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For ONE DOLLAR the INTELLIGEN-CER will be sent to new subscribers from knowing but that the thought and language were the date of receiving the money till the end of the present year (December 31st,

- The eclipse of the moon took place according to announcement early Sunday morning. A great many people sat up to witness it, and were, of course, " delighted.

- A Jewish paper expresses the opinion that the translation of the Bible into life by those who profess to believe its teachings is more a necessity than a new revision of the text. Amen.

- Sussex-beautiful Sussex-is to be pitied. Great preparations are being made for a military review, ball, &c., on Dominion Day. No good ever results from such things; they always demoralize. Sussex is sure to feel the evil effects for a long time.

- Next Sunday (June 19th) is the day on which some people think the end of all things earthly is to come. We hope they are ready for the crash when it shall come; and we hope they won't be very cross if disappointed as to the particular day.

-The gentlemen in Picton who sent for Mr. Anglin to help them in the election contest were not very wise. They paid a poor compliment to the public men of their own Province, and they borrowed a man who cannot help any cause -unless | ceived credit marks therefor. The teachers state it be one he may oppose.

- It is a notorious fact, as stated by the Dublin correspondent of the London Times-that all the recent disturbances in Ireland have been in districts where the farmers are well off. To speak of these similar practices prevail in other cities. It is said people as objects of compassion, as down-trodden, the proceeds of these stamps have gone toward th rack-rented victims of landlord cruelty, is untrue.

-- A National Temperance Convention under the auspices of the N. Temperance Society of the United States is to be held at Saratoga, commencing next Tuesday. It will be a grand gathering of representative temperance men and women from every State and Territory in the Union.

- Messrs. Moody and Sankey have been urged to go to Germany to engage in evangelistic work. Not speaking German they would have to be heard through interpreters, which probably, would greatly interfer with the effect. It would be easier to interpret Mr. Moody's preaching than Mr. Sankey's

of Fredericton on Tuesday. Mr. Kerr is at this one knows how the guilty parties regard themselves writing, showing cause for his charges against Judge but all good citizens must feel the most perfect Wetmore. He is armed with a formidable array of contempt for them. For a rumseller, trained to affidavits, &c., and will probably require some time the business and persuaded to believe it right, some to present his side of the case. He evidently en-

- It is proposed by the leader of the Quebec Government to secure an increase of salary for the Governor of that Province. Decrease, not increase, should be the order of the day. Far too much is paid in salaries to Governors and other officials who have little or nothing to do, and who might very well be dispensed with.

- The Revised New Testament cannot be read in the churches of the Established Church of Eugland until it has been recommended or authorized by public authority, and any clergyman so using it incurs the risk of being held as an offender against the law. Such, at least, is the opinion of the Lord Chancellor of England, stated in a letter to one of the bishops.

- Christians might take a lesson from the Mormons in one thing-zeal. They send missionaries everywhere; and they have translated and published the book of Mormon in French, German, Italian, Danish, Polynesian and Welsh. Foreigners to the number of seventy-five thousand, perhaps more have within a very few years been induced to accept Mormonism-the wretchedly foul thing.

- It is stated that U. S. Secretary of State Blaine intends to have an investigation of the Halifax Pisheries Award with a view to obtaining a part of what U. S. papers are pleased to call "the exorbitant consideration paid by the United States | the Convocation of Canterbury, held the other day for the privileges conceded." Canada is willing to a motion was made of thanks to the Committee for He is doing what He said; and He will go on conhave the matter investigated if our neighbours feel their hard ten years' unpaid labor. The Dean of quering until all enemies shall be subdued. "All so badly. But wouldn't it be as well, at the same time, for the United States to pay back the eight millions or more received under the Geneva Award, which, in honesty, belongs to Great Britain? Sec retary Blaine might think about it.

-Quebec suffered terribly by fire on Thursday of last week. About seven hundred houses were destroyed, and over a thousand families were made homeless. The cash loss is in the vicinity of one and a half millions of dollars, perhaps about half of it covered by insurance. Several persons-at least six-perished in the flames. Many poor people have lost all, and there is much distress which is being met by charitable contributions. The Mayor of this City immediately telegraphed sympathy and asked if assistance were required. After two or three days he received reply that help would be ac-

-Our New York namesake says a good thing about individual responsibility and division of labour in church work. Every church member skould be active in keeping up the interest and work of the church. One of the great faults in our churches is, that so much is left to church officers and other officials of societies. Whereas, each member ought an act could offend. Many of the Bishops, and to be personally active in that in which he is in more of the clergy, have been glad to avail themterested; and he ought to be interested in every good work. The way to make healthy and useful was ever raised against any man for such an act. church officers is to back them. Do not make it There is nothing in the canons or in the spirit of necessary that officers in the church and in societies the church to preclude the occupation of every should drag you along. You were not designed to day, if the courtesy were offered. tary glad step.

