

Zion." Our regular meetings have been well attended since, and very lively and interesting, the new born souls filling with promptness their place in the house of God. There are a few others who are taking part in the meetings; we expect to baptize them in the near future.

W. J. HALSE.

ANOTHER A. C. F. SOCIETY.—Monday evening June 11th we met for the purpose of organizing an A. C. F. Society in connection with the Victoria St. Church, St. John. After fully explaining the nature of such a Society, together with object, and its relation to God, the church, and the unsaved, we proceeded to organize, having taken the names of those present desirous of uniting together, for aggressive christian work. We had twenty-three—eighteen active, and five associate. We then proceeded with the election of officers, and Committees as required by the Constitution. The pastor, Rev. W. J. Halse, was chosen President, Vice-President, Frank Forst: Sec'y—Treasurer, Pearl Jordan. Since the organization some six have asked admission. Of course we will grow. We feel now as if we were in touch with this grand movement, namely the young people's movement. The church gives to the new society the Tuesday evening service, so that Tuesday evening, weekly, will be A. C. F. night. There is one thing we feel the churches need to do, and that is to keep in touch with the young people's societies, whatever may be the name they bear. The older members cannot afford to stand separated from the society or their meetings. This movement is of God, and all God's people need to be in hearty sympathy, and co-operation with it. We ask the prayers of all for our success.

For the Sec'y,

W. J. HALSE.

June 14th, '94. Pastor.

FROM REV. J. NOBLE.—According to promise I write a few lines. I left home the 25th of May; stopped the first night with brother Leonard Slipp; he has been quite unwell all winter. The next day I went to the Barony, and so on until I got to Dumfries, where I remained over Sunday. In the morning I went to hear Mr. Ross (Presbyterian), and he preached a good sermon; in the afternoon I had a meeting in the Lonsbury meeting house. The people have established a prayer meeting there now. The next night I reached Marysville, and had a pleasant visit with Bro. Parsons. Next morning, while riding along up the Nashwaak, I thought how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. I stopped to see brother Charles Wade, and found sister Wade still in bed, to which she has been confined about fourteen years, patiently, waiting until her change comes. That afternoon I drove to brother Michar, White's; he has been sick all winter but is somewhat better now. I remained all night with them. The next day I got to Stanley. I remained there two Sundays. The first was very wet and only a few got out. I visited as many families as my strength would permit. Saturday was conference, a goodly number got out, and we had a good meeting; all took part willingly. Sunday morning I was at Cross Creek, and in the afternoon at Ward Settlement; both meetings were, I believe profitable, especially the afternoon one. I find brother Bonnell has a good inheritance among the people. Monday morning I started for home; got to Caverhill a little after three, at 4 p.m. an hour and a half to feed and get dinner, and made a new acquaintance. I went on and spent the night with brother Jones. He says brother Hart's labours have been a great help to them. The next morning I left for Woodstock, reaching home a little after noon. Almost three weeks were spent in the trip, very pleasantly to myself and, as far as I could know, to the people, and I trust to some profit to them. After the Second District I propose to go to Upper Gagetown to spend a few days, and then on to the Fifth District meeting. I was in hopes I could have been to the Sixth and Seventh, as I want to go to the island once more before I go to my home on high. My health is good and my strength holds out well, thanks be to G. d. Your brother in the kingdom patience of the Lord Jesus Christ send greeting to all.

J. NOBLE.

June 13th, 1894.

RUSIAGORNISH, SUNBURY CO.—A Sabbath school concert was held in the church at this place on the 26th ult. The chair was occupied by Rev. S. J. Perry who opened the meeting with a few encouraging remarks on Sabbath schools. The programme consisted of recitations, dialogues, and reading, all appropriate for the occasion. The Chairman in his closing address spoke of the success of the entertainment and warmly congratulated the ladies for the result of their efforts. The collection, which amounted to \$8.00, goes towards getting a new Library for the Sunday school.

