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ton, N. B.

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.

Do Not Delay .- It is never well to delay renewing till the year has actually expired. It is better to send the renewal payment a little before the old term has ended. A good many always do so. Some have already paid for next year. We month closes.

Several weeks ago statements were sen 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 circulation of money than for three or four ently, will not find it very difficult to pay now. They cannot fail to see that it is much easier for each one to pay the small amount he owes than for us to bear the heavy burden caused by the non-payment of so many. Regard for the golden rule will move each one to resolve to immediately pay his bill We shall expect to hear from every one in arrears not later than the close of this month.

We are confidently expecting that each out the Advance Payment System.

Every Free Baptist Minister in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia is authorized to act as agent for the INTELLIGENCER, and will receive and forward subscrip-

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 24, 1880

To all our readers we send our best

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

- A FREE BAPTIST Quarterly Meeting recently did itself credit by declining to use the wine that had been provided for Sacramental purposes, because it was fermented. Pity all churches were not as stalwart in their convictions in this matter. The Lord's Table should never be desecrated by

- An Arkansas minister of what denomination is not said-is a plain preacher, and especially pointed and emphatic in his applications. He recently preached on the duty of paying debts, and by way of application said : "So much for sentiment : the hard fact is that

this church owes me five hundred dollars, and I shall never occupy this pulpit again until it is paid.' We do not know what would become of a great many churches if the ministers should make simi-

the owners-the British Government.

- Over some homes death is hovering; into some has entered, even in this joyous Christmas time. Of all seasons Christmas seems the saddest for one to die, and there is a deep feeling in all hearts that, of the many mourners with whom the land is always filled, there are none who should more largely share our sympathy than those who are called to weep around their uncoffined dead while the Christmas bells are ringing. Sorrow at Christmas time is like a ten-fold sorrow, and never do tears seem so unnatural as then. It seems so sad that men should mourn and weep while the echo of the angels' song is filling the air.

- AN OLD preacher, having become discouraged, cannot." Mr. Spurgeon on this point, says if a whom perhaps life is a burden and a misery, and San Francisco is having good effect. Some of the preacher does not preach well, pray him up. If who may be disposed to think hardly both of papers at first made light of the meetings, but are they do not profit, let them still go on praying God and man. We desire for our readers and for now giving more attention to them than they have Any of them would preach well when they ourselves the predominance of this, the true spirit ever before given to any religious services. preached to a congregation coming fresh from their of the season. knees, having prayed to God to help them.

- Somebody wants to organize a Branch of the Land League in this city. A call has been issued, though no name is signed to it. Probably if the name of the issuer were appended the value of the call would be seen. It is addressed to the "Irishmen of St. John who approve of the Parnell plan." We can understand how Irishmen can deeply sympathize with the struggles of their countrymen to selves and landlords; but that the reasonable among them can endorse the plans of the Land League as managed by Parnell & Co. we do not any importance can be effected in this city. For the sake of Irishmen and Ireland's cause it is to be hoped the project may fail.

- HENRY BERGH, the S. F. T. P. O. C. T. A. man, does not believe much in Prison Reform as some people understand it. At a recent Prison Reform Meeting held in New York his address was a veritable bombsheli in the camp of the reformers. He spoke in decided opposition to the objects of the meeting. He believed that this maudlin nonsense about criminals should stop; he advocated the whipping-post as a punishment for minor offences, and urged that jails should no longer be public hotels for made. In other Counties an equally bad condition Government of Nova Scotia are in Ottawa negotiathe comfortable entertainment of criminals. His re- of affairs exists. Not only landlords, but farmers, marks completely demoralized the meeting. He merchants, servants, and every class are made to to arrange with a syndicate for the acquisition of was cheered to the echo, and the collection was feel the tyranny of the Leaguers; and nobody knows all company railways in Nova Scotia under one very small. This stalwart talking will do good. to what greater lengths of crime the deluded people | management. There is need more of moral fibre in dealing with | may be incited.

that " active steps will be taken for the organization of a Company to build a R. R. from Harvey viction not on any harm which the loss of Ireland Station on the St. John and Maine R. R. to Woodstock, via Lake George, the Pokiok and the St.

John Valleys." It is said that the gentlemen who
are said to be projecting this road are interested in

The Foreign Missionary says that Quon
made the spirit of covetousness the only rule by
scheme of Irish independence, and that the only
probable future for an independent Ireland is one
that a could do to Great Britain, but on the fact that a
multitude of Irish are invincibly opposed to the
scheme of Irish independence, and that the only
probable future for an independent Ireland is one
the Lord whom they had forsaken. This was a

Port La Tour some time in February.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

No one doubts the propriety of making merry and being glad at Christmas time. As certainly as Protestants and Roman Catholics? Would the t comes round year after year, as certainly do we associate ideas of happiness with it. Of all seasons it is the one most distinctly connected with rejoicing. Childhood bounds at the thought of it. Youth hails it with delight. Mature years give it welcome with a chastened pleasure, and at its approach old age grows young again. Cheerfulness presides at the social feast. Laughter reigns and revels around the domestic hearth. Church bells give out their most joyous peals. Church songs are of the most grand thing to rack their brains for ways and means iveliest tone, and some of the churches are-we do not see why all of them should not be-adorned

nconscious earth provides at this sombre winterme. The common feeling of gladness, the universal tendency of rejoicing at this season could be easily defended, if need were, as well as easily explained, and the man must be cold-hearted and are hoping that all will do so before this prosaic indeed who can look upon it and feel no agion of joy by which he is surrounded. We know that Christmas festivity may, and alas!

