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Professor Christlieb gives a most encouraging account of spiritual life and evangelical fervour among the rural population of Germany, especially in the Sieg country, the home of the Orangemen who freed Holland from the tyranny of Spain. Their Scripture and prayer meetings are largely attended, requiring the building of association halls; and their missionary meetings are so great that the gatherings are often of necessity held in the open air.

Provincial S. S. Association.

The fifth Annual Meeting of the N. S. S. S. Association was held last week in Woodstock. There was a large attendance, and much enthusiasm. The reports indicate a steady advance in the work.

The discussions touched all the questions involved in S. S. work. Mr. Cowden gave several lessons which must be a great benefit to teachers. Delegates are to be sent to the World's Convention to be held in London. The officers for the ensuing year are: President—George Haddow, Dalhousie.

Corresponding secretary—S. J. Parsons, Benton. Assistant secretary—James Watts, Woodstock. Recording Secretary—J. T. Fletcher, Waterville.

Vice-presidents—Restigouche, W. D. Duncan, Dalhousie; Gloucester, Mrs. J. Ferguson, Bathurst; Northumberland, H. S. Miller, Chatham; Kent, Jas. Murray, West Branch; Westmorland, Geo. Moore, Moncton; Albert, G. M. Peck, Hopewell Hill; Kings, J. C. Colter White, Hampton; St. John, T. S. Simms, St. John; Charlotte, W. L. Robinson, Miltown; Queens, S. L. Peters, Queenstown; Sunbury, Martin Emmerson, Oromocto; York, L. W. Johnston, Fredericton; Carleton, John Connolly, Jacksonville; Victoria, Rev. D. Fiske, Kinkardine.

Executive committee—Rev. T. F. Foxe, Fredericton; St. John, David Long, Apohaqui; C. R. Watson, Woodstock; W. H. Stevens, St. Stephen, W. G. Clark, Fredericton.

KINGS CO. NOTES.—Work has been resumed on the Central Ry. and track-laying is progressing favourably. Already ten miles of the road from Norton Station is completed, and in good condition for traffic. Mr. C. F. Hanington, C. E., is now the manager.

Rev. Wm. DeWare, Norton Station, was at Grand Manan attending District meeting. Rev. A. H. Hayward, Baptist, has tendered his resignation of the Springfield churches. The people wish him to remain, and, probably, he will consent to do so. Rev. R. J. Houghton, Methodist, now has charge of the churches on the Springfield circuit of the Methodist Conference.

The Norton Station F. C. B. S. S. S. picked at Nauwigewauk on the I. C. R. on Thursday, 30th Aug. The day was beautifully fine and an enjoyable time was spent by all. The Midland F. C. B. S. S. S. contemplate picnicking at the Jemseg per Steamer Belleisle. Arrangements have not yet been made. Others schools will accompany them, if they go.

Work on the new F. C. B. church at Norton Station is progressing favourably. It will be a neat little building and a credit to the community. The I. O. F. hall at the same place is nearly completed, excepting the upper flat.

MEN AND WOMEN.—Dr. Alice Vickery has just compiled some statistics as to the relative proportions of the male and female population. In the United Kingdom women are 750,000 in excess of men; in Germany they are one million. France in 1881 had only 92,000 surplus women, and, as a result, marriages and more prevalent in proportion to population than elsewhere. France has the lowest birth rate of all European countries, being 23.8 per 1,000, against 31 for Great Britain, and 38 for Germany. The average number of children to a family is now 32 there, against 46 in England and Wales, 5.25 in Scotland and 5.4 in Ireland, and Germany is almost five. People live longer, too, in France, for, taking a hundred deaths, the average of those beyond 60 is—France, 36; Switzerland, 34; England, 30; Belgium, 28; Wurtemberg, 21; Prussia, 19; Austria, 17.

A RIVAL OBSERVATORY.—The Lick Observatory is soon to have a rival nearly 1,000 feet higher than Mt. Hamilton, and situated in Colorado, at an elevation of 5,000 feet above sea-level. Mr. H. B. Chamberlin, of Denver, provides the funds for its erection; and the main instrument will be a twenty-inch telescope, a size quite sufficient for nineteen twentieths of all astronomical work, and much less unwieldy than the great Lick telescope with a thirty-six inch lens, and a tube nearly sixty feet long. The new observatory will be attached to the University of Denver.