A profitable and successful pie social was also held on Saturday evening, the 9th inst. Rev. S. J. Perry presided. The well known and clever gentlemen, Wellington Hoyt and W. J. Noble were elected auctioneers. The house was well filled and every one seemed to enjoy themselves. The proceeds which amounted to \$61.90 goes to the benefit of the F. C. Baptist church.

FROM F'TON JUNCTION.—Some time ago I wrote you that the religious interest on this circuit was growing; and that we were beseeching a shower of blessing. The Lord is answering our prayers.

Though in the midst of the farming season the time seemed so ripe that we felt it wrong to neglect it.

On Wednesday, 6th inst. we began a series of special services at F'ton Junction. The devil has a strong hold on the place. There are reported to be no less than four rumshops in the place, each with a share of patronage, each working its deadly evil. The presence of so much power for wrong and sin were at once an incentive to action for our people—especially the young men—and at the same time rendered the task of reclaiming them or saving them from the snares, one of utmost difficulty. But we are finding that when "the Lord works none can hinder," and that when "Zion travaills she shall bring forth." In earnest prayer for strength we are fighting for victory, and the Master is with us.

Steadily encroaching on the domain that Satan had usurped we began to win from the first, and steadily each victory helped us "some other to win." In quiet, sober earnestness the young men and women beseech their determination to trust in Jesus Christ for pardon from sin, and in his strength to press on toward "the mark of the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus, our Lord."

The cheering accents of their loving testimonies cheered and are still cheering us to more earnest prayer for God's continued blessing. Yesterday, Sabbath Day, June 17th, eleven happy converts were baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. After the evening service of the same day, these with three others received the right hand of fellowship in connection with the F'ton Junction church, making a total addition of fourteen thus far. We are trusting that this is only the beginning of better days, and that many more will come to Jesus.

As the christian faith, and moral sentiment grows in the community I hope it may become sufficiently strong to kill out the rumshops. How long it will be before it will be accomplished I cannot tell, but the sooner the better; for I could wish the community were utterly free from such "works of darkness," fruitful only with evil.

Trusting in the Master for strength to "go forward," I remain,

W. R. REUD.

Tracey Station, Sun. Co., June 18th, '94.

A. C. F.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the United Society of Advocates of Christian Fidelity will be held at Fairport, N. Y., August 24, 25, 26. A strong programme has been arranged. A large delegation is expected. Questions of the deepest importance to Free Baptist young people will be discussed. The prayers of all our people are asked that this Convention may be of special power because of the presence of God with us.

SARAH C. PERKINS,
General Secretary.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.—Reports of the Presbyterian General Assembly have occupied considerable space in the St. John dailies during the last week. Rev. Dr. McKay, the veteran missionary was elected moderator.

DEATHS.—Mr. C. H. Fairweather, of the firm of Hall & Fairweather, St. John, died last week. Mr. Fairweather was one of the best known and most highly esteemed business men in the Maritime Provinces.

Mr. J. G. Byrne, manager for the Western Union Telegraph Co., in this city, died very suddenly on Tuesday of last week. Mr. Byrne was much respected by all classes of citizens.

PARLIAMENT.—It is now intimated that Parliament is not likely to prorogue before the middle of July.

SUNDRIES.—Chinese gardeners are said to be the most expert fruit growers in the world. The principal Paris founding asylum receives over 3,000 infants every year. Last year there were in Vienna 316 suicides and 338 attempts. Iron and steel are made by native tribes in the interior of Africa. Idaho has 136 convicts, all males. Michigan has 563 convicts, all males. Freight handlers on the Prussian railroads make an average of fifty-two cents a day. One founding asylum in Moscow receives 12,000 infants every year. The boys are trained for the navy. Ireland has 107,774 paupers—that is, inmates of the almshouses or in receipt of outdoor assistance. The charity schools of Great Britain are maintained at an annual expenditure of \$21,000,000. The charitable associations of France give away in alms every year over \$25,000,000. Jupiter is 1,300 times larger than the earth. In the public schools of Germany the girls are taught to sew. There are 23,000 species of fishes, one-tenth of which inhabit fresh water. An insurance company in Philadelphia declines to insure the lives of football players. To protect an invention all over the world sixty-four patents are required. They cost \$17,500. It is a cruel operation to rob the ostrich of its feathers. Each quill is so tightly imbedded that when drawn out it is covered with blood. The charitable bequests in London every year exceed \$5,000,000. There are in the United States 73,045 inmates of the public almshouses. Vineland, N. J., has a paper bottle factory, which is said to be the only one in the United States. In Turkey the house a man lives in cannot be seized for debt, and sufficient land must be left to serve to support him.