ften does, degenerate into mere animal pleasure

there of good in this world which an evil nature and on the bogs you see the people crowded to will not pervert to base uses! He who spends his gethed in small holdings." "The County of Meath, Christmas in mere feasting and revelry, and who seeks his happiness in these, is sure to miss the years before, and we think our friends, on object which he seeks, is sure to give fresh impetus in America before the government laid its hands whom we have waited so long and so pati- to those downward tendencies which lie in the shall not lay ourselves open to the charge of uttering cant" if we remind our readers to-day that, what. | infer that the native Irish Administration might ver may be the gratification or joy that comes to the hearts of men through mere carnal pleasure or object but one -to induce his infatuated followers nimal excitement, there is something richer, nobler, to stop their ears to all offers from Mr. Gladstone Diviner still to be enjoyed, and our Christmas and the English Parliament, and to prepare them festival brings the revelation of this home to each shows his hand. Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Forster of us. The great and blessed fact that underlies, must see what he is after. It is for them to check-Let no one be so unkind as to neglect this and that sanctifies all true Christmas joy, is the mate him by developing a policy so boldly just, so matter. Him who came to bring "peace on earth," to com- land that they will be happy to have its results pro-We are confidently expecting that each solution for tall that mourn, to abolish death, and to wipe subscriber will do his part towards carrying away the tears of humanity. And while we join in any useful hint from Mr. Parnell's reference to the the usual festivities of the season, and keep it with good land in Ireland that might be cut up into true mirthfulness and glee, we should not forget the richer gladness that springs from faith in Him

o whom Christmas owes its origin. One of the chief elements that should at all seaons enter into our happiness, and one of the formost luties of our life is, making others happy. Most of us are too prone to live selfishly, to look at pasture, which is evidently its natural destination, verything in its relation to our own interest and and the best mode of turning it to account." our own gratification. In doing so we really deprive | Wheat is in Ireland a precarious crop, and we need urselves of the truest and deepest enjoyment. It s well for us that there should come occasions bility, therefore, is that, in talking of cutting up goodwill, and charity, is spread over all the land, ought the Government to be in bringing forward and one would have difficulty in resisting the genial a plan to make life endurable by the small farmers wishes, and hope that each of them may influence which comes streaming in upon him on all of Ireland. Colonel Gordon, a man of unimpeach sides. It is a delightful thing to be able to make others glad. The grand old Book of books-God's state of the people in the west and south-west of is more blessed to give than to receive." The field of "Bulgarians, Anatolians, Chinese, and Inin which we can sow the seed of gladness is very lishes a wholly exceptional case to be dealt with by wide-our homes, the circle of our acquaintance, the British Government. Once for all, the black the neighborhood in which we live; yea, we can stain of having in Ireland the worst-off population Christian festival should be made memorable by life tolerable to the peasantry of Ireland, and thus acts and gifts of love. By-and-by, when we are to checkmate the apostles of rebellion. Fixity of gone, the dear ones we leave behind will think of tenure is the essential thing. hese, and they will think of us with a deeper tenerness because of them; or if they are taken, and we are left, the remembrance of the happiness we have given will be a priceless treasure in our hearts. Happy is the man who knows how, and lays himself ut to make his children and his household happy But we are thinking, as we write, especially of the poor. There are many around us-it is always so-who are in poverty and distress. There may be some such in the immediate circle of our own

relations, or acquaintance. Some little token of - THAT GENEVA Award is a troublesome thing thoughtful kindness at the present time will be to our United States neighbours. We have heard | peculiarly grateful to them. To feel that they are it said that money or other valuables wrongly got not forgotten will be a soothing balm to them always cause trouble to the holders. The N. Y. amidst life's adversity and care. And then there Chamber of Commerce has been reminding Con- are the general poor. True, we cannot remove or gress that the several millions balance should be relieve them all, but each of us can make some one distributed. Several attempts to distribute it have scene less wretched. Each of us can shed a ray of been made but in vain. Everybody wants it light into some one abode of darkness-each of us though nobody has a right to it. There is just one | can make some one unhappy heart less unhappy. honest way of disposing of it, i. e., to give it back to And very often a trifle will do it. We cannot have very great. far to go to try its power. It is generally well to investigate cases before we bestow what is called hospitals. In these every year about 10,000 patients a charity," but at this season let us not be too particular. There is too much real want for us to | nationality and creed. e much deceived. Let us seek it out. And this we know-that even the bad have human wants, and they have human hearts within them, and they are embraced in the love and pity of our Heavenly Father; and the Blessed Jesus, when He was born into the world, was born in their nature, and when He died upon the cross He died as truly for them as He did for the wealthiest man in the realm, and He is as truly their Saviour as He is ours; and we should not sternly close our hearts against them on this Christian festival. Rather let us open our hearts in something like His world-embracing chartendered his resignation. The people were amazed ; ity, and from the fountain of our benevolence and they thought he would remain their pastor till called | joy let us make them glad. But, whoever it may higher. A friend asking him the cause of his dis- be-widow or orphan, sick or sorrowing-let some couragement, he said he had lost his prayer book. one have a lighter heart and a happier Christmas 'Lost your prayer book!" said his friend, "I because of your kindness, than they otherwise would didn't know you ever used one." "I mean," re. have. The blessing of the poor and suffering will a liberal donation to the building fund, and another plied the preacher, "that my people have ceased come upon us. Our own Christmas will be all the gentleman has promised a clock for the tower. The to pray for me as they used to do; perhaps they happier for it, and we may be instrumental in church will be finished in the spring. think I can get along without their prayers, but I awaking truer and kinder thoughts in some one to

