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- WE REPUBLISH the official announcement concerning the Education collection, so that no minister or church will fail to have been properly notified. And we also repeat the expression of the hope that the appeal will have a response from every church. -Dr. Dorchester, in "The Liquor Problem in

All Ages," says the rise of the temperance reformation was in the publication of an essay by Dr. Rush, of Philadelphia, in 1785. This year is, therefore, the centennial of the great movement, and it is proposed to celebrate it fittingly. Arrangements as to form, etc., have not yet been completed, but will be announced in due time.

-Joseph Cook is to deliver lectures in St. John | ness do we exclaim on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, the 20th and | 21st insts. The subjects of the lectures are,-"Seven Modern Wonders of the World," and "Does Death End All?" There will probably be a great rush to hear him. In Halifax, where he is to lecture also, tickets are selling so freely that already the financial success of the undertaking is already

- ONE OF THE meamest things in political warfare is the way the contending parties treat each other personally. Not satisfied with differing as to political views, they seem to think they must say unpleasant personal things. They disparage each other's ability, question each other's honesty, and seek, in every way, to belittle and damage each other. It is small business, unworthy of high-

lowing story, making it to illustrate the "generosity" of some people in a very pleasant and telling How stands our account with God? Let us

A little girl was given a penny with which to buy head and shoeless feet, tattered garments and hungry look. "Please, miss, give me some money, . he said, "I am hungry and cold." She looked at him for a moment, her heart swelling with pity, desire for the candy. But soon her sympathy prevailed, and holding out her penny she said : "Her little boy, here is a penny, and you just go and a cap, and a coat, and carry a loaf of bread home to in doing. Love, activity, soundness, result in your mother." Some of these brethren seem to be happiness. Happy Christians are the receivers and is a 'quarter,' go and pay your house rent, and your grocery bills, and get clothing for your wives to square accounts, or at least to show by doing

thing very like that

will hold its first Convention in Fredericton, on miller." A good plan all round in life. Wednesday and Thursday of next week. The meetings are to be held in the Methodist Church, the first to begin at 7 P. M. on Wednesday, 14th inst. Among the gentlemen from outside this county expected to be present are: Mr. S. J. Parsons, President of the Maritime Provinces S. S. Association; Mr. Jas. Watts of the Carleton Co. We expect much from God here and hereafter. Convention; Rev. Ken. McKay, of Richmond, C.Co.; Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, of St. John, and Rev. W. F. Parker of Woodstock. Besides effecting an organization, electing of officers, etc., there will be discussions of such subjects as,-" What good will County Associations do?" "What similar organizations have accomplished elsewhere," "How best to secure 'evergreen' schools," "Blackboard and object teaching," "The Church's duty," "The parent's responsibility," "The Teachers' rewards,"

Steps have been taken to acquaint all the schools with the object of the Convention and to interest them in it. It is hoped that every Sabbath-school in the County will send delegates as requested. The meetings will, we have no doubt, he of much interest, and it is hoped a great impetus will be given to the Sabbath-school branch of Christian work.

wisdom where needed. It says: that any one professing entire sanctification can be so regardless of the rights and privileges of others !

DR. AND CR.

Our title is a terribly familiar one about this season of the year, and very suggestive. Wit and General Conference is a vital one with us; so much fancy might sketch a friendly picture, true to life. setting forth the "grave and gay" in connection with our various bills and their settlement. But we forbear, being anxious to rise to higher things than the important matters of "dollars and cents." Of course we ministers are supposed not to trouble, or talk, about "filthy lucre." To do so, is to changed he should give first the address to which it is come down the ladder and forswear our high pin nacle. Yet, often the lack of money hurts the pinnacle, and the status of the dignitary poised thereon. There is no more virtue in being " poor parson" than a poor somebody else. Poets have descanted much on poverty, but few have claimed it as a virtue. Although the golden age of English literature revels in actual experience, that as one of them has written "to be a poet is to b letter or post card Returning the paper is neither a poor man," and sometimes and oft to be a parson is to be a poor man, not of choice, but of necessity PAYMENT of subscriptions may be made to any Free | Not to run out an unpleasant, disagreeable topic, but none the less important, we fear there is much cant, as Dr. Johnson expressed it abroad, about ministers and "filthy lucre." Every minister's home has Dr. and Cr. side, and few of our acquaintnce are troubled with too much cash; the cloth is oftener too narrow than too broad. The majority

'My riches do not consist in the extent of my pos But in the fewness of my wants."

Ministers, as a rule, eat and drink, need clothes and are human. God clothes "the lily." because man cannot do it; God feeds "the raven," because as a rule, man cannot do it. By industry, under God, man feeds himself. The minister is God's servant, sent forth to minister, and " the laborer is worthy of his hire." Who is the paymaster? and an obligation. Man can do one part, and Go looks to him to do that which is possible for him to do; God will do His part and more, and He expects those ministered unto cheerfully to give " as

the Lord hath prospered us." We know that the snap and vigor of many a sermon is swallowed by the "rod"-if not of poverty-Every dollar of arrears paid at of pressing credit and the debit side is long and impotent, owing to either indifference or selfishness on the part of those who have long neglected A prompt renewal from every to pay their honest debts to the Lord's sent ones. Time and time again have we heard the cant phrase of trusting in the Lord," when the ministers needs have been named; and those using the phrase use their wits to increase their earthly possessions and toil early and late for gain. Should the minis ter engage in manual labor to save his body and help his soul, with pious horror the; cry out about "filthy lucre." Surely, inconsistency cannot sai into deeper waters. Perhaps the minister fails to trust in the Lord as he should do, and what is true of him is equally true of his advisers. "Trust and do" is a good motto for pulpit and pew. But we did not intend to write so much about a subject not to our taste, so we leave it, hoping that what we have written may stimulate where needed.