Voices and Echoes.

God chastens, afflicts, warns, punishes, but he never scolds.—United Presbyterian.

Preachers and parents who have the scolding habit may find something to think about in this; and may perhaps be moved to abandon the bad habit.

There are to be two pilgrimages from these provinces to the shrine of St. Anne de Baupre, Que., this summer. One goes from Sackville, N. B., and the other from Halifax, the latter on July 16. On reaching their journey's end the pilgrims will march to the church in procession, when the programme of services will be made known. Particularly worthy of a visit to St. Anne is the new chapel of the "Scala Santa," a reproduction of the hall in which our Lord was judged by Pilate. It contains a fac-simile of the "Scala Santa," or holy staircase at Rome.—Globe.

These people expect to get physical or spiritual benefit, or both, by visiting the "shrines" and gazing upon or touching certain alleged "relics." Is this really the end of the nineteenth century?

In Montclair, N. J., recently there was a typhoid epidemic, resulting, as investigation by the Board of Health demonstrated, from the use of infected milk. Within two weeks there were reported to the Board forty-five cases of fever, and two deaths resulting therefrom. In the family of a milk-vender named Gould there was a case of typhoid fever. By authority of the local Board of Health, Gould's business has been stopped. A close watch is being kept upon other milkmen, and thus it is hoped the dread disease may be effectually stamped out.—Nat. Temp. Advocate.

That was all right. The Board of Health would have been guilty if it had failed to take such steps to prevent the spread of disease. But, the question arises, if such steps can be taken in the interests of the public health, why should the infinitely more deadly rum traffic be not only permitted but authorized?

The old maxim as to saying naught but good of the dead was not observed at the funeral of Polo Jim, (a notorious gambler.) in New York on Sunday. The Methodist parson who was called to officiate at the services recited the sins of the deceased and roundly denounced him for his profligacy. In so many words he consigned the dead man's soul to perdition and warned the gamblers and gambling house waiters in the audience to stop in their travels on the same road. It was the strangest funeral service that sporting men have known.—Boston Herald.

The minister might have erred in being too denunciatory, though the paper's saying he denounced the dead man is no proof that he did. Preachers are often said to denounce men and things when they are simply honest and plain-spoken. To have spoken good things of the wicked man would have been lying. To have said nothing in such a case would have been almost as bad. The thing to do was to speak the truth, in love, and earnestly warn the living against like evil ways. This the minister evidently did. Of course he would not please the "sporting fraternity," nor meet the approval of papers which cater to that class.

The General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church has dishonored itself. In a sickly, sentimental manner it excuses itself from taking any action on the notorious Breckinridge case, on the ground that "as the supreme judiciary of the church it would be highly improper for the

assembly to express an opinion in a case which is before a lower court."—Telescope.

To which our contemporary adds that such an exquisitely fine sense of propriety does no credit to a church whose mission is (if it has any mission at all) to lift fallen humanity from a state of social and moral pollution. It is exactly on a par with that sense of propriety which caused the priest and the Levite to pass the man who had fallen among thieves.

A religious journal that always keeps a sharp eye to windward, ready to change its opinions at any moment that it sees popular sentiment is changing, is a paper whose praise no sensible man will covet, and whose acrimonious criticism no honest man will fear.—Telescope.

