

Miss Hannah Supple, of Philadelphia, Penn. She came west with her father and mother, who reside on Walnut Hills, with their other daughter, Mrs. John F. Brooke. The father and mother are also devotees at the shrine of their daughter. Mrs. Martin was married to Mr. John B. Martin about ten years ago. She is described as a woman of only ordinary intelligence, but a glib talker and wonderfully well-versed on the Bible, being able to quote passages of Scripture on nearly every subject. She is subject to violent nervous excitement, and has on several occasions been almost frantic in her raptures. She was, several years ago, a firm believer in sanctification, the tenet of some members of the Methodist Church, and latterly she was a zealot in the "faith cure" movement. The lady is eccentric to a notable degree, and her present wild fancies, which have deeply permeated others, seem to be the logical outcome of her previous strange nature.

The history of the present religious movement—which is, in the minds of its disciples, bound to redeem the world—is closely entwined with the career of its leader. It is difficult to clearly define the faith of the Martinites, except that they regard Mrs. Martin as their Divine teacher, through whom God is revealed, and that her sister, Mrs. Brooke, the only other perfect woman that has ever lived, as that part of the trinity which theologians designate as the Holy Ghost. The foundation of their faith is the belief that people can live without sin; for if they cannot, God's moral universe is a failure. He holds us responsible for that which we are unable to avoid. As the preachers and churches declare that sin must exist in every one, the "Perfect" severed their connection with all denominations which promulgate such a doctrine. Mrs. Martin and her co-religionists claim to live perfect lives, and profess to believe that they will not die, as death is the result of sin. Her followers also believe that Mrs. Martin and her sister are the only perfect women that ever lived.

The services of this strange sect are held at the Brooke residence, on Walnut Hills. The form of service can be surmised almost to a certainty. The disciples assemble in the front room of the house, on the second floor. The apartment is but dimly lighted, and the occupants have difficulty in distinguishing each other's faces. Mrs. Martin, the divinity, occupies a seat in the centre or at the end of the room, with an open Bible in her hand. She is surrounded by the Perfect, who begin singing in a low tone, full of emotion and tenderness. As the song dies away, another is taken up and still another, until the participants seem satisfied. The deity is silent until the music is ended, and then she chants a passage from the Bible in strange, weird cadences, which causes the listeners to feel a sort of uncontrollable ecstasy. Sometimes Mrs. Martin quotes passages of Scripture in her natural tone of voice, and again she closes the precious book with the remark: "I have nothing for you to-night." It is said that the enthusiastic worshippers frequently fall upon their knees and kiss her hands and face in a paroxysm of joy.

The discovery and history of the new sect has given rise to great excitement in Cincinnati, and the "Perfect" are being discussed with great interest by the press and public. The general opinion is that the followers of the new religion are a lot of misguided enthusiasts who have been worked upon by Mrs. Martin, who is not believed to be in possession of her normal faculties. The *Enquirer* says that from the facts thus far developed it is high time for the police authorities to take hold of the matter, as if the so-called religious ceremonies are permitted to continue a number of young people will find homes in Longview Asylum. They are now on the verge of lunacy, caused by their frenzied devotion to Mrs. Martin, who masquerades in the sacred name of Jesus Christ. The *Enquirer* adds that it has no wish to interfere with any person's religious connections, but it is only when a wild fanaticism is inaugurated and threatens to injure society and overthrow the reason of misguided people led into it, that the power of the law should be invoked.

RELIGIOUS NEWS AND NOTES.

Protestant churches are multiplying in the city of Rome, the foundations of the twenty-second one having recently been laid.

An attempt is being made to raise the stipend of every incumbent of the Scottish Episcopal Church to a minimum of \$1,000 a year.

Mr. Spurgeon is again laid aside by a severe attack of his old enemy, rheumatic gout. He makes grateful mention of the fact that the work of conversion goes on at his Tabernacle with abiding constancy, and that of late many children have borne testimony to redeeming love.

Statistics of Baptist churches among German-speaking people on the continent of Europe: In Germany 102 churches, 18,403 members; in Austria-Hungary 5 churches, 930 members; in Denmark 21 churches, 2,257 members; in Switzerland 4 churches, 515 members; in Russia, including Poland, Roumania, and Bulgaria, 29 churches, 13,108 members. Total 160 churches, 32,208 members.

According to a despatch from Scotland, a floating church for the Island of Arran is the latest novelty, the Duke of Hamilton having strictly adhered to his resolution not to allow any United Presbyterian place of worship on the island. The modern ark is to be moored in Lamash Bay, one of the snugest anchorages on the Scottish coast, and the members of the congregation will be pulled on board from the shore in small boats when the ship's bell rings at the masthead.

The report of the Young Men's Christian Association of Manchester,

England, is a most interesting document. It appears that during the year ending March 31, 1,001 new members and associates had joined, making a total of 12,824 entries in the last thirteen years—the period during which the society has existed. There are over 1,000 Bible classes and other such organizations connected with the Association, and the attendance has amounted to 34,000. The circulating library has issued 6,874 volumes.

