home of the worldly- being realized, it affords me pleasure to remember minded, the sensual, the dishonest, and the profil- the kind wishes, and fervent trustful prayers o gate and privately show them how they are violating | which I was the subject when parting with friends, all the laws of God and many of the laws of man. and which I hope still follow me. I am also very

the times are. The F. C. Baptists just now need Nebraska, U. S. about four men wholly consecrated to the work of carrying the whole Gospel into our churches that are weak and scattered, and teaching the people at their homes, in the fields and by the wayside the blessedness of serving God fully. Many of our people have fallen into the belief that religion consists wholly of certain emotional excitement, and they seek that in the revival meetings only. But holy and consequently happy has perennial peace ment or a saloon. that is of more worth than much momentary emotion. We ought to accumulate a fund, the interest of which would give us a sure sum every year to ex- adoption of that principle would considerably pend in mission work. The main work could always be supported, and the schools and itinerant native preachers in India could be supported by the yearly contributions. If some more of our wealthy men would contribute a few thousands for such a purpose I have no doubt but much good would result to all concerned. Every one should give on principle and not for the purpose of out-doing some

The tendency of human nature is to grow luke warm in all good work. Hence the constant need of stirring up. Next week I will say something on zeal, and what it will do.

## SABBATH SCHOOL TEACHERS

need the INTELLIGENCER for the sake of the hel it gives them in their work. We have reason t believe that the Notes on the S. S. Lessons during this year have been highly appreciated by many teachers. We have made arrangements to publish were relinquished; and were it not for the Woman's Notes and Hints on the Lessons for 1881. We shall also furnish, as occasion requires, other matter interesting and helpful to S. S. workers.

LETTER FROM REV. J. I. PORTER DEAR BRO. McLEOD: As I cannot write to all who would like to hear of my welfare, and as so many of my friends are readers of your good paper, I take this way to give information that may be of aterest to them. I am in the "Far West." My easons for coming may be stated thus: As many know, I have had bad health for three or four years. Although medicine and rest, together with change of climate for a few weeks at a time, have helped Minutes of Conference will prove that the Home to some improvement, it yet seemed from further medical examination and advice, and my own con victions in the matter, that if I would regain my nealth I must have a greater change of climate than ny physicians, and in accepting invitations of friends n these parts, I have, after much prayerful con- and out of the hands of politicians. sideration, taken the long journey. Taking an aforganization of the Mission Societies there were a fectionate leave of dear ones at home, I began my temperance habits among the natives of Alaska by things are much less of late years. Active effort 10th ult., I took a somewhat sorrowful leave of honesty, the former will in promoting temperance have raised his salary from \$7,000 to \$10,000. The for the good of others always counteracts the tend- Mrs. P. and Fred. at Bro. Knollin's in Yarmouth; --- and not until then. of the Gospel everywhere. But let us see what has Brother Wilson Sims of that place kindly calling to sons, and it will be well with you; in immoderate churches in Halifax on Christmas Day for the there. Bro. Siddall had desired to make a visit to that fact. Packet." Through his solicitation, and the kindness habits of a philanthropic lady is reported from New Sandringham, and, by the Prince's especial desire,

Capt. Larkin, as well as the kindness of all on Leaving Carleton Tuesday morning, I arrived in Bangor early that evening, and spent the night The amounts are given in round numbers and with Bro. Howard, who, with Sister Howard and are approximately correct. The total number hap- family, made my stay very pleasant. Next day I ized since 1855, when statistics began to be used went to Lewiston, where I enjoyed the hospitality in the reports, is 12,240. The last report gives our of Prof. Hayes, Rev. E. G. Eaton and Dr. Burtotal membership as 10,340 belonging to 152 bank. I met several of the students from N. S. churches. Now look at the two columns of figures | and N. B., with whom I had a pleasant interview.

worship, visit friends, and form a more correct

opinion of the pleasant and progressive village.

We sailed on Monday morning and arrived at St.