the propriety of continuing the observance, as at tists, Methodists, or other "sects" is a church, tion for the work in which they are to be engaged. present, of Decoration Day. While the idea is a however devout the worshippers. Then as to the The War Cry, a weekly newspaper, has been combeautiful one, it is pointed out that in practice it "courtesy" dwelt upon; what a sham it is. How menced, which already has a circulation of 120,000. gives rise to grave evils. The Independent says, "that kind and brotherly, how free from bigotry, they It is intensely Christian, advocating entire holiness in the South it has caused the appointment of two would have us believe they are. This is sham, too. and devotion to Christ; its readers are those who rival days, the one loyal and the other rebel. On The Observer puts the fact in a nut-shell thus: heretofore have read nothing at all, or only the the rebel Decoration Day there is a general holiday. "What sort of 'courtesy' is it to go into a gentle- lowest and most debasing literature, and many con-The whites come out in great processions, with rebel man's pulpit and tell him by act, if not by word, I versions and the awakening of slumbering churches them, and these the most important. flags and badges, listen to rebel speeches, and de- will preach in your pulpit but you shall not preach have been already chronicled results. A Salvation corate the rebel graves. On the loyal Decoration in mine. I am a minister of Christ, you are not. Printing Office has been established, by which a Day business proceeds as usual and few but the I will preach in any pulpit I can get into, but I will healthy and instructive literature is to be dissemin-Negroes gather to decorate the loyal graves. The not let you or any of your brethren into any pulpit ated over the world. Homes have already been fact is that the day is made one of the most potent | that I control." influences to keep alive the rebel and sectional

lack sense, yet that is just what a religious paper hear of it, if there has been such a case. They are London. They were attended by many of the highsays of a certain class of ministers—says they are very like some men of whom we hear occasionally est classes, and converts are reckoned from the little better than idiots, practically. The sort of --very clever and genial away from home, enjoying various walks of life. In some localities the Magisministers referred to are those who think that any somebody's hospitality, but the exact opposite when trates and Superintendents of Police have attributfundamental, any revealed truth of the Bible must at home. The less they say about brotherliness and ed the great reduction of crime to the operations of be given up or modified to meet the demands of so- "courtesy" the better. Until they learn to do to the Army. Invitations for their labours are concalled modern criticism. Truth, in matters per- others as they would have others do to them, they stantly coming in from all directions. "Make taining to God and to man's salvation, is unchange- ought to be ashamed to accept the "courtesies" haste and come!" writes one, "before we are all able and indestructible. Speculations concerning they talk about; certainly they should refrain from gone to hell." such truth may change very greatly, but the truth endeavouring to make it appear that they are of all The success of the "Salvation Army" in Great itself never. Hence the vast importance that public people the broadest ir. their Christian love, Con
Britain is an accomplished fact, It has now the bitter experience with English and American tradteachers should not confound their own speculations | descension-praiseworthy condescension, they evi- sympathy and approbation of good men from all the ers. with the declarations of God. The latter will stand | dently think their willingness to occupy an "alien" | churches, and from those high in official and social

there will be much positive preaching, no trimming, bigoted exclusiveness. and no compromise.

-It is Dr. Lorimer's turn now. A couple of years ago Dr. L. was charged with plagiarism. He appropriated a large portion of a sermon of Dr. Joseph Parker of London. When challenged he could but admit that he had used Dr. P.'s sermon, though he emphatically disclaimed having done so the deceitfulness of a too faithful memory. Being a great admirer of Dr. P. and a careful reader of his sermons, his remarkable memory had absorbed

apologizing; but Dr. P. evidently did not believe him, and replied in terms sharp and indignant. But now somebody has discovered in a recent volume of sermons of Dr. Parker, a very eloquent passage plagiarized from Dr. Lorimer. If true, i is certainly a remarkable coincidence. The accoun between the Doctors would seem to be about square. though neither of them has gained anything by th

- " Masses " and "indulgences" and things of that sort do not sell so readily nor bring so good a rice, on this side the Atlantic, as they used to. There is more light now than there used to be hence the hard times in that line of business. In a prominent New York R. C. Church "High Masses" were offered for contributions toward the church lebt, but there were so few responses that the priest was greatly displeased and disgusted.

But then they are not shut up to a single plan for raising cash. The devices are almost innumerable, and some of them are worse than strange. The latest plan has just been discovered. A des patch from Hartford, Conn., describes it thus:

Two boys have been arrested for removing been stamps from kegs shipped from local breweries They turned over the stolen stamps to teachers the Catholic school of Christian Brothers, and re it has been the practice to receive stamps in this way. They were sent to France and there sold The supposition is they were returned to thi country and bought at a discount by dishones rewers. \$250 worth of uncancelled stamps were found in the possession of a teacher. It is believed support of a Catholic orphan institution in France. The report of the matter has been forwarded to

Woodstock is to be congratulated on having discovered the character of a couple of men to whom a public trust had been committed. While it is not, in one sense, pleasant to discover hypocrisy and dishonesty, it is better to know of them when they do exist, especially when they are being used to

violate public confidence and debauch a community For several months it has been rumoured that the two druggists-Dr. Smith and H. R. Bairdauthorized under the C. T. Act to sell liquors fo medicinal purposes, were selling it quite indiscrinnately. Last week they were charged with the o fence and were fined \$50 each. Baird plead guilty - Mr. D. S. Kerr's case came before the Court | Smith stood trial and was convicted. Perhaps re excuse may be made; but for men given a trust as were Smith and Baird there is no shadow of excuse, their act is beneath contempt. It is to be hoped the good citizens of Woodstock and Carleton County, wi make them feel the force of an honest indig nation. And now the Local Government has duty to perform,-the immediate cancellation of the appointments of Smith and Baird as vendors under the Act. The people expect the representatives the County to request this of the Government And when others are appointed, it will be well be careful to select honest men.

> - Dr. Talmage does not like the revision. H seems to be actually angry about it; and slashed away at it on a recent Sabbath, in a furious man ner. Among other things he said :

> Nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thor and regret in the depth of their souls that the re vision has been attempted, and look upon it as desecration and profanation and mutilation, and religious outrage. I am willing to take it as a con mentary and stand it respectfully on my book she behind other human opinions of the word of God ut to put it upon my private stand, or in m amily room, or on my pulpit as a substitute for the King James translation I never will. I put my hand on the old book and take the oath of allegiance, so help me God.

And when he took this oath his congregation oudly applauded him.