We all have a Dr. and Cr. side in life. Each stand towards God and our fellows? " How much owest thou thy Lord?" In this throbbing busy world reflection has a small place. Yet, beyond 'the din of voices," God speaks to us by what we are, and by all around us. How stands our account with Him? As we view our position and blessed-

When all thy mercies, O my God, My rising soul surveys, Transported with the view I'm lost In wonder, love and praise."

Doubtless many of us do take those expressive words and feast upon them; and like many other easts we enjoy, we feast and feast and feast, but that's all. Oh! how we rejoice to drink in all possible good, but forget to show gratitude in deeds of love and acts of kindness! Like some sterile barren or bog, we receive with zest, but give back nothing. The "Dr." side of our life account runs on and increases daily, but the "Cr." side is often years in arrears. The balance sheet, if struck, would show us that we were, and had been for years, hopeless bankrupts. God has loaned us capital, not to hide it, or bury it, but for use. · Every good and perfect gift" is from Him. Have we acknowledged the principal? Have we in joy--A Home Missionary in Michigan tells the fol. ful service, like good stewards of His grace, used the talents He so graciously has bestowed upon us? forget the two sides of the Ledger.

All nature speaks to us that "we receive what candy. Starting toward a store to purchase her we give." The Gospel says "freely ye have retreasure, she met a little beggar boy, with bare ceived, freely give." All our natural powers are made vigorous by service, and so of spiritual graces. By use of what we possess in things natural, we retain, and add thereto. So of things spiritual. and a conflict going on between her pity and her The richest view of the Gospel and the divine life is that of being. "Thou shalt do" is good, but thou shalt be," involves in development, the doing. Love creates being, and being is unfolded the givers, those who are being and doing, who strive gratitude for being. A once famous London There are people east of Michigan who do some- preacher, speaking with regard to finance used to say: "he took care the outgoings did not tread upon the heels of the incomings." To use a well -THE YORK COUNTY Sunday-school Association known expression, he took care "not to drown the

As the year has just opened, let us all try this year, and all the years, to do towards God and His cause, as we desire he should do unto us. Our years of service for Him and ourselves are but a narrow span, and we have an eternity, as Hischildren to rest in. Time with us will soon end. Had we better not all, as His children, "learn to do well" in our day of opportunity! Regrets there will be at the close of life, but they need not be mountains high, revealing a life misspent, and opportunities wasted. Gratitude alone ought to inspire willing service for Him who has done so much for us. Let us look our Dr. side in the face, review the gifts our Father has bountifully given to us, and ask ourselves, "How much owest thou thy Lord?' And may we at least make an effort to pay Him cur honest debts.

BAPTIST UNION.

all denominational movements, so far as Associa-What an excellent season that last experience tions or Conventions are concerned, indeed, that not altegether independent bodies, but are subject

church polity. Now, this question of the dependence of our churches in District Meetings and so that in my opinion a great deal of wisdom will be needed in dealing with it in seeking a basis of union for the benefit of both parties. I do not think that our General Conference would consent for our churches to become wholly independent, other than they are at present; but the Conference could give the churches permission to act innatter, without obtaining leave of General Confer thereby became a Free Baptist minister, as our Baptist brethren can do. When the General Conference concludes to ordain a man, then, and not till then, can a church call him to its pastorate. Neither can a ninister among us do just as he pleases, make disurbances in churches, and act inconsistently with his proposition and then defy the power of the whole | Wars of the Roses in 1455, the Lancastrians were

if there is an appeal, the concurrence of the General

Conference, and not by a church alone. There are among the several denominations, three kinds of church polity, and each one considers its own formithe best. There is the Episcopal, the Presbyterian we wedded. In some respects each presents Word of God. And as we have observed other bodies in their working, and have considered that we saw either too much or too little government among them, we have come to the conclusion that a mixture of these is the thing for the greatest benefit of our denomination. I have often thought that our brethren, in their contention for church this vest pile must crumble, and earth itself be independence, forget that "God is King of Zion," would be delightful indeed. It will be found that | wind, and borne along the highway of the world a although there may be a great deal of concession | moment only, then to fall, back to a common level on our part, in many respects, when it comes to all, at the subsiding of the gust." church polity there will be a strong wish to retain | Wherever one travels in this part of England, There are numbers of other things that will be likely to arise as a basis of organic union is being sought, but as they are chiefly incidental to the main subject they can be easily disposed of, nothing need be said about them here. But this question of polity is important, and will need to be carefully considered and settled before a true basis of union can be found. I have considered it right to name a few of the difficulties so that they may be seen and understood. I wish to see a proper spirit exhibited in this matter. We should seek a union that will not be like a rope of sand, to break at any moment, but a union that will be like a strong cable, to hold

the united bodies amidst the storms and surges in cident to denominational life. I close by observing that it is my earnest wish and my fervent prayer to Almighty God that a proper basis of union may be found, and that He would

glorious a union, alike acceptable to God and beneficial to the churches.

