

—About thirteen years ago the first Protestant church in Japan was formed with sixteen members; now there are 250, with 25,000 members. In five years the number of Protestant ministers in Japan has increased from 240 to 443; the number of native ministers from 50 to 142; of licentiates and helpers from 160 to 287. But best of all, the church-members, in five years, from 1883 to 1888, grew more than fivefold, from 5,000 to 25,514.

In Mexico, Romish parochial schools have been abolished. No priest or no bishop are allowed to hold real estate. Titles vested in religious orders are worthless. Free schools have been organized under a compulsory educational law. All these advanced steps have been taken within the last twenty years. The Romish power that for four centuries dominated Mexico and retarded all progress is completely broken, and our sister republic is rapidly rising.

Until very recently the natives of Terra del Fuego were regarded as the nearest of all races of human beings to the brutes. Captain Cook was in doubt whether they possessed an articulate language, and Darwin described them as being in the lowest state of any of the inhabitants of the world. It is interesting to learn, therefore, that there is now in their midst a Christian Church, with schools, orphanage, Bible and mothers' meetings, and all the machinery of an English parish. A portion of the Bible has been translated into the native tongue, and the missionaries have prepared a dictionary and a grammar. The pioneer in this work was Captain Allen Gardiner, R. N., who first went to Patagonia in 1844, and whose missionary efforts, unsuccessful as they then seemed, have since borne good fruit.

—All over India and Burmah and Siam and China and Japan the traveler sees evidences of a power which was great and mighty in former ages, but which has no part now in the living forces of the world. It is the light coming in from Christians which has wrought this great change in all the East. The masses of people are still in darkness; but they are losing faith in their old superstitions. They are beginning to see that the new religion from the West comes to them with a message of truth and of power, of life and of liberty. It will take more than one generation to break the long bondage of ages and set the people free. But the dawn brightens in all the East, and it will shine on more and more to the perfect day. We are not to lose faith, or slacken effort, in their behalf if the day comes slowly, and sometimes the sky is overcast with clouds. It has taken a thousand years to bring forth the best life and thought we have now in America. And we must not faint or be discouraged in Christian work if it takes a tenth part as long to bring the multiplying millions of the East into the glorious light and liberty of the children of God.

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS.

REV. T. O. DEWITT is on Grand Manan. He may remain there for the year.

SEND REPORTS.—We would like to have reports from the ministers and churches of the observance of the day of fasting and prayer.

REV. JOS. NOBLE spent Sabbath 27th ult. at Bear Island and Lower Queensbury, and last Sabbath at Prince William, Dumfries and Barony. He may engage with this pastorate.

WATERVILLE, S. Co.—Licentiate Bonnell held some special meetings at Waterville a few weeks ago. There was a very good interest. One convert was baptized on the 18th ult., by Rev. W. H. Perry. Bro. B. has, since Conference, been visiting the churches at Upper Gagetown, Geary, Victoria, Russagornish, Waasis and Lincoln. We are hoping he may engage with some of these churches.

HALIFAX.—It is with heartfelt gratitude to Almighty God that we are permitted to forward a favorable report to our denominational organ with regard to this church. On Sunday evening last the ordinance of baptism was administered to two candidates before an audience which filled the church. And we are glad to be able to say that other candidates are coming forward in obedience to the command of Christ. The Sabbath and week evening services are well attended, and many dear friends asking prayers. Pastor and people are well united, and we believe that this Fall and Winter a work will be done that will not only tell in time, but through all eternity. By appointment, on Sunday the 20th, the writer preached at the city prison (Rockhead); at the close his heart was made to rejoice in seeing six of the inmates raise their hands for prayer. Many might be tempted to say, "Yes, that is all very good, but do you think

they were sincere in their requests?" I answer, we are not to judge; if we sow the seed faithfully and prayerfully, we can leave the rest with God. May the prayers of God's children be in behalf of not only those in this city but all who are bound down by strong drink. Let us not shun them, nor treat them coldly, but have the spirit of Christ within us to help them, and to do all that lieth in us to point them to the cross, and to their Saviour; by such means many shall be brought to look over their past lives, their happy homes, their beloved parents, and see how drink has brought them down lower and lower, and finally has cast them out from society; and when they ponder all this, they will, at last, through our loving and Christlike assistance seek to change their lives by looking "unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think."