> -The Conferences of New Brunswick and Nova TALLIGENCER, and earnestly reccommend it to their strong has been abundant in good works, and is

IRELAND'S TROUBLES. There will be no merry Christmas in Ireland. City on Monday. He has been clerk in the office Things there are going from bad to worse very fast. for several years, and is therefore well acquainted There seems no limit to the lengths to which the with its duties. reckless and unscrupulous heads of the Land League secure an improved arrangement between them- will lead the people. The League is terrorizing the believe. It is not probable that an organization of bring the guilty to justice is an impossibility. Take one County as an example of the Parnell plan of doing things. The following is the list of offences

ommitted in the County of Mayo: Attempt to kill,..... Threats to murder, 15 Assaults on houses, Wilful injury to property,..... Threatening letters,..... Other similar offences,

Total,.....236 For the above offences only twelve arrests were

... The Capital has information to the effect think, as they certainly do, that an Irish rebellion N. B., and 2 from P. E. I. The report tells the

institution has steadily increased in usefulness.

dent Treland should be politically constituted. \$100 toward the support of this man and one other would it be a Monarchy? Would it be a Republicance of the Bible as we can get when the support of this man and one other when the truth and teaching of the Bible as we can get when the support of this man and one other when the support of this man and one other when the support of the support of the Bible as we can get when the support of this man and one other when the support of the Bible as we can get when the support of this man and one other when the support of the Bible as we can get when the support of this man and one other when the support of the Bible as we can get when the support of the support

lic? How would the balance be adjusted between land be disposed of in a free fight? So long as Irishmen abjure us not to leave them to the tender mercies of Mr. Parnell and an infuriated crew of Maine; it is convenient to the railroad, and has a Irish roughs (many of them from the western side of the Atlantic), we can hardly, as honorable humane, and brave men, entertain the question of of a seaside resort. It is said that about \$40,000 joined the church. Every church member ought bidding Ireland farewell. Mr. Parnell must be a will be spent in putting the property in order. strangely constituted person if, after having lived . The Provincial Board of Agriculture was in for years in England, he can believe that English men are enamoured of sovereignty over the irreconcilable Isle, or that they think it a fine and business was the passage of a resolution recom-

to do good to Ireland, and always to be told for

their pains that they are tyrants and blood-suckers.

with the other part of his speech. He studiously

can see in any of the Irish counties." In Water

"According to all trustworthy economists,

conomist, all Ireland "formed but one imm

able honor, who has traveled in all parts of the world,

has declared in the volume of the Times that the

dians. That is a statement which of itself estab-

- Ministers who believe that religious papers help them in their work, should show their good will and help

NOTES AND COMMENTS

trates some of his sermons with crayon sketches.

... A bill making Protestants, naturalized

.The contributions to the Stellarton Relief

oreigners and freedmen eligible to seats in the

Chamber of Deputies has just passed the Senate of

Fund are not more than will be needed. The suf-

fering, present and prospective, is represented as

.... There are in New York City over twenty

. Vanderbilt is making war on the pernicious

receive treatment. The patients represent every

iterature of the day. He has issued an order for-

bidding the sale of such on the trains and in the

. For the interesting items of Denominational News

from Nova Scotia we are indebted to Rev. T. H.

Siddall. We wish other ministers would favor the

INTELLIGENCER and its readers in the same way.

fever scourging, and has therefore been introducing

some sanitary reforms. It has expended during the

past year in sewers, &c., some \$200,000. Money

building a new church. Senator Hamlin has made

... The work of Messrs. Moody and Sankey in

....Last Sabbath was the twenty-eighth anni-

ersary of Rev. G. M. Armstrong's pastorate of the

Stone Church (Episcopal) of this City. Mr. Arm-

held in high esteem by all classes of the community.

.... Mr. Frederick Sandall, brother of the late

Chamberlain, was sworn in Chamberlain of this

been attending the Theological School at Lewiston,

.... Messrs. Holmes, White and Troop of the

ting with the Dominion Government to enable them

with a deceased wife's sister bill.

... The Free Baptists at Presque Isle, Me., are

. Memphis is anxious to avoid another yellow

lepots of the N. Y. Central R. R.

The people want the news.

he papers. This is the time of year to do it.

Church realized about \$250.

session in Fredericton last week. One item of mending that the Dominion Government be asked to grant a subsidy of \$50,000, for three years, to-But Mr. Parpell's threat of rebellion is of little wards establishing a steamship line between St. with evergreens, the symbols of gladness which the | importance except when considered in connection | John and Liverpool, G. B., for the development of the export trade of cattle and sheep. ... Now is the time to begin preparation f

do much to improve the condition of the Irish peasantry, and he makes statements calculated to next summer, by building ice-houses, and laying up a store of that necessary luxury. We do not refer to the Ice Companies in this suggestion, who, of Government. He tells them that emigration is not a thing to be thought of. Ireland has ground enough, course, will attend to their business, but to farmers, sympathy with it, who can find in it no instruction, if only it could be got at by the people. Traveling and scores of other private individuals, who easily in the United States Mr. Parnell has "nowhere might secure a supply of ice at very little expense. seen so much land suitable for settlement as you It is but little trouble to build a small ice-house, and if carefully packed, ice will keep well, and be ord, in Cork, in Kerry, in Westmeath, in Meath, in Mayo, in Galway, "you see all the rich lands a source of comfort next August. which debases and poisons the soul; but what is without any inhabitants, and on the poorer lands