And the minister, or other man, whose chief anxiety is to watch for popular currents, that he may determine his course thereby, is equally unworthy. It is the way of the small politician.

Literary Notes.

Especially timely and valuable papers characterize the contents of recent issues of *Littell's Living Age*. We would call particular attention to "Kossuth and the Hungarian War of Liberation," "A Visit to the Tennysons in 1839," "The Queen and Her Permanent Minister," "A Note on Walt Whitman," "A Russian View of the American Press." The papers on Kossuth, Tennyson and Gladstone are full of interest. A generous offer recently made by the publishers, is to send the 13 numbers of the magazine, forming the first quarterly volume of the new series (Jan. to March 1894), free to any one remitting six dollars in payment for the nine months, April to Dec., inclusive, 1894. This offer will be kept open through June. The subscription price is \$8.00 a year. Specimen copies 15c. each. LITTELL & CO., Boston, Mass., are the publishers.

The *Canadian Magazine* for June is among the best of the current monthlies in the quality, interest, and variety of its contributions. The illustration is creditable and the descriptive and general articles entertaining. "The Machine in Honest Hands," "The Japanese View of Japan," "Foot Distortion in China," "How to Beautify a Home," "W. R. Meredith at Home," "The Little Maid Marian," "The Siller Weddin," "The St. Lawrence Canal Route" and "The Ottawa Conference," are amongst the contributions. The illustrated articles are: "Three Years Among the Eskimos," "In North-western Wilds," "On St. Clare's Broad Bosom," "The Safest Ships Afloat," "Photo-topography on the Alaskan Frontier." Published by The Ontario Publishing Co., Toronto; \$2.50 per annum.

Two college students, Messrs. Allen and Sachleben, who are contributing to the *Century* a record of their trip "Across Asia on a Bicycle," devote the June paper to a description of "The Ascent of Mt. Ararat." This trip was part of a remarkable journey made around the world by these students, who left New York for Liverpool on the 23d of June, 1890, and returned by way of San Francisco on the 3d of June, 1893, the distance traveled on the bicycle alone being 15,044 miles, which is said to be the longest continuous land journey ever made around the world. Their ascent to Mr. Ararat was made on the 4th of July. This was the first time that this peak (which is 17,260 feet high) had even been ascended by Americans. The illustrations of the article are from photographs made by the cyclists and are chosen from a collection of 2500 views.

More than a hundred members of the British Parliament have addressed a circular to the editors of the daily papers of the Kingdom, setting forth the evil effects of the publishing of details of crime and of sensational matter, in the name of humanity, to stop such publications. It is not likely that the editors will pay much attention to this petition, but it is, all the same, testimony from an authoritative source, to the magnitude and seriousness of the ruin which those text-books of all villainy, the newspapers, are working. We have been trying, as best we could, now for several years to make plain the mischief which the papers have been causing in our own country. They inculcate partisan prejudice and unreasonable hatred of foreign nations; they are recklessly untruthful in stating the doings or purposes of their political opponents; they shamefully violate all privacy, personal or domestic; they apologize for, defend, or encourage gambling, drinking, and licentiousness, and, in short, have but one criterion for any proposed course—*Will it pay?* It can not be hoped that such an institution can be petitioned or even scolded into decency. One might as well try methods upon the saloon, the brothel or the gambling hell. When Parliament has let off its suppliant knees, and pass a religious law that the average newspaper is obscene and inflammatory, and, therefore, not admissible to the mails, and not fit for homes, it will be doing something somewhat adequate to the demands of the times.

Denominational Notices.

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Proceeds of a Bee hive in
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June 16, '94 Treasurer.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

The Annual Meeting of the Fifth District of F. C. Baptists of N. B., for 1894, will be held with the First church Kars, K. Co., on Wednesday the fourth day of July. Social conference at 10 a. m. Business meeting at 2 p. m. The officers of each church are re-

quested to have reports of churches and Sabbath Schools, Foreign, Home Mission and General Conference monies in the hands of the delegates to be presented to said meeting through its Treasurer.

