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- WE ARE NOW in the last month of the year. is the time when most people decide what paper or papers they are to have the next year. It is, therefore, a time when the friends of the INTELLI-GENCER may with advantage present its claims to their friends and solicit subscriptions. To the ministers especially we appeal to speak of it to their congregations and in the families of their pastorates. That some of them are doing what they can we know, and we thank them. The following ex tract from a letter received from Rev. J. W. Clark. which we take the liberty of publishing, shows what he has been doing. He has our hearty thanks.

"At the close of the service at Tracy Mills last the people in favor of the INTELLIGENCER, and presenting its claims upon them as Free Baptists. explained that a part of my work, as their pastor would be to get every Free Baptist family and every family attending the church to subscribe for I also spoke to the Knoxford congregation on Saturday at the close of the Monthly Conference. After the meeting one brother said to me that the first two dollars he got he would give for the INTELLIGENCER. I can neither conjecture it is probable that, under the nor prophecy the number of subscribers I may be | Mormons will not go to Mexico. able to get, but, I believe, that bringing the matter before them publicly, will make the canvass easier and more successful. The INTELLIGENCER for them all that I can, believing it to be my duty. | ing a hard time.

Probably other brethren have done the same. We would be glad to have them write us about it. to devote in each church to which he preaches, can neglect pastoral visitation without loss both to ing the use essness of resistance, has surrendered. LIGENCER. We feel sure that even a single day's sonal knowledge of his people's needs and fails to mains to be seen, but it is probable that the coun-

presentation of the paper's character and its claims | and to his power over them. A good pastor, knowon the families of the denomination will surely ing that, by his appropriate treatment of truth in have marked effect and secure many new readers | the pulpit, he is lifting souls "out of the depths," earnest work among the families energies. And his manifest sympathy with his during the coming week.

to each Free Baptist minister in New Brunswick to those green pastures in which their souls are and Nova Scotia, which we wish them to distribute amongst the families of their congregations that are not subscribers. We hope they will accom- must not make his calls occasions for mere gossipy pany the distribution with such earnest words of talk, but for judicious conversation on personal recounsel as shall win a good number of new sub. ligion, and, when at all convenient, for prayer !

- THERE IS a movement among the churches of Montreal to secure, if possible, a visit to that city from Messrs. Moody and Sankey.

- DR. MACKAY, the missionary of the Presbyterian church in Formosa, has received for the mission \$10,000 for damages done the property of the mission during the war between China and France.

expressed himself much pleased. He was presented | country : with an address by the City Council to which he The magnificent Irrawaddy River is navigable made a fitting reply.

in land for his uneducated children, he acts as if | tifty miles distant. From this town three differen he thought dirt of more value than brains.—Bap-

Many parents are doing it, though. And they seem to have even less regard for the religious in- Other more southerly trade routes lead from Man struction of their children. What a sin against dalay via Thunnee to Yunuan. Should England

numbering only about one hundred that they lately and Toungoo northward toward the Chinese frontier contributed \$100 for mission work outside of their and thus afford abundant transit for all articles of own field. It is but a little time since they were trade. She would a'so have possession of the terliving in ignorance and spiritual darkness. Their ritory east of the Salwen, through which the rail-Christian liberality furnishes the best proof of low the Christian via Northern Siam, advocated their conversion, and is both a rebuke and an in order to reach Southern Yunnan and its muchexample for Christians of longer standing and coveted tea mart of Puerh. Thus, with the annex-

-- OF a young man who, with several others, were recently sentenced to the Outario penitentiary and Bassein. for life for a beinous crime, his broken-hearted mother said as he was taken away : " My boy isn't It has splendid forests of teak and other valuable like that; he couldn't do it; he would never have in- woods. Its ruby and jade mines are among the sulted a child until he took the cursed drink with Iron is found near Sagaing, and argentiferous galthe others." It is the old story, "the cursed drink" ena is abundant in the Shan principalities. Tea is educational board, or any other form of monetary does it. And yet there are found Christian (?) men raised in the Toungbain, while cotton forms the organization for Christian work; -although these who contend for the legalization and nurture of chief article of trade at Mingyan. Cutch, jute and things, unhappily, are quite too often matter of fact, good deal discograged. Bro. H. H. Cosman had

been in poor health for some time. Though only mountain trade. Hardy and excellent ponies are twenty-eight years old, he was for eleven years bred in Theebaw and other Shan principalities, the ruler of Spain. His mother, ex Queen Isabella, was driven from the throne in 1868. Under Al- furnish thousands of gallons yearly, have been a of such giving to the attention of his people at a fonso's rule Spain enjoyed comparative peace. He remunerative monopoly to the king. The rice crop, was really devoted to his country, and earnestly though inferior to that of Lower Burmah, and sought its good in the face of great difficulties which | hitherto insufficient for the consumption of the peocontinually confronted him. It is probable that and peaceful government. As Lower Burman is makes his people intelligent. There is more knowhis untiring devotion to his kingdom hastened his one of the few provinces of British India that sends ledge and more conviction among those whom he

a member better, more spiritual, more efficient in Christian service? Then begin by improving your own life in these respects, Correct your own faults, draw near to the Lord, seeking the abiding of the Comforter in your own heart, devote yourself fully to the service of Christ. Genuine reformation always begins with some individual, and no one is likely to find a more suitable person to begin with than himself. Yourself right with God you will be able to move somebody else towards strictions compelled the abandonment of the field. | would be money for all denominational purposes.