In England some ministers have been taking quite as strong ground in condemnation of the revision but for different reasons. At a meeting of Chichester opposed it, because the Committee had hail the power of Jesus' name." proceeded actually to co-opt into their body, on equal terms, members of Dissenting communities' terrible apostacy ! He implored the House, "in the name of a jealous God," not to implicate themselves in any way in such a transaction by passing such a vote of thanks. And then Archdeacon Denison declared the composition of the Committee "an abomination in the sight of God," and he valiantly declared his determination not to " sacrifice his soul" by giving a word of thanks to them The vote of thanks was passed, notwithstanding the mighty and vigorous protest.

These gentlemen should take the matter more almly. The revision will be sure to find the right

- One-sidedness is a characteristic of some people, and also of some churches. A few weeks ago a minister of the Episcopal Church in the United

"To preach in a Presbyterian pulpit was never selves of the courtesy of such an opportunity, and will be again. In the church no breath or whisper Presbyterian pulpit in New York the coming Sun-

Church of England ministers frequently occupy | Thirty-seven new towns have been entered in Engthe churches of other denominations; have they land, Scotland and Wales, and multitudes of conever been known to offer their churches to be used versions are reported. From February to July, -It is not nice to have it intimated that you by ministers of other bodies? We would like to Mrs. Booth conducted meetings in the West End of

men who preach the gospel have a full belief in the ness, call it by a less pretty name, impertinence other agency. word of God, and have the courage of their opinions, perhaps, the impertinence born of ages of the most It is stimulating Wesleyans and other churches

'THY KINGDOM COME."

Who has not heard or read the statement that

Christianity is declining? It is frequently made, so frequently and so confidently that some good Christians have believed it, and many others have feared there is too much truth in it. Ingersoll and ntentionally, he attributed the "appropriation" to a few of his stripe go about the country, "lecturing against Christianity; large audiences listen to them; and they believe they have about made an end of 'the superstition" as they, in their wisdom, are that particular one, and he had reproduced it not pleased to call it. A few blatant wretches loudly rejoice in the belief; some others, more hypocritical his own-he said. He wrote Dr. P. explaining and affect to bewail the "fact;" while some excellent but uninformed Christians mourn that they have fallen upon so evil times. Now no one who reads with any carefulness the record of what is transpiring in the world, or watches at all closely even the progress of events in his own community, but must be convinced that the Church of Christ is winning its way steadily and surely, that the teachings of Christianity are every year taking a firmer hold of the world, and more perceptibly moulding human life and directing its energies. The records of what which is attending the effort, are enough of them- ed to think of the "critic fly." The "critic fly," selves to disprove the silly statement of the enemies says our author, "if it do but alight on any plinth 87,250,000 worth of publications and organized 70,of Christ and His cause. But when these facts are or single cornice of a brave, stately building, shall 000 Sunday schools with 500,000 teachers and 3,be, but it does not mean much in view of what is here is a speck and there an inequality; that, in and the unprecedented growth of the nation is conis losing ground." Well, Christians do not hesitate sufficient, but to see the harmonious relations, and 50,000,000, and the church membership of the not speak-except to themselves. When we take 000. It thus appears that while the population had ings of a preacher's calling, and also the varisbility, during these eighty years increased ten-fold, the dispositions, frieudships and even moodishness and there was one Evangelical Christian to every four- critics stay to enquire why they see the fault comteen of the population; in 1880 it had come to be plained of! Did the preacher study simply our per one to every five. Since 1850 the population of the sonal likes? Who are we and our small likes, and tirection. According to Dr. Dorchester while the ing, when not annoying, the way some people mea-Roman Catholic population of the States has risen sure preachers with their small, very small, tape meafrom 1,614,000 in 1850 to 6,367,000 in 1880, the sures. They would even stretch their tape mea-Evangelical Protestant population, allowing three sures across the giants of the pulpit. A Spurgeon. and a half to every church member, and that is a or a Beecher would be handled by them, just a very moderate allowance, has during the same per- they would handle an auctioneer or a village clown simes more rapidly than the Roman Catholic element | pen to be broader than our "critic fly," then the has done. During the same period 4,800,000 Roman elements are disturbed. "False doctrine," is the Catholic immigrants have come to the country, and charge hissed out at once, and our "critic fly," sets

if all these, with those who preceded them, and out on an unholy mission of stinging. Around the their children, had remained true to their original parish he buzzes. Everybody must be earwigged, aith, there ought by this time to have been 26,- and enlightened. "Angels of grace defend us," is 000,000 of Roman Catholics in the Union Instead | the cry of good Mr. "Fly." of this there is little over six, -thus showing a loss But let us look a little closer at Mr. "critic fly. f nearly twenty millions.' The growth of the Evangelicalism is also signifi. irritating. He knows somewhat and somehow ant. The "Liberal Christian" organizations, as though his knowledge does not cause mental opthey are called, have not made progress as might pression; he has a faculty to scent error or mis be inferred from statements made by the "Liberals." take, even in the bud, for his nasal organ is finely, It is a fact that they have actually decreased, as sharply made. As a rule he can see motes that salist, and Swedenborgian, have so far decreased

Evangelical Societies has increased by 54,018." equally true of other parts of the Christian world, hear and forbear with our Mr. "Fly's" foibles. indeed it is not improbable that in many places the

DOING GOOD WORK.