.Getting married under difficulties. parties were Mr. Danforth and Miss Stevens of this world as to set our hearts on the scaffolds of said Mr. Parnell, favoring his Irish audience with Gardiner, Maine. Friday evening had been a piece of information that will much surprise his for the wedding, but on account of the sickness of entirely. We are co-workers with Christ, who is friends in New York, "would not exist very long the bride, it was postponed till Monday evening. the architect and guide of our work; for his glory upon it and allotted it out into farms." A British nature of all, and against which it is one of our first Tories, will never, Mr. Parnell most correctly decides, layed, but fortunately no other harm was done. We need a for their kindness to me. A good number met at duties to maintain an unceasing struggle. We cut up Irish counties into farms for agriculturally When the sexton rang the bell in honor of the glad deeper work of grace in our hearts as a denomina- my home last Saturday evening. They provided a perpetrate such robbery. It is not to our minds department turned out, much to the mirth of those plans for doing good. I feel the need of more spent in singing; and some pleasant speeches were £200,000 and then £247,000 for the plot—the latonceivable that, in this wild talk, he can have any who understood the matter.

Dead Letter Office of the United States. It states | the Bible and read it more earnestly and prayerthat during the last year 3,500,000 letters and par- fully for divine instruction as to their whole duty cels were transmitted to that department from post- spiritually and financially. In another issue I shall offices within the Union. Of these epistolary waifs have more to say on this subject. tected by Imperial power and law. Whether, in and strays 2,700,000 were endorsed "unclaimed; addressed; 36,000 were illegible; and 9,000 were farms, is very doubtful. The lands in question are without any addresses whatever. Over 2,000,000 nsed for grazing purposes, and every one with a of dead letters were destroyed; 22,000 contained smattering of agricultural knowledge will ask wheaccepted bills and bank cheques representing over her they are capable of being used for anything \$1,500,000; 26,000 were freighted with notes, gold those of France included, Ireland is a grazing counand silver currency amounting to \$50,000. This try." In ancient times, according to a French is a strange illustration of the inborn carelessness of human nature for want of the exercise of the common sense forethought of daily life.

.... The St. Croix Courier declares against the not say how unwise it would be to trust more than Grammar School grants on the ground that "the s indispensable to the potato. The strong proba-Grammar Schools, as far as promoting the secondwhich are calculated to take us out of ourselves and the grass lands into farms or of forbidding graziers ary education is concerned, have been and are toto make us think of others. Christmas does this on | to put stock upon them, Mr. Parnell speaks not only | tally incommensurate with the amount of money large scale. An atmosphere of kindness, and But the more extravagant he is, the more resolute which has been given them out of the Provincial

In an article in the Intelligencer some months ago we took similar ground, arguing that the Gran mar School grants are not in harmony with the genius of the institutions of the country. We are Holy Bible—tells us that "he that watereth shall Ireland "is worse than that of any people in prepared to endorse the suggestion of our contembe watered himself;" and the Saviour said, "It the world, let alone Europe," worse than that porary that the money now spent on the Grammar as is now in operation in schools teaching Grade henor of England. It is for Mr Gladstone to make secondary education, and results would be produced which need never be looked for till the change advocated has been made.

> - Have the Ministers brought the claims of the Innot, will they please do so without delay?

FREE CHRISTIAN BAPTIST MISSIONS. . The Bazaar of the Waterloo St. Free Baptist

Mr. Editor,-By your kind permission 1 will .Mr. W. E. Needham, Evangelist, is holding ay before your readers a few thoughts on the Mismeetings in the Portland Mission Hall. He illusions of our denomination, hoping to stir up their pure minds, by way of remembrance, and induce a though governed by Rome, held the front rank in more united effort in carrying on the glorious work art and literature. Her land was filled with temples . The scarcety of fuel in Minnesota is so great that many farmers are compelled to cut down their

> We claim to have been raised up by God, and wned and blessed in a very marked degree. At all our great gatherings this divine origin is more or less spoken of and inculcated by both ministers by the decorations and emendations of human reason and tastes. The Bible which has for so

to heaven by its teachings in this Province in con- priestly line. nection with our denomination. We have grown in numbers, in knowledge and sees. They were truly righteous. Commandments. the ability to do good to others; but whether we have increased in the willingness to make sacrifices for others is doubtful. In 50 years we have grown and spread until now we are large enough great misfortune among the Jews. Well stricken claims of the cause of God. All pray and hope he to be noticed by governments, politicians and historians. But are we as self-sacrificing as were the fathers and founders of our denomination? It eems to me that such men as some of the fathers | were to offer incense, to trim and care for the lamps, were are needed just now to look after our scattered | to set out the shew-bread, to keep the fire on the great churches, and by their zeal and wisdom inspire the broken ranks with fresh courage to rally around the were divided among the priests by lot daily. standard and become the aggressive power for good 9. "According to the custom." When it was his that the Master desires all his followers to be. the incense, see Ex. 30: 34-38. It was burned Many of our ministers are able, zealous and hardworking, but like many of the able ministers of all from the great altar of sacrifice were put into the the denominations they are being called by the Lord | censer

