

that Peter was possibly, not probably, bishop at Rome not of Rome. He was bishop at Rome, if he was ever there, being in virtue of his apostleship, empowered to discharge at Rome and everywhere else, all episcopal functions, but he was not specially bishop of Rome nor any other place; that is, he did not take upon him the charge of any particular place the administration of any particular bishopric, that being inconsistent both with the dignity and office of an apostle, or universal bishop. Strange, very strange, that neither Peter himself, nor any of the sacred writers, give us the least hint or intimation of his having ever been at Rome. We are told of his being at Antioch, at Jerusalem, at Corinth, at Babylon, but of the great metropolis, where he is supposed to have fixed his see, not the least mention is made.

ADONIS.

Mission News and Notes.

—“We were ten years in China before we had a single convert,” said Bishop Bowman. “Now there are glorious revivals in nearly every one of our Missions there.”

—The Samoan group of islands have now a population of 30,000. In the largest of the islands there are not 50 families that fail to observe family worship. What a reproach to the many families in these Maritime Provinces where a family altar has never been erected.

—Mr. Jas. Moneo, formerly a distinguished official in the Government service in India, and late Chief Commissioner of the London police, has just gone to India to work as a missionary in the very district in which he at one time administered the government. His daughter accompanies him, and she also will be a missionary. He bears all the expense of the work.

—Friends of Italy will hear with delight of the diffusion of the Scriptures in Rome. It is said that during the first six months of 1890, 21,000 copies of the publications of the Bible Society were sold in Rome and its environs. An especially encouraging circumstance is the introduction of the Bible into Italian schools.

—At the great May meetings held in Exeter Hall, London, the proposition was made to associate the women with the men in the great missionary societies in England. The proposition was welcomed and is now being acted upon. The ladies have shown their zeal, efficiency, power, and ability in their independent societies, but in not a few cases the whole cause of foreign missions is left in their hands. Is not this a grave mistake? Can it be rectified by the formation of associate mission boards? Perhaps this question is now worthy of consideration.

—Along the West African Coast there are now 200 churches, 35,000 converts, 100,000 adherents, 275 schools, and 30,000 pupils. Thirty-five dialects or languages have been mastered, into which portions of the Scripture and religious books and tracts have been translated and printed, and some knowledge of the Gospel has reached about 8,000,000 of benighted Africans.

—One of the missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union at Ianza Manteke Congo, West Africa speaking of the “sleeping sickness” that is threatening to depopulate that section, says that the imperative need is of a hospital where blankets and certain articles of nitrogenous food can be provided for specially needy cases, and where the patients can be more under the physician’s eye. The cost would not be more than \$250. Surely that will be forthcoming. Those on the ground are doing their best to find out the cause and cure of this strange disease, which has taken away not a few of the most hopeful of the young evangelists. The superstitious natives declare that it is due to the introduction of Christianity.

—In Madagascar two missionaries of the English Society report that they have lately come upon a tribe, among the dense tropical forests of the interior, counting more than a million, who are in almost primitive rudeness. They have no intercourse with the outside world, and have no idea of money. They received the missionaries with friendliness, and were specially pleased with the medical skill shown by them in curing their sick.

—Here is an instance of the blessing wrought by a single French testament. It was given to a little girl of Romanist parents, who was for four months at the Grand Digne School, Quebec. She went home still a Romanist. Her father asked her if she had a Bible. She said she had. “You must give it to me or put it away, never to take it out.” She put it in the bottom of her trunk, and the treasure remained hidden for ten or twelve years. Then she was married and had more liberty. She began to read the Testament in the family: she and her husband were converted. Their zeal led them to labor for one of her brothers who was at her father’s house. After many

months of labor and prayer, the brother was converted. The three united in labor for a sister. She was led to Christ, and so on until the whole family of sixteen children besides the parents were converted. A brother wrote in 1886: “Through that little Testament, given to Julia at Grande Ligne thirty-five years ago, and in answer to the prayers of Madame Feller that followed it, our families, numbering eighty-five souls, are all in the light.”

—On the 4th September last, in the city of Almora, North India, says the *Independent*, there died a man who for many years accomplished a wonderful amount of good and held a position unique in the annals of missionary work. He was a native Indian, named Musuwa, and was a leper. Nearly fifty years ago he was befriended by an Englishman, and at the time of the opening of the present Leper’s Asylum, at Almora, he was admitted as one of the members. From that time to this he has suffered constantly from the ravages of the disease, and for twenty-four years has been blind. He was early converted, and from that time he has been one of the most faithful and earnest workers among his afflicted associates. Altho sightless, he was always cheerful and seemed fully conscious of all that was going on around him, and it was a real pleasure to converse with him. He was full of gladness and spiritual joy, and his popularity made him by common consent the head of the community in regard to all matters affecting them. For some weeks before his death he became feeble and weary and helpless, yet never complained, and his influence over the community by his unflinching faith and consistent Christian life was most powerful.