EDUCATION IN CHINA.—That is a very important statement made by Miss Adele M. Field, Baptist missionary in Swatow, which appears in a letter to *The Popular Science Monthly*. She says that what is nothing less than a great revolution has just taken place in the educational system of China. During the past year a remarkable change has been made in the scheme of the competitive examinations whereby successful candidates for literary degrees obtain honors and offices. In the past, only a knowledge of the native classics,

with skill in the use of the native hieroglyphics, has been required of the scholar. Now, geography and natural philosophy have been added to the subjects for examination, and this action of the Government has turned the attention of students throughout the empire in a new direction. The indications are, in her opinion, that China is to follow Japan in the path of progress in Western science and philosophy, tho it may be with the slow step that accords with the magnitude of the nation.

WRITING FOR THE PRESS.—One of our exchanges advises its correspondents to observe the following rules. They are worthy of thoughtful regard: 1. Use plenty of paper. 2. Write only on one side of each sheet. 3. Number the pages. 4. Re-read your article several times, and be sure it is correctly written. Don't put the work of correcting on the editor, type-setters, and proof-reader. After you have done your best, then leave room between the lines for any corrections that may be necessary. 5. Punctuate carefully. 6. Paragraph carefully. Some persons do not make any paragraphs in their longest articles.

We learn from the *Protestant Times* that, since the commencement of the nineteenth century, 3,000 prominent British subjects have joined the Church of Rome. Of these 552 have been of nobility, 142 in the army (of whom one was a field-marshal, 6 generals, 4 major-generals.) In the navy the number was 29, including 7 admirals. Of the medical profession, there were 48; legal profession, 72; literature, 36; architecture, 12; War Office, 19 officials; publishers, 7; relatives of clergymen, 63. From Oxford University, 301; Cambridge, 149; other universities, 31. Of the clergy of the Church of England, 556. Ladies of the nobility and gentry, 1,051. From what branch of Protestantism did all these perverts come?

LONDON has a Christian police association, with a membership of four thousand. It is only five years since the association was started, and it has prospered beyond expectation. It contains at present one hundred and fifty-three branches, which extend as far as Singapore, Tasmania, South Africa, and Canada.

See adv. in another column of steam Saw Mill for sale.

Temperance Notes.

—Every town in Rhode Island, except one, has a Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

—Canon Wilberforce, speaking at a mission in Eastleigh, declared that the time had come when, if the Anglo-Saxon race did not crush out the drink, the drink would crush out the race.

—Some one says: Whiskey is extracted from old rags; but old rags are also produced from whiskey.

—A bushel of corn makes four gallons of whiskey. It sells for \$16 at retail. The Government gets \$3.60, the farmer 40 cents, the railroad \$1, the manufacturer \$4, the vender \$7, and the drinker all that is left—delirium tremens.

—In each minute in the United States, night and day, all the year round, 24 barrels of beer go down 12,096 throats, and 4830 bushels of grain come to bin.

—Prohibition is in force in eight counties of North Carolina. In Randolph county not a license for selling liquor has been issued for seventeen years.

—Judge T. K. Wilson, of the San Francisco Superior Court, was asked recently what percentage of divorces were caused by intemperance. He promptly replied, "seventy-five per cent." During the year 1887, 399 citizens of that city obtained divorces.

Literary Notes.

St. Nicholas for September has a dainty summery frontispiece. Then come the "Two Little Confederates," "Some Stories about the California Lion," "A Related, Estelle Thomson has a story about 'Knot-Holes,' and 'What Dora Did' is a story of a Dakota blizzard. There are several articles about birds. 'Dick's Farm Hand,' touches upon the labor question, and shows how a small boy found one solution of the problem. 'The Mischievous Knix,' is a quaint sort of fairy story, well illustrated.

A very practical article, is "What to do with Old Cork." The "Scent of Dogs," calls attention to some of the wonders performed by hunting-dogs. The pictures, jingles, and short verses are abundant, and the Department contains the customary amount of information for the young people.