Tracy's Mills, Carleton Co., Dec., 1884.

FOREIGN RAMBLINGS.

NO. III. DEAR EDITOR,-The approach of Christmas

brings with it great excitement and bustle in merry Old England, and although I do not find pleasure in thoughts of a Christmas spent among strangers, yet I am interested with the displays which are to e seen on every side. The holly with its bright ed berries, the misletoe and box in deep green, are to be seen on every hand, while the display of ancy and useful articles for presents is bewildering Though Howitt, in his "Rural Life of England" emplains that modern life in Eugland jogs slowly a point of festive merriment to what it did in older days, and though Sir E. Bulwer in his book England and the English," attributes this to the spread of Methodism, which has brought a more edate cast to the mind; to me the preparation for festival and display are on a grand scale. And well t is that the Christmas charm continues. Well it s that in the home an interchange of token of love omes at least once a year; well it is that once a year the poor are to some extent remembered by I hose in better circumstances. Joy to the one receiving, joy to the one giving is the result, for while a Christmas remembrance lends cheer for half year to the one who receives, its brings an equal enediction on the one who gives. The appeals ne reads every day in the London papers for harity are saddening. In very sight almost of palaces where a yearly income of a million or more dollars, brings revelry as well as joy and mirth, are hose who not only know not what these little which stares one in the face here, is the outcome sympathies are as strong towards one as the other

Romans, and here Alba died because he would not Messenger have felt if the INTELLIGENCER had said, building itself is cruciform with a vast tower rising this-union, or no union, the fewer articles like from the centre. Age is everywhere to be seen, that the better for all concerned dependently on the communion question, and and veneration for the dim distant past inspired. could not act on their own responsibility in the and protesting apparently against one's approach, brought about. For God's will to be done shall present a novelty to one from the New World. | ever be my prayer. ence. For instance, a church among us could not The old Roman bricks, much longer and much call a council from sister churches, and examine a thinner than the modern, tell of age, while vault man whom they proposed to have preach to them, and statue and mural decorations, enforce the ordain him, induct him into the pastorate, as he thought. In the troublous times of the nation ever has enacted many thrilling scenes in and around this hallowed spot.

Here in the days of Roman struggle and con

quest, Cassivelaumes had his chief centre tor

resistence and defence; here in Wat. Tyler's

ody, because he is sustained by the church of defeated, and Somerset, their leader, slain; here which he is paster. The Elders' Conference would again, in 1461, Queen Margaret, fighting for her soon bring him to his senses, set the matter right, husband, compelled Warwick to retire with loss; We are now preparing for our Sabbath-school Anor set him adrift where he belonged. And churches here too in this monastery, Cromwell quartered his niversary, which will take place sometime during getting into difficulties among themselves cannot soldiers during the civil war, and in the cells of the the month of January. separate and form themselves into a new body, 100 monks, stood his horses, or confined his prisonwithout the concurrence of the District Meeting, ers. The old walls are covered with strange paintings which had been hidden with lime to arche, the old Roman tiles, the great festoons or sacret past. The antiran who builded, the monk them more and more. some feature of truth, and a mixture of them all who said his prayer, the soldier who desecrated, appears to me to be the polity that is taught in the each in turn seemed to peer in my face from some indistinct corner, or out of some old cloister, or beneath some niche in the wall, and while the preacher of the day spoke on "who hath believed our report," a constant chorus of voices from the dead seemed to be ringing in my ears and telling me that all things here must pass away; that even

and that Jesus is head over his own church, having parallel with God. The hands which here have the appointing power in his own hands, in perfect toiled, are now dust; the brains have ceased to keeping with the free agency of man. It can be plan, and the heart to beat, but the spirits, where easily seen if an attempt is made to get the de- are they? St. Alba, the martyr, Cassivelaumes polity which we have deliberately embraced and Cromwell and Essex, and the "Ironsides," where senaciously held, there might arise trouble. But if are they? Caxton, too is gone, but the Bible our Baptist brethren could accept our views of he printed remains. Out of all comes the thought church polity, or if not wholly, at least in part, the which Lougfellow has so beautifully expressed way would be made easy to the basis of union that | " Alas! we are but eddies of dust, uplifted by the

> beauty, even at this time of year. If some of the excellence of English farming, the intelligence seen in drainage, in rotation of crops, in removal of small stones, in use of artificial manures, in careful tillage, in abandance of root crops, in fattening of improved stocks, and the care of them were only emulated in New Brunswick by the mass of our farmers, a great change would soon take place then for the benefit of both the farmer himself and the county generally. Competition here ensures the best of farming, and without it the rents cannot be