John the same evening. I shall not soon forget

been converted through the preaching of the Word look around and know a little about the country. would ask himself, how much am I indebted to the Well, it is beautiful, not a monotonous level plain, church for my spiritual instruction and answer the but a fine rolling prairie with just enough of ascent uestion truly, I am sure our mission treasuries and descent to be convenient to till, and insure ment and prevention is being prepared for presenwould soon be full. As to Foreign Mission sup- perfect drainage. Along the water courses there tation to the Imperial Parliament. As we have knob unscrews, and filling it with boiling water port, let me say that all the past history of mis- are beautiful trees in sufficient quantity for fuel, been always to 1 by people of the Dodds stripe that you can place it in a muff. sion effort proves that there is no work that any but the bottom and higher lands have nothing on beer and light wines rather conduce to temperate church can engage in that so fully develops the them, in their natural state, to obstruct the plough. habits than otherwise, it is perfectly wonderfu true Christ-like spirit, as Foreign Mission work. It seems wonderful that the horse scythe can be that the nation best supplied with these "mild" It dwarfs selfishness and increases love, strengthens used on these lands to gather excellent hay in any liquors should be so great a sufferer that the iron faith and perfects perseverance, unites brethren needed quantity. The weather is as fine and de- hand of Prince Bismarck-who does not wish the and interests many laggards, and widens and lightful as can be desired. During the time I have material for soldiers to deteriorate-should require deepens the spiritual thought and feelings of all been here there has been no storm excepting about to be brought to bear in making it sober! who know or hear anything of the work. If we as half an inch of snow one night, which disappeared a denomination wish to prosper we must support all | next morning, and I have not seen any snow since. the interests thereof. Some effort was made at the There has been no wind to be in any degree dis last Conference to revive the mission interest. All agreeable. The coldest night 4 degrees below zero. one week in the visits of the paper to its patrons. Strong word immorality and hurl it at him, and not likewise gleaned from the silver depths and each likewise gleaned from the silver depths and each likewise gleaned from the in the denomination and the stars the paper to its patrons. The mornlight nights the finest three weeks are required to give an occasional abstract of the news of the day as gleaned from their We, therefore, make them a present of this num- allow him to dodge the blow. But the moonlight nights the finest. But it must be past three weeks. He is still very weak, and columns are considered across the azure gave exact feel that we ought to have a male missionary in columns. India as well as a female. We have no man yet that we know of who is willing to go to the Foreign that we know of who is willing to go to the Foreign that we know of who is willing to go to the Foreign their corn grop.

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The fermers are gathering their corn grop. have been offered the Lord of the harvest to send (which is abundant); much of it is yet in the fields, such a laborer, but these prayers have not been but it sustains no damage. So far the influence of answered yet. Perhaps many of those who pray the climate on my health has been very encouragfor a missionary are so afraid of the expense that | ing -- all that I hoped. It seems to me at this rate the secret wish of their heart is that no properly I must be well again in a few months. I know that qualified person will be forthcoming. Those who | medicine and rest at home would not have so benethink we have plenty of work to do at home with- fited me. Notwithstanding my regret to be absent out doing anything for those abroad will find by from home and friends and brethren in the Master's careful study that no really live people have ever service, with whom I have so long labored (as it been able to do all the work they saw required do- seems my help is especially needed). I feel it i ing. And if we wait till all our churches in N. B. right to be here. I trust the future has in store the Week of Prayer has become a settled institu- of the country, and without giving value in return will help the cause they labour for by introducing are fully supplied with pastors and all our scattered for me years of usefulness in the Master's cause, interests well looked after, we will never do any- and that these experiences are working the greatthing for Foreign Missions, and, what is worse, est good. The Gospel field is broad and inviting will not do so much for Home Missions as when we here, and faithful laborers are much needed. support both. I think the above table and re- cannot, as yet, accept the invitations I get to preach, marks abundantly prove this. God helps those fearing it will prevent the speedy return of health, who help themselves is ar. old proverb, and its as that is the chief aim of my coming here. I am counterpart is equally true. He helps those who at present enjoying the kind hospitality of Rev. K. help others to help themselves. Now we want R. Davis, who with his amiable wife gave me a three things to carry out the work God has given | warm reception upon my arrival. They have been Rev. G. O. Gates (Baptist) Moncton, received a Christmas present of \$25.00 from his Bible class.

Rev. A. Chipman of Hopewell Cape, had a \$79 called, at a congregation, but to go from house to Sister Reval to think Donations were not had.