The modes of work of the "Salvation Army" are such as to excite the prejudice and provoke the ness;" if a sentence happened to get missed, opposition of certain classes. From the very first they have laboured in the face of much adverse and sional groan did not arise to climax, how sad; and oftentimes harsh criticism, and have even had to so on through a long list of possible mishaps. bear no little bad treatment other than that inflicthave been subjected to, they have succeeded won- have failed in the profession;" therefore, we suppose, derfully. The blessing of God has attended their they undertake to prove every other writer a faillabours. Prejudices have been overcome, and ure. We do not say Mr. preacher "Fly" is a failmany who at first could think no good of the move- ure. No! No! he is a success, and because every ment, some even who strongly opposed it, have other preacher is a failure, he is a "critic." Yet it given it countenance and assistance. A recent relis a fact, any unreasonable preacher can be a "fly port gives statistics that demonstrate the zeal of critic." A preacher who knows and feels the "the army" and also the extent and character of weight of his calling, is not anxious to act the part States preached in a Presbyterian Church, and it the work done. The Christian at Work has a sum- of a "critic fly;" he has respect to what is just, was hinted that he might be called to account for mary of the report; it is really interesting reading, honest, and true. He who feels and knows his and must gladden all who love our Lord Jesus own weakness, and lack of perception, is not anxi-Christ, and pray "Thy Kingdom Come." The ous to spring upon the faults seen in another's pubsummary referred to says: The officers engaged in lic work; he looks for the strong points, not the canon or law, or even a public sentiment, that such the Army in Great Britain and Ireland, number weak ones; his heart and will are with his brother 363. 3,770 services are held every week. Trained in a task arduous and weighty. If he criticizes it speakers are reported to be 6,180. Halls, theatres, is in honesty, justice and love, and it does good. warehouses and other buildings occupied for meetings number 224, with sittings for 141,900. The number of people reached in the open-air gather-

ings is 3,000,000. A Training Home has been established during Just notice how careful the writer is to avoid the year 1880, for both male and female workers. saying Presbyterian Church. According to their In these schools the outlines of Bible History and guage is the Bible. - Some of the United States papers question notion no edifice occupied by Presbyterians, Bap- Doctrine are taught, and other necessary preparafounded for the sick and over-burdened labourers.

the test of all criticisms and all onslaughts. If the pulpit; some people would, in view of its one-sided- position. It is reaching the godless masses as is no year, and it is estimated that it will show an in-

to greater efforts to serve the people. There was opportunity and need for the audacious undertaking of the Army, with respect to those whom church gressive Christianity," to carry the Gospel to those | p who will not come to the Sanctuary; to arrest the

attention and startle men from fatal sleep. The peculiar method of warfare is acknowledged to be successful among the lowest and middle classes, and the sincerity and devotion of the leader is unquestioned. The family of Mr. Booth seems to be united in Christ's work. One daughter has distributed 60,000 tracts, papers and books, obtainson has charge of the Home for males. They give evidence of disinterestedness, and thorough, enthusiastic consecration to the Master, and intense | progress of missions, says: love to the lost. This love and enthusiasm is a felt need in the church of every name and in every land. We bid God speed to every effort to save the missionary labour. Borneo, with the possible ex-

THE "CRITIC FLY."

We have not dipped our pen in vinegar; neither presented to them they say, "Yes, yes, that may be able to declare, with its half-inch vision that 000,000 scholars. These are magnificent figures; going on at home. Look at home, this so-called fact, this and the other individual stone are nowise Christian land, and see how the religion of Christ as they should be; for all this the 'critic fly' will be the Ingersolls, but any honest doubters of the power to literary critics, will fitly apply to many who of the Christian religion. Quite recently Rev. Dr. | seem born to bless preachers with mosquito stings. Dorchester, a Methodist minister, read a paper in An old Jewish proverb runs thus, "God gave to ministers' meeting in Boston, in which he showed mankind food, but the devil sent the cooks." We most conclusively the remarkable growth of the are not going to say that the Lord gave to the Evangelical Churches in the United States during | world all the preachers; some gave themselves to a he present century. His statements which were forbearing, patient, good-natured world. Nor do the population of the United States was 5,300,000, times effectually help his mission. We are not and there were in all the Protestant Churches 364, speaking of the wise critics, who know and there-000 members. In 1880 the population had risen to fore speak, but of those who don't know, and should different Protestant bodies had gone up to 10,065,- into consideration the circumstances and surroundnumber of members in Protestant Churches had in- pettishness of his hearers, there are many elements creased with just the double rapidity. In 1800 to be considered by the critics. Further, how few also taken firm root and is doing a good work. States had increased 112 per cent., and Protestant- dislikes? Whence did we derive our canon of Catholics. It is usually said that the Roman Catho- bably was in us, not in the sermon. We allowed the and risen from 12,300,000 to 35,200,000, or five Should a preacher, however able and worthy, hap-

As a rule he is not very dangerous, only slightly Dr. Dorchester shows: "The Unitarian, Univer- others cannot see; he makes it a study to see faults. Should the sermon suit all or nearly all of the conthat there are now fifty-four fewer societies of these gregation, Mr. "Fly," would see blemishes in it. than there were in 1850-while the members of the and pounce upon them with the avidity of a fly in a sugar bowl. Yet Mr. "Fly" is not bad at heart, The foregoing are simply the mathematics of only "flyish" in the head. He means well, but

There is yet the preacher "critic fly;" he is a "shades of "Murrary" defend us;" if the profes-

The preacher "fly" is always on the alert, and ed by tongue or pen. But in spite of all, perhaps always "hard to please." The late Lord Beaconsin some cases by reason of the persecution they field, once said: "Literary critics are men who

NOTES OF CHRISTIAN WORK, HOME AND FOREIGN. - The only printed book in the Turkoman lan-

- The Christians of America gave, last year, to oreign missions, \$1 for for every \$25,000 worth of property owned by them. - The little town of Kittaning, Pa., has a man

who in his life and at death has given \$1,680,000 - There are in all 243 languages spoken in India. The Bible has been translated into about eighty of

- The Baptists have in Asia 162 missionaries, 616 native preachers, 475 churches and 40,087 members. There were 3,191 baptisms last year. - The amount contributed annually in the United

States for foreign missions is less than the sum spent or intoxicating liquors in three days. -Mr. Mackay, missionary of the Church Missionary Society, at Mtesa's kingdom, has completed

- Dr. Angus, of England, estimates that to make the gospel fully known to all the world within ten old and uncomfortable school-house situated on the and unpleasant manner, upon the morals of Russian - Rev. Mr. Clough, Baptist missionary at On-

gole, India, reports in all 2,758 baptized in connection with the Ongole Mission during the year 1880. The mission at Ongole was established in 1866. - Missionaries in Benguela have had difficulty

the last ten years.