Farm labour is very cheap now, and men are working for 9 and 10 shillings per week, without naintenance. No wonder that in view of this nany homes are destitute at this Yule festival. As I look out of my window, I see the primro and pansy in bloom, and yet the air is very damp

spare my life to see and my heart to rejoice in so and piercing, and I must say is not preferable to our dry Canadian climate. I have been in England over four weeks and have been favoured with three fine days. Accustomed to the clear, bracing, vigorons air of my own country, you may easily judge that I am not in admiration of the English

The other day I had the pleasure of looking over the vast estate of "Luton Hoo," consisting of over 7,000 acres of land, 2,000 being in park, 1,500 i cover for game, etc., and the balance of the very best of arable land. I was interested and charmed at the beauty of this place, the residence of Madami de Fable, and formerly that of the Marquis of Bute Travelling through the park with its grand old oaks and beeches, you catch frequent glimpses of the hare and pheasant; in the lake of 50 acres at the foot of the park, heron and duck and swan give life to the scene, while here and there the rooks maintain a most exciting discussion overhead. was delighted with the fine herds of Alderney and Hereford cattle on this estate, and interested the care and feeding of the stock generally. Before the cattle is a constantly supply of water, while the supply of roots, oil-cake and ensilage is as abundant as varied. Everywhere order, and system, and cleanliness are seen. The cattle here are housed to a large extent, and the farm-yard is a perfect village, with paved ways between the barns and stalls and ricks. But I must close by wishing you and yours and all your readers, A Merry Christman and Happy New Year. W. G. GAUNCE. Luton, 18th Dec., 1884.

THE "MESSENGER'S" IDEA.

As the question of union of the two Baptist bodies is being seriously considered by many, in both denominations, I wish to say that I am very much interested in the matter. I am a thorough easures mean in quiet Christian homes, but also Baptist not because my parents were such, but know the sting and pain of want. To how great from the truth taught in God's word. But, while for the want which one sees and hears of, I cannot ciples, as a true liberal I extend love and fellowship say, but it is the deliberate conviction of most to all Christians of every name. So far as the thinking men, that much of the want and misery two Baptist families are concerned, my love and the evening's pleasant and profitable entertainment." of the beer-loving propensities of the lower classes. but there are certain things that place me, in my Beer at meals, beer at labour, beer at bed-time. church connection and Christian work, closer with While work lasts beer is consumed in quantities, one than the other. I do not know of anything cen: I beg leave to wish you a happy and prosperous and then when labour is scarce, and wages are low, that would give me more satisfaction than for the New Year, hoping that this year your circulation charity is invoked. I have been fortunate in this two Baptist denominations to be united on fair and and influence may greatly increase. locality to make the acquaintance of several earnest equitable grounds. I read the articles of Drs. Bill I am glad to inform you that the kind friends at Christian workers and have thus gained an insight and Hopper with pleasure, and I may say just here, Cornhill have again tangibly remembered their In my former paper on the subject of organic into the extent of the shiftless, drinking customs of that there are no men I hold in higher esteem than union of the two Baptist bodies, I said I would a large part of the people. I see that much practithese brethren; but with all that, and love for the the Church—a free-will offering of the people in next write of the polity of the denominations, es- cal Christianity is carried on in this community, denominations, there are difficulties in the way of addition to the salary. It occurred on the evening ingly he never was in better voice. Holiness pecially of our own, as with that I am better ac- those who are ready to advise the unfortunate to the union which I confess I do not know how we of the 18th ult. There was a large attendance, all UNTO THE LORD, was selected as our motto for 1885. THE CHRISTIAN STANDARD, (of Philadelphia), quainted. In doing se I have to point out a few remounce their habits and lead temperate, godly can get over. I am quite sure that if the Messenger denominations resident in that section being well Preaching in the morning by Bro. Hart; in the makes a good point about the unwisdom of some of the difficulties that will necessarily arise from lives, being at the same time ready in practical godrepresented. For the first two hours we were all afternoon by Bro. McDonald, of Sussex, and in the people in prayer and experience meetings. The the different practice of each body. If I under- liness to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and ination, it is only a waste of time and paper to employed discussing, gastronomically, the excellent evening by 2ro. Ballentine, of Woodstock, and reference is especially to one kind of meeting, but stand this matter the policy of our Baptist brethren heal the sick. I have been to two grand temper- write any more or discuss the matter any further. tea provided by the good sisters of the Church. it applies as well to meetings not called by that is the independence of the churches, or in other ance meetings this week, at both of which I had an I have read the quotations from the Messenger's After tea, John Dunfield, Esq., was called to the opportunity to speak of temperance in Canada. 1 article, as given in the Intelligencer, and the chair, and speeches became the order of the evenmay here say that I am booked for a lecture on more I read the more I am astonished. I conclude ing. The following bretaren readily responded in meeting for the Promotion of Holiness would have church independence is the main thing in their Tuesday next. But as what I am doing will not the Free Baptists or else he greatly mistakes us. Allan Bonnell, Rev. I. N. Parker, (Methodist), "Canada" in a very enterprising country town for that the writer must either be unacquainted with excellent speeches, -Mesers. W. Henry Perry, of the afternoon and evening services large numgovernment and work. Now, our denominational be particularly interesting to you, I drop that I should think that he imagined we are a com- Rev. Wm. Downey, and Deacon W. O. Dunfield. pany of weak men and women, or boys and The last named in a neat speech, in which he said How selfish such people are in taking all their own to the control of our District Meetings and to our Intelligences in this home where I am now stay on the wrong cord. He says he is interested in purse of \$40.25 cash, and nearly \$20.00 in farm You may be sure that I am glad to find the children. I wish to inform him that he is pulling many complimentary things, presented me with a eve of a blessed revival. time and also that of others! Why not drop out the minutine? Why relate all your conversations the minutine? Why relate all your conversations of the union, and hopes nothing will be said or done produce. This is the second purse these friends of the union, and hopes nothing will be said or done produce. This is the second purse these friends and to our time wrong cord. He says no is interested in purse of \$40.25 cash, and nearly \$20.00 in farm the union, and hopes nothing will be said or done produce. This is the second purse these friends and to our time wrong cord. He says no is interested in purse of \$40.25 cash, and nearly \$20.00 in farm the union, and hopes nothing will be said or done produce. 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Let us all have had the pleasure of a kind Christian talk with the the old familiar names, and telling what is being them in the Seminary union. His remark about containing \$39 50 cash. I also wish, thankfully, common sense enough not to spoil a good experience meeting. There may be times when we quicht to acknowledge a donation a short time previously soul had been panting for for years—the blessing of ence meeting. There may be times when we ought the Maritime Provinces, on the subject of union; it national works. I am glad to see that such that matter any further than they have? Does he from Bro. James Hughson and son, also members What a poor experience that must be that will not was thought that the communion question could be important centres as Woodstock, Moneton and think the Seminary belongs to them, and that we of this church, of several loads of dry hard wood, keep till another meeting and give somebody a easily disposed of by leaving it to be dec. led by Sussex have been filled by zealous men, anxious have come in as a sort of second part? As one which is keeping us very warm and comfortable this wave of eternal bliss broke and dashed over my ye long-winded talkers, did you never notice the committee on this wise, "Your churches are indeatient resignation that settles in the faces of the sints when they observe your familiar form rising, pendent bodies like ours, are they not?" and it labor with people so kind and thoughtful of their seventeen weeks in the three churches of my parpendent bodies like ours, are they not?" and it and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has answered by one of our members, "Not example and hear your well known voice? Glance around has an out of conflicting thoughts trooped across my labor with people so kind and thoughtful of their minister's wants. May the Lord abundantly rethe next time you commence to speak, and perhaps it will be a profitable object lesson to you. Perhaps independent bodies like Baptist churches, but mind, I cannot tell, and I fear the tumult of the of us sacrificed any doctrinal principle or usage ward them for all their kindness to me is my daily It has been my great pleasure to receive into these every proper way. On Christmas eve they had a it will be a profitable object lesson to you. Perhals independent to some extent, yet amenable to Dissame was rather unfriendly to the full appreciation in order to the union. He talks about our prayer. as you see the vim and fire die out of the meeting, trict Meetings and to our General Conference to a and enjoyment of a plain, practical discourse. It identifying ourselves with the Baptists. We did.