Probably the members think they are saved, and pelled the suspension of mission work and the organized Christian benevolence.

perhaps they shout a good deal about their hope withdrawal of the missionaries to Lower Burmah. and their gladness for free salvation. The Lord When in the spring of this year the missionary venhave mercy on them. If Peter could talk with tured to return he found the feeling of the authorithem he would be likely to say as long ago, "Thy ties such that he deemed it prodent to retire, which money perish with thee."

- THE Telegraph takes exception to a sentence which appeared in this column last week concernng the secular press. And very properly, too, we rankly admit, if it was understood to be a conemnation of all the secular papers. Perhaps the words "as a rule" which we used did not suffiently qualify the statement, though we intended by them to exempt from the charge the major porion of New Brunswick's papers. The fact renains, however, that a large number of journals do make unwarranted use of every scrap of rumour about Christians which is inconsistent with the Christian profession.

- THE VICE-PRESIDENT of the United States. Hon, Thos. A. Hendricks, who died very suddenly on the 25th ult., had for many years been prominent in national affairs. In 1876 he was the Demoratic candidate for Vice-President, and there are many who believe that Tilden and he were really elected at that time. Last year he was elected on the ticket with President Cleveland. He was four years Governor of Indiana, and a member of the United States Senate for several years. As Vice President of the United States he was President of the Senate. That body is Republican by a small majority, and in electing a successor will, of course, servance of this rule will prevent much copying and choose a Republican. There will then be the unusual combination of a Democratic President and a Republican Vice-President.

- It is estimated that 720,000 people in Massausetts, more than one-third of the whole populawork, or even a considerable portion of it, is of far-reaching than can be estimated, but the moral jury is vastly greater and more serious. God's ommand, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep t holy," cannot be violated with impunity.

- Those Mormons who propose moving Mexico to escape what they regard the persecution received in their being prosecuted for polygamy are not likely to find things quite as pleasant as they have anticipated. It seems that good Mexicans do not think it will be well to give a cordial welcome to Sunday evening, I did the best I could, talking to the Mormon system. There is an active opposition against their bei g permitted to settle in the country. A demand, participated in by all classes of the people, has been made upon the Mexican President to cancel the grant of land recently made to Brigham, junr. The Catholic church, the press and the politicians have taken up the fight, and as existing local laws are very strict against polygamy,

The United States authorities continue to vig orously enforce the law against polygamy. Beand its editor have my sympathics, and I shall do | tween the two fires "the latter day saints" are hav-

This is the time for such work. A personal ability of his preaching to their varied conditions, people begets a kindred sympathy in them. He and they are thus drawn toward each other by com-- WE HAVE this week sent a bundle of papers | mon sympathy, and they suffer him to lead them richly fed. Thus both preacher and people are bene-

THE ANGLO-BURMESE WAR. - GEN. MIDDLETON visited Fredericton last week atrocities of the brutal king, we quote what he says desultory contributions to religious purposes, con- Christians. Not infrequently the Buddhist priests and inspected the Infantry School, with which he about the resources and trade capabilities of the tributions made not because of an abiding sense of are roused by the progress of the Christian religion

more than 800 miles from its mouth to Bhamo, a - When a man hoards his money and invests it trade with China, whose western boundary is only trade routes lead across the mountains into Yunnan. I'wo of them have been closed since the Panthay rebellion; but thousands of bales of cotton and bags of salt are taken over the other every year annex Upper Burmah all these valuable routes says : would fall under her control. Not only would she -- It is told of a congregation of Dakota Indians have the broad Irrawaddy for her river steamers. by the Colquboun expedition, would have to pass ation of Upper Burmah, England would control the would flow, unobstructed by any intervening hos-

Upper Burmah itself is a very valuable country. - Alfonso, King of Spain, is dead. He had ple possess large herds of buffaloes and oxen, which are used in agriculture and as beasts of burden for which find a market in both Burmah and Hindustan. The earth-oil wells at Ye nan-choung, which Auy paster, accustomed to bring a particular object up a surplus from its yearly revenue to the imperial treasury, so probably Upper Burmah, if an-- Would you make the church of which you are nexed, will prove itself as valuable a province, and help enrich the coffers of the Indian Govern-

The conquest of Upper Burmah, he claims, will furnish a most important opening for missionary work. Attempts have been repeatedly made to establish missions in the country, but they have them, were to bring their people to the adoption of that he is enjoying the work. all failed. The first effort of Judson, with its tale some plan by which each leading object should reof suffering, is well known. Later, in 1837, one ceive attention at a certain time in every year. small church was gathered, but the vexatious re- fogs dissolve and disperse when the sun rises. There Other efforts met with a similar fate. The only and the collecting agent would thenceforth belong evening being the fullest we have had in the vestry number about 185. This does not include those missions that had anything like a peaceful history alone to history. The reports of finance commit- for some months. The pastor baptized eleven and who have died, or who have withdrawn, or those THE Index tells of a church, somewhere in the United States, among whose members are four persons worth \$50,000 each, and yet the whole church son the brethren who were baptized on the brethren who wer last year contributed for Mission work the magni- prospect of increasing success, when, last December, been brought on would have the high satisfaction Sabbath and the other a sister from England, who in debt. Practically, we are free, and feel that we ficent sum of forty-five cents. We suppose that organization is still called a church of Jesus Christ.

Chinese banditti swept suddenly down is me the brought to an others, come worship with us.... Who and how end the long years of stringency and distress in the interest is good without special meetings.

he did just before the troubles between the British and Burmese Governments began to assume a hreatening character.