The September WIDE AWAKE opens with a story entitled "Two Conspirators," and is illustrated. Another story, very amusing, is "Ned's Baseball Club." "A Little Lombard Hero" is a touching Italian story. There is a brace of suggestive stories entitled "Two Opportunities," showing girls and boys how they can earn some money. Miss Risley Seward has an entertaining paper, "An Abyssinian Monkey." There is a beautiful art-article for young painters entitled "Summer Lanes," it is illustrated. The serials are interesting. There is an excellent article on Daniel Defoe and another on the odd people of Corea. WIDE AWAKE is \$2.40 a year. D. Lothrop Company, Publishers, Boston, Mass.

Denominational Notices.

THE DISTRICT MEETINGS.

3. Third District Meeting to be held with the Church at Upper Hainsville, the third Wednesday in September, 1888. Ministers to attend—Rev. J. W. Clark.

CONFERENCE FUND.—It is presumed that the churches of the denominations have sent or will send their conference funds to the District Treasurers. Let the churches see to it that 25 cents per member is forwarded to Conference, if that is done, the Conference will be in a position to render aid to places much needing. The Conference will need funds also, to publish a new edition of Hand Book that is greatly called for. Brethren please attend to this important duty.

WM. PETERS, Trea. Gen. Conference.

N. S. ELDER'S CONFERENCE.—The Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Free Baptist Elder's Conference will be held in the Free Baptist Church Yarmouth, September 12th 1888, at 2 o'clock p. m. All members are expected, and it is hoped will try to be present.

T. H. SIDDALL, Secretary.

THIRD DISTRICT WOMAN'S MISSION MEETING.—There will be held during the session of the Third District meeting at Upper Caverhill, York Co., a meeting of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society. It is intended, if possible, to organize a District Society. All the local societies in the District are requested to send representatives to the meeting, and it is requested that the sisters in churches where there are no societies will also be represented. It is hoped there will be a good attendance in the interests of this important work.

Mrs. C. BURTT, District Secretary.

N. S. CONFERENCE.—The next annual session of the Nova Scotia Free Baptist General Conference, (D. V.) will be held with the Free Baptist Church in Yarmouth, Yarmouth Co. beginning Thursday Sept. 13th, 1888; at 10 o'clock a. m.

It is very important that the officers of all the churches collect and forward the dues for the Conference fund, the money is specially needed, no church should neglect it.

J. I. PORTER, Clerk and Treasurer. Barrington, Aug. 13th, 1888.

THIRD DISTRICT MEETING.—The annual meeting of the Third District will be held at Upper Hainsville York Co., on Wednesday Sept. 19th, at 10 a. m.

It is hoped all the churches in the District will send reports and be represented by delegates. Forms of reports have been sent to all the churches. If any have failed to receive them, I will supply them on being notified.

J. A. VANWART, Clerk.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS.

The following arrangements for travel have been made:—To delegates and members of Conference coming by their line the W. C. Railway will furnish return tickets, on certificate, for one third fare. Davison's Coaches for one attending, the same terms. Yarmouth & Shelbourne S. S. Co. will give free return to all attending the Conference. The Yarmouth S. S. Company will give free return to delegates.

J. I. PORTER, Clerk of Con. August 6th, 1888.

NOTICE.

The Executive of the N. S. F. B. Conference is hereby requested to meet at place of Conference, Wednesday, Sept. 12th, p. m., at close of Elder's Conference.

J. I. PORTER, August 29th, 1888.

FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

Canterbury S. School.....\$ 2 00
Church Canterbury.....1 75
Rev. T. B. Gaskin.....1 25
(for Mrs. Boyer's work) 5 00
Stephen Carlisle for Life membership 20 00
Church Tracy Mills, Centerville 11 00
Church Knoxford.....5 59
WM. PETERS, Treas.

UNION BAPTIST SEMINARY.

The following subscriptions have been recently made by churches and individuals for furnishing rooms:

German St. church.....\$ 50 00
Lienster ".....50 00
Waterloo ".....50 00
St. Martins ".....50 00
Caston F. B. ".....50 00
Moncton ".....50 00
Mr. Dow.....50 00
Parker Glazier and Geo. Miles Fred. Barnes, Q. Co.50 00
D. A. Jonah, furniture for one room.....50 00

Stock Subscriptions:

Mont McDonald.....50 00
Dr. March.....50 00
John March.....100 00
Dr. Musgrove.....30 00
John P. Wells.....30 00
Waterbury & Rising.....150 00
Rev. T. H. Martell.....20 00
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Hon. E. McLeod.....500 00
J. J. Bostwick.....250 00
Hon. G. E. Foster.....250 00
Miss.....25 00
H. D. Creed.....5 00
Lewis Crosby.....5 00
Rev. J. C. Archibald.....1 00
G. W. Fletcher.....1 00
J. A. GORDON.

