woman was born in that Province.

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- Does it not strike some of our St. John con temporaries as just a little unfair that they should give their readers the impression that certain hard things said about St. John and its people anent the removal agitation are representative of the feeling of the citizens of Fredericton? Let the advocates each side of the question deal fairly with each introduced into our modern life. The reports at other. It pays in the long run.

of dealing with Christianity by saying that if he United States, but the latest manifestations ocwere given a barge-load of wheat, he would diligent- curred in Ireland. Late English papers give an ly search in it for a handful of chaff, and, having outline of the wonderful things revealed and the found it, would scuttle the barge and sink the wheat | marvellous cures wrought. Knock, a village in the as a worthless mockery.

not avowed infidels, treat Christianity. They de- | culous influence." According to the story, as told nounce it unqualifiedly and cast out all the faithful by those who honestly believe that the whole thing disciples of Jesus just because there happens to be is miraculous, several persons saw, one evening here and there a hypocrite, and here and there a about five months ago, a remarkable light on one

- What suspensions there would be in churches of this Christian country if discipline were as rigidly enforced as in the Christian churches of

Egypt. Dr. Lansing, a missionary of the Presbyterian Mission in Egypt, says that one of the native dear cons in a place about sixty miles from Cairo in the exercise of his authority suspended ten of the members for such unchristian things as "bad dispositions, vanity, stinginess, and not allowing their wives to go to weekly prayer-meeting.

There are some churches hereabouts where that deacon might do some good.

- The Bishop of the Church of England in Nova Scotia is strongly opposed to the bill now before Parliament legalizing marriage with a deceased ment beneath it, fitting tighter to the figure; while commend it to the perusal and thought of those wife's sister. He referred to the matter in his John appeared "wearing a mitre and a long robe," who honestly believe that spiritual coldness and church in Halifax last Sabbath, declaring that the with a missal in his hand, and turning his face to formalism inevitably come upon students especially measure is opposed to the law of God and therefore | wards a "plain altar, with a lamb on the altar and | those who have the ministry in view. It is the calculated to do great injury to society. He also a cross on the lamb's shoulder." These appear- almost universal testimony of Christian students stated that in the event of the bill becoming law ances so obviously suggest the use of a magic lan- that hard study is a help rather than a hindrance the church would have to regard all persons so tern, that the newspaper reporter—evidently a de- to their spiritual life. married as excommunicated, and urged his people vout believer in the "miracle"-pauses to refute to do all they could by petition and otherwise any such theory, in case an unbeliever might offer nest consecration to God, or more genuine revivals against the proposed law.

views of matters generally are of the most antiquated | vision having spread abroad, pilgrims began to | it is a reproach to that institu

on the very day the Intelligencer went to press | Some faces of those were luminous with the light of | one meeting. the Telegraph did contain an editorial more strongly religious ecstasy. Others gleamed with the excitein favour of the removal than anything it had pre- ment produced by the sense of contact with super-

We recently referred to an instance of the gross superstition of Ritualistic ministers-the burning of an old lady's apron upon which had been spilled a few drops of "consecrated wine." Another instance of similar character is now made public. It appears that in a recent trial growing out of certain ritualistic practices a "consecrated wafer" was taken from a church to one of the civil courts to be used in evidence. The Ritualists became so excited over the "desecration," that the Archbishop of Canterbury was impelled to rescue the wafer from secular hands and cause it to be "reverently consumed" within the precincts of the church.

These things show clearly enough which way Ritualism tends. It is no wonder the true ministers of the English Church earnestly protest against

- The City Churches have great responsibility her honor.' respecting the young men from the country districts who are continually entering the cities to pursue their studies or engage in business. Hundreds of ances" or the cures is such as would satisfy one young men, well trained at home, ready for active who was not more than willing to be convinced. Christian service, go to the cities every year.

life; having no conception of its dangers; entirely benefit. For the rest, the susceptible imagination unfitted to meet its temptations; easily led into its | the appalling ignorance and the excitable tempera paths of virtue or vice. If they are met at the ment of the peasantry and humbler classes, afford threshold of their city experience with a warm, ample scope both for the play of self-deception and earnest Christian welcome, and made to feel that for the operation of designing fraud. their coming was expected and their services wanted, they will shun the glitter of evil and at once become active helpers in temperance and religion. But if the religiousness of the Irish mind, which in the they are left to find their own way into city society, pinchings of want flies for refuge to what it regards the chances are that runners of the different agencies as being the very truth of God. of destruction will secure them.

The funeral reform agitation makes progress. The latest reported action is that taken in Worcester Mass., where the churches and minister have united in recommending that no funerals should occur or Sundays unless in cases of absolute necessity, and then with as simple services as possible; that in all cases show and expense be avoided; that the great majority of burials should be private, and that there should be no public exposure of the body, the friends alone retaining the privilege of farewell. These suggestions combine good sense and good taste, and churches in other places cannot do a better work than by helping the formation of a healthy sentiment by following this example. The burden of funeral display has become intolerable, and the time is not far distant when some of the funeral observances of to-day will be regarded as relies of bar-

— The reply of the Marquis of Lorne to the con- the Province to decide whether the seat of Governin another column, would seem to indicate that the to a place which will afford the greatest number given by the children, and attach too little im-Princess Louise is not so averse to living in Canada as some of the London correspondents have been anxions to persuade the people. Besides the state- whole Province that the seat of Government and ments of her husband in the reply, we find an ex- the place for holding the Supreme Court, both in thought a few weeks since while at Jellasore. Extract from a letter in a United States paper which

testimony to her simple, sincere, fine character, her | Therefore Resolved, That the representatives of excellent mind, and the wide culture and many in- the City and County of St John in the Govern-

Everybody will be pleased to know that she is really recovering from the injuries recently received, than was at first reported, so serious indeed as for a time to cause fear of a fatal result.

