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## Religious Intelligencer.

REV. JOSEPH McLEOD, . . . . . EDITOR.

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BEECHER has been given leave of absence for a trip to Europe. He will have a less exciting time than during his last visit to England in 1863.

A FEW items that were intended for last week's issue were delayed till this week. The delay was caused by the editor's absence for two or three days longer than he anticipated.

REV. J. H. EBB is still in Texas. From late papers we learn that he keeps at work. His labours are evidently highly appreciated, and have been a blessing. We hope his health is improving, though we have no definite statement about it.

HERE is another instance of Christian heroism. When one of the English Baptist missionaries on the Congo was dying, he said, "Work on brethren; don't let the loss of your men hinder you. Never give up; hope always." This is the spirit that wins the conquest of the world for Christ.

THE Baptist Weekly is authority for the statement of what it properly calls "an interesting fact," that quite a number of well-known and successful evangelists, including Mr. Moody and Sarah Smiley, as devout biblical students, have been constrained, the first a Congregationalist and the second a Quaker, to seek immersion to satisfy an enlightened conscience.

AT THE meeting of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Board in Boston on the 28th inst., Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Bacher were accepted as missionaries. Dr. B. is a son of the veteran missionary Dr. O. R. Bacher. He has already done missionary work in Africa. They will, probably, sail for India in the fall. There is a prospect that several others will go at the same time.

WITHIN the last week several religious bodies have had annual meetings. The Methodist District Meetings have been held. The Southern Baptist Association met in Pennfield, Ch. Co. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian church convened in Hamilton, Ont., on Wednesday last. The Methodist Conference of New Brunswick will meet at Sackville on Wednesday of this week, and that of Nova Scotia at Amherst on the same day.

REV. GEO. ARMSTRONG, D. D., died suddenly at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., on Monday last week. He was a prominent and much esteemed minister of the Baptist church. Most of his life was spent in Nova Scotia, where he was born, and his work will remain though he has entered into rest. He was for a time the proprietor and editor of the *Christian Visitor*, which he conducted with much ability. He was a man of sweet spirit, and was abundant in labors that were not in vain in the Lord.

THE COMMERCIAL interests of Canada are already beginning to benefit by the Colonial Exhibition. Large orders are reported, by various Canadian firms, including organs, spring mattresses, and various manufactured goods. Representatives of the London School Board are among recent enquirers, with a view to large purchases

of school desks, seats and general appliances, while deputations with a similar object have come from as far north as Yorkshire.

THE defeat of Gladstone's Irish Home Rule Bill was about what was expected, though the majority against it was not so large as many predicted. Its defeat is not understood by anybody as meaning that some kind of home rule will not be given to Ireland; the vote simply expresses the objection to certain features of the Gladstone bill. The country is now to be asked to pass judgment upon the whole matter. It will be one of the most interesting and exciting contests Great Britain has ever had. Let us hope that the wisest and best thing for Ireland and the Empire will result.

THE MADRID correspondent of the *London Times* writes that the feeling against the priesthood in Spain is being aggravated by frequent outrages on the part of the Romish clergy. He says: "It has long been felt by all true Roman Catholics in Spain, that the immorality which has reached an almost incredible point in their religious teachers must be swept away. The fear of damaging the apostolic church has kept them so long silent. Now that events have broken this treacherous calm, a storm that will shake the church to its foundation appears imminent."

WE HAVE just heard of the death, on the 10th inst., of Deacon George R. Boyer of Victoria Corner, C. Co. He had reached the age of 86, and though he had been blind for several years, was otherwise in very good health. He was a good man, a devoted follower of Christ and ardently attached to the Free Baptist denomination, the church of his choice. He proved his love by his constant interest in every branch of the denomination's work, and by frequent large gifts to it. We have not the facts needed in writing a suitable obituary, but we hope some one will do this fitting service to the memory of a worthy brother deservedly beloved by those with whom he was so closely associated for so many years.