The triumph of the British forces, and the openng of Upper Burmah will, Dr. Cushing says, give access to the 4,000,000 people. The Burmans are the dominant race. Next, if not equal in point of numbers, are the Shans, who occupy the mountain plateaus between Burmah proper and China, and are a thrifty race of traders. The Kakbyens, a savage people, inhabiting the southern slopes of the various Himalayan ranges which stretch from Assam around Northern Burmah to China, follow n numerical importance. The Khyens, Paloungs, and many other smaller tribes are scattered in different parts of the country. The Baptist Mission possesses every advantage for entrance upon the no contribution during the past year. work of evangelization in this extensive region Besides the Bible, and tracts in both the Burman and Shan languages, it can draw native catechists and helpers from the churches of Lower Burmah, who, under the lead of experienced missionaries eager to enter the Upper Kingdom, can do most efficient work. For a long time missionaries and native Christians have been praying for an auspicious opportunity to enter this land so long cursed by oppression and heathen darkness. The day already dawns.

The downfall of the Burman kingdom must affect most unfavorably the prestige of Buddhism among the people. Manda'ay is the residence of the Archsishop of the Buddhist hierarchy, whose rule over the monastries of the kingdom is absolute. Even in British Burmah, where he has no power to ention, are engaged regularly in Sunday labor of force his discipline, his decisions have generally some kind. Of these Sunday toilers 175,000 are been received with gr. at respect. Hitherto the women. It cannot be fairly claimed that all this King and his courtiers have boasted that their power was due in no small measure to their posseseccessity. Such wholesale violation of the fourth sion of the true religion, which had talismanic virommandment must have a decidedly damaging tue to protect them. The people consider the effect not only on the employes but on the com- King to be the protector of the faith. They regard monwealth that permits a condition of things that the Royal Library as containing the only complete involves such Sabbath desecration. The physical and standard copy of the Betagat, outside of Cey-

niury to those who are robbed of needed rest and lon. The most precious treasure of the King, ecuperation is bad enough and greater and more cherished with most reverential care, is the sacred tooth of Gautama, enshrined in a building within the palace enclosure. Its possession is one of the glories of the monarchy. The overthrow of the loss of prestige and the deprivation of all state suport and aid in ecclesiastical matters, Buddhism in Jpper Burmah must disintegrate into opposing sects as in British Burmah, and thereby prepare the way for many to listen to Christianity.

From his knowledge of the country's condition and needs, he believes that from whatever point of view the results of the war are regarded, whether t be the amelioration of an oppressed people, the downfall of a sanguinary tyrant, the opening of fair regions to peaceful commerce and certain wealth, or the opportunity for widespread and beneficent evangelistic effort on the part of the Church of Christ, untold good will come to the people of the country. Notwithstanding the loss of life and barbarous cruelties which this war must sighed and hoped during the past years.

Since the foregoing was in type the news has - OF PASTORAL VISITING, and its effect on both came that King Thebaw, becoming alarmed at the to myself and say that I am as 'a brand plucked It has been suggested to us to ask each minister pastor and people, Zion's Herald says : No preacher rapid approach of the British forces, and appreciation from the burning. work of canvassing new subscribers will accomplish acquire that sympathy with their peculiar states of try will come in some way under British control. mind, which, when possessed, add both to suit- Then the benefits set forth above will be realized.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

ters has to deal with the question of the financial fited by his fidelity to his pastoral duties; but, be has become a hobby with religious bodies. It is superintendent and his son and two daughters for for all His benefits towards me." They are vast, it carefully noted, to reap these benefits, the pastor no infrequent thing to have it said that "Confer- teachers. Recently he visited them again, after a innumerable, unmerited. Their greatness over this question," "that the persistent discussion of it | children teaching. does more harm than good," etc., etc. They are Rev. Dr. Cushing, for many years a Bapitst mis- the vital connection this question of finance has tian religion. Several such associations exist in sionary in Burmah, but now in the United States, with the ways and means of religious enterprise. different cities; but in no case do they appear to be contributes a very interesting paper to the Indepen- The end aimed at in the too many unpleasant dis- numerous. In one instance, about twenty of them, men the goodness of God.—Thus he ascribed the glory dent descriptive of the condition and capabilities of cussions and urgings is the persuasion of Christians carrying flags, inscribed : "Expel Christ, the Rob- where it was due, "I will take the cup of salvation. Burmah and pointing out the benefits that will re- that they are not only called to worship God with ber," entered a Greek chapel; but caused no dissult from the triumph of the British in the war their substance, but that they ought to do it with turbance. In Osaka and Yokohama they have held against King Thebaw. Passing over the references the same regularity with which they pray and atto former struggles and their effects, and to the tend the services of the Lord's house. Fitful and was used toward those who took the part of the

Nothing can le more evident than that whereresponding systematic income. No business man religion. is willing that resources shall remain uncertain and inconstant in his own affairs while expenditures are exacting and inevitable. In some way what the one hand gives out the other hand must gather in. This manifest maxim of common sense presents itself to the discerning mind whenever it takes up the question of means to carry on missionary work, or provide for any other of the various exigencies of denominational undertaking. The evident fact is and reliable, as the necessary expenditure is More are seeking light." tile country, to the ports of Rangoon, Maulmain methodical and certain. A missionary on the other side of the world must not be left with salary unpaid for months, as the home pastor so often is; the missionary society, whether its field be the home or the foreign one, cannot afford to leave its credit at the mercy of mere contingency, or to be at a serious | tracts. He says : discount in the business world. Neither can the

One great advantage of system in giving for such not, simply, that the regular givers have an oppor- great good will result. tunity afforded them for giving regularly, but each resentation of the object enlists new givers. He influences, and knowledge and conviction are the

seed-corn of benevolence. There is, we think, some reason to believe that method and system in raising money for missionary and other similar ends are becoming more common. Unfortunately, the gain is slow, and the evil of failure at this point is still very great. What a revolution would follow if all the pastors of the

GENERAL RELIGIOUS NEWS.