most wealthy churches; consequently many of our smaller churches seldom or ever see or hear some of our best preachers. Deno:ninationally we are tending to one-sidedness somewhat. That is, those who can help themselves obtain the best ministers, while the poor, the few, the scattered, are not so well cared for as they need and desire to be. Herein have we departed from the practice of the founders of our churches. A young man on entering the ministry aims at obtaining the pastorate of some ing carried into the universities, where stormy to a fixed pastorate. We have so many churches is not to lay down a plan for work, so much as to priest. It was natural, for angelic visits had not The Bishop of the Episcopal Church in show the necessity for work. When one has fully occurred for centuries. Quebec has addressed a letter to the congregations determined to do a thing, especially when that to comfort and encourage Zacharias. Thy prayer ful energies. God prosper him, say we all. of his dioceses requesting them to sign petitions, thing is for God and in accordance with his will, it is heard. The prayer of the righteous is always months. Bro. Palmeter is a Nova Scotian who has good of man. Our people, in coming out from the gift." Antinomian Churches of a hundred years ago, were, at the birth of children, but sometimes their rejoicunwittingly, driven into a few errors by their out and out opposition to some of the glaring errors of the times. One of these was in regard to paying a "Joy. The inward experience. Gladness. The outward experience. Gladness. The outward experience." (Peleubet.) Many shall outward experience. of the Hyper-Calvinistic order had invoked the law removed all anxiety as to the child's future.

under existing circumstances; but in practice we Our Free Baptist brethren in New England fall far short of doing our full duty as a denominance of the old prophet, founded on the mysterious manner of his departure, and on the prediction in Mal. have selected and purchased a site for camp-meeting purposes. It is a farm at Old Orchard Beach.

True, there are many individuals who are doing all they can, but I fear the majority of our line of the spirit and power of the spirit and power of Elijah. "Turn the hearts." Quoted from Malachi. church members are not doing all they promised Denotes an awakening of interest among parents their position and wants, and we will at once seek fine prospect of the ocean, and all the advantages the Lord they would do for his cause when they for their children, or, perhaps, an interest among joined the church. Every church member ought to seek for a full knowledge of his duty and do it Tyndale says, "shall turn the unbelievers to the fearlessly. Our work, as Christians, is naturally wisdom of the just man." Righteousness and wisdivided into two great divisions, viz.: The Spirit-dom are closely related. "To make ready a people." ual and Financial. The spiritual refers to the in ual and Financial. The spiritual refers to the in dividual more particularly; the financial to the Christ, but many refused to heed John's words. community. If a man lived alone in some place far from his fellows he would not need to finance for his spiritual benefit. But because we are social

beings and are born without any knowledge of God 1 or man and must learn from parents and teachers and preachers all the elements of knowledge, and because the same truths, and facts and principles people should worship God with him. of action must be taught to each generation as it emerges from infancy to youth to prevent our child- to turn men to God. ren from lapsing into barbarism and a savage state. we must use money as a means to an end. The builder cannot rear a grand building without scaf- Intelligencer, good friends. Do not give up the folds, neither can a church extend the Gospel and make progress in divine life without the use of money. As Christians, we are spiritual builders, and yet many of us are so blinded by the god of set our building and ignore the building itself almost The hack containing Mr. Danforth was run away we ought to build. Let us not then build only with twice, and the exercises were somewhat de- scaffolds but grand and glorious spiritual temples to express my thanks to my friends and neighbours which they have in contemplation. They neoccasion, an alarm of fire was raised and the fire tion, in order to practically carry into effect all our good supper which all enjoyed. An hour was spiritual light and life, and while penning these made, after which Deacon F. Tapley on behalf of . Very few people will acknowledge they make lines I am asking God to direct my thoughts and he company presented me with \$21.80 in cash and any mistakes in addressing letters. But that some- cleanse my heart and fill it so full of love that goods, for which I expressed my thanks. body blunders is evident from the report of the many lovers of Jesus who shall read this may take

> - A good present to your son, daughter, or friend far vay, would be the INTELLIGENCER for a year

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON .--- Jan. 2 ZACHARIAS AND ELIZABETH.

DAILY READINGS. Birth of John foretold. Luke 1: 1-25. Division of the Priests. 1 Chron. 24: 1-10. Duties of the Priests. Lev. 16: 1-19.
Birth of Simeon feretold. Judg. 13: 1-7.
Promises of God. Is. 54: 1-17. To whom God manifests himself. John 14: 21 Coming of Christ foretold. Mal. 3: 1—6.

GOLDEN TEXT: "And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances the Lord blameless." Luke 1: 5.

LUKE 1: 6-17.

NOTES AND HINTS. INTRODUCTORY.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ appears in the Scriptures "according to" four different authors, each of whom wrote for a specifice class of readers, and sought to present the Gospel in such a form as would seeking earnestly for closer communion with Him. in every respect. The audience was large; the make a good High School allowance, which should wrote for the Greek, the true type of the Gentiles. It is and the cash receipts were highly satisfactory. He therefore aims to present the life and character with the power of the "ancient of days." of Jesus as answering to the ideal of a perfect and stretch its bounds wider still. In our homes this on the face of the earth must be removed from the VIII. Then all teachers would have something to human nature as represented in the Greek soul. work for, an impetus would thus be given to the He was especially qualified for this work, being o Greek origin, and the companion of Paul the apostle results, There is a call for such meetings in all The introduction to Luke's Gospel has been well

styled "a model of brevity, simplicity and modesty, giving the human side of the origin of the Gospels. The author claims credence for his work on the ground of his painstaking research in finding out the truth. He begins at an earlier period than either of the other Evangelists, going back to the nouncement of the coming birth of John, the herald of Jesus.

