

vent building, intended that the schools carried on in such buildings should be bona fide and conducted in all respects in accordance with the common schools act and regulations of the board of education.

2nd.—That their idea does not establish that there has been any Roman Catholic priestly or clerical interference with the schools in the town or village, or in any of the school districts of the county of Gloucester.

3rd.—That the trustees in the town and village districts had not, up to the time of my holding the investigation in the town of Bathurst in May and June last, discharged their duties as trustees as efficiently as they might have done in regard to having a satisfactory grading of the schools of the town and village, notwithstanding the constant efforts and directions of the chief superintendent of the board of education looking to that end.

4th.—That there has been a tendency on the part of the trustees both in the town and village to grant permits to Roman Catholic children to attend the school rooms in the convent building in which the Sisters of Charity are teachers, to a larger extent than is consistent with the satisfactory grading of the school in both the public school buildings and the rooms in the convent school buildings, taken as a whole school district, and this I consider largely attributable to the desire of Roman Catholic parents to have their children placed as pupils in schools in which the sisters of charity are teachers. The directions and requirements of the Chief Superintendent of Education as contained in his letters of the 24th of December, 1892, to the trustees of both districts, if fully carried out would appear under all the circumstances, of population, religion and nationality, to reasonably meet the requirements of the case, and be likely to produce a reasonably satisfactory system of grading in both town and village.

5th.—The evidence establishes that several of the teachers in Bathurst town and village, have during the recreation hour at noon, taught the Roman Catholic catechism and given religious instruction during such hour, after the dismissal of the pupils at noon and before the hour for reassembling in the afternoon, under the full belief that such hour was not a part of the teaching day. While this was an infringement of the law, according to the regulation, as I have interpreted it, it was not, in my opinion, a wilful infringement of the law, inasmuch as the teachers who so taught the catechism honestly believed that the recreation hour was no part of the teaching day.

6th.—That Roman Catholic prayers have been used at the opening and closing of the schools in certain of the schools, but that they have been so used with the permission of the school trustees under the wording of school regulation 22, which permits the use of prayers approved by the school trustees, and Roman Catholic prayers have also been used in a few of the schools at the close of the morning session of the school and at the opening of the afternoon session, the teacher who so used such prayers being under the impression that he or she was to open or close each school session, forenoon and afternoon, with prayer, and not with any intention in so doing of violating the school law or school regulations.

7th.—That in a few, but in perhaps not more than three or four schools in Gloucester county, which are all situated outside the town and village, the Roman Catholic catechism may have been taught by the teachers in the school service, during school hours, the instances going back to the years 1878 or 1879 and 1884.

8th.—That no Protestant child or pupil has been forced by any teacher to kneel or cross himself or herself in school.

9th.—That no Protestant pupil was ordered by the teacher of any school to leave the same because he would not kneel in the said school with the Roman Catholic pupils nor did he leave the school under and by reason of such order.

10th.—That some of the Protestants of the town and village object to the licensing of Sisters of Charity as teachers, and refuse to send their children to any department in which the teacher is a Sister of Charity.

A Boy's Essay on Breath.—Breath is made from air. We breathe always with our lungs, and sometimes with our livers, except at night, when our breath keeps life going through our nose while we are asleep. If it wasn't for our breath, we should die whenever we slept. Boys that stay in a room all day should not breathe; they should wait till they get out doors. For a lot of boys staying in a room make carbonic acid; and carbonic acid is more poisonous than mad dogs, though not just the same way. It does not bite; but that's no matter as long as it kills you!

Denominational News.

Rev. J. G. McKenzie writes that he is well and at work for the Master. He is holding special meetings nightly at Patterson Settlement. The Lord is blessing the work.

CONNELL, CAR. CO.—God has blessed the church at Connell with a good revival. The church has been helped, wanderers reclaimed and sinners converted. Last Sunday the 25th of March, I baptized three and united them with the church. Others have found peace in believing and will be baptized soon. Rev. G. F. Currie was with us in a few meetings, and his clear presentation of the truth was greatly enjoyed by the people. Bro. Bonnell has assisted in the meetings. He is an earnest worker. I expect (D. V.) to administer baptism at Upper Brighton to-morrow, Apr. 1st. The spiritual condition of this church is improving. Bro. Bonnell will assist me in special meetings at Charleston next week. Pray for us.

GIDEON SWIM.

FROM TRACEY MILLS.—The many friends and acquaintances of Elder E. B. Gray, will be glad to learn, that as he borders on to his three score years and ten, that he is hale and hearty. Yesterday was the 69th anniversary of his birth. And as his friends have been wont to do for a number of years, on his birthday they met at his home, completely filling his house, and practicing taking possession for the time being.