- There are more churches and chapels in Lonon than in the whole of Italy.

- Mr. Barnes, the mountain evangelist, has one again as a missionary to India. - A New Haven man has sent a check for \$2,500

to Mr. Moody, to be used in evangelical work. - The Church of England, in the last forty years, has expended \$200,000,000 in building and restorng churches.

- Among the most important of all the African Missions is that supported in Central Africa by the Diversities of Oxford and Cambridge. It was unded at the suggestion and by way of complient to the late Dr. Livingstone.

- The Congregationalist makes the statement that here are 2,652 Congregational churches from which the American Missionary Association has received - Since the first of January, 1885, the Union

Frace Society of Mexico City has printed and cirulated tracts to the number of 245,000, containing 10,680,000 pages. Funds have been received from the parent society in London with which to carry - Now and then it is proclaimed that Christianty in the United States is declining. Dr. Parkjurst recently had an able article on the subject in

the North American Review. He gives the followng statistics of the increase in the number of evanelical churches and communicants from 1800 to 1880. In the year 1800 there were in the United States 3,030 evangelical churches; in 1850, 43,072; in 1870, 70,148; and in 1880, 97,090-a gain of 27,000 in the decade between '70 and '80. In 1800 there were 364,000 communicants; 1850, 3,529, 000 : in 1870, 6,673,000 ; in 1880, 10,065,000. - Prof. A. J. Schem, one of the chief authori-

ties on statistics, has published a computation that is both surprising and gratifying. He reports: The population of the world is 1,396,752,000 souls, of whom 685 459 411 are under the Christian governments, and 711,838,589 under non-Christian overnments. The total area of the earth he reckons be 52,092,470 square miles, of which 32,419,915 quare miles are under Christian governments, and 19 942,555 are under non-Christian governments. It is only about eighty years since the Christian Church began to endeavor in earnest to win the Him we live, and move, and have our being. world to Christ, and so great has been the success that already nearly half of the population of the kingdom must bring a change in all this. With the | world is under Christian influences. The superior vitality and power of Christian governments is shown in the fact that nearly two-thirds of the earth | Look at these benefits is under their sway.

- The Independent says : The Samoans, of Me tantu, have just opened a chapel, which is built of wood from a forest which used to be tabooed as the after the people had ceased to believe in the deity, they entertained a superstitious awe of the grove, and it was considered a great triumph when the missionaries were able so to overcome the feeling of dread as to induce the people to attack the grove and cut down its sacred trees. On the day of the

me to feel that I had no other hope than in Christ I sus. I may truly apply the words of the prophet

one day exclusively to work for the INTEL- himself and his flock. He robs himself of that per- to grow up without an education, not being able more than can be numbered: upon their season-

cheap home for his family, bringing their religion benefits, &c., &c. So should we, How anxious and altar. When a new family came, the o'd min- were ancient saints to remember God's benefits. the hedge. The proprietor exclaimed: "What are ister invited them to his house on Sundays for wor- Thus " Samuel took a stone, and set it up between | you doing there, you rascal?' " Going back again, or Presbytery or Synod or General Assembly that ship, read to them one of his sermons, and sang Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it Eben-meets for the consideration of denominational many washes and nymes. support of the various branches of work being car. He went 100 miles to find them, walking the last | See Genesis xli. 51-52. So the command was given | all the way by rail, and on its arrival at Portland. ried on. The matter so surely and regularly receives sixteen miles, and found the happy family back in to Ephraim, "Set thee up waymarks, even the way attention that the impression gets abroad that there | the woods, far from another settlement. He oris overmuch importance attached to it, and that it ganized a Sunday school, with the old minister as his gratitede .- "What shall I render unto the Lord ence had better give more time and attention to the larse of ten years, traveling all but eight miles by consideration of the spiritual state of the churches," rail, and that by stage. He found a settlement of wonder, and know not how to express my gratitude. "that it is time the churches were given a rest on fifty families, the old man still preaching and his "What shall I render?" It is very little that we

- The opponents of Christianity in Japan have delights in the manifestation of a grateful heart superficial observers and thinkers who do not see | banded together to resist the spread of the Chris- and who can be a Christian without it ? He de obligation to God and a purpose to honour Him to try to refute its doctrines. In one case, when with the first fruits of increase, but made out of the | Christian services were announced in a town where impulse created by some pathetic appeal or under there is no church, the priests secured a room ad- of their receiving Him by faith as their salvation, the spur of an occasional powerful presentation of joining the building in which the missionary was to duty, are not what God demands of His church. speak. A celebrated Buddhist orator was secured Dependence on these means of getting funds for to defend Buddhism. The people went in large What does he mean? He means to publish or Christian work has wrought mischief. What is numbers to hear him; but when they found that his speak of the name of the Lord, and the great things needed is the careful teaching of the people in the whole speech was to be a violent attack on other duty and privilege of systematic paying into the religions, they left, and went to hear the missionary into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His treasury of the Lord. On this subject the Standard who, without reference to Buddhism, preached a courts with praise, be thankful unto Hum, and bless plain gospel discourse. The people were pleased with it, and said : If that is Christian teaching, Christianity is good. The priests, they said, have tions. ever there is systematic outgo there must be cor- a losing cause; they are not able to defend their

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS. NEW BRUNSWICK.

PETITCODIAC, W. Co.—Rev. A. C. Thompson writes (Nov. 30th): "I am now holding special meetings in this place long-desired routes over which Chinese trade that giving for such objects must be as systematic (Petitcodiac). To-day I baptized nine converts.

