

APRIL 25, 1888.

The number of baptized converts connected with the American Baptist mission at Banza Manteka, on the Congo, is now 200, who have been received as church-members. Others are asking for baptism. Converts are being received at Palabala, also.

Eleven years ago Daniel Molife, a heathen living in Natal, became converted. Two years after he went to Fourteen Streams, where he found the people without the Gospel. He began work among them, opening to them the Scriptures, teaching them to read, and finally organizing a church and erecting a house of worship. For six years he labored in this way without receiving the help of a missionary.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

DOVER, W. CO.—I have thought for some time of writing you concerning the work of the Lord here in Dover. Special meetings have been held by our pastor, A. H. McLeod. The church has been revived spiritually, and some have given their hearts to the Lord; one sister has been baptized and added to the church. The other churches of this pastorate appreciate the labours of the pastor, Rev. A. H. McLeod. THE INTELLIGENCER is well liked here. May it have increasing prosperity.

THE CLERK.

McADAM.—Sunday last was a good day here. Two brothers followed Jesus in baptism. About two hundred people witnessed the baptism, which was the first ever administered at McAdam. Some had never seen anyone baptized and there was no small amount of curiosity. The Lord was present to bless His people. We had about two miles to go the water; Mr. G. A. Haggerty, the Mechanical Superintendent kindly offered a car to convey the people to the place. There was the very best order observed both going and returning as well as the baptism. The greatest solemnity prevailed while the ordinance was being administered. There will be more to follow in a few days. I wish to thank Mr. Haggerty and Mr. Calkins for their kindness.

T. O. DeWitt.

NORTHERN HARBOUR, CH. CO.—Permit me space in the INTELLIGENCER to inform its readers of a good work of grace that has been going on at Northern Harbour under the labours of Bro. Lemuel A. Cosman. He went to the Island last fall and engaged to labour during the winter. About four weeks ago he commenced special meetings, and it was soon evident that the Lord was blessing his labours. About two weeks ago he came for me to assist him. On Sabbath the 8th inst., I baptized three converts, one a woman of about sixty and two young men; on Wednesday, I baptized there more, and these with three others were added to the church making nine in all. A number more made a start in the meetings and I have no doubt would have been baptized had I been able to remain over Sabbath, but on account of my own appointments, I could not stay. The meetings throughout were very powerful; the congregations were large. The church is in a prosperous condition at present; many backsliders have been reclaimed and those who have taken no part for a number of years are now active workers for the Lord. The people at Northern Harbour wish Bro. Cosman to stay with them during the remainder of the year, but he is unable to do so having engaged with the Holderville church for half of his time. He has, however, consented to spend the other half with them. The people were very kind to me while I was with them; I met with many old friends with whom I became acquainted eight years ago; but some have been called away to the better land. The people made me a nice present of \$12.50, for which I felt grateful to them. The people at Fair Haven have a nice house of worship almost completed; they intend to have it ready to be dedicated some time this summer. They expect young Bro. Hartley there the first of June to labour with them and at Chocolate Cove for the summer.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON.

FROM REV. J. GRAVINOR.—It is a long time since I wrote anything for the denominational column; it has not been because that I have been idle or had nothing to write, but simply through neglect. I read the denominational news with interest, and have been glad to hear of the success attending the labours of the brethren in general since Conference. I have been sorry to hear of so much sickness among the ministers, and my prayer is, "Lord heal the sick."

Since the first of January I have made visits to the following churches in particular.—Southampton, Camp-

bell Settlement, Caverhill, Lower Southampton and Upper Queensbury. In all those places I found the cause low. It is true that from the middle of January to the middle of March it was, on account of storms and bad roads, a hard time for doing much, but what seems to be worse than storms or bad roads is the too large percentage of discordant element existing in those churches. It seems to me that when churches yet where they can love one another with a pure heart, fervently, then will men know that they are disciples of Jesus, and be constrained to follow them.