General Religious Notes.

—The new Y. M. C. A. building in Montreal is completed, and will be opened in a few days.

—The Methodists of Manitoba have purchased a site for Wesley College, to be erected in Winnipeg.

—Revivals are reported from Australia, all the denominations even the Episcopal, are participating in the interest. Scenes of considerable excitement are reported.

—The American Sunday-School Union makes the following report of its work during the three years ending last March. It has in this time established 5,261 new Sunday-schools in needy or destitute communities, into which were gathered 22,887 teachers, and 186,017 scholars. The results in conversions and the development of churches from these schools are 14,981 conversions and the organizing of 335 churches. This work cost about \$90,000 a year, and reaches those who are not provided for by any other agency.

—The Russian church authorities have caused the arrest of a number of Protestants in Tiflis, Caucasus, and sent them into banishment in the mountainous regions of Transcaucasia. Among them are Kalveit, a prominent merchant, and a leader among the Baptists, his son-in-law, Baghdasarian, a preacher to the Protestant Armenians Levashoff, a leading Stundist, and Mazaff, a wealthy and prominent Molokan. Almost all the leading men of the new movement are either in prison or in exile.

Home Religious News.

—The Halifax Y. M. C. A. is about organizing a boy’s branch.

—Rev. Dr. Sprague (Methodist), St. John, who has been undergoing treatment for several weeks in New York, has returned much improved in health.

—The Brussels St. St. John, Baptist church has recently been renovated and painted. The salary of the pastor Rev. J. W. Stewart, has been increased \$100.

—The Salvation Army had their annual gathering in St. John last week. There were representatives from all the Maritime Provinces, about one hundred officers being present.

—The Baptist Foreign Mission Board met in St. John on Wednesday. Rev. J. C. Archibald and wife, returned missionaries were present. Correspondence was read from the several missionary fields. The treasurer reported an expenditure of \$9,000 since August. The secretary was directed to urge the necessity of contributing more largely and regularly to the funds of the board.

—A revival of great extent and power has been in progress at Owen Sound Ont. Messrs Crossley and Hunter, Evangelists, were in charge of the meetings. The services were union, all the churches participating. Nearly six hundred people have professed conversion. One report says, “One family consisting of father, mother and eight children, has been converted. Drunkards, gamblers, atheists, as well as moralists, church adherents, many of them business men, have been brought to Christ.”

—A Jewish Rabbi, Maurice Schmullovitz, is to take up his residence in Halifax where there are several Jewish families.

—Special meetings are being held by Rev. Mr. Comben (Methodist) at Ferryville, C. Co. and with good interest.

Denominational News.

REV. JOS. NOBLE went to Beaver Harbour last week, to visit and labour awhile with the church there.

REV. F. BABCOCK is not in very good health. One of his children has been ill with fever several weeks, but is now recovering.

YEAR BOOK. The Clerk of the Conference wishes us to say that the Year Book 1891 is ready, and he would like clerks of churches and others interested to let him know how many they want. Address D. McLeod Vince, Woodstock.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. Rev. Wm. DeWare desires to thank fully acknowledge a present of \$32.40 from friends at Head of Millstream, received in August. It was accompanied by an address expressing their esteem for him personally and their appreciation of his labours for their good.

On the 19th ult., the twelfth anniversary of his marriage was celebrated by friends at Millstream. They met in the Hall, and there were present also representatives from Upper Millstream, Carsonville and Apohqui. Presents to the value of \$45.00 were given Bro. DeWare and wife. Bro. C. W. Weyman presided, and made a neat presentation address, to which Bro. D. replied. A very pleasant evening was spent, and both pastor and people were the better for it.

PENOBSCUIS, K. Co.—I see that you are expecting a report from our work at Penobscuis. I am very glad indeed to have a report to send. I returned from Conference feeling much encouraged, and with the prayer that God would give us precious souls as reward for our labors. With faith we resumed our work, and soon saw signs of His convicting power in the church at Penobscuis. Five weeks ago we began special services; on the fourteenth of November I baptized one, on the fifteenth I baptized eight and on the twenty-first five more. Because of ill-health I found it necessary to rest a week, but purpose to continue the meetings next week, when others are to be baptized.