A number of Christian men, mostly laymen, have gathered themselves into what they call a gospel gang. These brethren have, for the past week or two, been working in Waverly, one of the suburbs of Baltimore. The majority of them belong to the Baptist denomination, and have the utmost confidence of their brethren. Their work consists not merely of preaching, but, in house-to-house and personal labor with the unsaved. In Waverly they have been much blessed. It is their purpose to go to other towns or villages as opportunity may offer. Would that such gangs were a feature of all our large cities! With such gangs dynamite mobs and gangs of ruffians would soon disappear.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

Great Britain has over 12,000 societies for young people based on total abstinence, with a membership of 1,500,000.

It is said that \$251,000 have been expended in pictures and other ways for the embellishment of seven liquor saloons in New York.

The temperance people of Russia petitioned the Emperor, two years ago, for permission to hold meetings, and have only just received his permit.

Sir William Harcourt, speaking as one who had been for some years at the head of the department dealing with crime, declares that drink lies at the root of all the crime, and more deeply than any other cause affects the well-being of the people.

"In four years all the gulf States, and Tennessee in addition, will have declared for prohibition," said a well-known traveller for one of the largest distilleries in Cincinnati to a *Times-Star* reporter.

"You've been over the ground and speak with authority?" "Yes, I speak from what I've seen with my own eyes. This year not a barrel of whisky will be sold in Georgia. The people down there are determined in the matter, and the little light they are making in Atlanta against prohibition is bound to be lost. In Mississippi the local option people have just lost the day, but they are bound to win next time or the next election after that."

"What is the great reason for this prohibition movement? Is it from a sense of moral duty?"

"Self-protection. They want prohibition for protection. You see the greater part of the population in the South is colored, and in the towns and cities the negroes are drinking whisky until they are not only destroying their strength and usefulness, but are an actual danger to the community. The Southern penitentiaries are filled with colored men, and statistics show that liquor is at the bottom of more crimes than intent or original depravity. In fact, the white people of the South realize that they must keep whisky from the colored man, and the only way to do it is by universal and absolute prohibition. That is the reason of the present temperance movement."

RESIGNATION OF REV. I. E. BILL, D. D.—At the close of the evening service, Sunday, 27th ult., the Rev. Dr. Bill read the following letter to his congregation:

To the St. Martins Baptist Church congregation:

Dear Brethren and Friends—Nearly eleven years have elapsed since, by your unanimous invitation, I became your pastor. During these years we have labored together in promoting the cause of our Redeemer in delightful harmony.

Success beyond my most sanguine expectations has crowned our united efforts, so much so that my present position is like that of the man whose fields and flocks and herds have multiplied beyond his ability to guard and direct them. I feel, therefore, that the time has come when I should be relieved from the responsibility of my position by giving place to a successor.

Instead, therefore, of the plan so cordially adopted last year of a co-pastorate, I must ask you to allow me to retire from all pastoral responsibility at the earliest possible date.

Thanking you for your hearty co-operation at all times in carrying out my plans and wishes, and for your kindly consideration as manifested in many ways,

I remain, sincerely,
Your affectionate pastor,
I. E. BILL.

At a business meeting of the church held on Monday evening, the 28th ult., after addresses by several members, all expressing the high esteem in which the pastor was held, his resignation was accepted and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Our respected pastor, Rev. I. E. Bill, D. D., having decided on account of ill health and the infirmities of age to resign the pastorate of the church, we feel it our duty to openly give expression to the high esteem in which he is held by us; and

Whereas, During the eleven years he has been connected with this church we have found him, as a pastor, faithful in all his labors and a true and valued friend, ever ready to give encouragement to the sick and to whisper words of comfort at the bedside of the dying; and

Resolved, That we place on record this tribute in remembrance of the many happy days passed under his pastorate, with the hope that his life

may be spared for many years to labor in the cause he loves so well; and further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to St. John daily papers and *Messenger and Visitor* for publication.

On Sabbath the 4th inst., Dr. Bill gave the right hand of fellowship to 64 new members at the close of the morning service, and in the evening preached his retiring sermon to a very large congregation composed of all denominations. He stated that during eleven years of his labors in St. Martins, he had received into the church over 200 members; having arrived at the age of 82, and 60 years of his life having been spent in preaching the gospel, he could not be expected to any longer have the care of a large church on his hands; in leaving the church he has the best wishes and esteem of all the members, and also of the community at large.

He is the oldest ordained minister of the Baptist denomination in the Dominion, and having done good work for the denomination, should be gratefully remembered by them in his declining years.

ALL SORTS.

Half a century ago in Turkey it was considered a shame for a woman to read. To-day two schools for girls in Constantinople have been established by the Sultan himself.

To set apart a church from all common and unallowed use by a solemn form of dedication, and then open it to all sorts of frivolity, is worse than folly—it is sacrilegious.

Type-writers are now made for the French, German, Spanish, Bohemian, Russian, Danish, Swedish, Portuguese and Italian languages. The Chinese, with its thirty-six thousand characters, has not yet been tackled.

Marriages.

PARSONS-DEWITT.—On the 19th ult., by Rev. T. O. DeWitt, Mr. Benson Parsons, of Gladstone, to Miss Levia DeWitt, of same place.