I left York County about the middle of March, intending to return again; but when I arrived home I found my wife in poor health and I had, for the time being, to abandon that purpose. My steps were directed to Knowlsville where I found the cause very low. Trusting in the Lord we went to work, and the church was very much quickened and strengthened; two were baptized, three added to the church, a number of family altars that had been thrown down were set up against weekly prayer meeting established, and Sabbath school re-organized. May the Lord direct and may they profit by the experiences of the past and reach forward to the things that are before. I must not close without acknowledging the receipt of a donation of \$20.00 in cash for which, together with kindly remembrances in the past, I tender my sincere thanks.

JOHN GRAVINOR.

FREDERICTON. Two more convert—brothers—were baptized last Sabbath. There is a good interest in the church.

The union meetings in Gibson are well attended, and there has been a number of conversions.

FROM REV. J. I. PORTER.—I arrived home the 18th inst., from Queens Co. Help, from Barrington, was requested by our brethren at Port Mouton. I went; met a warm reception. I arrived there March 28th. Unfavorable weather, but held as many meetings as was practicable and profitable. Rev. A. Kenney had been invited to visit the place and work for revival. The season and time were most favorable, and much promise cheered our people as the work began; but it soon appeared that they were doomed to disappointment. The work did not advance, and Brother Kenney left after two weeks effort. He left a few days before I arrived there. As far as I learned the unwise method pursued by Brother Kenney caused the failure. I saw at once that the favourable season had passed, yet felt that my visit was most opportune. On the Sabbath I preached three times to large and deeply attentive audiences. The afternoon meeting was in connection with the burial of Mrs. Fisher, a member of the church. On Monday I buried a child. Had a good meeting on Tuesday evening; at the close a consultation with regard to the church and cause. It was agreed to engage my pastoral care one quarter time until the next General Conference, or until a pastor for the whole circuit can be obtained. I promised to do so (D. V.) and try to get a pastor as soon as possible. I am pleased with the loyalty of our people here to the denomination and its doctrines. I felt it duty to visit our churches in Port Medway and East Medway, and surprised my friends by arriving there on Thursday. Found the church in a low and very discouraged state. Leading brethren have moved away, some of the members have died. But lack of fellowship and brotherly love is the main cause. A few are trying, God bless them. I tried to help the union of the church; some were willing some were not. I hope good was done. This church must have a pastor to get them in working order. I preached on Sabbath A. M. to large congregation, and again in the evening. A widespread sympathy prevails in the community for the Free Baptists. If wisdom to direct was there preaching could be sustained. I went to East Medway and preached at 3 p. m., arrived in time to attend S. School. I was much pleased with the new place of worship, as well as the good school. About 50 were present when I entered. I was glad to find our good brother, Dea. S. Dollivar able to fill the position of Superintendent which he has so long held and honoured. This church is doing well and desires the regular visits of a pastor, and will do all it can to sustain one. I was favoured with a full house, and enjoyed my visit. I continued in Port Medway a few days longer than I expected as Sister Sullivan's (widow of the late Rev. E. Sullivan) only daughter died, and I was requested to attend the funeral, which took place on Friday 13th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M. Rev. Brother Barrs (Baptist) took part in the exercises. A large number attended, much sympathy was manifested for

sister in her great affliction. Her relatives and friends deserve great commendation for their care and help during the sickness of the loved one. Sister Sullivan's many friends will be sorry to hear of her bereavement. She will have their deep sympathy.

On Saturday I returned to Port Mouton, and preached twice on the Sabbath, and attended the Sabbath School. Enjoyed a good day. Monday returned to Liverpool. Tuesday A. M. took passage on the fine S. S. City St. John. I was much pleased with the well kept state and appearance of this boat; it adds greatly to the comfort of passengers, and cannot fail to render this, as she deserves, a popular line of travel. Evidently the officers and stewards are the right men in the right place, and do all they can to please, and know how to do it. All those who have labored to afford this South-West coast with such fine boats deserve our gratitude.