- It is a fact that a great deal of the good that might result from the preaching of the Gospel Sabbath after Sabbath is lost just because no systematic method of gathering up the results is adopted. A writer in a contemporary says a timely word

may seem best. Call for an expression, then dis- made the Capital, niss all but those who have indicated in some form their desire to seek Christ. Some method must be that there is an overwhelmingly strong feeling even pluck; but it pays.

"MIRACLES." More "miracles" have been wrought. They are getting to be quite common in these days - so common indeed as to excite less attention than when first came chiefly from the European Continent : then some were tried in certain remote sections of - A St. Louis paper shows up Ingersoll's style | Quebec, two or three experiments were made in the County Mayo, is the name of the place made famous And is not this very like the way many persons, by the "mysterious apparitions" and the "miraof the outside walls of the village church. In the midst of this light appeared three figures, which the witnesses recognised (presumably from their acquaintance with pictures in Roman Catholic books or places of devotion) as the Virgin Mary, Joseph and Evangelist John. These figures were of life-size, and remained visible for about two hours. The people who saw them were a young man, apparently in some way in the service of the parish priest, his two sisters, the priest's housekeeper, and three or four children. The account which these witnesses give of the spectacle is, as might be expected, puerile in the extreme. The figures looked "like statues." St. Joseph, however, had "venerable grey hair and whiskers," and article on influence of study, in which the notion "there was a stoop in him;" Mary wore "a beau- that study is unfavourable to piety was sensibly tiful crown" and a large cloak, with another gar- dealt with. The article is so appropriate that we

flock to the spot, many of them with ailments of

viously said. Yet it is a fact that even that article | natural influence." The enthusiasm and faith of the was quite guarded, as have been all the editorial numerous visitors had prompted them to carry away references of both the Telegraph and News to the small portions of the earthen floor of the church gion. We do not deny that men of intelligence, question. We do not say that it is not to the cre- and particles of the cement and mortar of the wall learning and position have been unbelievers and the ordinance of baptism to twenty-three converts. dit of our contemporaries that they are dealing cauon which the apparitions were seen; and this had opposers. Other causes have procured this result. There are more to follow. Special meetings are been done to such an extent that the wall had been boarded over to prevent its being rendered unsafe, and there were holes in the floor sufficiently large to make it necessary for visitors to be careful how they stepped. The reporter details several instances of "miraculous cures" which had been effected by prayer offered ou this favored spot, and by the application of portions of the cement and other materials to suffering people. He saw a number of crutches and walking sticks, which had been left in the church by persons, who, as it was alleged, had been instantaneously cured of their lamenes and other maladies during their visits.

It is even claimed that sight has been restored to two girls, one of whom her mother testifies had not seen from her birth. She had tried the Dublin physicians to no purpose, but "received sight on visiting three times the spot where the Virgin is said to have appeared, and praying three times in

It is scarcely necessary to say that none of the evidence" presented in support of the "appear. There can be no doubt that many of the people who They are—says the Golden Rule—strangers to city | flock to the place do really imagine that they reap

> One cannot but deplore the fact that any persons are so easily deluded, though as one paper suggests

# THE CAPITAL QUESTION.

The question of the removal of the Capital is still being discussed. On Monday evening last a meetcrowded, and as was very natural and quite proper ing, J. W. Lawrence, Esq., C. N. Skinner, Esq., Hon. Geo. E. King, S. R. Thomson, Esq. and Alderman Magee. Each speaker did the best he could to tal and, by inference, that Fredericton has no rights nor interests that are worth considering. The following resolutions were passed :

Whereas, The seat of Government of New Brunswick has for many years been in Fredericton, to mhabitants of this Province; and ment shall be continued in Fredericton or removed

Whereas, Also, it is for the advantage of the

Mr. Sullivan has just been visiting the Princess Louise at Government House, and said that she had come the commercial metropolis of New Brunswick, saw two beautiful trees,—a peepul and a banyan, begged him to contradict the report that she did and in the opinion of this meeting the proper place growing on top of the brick wall. Whether the

ment and Legislature be requested to press the which, according to statements last week made by ing the Courts removed to the City of Saint John;

and the Law Society upon the matter of such removal, and to aid our representatives in the Gov- sowing of the Gospel seed. And those little home vernment and Legislature to carry the question to workers are helping to pull down these temples of

careful consideration. They make several state- ing the power of Hindooism and Mohammedanism. about throwing the net, snggesting that after every ments—statements however which do not seem to I have just been reminded that the mail will to the church, sermon, or at least once every Sunday, an oppor- have much force. It is quite easy to say that the soon be closing, and regret that I cannot say more tunity should be given those who have been im- seat of Government being in Fredericton has been to-day. Earnestly praying and hoping that the preased by the truth to manifest the interest they an inconvenience to a large majority of the people children may not slacken their efforts but still confeel. The writer remembers the case of a minister of the Province, and that it is for the advantage of tinue "sowing the seed," for "Sure ah, sure will who stopped in the middle of a touching sermon, the country that St. John should be made the Capi- the harvest be." and asked those who desired to yield their hearts | tal; but it does not seem quite so easy to give good |

to Christ to rise. About thirty rose instantly; he reasons for the statements. We may be permitted offered an earnest prayer for them, and then re- to say without disparagement of the speakers at the sumed his sermon, explaining to them the way of meeting that they failed to support with valid reasalvation. That method may not often be the true sons the two or three bald statements of the resoluone; but some way must be adopted to get into tions. True, they said many pleasant things and personal relations with the unconverted. Some- witty things, and the reminiscences of Mr. Lawtimes an invitation to remain from the pastor, to rence were interesting to those who are fond of those who desire to become Christians, may reach | historical curiosities; but up to date there has been the desired result; but usually the best way is to but little said either in the public meeting or out of have a prayer-meeting at the close of the evening it that would convince anybody not more than wilsermon, the audience being dismissed or not, as ling to be convinced that St. John should now be Nor is it so clear as at first glance it may appear,