DR. PHILLIPS has not been idle since his return from India. He is "on the wing" a good deal of the time; and everywhere he goes he moves the people to greater zeal in the Foreign Mission cause. We hope to see him this way before his return. He will receive a hearty welcome whenever he comes. Of his recent journeyings the *Star* says:

"As darts the lively picket, so gets Dr. Phillips 'from Dan to Beersheba.' The other day he was in Maine. Then we heard of him at Harrisburg, Pa. At Harper's Ferry next. We scarcely had received word of his being in Washington, when in he dropped upon us here in Boston and 'drove dull care away.' An engagement for a missionary meeting in Roxbury hurried him away again. The brethren will hear his voice at the N. H. Yearly Meeting this week. Then at the Maine Western. And he is not to preach the annual sermon before the theologues at Lewiston? And are not influences at work to get him at the Missionary Alliance assembly at Niagara Falls a little later? And also at Ocean Park in August? He must feel that a cyclone has seized him. But, after all, is not this as it should be? We beg the Doctor's pardon for thus advertising his movements, but our readers like to know some things. 'What's going on today?' asked some one of Douglas Jerrold. 'I am,' ejaculated Jerrold during past his interrogator. Thus it is with Dr. Phillips.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

The editor intends (D. V.) to attend the following District Meetings: The Second, at Lower Brighton, C. Co., Saturday, June 26th; The First, at Wicklow, C. Co., Saturday, July 3rd; The Fifth, at Hampstead, Q. Co., Wednesday, July 7th; and The Sixth, at Penobscot, K. Co., Friday, July 9th.

He will be glad to meet subscribers of the INTELLIGENCER at these meetings, and hopes to receive subscriptions from those who have not yet paid. Will those who are in arrears, who are likely to be at any of the meetings, please make an effort to pay them? Or, if not present in person, they may send by ministers or other brethren who will attend.

We would like also to secure as many new subscribers as possible. Will the ministers and other friends of the INTELLIGENCER do it the favor of again bringing the paper to the attention of the people and solicit them to subscribe? By doing so they may give us the encouragement of a goodly number of new names during the meetings.

PERSONAL.—Hon. Alex. Mackenzie and wife have gone to Scotland. Mr. Mackenzie is in very poor health. It is hoped that the visit to the old home may greatly benefit him. The country can ill spare such men.

## CHRISTIAN COURTESY.

By Christian courtesy I imply far more than mere worldly culture or social etiquette teaches. It is the spirit of which they are the body, and just as spirit is above matter, so it is above worldly courtesy. Society teaches forms for the guidance of life outwardly, Christianity the spirit of a man's deeds inwardly. Christian courtesy may lack the gloss and finish of the court, but it possesses what no society rules can impart—a genuineness and tenderness of feeling. The social code teaches a man how to do, the Christian code teaches him what to do. Let the bloom of the violet represent social etiquette, then its fragrance will stand for Christian courtesy. The color of the rose is seen, but its perfume is felt upon the atmosphere of a room. Its presence is unseen but felt. And so with this subtle spirit of Christian sweetness, it may lack the smooth, polished ways of society which are seen and admired, but it possesses the charm of honest kindness which is felt and enjoyed. Chesterfield might teach grace of style to the Christian, but Christ can teach grace of life to the devoted disciple of worldly politeness. Moreover all that is best in the etiquette of the world is plainly taught in the etiquette of the gospel. Self-control, regard for the feelings of others, unobjectionable expressions of speech, all prime elements in the best society's notion of a man, are equally emphasized in the teaching of the Bible and of Christ. A Christian gentleman embraces the world's definition of a gentleman and more. The world's work is veneer, Christ's is solid. In the one the material may be worm-eaten within, but thinly overlaid in beauty, in the other the outward may be somewhat unpolished but the genuine qualities are here. The Christian may not be courteous in society's opinion, and neither are many professing Christians in the Bible idea, but every Christian is more of a gentleman by being a Christian. The world's gentleman does not maliciously discuss the character of his friends, nor does the Christian the demerits of his brother. Just as when in the drawing-room, one ridicules another, or endeavors to fasten attention upon himself, he is marked as ungentlemanly, so when the professing Christian besmirches another or aggrandizes himself the Bible standard of Christian living calls him to judgment and condemns him. Christ met the pompous priest with argument, and the sanctimonious scribe with rebuke, and yet no absence of courtesy is anywhere seen. He spoke "as one having authority" and yet with modesty and affection. He assailed error with unflinching zeal, and exposed false doctrines with merciless acuteness, and yet no lack, nor word, nor act of His was marked by what the most fastidious could point to as undignified or discourteous. He exemplified that good manners become Christians. Christian courtesy does not imply the sacrifice of independence, or truth, or candor, or manhood. With too many obstinacies is mistaken for independence, just as bigotry is for zeal, and harsh words for plain speech. More courtesy among the clergy, more among the laity, more between denominations, would help forward the cause of truth, and improve and sweeten life. A Christian rough through ignorance, however, is much better than a worldly man smooth in manner through expediency.

