

weeks ago the S. Army begun work at Woodward's Cove; the results have been good. This island at present is well supplied with religious leaders and religious organizations; there are four Free Baptist churches on the main island, cared for by Bro. Cosman and myself, two to each of us; one Free Baptist church on White Head cared for by Bro. Ervin Harvey, a church Licentiate and a promising and acceptable young brother; there are also two Church of England ministers (one of them partially supernumerary), one Methodist minister, one Mormon Elder, and two salvation army stations with four or five workers, and a large attendance generally. Each sect, besides the Free Baptists, have their own organization, though none of them is very large. The cause of Temperance is in quite a flourishing condition.

Financially, times have been and are still "hard." The only kind of fishing going on at present is lobster fishing. There is a fair catch, but the time allowed by law for catching them is short, ending the first of July. Were it not for this fishing, many could not live here and would have to remove to some other place. The lobsters bring a good price. Most of them are sold at Eastport, Me. About twenty five tons are taken weekly at Seal Cove, at other places perhaps proportionately the same. It is a hard, heavy business, requiring strong men to haul so many heavy traps. Some catch them and others boat them to market—forty miles, more or less. The spring is fine here, now, for farming pursuits; the dry spell is past, and frequent showers and rain-storms have started vegetation rapidly; trees and shrubbery are coming up out finely, and farmers are busy putting in their crops.

The INTELLIGENCER is well liked by those who take it, and by some who do not feel able to take it. I have got what subscribers for it I could, and am not yet done trying to get more. Bro. Taylor's Reminiscences and Bro. Downey's letters, besides much of its other matter, has made it unusually acceptable hereabouts. If the Reminiscences are published in book form there is a Sister at Seal Cove who wants a copy.

F. BABCOCK.
Mark Hill, Grand Manan,
May 26th 1887.

APPOINTMENT.—The editor of the INTELLIGENCER intends (D. V.) to be with Rev. B. H. Nobles at his appointments next Sabbath (12th inst). He will also be with him on the Monday following, and will be glad to receive renewals and new subscriptions to the INTELLIGENCER.

FROM REV. A. C. THOMPSON.—The work of the Lord is prospering on this circuit, and more and more I recognize the hand of God in so over-ruling events for me to remain in this field of labor, to be for my good and to his glory. During the spring I held a series of meetings with the church at Graves Settlement, and the blessing of God attended our humble efforts, and the dividing influence of the Salvation Army was very largely overcome. I also held a number of meetings with the Portage church, which were very much blessed to the church and to my own soul.

A. C. T.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.—The F. B. Sunday School at Staples Settlement, York Co., was opened on the 29th ult., by Adam Sharp Esq., the S. S. Convention Vice President for Queensbury. The officers for the year are Mr. Richard Jones, Superintendent, Mr. Chas. Tucker, Assistant, Miss Whitehead, Librarian, and Mrs. Allen Whitehead Recording and Corresponding Secretary. It is a good school. Com.

REV. A. TAYLOR has gone to Hampstead to make a promised visit to the churches there. He was in Fredericton last Sabbath, and in the absence of the pastor, preached at both services much to the pleasure and profit of the congregations.

THE IMPERIAL INSTITUTE.—The perseverance of the Prince of Wales has prevailed and the imperial institute has at last satisfactorily turned the corner. All fear of a fiasco has departed. Up to Saturday last the United Kingdom contributed about \$225,000 and Canada \$100,000, while Australia promises nearly \$500,000. Fresh lists are pouring in daily, and the Indian chiefs meditate making very large offerings by the way of "muzzur." It is not improbable that the Queen will intimate a strong wish to add to all this the surplus of the woman's jubilee offering, and before July 4 the total will probably reach \$2,000,000.

OF MINISTERS.—Rev. A. J. Mowatt was presented with \$200, the gift of members of his congregation, on the eve of his departure for Winnipeg. Rev. F. D. Crawley was in Nova Scotia last week.

Denominational Notices.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

FIRST DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Arthurville on the first Saturday in July 1887, Ministers to attend: Revs. J. McLeod, C. T. Phillips, and J. W. Clarke.

SECOND DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Third Tier, Jacksonville, on the last Saturday in June, 1887.

THIRD DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Lower Prince William, the third Wednesday in September, 1887.

FOURTH DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Fredericton Junction, the second Saturday in September, 1887. Ministers to attend: Revs. G. A. Hartley, J. E. Reid, J. G. McKendle.