In conclusion, let me say that I am for union. JOHN PERRY.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

MOUTH KESWICK, YORK COUNTY .- The Church at Mouth Keswick is about purchasing a new organ. A sociable, to help pay for it, was held a few days ago at the residence of Mr. Benjamin Yerxa. rebellion, the monks were beseiged; here in the was successful, about \$40 00 being realized.

WHITE HEAD, GRAND MANAN. - Religious interest here is very low just now. We are hoping, however, to see better days in our Church soon.

Donation .- A few evenings ago we were somewhat surprised, not unpleasantly though. A prevent heir destruction by Cromwell, and are gentleman and a few ladies of this place, halted at now being restored, and in addition a grand our door, with a team, laden with provisions of a being a general one, affecting in its work other cathedralis being erected at the western side of the general character, which, in a very short space of churches, can only be acted upon by the General Abbey. How all these things impressed me, I time, was snugly put away into our house. There cannot till, but the memory of that hour shall were kegs, tubs and jugs, all well filled, beside bags never desart. Within and without, age has made of flour, and a large number of parcels. For this were and unmistabashla sign. The old Roman | timely gift of useful articles, by our friends here. cannot feel too thankful, and can only say and the Independent. To none of these forms are vy, and me that I was living in the presence of a May our kind Heavenly Father bless and prosper J. J. BARNES. Whitehead, Dec. 19th, 1884.

> FROM REV. O. M. BUBAR. - Dear Bro. McLeod : Perhaps a few words for the Intelligencer would be interesting to my friends. Since General Con ference my health has not been as good as during the summer. Just after Conference I contracted a heavy cold, which pulled me down every way considerably; but at the present I am quite improved. consumed, but that the soul of man must exist out Him it would be a gloomy season to me. His I find the Lord very good in every way, and with-

I have moved my family to Gibson, where I purpose living. My friends will take notice that my omination to recede from the form of church the debnder, Warwick and Somerset, and Margaret, will please send my Intelligences to the above address. Its faithful visits to the sick room bring joy and gladness.