At this time the world was resting in peace under the rule of Rome, by whose power Great Britian had been conquered about fifty years before. Greece, spreading the Gospel throughout the whole and statues; schools of rhetoric and philosophy were numerous. Virgil had been dead thirteen

years, and Horace two. 5. "In the days of Herod." (On Herod see Bib.

and laymen. We claim that the great underlying died about a year and a half after the time of this principles of our creed and church polity are identi- lesson. He was active, brave and cruel; was made cal with those of all truly spiritual worshippers of governor of Galilee when but fifteen years old, and God in all ages, and that their origin was of God | won nonor in a war against the lawless tribes among the mountains. In order to please the Jews he von honor in a war against the lawless tribes among and that they are better adapted to human needs | built a temple at Jerusalem which was standing in in their simplicity and purity than when surrounded our Saviour's time, in which the events of this lesson took place. He also built one on Mt. Gerizim for the Samaritans. The course of Abia. The many ages borne the impress of "Holy" on its courses, named after the chief man in each course. priests were divided into twenty-four classes, or title page is our only rule of faith and practice : The courses served in the temple in turn, one week and during the last half century many hundreds of at a time. That of Abia was the eighth in order. people have been comforted, instructed and guided Daughters of Aaron. Priests could marry into any tribe, but it was thought best to marry one of the

6. "Righteous before God." God sees not as man and ceremonies to be observed. Blameless. no man could find fault with them." (Tyndale.) 7. "They had no child." This was esteemed a advanced in their days.

8. "While he executed the priest's office, Served as a priest." (Schaff.) Among his duties altar, and a variety of services in connec tion with the offering of sacrifices. These duties turn. To burn incense. For the composition of

to the pastorates of the largest, most intelligent and | 10. "The whole multitude." It was customary to pray in the courts around the temple. It is very likely that this was on the Sabbath when a large company was gathered. Time of inceuse. Nine o'clock in the forenoon, or three in the afternoon. The incense itself was a symbol of prayer, and

when offered by the priest a bell was rung as a signal to the people without, who all engaged in prayer in deep silence." (Abbot.) 11. "Appeared unto him." Angels are messen gers, and in ancient times were often sent to reveal the will of God, or to feretell future events, to men, This was the actual appearance of a spiritual being to Zacharias. See v. 19. On the right side. The by his many friends. He felt he would like a good church or circuit as soon as possible. It seems south side. The place of honor, and, as some beto me wise that all the young ministers should lieved, of good omen. Altar of incense. Built of

and a foot and a half square

to be presented to Parliament against the marriage is comparatively easy to find out how to do it. heard and answered in the best way. The prayer Consequently I wish to show our people what a for children is referred to. He had also prayedN. S. Palmeter was ordained to the Free Baptist ministry on the 7th inst., at Meredith Village. He has been laboring there for several tend their heritage for the glory of God and the Johanan is also used, meaning "Jehovah's gracious

> rejoice. Because of his life and work. This promise to collect a tax for the support of the ministry | 15. "Forheshall begreat." Truly great, whatever which was so wholly opposed to the spirit of the Gospel that in freeing themselves from the fetters is earthly condition. Spiritual greatness is promissed. Shall drink neither wine nor strong drink.

pay a minister for preaching; and too many have the crowning excellence of John's character. He the Antimony Mines and other enterprises along the proposed route.

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the Israelites (fathers), for the Gentiles (children). In this work he was partially successful. By his

THOUGHTS AND APPLICATIONS. If there is corruption in the state, or among eligious teachers, all the more should there be righteousness in the family 2. None but men of blameless lives should minster at the altars of religion.

3. When the minister leads i 4. The noblest work of the Christian minister is

- Now is the time to renew subscriptions. We want

DENOMINATIONAL.

CAPE ISLAND, N. S .- Rev. T. O. DeWitt, writng on the 10th inst., says :

We had a splendid Sabbath School Concert a few days ago. The school is a grand success, for t seems to be reaching all classes, old and young."

JOHN HENDERSON. December 20th, 1880.

TUSKET. - Special meetings were begun on Sun-

morning and the pastor, Rev. T. H. Siddall, in the acre. evening. On Monday evening we saw indications of the Holy Spirit's work. On the following evening we had a blessed meeting, and quite a number rose for prayers. The good work has grown day by day. Many backsliders have returned, and there is every prospect of a good harvest of souls. Already a large number have embraced the Saviour. The Rev. Mr. McGregor (Baptist) has co-operated with us, and his church and people are being blessed. Bro. Colpitts has fairly won the esteem and love of the people. We are hoping and praying his labors in the Province will be largely blessed. Special meetings not only bless the church and people but And when the church is filled with the Spirit sin- of Morocco. ners soon get both singed and burned. To-day Christendom is getting nearer to a living Christ and Sabbath School on Tuesday evening was a success

GOSPEL TEMPERANCE MEETINGS are held in Tusket once a month on Sabbath afternoon with good churches. A Free Baptist Church not active in temperance is on the wrong track.

last winter had no summer blight; it has continued through the year and bids fair to seed again. God grant it. Bro. Colpitts is to spend a few days here. The Young Peoples' Temperance Society flourishes and is interesting.