The writer was chosen chairman of the meeting with Capt. John Adams, secretary, and R. W. Webb Esq. treasurer. A number of baskets, prepared by the ladies, were put up and quickly sold by auction, Mr. John Rideout acting as auctioneer, a position which no man could fill better. After a few moments, which was spent in demolishing the contents of the baskets, the chairman in a few remarks, on behalf of the company, presented Bro. Gray with the net proceeds of the sale, which amounted to \$35.00 in cash. Bro. Gray in a neat and feeling speech thanked his friends for coming to his home, and in such a tangible way expressing their kind regards for Mrs. Gray and himself.

Bro. Noble being present was called upon. He spoke of his life long acquaintance with Bro. Gray and the high esteem in which he held him as a man of integrity and uprightness; and as a devoted minister of the gospel. Rev. Jos. F. Wellington, rector of Wicklow, made a humorous and happy speech, congratulating Bro. Gray and hoping he would find some use for the money. Bro. G. Swim of Hartland, expressed his great pleasure at being present. He spoke of the friendly relations existing between Bro. Gray and himself since their first acquaintance, and hoped it may always continue.

A few remarks by some of the laymen, the singing of a hymn and prayer by Bro. Noble brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

G. F. CURRIE.

Tracey Mills,

March 27, '92.

FROM REV. S. J. PERRY.—Since writing I baptized one and united four with the French Lake church. Their prayer meetings are very interesting and largely attended. We are hoping before the year ends to see all made savingly acquainted with Jesus. Having received a very urgent call I went to Rusagornish which resulted in an extensive revival (which has all ready been reported). Thirty-four were baptized and thirty-three united with the church. I have engaged with them for one half of my time till conference. Since coming to this field last Fall the blessing of God has crowned our weak effort, we have seen revival in each church. I have baptized ninety persons and ninety-five have united with the churches.

I am now at Waterville and expect to have baptism soon. My heart has been made glad as I have read the account of revivals in a number of our churches. Pray for us.

S. J. PERRY.

March 30th, '94.

FROM MARYSVILLE.—The blessed work of Revival in Marysville still continues with unabated interest. A large number, deeply impressed, are anxiously seeking the Saviour with their faces turned thitherward. Christians are praying, working, rejoicing, and the good Lord is giving them to see most blessed and encouraging results. Since my last report thirteen have followed Christ in Baptism and eleven others have offered themselves as candidates and await the ordinance next Lord's day. God is blessing us abundantly, and the end is not yet.

J. T. PARSONS.

March 30th, 1894.

The Baby Did It.

Prison reform is in the air. The novel experiences of a Russian jailer furnishes a hint that those who have to do with a class of prisoners may act upon. The jailer and his wife had just arrived to take charge of a large prison in one of the central provinces. The Colonel was a terrible disciplinarian, but a kind enough man in his way. His wife was a gentle little enthusiast, and had made up her mind to reform all the female prisoners. This particular goal had a very bad reputation, and the female prisoners especially were often in mutiny. Colonel V. got along famously with the males, but the females were too much for him, and he meditated flogging and all sorts of terrible measures. Once Mrs. V. took a walk through the prison yard when the female prisoners were exercising. Behind her walked a nurse, with her baby. The prisoner, as soon as they got sight of the baby, flocked around, and Mrs. V., at first fearing violence, was relieved to see that only babbling was intended. First one and then another of the women begged to hold the child a moment, and some laughed with joy and many shed tears. Madame V. had a happy thought, and she spoke it out. "The best conducted woman of you all at the end of the week will be allowed to nurse baby for half-an-hour." Never was a change so instantaneously wrought. The women became as little children, amenable to every word of the warders, and at the week's end it was with the utmost difficulty that Madame V. could decide, among so many well-conducted prisoners, which had the best claim to the promised reward. The baby's visits were afterwards frequent, and the female wards were completely reformed.

Draining the Mexico Valley.

Within a mountain some sixty miles in diameter are situated the valley of Mexico and the chief city of the Republic. For nearly three centuries the work of constructing a drainage system has been prosecuted, though, of course, with many interruptions. One of the early Spanish governors undertook to build a tunnel thirty miles long for this purpose. The tunnel kept caving in, and hundreds of slaves found their graves in the debris. Then the tunnel was changed into a ditch, and for many generations the excavation went on. About ten years ago the government undertook to complete the great work and placed a loan in London for the purpose. The old ditch was to find an outlet by a six mile tunnel out through the mountain range, connecting at the exit with a river flowing into the Gulf of Mexico. This modern system will cost \$10,000,000, and is nearly completed. The sluggish sewers of the City of Mexico will then be graded, and connected with the great outlet, which will change the capital from one of the sickliest to one of the healthiest cities in the world.—Herald.