> GRAND MANAN .- In a private letter Rev. A. Taylor tells as something of his visit to Grand Manan. With his permission we make some ex-

"When I came here religion was very low indeed, and those who were trying to keep along were a the drink traffic. "How long, O Lord, how long?" hides are exported in great quantities to Lower Burmah and thence are sent to Europe. There is one preventive of such evils, and only one. Whenever giving is systematic, money will be plenty among them. Then they worshipped in the temporary and only a handful. There was not a wealthy one which this year was of the court, which this year was only a handful. There is one preventive of such evils, and only one. Outober 19th. Mr. Stead will, therefore, be represented in great quantities to Lower things, unhapping, are quite too often matter of fact.

There is one preventive of such evils, and only one. day of the session of the court, which this year was of a wealthy one day of the session of the court, which this year was of a wealthy one day of the session of the court, which this year was only a handful. There is one preventive of such evils, and only one. Outober 19th. Mr. Stead will, therefore, be represented to the first thanks to generous subscribers. we went to work, and since then a good deal has been done towards the reviving of the church, and purposes is that it is quite certain to increase, and things are in a much better condition than when ever go on increasing, the number of the givers. we began. The outlook now is promising for Bro. Cosman and the church, and if the interest concertain time of the year, knows how this is. It is tinues to increase as during the past four weeks the condition of the church, numerically and tinan-

"I have been to Grand Harbour and am going there again, and to Seal Cove, in both of which places the interest is all too low.

"I do not know how much longer I may stay, May, 1882, the present pastor entered upon his but I think I will leave before long. There is, however, work enough on the Island for two or three men all the year round.

Mills, C. Co., writes that he and his family are room he leaves for others to say. This, however, churches in this country, or even a fair majority of feeling very much at home amongst the people, and he knows and will say : There has been a conse-CARLETON. - Last Lord's day was a blessed day object in view. God bless them.

for the church in ('arleton. The congregations dition, and we feel, regarding the future, hopeful, were large, that of the conference meeting in the &c., &c. Numerically, we have gained. We now received fourteen into the church. Two of those have passed from our midst to the Church triumphadded, who had been previously baptized, were the ant; all of whom were charter members. Our Others are coming.

ANNIVERSARY SERMON .- Last Sabbath, Rev. W. . Halse, pastor of the Portland Church, preached an Anniversary Sermon. His theme was, "Gratitude for Divine Mercies." The following synoptical report of the sermon has been furnished us : The text was Psalm 116: 12-14. The preacher

not lose sight of this fact, the more we receive and Amen and amen. enjoy of the favour of God, the greater is our responsibility As we look upon this house, now set apart for the worship of the one true and living od, we must exclaim, with those anciently What hath God wrought!" It is a happy effect when the numerous mercies we enjoy make a due and deep impression on our minds. Who among us can tell the mercies of God? This was the case with the author of the text, as the Psalms abundantly indicate. What is ingraticude & It is a foul and hateful quality. Let us study to avoid it, and cultivate thankful hearts. From what does in gravitude spring? Ingratitude springs from an ignorant mind, an unreflecting mind, an unfeeling mind. David had experienced great deliverances, claims, in the language of the text, " What shall ! render unto the Lord for all H:s benefits towards me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His peo- after next Sabbath. ple." Let us consider 1. The benefits which God bestows - David speaks

particularly of the benefits which he had received. His benefits towards me." Many of these are frequently enumerated in the Psalms. See, for intince, Psalm xxxi. 19-24. And if we look over the seven years of our church life, we shall find that the benefits bestowed cannot be enumerated. Try t. We should do with our mercies as botonists do with their flowers-classify them. Take a reprospect of your mercies, both temporal and spiritual. Fix your mind on particular instances, but while doing this do not overlook the circumstances which enhance the benefits you have receivedsuch as are derived from their seasonableness and their utility. Look at these benefits

1. In preservation .- God every mement serves the lives of all. We live to enjoy this day's privileges simply because God lets us; it is preserves from dangers, &c. He pre erves from snares, from temptations, &c. God is called "the preserver of men." See Job vii. 20; Ps. xxxi, 23; Psa. xxxvii. 28; cxlv; 20; Lamentations III. 22. 2. In deliverance, - When brought low, He rais-

eth up. When sickness made you fear you were about to die, has He not led you back from the gates of the grave? From what low and obscure beginnings has He raised some in the course of His onder-working Providence; even those of whom dwelling place of an ancient Samoan deity. Long it has been said, as of the Jews ancient'y. See Nehemiah iv. 1-3. The prayer in verse tour has been their prayer; God in answer gave them success. How well does it become us to compare our present state with our former state. Look at these 3. In the provisions of Divine grace -Oh, what

benefits are here! Is a Saviour for lost sinners | de repurable by licensing it. The higher the license opening an aged chief, who had just renounced not a benefit? Is salvation from everlisting wrath the more respectable and select the business. not a benefit? Is pardon for every sin not a benefit? But is this all we find in the provision of ill ask why I, who am now a compara- Divine grace? No! There is adoption with tively old man, should, after so many years, have its privileges; the promises with all their sweetentail, however brief it may be, the success of the determined to be a follower of Jesus. You all know ness; the spirit with all His power; and the hope British arms will bring the day of redemption for | that I had nothing to gain, as the world speaks of of everlasting life. Who can estimate these benewhich thousands of King Thebaw's subjects have gain, by changing my lotu. All that I can say about fits? Is it not a benefit to know Christ; to be this change is, that my heart is changed, and that resting on Him as the basis of faith and hope; to it is the work of God's own Holy Spirit, who brought | feel Him near, even in our hearts? Some of you once despised Him, &c. See Eph. ii. 19. 11. The influence which these benefits should have.