FIFTH DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Upper Hampstead, on the first Wednesday in July, 1887. Ministers to attend: Revs. J. E. Reid, J. McLeod, and T. O. DeWitt.

SIXTH DISTRICT MEETING to be held with the church at Chocolate Cove, Deer Island, on the third Saturday in August, 1887. To attend Rev. C. T. Phillips.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Recd. from church Taylor Village, \$1.60; Isaac Marston, \$5.00.
WM. PETERS, Treas.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.—The Rev. Joel A. Smith, of Des Moines, Iowa, writes: "While taking a collection for Missions the other day a man arose in the congregation, the tears rolling down his face while he spoke. Said he: 'I don't know as I ever led a soul to Christ, but I have \$20; here it is. I want in some way to be the means of saving a soul from sin.' As the power of God comes upon the Church, the cost of winning souls in heathen lands will be greatly lessened."

TITULAR HONOURS CHEAPENED.—A table has been drawn up showing the titular distinctions which have been conferred during the fifty years' reign of the Queen. Under Liberal Governments there were created in the United Kingdom 5 earls, 6 viscounts, 190 barons, 6 peeresses, and 239 baronetcies; and under Conservative Governments 4 earls, 6 viscounts, 75 barons, 2 peeresses, and 96 baronetcies. The total, therefore, is 9 earls, 12 viscounts, 260 barons, 8 peeresses, and 335 baronetcies. The total votes in the House of Lords in 1837 were 433; the total now is 547, which is 114 greater. Of course, a great many peerages have died out; but the enormous increase nevertheless shows that there has been a very great cheapening of titular honours.

A STONE IMAGE.—About a year ago a great stone image, weighing fifteen tons, was secured at Easter Island for the Smithsonian Institute. It was transported to Panama and thence across the Isthmus. A few days ago the United States man-of-war, Galena, arrived at Washington with this remarkable image, and as a relic of South Sea barbarism it is exciting very great interest.

Easter Island is in the eastern part of the Pacific Ocean, 2,300 miles from the coast of South America. It has about a thousand inhabitants of the Polynesian race, and is seldom visited by navigators. Since 1865, when some French missionaries landed among them, they have become Christians. The island contains several hundred gigantic stone statues, the largest of which is forty feet high and measures nine feet across the shoulders. They are scattered about the island, which is about eleven miles long and six wide, generally prostrate. They were carved out of the common rock of the island and some are tolerably well chiseled.

Nothing is known as to the origin of these rude works of art and worship. As the present race has neither tools for such sculpture nor means of moving such huge masses, it seems certain that they were cut in some former age. Native traditions give them a supernatural origin. It has recently been conjectured that the island is a remnant of the submerged continent, and that these statues were made for idols by an extinct race.

MENDING &c.—They have in New York an establishment for mending clothes, where bachelors may have socks darned and buttons sewed on. The establishment seems to supply a long-felt want among unmarried men. But it is rather melancholy to think of a man who has passed the age of thirty being obliged to have his clothes mended away from home. If the census may be trusted, there is no lack of young ladies who are fitted to do this work. Yet a man who marries a woman with the exalted aim of having her mend his clothes is very likely to be disappointed in the total result, and richly deserves to be. There is only one lower motive for marriage that we can think of; and that is, marrying for money.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

Through the influence of the W. C. T. U., of Delaware, bills have been passed by the legislature prohibiting the sale of impure literature and making scientific temperance instruction compulsory in all public schools.

At a temperance meeting in Blenheim Hall, London, all the speakers were policemen, who were unanimous in asserting that they could perform their duties better without strong drink. It was stated that there are now between 2,000 and 3,000 total abstainers in the police force.

—The Prohibitionists have gained twelve more counties in Mississippi, and intend to carry the entire State ere long.

—Allowing twenty feet front to each of the run shops in New York city, they would stretch in an unbroken line thirty-six and two-third miles. Besides these there are 511 places where liquor is sold.

—A public house near the London docks was watched for three hours on a Saturday night; 668 men and women entered it. With an average expenditure of six cents each, the total would be \$160.50; and this in a locality where disease, starvation and misery held perpetual carnival.

ALL SORTS.

Emperor William, of Germany, has survived fifty-two kings or queens, eight emperors, six powers, who were his contemporaries.

In New York city there are five colored lawyers who have built up large practices and enjoy substantial incomes. Nine-tenths of their clients are white.

Mayor Hewitt thinks that when a woman does as much work and does it as well as a man, she should receive as much pay as a man. So think we.