Yours in Christian love, O. M. BUBAR.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT. - Mr. Editor: On the afternoon of Dec. 24th, we were delighted to hear that " Santa Claus" was on his way to Dover, and time-honoured friend, several of the citizens ready, leaving it only when the wants of the inner man demanded attention. At half-past 6 o'clock the church was opened to the public, and in a remarkably short time was filled, and the F. B. Sab-

choir sang: "Come sing the Gospel's joyful sound." ers to feel that their labour is "not in vain." The

followed by a reading, "King Robert, of Sicily," responsive exercise: The King's Supper; conducted by Mr. Albert McFarlane, and thirty-four scholars, after which Miss Fannie Dobson recited " Rock of ages;" and another class of juniors held the audience for half an hour, by recitations, bearing on "Our Merry Xmas." The choir furnished music at proper intervals. Miss Lily Steeves gave " A Cry for Help," which was answered by Mr. Albert Dernier. Miss R. Amelia Porter followed with a reading, "Nothing to Wear," and Miles Steeves, jr., recited "The old man in the Model Church." Short, but well-directed speeches were given by our pastor, C. Colpitts, Esq , and others, and the entertainment came to a close, as we all united in singing "Coronation." But what, meantime, had become of our old friend, "Santa?" Why, sometime, he had made his way to the altar and relieved his

back of his burdens, by depositing them upon a tree which he happened to find there, which, by its brilliancy and attraction, seemed, during the evening, to be the centre of attention of the little folks. Our worthy old friend did not mean that any should be slighted, or go away hungry, for he had provided a treat for all in the shape of apples and doughnuts. At 10 o'clock, when the Sabbath-school scholars were called forward, one by one, we noticed that each returned, not empty handed, while our pretty tree, in the meantime, was suffering much an extent the English public house is responsible I am firmly established in my doctrines and prin- Jackson Steeves and Miss Jenny Dernier, and we heard a hoarse voice, echo from the chimney,

ONE PRESENT.

Thank the Sabbath-school for your presents and

views of the conditions of union go beyond any | heritance in this locality, he having baptized many | tist Church on the continent was filled with just | pleasantly spent. Speeches were made by William

Here was the site of the Verulamium of the thing I could have thought of. How would the who are now active workers in our churches here. such devoted workers for Christ. I write this no renounce Christianity. Here a monastery was " If they want union, let them take our articles of people were seen carrying many baskets full of good founded nearly 1100 years ago, and hence over 30 faith, and then if they receive them they can make things into their new church, and quickly transfergenerations have come and gone since these vast application for admittance to our General Confer- ring them to tables prepared to receive them. piles of stone were raised. Here Caxton set up his ence." I think the Messenger would have treated | Some \$56 00 was realized, the amount being apprinting press, over 400 years ago, and here the such proposition with very little short of contempt. | plied to furnishing the building now so near comfirst translation of the Bible was made. The I will say no more about the Messenger's view, only pletion. Of the new church I will give you a description at some future time.

The praying band we organized there some nine for that matter, on any question. But the churches The very jackdaws clamouring up in the old tower and I am sure that, if it is God's will, it will be weekly meetings, and often in two's and three's months ago, continues actively at work. They hold fruitless. Lord is blessing their work, and as is always true it in the Arctic regions, not a single vessel or passenreacts, blessing the entire church. I am daily ger has been lost by storm, iceberg or wreck. learning what I suppose the older brethren are perfectly familiar with, that in order to keep a church healthy, you must find something for them to do.

Holy Ghost to qualify for the work. But this letter I fear is already much too long. Before I close, however, I must tell you that your informant was mistaken about another donation Christmas Eve. Having formed the habit, though, we are not averse to similar showers of good things. God bless you and all our people. Your Brother,

A. C. THOMPSON. Petitcodiac, Dec. 29th, 1884.

CHRISTMAS TREE -The Lower Canterbury Sabport, and even then it could not hold all. There his approval of the work of the Army. was good singing, Mrs. M. Shaw skilfully presiding at the organ. Recitations were given by the folowing Sabbath-school children, -Hattie Richie Mand Richie, Miss J. Anderson, Maggie Hull. Carrie Hull and Barrie Shaw. Their selections were appropriate and added much to the pleasure of the evening. There was a large attendance, and all evidently enjoyed themselves. The children will not soon forget the occasion .- Com.

REV. J. W. HALSE, of Portland, is, we regret to hear, in quite poor health. He was not able to occupy his pulpit last Sabbath. We hope he may very soon be well again.

Union Baptist Education Society. -The Directors of the above Society take this opportunity of informing the friends and supporters of the Society that they have employed the Rev. E. C. Corey and Mr. W. H. Moore as agents, to receive and collect stock subscriptions and donations, for the purchase of the Seminary property. These gentlemen will, as far as possible, call on each member and friend of the associated denominations, and the Directors bespeak for them a welcome reception and a hearty | Canada. response in the way of stock subscriptions to the funds of the Society. S. J. JENKINS.

Sec'y U. B. E. S. St. John, N. B., Jan. 7th, 1985. (Messenger and Visitor please copy.)

FROM MISS HOOPER .- Dear INTELLIGENCER :-A report ought to have been sent to you long ere repaired to the F. C Baptist Church, to make this. Being on the move has made it almost impossible to write since I left Dover.