Sister Reval to think Donations were not had. us to do, viz.: men, money and burning zeal. We personal friends for many years. All to whom I Christmas present of \$25.00 from his Bible class. easy to go into the pulpit and give sermons, so of the people here are from the east. Society is house and teach all the people, is rapidly becoming tion. Liberally educated persons are found on think Donations were not bad beauth things after all, for, beside the cash, the good peo-

One holy, fearless, humble worker will do more grateful to those brethren and friends who gave me for the spread of the Gospel than a score of mere | tangible tokens of their consideration and esteem sermon-shooters who "unbend," as they say, when which have been so helpful; and I heartily assure out of the pulpit and join the worldly-minded in them that their kindness will not soon be forgotgame and repartee and mirth. Such men are ten. Fearing that I am trespassing upon space carce and much harder to find than money. But | that may be better filled, I will not write more at God has given many such men to the church and this time, expecting to write again soon. Until here are some on earth even now, degenerate as further notice, my Post office addres is Salem,

Salem, Nebraska, Dec. 18th, 1880.

# TEMPERANCE NOTES.

Hants and Cape Breton N. S., are getting ready to adopt the Canada Temperance Act. -Governor St. John of Kansas predices that about the middle of January that State will not have withthe man who feels that he is helping to make others in her borders a distillery, a rectifying establish-- In Sweden, a man who is seen drunk four

times is deprived of his vote at elections. The restrict the franchise in this country. -There is quite a temperance revival now going on

in Boston and in New York. Mrs. Mary A. Livermore addressed an immense throng on Sunday, at Haverly's Theatre, New York city, on the subject of temperance. - Temperance finds an advocate in the Old

Colony Railroad Company, the aunouncement being made by the Directors that they will not retain or engage any subordinate who is addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors. - The Christian Weekly refers with justifiabl

pride to the fact that about three hundred of the English language. employes in the New York post-office are members of the Post-Office Temperance Society, and that it is unpopular in that institution to drink or swear. - What a fact it is for Christian people to con sider that is stated by an English paper, that mor

oney is spent in Great Britain and Ireland in two days for intoxicating drinks, than is given in a year for the cause of missions, Protestant and Catholic - Hon. Schuyler Colfax says : " Let me pro phesy; in less than five years from to-day no man of intelligence in the United States will advocate the

tolerated by the American people." - The Legislature of Vermont has passed a Nuisance Bill," which is the most stringent probitory liquor bill ever passed in that State. This given away, or where gambling is allowed, is a issued a volume of Irenaus letters, with a fine porof from \$20 to \$200, and imprisonment for three New York Observer, New York.

- In Maine General Neal Dow is circulating a petition asking the Legislature to authorize the people to vote for or against a prohibitory clause in the Constitution of the State. The measure is to be voted for at the municipal elections. This is intended to take the prohibitory law out of politics

journey on the 3rd of November last, accompanied encouraging them to drink lager beer. We wonder end of the Christmas article of last week . . . It has by my wife and little son, to visit our friends in if Commander B. promotes honesty in his children Yarmouth until after our Quarterly Meeting in by encouraging them to steal only dimes and half winter ice will, as usual, freeze with the slippery Beaver River. Those were pleasant days. On the dimes! When the latter plan works in promoting side up.... Professor Swing's church in Chicago-

kindly waited to accompany them. At the request of "I know of a father in this city who had eight wan reports the grain crop this year a partial fail-Bro. Siddall I went to Plymouth the same evening, sons. He said to them; 'Drink moderately, my ure... The collections in the various Catholic take me over. I spent the night very pleasantly drinking lies the danger.' The father lived a mod- maintenance of the clergy, amounted to \$2,586. in his excellent home. Next morning I went to erate drinker; but his sons became sots, and forty This is reported to be the largest collection for this Deacon Sims' and spent a very stormy day and of his descendants have found drundards' graves." purpose ever made in Halifax ... "George Eliot" night, pleasantly. Bro. and Sister Siddall were Moderate drinkers sweeten your next glass with is dead . . . A new Baptist Church on the Barony,