J. I. PORTER.

Barrington, April 20th, 1888.

Romanism in Montreal.

Some time ago an attempt was made in the Quebec Legislative Assembly to secure the setting up of a crucifix in every courthouse in the Province; but the proposal aroused such a storm of opposition that the bill was withdrawn. Now, a petition to have a statue of the Virgin Mary erected in a public park in Montreal has been presented on behalf of the Roman Catholics. As Protestants, we cherish feelings of special regard for the Virgin Mary. We would use no words of disrespect towards her who was so "highly favored" and "blessed among women," by being made the mother of our Lord's human nature. But every one knows that reverent homage to pictures and statues of the Virgin Mary is a distinguishing feature of the Roman Catholic religion. They offer prayer and worship to her, and use her picture as an aid to devotion. Protestants believe this to be wrong; because it offers to a creature the worship due to God alone.

We would not interfere with the Roman Catholic right to set up images of the Virgin in their churches. But it is an outrage on Protestant feeling to thrust the insignia of the Roman Catholic faith upon the attention of Protestants, by the erection of such a statue on public ground, which belongs to citizens of all Churches without distinction of creed. Why should every stranger that visits Montreal be led to suppose that Romanism is the established religion of the country? Why should the Roman Catholics of Montreal insist upon doing something which they know to be so offensive to all Protestants, that it cannot fail to awaken much indignation and ill feeling? The attempt to justify this project, on the ground that it would please the Virgin and secure her special protection for Montreal, is so puerile, silly and irrational as to be an insult to the intelligence of our Canadian people.

We want no specially-favored Church in this country, and the people will not have it. Every effort of the Church of Rome to gain special advantages denied to other Churches will only read against it. It will provoke an irresistible opposition to these pretensions that will make itself felt in the future as never before. The people of Ontario and the other Provinces are interested in this matter, as the guardians and defenders of religious equality.—Toronto Guardian.

THE EMPRESS OF GERMANY.—It has been the happiness of the new Emperor that early in life he was well met. The Princess Royal of England had not only been trained in the model court of Europe, but possessed the intellectual gifts of Prince Albert, her revered father, which were cultivated to the utmost, combined with the firmness, independence, as well as the Constitutional tendencies of her illustrious mother. My wife understands everything, was the proud boast of the devoted husband in Berlin society, and a lady who insisted on nursing her own children, managing her household according to her own ideas of fitness, forming her own broad Church views, and superintending the education of her children was an enigma to Prussian aristocrats, who were the slaves of etiquette and the worshippers of Divine right. How these prejudices have been worn down by the self-sacrifice and noble philanthropy of the Crown Princess is well known. It was due to her persistency that an English specialist was called in to attempt the cure of her invalid husband.

Progress is the name of a newspaper which is to be published in St. John about the first of May. It is to be an eight page paper, issued every Saturday. It promises to be "clean, original, honest, impartial and fearless," good things in paper as well as person. Edward Carter & Walter L. Sawyer are the editors. Both have had experience in journalism.

"WILD OATS."—The sowing and the harvest of "wild oats" come fatally near together, and both are usually passed before the age of thirty is reached; 30,000 young men are in United States jails and prisons to-day; 27,000 more are wrecks in asylums; 250,000 more are known of the police as "crooks" or "drunks;" 230,000 girls inhabit dens of infamy; while the death roll of our careless and reckless youth numbers a half million a year. Surely this harvest is plentiful.—Free Baptist.

TRACEY STATION, S. CO.—I have been at this since the 17th inst. I baptized three here and added fourteen to the church. I also organized a branch church at Little Lake with fourteen members. There are more who will unite with this church as soon as I can pay them another visit. The power of God is present with us.

T. O. DeWitt.

The News Item is the name of a neat little monthly, published at Short Hills N. J. Mr. Geo. Croscup, formerly Principal of the Model school in this city, is editor.

EX-SENATOR CONKLING; for many years a leader in the Republican party and one of the ablest lawyers in the United States, died on Wednesday.