Bro. Wilson Sims has generously placed an organ n the church for the use of the choir, for which Dict. p. 30.) Herod, the Great, began to reign pastor and people, as also for his many acts of broad-hearted liberality. The Sabbath School is still all we can reasonably desire. The superintendent delights in the work and is ever ready to advance its best interests.

> LITTLE RIVER, N. S .- The church here is hoping that Bro. Colpitts' promised visit will be specially

The Social Club continues on its way and is interested in it, and is well supported. The Sabbath School is good and maintained with

REV. B. MINARD's visit to this part of the Pro-"That He touches both heart and pocket. He doesn't his house was a home for God's ministers. understand the meaning of no when urging the Text, 2 Cor. 5 chap. 1st verse. - [Com. n years. A quaint old English expression. Greek, will succeed. God grant he may. He deserves to lo so, and there's little doubt he will.

Forest Glen, N. S .- Rev. S. K. West is now olding a series of meetings at this place.

SALMON RIVER, N. S .- Bro. West spent the first

BEAVER RIVER, N. S .- Rev. J. F. Smith still ontinues to have the care of this pastorate. His in a censer, placed on the altar of incense. Coals labors have been much honored and blessed.

Sabbath of this month with the church here.

Session Hill, N. S .- Rev. Wm. Knollin is supplying this church until the end of the year. AROYLE, N. S.-Rev. Wm. Millar is engaged on

wise in retaining such a true and faithful pastor.

nformed Rev. Wm. Downey has resigned the pastorate of Barrington after a long and prosperous service. His resignation was unlooked for and came with surprise. His removal is regretted

CLARK'S HARBOR, N. S .- Rev. T. O. DeWitt is engaged here for another year.

new meeting house is discontinued for the winter. Bro. Colpitts hopes to visit them.

Home Mission Funds .- A request for all churches to take up a collection for Home Missions in January, 1881, was passed at the last General There is need more of moral flore in dealing with a criminals. To some men the whipping-post would be a blessed means of grace."

Mr. Parnell's threats of rebellion is thus referred few days ago. There were twenty-four pupils in attention and free themselves from the legal enforcement of church out the proper course for us. Strong drink is any fermenced liquor not made from the juice of grapes. Such drinks were made from the juice of grapes.

See Num. c. Spoken with approval and pointing out the proper course for us. Strong drink is any fermenced liquor not made from the juice of grapes. Such drinks were made from several substances.

Such drinks were made from several substances. If a majority of Englishmen and Scotchmen tendance during the year: 16 from N. S., 6 from favorably upon the "New Lights" in consequence.

Shall be filled with the Holy Chort. The true conformation calls for it. Let us when John Bunyan and Richard Baxter and many other worthing auffored for non-conformation. Some, it appears, considered it a sin to promise to pay a minister for preaching; and too many have pay a minister for preaching; and too many have the crowning excellence of John's character. He

PASTORATE COMMITTEE .- At the last Quarterly will not permit even the satisfaction of suffering or

17. "In the spirit and power of Elias," or Elijah. Meeting held at Beaver River, a committee was ap. There was a popular expectation of the return of pointed to aid all pastorates not having a pastor to to aid them. Address the Secretary, Rev. T. H.

Siddall, Tusket. REV, E. B. GRAY gave us a call on Tuesday. He went from Fredericton to Blissville where he will prebably remain over Sabbath.

-By the next mail is the time to send your renewal

A CURIOSITY.-The year 1881 will be a mathematical curiosity. From left to right and from right to left it reads the same: 18 divided by 2 gives 9 as a quotient; 81 divided by 9, and nine is the quotient. If 1881 is divided by 209, 9 is the quotient; if divided by 9, the quotient contains a 9; if multiplied by 9, the product contains two 9s. One and 8 are 9; 8 and 1 are 9. If the 18 be placed under the 81 and added, the sum is 99. If the figures be added thus: 1; 8; 8, 1, it will give 18. Reading from left to right is 18, and reading from right to left is 18, and 18 is twe-ninths of 81. By adding, dividing, and multiplying, 19 9s are produced, being one 9 for each year required to complete the century.

LAND IN LONDON .- A striking evidence of the value of land in the City of London has recently been afforded by the attempt of the members of gotiated with the authorities for a plet of land of he area of 33,000 superficial feet, at the angle of Bracechurch-street and Leadenhall street. The committee appointed for the purpose first offered ter sum being equivalent to £7 10s. per square foot. The City authorities however refused the bid, as they valued the property at £350,000. As an explace in the value of land in the City of London, it is mentioned that in the year 1551 the then site of St. Thomas's Hospital was pawned for £50; within the last few years it has been sold for £300, day, 5th inst. Rev. B. Colpitts preached in the 000, or at the rate of from £65,000 to £70,000 per

> DISARMAMENT. - The discussion (says the Can. Presbyterian) as to the possibility of a general disarmament has increased of late throughout Europe. It is estimated that there are at the present time 2,578,000 men under arms, and that if war were threatened 7,358,000 could be put into the field within ten days. This enormous drain upon the material resources of the nations is the main cause for demanding the reduction of the military.