- It is no exaggeration to say that at the present ment, in the face of seemingly adverse hindrances, the amount of real Christian effort which is and chapel did not reach. Its motto is "An Ag- being put forth in Russia is most cheering and un-

American Baptist Telugu Mission. The Rev. J. E. Clough writes from Ongole, March 18th, that in a six weeks' tour he visited fifty-two villages and ptized one thousand and three persons.

- The New York City Mission held 365 Gospel neetings during May, attended by 45,000 persons, charge of the Training Home for females, another ed 127 temperance pledges, and aided 280 families. Receipts for the month, \$3,516.60; payments, \$4,-

The Rajah of Borneo has expressed his willingless to encourage missionary operations in his dominions. This opens a new and wide field for world, Australia being considered a continent.

Leeds, provided means for purchasing paper, and is being done to win the heathen to the faith of are we suffering from an irritating east wind, but John. A lady of Glasgow has promised to provide

- During the fifty-seven years of its existence, the American Sunday School Union has distributed inually increasing its field of labour.

- There are 32 self-supporting churches connectd with the mission in Shansi and Shantung, and to accept the challenge, and are able to present an relative parts of the entire building wholly insuffi- as in India, the principle of self-support is inculcatlarge additions have been made to them. In China, array of facts that must silence the sceptics-not cient." Our author's striking illustration applied ed from the first, and converts are taught that it is their duty to contribute of their means to the support of Christian institutions.

-The Atlanta Index gives a fact and follows with a pointed question

It is spoken of as the deep dishonor of the Estabsions. Reader; are you one of the number who nade very much in detail so that no point was we say that the enemy of man (it is scarce polite to prevent that dishonor from resting on Baptists? Are

dependent Catholic Church, received into his church in New York a little over three hundred Norfolk. I must tell you something of James River persons who professed conversion from the Roman Catholic Church. Among those received were eighty ex-priests of Rome and ten young men who had ten, was the centre of the war; if it were possible been monks or students in Roman Catholic colleges | for the old earth-works, still visible in many places, or monasteries. The Independent Catholic Church and the old forts to tell the story of that time, it established not long since in Newark, N. J., has

- The London Religious Tract Society, among the most effective organizations for Christian work, has recently held its eighty-second annual meeting, with the Earl of Aberdeen presiding. An abstract been immense, and made very largely up of those mon was tasteless and vapid to us. Why? Likely home depot, including books, tracts, periodicals, about twenty old buildings, eight of the But the actual facts seem to point in the opposite | the sermon from our hearts and minds. It is amus- be safely stated at 12,000,000, making a total circu- not time. tion of 81,089,460 and of 2,012,047,900 since the ormation of the Society. The total amount received rom sales, missionary sects, and other sources, luding last year's balance, was £192,580. 10s. 2d; the total expenditure was £189,042 14s. 4d., leaving balance in favor of the Society of £4.537 15s. 10d. The work of the Society extended to all parts of the world, and the tracts and other publications were printed in about 150 different languages.

CORRESPONDENCE. NOTES ON GRAND MANAN.

No. 3.

Continuing our journey our next point of observation is Centerville. Contrasting its present pros- such a river. perous condition with what it was twenty-five years ago, we cannot help exclaiming,-" What a change is here !" It is with some difficulty we can ber of happy converts in its smooth and placid waters! There is now a large number of handsome in the past there was nothing but bare heath, stones and shingle. There is a branch of the Free Christian Baptist Church of North Head situated here; of Charlotte; we cannot for the life of us divine. what the brethren were thinking about when they consented to do so foolish a thing as to put their property out of their own hands, and where they cannot manage it only by the sufferance of the Council. It may be all right; we hope it will be, and be due to a resolution passed by that body, to the that all may be for God's glory, and the house long effect that no Professor would be employed by the After all, the most important part of the Island

is North Head, and the rest of this letter must be devoted to it. It was there we first landed in March, 1856. It is not too much to say, that in material prosperity, and also in intellectual and moral improvement, the North-end of the Island will carry off the mead of praise. The advancement and improvement in every respects are simply wonderful and show the energy and pluck in heart, brain and nuscle of this people. Twenty-five years ago the late Mr. L. Drake kept a small store, at what they then on this part of the Island; and the one store | Political Science, did not contain a very large assortment of goods either. Now there are many stores, well stocked; who in his life and at death has given \$1,680,000 to home and foreign missions. The name of this princely giver is James E. Brown.

Sea View House" kept by E. Daggett, Esq., where the visitor can find an excellent home, and the justice of the law administered for a trifle, and "The Marble Ridge House" kept by Capt. J. Pettes, where comfort may be supplied, and a genial These hotels accome.