GOVERNOR ATKENS, of Manitoba, whose term of office expired recently, has been asked to continue till July.

LIBERTY.—The court at Malaga, sentenced Senor Vila, a Spanish pastor, to twenty-eight months imprisonment for publishing a pamphlet condemning Roman Catholic dogmas.

GENERAL BOULANGER has done something like a swift "vindication" at the hands of the electors of the Department du Nord, who, on Sunday last, elected him to the House of Deputies by the phenomenal majority of 90,000. The people seem to believe in him, and have deserted the counsels of the moderate Republicans, in which the hope and peace of France are centered. If Boulanger takes the helm in the Chamber of Deputies, the ship of state will be in danger of striking on the rocks; for the Constitution has been seriously weakened, and President Carnot may be forced to the wall by the same method that ousted President Grevy.—Independent.

Literary Notes.

The Missionary Review of the world for May comes freighted with a wealth of missionary thought and facts and discussion that will make it a welcome visitor in the wide circle of readers it has already secured. Edition after edition of the early numbers have been exhausted, and still the demand is constantly increasing. From every quarter come warm testimonials of approval. The May number, if possible, exceeds any of the previous numbers in richness and variety. Several of the eight articles in the "Literature" department are of unusual interest, such as "The Supreme Question of the Hour," "The Miracles of Missions," "Woman's Work for Missions," and "David Brainerd" (all editorial). "The Opportunity of the Ages," by Dr. Chamberlain of India, is masterly. "Organized Missionary Work," "Correspondence and General Intelligence," "International Department," "Monthly Concert," the "Monthly Bulletin," which sweeps the entire mission field, and the "Statistics of the World's Missions," are each packed with intelligence, discussions, facts, statistics, results, all of the latest and most reliable kind. Instead of any decline of interest there has been a steady increase in each successive number.

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Denominational Notices.

Q. M. NOTICE.

The next session of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting will be held (D. V.) with the Chebogue F. B. Church, located at Rockville, Yarmouth Co., N. S., commencing on the first Saturday in May next, at 2 o'clock P. M. It is to be hoped there will be a large number in attendance, it being the re-opening of their meeting house.

J. W. FREEMAN.

Q. M. Clerk.

April 5th, 1888.

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| Church Fredericton Junction: | |
| Thos. Nason..... | \$1 00 |
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Marriages.

HARRIS-NELSON.—At the Free Baptist Parsonage, in this city, on the 19th inst., by Rev. Dr. McLeod, Mr. Marshall D. Harris of Gladstone, S. Co., and Miss Isabella J. Nelson, of Hampstead, Q. Co.

WETMORE-PARRY.—At Apohaqui, K. Co. on the 26th inst., by the Rev. G. W. MacDonald, Mr. Alfred B. Wetmore and Miss A. L. Parry, both of Studholm, Kings Co.

Deaths.

SULLIVAN.—At Port Medway, N. S., on the 11th inst., after a brief illness, Minnie Alice, daughter of the late Rev. Edward and Elizabeth Sullivan aged 18 years.

FLEWELLING.—At Oak Point, K. Co., on the 10th inst., Emily, beloved wife of George J. Flewelling, in the 38th year of her age. Sister F. experienced religion one year ago, was baptized by Rev. G. A. Hartley and united with the Free Baptist church. Her sickness was long and severe, but was borne with Christian patience and resignation. Her death was happy, triumphant, glorious.—J. G. M.

RANDALL.—At Fair Haven, Deer Island, Mr. Eben Randall, died on the 5th of April aged 65 years. He leaves a sorrowing widow and six boys and three girls, together with a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. The sermon was preached by the writer, text Amos 4: 12.

JOHN A. ROBERTSON.

PENNINGTON.—At Lower Argyle, N. S., on March 18th, of consumption, Sarah, aged 12 years, daughter of Mrs. A. J. Pennington. The deceased had not been well for years and at an early age death came. The widowed mother and family have the sincere sympathy of the community.