The first two letters in "heroine" are male, the first three female, the first four a brave man, and the whole word a brave woman.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of Cutting Teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for Children Teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it; mothers; there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhoea, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. July 16th

With a feeble appetite and imperfect digestion, it is impossible for the body to secure the requisite amount of nourishment. Ayer's Sarsaparilla not only stimulates the desire for food, but aids the assimilative organs in the formation of good blood and sound tissue.

Deaths.

GIBBERSON.—At Andover, V. Co., on the 7th inst., Mrs. Nelson Giberson of Arthurville in the 47th year of her age. Her death was sudden and sad. We deeply sympathize with the sorrow stricken family. She rests in Jesus.

J. J. BARNES.

Marriages.

SANFORD-DEWITT.—At the residence of Thomas Williamson, St. John, on the 1st inst., by Rev. J. T. Parsons, Mr. Alonzo P. Sanford, of Taunton, Mass., and Miss Lydia A. Dewitt, of Blissville, Sunbury Co., N. B.

JEFFREY-KERR.—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. Gideon Swin, Mr. Daniel Jeffrey and Miss Harriet Kerr, both of Stanley, York Co.

CORRIS-WHITNEY.—At the house of the bride's brother, Mr. George W. Whitney, Biltown, Kings Co., N. S., by Pastor S. Nason Royal, August 31st, John B. Corris, Attorney-at-Law, No. 32 Park Place, New York City, and Miss Augusta R. Whitney of Biltown, Kings Co., N. S., daughter of the late Sylvanus Whitney.

BARTON-LUNNEY.—At Cumberland Point, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. John Coombes, Mr. Zephaniah B. Barton and Miss Rosella Lunney, all of the County of Queens, N. B.

BROOK-COX.—At Bath, Car. Co., on the 5th inst. by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Thos. T. Brooks of Simond Car Co., and Mary B. Cox of Bath.

SHAW-HALE.—At Woodstock on the 6th inst. by Rev. C. T. Phillips, Hartford Shaw of Pembroke Car. Co., and Rhoda daughter of Wm. Hale of Pembroke Car. Co.

JAMES W. BOYER, Victoria Corner, C. Co., Sept. 6, '88.

THE SUBSCRIBER offers for sale his Steam Saw Mill, situated on the bank of the St. John river, at Victoria Corner, C. Co., consisting of Rotary Mill and Edger, Shing's Machine and Lath Machine, with good steam power sufficient to run the above machinery; also power for a grist mill. There being a good opening for a grist mill in the locality, their being no mill on the west side of the river for a distance of twenty-three miles. Any person wishing to engage in the milling and lumber business, this is a good opening, as the property will be sold at a bargain and on easy terms.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the St. Lawrence Canals," will be received at this office until the arrival of the eastern and western mails on Tuesday, the 25th day of September next, for the construction of two locks and the deepening and enlargement of the upper entrance of the Galops Canal. And for the deepening and enlargement of the summit level of the Cornwall Canal. The construction of a new lock at each of the three interior lock stations on the Cornwall Canal, between the Town of Cornwall and Maple Grove; the deepening and widening the channel way of the canal, construction of bridges, etc.

A map of each of the localities together with plans and specifications of the respective works, can be seen on and after Tuesday, the 11th day of September next, at this office for all the works, and for the respective works at the following mentioned places:—

For the works at Galops at the Lock-keeper's House, Galops. For deepening the summit level of the Cornwall Canal, at Dickenson's Landing; and for the new locks, etc., at lock-stations Nos. 18, 19 and 20, at the Town of Cornwall. Printed forms of tender can be obtained for the respective works at the places mentioned.

In the case of firms these must be attached the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same and further, a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$6,000 must accompany the tender for the Galops Canal Works, and a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$2,000 for each section of the works on the summit level of the Cornwall Canal; and for each of the lock sections on the Cornwall Canal a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$4,000.

The respective deposit receipts—cheques will not be accepted—must be endorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted. The deposit receipts thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.