A SHAME—England's opium traffic with China is as much a shame to one as it is a curse to the other. The Missionary Record (English Presbyterian). modate the travelling public for a reasonable comhis translation of St. Matthew's Gospel into the lan- stitution, the photograph saloon, is also here, and one can have his likeness taken quickly for a trifle. Twenty-five years ago there was no public place of brow of Capt. E. Gaskell's hill, on the road to the monasteries. The monastery at Pereslaff is not so

meetings held in the old school-house, and shall not

ease of 200,000 native Christians in the three God, when Rev. J. Perry preached us such an exnission-fields of India, Ceylon, and Burmah, for celleut sermon as he did on that occasion. Ah, well, these are days of the past, the long-ago days; but it is pleasant to pass them in review and contrast what was then with what is now. So many new buildings have been, or are now

eing erected, that if it were not for the natural features of Flaggs' and Pettes' Coves we should scarcely know we were looking at North Head. - There seems to be a perpetual pentecost in the However we are in the midsts of changes, and when they ask for the better we rejoice, and can only pray that all may be for the glory of God and the advancement of his cause. The Free Christian Baptist Church here is, for the present, under the pastoral care of Rev. H. Hartt, and we trust great success may attend his labours. We enjoyed preachng to the people, and think our labours were aphave expended three or four hundred dollars on it, - The New York Evangelist, in speaking of the as they intend to do, it will appear of more modern style externally, and the internal arrangements will Jews have recently been baptized in Constantinople. be more pleasant than they are at present. On the whole we congratulate the people of North Head on the improved appearance of their part of the Island, for the many beautiful residences that have gone lost upon which the Holy Father sets His seal of ception of New Guinea, is the largest island in the up, almost as if by magic, have wonderfully altered the place that can only be appreciated by a visit. The New Testament has just been translated into the Corean language. Mr. Arthington, of evening we were thrilled with the beauty of the printing 3,000 copies of the Gospels of Luke and rity of the atmosphere, the beauty of the village, all London has contributed £22,000 in aid of the Chios scene, - the calm stillness of the water, the salub-Jesus—the vast and steadily increasing expenditure having quietly thought over the way some people gelist.

Jesus—the vast and steadily increasing expenditure having quietly thought over the way some people gelist. But, like many recollections, it is something to

We prophesy for Grand Manan a noble future, and as we feel an interest in its prosperity we shall not cease to pray that it may have rapid and sure progress in the direction of the highest material, social, intellectual and moral attainment

Tracy's Mills, C. Co., June 7th, 1881.

A RAMBLER'S JOTTINGS.

I took passage for Richmond on the steamship Manhattan. Bidding farewell to Norfolk and its dusky inhabitants did not cause regret, and I would given by one of their own papers, the Boston Pilot. not grieve much if I should not be that way again. I do not wonder that the yellow fever visits Norished church, Canada, a powerful and wealthy folk. If you were to visit the miserable, stinking that is to say, about 1 in 14. Of the 250 newsmarket buildings and fish-mongers' stalls, you would papers published in Belgium, 154 are Catholic. made very much in detail so that no point was we say that the elemy of than (it is scarce pointe to prevent that dishonor from resting on Daptists 1 are mitted, have been summarized thus: "In 1800 say devil these days) sent the critics, but they somethe white perch) shad, and a giver for the evangelization of the world?

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In Austria it is 1 in 13. Italy has sturgeon, with meats and vegetables all in one mar- 1 in 7. Spain only 1 in 8. In North America, - During last year, Father O'Connor, of the ket; you may imagine the stench, with the ther- out of a total of 8,500, 113 are Catholic. In South mometer between 90° and 100°. But enough of America there are 11 Catholic papers out of a total Along this river, as you doubtless have not forgotwould be a sad story of misery and destruction.

Portsmouth is just across the harbour from Norfolk, and has a population of 10,000. In the morning we reached City Point. This was the headquarters of Grant's Army a long time, and ism 186 per cent. It is also to be borne in mind judgment? Perhaps there is no judgment in the issued during the year 627 new publications, of which place powrit is recorded a place at all. There are that during the latter period the immigration had "premises," simply a moody whim. Yet the ser- 137 were tracts. The total circulation from the place; now it is scarcely a place at all. There are Anchored close by are five U. S. monitors, their hull nearly level with the water, with a turret about

> James River is very crooked. About twenty miles below Richmond, during the war, Ben Butler cut a canal through which all vessels now pass; the canal of eight or nine rods saves seven miles around by the river; many other places nearly as crooked. Just above City Point on the left is the Appotomax River; about 12 miles up the Appotomax is where news-gatherers ought to stay in the same place. As Lee surrendered to Grant. All along James River are forts and breastworks, silent witnesses of the terrible struggle. We pass long steamers, barques, schooners and tug-boats; there are also dredges without number digging out the river. It is the most peculiar river I ever saw, very deep, but so crooked and narrow that the steamer had frequently to stop her propeller to get round the turns. ould never have believed-without seeing-that vessels of one to two thousand tons could navigate

The scenery along the river is very fine-the mest in some respects I ever saw. If our people the North had such farms and climate, and be assured it is the same place, yet its natural fea- soon be rich. But the people here—whites as well should exercise the thrift they now do they would tures indicate that it is the same; but, how changed as blacks—are evidently lazy; and I am informed since we first looked upon it; and baptized a num- that the further south one goes the more indolent and shiftless the people are Their style of farming is to take all out and put nothing back; they will probably be given when the parties to the apraise very few potatoes, scarcely any hay, and corn houses where then there were none to be seen; so long as they can. One thing peculiar to Virginia quite a nice village has came into existence where is its white sandy soil; if properly cultivated it can be made to produce excellent crops