SAINT JOHN. N. B., MARCH, 12, 1880. adopted. Many preachers are throwing away in St. John in favour of the removal. We have no golden opportunities. It requires courage, faith, doubt whatever that they who are leading in the novement are in dead earnest, and are persuaded in their own minds that they are seeking a good thing not only for St. John but for the Province. But that a large majority of St. John citizens are strongly in favor of the project is doubtful. But did not the Institute audience vote en masse for the esolutions? Yes; but then that does not mean much, as every thoughtful person knows But have not the petitions been signed by nearly everybody? True. They have been numerously signed; but t does not follow that every signature means that the signer is anxious for the removal. It must be emembered, too, that the petitions were circulated before the City Council had made the promises which involve the expenditure of many thousands of dollars to the City. It is more than probable, that the number of signatures would have been greatly less had the proposition to heavily tax the tizens been embodied in the petitions.

The question of removal will have to be decided very soon. It is hoped it may be decided on its merits purely. There is yet a waiting for St. John o show good reasons for its claim to be the Capital -to show, not simply that St. John may be beneited in little or much, but that the whole Province s to be benefited by the change. We cannot but feel the deepest interest in St. John; but we are hable to see that the fact that it makes an impulsive, enthusiastic rush for what to it for the moment seems a desirable thing, is sufficient reason for making so important a change.

#### STUDY AND PIETY.

The Morning Star in a recent issue had a timely

"It would be difficult to find more sincere, earit, and further rejects the hypothetical suggestion with permanent results than may be found in the The Bishop is apparently one of those who think that somebody might have been drawing on the records of our schools. If there is a literary insti-"the church" should govern in all things, and whose church wall with phosphorus. The tidings of the tution in the land where religion does not flourish,

Few ministers have been more devoted or sucvarious kinds of which they hoped to be cured. | cessful than Harlam Page while in school. It was - The Daily Sun attempts to make a point in When the reporter reached the church, he found it Judson's fervent love to God and souls at Andover, favour of the removal of the Capital at the expense thronged by worshippers and sight-seers, and some- that sent him to India. Edwards while deeply exof the editor of the Intelligencer. It is so well thing like the excitement of a religious revival apercised in thought had a heart filled with divine and so pleasantly done that we cannot but appre- pears to have prevailed in the crowd. "The eyes love, and felt that all nature was praising the Lord. ciate both the skill and the good nature of our of many within the building were steadfastly fixed John Knox would pray and study, study and pray contemporary. Yet after all there is nothing in on the wall above the altar—that is, the inner wall all day and sometimes all night before preaching to what appears to be a good point. It is true that of the gable on which the figures had appeared. an assembly wherein hundreds were converted in

It is not true, then, that ignorance is the mother of devotion. Rather it is the mother of superstition and skepticism. The unthinking, the superficial are the most ready to cavil and scoff at reli-Pride, ambition, selfishness have misled many. being continued this week They became wise in their own conceits, and so re-

of their own conceit.

It is not worth while to spend much time such meteor prophets of evil, or their vagaries. There is so much precious truth to be studied, so much noble work to be done, that one can not afford to waste one's strength on trifles. The world of nature without and within us is rich in fruit to those who search with a candid and earnest spirit. It is closely allied to the moral and spiritual universe, all inviting to most sublime and elevating held in the Wickham Church by Revs. B. Colpitts and its proper results can only be reached, when it been awakened. Six converts were baptized last a spirit or angel that visited him he could not say. not for mere speculative or personal fame, but for use in our daily duties.

The student therefore should be devout. The The meetings at the Erb Settlement have been best scholars are the most modest, with deepest brought to a close. A good revival was enjoyed by reverence for God and sacred things. Our schools the Church at that place. Sixteen were baptized should be fountains of knowledge and piety, where by me, and those who were baptized with two all the faculties are cultivated and disciplined into others were united to the Church. We have ena symmetrical character. Such are true lights and | joyed a good time in that place, and through hard safe guides, a rich boon to those who enjoy their work my stomach and lungs have given out so that facilities, and a blessing to the world.