-It is evident David recalled the Divine benefits He reflected upon their richness, their greatness, He regretted extremely that he had been allowed how great is thy goodness; upon their abundance ableness, never behind time; upon their utility upon their continuance; "goodness and mercy has - Several years ago, the Guardian tells, a super- followed me all the days of my life." He turns anuated minister of the East sought in Michigan a from reflecting upon these benefits to himself, and then looks at his unworthiness to receive such Thus, Joseph by the name of his two sons, would joined them, he sent for a missionary to visit them. recall the goodness of God to him in a strange land. which thou wentest."

III. The manner in which the Psalmist testified come me; as I consider them I am so overwhelmed with God's abundant goodness that I am lost in can render. We can render nothing as an equivalent. God is under no obligation to us. Yet He clares, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth God."

1. David resolved to make the only return in his Rev. Thos. Scott says: "It seems to have been customary among the Jews thus to take the cup of | To the Chairman of the Riel Indignation Meeting | deliverance when celebrating their solemn feasts, as well as when offering sacrifices of thanks ziving for peculiar mercies; and it is thought the Lord Jesus, complying with this custom at His last pass over, thence took occasion to institute the Lord's Supper, which has ever since teen to Christians. 'the cup of salvation," and a memorial of Hs great love in dying for our sins; an outward sign praise and a grateful acknowledgment of the inestimable benefits of which thy partake through His atoning he has done for him, See Psa. c. 4-5. "Enter His name. For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endureth to all genera-

2. A resolution to fulfil all vows .- i. e , He will perform the duties, offer the sacrifices, render the praise, which in the time of my distress I promised to render. How many vows have we broken and forgotten! In the time of extremity we made them. The extremity passed away; G. d interposed and delivered us-but what has become of our yows? &c. The world has entired us-the flesh seduced us -and the vows we solemnly made have been neglected. Did we not call God to witness, that, if delivered, we would serve and glorify Him? Imitate, then, the conduct of the Paulmist, by paying your vows unto the Lord; vows made when you first professed His name-vows made in afflictionhaving sinned, &c., David said: "I will pay my

Clark as pastor. Shortly after the organization they decided to buld a place of worship, July following, the church not one year old, the vestry of this house was dedicated, and in it Divine services have been regularly sustained until Sunday last. The undertaking was a great one, considering cially, but God was with them, and true to His promises, gave them success.... In October, 1880, the Ray. J. Noble, our respected father and brother in the ministry, assumed the charge of the church and laboured faithfully for its up-building. duties, and became interested not only in the growth and spirituality of the church, but equally interested in the completion of the building, which last Sunday was set apart to the worship of God. How much has been done by the present pastor to-REV. J. W. CLARK, the new pastor at Tracey wards the finishing of this neat and commodious crated band of men and women who have spared neither time nor labour in order to accomplish the

Spiritually, the church has been in a good conwho have been set aside. Four of our number free to all who apply. H. leach and to all, whether their donations have been since it was discovered that she was too large and land

or small amounts, we tender or hearty thanks. Well may we exclaim in the language of the text, What shall I render icto the Lord for all his benefits towards me? I will take the cup of salall his people." Also Isa, ciii, 1-4, "Bless the Lord, O my soul : and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and graph station, where captains could communicate In casting about for a text, as a suitable foundaion for a sermon commemorative of the Seventh forget not all his benefits. Who forgiveth all thine with their owners, and passengers receive the Anniversary of this Church's life, we select the one iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who re- latest news. The question at present is whether just read It is not our object simply to give an deemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth account of the church's origin and growth. It it thee with loving kindness and tender mercies." were, we might select another text. We wish to Also in the language of Moses to Hobab, "Come bring before you the goodness of God. We wish to thou with us, and we will do thee good : for the arrangement could be carried out on board the bring before your mind some of the benefits, tem- Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel.".... In floating leviathan with exceptional facilities. In poral and spiritual, by you received, and for which | conclusion let me say to the church, there are two the profound gratitude of your hearts should be things we need to do as we look into the future,rendered to God as the bountiful giver. Let us the first is consecrate, the second is concentrate.

NOVA SCOTIA.

NEW CHURCH. - A Church building is about being erected at Stony Island, Barrington.

HALIFAX.-There was baptism on Sabbath, 22nd ult. The work of the Lord is prospering under the labours of Bro. Kinney.

EAST PUBNICO, N. S. - Dear Bro. McLeod: Bro. Richan (Baptist minister) and I have been holding nion meetings at East Pubnico. The churches have been greatly blessed and souls saved. Bro. and therefore he studies to be thankful, and ex- R. baptized two, and I have baptized three. I hope there are others that will follow the Saviour in His appointed ways and take a stand for Him with His people. My pastoral care of the churches will close

TEMPERANCE NOTES,

-In Atlanta, Georgia, on Thursday last an Act of the State giving local prohibition was carried by a majority of 225. Nearly the whole of Georgia has oted for probibition.

- Dr. Rawlings, physician to the Swansea Hospital, sa s that in all his experience he has never net with anyone who had given total abstinence a fair trial who was compelled to say that it did not - Mrs. Judith Eilen Foster is now in the Prov-

the W. C. T. Union. Her visit and addresses in Fredericton a few weeks ago will not soon be forgotton. She is a convincing and impressive speaker. - A license law has two sets of officers. It the duty of one set to make men drunk and rob them of their reason, and of the other set to 10b

cople who call themselves Christians. - In a County Court law suit at Toronto the other day, it leaked out that the Brewers and Wine Merchants Protective Association had spent nearly \$30,000 in fighting the Scott Act in Ontario. This in addition to the large expenditure by the local

them of their money in the shape of c sts and fines.