MERRITT-ROBERTSON.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on the 28th ult., by the Rev. Obadiah N. Mott, John R. Merritt, of Kars, Kings Co., to Alfretha Robertson, of Wickham, Queens Co.

VANWART-KEIRSTEAD.—On the 30th July, at the residence of the officiating minister, Jacksonville, by Rev. B. Colpitts, Mr. George W. Vanwart, of Woodstock, to Miss Fennella Keirstead, daughter of Thomas Keirstead, of Grafton, Carleton County.

Deaths.

DUNLAP.—At Maple Ridge, Aug. 3rd, of cholera, Coy, youngest child of Simpson and Hannah Dunlap, aged 1 year and 5 months.

BARBER.—At Maple Ridge, Aug. 4th, of cholera, Arthur A., son of John Barber, aged 3 years and 5 months.

BURMAN.—At Forest Glen, N. S., on the 27th June, Eva, aged 8 years and 9 months, daughter of Maria and Charles Brittain.

Business Notices.

Women's Aid Foreign Mission Society.
Received from Miss Jane Weyman Treasurer of Sixth District, \$137.04
WM. PETERS, Treasurer.

Notice.

The Free Baptist General Conference of Nova Scotia, will be held at Beaver River, Yarmouth County, beginning at 10 o'clock, A. M., September 9th, 1886.

The Conference will open in the Free Baptist Church. The officers of the churches will attend to the Conference dues and send them to the treasurer before or at the time of Conference. Due notice will be given of the arrangements made for reduced rates of travel.
J. L. PORTER,
Clerk and Treas. of Con.
Barrington, July 31st, 1886.

Notice.

A special meeting of the Union Baptist Education Society will be held in the Leinster Street Baptist church, St. John, N. B., on Friday, the twentieth day of August, inst., at 3 o'clock, P. M. A full attendance is requested as important matters relating to the future of the Seminary will be settled at this meeting.

AMON A. WILSON,
Secretary.

August 9th, '86.

Notice.

The next session of Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting will be held with the Free Baptist church at Chegoggin, Yarmouth Co., N. S., commencing on Saturday, Aug. 21st., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

As the August session is one of the most important, we hope the churches will take due notice and have delegates and reports sent.

J. W. FREEMAN,
Q. M. Clerk.

Notice.

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Foreign Mission Aid Society, of Seventh District, will be held at Beaver Harbour during the Annual District Meeting, to begin August 20th, 1886.

LYDIA J. FULLERTON,
7th District Secretary.
Carleton, St. John, July 30, '86.

District Meetings.

Third District Meeting to be held with the church at Millville, the third Wednesday in September, 1886. To attend, Rev. C. F. Phillips.

Fourth District Meeting to be held with the church at Blissville, on the second Saturday in September, 1886. Ministers to attend, Revs. W. Downey and W. Kinghorn.

ON THE RISE.

"Leaves have their time to fall," says the poet, but Wild Strawberry leaves are on the rise just now, being utilized in such enormous quantities in making Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry—the infallible remedy for Cholera Morbus, Diarrhoea and other Summer Complaints. 2i

A. M. Hamilton, Warkworth, writes: "For weeks I was troubled with a swollen ankle, which caused me much pain and annoyance. Mr. Maybee, of this place, recommended Dr. Thomas' Eboric Oil for it. I tried it, and before one bottle was used I was cured. It is an article of great value." 2i

A WISE PRECAUTION.

During the Summer and Fall people are liable to sudden attacks of bowel complaints, and with no prompt remedy or medical aid at hand, life may be in danger. Those whose experience has given them wisdom, always keep Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry at hand for prompt relief, and a physician is seldom required. 2i

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A FORTUNATE ESCAPE.

Mrs. Cyrus Kilborne, Beamsville, Ont., has what was supposed to be a cancer on her nose. She was about to submit to a cancer doctor's treatment, when she concluded to try Burdock Blood Bitters, internally and externally, a few bottles of which entirely cured her. 2i

S. Chadwick, of Arcadia, Wayne Co., writes: "I have had severe attacks of Asthma for several years. I commenced taking Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. The first dose relieved me in one hour. I continued taking it in teaspoonful doses for a few days, and have not had an attack of it since, now nearly on year."

OFF WORK.

"I was off work for two years suffering from kidney disease, and could get no relief, until advised by a friend to try B. B. B. I was cured by two bottles, and consider it a miraculous cure." The above is the substance of a communication from Wm. Tier, of St. Mary's, Ont. 2i

If a few grains of common sense could be infused into the noddles of those who perpetually and alternately irritate and weaken their stomach and bowels with drastic purgatives, they would use the highly accredited and healthful laxative and tonic, Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, which causes "good digestion to wait on appetite, and health on both."

IN BAD HUMOR.

A year ago my head was covered with sores, and the eruption covered my face also, and spread even until the backs of my hands were sore. I became weak and ill. Finding no cure I tried Burdock Blood Bitters. Two bottles perfectly cured me." Statement of Miss Minnie Stevenson, Cocagne, N. B. 2i

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St. John, N. B., Oct. 22nd, 1881.