#### INDIA LETTER FROM MISS HOOPER. MIDNAPORE, 6th January, 1880.

DEAR BRO. McLEOD. -As the columns of the Intelligencer are ever available for the encourageing called by the Mayor of St. John was held in the ment of anything and everything good, you will, I Mechanics' Institute. Of course the Institute was know, kindly permit me therein to acknowledge the successful efforts of the little band of missionary there was considerable enthusiasm. The Mayor workers in Carleton, St. John. I do not know presided, and speeches were made by Sheriff Hard- how many now compose the Society, but sometime ago Mrs. Hartley under whose direction the Help ing Hands have worked, wrote : "The little Mission Band now numbers about nine, who meet make it appear that St. John ought to be the Capi- regularly for work." A few days ago the Treasurer of the W. M. A. Societies wrote saying, "The 'Helping Hands' send \$50 for the work in India. May our Father in Heaven bless and reward those busy little ones who have laboured so faithfully in His cause. Their gift of love is like a fresh inthe great inconvenience of a large majority of the spiration to us in this work. We hope every church has its band of little workers for the mission Whereas, The time has arrived for the people of cause. Let us hear from each one of them. Do of people the largest measure of accommodation; portance to what may seem to be feeble efforts? We may learn a lesson from tha small beginnings in nature. I was particularly impressed with this Law and Equity, should be in its commercial metro- amining the ruins of what was once a fine residence Whereas, By reason of the geographical situation sounded to the merry shouts of children at play, I follow. and the walls of which only a few years ago re- three converts last Sabbath. There are more to not wish to return to Canada. She loves it, and for the seat of Government and for holding the birds carried the seeds thither or the winds wafted them into the crevices I cannot say, I only know that the trees look very beautiful and to us seemed perfectly wonderful. Everywhere in this tropical question of removal upon the Government and climate vegetation may be seen springing up in the Legislature, and to do everything in their power crevices of old wells, and tombs, and on the tops of temples, &c. The tiny seeds have germinated and forcing their way up and down through the most Further Resolved, That a committee be appointed solid structures. Even the temples of idolatry are on behalf of our citizens to co-operate with the com- falling into decay and becoming fitting types of the mittees already appointed by the Common Council dissolution of heathen superstition through the estly seeking Jesus. Pray for us. sin and idolatry. Every little boy and girl taught We would like our readers to give the resolutions in the schools here through their efforts is weaken-

Yours, &c.,

JESSIE B. HOOPER.

LETTER FROM BOSTON.

In his last letter, your correspondent was in error n writing that Mrs. Crue, was a "native of Prince | ing Edward Island." The husband of the deceased

On the 11th of March, 1874, Charles Samner died n Washington. Five days after he was buried in Mount Auburn cemetery beside his father, mother, brothers and sisters, in the family lot. Since then, his grave has been marked only by a plain white marble tablet, on which were inscribed the name and the dates of the birth and death of the greatest adocate a down-trodden people ever had. The simple leadstone has been replaced by a stately, imposing nonument of fine white granite, in the form of a arcophagus. It is four feet and a half in height, seven feet in length and four feet and a half in width. Among the splendid triumphs of monumental art with which Mount Auburn is adorned, none will attract so many visitors and so many worshippers s this. To many, the resting-place of Massachusetts' greatest senator is a Mecca, scarcely less holy than the Mohammedan shrine. A stranger in Boston need not wander aimlessly

and dejectedly through the streets on the Sabbath

lay. Churches and other places of public worship are on almost every corner, and to all of them are visitors welcomed. In Music Hall, last Sunday. Father McNamara, the originator of the Independent Catholics, discoursed to an intelligent audience. In this Hall services of a religious character are held lmost every Sunday. Phillips Brooks, the celebrated Episcopalian divine and one of our most forcible onlpit orators, absenting himself from doctrinal light the words of Mr. Savage, although often "liberal" and startling, are, in the main, correct. The ovement among those people who have thrown off or the benefit of young men have often proved the | Christ. means of steadying and changing for the better, Mr. Chubback will be long and kindly reand glorious evidences of the triumph and power of for his work sake"-his faith, his singleness of

### DENOMINATIONAL.

WATERLOO STREET. -- The work of revival coninues in the Waterloo Street Church in this City. Bro. Parsons baptized six converts last Sabbath. Messrs. Hartt and Young, the Evangelists, are still assisting in the work.

FREDERICTON.—The pastor of the Fredericton Church (Rev. J. McLeod) last Sabbath administered

Intellectual application will not insure piety or has been pursuing his studies in Fredericton since have lost their hearing from such diseases as tyeven sound knowledge. The heart needs discipline last autumn, has been holding meetings in Kingsley | phoid fever, scarlet fever, cerebro-spinal-meningitis, as well as the mind. The motives must be pure, for about three weeks and a good revival has re- etc., it is almost certain the audiphone will be found the will upright, to insure a true issue. Strong sulted. The Church has been greatly quickened to be of no benefit whatever, as in almost every and learned men often fail here. Not unfrequently and a number have been converted. Last Sabbath case the auditory nerve is destroyed. The audithere is a proclivity to error, arising from their afternoon the pastor of the Fredericton Church phone does not make those who are totally deaf own corruption; and the impurity of their imagin- went out, preached and baptized nine converts. from such causes—that is, caused by the destruction ations they assign to the Bible Mistakes which they Bro. Trafton is continuing the meetings this week, of the auditory nerve—hear, but magnifies sound to Bunster and Caribou Thompson. ascribe to the Divine Word are but the offspring and there is likely to be a still larger ingathering. those who have a partial hearing.

TRACEY MILLS, C. Co. -Dear Bro. -The work of ford and a number are inquiring the way to Zion. turing about it, and amongst other things said :-May the work spread. Pray for us.

WICKHAM, Q. Co.—Special meetings are being

ERB SETTLEMENT, K. Co. - Dear Bro. McLeod .-I am unable to preach only on the Sabbath, but I expect with a little rest that I will soon recruit so of the Princess Louise increased as the statement that I shall be enabled to hold special meetings in of its loss passed from paper to paper: other parts of my circuit, and I pray that my labor in the Lord may not be in vain.