- It is wholly within the power of the church o-day to make the saloon as disreputable and as much of an outlaw as is the bawdy house. But liense, high or low, is a step in the opposite direc tion. We can never make a thing an outlaw and - It is a curious circumstance (says the Presby

harge their duty conscientiously, ought to have the full measure of the law meted out to them. Neal Dow writes the Independent : A gentle-

man walking in his garden saw a man prone upo the ground, having at that moment crept through to try the market, sent to Maine faty large casks, and two half casks of wine and brandy. It came

ock-up where seized liquors are kept, and was duly libeled according to law, preparatory to its confis-The manufacturer came all the way from San rancisco to the hearing, and swore it was sent to Maine by mistake, being intended for Boston. I was remanded to him, and it went back again yes-

THE RIEL CRAZE. - How the Riel glorification movement is regarded by Fenians and haters of Britain and things British may be gathered from

We tender you our warmest sympathies, and we assure you of our earnest support in your struggle against Orange brutality and English tyranny. And the crazy character of the agitation over the hanged rebel and murderer may be gathered from the following samples of the songs sung in his

And thus he dies the true-souled one, His chequered, weary race is run, The Martyr's Crown is nobly won-

Oh! Brothers of his race and creed, Whose hearts will long and sorely bleed Be ours the task to 'venge the deed -Be ours to fan the fervid flame, To endless glory-deathless fame-

The latest reports indicate that the excitement has greatly diminished. Such papers as the Montreal Witness have, by their judicious utterances, lone much to allay the foolish ill-feeling. MR. STEAD, the imprisoned editor of the Pall

Mall Guzette, evidently receives no favora during his prison life. A report of a recent interviewer

He was in prison garb, consisting of Glengarry cap, loose-fitting, yellow, collarless jacket, baggy, oarse, yellow, pantaloons, bearing the Government broad arrow, and oversided patched boots vows made in bereavement—under conviction of His hair was cropped short. Mr. Sead was in fairly good spirits. He is allowed a Bible in his vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His | cell, but the light is not sufficient to enable him to people." Why should any one be ashamed of pub- read it. His breakfast corsists of thin porridge to his spine which resulted fatally in a few hours hely acknowledging the Lord. Regular and devout and brown bread, dinner of suet pudding, and supattention to God's service is an evidence of fidelity per of porridge and brown bread. Mr. Stead's faily task is to pick one pound of oakum. The or-Review .- Nov. 21st, 1878, seven years ago, this dinary pr soners have to pick three pounds. The church was organized, and numbered 40 members, sentences of all prisoners commence on the first Greenwich. The woodboats "Active," "Zephyr" leased on January 19 h."

> His imprisonment for his endeavor to expose a a great and crying sin will surely have the effect of giving a strong impetus to the movement he has maugurated, as it ought to. His friends are making arrangements to hold a great public demonstra- Moore, of Stanley, is in attendance. - Tel. tion in his honor on the day of his liberation from

S. S. LIBRARIES. - Dear Bro. McLeod: As many was almost filled with hay and despite the strenuous of our Sunday schools want new libraries or books to replenish old oue allow me to say to such schools through the INTELLIGENCER, that I have found the Baptist Book Room, in this city, to be a good place to buy. They have a fine stock of well selected books. By patronizing them our schools would not Sapin, Kent Co., on the 19th inst. Eight passenbe subjected to the necessity of we ding out books | gers and crew were safely landed, and nearly all the that are not fit to go in o the hauds of the children. All books sent out to Sunday schools from this Book Room have a good moral tone. They have also a good stock of the half price books and as cheap as can be found anywhere, and satisfaction | We have no doubt that the Flushing will sustain is guaranteed. Now that the two Baptist families during the winter the reputation she made last, of are looking toward union would it not be well to making the best trips of any of the steamers enterpatronize the Book Room. Catalogues are sent

A KINNEY.

Halifax, Nov. 24th, '85.

WHAT TO do with her, has been the question

in money or materials, or labor, whether in large expensive for purposes of navigation. The latest use suggested has the merit of being an original idea though its practicability is doubtful. It is proposed to anchor her in mid-Atlantic, as a kind of vation, and cal upon the name of the Lord. I will half-way house for craft crossing the ocean, and Day my yows unto the Lord now in the presence of have her stored with such supplies as passing ships might require. She would also be used as a teleit is possible to anchor securely in mid-ocean. If this can be done the other det ils of the proposed this age it is not safe to pronounce any proposed cheme impossible.

> THE WEEK OF PRAYER -The Evangelical Alliance has issued the following programme for the week of prayer at the beginning of the New Year : Sunday, Jan. 3.—Sermons: "Occupy till I ome."-Luke xix. 13.

Monday, Jan. 4 .- Praise and Thanksgiving. Tuesday, Jan. 5 .- Humi lation and Confession. Wednesday, Jan. 6-1he Church and the

Thursday, Jan. 7 - Home and Foreign Missions. Friday, Jan. 8 - Nations and Governments. Sourday, Jan. 9 .- The Caristian Lafe. Sunday, Jan. 10 .- Sermons : "Let your loins girded about, and your lights burning : and ye yours lves like unto men that wait for their Lord.' -Luke xii. 35, 36.