Twenty-two churches have been visited. In eight of these, by the kindly assistance of Mrs. Babcock, Mrs. Thompson, and Miss Weyman, bath-school, which was to entertain the number Mission Aid Societies have been formed. A colpresent, took seats reserved for them. At 7 o'clock, lection was taken at each place, amounting in all Dec. 20, the following notice of temperance adthe meeting was called to order by the chairman, to sixty-one dollars and sixty-eight cents, (\$61.68.) dresses by Mr. W. G. Gaunce Mr. Job McFarlane, who delivered a few well-dir- A list of places and collections has been sent to ected remarks, after which the school sang: "What Miss Weyman, Sec'ty.-Treas. of the Sixth District, a gathering that will be," Miss R. Amelia Porter which will find a place in the INTELLIGENCER in presiding at the organ. Prayer was offered by our due time. In many places the roads were almost worthy pastor, Rev. F. Babcock, after which the impassable, and the weather such that the people generally could not attend. Even in such places, I The chairman then called upon Master Fred, felt more than repaid for the weary drives over Steeves, who delivered an address, contrasting fifty rough roads, or through mud and rain, by the telling address, and showed their appreciation by years ago with the present time. Miss Maud Col- interest shown by the people and the efforts they the hearty applause at the close, and when he left pitts followed with a recitation, in memory of the are making to give the light of the Gospel to those long ago Christmas upon Bethlehem's Plains. Mr. who sit in darkness. Many questions have been E. Powell recited "Ancient Drinking Horn," and asked me by the children about India and its Christian Association. we all felt the satisfaction of knowing that a good people. A thought has come to me thus : If they time to-night did not require any drink but pure still wish to ask questions, may they receive replies cold water. Many little folks then followed, show- through the INTELLIGENCER? * You have seemed ing that their talents had not been wasted in idle so like the face of an old friend to me, not only in amusements, which profit nothing, nor their ability distant India, but in the homes of Kings and Westlaid away for mature years. Miss Edna Steeves moreland Counties, where I might have felt to be a gave a recitation encouraging Sabbath-school teach- stranger, had you not been there to welcome me.

Allow me just here to thank all the good friends choir sang, "Scatter seeds of kindness;" and was who have so kindly helped me from place to place and made me comfortable in their homes. by Mr. Jackson Steeves. Next in order was a May the blessed influence felt while bowing with them at the family altars remain. May our Father bless all of them. There are many pleasing incidents worthy of notice, relating to the Sixth District, and of my visit there. More by-and-by. JESSIE B. HOOPER.

Fredericton, Jan. 5, 1885. [* Yes, we will be glad to have Miss Hooper answer uestions through the INTELLIGENCER .- ED.]

EDUCATION COLLECTION.

The attention of Free Baptist Churches in New Brunswick is called to the following section of the report on education adopted at the last session of

cation Society) having made an end of the Free Baptist Education Society, and absorbed its funds, there is now no fund with which to assist young a carbine and a bowie knife, went to an isolated men seeking education with the ministry in view. It is the duty of the Conference to provide to aid such young men. Your Committee suggests-That there be a collection for this purpose taken by the coroner, who from leading a life in the culn each Church of the denomination, as soon after the close of this Session as possible.

At a recent meeting of the Conference Executive | Try it. t was resolved to request that the foregoing recommendation be carried out, by each church taking a collection for the purpose specified on one of the Sundays in January. Revs. Jos. McLend, J. T. Parsons and G. A. Hartley have been appointed a committee to superintend the disbursement, and the collections should be sent to Rev. G. A. Hartley, Carleton, St. John, who is the committee's

It is earnestly hoped that no church will neglect this matter. Signed on behalf of the Executive of

J. E. REUB, Chairman. D. McLEOD VINCE, Secretary.

CONVENTION AND PERSONAL

DEAR INTELLIGENCER, - We held a Holinea three such sermons it has seldom been our privileg to hear. God bless those brethren. The immense

bers come forward, seeking the blessing of sancti-

fication. The extent of the work at this writing I

cannot a mate, but probably Houlton is on the

The following Tuesday evening, the Lower Ridge for controversy, but for the honor and glory of God B. MINARD. Houlton, Jan. 2, 1885.

RELIGIOUS NEWS AND NOTES.

- Some of the native journals in India have lately been advocating the closing of zenanas against lady missic aries. But their appeals have been

- It is a remarkable fact that although for the visit the surrounding settlements, holding forth the last one hundred and twenty-five years a ship has Word of Life. I am glad to inform you that the left England annually for the Moravian Missions

- The Church Army in England is an organization resembling the Salvation Army, but is connected with the Established Church. It has just Work and pray, and pray and work. Work to held its first Annual Conference in Manchester. help our Mother, and pray for the anointing of the Very encouraging reports of the work done were given, and the Rev. W. Carlyle, leader of the Army, stated that its officers were going into the midst of pour working men and women, rescuing the careless and indifferent. It was estimated that there were between four thousand and ave thousand active members of the Army working in this way for Christ, and there were a thousand persons waiting for confirmation, all of whom were total abstainers, and ready speakers for the Saviour. In their ranks were reclaimed drunkards, wife beaters. gamblers, and the like. The income last year was bath-school had an entertainment Christmas even. | a little over £2,500 from regular subscriptions ; but ng. A great attraction, especially for the little the working people had given, in pence and halffolks, was an immense Christmas tree, so laden pence, considerably over £4,000. The Bishop of with presents that the limbs had to have extra sup. | Manchester presided at one session and expressed