of Bro. Sims, having also a desire to go through N. York. The victim had devoted herself to the work | read the lessons at morning prayers. B. and Maine, I decided not to wait for the Do- of reclaiming fallen women, and had acquired a minion to Boston. On the 12th we sailed for St. taste for drink through her efforts to prove to her John. Had a quick run to Westport, where we protegees that liquor might be used without being laid until the morning of the 15th on account of abused. Her unfortunate penchant grew upon her high and head winds. This gave us an opportunity to such a degree that it was found necessary to to spend the Sabbath at this place, attend divine commit her as a habitual drunkard. - Liquor selling not only causes pauperism, but

those races that sell most liquor furnish the most Germans have determined to try the Irish pracpaupers. Eight-tenths of the liquor dealers of A meeting was held at Berlin, and it was decided Chicago are Irish and German; and the records of that no Liberal should be elected to Parliament the "Relief and Aid Society" in 1874, showed and that no German should have any dealings with the kindness and generosity of Bro. Sims and that of the 12,938 who were cared for by that so- the Jews. This will remind the Jews of the time when ciety, 10,040, or nearly eight-tenths, were Irish and they boycotted the Samaritans perhaps. The Chi-

- No liquor licenses have been granted in Potthe grand effects: "At a recent term of the court, the District Attorney informed the court that he had no indictments to present to the grand jury ; they had no one to keep at the County's charge."

her citizens sober. - Every man who drinks is required to take out a license costing five dollars a being given and then decided on the evidence year. Unless armed with this document he cannot had been any negotiations whatever between the to do with the falling off during the last three years, during the night, so that I could not tell much get his bitters at any hotel or saloon, for it is a but I fear there has been as much spiritual as finan- about the country I passed through; but what I penal offense for the proprietors of these establishcial depression. And when the love of God is low have seen fully met my expectations. Evidently ments to sell to any person without a license. Every six months the names of the persons who take out these licenses are to be published in the local papers, so that the public may know who are and who are not authorized to drink.

- Drunkenness is spreading so much in Ger many, it is said, that a new measure for its punish-

# DENOMINATIONAL.

REV. WM. BROWN writes (Dec. 16), from Grand

work of God is still progressing in Knowlesville. A week ago last Sahbath Bro. Gravinor baptized three converts, two of whom, with two others by letter, were added to the church. Last Sabbath one was baptized. The interest is good. Bro. Freeman has been with us during the month, and his labours are highly appreciated

Donation. -On Monday afternoon and evening took possession of their house—the Parsonage. when Deacon George Middlemas presented the pas- be dropped into either of the huge chasms. tor (Elder S. Nason Royal) with \$12.30 in cash. If some children this year did not find Santa Olaus. Sister Royal to think Donations were not bad French make at Messrs. Cushing & Co,'s store

PERRY'S POINT, Q. Co.-A correspondent writing on the 27th says: "Rev. J. G. McKenzie has been with us. Yesterday he preached two very interesting sermons at Perry's Point and the Narrows Churches."

## SPECIMEN COPIES.

We will gladly send specimen copies to any perons who would be likely to subscribe for the In-TELLIGENCER on being made acquainted with its character. If ministers or others will furnish us with such names they may do a double good.

THE PRESS.—The returns so far received for HUBBARD'S NEWSPAPER DIRECTORY OF THE WORLD, to be published early in 1881 by H. P. Hubbard, New Haven, Conn., indicate that the papers, sub-

ed in the World are divided about	as follows
United States,	9,600
Germany,	5,000
Great Britain,	3,000
France,	2,500
South America,	1,150
Italy,	1,050
Austria,	1,000
Australia and Pacific Islands.	1,000
Spain,	950
Russia,	650
Canada,	540
Switzerland,	500
Sweden,	350
China and India,	300
Denmark,	350
Japan,	250
Norway,	250
Portugal,	250
Africa,	230
Mexico and West India,	150
Turkey,	70
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This list will probably be increased slightly so that the aggregate will not fall far short of 30,000. Of this number over 15,000 are printed in the

NEWSPAPERS. - The Boston Pilot (Romish) furnishes the following Catholic newspaper statistics : Of the 13,960 newspapers and periodicals published in Europe, 937 are Catholic in tendency; that is to say, about 1 in 44. Of the 250 newspapers published in Belgium. 154 are Cathelic. France has 42 Catholic journals out of a total of 2,000. Great Britain has 42, out of a total of 2,500. Of the papers published in Germany, 1 in 10 is Catholic. In Austria it is 1 in 13. Italy has 1 in 7. Spain only 1 in 8. In North America, out of a total of 8,500. present license system, nor will the traffic in whisky | 133 are Catholic. In South America there are 11 Catholic papers, out of a total of 1,000.