SLIPP.—In Cambridge, Queens Co., on the 14th inst., Robert Slipp, 31 years old. His end was peace. Brother Slipp professed religion two years ago and joined the F. C. Baptist Church in Upper Hampton. He was much respected and loved. His health had been poor for a number of years, but he had been going out some through the winter, and was at conference in March and took his part in the meeting. He leaves a widowed mother and 15 brothers with many friends, to mourn their loss.

J. N.

McLEAN.—Suddenly, at Waterville, on the 14th inst., Ann, relict of the late Robert McLean. Sister McLean gave herself to the Saviour some 60 years ago and was baptized by Rev. John Hamilton, in a Sunday school, where she and her husband were united with the F. C. E. denomination and remained members until their death. Our sister's last years were made very pleasant by the untiring care of her very pleasant and loving husband, who she was united with whom she passed them. She leaves five sons and one daughter, besides a very large staff of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Sister McLean was a truly Christian mother, a religious nurse in every sense of the word. By her request, the writer conducted the religious services at her funeral, which was very largely attended.—J. S.

MOTT.—At the residence of her son, in this city, on the 21st inst., of heart disease, Jane, aged 69 years, widow of the late Mr. George Mott of Three Tree Creek, S. C. She was a Christian, and died in the faith of Jesus.

PATTERSON.—At Southampton, York Co., on the 14th inst., Henry Patterson, aged 87 years, leaving 4 children and 13 grand children. He died trusting in Jesus. (Visitor and Farmer, please copy.)

NIX.—On the 25th March, after a lingering illness, Lavina, aged 16 years daughter of George Nix of Southampton. She died a Christian.

(Sentinel, Farmer and Press please copy.) SULLIVAN.—On the 11th of April at the residence of her uncle, James Aik ns, Esq., Port Medway, in the 19th year of her age, Minnie, only daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth, and the late Rev. E. Sullivan, after a long and painful illness, which she bore with remarkable resignation to the Divine will.

Professing religion about three years ago while residing in Caledonia, she became a member of the Free Baptist church in that place, and has lived a consistent Christian until her death. Although she would live for her dear mother's sake, yet she was willing to depart to be present with the Lord.—J. I. P.

RYDER.—At Lower Argyle, N. S., on 2nd inst., of inflammation of the lungs, Sarah Ann, wife of Mr. Harvey Ryder, aged 53 years, leaving a husband and 10 daughters, together with other relatives and friends to mourn their loss. The deceased professed religion about eight or nine years ago, under the labours of Rev. Wm. Downey, by whom she was baptized and united to the Argyle F. Baptist church. She remained faithful until taken away by death. For some months she was anxious about her son who was sick with consumption, as she was very desirous that he would regain his health, but she became still more anxious about his soul, and lived to see him happy in the Lord. After a few days of sickness, she passed away to her eternal reward. Their son Stillman Ryder, aged 20 years and 8 months, followed his mother in death about ten hours after. Both funerals were held on the same day, being witnessed by a large number who beheld their remains laid side by side in the grave.

SPINNEY.—At Lower Argyle, N. S., on 4th inst., after a long and painful illness, Rhoda, wife of Mr. Eben Spinney, aged 78 years, leaving sons and daughters and a sorrowing aged husband to mourn their loss. For years the deceased had been a Christian. For the past few years, she has suffered from blindness as well as other ailments. She was borne up under her sickness and sorrow and died trusting in the Lord. The "valley of the shadow of death" was not dark to her for she knew the "Son of Righteousness."

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S. J. KING.

Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office,

St. John, 23rd March, 1888.



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To leave Newcastle on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week at 9 o'clock a. m., reaching Docktown at 6 o'clock p. m., on same days. Leaving Docktown on Tuesday's, Thursday's and Saturday's at 6 o'clock a. m., reaching Fredericton at 6 o'clock p. m., on same days.

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S. J. KING.

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St. John, 23rd March, 1888.