A. G. JONES.

FROM REV. A. C. THOMPSON.—According to promise; I now send you my first installment of denominational news for the year from the Corn Hill pastorate. The first of last Sept., I tendered my resignation as pastor of the churches that have so long been under my care, fully expecting at the end of the year to make a change. The many expressions of regret that followed, coupled with an unanimous request from the churches to reconsider my resignation somewhat surprised me; it caused me to prayerfully inquire of the Lord as to His will in the matter, and I finally came to the conclusion, aided perhaps by the consideration of that favorite precept of Wesley's "vox populi, vox Dei" (the voice of the people is the voice of God) that it was my duty to remain on this field another year. I am not much in favour of long pastorates, however, as I believe that a rotation of ministers will tend to the promotion of the spiritual life of our churches, as well as to the lengthening of the cords, and strengthening of the stakes of the denomination. Sometimes even very good people become so attached to a certain man, that they think no one can take his place. Is not this the very same carnal spirit that Paul warns the Corinthians against? I am not quite sure but that the leading duty for a servant of God so situated would be to make a change, despite the protests of the people, especially if he is undecided as to what the will of the Lord is. I hope if ever I am so circumstanced, I shall have the wisdom to so act.

There are weak struggling churches all around me needing help badly. Some of them are able to pay a little, and others not quite so much. Last year I cared for several of these, but this year I shall not be able to do so. I hope some way will be provided to supply their pressing needs.

The Coverdale and Lewis Mountain pastorate is still without a pastor. Last year I supplied the Five Points and Wheaton Settlement churches, and Bro. A. H. McLeod supplied the Lewis Mountain church. At Conference this year I wrote and sent my resignation to those churches, hopeful that they would secure Bro. DeWitt, and so bring the pastorate together again. Bro. DeWitt visited them and tried faithfully to bring them together; but (as I see by the paper) having received a call to Grand Manan, I suppose he felt he must obey that call of duty. They still continue pastorless. A few days ago I received a note from the Clerk of the Five Points church earnestly requesting me to care for them this year, which I have consented to do until the whole circuit unites upon a man, when I will willingly step down and out.

A. C. THOMPSON.

Petitcodiac, Oct. 30, 1889.

Temperance Notes.

—The law that protects an evil is a wrong, and should be repealed.

—The *Scientific American*, commenting upon beer-drinking, affirms that "the constant use of beer every day gives the system no recuperation, but steadily lowers the vital forces." This illustrates why life insurance companies are averse to beer-drinkers as hazardous risks.

—A public-house map of Leeds has been published. There are 355 public houses, 422 beer shops, and 362 shops having off-licenses, for a population of 350,000. The annual drink bill for Leeds is estimated at £1,213,000.

—The term "high license" is a misnomer. It does not stand for the same thing in any two States in the Union. It is intended by many to mean a high fee for license. As well say "high wheat" when a high price for wheat is meant. License is sanction and protection whether one dollar or ten thousand dollars is paid. A high fee for license cannot make it right. It cannot be legalized without sin.

—The return which has just been published of the convictions for drunkenness in England and Wales during the four years from 1885 to 1888 inclusive, is not particularly cheerful

reading. The total convictions decreased during the first three years, falling from 154,601 in 1885 to 139,492 in 1887. But in 1888 there was a sudden rise to 156,809, a number which happily does not necessarily mean that about six persons out of every 1,000 not only get drunk, but disgrace themselves in such a manner as to be taken before a magistrate. We may take comfort from the reflection that there are repeated cases of the conviction of the same person. In Wales the proportion is about one conviction to every 157 people, the high ratio being partly accounted for by the figures for the county of Glamorgan, where there were 3,743 cases out of a population not quite 100 times as great.

THE C. T. A. CAMPAIGN is being carried on quietly but, we think, with good effect. Another mass meeting was held in the City Hall last Sabbath evening. A meeting for workers was held last Wednesday evening, and another on Tuesday evening of this week. As the time draws near for the vote the interest in the question increases.

THE PRINCE.—There continues to be unfavorable reports about the health of the Prince of Wales.

MR. R. A. CROPLEY, who has for about a quarter of a century carried on a printing establishment in this city, has found it necessary, on account of financial difficulties, to give up the business. All who have known of Mr. C's industry and public spirit regret that he has had to retire.

PROHIBITION.—A Prohibition Convention, composed of representatives of the Maritime Provinces, is to be held in Moncton on Wednesday of next week. The Call says:—"It is hoped the time is auspicious for uniting all the moral elements of society in a party that will be able to procure the suppression of the liquor traffic now." Papers will be read by leading Prohibitionists. All churches and temperance societies are asked to send two delegates each, and all ministers are invited to attend. Reduced fares have been arranged on the railway lines.

The Ontario branch of the Prohibition Alliance has issued a call for a meeting to be held in Toronto on the 18th December. The object of the meeting is to inaugurate a policy "for securing immediate prohibitory legislation as far as the same is within the competence of the Local Legislature" and for "electoral action for the securing of legislators in favor of prohibition."

These meetings clearly indicate the prohibition feeling existing in the country and the purpose not to play with the question nor be humbugged by political parties.