Your brother, John A. Robertson.

Hampstead. A number of the friends in the place assembled with baskets of good things, and after a sumptuous tea a meeting was organized with Bro. infidels are very anxious to raise a monument to years will probably elapse, and more than one last year on goods manufactured in Canada and ex-Reud in the chair, which he filled in his pleasant the memory of Tom Paine. Ingersoll has been generation of the men who took part in the tremenhappy way, and Bro. Odben Slipp acted as Secre- lecturing to raise funds. The N. Y. Observer sugtary. The friends then made donations in money gests the following as a just and appropriate during 1877 will be made known to the world.

| Average of the Muscovite hosts into oatmest. This was on the used for canning fish in the Maritime Provinces and British Colto the amount of \$34.60 and in useful articles to the epitaph : amount of \$25.40, leaving me the handsome present of \$60,00. After expressing my thanks in a few remarks the meeting was addressed by several gentlemen, Bro. Reud taking a prominent part with Bro. Colpitts, who was also present. The speeches were interspersed with music by several young ladies. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

Upper Gagetown, March 8th, 1880.

Sussex, Kings Co.—Rev. C. T. Phillips baptized

CLARK'S HARBOR, CAPE SABLE, N. S .- Bro. McLeod :- I am glad to be able to inform you that RECIPROCITY .- Our friends across the border God is blessing the people in this place. I have begin to feel that they would like Reciprocity with been hoping all winter to be able to hold some | Canada. It is not long since they treated with conspecial meetings, but sickness in the community tempt every reference Canada made to Reciprocity. has prevented. There have, I think, been over 400 Now a petition is being circulated amongst New cases of measles on this Island this winter, and the York merchants praying Congress to take action disease is still spreading. Last week we commenced looking towards the very thing they thought a little special meetings and it was evident from the first ago they did not want. Time and some other to get up when he is so sleepy that it seems as if his that God had a blessing in store for us. The church things work great changes. is being greatly strengthened, and sinners are earn-

T. O. DEWITT.

B. MINARD.

Halifax, N. S.—Dear Bro.—Last evening (7th) I baptized two happy converts and welcomed them Yours, traly,

Yours &c.,

March 8, 1880.

Feb. 25, 1880.

testantism on the European continent are interest-

In France Protestantism is numerically weak, the total number of Protestants being but 650,000 namely, 560,000 Reformed, 80,000 Lutheran, 10, 000 belonging to other bodies. Rationalism is a further weakening element. The constitution of the present French Cabinet, however, is sufficient show that mere numbers do not adequately represent the influence of French Protestantism The scholarship and ability of its ministers have always stood high, and names like Pressense and Bersier continue the tradition. In German Austria Protestants number about 367,000 -- namely 249. 000 Lutheran, and 118,000 Reformed, being two per cent. of the population. In the Hungarian Dominions they form twenty per cent. of the population -viz., 2,000,000 Reformed, and 1,100,000 Lutheran. Through the organization of the Gustavus-Adolphus Union and the British and Foreign Society, Vienna is the center of a multifarious evangelical activity. In Germany, where rationalism was once as dominant as at present in Switzerland, evangelical faith has decidedly the mastery in the pulpit and university.

AN ENGINEERING TRIUMPH.—The Mount St. spatches tell us. The work is one of the greatest army by a territorial army. engineering feats ever accomplished. The St. Gothard is a mountain range in Switzerland and is omposed almost exclusively of solid rock. The tunnel is the longest in the world; being nine miles in length, or twice as long as the Hoosac tunnel in lines, becomes a preacher to whom every one is this country, and exceeding by two miles the Mt. pleased and desirous to listen. Rev. Dr. Miner, Cenis, between France and Italy. In its conwhose reputation as a minister is eclipsed by his struction, which has been accomplished under a fame as a temperance leader, preaches always to a joint treaty by the German, French and Italian cultivated congregation, and always preaches in a Governments, eight years and \$9,000,000 have been nanner full of grace and full of instruction. Rev. expended, not to mention the life of the contractor, C. A. Bartol, who has just completed a pastorate of M. Favre, who died last summer. As a political Society, is a man whose mind is replete with new opens direct means of railway communication beand advanced ideas. His extended pastorate is an tween Germany and the Mediterranean and gives indisputable proof of his ability. Rev. Minot J. Switzerland an outlet which cannot fail to result to Savage is a Christian gentleman in the fullest sense its commercial advantage. To the travelling public of the term. Some of his interpretations of Bible it will prove a boon by making the journey from readings clash with those of his more conservative the Rhine Valley to Italy a matter of six instead of arethren, yet we must all acknowledge that truth is thirty hours, enabling the tourist to avoid alike the the result of all sincere investigation, and in this long detour by Geneva and Mt. Cenis and the still more tedious diligence ride over the mountain. THE UNION MEETINGS in Fredericton conducted

the fetters of the Church of Rome meets with con- by Mr. D. L. Chubback, closed with last week. A nued success. The plan of the ex-priest's meetings farewell meeting was held in the Methodist church unusual in its arrangement, but seems well-calcu- on Sabbath evening, the house being crowded to its lated to remove from the eyes of deluded people the utmost capacity. Mr. Chubback's labours in andages placed there by popish fingers. The Young | Fredericton were blessed of God to the quickening Men's Christian Association and the Young Men's of many Christians who had fallen into indifference Christian Union are powerful agencies of benevo- and to the conversion of many sinners. The ence and all good deeds. The influences for good number converted cannot yet be correctly stated, vielded by both are shown in every by-way of the but there is no doubt that a large number have

areers that previously were vile and dissolute. The membered by many hundreds of the citizens of the numbers they have rescued and reformed are living | Capital. The pastors came to "esteem him highly | merchandise ourpose and his zeal in the work of the Lord.