OF MINISTERS. - Rev. Dr. John Hall is one of he wealthiest clergymen in New York. His head deacon is Robert Bonner, of the Ledger. Dr. Hall receives a salary of \$30,000 and many presents. He is paid \$10,000 a year as Chancellor of the University of the City of New York, and receives \$12,000 a year from the Ledger for one short article a week. Other literary work brings his annual income up to about \$100,000. Seventeen years ago the Doctor preached in Dublin, Ireland, at a salar, of \$2,000 a year ... Rev. Mr. Roger Taylor (Episcopal) of Petitcodiac was presented with a fine fur coat by his friends a few days ago.

CHRISTMAS CARDS - We have received from Raphael Tuck & Sons, fine art publishers, 298. nce speaking on temperance under the auspices of Broadway, New York, a lot of very beautiful Christmas and New Year cards. There are thirty or more different kinds, all of them exquisite both in design and workmanship. PERSONAL. - Hon. Edward Blake is to sail from

England for home on the 10th inst.... Mr. Josiah Wood, M. P., for Westmorland, has been quite ill, And this sort of law is enacted and supported by but is now improving. P. O. ADDRESS -Rev. Wm. Downey's P. O.

address is Canterbury, York Co.

SUNDRIES.

"How is your arm?".... The sewing machine is not what it seams....lowa has a Scandinavian opulation of 61,753.... The King of Dahomey has 3,500 wives . . . A new Baptist Church has been organized at Campbellton. LITERARY NOTES.

prominent supporters of the Scott Act. Only a met with nowadays. The public-spirited reader short time since, the dwellings of two respectable must have his good local paper, such as the esidents in Orangeville were injured by means of Religious Intelligences, for information on queshe deadly explosive, the inmates fortunately re- tions concerning his immediate neighbourh od. He iving no serious injury. Now it transpires that wants also a metropolitan paper, and he wants it Barry a dynamite cartridge with a lighted fase interesting, as well as thoroughly reliable. The attached was picked up on the verandah of a house | Witness, whose special announcements on the whose occupant was a prominent advocate of the occasion of its fortieth anniversary appear in Scott Act in Simcoe County. Such dastardly deeds another column, is certainly of that description. meet with universal condemnation, and men base An honorable career of forty years is no small nough to resort to such weapons, in order to gratify | matter of congratulation to the publishers , and our heir revengeful spirit on those who seek to dis- vigorous contemporary gives promise of excelling its past record by its future.

TALKS ABOUT THE WEATHER, by Chas. Barnard. is one of the Chantanqua series, being the first required in the readings of the Town and Country hub which is one of the branches of the great Chautauqua University. The design of the book is o give a series of easy, simple, and inexpensive experiments in the study of the temperature, the mosphere, the wind, and rain, in their relation to the care of plants and animals. The aim is to give uzgestions for a series of observations that may be nade of the weather, and to show how the variait was promptly seized by the sheriffs, taken to the tions in the seasons and in the climate may affect work upon the farm, in the garden, and in the greenhouse. The sun, the wind, the rain, the temperature, and the climate are examined from a cientific and commercial point of view, with the intention of interesting young people and students in the daily panorama of natural events passing terday to Boston, that paradise of grog shops and All the object lessons in the book have been perbefore their eyes in the procession of the seasons. ormed many times, and have proved to be of great value and interest to many. The book is directly addressed to the pupil and student, and is not a lesson book " in the ordinary sense. It is designed to entertain as well as instruct, by making real things interesting and instructive. While the the following sample despatch of sympathy sent to book was specially prepared for the use of the C. leaders of the movement in Montreal by Ford and T. C. C., it is hoped that it will also prove of value Murphy two representative dynamiters in New in the home circle and in schools as a practical guide in forming hab ts of observation. 16mo, bound in cloth. Price, 75 cents.

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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

SAINT JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 4, 1885.

NEW BRUNSWICK. A number of fishing vessels leave Carleton this week to engage in the herring fishery at Grand

Hon. C. N. Skinner, Judge of Probate, for St. John County, having resigned, Mr. R. C. Skinner has been appointed to the office. B. Mooney & Sons have just completed the round-house, machine shop and boiler and engine houses of the Miramichi Valley railway at Gibeon. Doctors are now employed to travel on the trains between McAdam and Vanceboro, vaccinating all

passengers who cannot show evidence that they have already been vaccinated. W. P. Dole, inspector of schools for St. John district, has been removed by the government and the office given to W. S. Cirter, A. M., mathe-

matical teacher in the St. John grammar school. An eight-year old son of Howard Wheaton, of Wheaton settlement, near Peutcodiac, met with a fatal accident while coasting an Saturday. He was hurled off his sled against a tree, sustaining injuries

J. L. Belyea and C. H. Gorham are rebuilding their woodboat in D. H. Whelpley's shipyard, organ, thanks to generous subscribers Diphtheria has broken out in White's lumber camp

on the Nashwaak. Two young men, Denison and

Allen, were brought down to their homes at Marysville Friday evening, having been attacked with the di esse, Other men in the camp are afflicted. Dr. About ten o'clock Monday night a fire occurred in the corporation building, on the corner of Carmarthan street and King street east. The building

impletely destroyed with the greater portion of its The schr. Glen, Haurahan master, from Tignish, E. I., and with oats shipped by Senator Howlan to John Sadler, Chatham, was stranded at Point cargo saved and stored. There was no insurance on

efforts put forth by the fire brigade, it was almost

The steamer Flushing has been inspected by the U. S. government's special inspectors, who pronounced her in first class condition in every way. ing St. John. - Island News.

Theophlie Bourdeau, the man who brought the small-pox to Memramcook, died on Tuesday morning. The prompt action taken by the Board of Health has effectually prevented the spread of the disease. There is now no case in the parish. Bourdeau lived about three miles and a half from Memramcook station, and six miles from St. concerning the steamship "Great Eastern" ever Joseph's College. His body was buried on his own

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