BEREAVED.—We regret to have to chronicle the death of Mrs. Hale, wife of Mr. F. H. Hale M. P. for Carleton Co. Mrs. H. was an estimable Christian lady, held in high regard by those who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. She will be sadly missed in her home, and by her many friends. The bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of a wide circle.

THE NEW TABERNACLE.—Plans have been arranged for a new tabernacle for Dr. Talmage, and he has sailed on a trip to Palestine. He expects it to be ready for dedication within a year.

REV. G. W. M. CAREY, formerly of German Street Baptist Church in St. John, has become pastor of the Ottawa Baptist Church.

INCORRECT.—One of the papers says that one of the young men who were convicted of damaging the Free Baptist Church at Grand Harbour Grand Manan, is the son of a Baptist minister. The statement is incorrect.

THE Victoria Hospital has now about a dozen patients.

MR. JOHN RUSSELL, one of the oldest residents of the city, died last week.

WHEN IT IS WET, KEEP DRY.—Fred B. Edgecombe wants one hundred and fifty men—two hundred ladies—and about a hundred boys and girls, assorted sizes, to wear as many Waterproof Garments just opened by him, "Latest Styles at popular prices."

To Our Subscribers.

THE SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT which appeared in our columns some time since, announcing a special arrangement with Dr. B. J. KENDALL Co., of Enosburgh Falls, Vt., publishers of "A Treatise on the Horse and his Diseases," whereby our subscribers were enabled to obtain a copy of that valuable work FREE by sending their address (and enclosing a two-cent stamp for mailing same) is renewed for a limited period. We trust all will avail themselves of the opportunity of obtaining this valuable work. To every lover of the Horse it is indispensable, as it treats in a simple manner all the diseases which afflict this noble animal. Its phenomenal sale throughout the United States and Canada, make it standard authority. Mention this paper when sending for "Treatise."

ALL SORTS.

Fifteen boys in the Pittsburg cooking-schools have taken prizes for efficiency in cooking.

Camels are to be employed on a new line of coaches in New South Wales, the sultry climate being very severe on horses.

"That's it!" exclaimed Mrs. Bascom at the concert, as the singers came out again in response to an encore. "Make 'em do it over again until they get the thing right."

Miss Pyrite: "What makes you such a confirmed woman-hater, Mr. Olebach?" Mr. Olebach: "Well, when I was a young man, a woman made a fool of me." Miss Pyrite: "And you never got over it?"

The objection against making lead-pencils out of paper instead of wood has been overcome. One of the difficulties has been the toughness of the paper covering and its resistance to the action of a knife. By a new process, the molecular cohesion of the paper is modified in such a manner that it can be cut as easily as cedar wood.

A German forest keeper, 62 years of age, not wishing to carry to his grave an in portable secret, has published in the Leipzig Journal a receipt he has used for fifty years, and which he says has saved several men and a great number of animals from a horrible death of hydrophobia. The bite must be bathed as soon as possible with warm vinegar and water, and when this has dried a few drops of muriatic acid poured upon the wound will destroy the poison of the saliva and relieve the patient from all present or future danger.

Much has been said about the awful curse of rum in Africa, but it is possible to state facts so that they are capable of a ridiculous turn. A minister lately addressing a woman's missionary meeting said that "thousands of gallons of rum go into Africa for every missionary who is sent there"; whereupon one of the sisters whispered to her neighbor, "Rather a large allowance of liquor for those missionaries."

When a father in Madagascar gets the notion that his daughter ought to marry, he puts a rope around her neck and leads her forth; and the first young man he offers her to has got to take her or pay a forfeit. The father thus saves the expense of light and fuel incident to two years' courtship; and the young man also saves on opera tickets and ice-cream. But the spectacle of young men darting up alleys and climbing over back fences, when a farmer starts out leading his daughter with a rope around her neck, must be a very common one in Madagascar.

There is a man in Biddeford, Me., who has whittled so industriously and skillfully for eleven years as to bring himself into notice. Among the products of his jackknife is a violin case made of 2,937 pieces of wood of 106 different kinds; a yoke of oxen and a cart, put together in a glass jar with a small neck, and a great number of really well-made animals that would readily sell as toys. But this Maine genius will not part with any of his creations for love nor money, and as he does nothing but whittle, he is getting together a large and interesting collection.

Just like a man! November 26 1884, Mrs. Hodges, of St. Louis, mailed a letter to her husband who was with Sherman's army. On reaching his regiment the letter was given to Captain Bixby to be delivered to Mr. Hodges. The captain naturally put it in his pocket. Two weeks ago he found it in the same pocket of the coat, yellow and dingy with twenty-five years' incarceration, but otherwise all right. He immediately mailed it, and Mr. Hodges received it in St. Louis, the city where it originally started. The news was a little odd, but the family enjoyed reading it.—*Washington Post*.