NEW BRUNSWICKER. Evangelicalism for eighty years; they tell a grand somehow he has a queer way of showing a sweet and on a pleasant rising ground at the south-end Sept. 1873 of Jay Cooke & Co., the greatest calamity of the village, the people have, with commendable of the kind that ever occurred in the financial history which have been produced, which it is impossible thinks, fulfil his mission in the world, if he does zeal, built a commodious house of worship. We of the United States. The transactions of the firm preached in it one Sunday afternoon during our were on a colossal scale, and their liabilities were Christianity's progress in the United States is who do not go to meeting to be simply "critic flies, visit to the Island, and truly we could say, "It was counted by millions. During the war, when the good to be there." We enjoyed ourselves exceed- Government required enormous amounts of money, ingly, and we think the congregation enjoyed the they were the chief negotiators in placing its loans. gains have been in a much larger ratio. Let these terrible creature. He stings hard—at least he tries service also. The ladies of Centerville are certain—It was regarded among the impossibilities that the things cheer the hearts of the disciples of Christ; to do so. His standard of a preacher is himself. His ly entitled to much praise for their determined and senior and animating member of the firm should continued exertions to bring the house to its present | ever recover from the fall. But he has done so. work." Should the sermon be good, Mr. "Fly" will state of completion. Their persistent efforts in the He has again touched par, and a few days ago was search all the more diligently for a flaw; if found, there face of many discouragements are greatly creditable the purchaser at auction of Ogontz, the magnificent is rejoicing inwardly much, its outward manifesta- to them, and prophesy for them a brilliant record country place where he formerly dispensed a prince- above the roar of the flood and crashing of the ice. tion being governed by circumstances. If a morsel in the future. May they soon see the house entirely hospitality. His debts have all been paid, and of fancied heresy, is detected, O joy; if a favorite ly finished, and then they can have joy indeed. To by the gradual appreciations of securities that applied is in the manufacture of car-wheels. A doctrine has been left out, "blackness of dark- be sure, we felt there was something wrong, an shrunk to nearly nothing during and succeeding the writer states that sawdust carwheels, sawdust brick, anomaly we could not explain, viz.: that the house panic of 1873, he is now a man of wealth, and his sawdust fence posts, railroad ties, and even sawdust

RESIGNED. - Prof. R. C. Weldon of Mount Allison College has tendered his resignation to the Board of Governors. "The Act is understood to Board who would not give his whole time and attention to Collegiate work. Prof. Weldon is Centhe Professor whose case was intended to be may hardly find expression in words." obtained a hearing in defence of his position. He have reported several times as "very ill" and claims that the resolution is one of want of confi- "dying," (evidently to lessen the intense seeling of dence in him, and hence his resignation."

successfully filled the Chair of Mathematics and jously cared for at a convent in Brown County.

Books .- " Of making many books," said the there is no conceivable article but may be obtained wise man, "there is no end, and much study is a there is no conceivable article but may be obtained wise man, there is no end, and much study is a weariness of the flesh." The author of this state- wonderful thing in history; but I am now converged at a very reasonable rate. The mystery is how they sell so much, and how they get their pay. Within a mile are five large stores where a large trade is multiply copies by the slow and painful process of writing down word by word on a papyrus-roll. What ments supply the ladies with all the novelties of | would he have said if he had seen steam printing fashion in their season; three or four confectionery presses, throwing off from 20,000 to 30,000 sheets The Saturday half holiday movement in New shops, where we fear the young men play "hide in an hour, and running night and day at that! Ten York is extending. The point some of the New nops, where we fear the young men play "hide an nour, and running hight analysis that . I work is extending. The point some of the New and go seek;" all these places are prospering and years ago, Mr. Allibone, in his Dictionary of Au-York papers are insisting on is that the half holiday making money, apparently. At that time, our thors, stated that there were then in the English worthy brother, Andrew Gilmore, could do all the language 650,000 different books; and he calculated will beacht the business of employers rather than blacksmith work that needed to be done, now he has three or four to help him, and they can hardly day without missing once, he would be able to read It is said. do all that is to be done. When we first saw the 100 average books during a year. In order, Island, hotel there was none; if a tourist wished to therefore, to read all the books in our noble Angeloremain awhile he had to be boarded at a private Saxon tongue, to say nothing of those in other lanhouse; now there are two first-class hotels, viz.: "The guages, a dilligent student would have to live on ware. The big gun's are subjected to intense heat

states that in 1879 the British Indian government pensation; and the tourist will feel in either of forced upon China 13,995,000 pounds over 6,000 them, entirely at home. If you wish a drive our tons of opium, valued at \$60,000,000, and received friends, Deacon J. Small and T. A. Rindreck, can in exchange teas and silks valued at \$85,000,000. soon take you to any part of the Island you wish. The record justly claims: "What an exchange It looks quite like business to see a sign "Livery and that, too, between Christian England, dowered a horse that wears spectacles. The animal was Stable," indicating that the wants of the tourist can with wealth and spiritual privileges, and heathen found to be near-sighted some time ago, but its

ALWAYS THE SAME. - A trial for murder in the east-end of Whale Cove, the site of which is now large as many other Russian monasteries, but the tion. Now there is a large hall, a spleudid two- trial disclosed that it afforded accommodation for story school-house, the new church spoken of above; several hundred monks, who live in luxury and deand the Free Christian Baptist Church. Perhaps I should mention that there is a lock-up for offenders Romanists would have us believe are gone by.

"The meeting is to be held in Lower Perth, (Inman neighbourhood). The people are making preparations to entertain those who attend. Those who come by train should get off at Lower Perth Station (Kilburn's).

BAPTISM .- Rev.C. F. Penney pastor of the Augusta, Me., Free Baptist Church baptized fifteen converts Sunday before last.