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

- At the Haliax Mayor's banquet to the city fficials last week, no strong drink was used. - The Prohibitionists are in a majority in the Georgia House of Representatives, and they appear determined to pass a general local opt in law. Ninety counties in the State now have partial or

- A great building costing over 70,000 crowns was publicly inaugurated with great eclat by the Norwegian Good Templars at Christiana on November 21st. It stands 70 feet high and embraces halis for Lodge Sessions, Club Rooms, and Temperance Hotel and Cafe.

- Of the fifty-five contests held under the C. T. Act, forty-six have been won by the temperance party. The Ottawa Free Press says, -This is an unparalleled proportion of victories for any cause. The majorities given for the Act in these contests aggregate 28,142. This is by many thousands the largest majority ever given any contested cause in

-In several towns in Denmark the public-house keepers are obliged to send customers who get drunk on their premises, either home or to a police station. Also that under the new laws in that try no wages may be paid to laborers or sailors in public houses, and that no publicans may sell or give any intoxicating drink to children under sixteen years old. It is further stated that the police have powers to forbid any woman to serve as barmaid except the wife or daughters of the publicar. If a brawl occurs in the public-house it may be

closed for the day. - We find in the Laton, England, Reporter of

On Monday evening the Ampthill Blue Ribbon Gospel Temperance Band were favored at the public meeting with the presence of Mr. W. G. Gaunce, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, who is paying a short visit to Luton, whilst in England. Mr. Gaunce gave a splendid lecture on the temper ance question, especially bearing on the work carried on in Canada. There was a good audience, the room to catch the train for Luton. It is expected that Mr. Gaunce will lecture on "Canada n connection with the Ampthill Young Men's

TRY IT .- The following is supposed to contain enough words ordinarily mis-pronounced to cause even those who know most about the language to stumble. The Homiletic Review says it has been submitted to bishops, doctors of divinity, editors and professors on the other side, and that it has rarely been read by men of even national reputation with less than five errors. Of course a man who pays no attention to pronunciation can read it right through without any difficulty, just as some men can spell in a very independent spirit, but we fancy that those of our readers who are particular about

their pronunciation will find several places where

the shoe pinches. A sacrilegious son of Belial, who suffered from pronchitis, having exhausted his finances, in order to make good the deficit, reselved to ally himself to a comely, lenient, and docile young lady of the Malay and Caucasian race. He accordingly purchased a calliope, and a necklace of chameleon hue, and having secured a suite of rooms at a leading hotel near the depot, he engaged the head-waiter as his coadjutor. He then despatched a letter of the most unexceptionable caligraphy extant, inviting the young lady to a matinee. She revolted at the idea, refused to consider herself sacrificable to his "The new organization (the Union Baptist Edu- | designs, and sent a polite note of refusal; on receiving which he said he would not now forge fet. ters hymeneal with the queen. He then procured spot behind an abode of squalour, severed his jugular vein, and discharged the contents of the car bine into his abdomen. The debris was removed ture of belles-lettres and literature, had become a sergeant-at-arms in the Legislature of Arkanaas.

> A HAND BILL. - The following is a copy of a printed announcement by the Salvation Army in Bellville, Ont.

SALVATION ARMY. Oh! GRAND JUBILEE. Metropolitan Hall,

Saturday Dec. 27th, 1884. Don't miss it. Barnum with Jumbo can't touch this meeting, to be held by Major Combs, Assisted by the Montroal Warrior Happy Bill Cooper,

The Yorkshire crank, who was as wild as a lion, as tierce as a tiger, and as stubborn as a mule, but is now quite tame and harmless Come and hear him Admission 10 cents. Come in crowds! Come in crowds

CAPT. MOTTERSHEAD.

LIEUT. VAN ALLEN,

CADET JONES.

DONATIONS .- The Lower Springfield, K. Co. church, made the Rev. Wm. Maggs, (Methodist), Apohaqui circuit, the recipient of a purse of \$30 ... Rev. D. W. Crandall, (Baptist), received from Chegoggin and Deertield, Yarmouth Co., donations amounting to \$200.00 . . . Rev. M. G. Henry was the recipient of a handsome Buffalo Robe from the ladies of Lower Stewiacke section of his congregation on Christmas eve . . . On New Year's eve. Rev.

congregation, in a meeting, conducted by the Prince William congregation, was, on Christmas Woodstock praying band, God gave me what my eve, presented with a very handsome dressing complete sanctification. It seemed to me that I w. a of the congregation. On the same evening several sinking in the good ocean of God's love, as wave after sacks of grain found their way to the pastor's oat

churches one hundred and thirty persons, and b p. Christmas tree entertainment, which gave much brevity. Short, sharp, sweet and decisive! Woodstock has been with us four Sundays, and things, and though sickness and death in the com-Much in few words! Knudle and condense! Save the question is at issue between the denominations, the last half will be the first half wil