We feel very much encouraged in our work all over the circuit. The church at Penobscuis has been greatly strengthened; backsliders are again taking their places. The interest in the church at Sussex is increasing. The Sabbath Schools in both Penobscuis and Sussex Churches are growing. They are superintended by Brother Gideon McLeod, and Captain Thomas Blanch, respectively, who are both very efficient Sabbath Schools workers. The Dutch Valley Church is doing nicely. We have also seen some revival interest there and baptized one convert. We are praying for a greater ingathering to that church and we are asking God for wisdom to direct.

A. M. MCINTOSH.

FREDERICTON.—The mercy drops are still falling, one other candidate was baptized by pastor on Sabbath last. F. C. HARTLEY.

TRACY STATION.—Some time has elapsed since I have written anything for the *Intelligencer*, and even now cannot write at any length. I find myself fairly entered upon the fourth year of toil for the Master in this part of his moral vineyard. Already I feel that I am in harmony with the Divine Will in remaining on this pastorate for another year. Looking back over the past three years spent with the Tracy Station and Fredericton Junction Churches, I can only say that they are among the most pleasant years of my life. Reminiscences of God’s kindness and that of the people throughout these localities, call for feelings of the deepest gratitude, and I know no language that can better express my feelings than that of David, as he contemplated the mercies of God, “Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all his beneficents.” Let my life be long or short, let my lot be cast where it may; as I think of those years, there will come “stealing o’er me the sweetest memories.”

Since I last wrote I have had the pleasure of baptizing four; and receiving them into the Tracy Station Church. Two of them as the result of some special effort recently put forth, and two who had previously professed faith in Christ. The church has been somewhat quickened and encouraged. I purpose, as soon as possible to enter into special labour with Fredericton Junction Church, and I feel that indications are favorable for “showers of blessing.” May the God of Heaven grant it is my prayer.

GEO. W. FOSTER.

THE YORK Co. teachers’ Institute will meet in this city on the 17 and 18 inst.

YOUNG PROLES COLUMN.—Owing to unavoidable circumstance the Y. P. C. could not be got ready for this week.

PERSONAL.—HON. Geo. E. Foster was in St. John and Kings Co. last week. He went to P.E. Island on Friday, and will be in N. B. again before his return to Ottawa.

BEREAVED.—REV. R. W. Carpenter has suffered a severe bereavement in the death of his wife. We can assure him that he has the hearty sympathy of all his brethren in the ministry, and their prayers that he may have gracious support and comfort.

SAD ACCIDENT.—A very sad accident occurred at Grand Harbour on 23 ult. when little Hattie, third daughter Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Dakin, was so badly burned, while playing with matches, that she only lived two and a half hours. To make it still more painful, Mrs. Dakin had just left home that morning for a visit to her friend in Lubec, Me. It was a very sad home-coming indeed. Great sympathy was manifested on the part of the people, old and young alike did all they could to ease the stroke. Mr. G. B. Smith (artist) telegraphed to St. John and had a beautiful wreath forwarded to them as a tribute of sympathy and respect. May He who alone can ease the anguish of the heart be their great comfort.

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Denominational Notices.

THE BOYER MONUMENT FUND.

It is proposed to erect a suitable monument at the grave of the late Rev. A. B. Boyer, in Balasore, India. Contributions are solicited. They may be sent to the editor of the *Intelligencer*, and they will be acknowledged in the paper as received. It is believed that many will desire to help erect a modest stone at the grave of the beloved brother who gave his life to the mission work.

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JOHNSON-HALL.—At the residence of the bride's father, Penobscuis, Kings Co., N. B. on the 29th ult., by Rev. A. M. McNinch, Mr. Wm. C. Johnson, of St. John, N. B., to Miss Victoria Hall, youngest daughter of Jacob Hall, Esq.

DICKINSON-RAFFORD.—At Houlton, Me., Nov. 20th, by Rev. J. E. Gosline, Mr. R. B. Dickinson, and Miss L. L. Rafford, both of Houlton, Me.

CAMPBELL STONE.—At the Free Baptist Parsonage, Houlton, Me., Nov. 25th, by Rev. J. E. Gosline, Mr. Wm. D. Campbell and Miss Annie A. Stone, both of Houlton, Me.

DYMOND GODFREY.—At F. B. Parsonage Houlton, Me., Nov. 25th, by Rev. J. E. Gosline, Mr. Jacob H. Dymond and Miss Martha M. Godfrey, both of Woodstock, N. P.