Bro. Chubback intends (p. v.) paying a visit to Yarmouth, N. S.; he expects to arrive there on the 16th inst. We hope he may be made an nstrument of as great good to that town as he has

THE AUDIPHONE of which much has been said in he papers does not receive very hearty commendation from the Deaf-Mute Journal, a paper which would be sure to rejoice in its discovery if it were all it has been claimed to be. The Journal says: Without doubt, in some cases, the audiphone is ound useful in conveying sound to the auditory erve, but in every instance where satisfactory reults have been at once secured, the individual ecuring them has been able to hear, speak and dis-

WHAT WAS IT ?-- A Rev. Mr. Webster, an Anrevival here still continues. Four were baptized glican minister of Quebec city, declares that he has last Sabbath, the 7th inst. A number are saying : been visited by something, but whether spirit or Pray for me." The great work has reached Knox- angel or what he does not say. He has been lec-"I have seen what few living beings have seen nd yet continued to live, and have heard that which few in the flesh have heard, and have remained in the flesh. But what I saw-was it contemplation. There is harmony in all truth, and J. E. Reud, and a good revival interest has surrounded by their dead friends. Whether it was spirit or angel? I cannot tell which." He menwas lasting, and said that if he was to tell it to the ongregation it would send a terrible shudder brough them such as they never experienced be-

To one editor the unpleasant nature of the visior has suggested the idea of nightmare to a contemorary, who refers the origin of the phenomenon to a late supper, probably of mince meat.

RAPID GROWTH.—The collection of newspaper paragraphs shows how the value of one of the jewels

It is said the Princess Louise on Saturday lost a jewel at Ottawa valued at \$2,000 .- Montreul Witness. It is said the Princess Louise on Saturday lost a jewel at Ottawa valued at \$20,000. - Bosto Traveller. It is said the Princess Louise on Saturday lost a jewel at Ottawa valued at \$200,000 .-A Donation.—Dear Bro. McLeod:—As you are Saturday lost a jewel at Ottawa valued at \$2,000,-Chicago Times. It is said the Princess Louise on always glad when any of your brethren in the min- 000.—St. Paul Pioneer Press. It is said the Prinistry are made happy, I will tell you of a very en- cess Louise on Saturday lost a jewel at Ottawa to wounds or injuries recrived in action. Ninetyjoyable season we had on the evening of the 4th valued at \$20,000,000.—Denver Tribune. It is six out of every hundred had been caused by lack inst., at the residence of the Messrs. Ebbett, Upper said the Princess Louise on Saturday lost a jewel of sanitary precautions, by dirt, insufficient clothvalued at \$200,000,000.—San Francisco Post.

AN EPITAPH.—Robert Ingersoll and his fellow

To the memory of the man of whom John Adams, President of the United States, recorded this opinion : Worthless," "unprincipled," profligate," blackguard Paine:" The man who wrote a letter to GEORGE WASHINGTON, and thus addressed the Father of his country

Treacherous in private friendship and a hypocrite in public life, the world will be puzzled t decide whether you are an apostate or an impostor."

Another "Prophet."-And now a Rev. Mr. Rounds has gone into "prophecy." He says Christ will come and the millenium begin in September, 1881. Mr. R. is an Adventist of Portsmouth, N. H., and has devoted seven years to figuring out the matter on a chart 200 feet long.

stricken Province of Cerra, in Brazil, and 300,000 which we are acquainted. The New York Daily Witness has been com- from pestilence. 250,000 people are now fed by Some time ago a man said that for some years he

PROTESTANTISM.—The following statistics of Pro- almost exhausted, and Mr. Smith earnestly appeals food better. Come, brethren, some of you at least

Nova Scotia wants a share of the Fishery Award. and the Legislature has decided to present an address to the Governor-General on the subject, and urging the claims of the Province.

THE P. E. I. LEGISLATURE met on Thursday. Among the promised Government measures is one

to abolish the Legislative Council.

WHAT THEY DEMAND. The Nihilists have recently issued a documen setting forth their demands which are as follows 1. Permanent popular representation, with ful power over all general State questions. 2. Wide ocal self-government, with election assured for al duties, the independence of the rural commune and the economical independence of the people. 3. The ndependence of the rural commune as an economica dministrative whole. 4. The principle that the land is the property of the people. 5. A system of measures having in view the transfer of all works and factories to workingmen. 6. Complete liberty of conscience, speech, the press, public meetings, association and electoral agitation. 7. General electoral rights, without any condition or property Gothard tunnel has been completed as the de- limits whatever. 8. Replacement of the standing

### CURRENT TOPICS.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

(Western Christian Advocate.) A few years ago quite a wave of sentiments ling ran over Europe in relation to the matter of pital punishment, and it was abolished in many of the States. Switzerland is getting quite tired of the experiment, and some sections of the country are voting for its restoration. In other countries the law remained, but in practice was allowed to become a dead letter. This was the case in the orty-three years in connection with the West Boston | measure the work is of the largest significance. It | there is great excitement about the brutal murder of a whole family by one who had been fed and clothed by it. It is feared that the scamp may escape the scaffold by the peculiar feelings of the king on the subject. But large assemblies have appealed to him, and he has consented to sign the death-warrant. This will be the first execution in Wurtemberg for twenty years, and virtually restores | the question of being out-stripped by neighbouring

#### THE NEWSPAPERS. (L. Journal.)

The leading newspapers of the country are having he severest pinch, just now, that they have fel or a long time. A few years ago, the payment o ostage on newspapers was transferred from th subscriber to the publisher. The decline in paper and printing materials, however, soon comp for this; and the leading newspapers kept right or inditures for editorial work, news and telegraphic reports. Within the last three months they have penditures to improve their papers. by a sudder The entertainments and services they provide been persuaded to live the life of faith in Jesus per cent. This rise is particularly severe on the firstclass weekly papers, which publish a large sheet, lishing this year a very unprofitable business, for eight years is subject to these rules, and the

> W. H. H. MURRAY. (Journal and Messenger.)