The Western Plowman seems to put the matter on a financial basis: "Just so long as the pitcher of a base-ball club gets \$2,000 a year and a preacher a scant \$600, just so long will there be good pitching and poor preaching."

The general average of the human pulse, though the exceptions are numerous, may be put at birth at one hundred and forty; two years, one hundred; from sixteen to nineteen, eighty; at manhood, seventy-six; and old age, sixty.

A miller moth flew into the ear of J. G. Staib, a Wilmington (Del.) baker, three years ago, and was not dislodged till the other day, having been snugly ensconced just inside the drum of the ear during that time. Milk poultices and salt-water baths drove the insect out, and it flew several feet before it dropped dead.

LITERARY NOTES.

The frontispiece of the June Century is a portrait of Count Leo Tolstoy, the Russian novelist.

In Mrs. van Rensselaer's series of papers on the great English cathedrals, is a critical and descriptive study of Peterborough, the details and general effect of which are made clear by Mr. Pennell's drawings.

An illustrated paper of popular hearing is entitled "How food nourishes the Body," and presenting in compact form a large amount of the latest deductions of chemical analysis and other scientific investigation in this department. Incidentally it explodes the idea that fish is especially good for brain food. These practical papers are to be continued in future numbers.

The Lincoln History makes progress toward the presidential contest of 1860. The special topics in the present part are the attack on Charles Sumner by Preston S. Brooks, and the Dred Scott decision of March 6, 1857.

The battle series makes a comprehensive advance with a paper by General E. M. Law on the Virginia campaign of 1864, entitled "From the Wilderness to Cold Harbor," those two engagements and the intermediate ones of Spotsylvania Court House and the North Anna being included in a popular record richly supplemented with illustrations and official maps. A short article is devoted to the "Hand-to-Hand Fighting at Spotsylvania," perhaps the most stubborn contest of the war.

The Homiletic Review for June closes another volume of this valuable monthly. The leading article, by Dr. Gordon, of Boston, on "How the Pulpit Can Best Counteract the Influence of Modern Skepticism," is good in its way, and merits consideration. Dr. Wm. Ormiston discusses "the Character of Samson," a very original manner. Dr. Lawson's paper on "How to Develop Benevolence in a Congregation" is a story of special interest to pastors, and will reward careful reading. Dr. Marvin R. Vincent presents a sensible argument in favor of Ministers' Vacations. "Dr. Pierson's 'Gems' and 'Missionary Field,'" and a "Layman on Dr. Talmage" are worthy of attention. Careful readers will not skip "Homiletics," "Pastoral Theology," and "Study Table." Pastors will find help in Prayer-Meeting Talks and the sermons, and all classes of readers will find food for thought in the editorial sections. A full index closes the number, making XIII. volumes in all. Published by Funk & Wagnalls, 18 and 20 Astor Place, New York. \$3.00 per year; 30 cents per single number.

Marriages.

HUSTIS-CASE.—On the 1st inst., by Rev. G. A. Hart, at the residence of Geo. F. Bain, M. P., Thomas C. Hustis to Arabella Case, both of this city.

CARSON-LOVE.—At the Woodstock Hotel, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. G. B. Trafton, Mr. Samuel Carson of Dumfries and Miss Ida Love of Mapleton, both of York Co.

HARDING-BRITTAIN.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. William Brittain, Forest Glen, Yarmouth Co., N. S., on the 21st inst., by the Rev. J. J. Barnes, Mr. Wm. Harding and Miss Nellie Brittain.

JONES-HOYT.—On the 27th April at the residence of Mr. Rufus Jones, Millville, by Elder John S. Jones, Mr. Charles H. Jones and Miss Anne S. Hoyt, both of York Co.

ELLIS-KEEL.—At the residence of the officiating minister on the 31st ult., by Rev. J. T. Parsons, Mr. Wm. H. P. Ellis of Saint John City and Miss Edora A. Kerr of New Richmond, Quebec.

REICHER-DUGAN.—At 99 Erin Street, St. John City on the 1st inst., by Rev. J. T. Parsons, Mr. Charles Richy of St. John and Miss Hettie Dugan of Hampstead, Queens Co.

WINSLOW-VANWART.—At the residence of the bride's father Woodstock, on Wednesday June 1st, by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Mr. J. Norton Winslow, Barrister of Woodstock to Miss E. Gertrude, eldest daughter of Gilbert W. Vanwart, Esq.

Deaths.

LOVELY.—At Perth, Victoria Co., May 18, Hettie Jane, aged 60 years, beloved wife of Joseph Lovely.