SMITH-KELLY.—On the 3rd Dec., at the minister's residence in Carleton, by Rev. G. A. Hartley, Mr. Charles E. Smith and Miss Dorothy L. Kelly, both of Randolph, St. John Co.

ARMSTRONG-BROWN.—At the F. C. B. parsonage, North End, St. John, Dec. 2nd, by Rev. B. H. Nobles, Allison E. Armstrong to Bertha M. Brown, both of St. John.

NICKERSON-MCKINNON.—At Clark's Harbor, Cape Island, on Nov. 25th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Nickerson, by the Rev. F. W. Reader, Mr. Colin Nickerson, of Clark's Harbor, to Miss Annie McKinnon, of Cape Negro Island.

NICKERSON-MCGRAY.—At Centreville, Cape Island, on Dec. 2nd, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. F. W. Reader, Mr. Alfred B. Nickerson to Miss Alice McGray, both of Cape Island.

Deaths.

PYRAH.—At Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 27th, Hannah Amelia, beloved wife of Charles Agar Pyrah and daughter of Rev. F. B. Agar, aged 32 years. (Yarmouth Herald please copy.)

CROWELL.—At Clark's Harbor, Nova Scotia, Nov. 16th, Lillian, beloved wife of Nathaniel Crowell aged 25 years. Our sister had for some time been afflicted through mental suffering, caused by the loss of her husband. Her hopes were entertained at first that soon she would be in her usual health. Towards the last it was realized that recovery was past hope; and in a remarkable manner, ere she passed away like one waking from a dream, she came to herself, and understood that death was near. Weary with her suffering, she longed to depart. At the age of 20 she gave her heart to God, was baptized by Rev. C. B. Atwood, and united with the Clark's Harbor Free Baptist church. Hopeful, helpful, kind and good, she sought to live at peace with God and all around. With a good mind and a good heart, she strove to honor her Saviour, and do what she could for His church and cause. Her loss is great to her bereaved husband and two children, and to her sore stricken family, to whom she was greatly endeared. But their sad loss is her great gain. A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral which was conducted by the writer assisted by the Rev. G. E. Sturges. An address was given from the words, “What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.” The bereaved have the sympathy of the community. God grant they may, through the grace of Christ, be enabled to say, “not my will, but thine, O Lord, be done.”—T. H. SIDDALL.

CARPENTER.—At Stanley, York Co., Nov. 28th, of inflammation, Manie E., beloved wife of Rev. R. W. Carpenter, in the 24th year of her age, leaving a sorrowing husband, an infant babe, father, mother and two sisters to mourn their sad and sudden bereavement. Our sister was sick only seventeen days, yet their was crowded into that short time a great deal of most excruciating pain. She was conscious of her approaching end, and bore her intense suffering with the calm fortitude and patient resignation of a true Christian. As she neared the margin of the river, and was told she only had a little time to live, she replied “It is God's will, it is well.” She gave directions regarding her funeral, and left a touching affectionate message to those who had recently started in the Christian life, to be faithful, loyal and true; she also made a dying appeal to her young acquaintances who were unsaved, to give their lives and services to Christ. After commending her loved ones to the care and protection of a covenant keeping God, with a confidence born of a trusting faith, she stepped peacefully down into the valley, triumphing through Christ over the power of the destroyer and entered into rest. In her short residence in Stanley, she had endeared herself to a large circle of valued friends, who loved her for her

sterling qualities of head and heart. The respect in which she was held by the community was manifest in the large gathering at her funeral. The entire community, irrespective of class or sect, seemed to vie with each other in extending condolence and sympathy to Bro. Carpenter in his deep bereavement, and their kindness was not only highly appreciated by our brother, but it went a long way in assisting him to bear his heart crushing sorrow. The funeral sermon was preached by the writer from a text (John 14:1) selected by our sister, to a large congregation. The services were solemn and impressive. The Methodist minister on the Stanley circuit was present, and assisted in the exercises. J. T. P.

JONES.—At St. John, in October last, Harry, fifth son of William and Harriet Jones, Master Harry was a great sufferer for about eighteen months. Yet patiently bore it. It certainly seemed that the Jesus who took little children in His arms and blessed them were with him giving comfort and grace. “Suffer little children to come unto me.” During my pastorate here, this home has never been without some member of the family being sick. Since my first visit, they have buried three of their boys and their remains now sleep in the rural cemetery. May the Great Comforter comfort them in their bereavements.—B. H. N.

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