Rev. W. H. H. Murray, of horse and hunting fame, has disappeared from public view, and it aid that "nothing has been heard from him sinc last summer." His wife is a physician in a New York hospital, and the claims against his estate are estimated all the way from \$10 000 to \$50,000. Six horses have been sold for \$500, indicating that either Mr. Murray was not, after all, a very good judge of horseflesh, or else the price of horses is New England must have greatly fallen. Such bursting of a balloon reputation rarely occurs; but there is in it a valuable lesson.

### KEARNEVISM.

(Montreal Witness.) As Kearneyism has for a long time been about the ly thing we have heard of from San Francisco the pression was getting general that "the Chines KINGSLEY, YORK Co. - Licentiate B. Trafton who | tinguish loud sounds without its aid. To those who | and that one might as well shave his head and go and live in Chinatown at once as venture to enur iate any other. It seems, however, that Sa Francisco is tired of Kearney. The House of Rep resentatives has forbidden him its precincts, the e wspapers have agreed not to report him any more generally. There is hope here for British Columbia ossibly that primitive Province may send to another Parliament a different class of men from Messrs,

(S. A. Journal.) At the enquiry going on respecting the Tay Bridge disaster some very startling statements are being made. Several painters who painted the nerous bolt-holes empty; that they found bolts holes where there should have been rivets, and und rivets without heads, and bars loosened. imber of moulders have also testified that the nality of the iron used for the castings was very ferior; that the columns were frequently defect ive, of unequal thickness, cracked and scabbed. and that the cracks and holes were filled with putty r cement, and painted over. One of the supportng columns of the high girders, which was cracked from top to bottom, was held together with four hoop-bands. Such statements are almost incredible. They demand to be thoroughly sifted, and before they are or can be implicity believed the evidence of the Railway inspectors must be heard.

(Telegraph.)

n ocular diseases, has just published his report upon the Russian military hospitals, 26 of which he has inspected in different Governments of the empire within the last few months, for the purpose of scertaining the causes to which may be attributed the extraordinary accumulation of cases of total even being "as strong as horses and as fleet of foot the invasion of Turkey. Over and above the cases f eye-disease reported in the registers of these ospitals as having terminated fatally since the war, he estimates the number of living men who lost frugal habits, are the cause. their sight through participation in the 1877 camg, and unwholesome food. The tale of human dous struggle between Russia and Turkey will pass materials for shipbuilding, and \$275 on oats made

# THINGS IN SHORT METRE.

A young woman in a church in England got up and forbade the banns of a country couple. Her reason was, she said : "I-I-want him myself."

in this use of it. This cenotaph is erected to T. Paine by the munificient liberality of his friend and admirer, ville, Oregon, could, it is said, plainly hear the organization of the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulatory address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulator and the congratulator address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulator and the congratulator address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulator and the congratulator address to Governor-Gerand Princess by the Senate was concurred in the congratulator and the cong breakers beating against the rock-bound sea-shore

> Nearly three hundred newspapers are published in Japan, many of them enterprising dailies. It is said that every enterprising man takes a paper. The mystery that many a boy desires the advancing years to unfold, is why he is always rushed off to bed when he is not in any degree sleepy, and made | pect of her early recovery.

whole system was clogged with pitch. Chemists tell us that a single grain of a substance called iodine will impart a color to 7,000 times its pushed on rapidly enough. weight of water. It is so in higher things-one companion, one habit may affect the whole life and | fended the action of government in respect to the

The Syracuse Times remarks that "some men's manuscript is more difficult to set up than a rusty stoye with ten lengths of pipe bought at auction," STARVED.—A letter to the Tribune states that 200,000 persons died from starvation in the drought- ment of the compositors of one printing office with prevention of crime, Baker opposed the bill on the

love out and locate where people try to be thankful for all they have and enjoy.

Tobacco is under par in Abyssinia, and smokers and snuffers, too. It is said that his savage majesty, King John, hates the weed so heartily that he has given royal orders to cut off the lips of those who dare to smoke, and slit open the noses that are polluted with snuff. That's reform with a engeance! King John ought to take the American

Rum Devil in hand ! A clergyman recently said that many a one while apparently singing with all his might the lines. Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small," was diligently engaged with one hand in his pocket in scraping the edge of a three cent piece to make sure it was not a dime. The growth of the nails on the left hand requires eighty-two days more than those of the right, is more rapid in children than adults, and goes on faster in summer than in winter. It requires 132 days for the renewal of the nails in cold weather, and but 116 when the weather is warm.