CHASE.—At Margville, York Co., on the 1st inst., Sophia E., wife of Ebenezer Chase, aged 66 years, leaving an aged husband, three sons and two daughters to mourn their loss.

POGLEY.—It is with a sad heart that I write of the death of Mrs. Andrew Pugsley of Pettoodiac, a staunch and loyal Free Baptist. Her munificent gifts to our denomination should endear her memory to all our people. The large and commodious church and graveyard adjoining the convenient parsonage, with its extensive grounds, an excellent cabinet organ for the use of the church, and a first class silver communion service, are some of the memorials she leaves behind her expressive of her love to the Saviour.

Mr. and Mrs. Pugsley formerly lived at Penobscot, where over thirty years ago Mrs. Pugsley experienced religion and was baptized and united to the Free Baptist church in that place by the Rev. Edward Weyman. Some 26 years ago they removed to Pettoodiac where they have ever since resided. They were very successful in the accumulation of property, to which object for many years they devoted their united energies. Some nine or ten years ago Mrs. Pugsley conceived the idea of building a church for the Free Baptist people to be large enough for all denominations to worship in, and shortly afterward she accomplished her object, and the building was dedicated and devoted to the Free Baptist Conference. But the village being small and the Free Baptist people few in number, the procuring of a settled pastor to minister to the spiritual wants of that people was attended with great difficulty, and for a long time no regular Sunday services were held in the church. Week night services were, however, held occasionally by different Free Baptist ministers, but the small congregation and other reasons rendered it a very discouraging and unpromising field of labor. This discouraged Mrs. Pugsley very much and she became very desirous of securing a man who would settle down and labor faithfully and persistently in this portion of the vineyard. Five years ago Evangelist Chubbuck held a series of meetings in Pettoodiac and into his ears Mrs. P. poured her complaints, asking him to recommend to her a man suited to the place. He complied by mentioning the present pastor of the church (Rev. A. C. Thompson.) She then determined to come to Moncton and secure his services; but by a strange coincidence he then, not knowing anything of these circumstances, was moved to visit Pettoodiac and providentially was led to call on Mrs. P. on the day previous to the one she had set for coming to Moncton to hunt him up. The manifest hand of Providence in this affair was very encouraging to them both. Suffice it to say an engagement was then made which for the past four years has been entirely satisfactory to both parties. Last summer she furnished him with money and allowed him to build a parsonage just as it pleased him. At its opening a full description was published in the INTELLIGENCER. She offered when it was nearly completed, to deed it to him if he would promise to always remain in Pettoodiac. This he declined to do, and recommended her to deed it to the Free Baptist Conference, which she then did. She was very much agitated last March at the thought of her pastor leaving and removing to the States, but on his announcing to her his decision to remain she was reassured and then began to devise other things to do for God and the Free Baptist people; and \$100 to the foreign mission society and other bequests were contemplated. But her health had been failing all winter, and some four weeks ago she was obliged to take to her bed, from which she in a few days rallied and was again about the house. But quickly being overtaken with a lapse she again took to her bed, which proved to be the bed of death. Though she had the best of medical attendance, Dr. McDonald of Pettoodiac and Dr. Burnett of Sussex, all their efforts were unavailing and quietly and peacefully on Sunday evening, the 29th ult., at 10 o'clock she passed away in the 74th year of her age, leaving an invalid husband 79 years of age, three brothers, Abraham, Malcolm and Oliver Jones, and numerous other relatives and friends to mourn their loss. But what is her loss to her gain, for she lived and died like a Christian. Her funeral on the 31st ult., was largely attended. Revs. Geo. W. McDonald of Sussex and N. Parker (McDonald) of Pettoodiac assisted the pastor in the funeral services. Rev. C. Willis, C. of E. minister, was also present. The sermon by the pastor was an appropriate one from the text, Acts, 3: 26, 27. The woman was full of good works and alms-deeds which she did, and it came to pass in those days that she was sick and died. She will be greatly missed by the whole community and by the Free Baptist people to whom she has ever been a staunch and true friend. Her works do follow her voicing a more glowing eulogy than any mouth of clay or printers ink can do. On her death bed she exacted a promise from her pastor to remain in Pettoodiac as long as he was convinced it was God's will so to do, and not allow any one to persuade him to leave, but wait till the Lord told him to go. Unfortunately for the mission and other societies she died without settling her business, and whether her husband will carry out her wishes in that respect remains to be seen, though we confidently hope he will.—A. C. T.

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