According to the New York Evening Sun, Long Island can boast of a farm which is operated entirely by the labor of insane people. It is known as the Islip farm and 250 lunatics are employed upon it. It was a wilderness a few years ago, but has been brought to a high state of cultivation. Grain, fruits and flowers are grown upon it, and the men engaged in their production are said to take a deep interest in their work. They were sent there from city institutions by the commissioners of charities and correction, and the experiment is declared to have proved a pronounced success.

Literary Notes.

The *Missionary Review of the World* for November is not behind former numbers. The Review shows constant growth and improvement. An interesting and thrilling paper is "The American Missionary in the Orient." It would be good effect. There are several other notable papers in the number, such as The Great Crisis in Japan, The Ministry of Money, and The Crisis in Cities, The Historic Churches of the East, a sketch of "The Student Missionary Uprising," A Christian College in Brazil, an interesting account of the recent Continental Missionary Conference at Bremen. Each of the other 7 departments is full, embracing Missionary Intelligence Correspondence, International Department, Monthly Concert, Editorial Notes, Organized Work &c. The influence of such a Review, full of thought and facts bearing on the work of world missions, is a power for good. Published by Funk & Wagnalls, 18 and 20 Astor Place, New York. \$2.50 per year; 25 cents per single number.

For the certain reading of its articles *Harper's Magazine* does not depend upon the artificial interest which the mere fact of their appearance with in its pages is sure to excite. Popular interest in the *Magazine* exists before the *Magazine* appears. For every Num-

ber takes up subjects which are before the world's mind as important topics. The November Number contains an article on "The Republic of Colombia," giving a trustworthy account of the resources and the present social, economic, and political state of Colombia. Charles Eliot Norton tells the wonderful story of "The Building of the Cathedral at Chartres," an illustration and a revelation of "the great mediæval period of creative energy." W. Hamilton Gibson identifies for his readers the notes in "the choral of the birds" that one hears on a perfect day in early June. In the editorial departments, Charles Dudley Warner arraigns last summer; George William Curtis speaks of what New England has done, describes "the Game of Newport," and explains the working of a "municipal miracle."

Marriages.

YOUNG-BECKWITH.—At the residence of Will Keith, Petitcodiac, Sept. 24th, by Rev. A. C. Thompson, Robert Young and Cecil Beckwith, both of the Parish of Salisbury, Westmorland Co.

GARLAND-LEEMAN.—At the Free Baptist Parsonage, Petitcodiac, Oct. 23rd, by Rev. A. C. Thompson, Moses Garland of Elgin Co., to Mrs. Margaret Leeman, of Coverdale, A. Co.

JOHNSTON-GUIOU.—At Midland, on the 22nd ult., at the residence of F. H. Walker, by Rev. Wm. DeWare, Mr. James Johnston of Midland, and Abigail Guiou, of Norton, King's Co.

UNDERHILL-HUMBLE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Brighton, on the 23rd ult., by Rev. T. Connor, Mr. Thos. E. Underhill, of Simonds, to Miss Vassie M. Humble, of Brighton, Carleton Co.

LINDSAY-LONDON.—On the 9th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. E. B. Gray, John A. Lindsay, of Bloomfield, and Georgina A., eldest daughter of H. T. London, Esq., Good's Corner.

Deaths.

SEEGE.—In Boston, on the 30th ult., of consumption, Sarah E., aged 40 years, wife of Robert B. Segee, formerly of this city.

DUNFIELD.—At Corn Hill, Oct. 20th, infant child of Ezekiel Dunfield, Esq., aged 2 weeks and 3 days.

GRANT.—Suddenly, on the 21st ult., at Lower Perth, V. Co., Robert Grant, in the 68th year of his age. Deceased leaves a sorrowing widow, a number of sons and daughters and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Their loss was his gain.—J. J. B.

HALE.—At her residence, Grafton, Carleton Co., on the 30th October, Emma E., beloved wife of Frederick H. Hale, Esq., M. P., aged 36 years. Her end was peace.

CAMERON.—On the 20th Oct., at the residence of Frederick H. Hale, Esq., M. P., John Cameron, formerly of South River, Antigonish Co., N. S., and lately of Tobique River, N. B., aged 60 years. (Nova Scotia papers please copy).

FERGUSON.—At the residence of her son, in Waterville, Carleton Co., on the morning of Oct. 7th, Lydia, wife of the late Thomas Ferguson, aged 73 years, leaving two sons and four daughters to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother.—Her long and tedious illness was borne without a murmur or complaint. Though her children feel her loss, they have the sweet assurance that she is now in that home which He has prepared for those who love Him.

BOONE.—At Geary, Sunbury Co., Oct. 26th, Edward J., beloved wife of James W. Boone, aged 29 years. Funeral sermon by Rev. W. H. Perry.

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