## NOTES BY THE WAY.

## NO. II.

Some notes intended for last week had to be deferred. They are given now.

In point of situation nothing is left to be desired for Watville. To say, "It is beautiful for situation," is not saying too much. It overlooks the region made famous by Longfellow in his poetic story of Evangeline—a very touching story told in admirable verse, but sadly at variance with the facts of history. From the pleasant elevation on which the college buildings are located are seen Minas Basin, Blomidon and the Grand Pre. On the other side of the ridge is the beautiful Gaspeaux Valley, charmingly picturesque. In whatever direction one looks a more or less beautiful view is presented to his vision; there are broad, well-tilled fields, acres of fertile dykeland, and almost numberless fruit trees with promise of abundant yield. The natural surroundings of the college are of themselves no small nor unimportant part of an education. They cannot fail to have both a refining and broadening effect on students.

Perhaps a few facts about the history of the college may be interesting to our readers. It was founded in 1838. Its first class was graduated in 1843. A four years' course is required for the degree of B. A. It has gradu-

ated a large number, besides whom quite as many have taken a partial course. Among the graduates are many who have distinguished themselves. At the bar, on the bench, in the halls of legislature, in institutions of learning, in the press and in the pulpit Acadia's sons have made a record creditable alike to themselves and their alma mater. Few, if any, colleges in this country have graduated men so large a proportion of whom have made a high mark in the services to which they have devoted themselves, and exerted so strong an influence in the intellectual and moral moulding of the country. This opinion is based on an examination of the list of graduates, in which we were at once surprised and pleased to find the names of so many men now filling high and responsible positions.

The class graduated yesterday (June 3rd) numbered fifteen—one of them a young lady,—has in it strength and promise. It will not, we think, lower the record made by its predecessors.

Connected with the College are Horton Collegiate Academy established in 1828, and Acadia Seminary for young ladies. Both of these institutions are under the control of the Board of Governors of the College, and in their government and regulations are subordinate to the College Faculty. The prime object of the Academy is to fit pupils for college, but provision is also made for a Teacher's course, a Commercial course and an English course, designed to prepare young men for general occupations. The expenses of pupils are fixed at as reasonable figures as possible.

The Seminary is designed to give young ladies such an education as shall fit them to rightly fill any station in life which they may be called to occupy. Three courses of study are provided for—a Classical, a Literary and a Musical course—upon completion of which diplomas are awarded.

In both Academy and Seminary there are competent instructors, devoted to their work as teachers and solicitous for the moral and religious welfare of the pupils entrusted to their care.

During the year just closed there were in attendance at the Academy 75 pupils, at the Seminary 79, and at the College 81, in all 235. The attendance has been steadily increasing in late years; and there is prospect of a still farther increase.

One of the things in connection with the institutions that impressed us most was their marked Christian character. We could easily understand the statement of the Calendar "Acadia is designed to be a positively Christian College, not only in respect of the character of its professors, and in the philosophy taught in its lecture rooms, but especially in the influences which pervade the daily life of the institution. Many now occupying important positions in society have freely acknowledged that earnest Christian views were developed or deepened in them while pursuing their studies here. In view of the fact that forms of philosophy alien to the Christian faith are finding their platform in many educational institutions, it is of increased importance that the higher education should be available under positively Christian influences."

In the social meeting of the church the evening before the anniversary, the majority of the testimonies were by students; and it was exceeding gratifying to hear one after another speak in a grateful way of the help in their Christian lives received during the term. Every year there are some converted. During the term just closed there was an almost continuous work of grace going on, and a large number began the Christian life.

We were glad to meet there Mr. Fred. Hartley, eldest son of Rev. G. A. Hartley, and Mr. Alfred H. McLeod, a Licentiate of the Sixth District Meeting, both of them members of the Freshman class. They are diligent students, and faithful Christian young men, well thought of by fellow students and the faculty.

We cannot close these notes without mentioning the kind attentions received from the members of the faculty, the pastor of the church Rev. Dr. Higgins, and many others resident in the village and visitors there during anniversary week.