PRESIDENT GREVY has succeeded (says the S. A. Journal), after a great deal of trouble, in getting some white Arab horses. As the Arabs believe the ministers. The truth of God is dealt out plainly to be less healthy than horses of some other color, that white horses are likely to be weak and certain and directly with special power, because heart and they are not often bred, and a fine white horse is mind are fired by the Spirit's energy. A revival almost as rare among the Arabs as a pure black shows the weakness as well as strength of both pas-tor and church. If the Holy Chart file the state of the state of white horses kept tor and church. If the Holy Ghost fills the pastor by the king of Denmark for state occasions, and the people will feel it, and if the church is all alive descended from four white horses presented to one of his ancesters in the 17th century by the Sultan THE CONCERT by the Fredericton Free Baptist

Schools "with another \$1,000 added thereto would readily reach those for whom he wrote. Luke The Church of God more than ever feels the need singing, recitations and dialogues were well done;

- If you have not responded to that bill sent, now is

BRIEF MENTION.

Fine weather James Gordon Bennett has an ncome of over \$400,000 and gives away \$100,000 -- Every Free Baptist Family in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia should have the Intelligences. Will the ninisters endeavor to impress this fact on their minds? PLYMOUTH, N. S.—The church here is in a good diocese to smoke, and he encourages all to take the healthy state. Two prayer meetings are held pledge. That which he preaches he practices.... each week with good interest. The work of grace The Hon. David Christie owed his death to the comparatively trifling circumstances of too closely paring a corn on his toe Ex-Queen Isabella, of Spain, now a fat, ungainly, but good-natured-looking woman, drives about Paris in a handsome landau, drawn not by horses, but by four mules ... The Highland regiments of the British army are to form in future a " Highland Brigade," and will all wear act of kindness he has the warm thanks of both the kilt It is estimated that a freight train now enters New York every tifteen minutes, and each

OBITUARY.

Brother Solomon Kendrick was born in A. D. 808. He commenced a sea-faring life when but a boy. In a very short time began to rise, soon getting command of a whale ship, in which occupation he was very successful, having sailed around the globe three (3) times. In A. D. 1838 he was married to Miss Ann Wilson with whom he lived prized by the people. President Doane is heartily until A. D. 1875. About the year 1840 he professed eligion and was baptized by the late Rev. Charles Knowles and united with the Free Baptist Church. In A. D. 1848 he was chosen deacon and in A. D. 1856 was ordained to that office which he filled with good acceptance to the church until his health nim. On the 5th of December, 1880, he devince was esteemed by the people. He makes an parted this life. In all relations of life he may be The precepts of moral law. Ordinances. The rites excellent agent for his loved interest at Halifax. said to have been a Christian. For many years funeral was attended by Elder Wm. Downey.

- We hope to have every present subscriber om our

CURRENT TOPICS.

FRANCE AND THE VATICAN. (The Guardian.) An indication that the anti-Catholics have yield-

d ground in France, after so long and determined carrying out the decrees against the unauthorized religious orders, is given in the fact that M. Desprez, the French Ambassador to the Vatican, is anounced to return shortly to his post. Foreign advices state that this is the result of a fear of revoution if the religious movement proceeded further. The domestic peace of the country was seriously hreatened, and the lamental le ffair at Tourcoin showed how bitter and hostile t e Catholic masses this pastorate for another year. The people are had become. Under priestly influence they had begun to organize and prepare for actual war, and a compromise or conflict seemed inevitable. What Barrington, N. S.—As your readers have been | the terms of compromise are remains to be seen. It is not at all likely that the expelled Jesuits will get back into France save on the sly.

A COLONIZATION ROAD. (Daily Telegraph.)

We have heretofore referred to the importance of change and was firm in his purpose, much to the making a road from Grand Falls to the mouth of The warfare against the Jews in Germany is itinerate for several years before they settle down cedar, overlaid with gold; about three feet high regret of the people here. His intention is to the Metapedia, to open up the rich lands of the and a foot and a half square.

12. "Was troubled." Excited, affected with awe such a valuable worker, one so well acquainted the work will be undertaken in the spring and cartimes are had. The Leipsic students post placards, which the police tear down, inciting the inhabitants that no one will go to their rescue. But my object that no one will go to their rescue. But my object the work of the Government and the work of the Government and the owners of the lands, according to them. It is hoped he will only reat by a brief ment and the owners of the lands, according to 13. "Fear not." The first word of the angel was to comfort and encourage Zacharias. Thy prayer ful encourage Cod except him see the lasts, and when completed, it will lead to rapid change and soon find that N. S. is the field God | their respective interests therein. This work will settlement. Many of our young men will do well to secure homes for themselves in that fertile, Is there not some poor but deserving family to whom you might do good, by sending the Intelligences a year? healthy, well situated and picturesque region. Advisor from Scatland state that I and Febinate vices from Scotland state that Lord Ephinstone, who, we believe is one of the New Brunswick Railway syndicate, is working up an emigration scheme, in which his countrymen will be interested, and THE KEMPT AND CARLETON Pastorate is still | with good prospects of success. If the Upper St. John and other fertile districts in the Province were without a pastor. It is hoped next year they will settled, and if steam communication with England be able to have pastoral care. The work on the were established in the interest of the cattle and produce trade, a new impetus would be given to the agriculture of the country.

RITUALIST MARTYRS.

(Pres. Witness.) Several ministers of the English Church are now in jail on account of disobedience to the courts of Conference. It is hoped this will be attended to the realm in regard to clothes and ceremonies. Mr. are allowed to receive their friends and to enjoy all the delicacies of the season. Fond friends of the late lamented Pio Nono were wont to shed tears. Port La Tour some time in February.

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