THE NEW YORK OBSERVER is an interesting and valuable family paper. We can recommend it to our readers, who wish to take a New York paper, oill declares that any place where liquor is sold or as pure and safe. The publishers have this year uisance, and the keeper thereof is liable to a fine trait of the author, which they offer to old subscribers. Anyoue can get the terms by sending to

#### BRIEF MENTION. Snow fell in Virginia for 33 hours without inter-

mission . . . . There are 8,000 streets in London whose united length is 2,800 miles . . . General Garfield is beggars and gratuitous advice-givers are snowedout . . . Vennor's big snow storm hasn't come yet... -Commander Beardslee proposes to promote He thinks it has tried to, but the "winds were contrary".... The printers omitted a star from the already been discovered that during the present enterprise is in a very flourishing condition . . . . A they returned home with Capt. Covell, he having - The Rev. Dr. Newell, of New York, says: Winnipeg despatch says that news from Saskatche-York, Co., is to be dedicated next Sabbath ... Mr. N. B. and to take passage in Bro. Sims' "Yarmouth \_\_ A very sad case of the fall into dissipated Gladstone has been visiting the Prince of Wales at

# CURRENT TOPICS.

" BOYCOTTING."

(Daily Witness.) Boycotting is being adopted very extensively hroughout the world. The agitation against the Jews in Germany having failed of its object, the nese with their usual alacrity in adopting European devices and modes of action have also adopted the practice of boycotting and carried it out even more ter County, Pennsylvania, since 1860, and here are | thoroughly than was done in Ireland. The Chinese epium dealers of Chin Kiang being troubled by foreign competitors, posted pickets around the shops of the foreigners and prevented any Chinamen from purchasing from them. The foreigners the sheriff also stated that he had no criminals in | had to give up the business and even sell out to the prison; the directors of the poor reported that their persecutors. It appears that the Chinese did not observe their monetary engagements, so the foreigners brought the matter into court, but the - Oregon has hit upon a new expedient to keep Judge being under the influence of the Chinese dealers he prevented the evidence for the plaintiffer offered by the Chinese dealers, that there never plaintiffs and defendants, and so the case ended

### THINGS IN SHORT METRE. BY PEN AND BCISSORS.

A Norwich, Conn., firm makes a business of shipping live frogs to different parts of the country, at principally to New York and Buffalo. They The latest new thing in London is a hot potato

Some one says that a Mormon sermon can be boiled down to this; "Obey the Council and pay your tithes; especially pay your tithes." The ithing system pours into the coffers at Salt Lake

of bronze or metal to keep the hands warm. One

\$1,500,000 annually. Garfield is the first President who ever had an pportunity to install his mother in the White fouse. The old lady is nearly eighty, but bids fair to live through the entire term.

A new feature in some of the leading schools of New Jersey is placing daily and local newspapers in the highest department for the use of the pupils.

Knowlesville, C. Co.—Dear Bro. McLeod: The money was found sewed up in his clothes.

Ohio papers say that goitre, a peculiar swelling of the glands of the neck, is prevailing in an epi-demic form in the southern part of Montgomery County, in that State, and causing much alarm. There are some forty cases in one township, and 95 per cent. of the victims are women.

Few persons are aware of the extent of iron steam-We had some meetings at Coldstream which were never so flourishing. Parties who have returned attended with good interest, and prospect of revi-kingdom, where from 6,000 to 7,000 men are employed, state that upward of eighty steamers, some of them from 7,000 to 8,000 tons burthen, are now

A Spot is now visible a little to the right of and Dec. 6, the members of the Free Baptist Church below the centre of the sun's disk. By proglass it may be seen like a black speck on the smooth, They sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared by tremendous forces that are at work upon the sun yellow surface. A notion may be formed of the themselves. They remained till nearly 10 P. M. when it is recollected that the earth could probably

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