RATS.—The progeny of one pair of Norway rats, which, by the way, are not of Norwegian, but of Chinese, origin, during one year will, under favorable condition, number from three to four hundred. They will produce forty young, and the forty may in turn increase to 360 before the year is ended. But the rat is subject to the many uncertainties of life. Every carnivorous animal that is capable of it, instinctively kills the rat. The weasel, cat, mink and Chinaman kill him for food; the Frenchman kills him to make gloves of his skin for American ladies; and the American kills him because he is a thief.

## REVIVALS AND REVIVALISTS.

It is now stated that Mr. Moody will not be able to carry out his intentions of visiting Halifax and other places in the Lower Provinces this summer.

Evangelist Thomas Harrison has been conducting revival services daily in Springfield, Ill., for thirteen weeks. Nearly 1,800 converts are the result.

Evangelist Jones and Small are at work evangelizing from city to city. They preach to great crowds and usually with excellent effect spiritually and morally.

Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior are meeting with most encouraging success in New Glasgow. Gospel Tent is thronged every evening. There are signs of much blessing.

A recent four days' visit of Mr. Moody to Plainfield, New Jersey, was attended by a season of much spiritual refreshing. After Mr. Moody's departure the work was taken up by Major Whittle, who remained for several days. A large number of persons professed conversion.

## Denominational News.

## NEW BRUNSWICK.

HAMPSTEAD.—Rev. J. Noble writes: "The interest here is yet good. The converts are holding on well, and growing in grace."

ERB SETTLEMENT, K. Co.—Jas. A. Porter (Licentiate) writes (May 27th) that he has been holding some meetings in Erb Settlement, and that there are indications of revival. Some have been forward for prayers. Rev. E. B. Grey was there to visit Deacon Erb who is sick, and helped him in the meetings. He may visit them again.

DONATION.—I wish to give you a short account of a most pleasant visit that was paid us on Wednesday evening the 26th ult. A number of kind and thoughtful ladies and gentlemen came to our house and took charge, and after partaking of the rich viands provided for the occasion the meeting was called to order and Bro. T. E. Smith appointed chairman. The sum of thirty-five dollars was presented to me by the chairman with a very nice speech. Bro. French gave a very interesting address. The young people furnished excellent music. The evening was spent pleasantly and all seemed happy. I wish to tender to all our sincere thanks.

I was made glad a few days ago when some angel of mercy sent me two Vs, for which I am very grateful. God bless them all is my sincere prayer.

T. O. DEWITT.

GRAND MANAN.—When I last wrote you relative to the work in our church at North Head there had been (up to that date March 27th) 13 added, 11 by baptism and two by letter. Since that time the good work has been moving on. On April 4th three followed the Lord in baptism, and April 11th three more. Bro. Sidney Guptil was waiting for me to go with him to White Head and baptize some converts there; there was no time to lose as "wind and tide wait for no man." On my arrival I found Bro. Irvine Harvey hard at work for the Master. This young Brother has been caring for the White Head church since Bro. Barnes left it; and although he has not been able to devote all of his time to the ministry the Lord has blessed his labours much. Bro. H. is an earnest worker and highly respected in the place for his works' sake. He intends (D. V.) to arrange his business so he can devote all his time to the ministry. May God bless him. We found the church in a live state, and two converts were baptized. It was a season of refreshing to my soul. On Monday I returned home to my work. We have much to be thankful for; God is manifesting himself to us. The interest appears to be growing and deepening; many are seeing their need of a higher life and I trust they will be led out into the full blessing of salvation.

Business affairs called me away here and I spent two weeks at my old home in Midland, K. Co., and had the privilege of speaking one Sabbath with the brethren, which I enjoyed much. On my return I found that the brethren had been having interesting meetings; and last Sabbath three more were baptized and four added to the church. It was a blessed season. These makes 23 added in all, and there are more to follow.

We are not holding special meetings, but the brethren and sisters are at work. We have a young people's prayer meetings on Tuesday, on Wednesday the regular prayer meeting of the church, and on Thursday the I. O. G. T. Lodge meets, on Friday evening we have a meeting of prayer and on Saturday evening we have a Bible class, and Tuesday afternoon the sisters have prayer meeting. We can praise

God for a salvation that keeps us all the time happy in His love.

There are many things I would like to say relative to the work on the Island but I fear I have already taken too much space. You have heard from Castalia through Bro. Noble, and doubtless Bro. Taylor will report the lower churches.

I wish to say in conclusion that I hope soon to see the INTELLIGENCER in many more families. The only reason why it has not been placed in many more already is because of hard times. May God bless it on its glorious mission.