A writer in the Portland Press confirms a statement which appeared a short time ago from a New York lawyer to the effect that there is no such thing as a Hyde estate. The writer in the Press interviewed the Bank of England officials on the subject and they satisfied him that there was no oney to the credit of any Hyde estate in that

It was a grand answer of the remnants of the old Imperial Guard, when at the close of the bloody day of Waterloo, they were summoned to surrender. The old Guard dies. It never surrenders!"

There is a whole epic in that reply—grander han any which Homer and Milton ever wrotethe answer of souls faithful unto death! The British Government do not intend to increase

the number of the regular army, and the usual estimates have been passed by the House of Commons. In Germany, on the contrary, a large addition is to be made to the army, and a bill to this effect has been introduced into the Reichstag. The Minister of War said, in introducing the bill that the Federal Government could not leave to chance Powers, and that it was necessary to place the military institutions of Germany on a par with those of her neighbours. This looks ominous.

A Travelling Agent of a St. Louis firm makes affidavit that the following is a literal copy of rules posted on a school-house in the interior of the State: Each pupel is required to make a bow on entering the School-House of a morning also leaving of evening the School Room, their shal bee no profane language used in school or on the play ground nor there shall be no pin-stickin, scraching, no taggin nor no fitin, nor no unesery whispering in school. No Pupill shall leave the school House without the permission of the Teacher. No unesery moving from seat to seat. No fiting on the road from or to school, nor no nicknaming. Every pupil over newspapers cannot be advanced like other teacher is to make allowance for all pupils under eight years and enforce the rules according. If any scholar breaks these rules tha shall be punished by switchen.'

> Some remarkable statements were made by a prominent physician before the class of the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Buffalo, New York, the other day. He announced that one-fifth of all mankind die of consumption alone, and one-third of all from the ravages of tubercles upon the bodily organs, including the lungs. Yet consumption to a great extent is a preventible disease. Many inherit a strong predisposition to it, and all such should be especially careful to avoid all causes which debilitate the system, as then the disease is likely to make its attack. Fresh and pure air is the great preventive and should be provided for at all times. Fresh pure air is the only remedial agent that can cure a case of consumption. Drugs may aid but pure air is indispensable.

> Here is the way the Ritualists in England talk of

What, says the Church News, what, we should like to know, has the Church of England to do with the spirit and principles of the Reformers, except to get rid of them as soon as possible? We have nothing to do with such a set. The work going on in England, says the Union Review, is an earnest and carefully organized attempt on the part of a rapidly increasing body of priests and laymen to bring our Church and country up to the full standard of the Catholic faith and practice, and eventually to plead for her union with the see of St. Peter! . . . We give the people the real doctrine of the mass. The name will come by and by. So with regard to the worship of the Virgin; we are one with Roman Catholics in faith, and have

a common foe to fight. The present king and queen of Italy are first cousins, and their only child is extremely delicate; but also are both parents. On the other hand, the natives of Pitcairn Island, colonized in 1789 by nine mutineers of the ship Bounty, are ideals of health, in spite of constant intermarriage. The commander of the British ship Opal, who quite lately touched at the island, reports the present THE UNPUBLISHED HORRORS OF THE RUSSO-TURKISH | population at ninety-three, and "all in excellent health." It is remarkable, that with the number of necessarily consanguineous marriages these peo-Staff-Surgeon Skrebitzky, a celebrated specialist ple do not show the supposed results of such marriages in their offspring. On the contrary, all who have seen the mixed native and English descendents of the original settlers describe them as models of physical strength and perfection, the young girls blindness resulting to the Russian soldiery from as deer," carrying heavy burdens up and down the rocks with equal grace and ease. Their out-door life, their lovely climate, and their temperate and

# PARLIAMENT.

There was laid before the House an abstract of expenditure compared with estimates for the year 1878; unprovided items for same period; balance of appropriations lapsed for the same periods, etc. affering disclosed to us by Dr. Skrebitzky's dis- The estimates were \$41,553,595; expenditures \$38, ported was \$7,029-with the exception of \$492 on fish in the Maritime Provinces and British Col-The embargo on the admission of Canadian cattle

Mr. Blake moved his amendment to insolvent ill, excepting banks, insurance and other incorporated companies Hon. Jas. McDonald said similar amendments had been agreed to by mover of bill, but it was The Supreme Court of Ohio holds that a postal card withdraw several clauses similar to those in amendused as a means of dunning a debtor is liable to in- ment and introduce separate bill. jure his credit and reputation, and is, hence, illegal

to the United States has been removed

Mr. Blake withdrew his amendment on this understanding and bill was recommended to com-The congratulatory address to Governor-General Sir John, in neat little speech, referred to the accident and in doing so said injuries sustained were serious and at one time might have led to

fatal consequences. Although she had not fully recovered he expected the Princess would soon be in a good state of health. Mr. Mackenzie, in seconding motion for concurrence, expressed deepest sympathy for Princess and offered his warmest congratulations at the pros-

House adjourned at 10.30 p'clock. Mr. McLennan moved for return of contracts let up to December 31st, 1879 on Pacific Railway. He complained that there had been some laxity of engineering matters, and that work had not been Sir Charles said this was not correct. He de-

location and carrying out of the works. Mr. Mackenzie followed and concurred in opinion that cost of engineering was out of proportion.

Bechard introduced a bill to reduce the salaries of public officers and the indemnity to members of

pelled to suspend on account of the great rise in the Government. The suffering is one hundred fold had lived in Grumble Corner, but had lately moved and did not need to subject our criminal population. worse than in Ireland. The Brazilian Treasury is on Thanksgiving Street, and he found the air and to the same restraint deemed necessary in England.

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