SCRAPS.

They call it the Newer Testament in Chicago. . . Atlanta, Ga., for the first time in twenty years, is freed from the curse of gambling-houses.... The eciated by the people, and trust our visit to the death of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln is said to be looked Island was not in vain. Our brethren are about to for almost daily.... The Jesuits are allowed in repair their meeting-house, and when they shall Brazil again.... There are said to be 800,000 colored Baptists in the United States ... A number of

... The Shakers in the United States number about 100,000 . . . A witness in an Ottawa court refused to be sworn on the old version of the Bible, and the Judge allowed the use of a revised New Testathe surrounding landscape, and given a charm to ment....The son of an Ohio Supreme Court Judge has gone to State prison for forgery Hop culture in England has been steadily decreasing since 1878, the decrease in acreage amounting to 5,000 acres.... continued to so impress us that we cannot soon for- sufferers.... The Emperor of China is sick with

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY.

NOT A READING PEOPLE. (Christian World.)

That the Roman Catholics, as a rule, are far behind, as regards general reading and literature, is made strictly manifest by comparing the number of Catholic periodicals in the world with those of the Protestants. The Roman Catholics claim that they have in the world a population of 201,000,-000; the Protestants claim only 103,000,000, or about half as many.

Let us notice the Catholic newspaper statistics,

Of the 13,980 newspapers and periodicals pub-France has 42 Catholic journals, out of a total of

Austria is an almost exclusively Catholic country; and yet only one in thirteen of its newspapers is Roman Catholic. South America is still more exclusively Romanist; and yet only one in ninetynine is Catholic. In North America the ratio is one in seventy-five. With but few exceptions their papers are poorly supported. The conclusion is unavoidable that in general culture the Roman Catholic populations are very far behind the Pro-

> THE TATTLER. (Christian at Work.)

A bungler can unravel in an hour more than a tongue of tattling in a parish will do more mischief, will so rend and tear, and put asunder, that more tics are increasing rapidly in the United States. "criticfly" to buzz in our ears, and steal the good of 3,472 770. The issues from foreign depots might power. I had an invitation to go on board but had be to be the control of the dissension will result, than can be mended in a ongue, let it be remembered, is not always malicious, but the wagging property of some bunch of cheery loquacity that rolls round the parish, smiling right and left, screaming "How d'ye do ?" and then sitting a dish of gossip before every soul that will partake. There is some news that ought to stay at home and not be retailed abroad, and some for the malicious, professional tattler, his mouth ought to be sewed up with a "waxed-end" and the tongue compelled to stay at home. The surgeon doing this good job may expect a peppery time, though, while executing it, but the gain to society would seem to justify the risk.

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

A Utica man caught a brook trout near that city the other day, weighing five and a half pounds, and sold it for \$25. That was profitable fishing. Canadians cannot complain of the law's delays. It will take the United States Supreme Court three years to reach a particular case. The judgment

peal are no more. In sinking a well some seven miles west of Foxburg, Pa., a few days since, the remarkable discovery of a vein of natural coal tar was made, at a depth of 270 feet below the surface. The discovery, s the first of the kind on record.

The construction of the second bridge 'oetween' New York and Brooklyn, crossing Black well's Island is now under contract and work has already been begun. The estimated cost of the structure is \$5,-000,000, and the time fixed for its completion is three years.

The strange spectacle of a church floating down a river was seen during the prevalence of the recent floods in Dakota. It was constructed of strong timbers securely fastened, and as it floated down the Missouri the bell in its steeple could be heard

window and door frames, wainscoting and molding begin to appear among the possibilities of the im

It is said that among the Gentile residents of Salt Lake City there are fifteen or more who are worth one million of dollars each. A letter from that city says : "The sentiment of these Gentle residents of Salt Lake City is one of such abhorrence of the insus Commissioner for Westmoreland and was decent and unpatriotic features of Mormonism as met. Before resigning, the Professor asked and Archbishop Purcell, whom his Church friends:

his creditors toward him,) is now reported as better Prof. Weldon is a fine scholar, has worthily and than he has been for several months. He is luxur-Mr. Charles Darwin, the naturalist, recently wrotes to Admiral Sir B. J. Sullivan, "I had always

It is said within the las's three months, two hundred cannons have beer converted into car wheels

for four or five hours to reduce them to pig iron. A Roman Catholic paper says that had the church retained all her children, there should now be in the United States from 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 members of that Church, whereas there are now less: than 7,000,000. It attributes the great losses to the influence of the public schools.

Lord Denman, an ardent friend of domestic quaowner has remedied this defect as successfully as if it had been his own eyes which were at fault.

Who would have thought that glass would ever be used for weaving articles of dress or domestic use? A Pittsburg firm is manufacturing fabrics that are strong, cannot be ripped or torn, and are cheaper than those woven from linen, cotton, or silk. A large tablecloth of variegated colors, with ornamental borders and fringed edges, is on exhibition here, which can be washed and ironed like the ordinary

inter experience with English and American traders.

These people have had ever forget the influence they exerted on the minds of many. Neither shall we ever forget the anxiety we experienced, in common with some others, while our house of worship was building, nor the joy we had ever forget the influence they exerted on the minds ever forget the anxiety we experienced, in common with some others, while our house of worship was building, nor the joy we had ever forget the influence they exerted on the minds ever forget the anxiety we experienced, in common with some others, while our house of worship was building, nor the joy we had ever forget the influence they exerted on the minds ever forget the influence of the meeting of the First District (taken from Conference Minutes) cal locusts will appear during the summer—the well-known seventeen-year locusts, and the thirteen-year brood. The latter appears to be the most extended, brood. The latter appears to be the most extended,

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