H. H. COSMAN.

May 27th.

MONCTON.—Rev. Wm. Kinghorn has been spending a couple of Sabbaths in Moncton. Bro. Wiggins filled Bro. K.'s appointments at Hartland and Jacksonville.

REV. R. FRENCH has gone to Carleton county intending to be present at the First and Second District Meetings. He has not been in the county for a long time, and wishes once again to see old friends who live there. He is in excellent health for a man of seventy-eight, and his heart is full of Christian gladness and hope. He spent last Sabbath in Fredericton. Bro. Phillips was in Fredericton the same day. The visit of these brethren was enjoyed by pastor and church.

SECOND DISTRICT MEETING.—The Committee of Arrangement beg leave to notify the members of Second District Meeting (F. C. B.), to be held with the Church at Lower Brighton, C. Co., commencing Saturday, 26th of June, 1886, that homes have been provided as follows:

NAMES.	HOST.
Rev. Jos. Noble.	Reub. Robinson.
" T. S. Vanwart.	Del. Rockland Church.
Rev. J. Perry.	Jonath'n Brown.
" T. Connor.	Del. Wood's Ch. (No. 1)
Rev. A. Taylor.	Byron Brown.
" G. T. Hartley.	Del. Up. Woodstock Ch.
Rev. E. Sippell.	N. Ackerson.
Del. Jacksonville Ch.	
Rev. Joseph McLeod.	William Teddie.
" J. W. Clark.	Del. Tracy Mill Ch.
J. A. Owens.	Del. Wakefield Ch. (No. 1)
Rev. C. T. Phillips.	C. H. Richardson.
Del. Wakefield Ch. (No. 2)	
Rev. H. Hart.	J. A. Robinson.
" G. W. Foster.	Del. Windsor Church.
Rev. B. Colpitts.	Darius Nixon.
Del. Wakefield Ch. (No. 2)	
Rev. Wm. DeWare.	William McGee.
Del. Knowlesville Ch.	
Rev. E. Garrity.	Robt. Dickinson.
Del. Palmer Settlement Ch.	
Rev. J. Gravinor.	S. G. Brown.
Del. 3d Tier Jack'wn Ch.	
Rev. S. W. Shaw.	Robert Nixon.
Del. Bristol Church.	
Del. Hartland Church.	William Taylor.
S. Haden Shaw.	

Delegates from Coldstream Church, B. F. Richardson. River Bank " Adolphus Nixon. Foreston " Rich. Dickinson. 7th Tier (Jack'wn Ch.) David Dickinson. Bridgewater Church, David Noble. Brookville " John Teddie. Knoxford " N. Robinson. Gordonsville " N. Robinson. Charleston " John Teddie. Waterville " Leonard Brooks. Woodstock (No. 3) H. Birmingham. Upper Brighton " R. McKinney. Pembroke " John Downey. Mouth Presque Isle Ch. C. H. Richardson.

N. B.—Any substitute coming instead of delegate will please consider such delegate's home as his. If any members of Second District Meeting have been overlooked they will make it known to either of the committee on their arrival.

C. H. RICHARDSON, } Committee of Arrangement.  
J. BROWN, }  
WILLIAM TAYLOR, }

ST. JOHN.—Rev. J. T. Parsons has been voted a vacation of four weeks. A donation of \$45.00 accompanied the vote.

## NOVA SCOTIA.

REV. J. I. PORTER writes: "I came home the 26th of April. Have been doing the spring work on my small farm. The hard work of the past winter has told unfavorably on my health, but I am feeling some better now. Rev. Mr. Atwood has come to the Island. Bro. Babcock is making a visit there."

YARMOUTH.—We are very glad to know that Rev. E. Crowell, who has suffered so long and painful illness, is again at his post. We trust he may have many years without another interruption in his work by illness. He writes:

"I would like the INTELLIGENCER to express my thanks to Brethren Siddall, Freeman and Barnes, Rogers (Presbyterian), and Watson and Mackintosh (Congregational) for conducting religious services on my pastorate during my illness; and also to a host of friends and neighbours for innumerable kindnesses. If one has to be sick I do not know a more friendly neighbourhood than this.

We had baptism of two young girls a few weeks ago. The present religious interest is good, with large meetings."

THE Victoria, B. C., parliament, has been dissolved, and new elections are ordered for the 23rd inst.