Reduced rates, to persons travelling to meeting by steamer will be asked for.

ALBERT PALMER,
Clerk.

SEVENTH DISTRICT MEETING.

The Seventh District meeting will meet with the church at White Head Grand Manan, Charlotte Co. on Saturday the 14th day of July, at 10 o'clock a. m. The several churches comprising the District will be particular to have their reports as full as possible, and to be sure to have the conference fund forwarded to the meeting by their Delegates.

WM. PETERS,
Clerk of District.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

First District Meeting, at Bath, C. Co., the First Saturday in July, 1894. Ministers to attend: Revs. G. F. Currie, G. W. Swin, A. H. McLeod, F. C. Hartley, E. B. Gray, T. Connor, J. Noble. Rev. C. T. Phillips to preach the annual sermon.

Third District Meeting, at Temperance Vale, York Co., the third Friday in September, 1894. Ministers to attend: Revs. J. J. Barnes, S. J. Perry, Rev. W. R. Reud to preach the annual sermon.

Fourth District Meeting, at Rusagornish, S. Co., the Second Friday in September, 1894. Ministers to attend: Rev. G. W. Foster, W. H. Perry, J. W. Clarke, J. T. Parsons, A. Perry, Rev. J. H. Erb, to preach the annual sermon.

Fifth District Meeting the First Wednesday in July, 1894, at First church, Kars, K. Co. Ministers to attend: Revs. K. W. Foster, G. A. Hartley and J. H. Erb.

Sixth District Meeting, at Dover, W. Co., the Second Friday in July, 1894. Ministers to attend: Revs. J. J. Barnes, J. Perry, C. B. Lewis, A. H. McLeod, G. F. Currie, Rev. B. H. Nobles to preach the annual sermon.

Seventh District Meeting at White Head Island, the Saturday previous to the full moon nearest the 31st day of July, 1894. Ministers to attend: Revs. B. H. Nobles, D. Long, E. B. Grey, G. W. Swin, and H. Hartt. Rev. G. A. Hartley to preach the annual sermon.

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Marriages.

WORMELL-URQUHART.—At the residence of the officiating minister, on June 10th, Elder W. C. Perry, Austin Wormell of Woodward Cove, Grand Manan to Teresa C. Urquhart of Costello, Grand Manan.

EGGAR-SPRAGG.—At the residence of the bride's father, June 13, by Rev. David Long, John E. Eggar of Springfield, K. Co. to May E. Spragg of Kars, K. Co.

Deaths.

SMITH.—Sister Annie Smith, wife of Joseph Smith, of Bridgewater, Maine, departed this life March 23d, 1894. Sister Smith was the only daughter of the late Bernard Gidney, of Houlton. It can truthfully be said that a child of God has gone home. Her life was devoted to the work of the Master. Though the care of a farmer's house and of seven children devolved upon her, she found not only time to attend the meetings of her church, but to do a large amount of temperance and benevolent work. To relieve human suffering, present and prospective, was the end for which she lived and labored. She regarded intemperance, as the despoiler of the home and the cause of more suffering than any other evil; she therefore felt justified in devoting her time and means to any work that promised to lessen its evils and procure its final overthrow. The church and Sabbath school deeply feel their loss, the W. C. T. U. misses the inspiration of her presence and the wisdom of her counsels, the community feels that a dear friend has left them, while all feel that she "has fought the good fight and finished her course."

SOMERVILLE.—At Norton Station, on June 4th, of lung trouble Gertrude's beloved wife of John Somerville in the 42nd year of her age, leaving a sorrowing husband, 2 sons and 2 daughters to mourn the loss of a kind wife and mother. Sister Somerville professed religion and was baptized under the labors of Rev. John Perry. She was beloved by all who knew her. By her death the church and community sustain a loss. But our loss will be her gain. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

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