REPORTS.—We have received the following reports: The Provincial Lunatic Asylum, The Schools of New Brunswick, The Crown Land Department, The Provincial Board of Health.

CORRECTION.—By a mistake of the printer one list of names from Tracy Mills Church was omitted in the year book. Page 57 gives the correct amount, \$19.35. Page 58 gives \$15.10, omitting \$4.25.

James Patterson,

Treasurer.

MINISTERS' SONS.—Toronto has 205 sons of Methodist ministers. They had a meeting recently. What they are doing is thus set forth,—"One is a judge, one a bishop, two county attorneys, one public school inspector, one member of Parliament, three Queen's counsels, four graduates in dentistry, twelve in medicine, forty in arts and law, three bankers, five insurance agents, six clergymen, three organists, one librarian, one government employe, and sixty students at the various educational institutions." Not a bad record. The sons of ministers of other denominations have probably, an equally good record.

THE REPORT OF Hon. Mr. Fraser, the Commissioner appointed by the government to investigate the charges in the matter of the Bathurst Schools question has been laid on the table of the House of Assembly. While of course no one will say that the Commissioner's report is not the conscientious and impartial opinion of a fair-minded judge, yet on the whole the conclusions reached will not satisfy the great hosts of people all over this province who wish to see the principles of our Free School Law carried out in their entirety. Abuses have existed there and yet exist that were not brought before the Commission.

TRAMPS.—Somebody has figured up that there are in the United States 46,000 tramps, the most, if not all of them, vicious as well as idle vagabonds. They go from place to place begging and stealing. They not only add nothing to the material prosperity of the country, but they cost us ten million dollars a year. This is not the worst of it. They are a menace to the lonely houses which they visit. When in gangs, they terrorize a neighborhood. They destroy the property of those who refuse to feed them. They wreck railroad trains when free rides are refused. They tempt boys to join them who want to see the world, as they say, and to have a jolly time. Many of these tramps are well educated. It is said that nine-tenths of them can read and write. They are nearly all intemperate. They are shirks and drones of society. They would be robbers if they were not cowards. As it is, they are sneak thieves—the meanest of all criminals.

SORCERY IN NEW GUINEA.—Sir William MacGregor, the Administrator of British New Guinea, has just issued a regulation on the subject of sorcery and witchcraft. It is rather strange reading for civilized people, but will probably be readily understood by the simple natives for whom it is intended. The regulation declares: 1. White men know that sorcery is only deceit, but the lies of the sorcerer frighten many people. The deceit of the sorcerer should be stopped. 2. It is a forbidden act for any person to practice or to pretend to practice, sorcery. 3. It is a forbidden act for any person to threaten any other person with sorcery whether practised by himself or by anyone else. 4. Any person who practices sorcery, or who procures another person to do so, or who threatens anyone with sorcery, may be tried by a magistrate. Punishment: 5. If the person tried is found guilty he may be sentenced by a European magistrate to imprisonment not exceeding three months, or by a native magistrate to imprisonment not exceeding three days. 6. If the person is sent to prison he will be made to work without payment.

SUNDRIES.—There are 1,785 separate railroad companies in the United States. . . . The estimated death rate of the world is twenty-four per 1,000 per annum. . . . The engines of a first-class man-of-war cost nearly \$700,000. . . . About forty tons of letters daily pass through the British general post-office. . . . Hartford is said to be the richest city, for its population, in America. . . . Virginia City, Nev., is 6,400 feet above the sea. . . . Cincinnati manufactures every year \$230,000,000 worth of goods. . . . Brooklyn is called the city of churches. The are over 300. . . . London has 15,000 cab driver. . . . Silver coins are scarce in Italy. . . . Russia has 700 lady physicians. . . . France has 7,024 American residents. . . . New Mexico has 1,043 coal miners. . . . United States has 110 lady lawyers. . . . A mule driven in Morocco earns ten cents a day. . . . A Mexican mason earns from twenty-five cents to a dollar a day. . . . Florida produces over fifty varieties of the orange. The annual crop is about 2,250,000 boxes.

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Denominational Notice.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the F. C. Baptists of the Fifth District will be held at the Lake Meeting House (so called) in the Parish of Kars, K. Co., on the first Wednesday in July at 10 o'clock a. m., 1894.

By order of Committee.

T. S. VANWART,

Sec.

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March 29, '94.

G. A. HARTLEY,

Treasurer.

The above amounts have been sent by Bro. Reud. The brethren will see by the minutes of last General Conference that collections were to be taken for this fund the first Sabbath in January. Is Bro. Reud the only pastor who has remembered his duty in this matter? See Hand Book pg. 32, 34.

G. A. H.

ECLIPSES IN 1894.—In the year 1894 there will be two eclipses of the sun and two of the moon.

1. A partial eclipse of the moon, March 21st. Visible in the early morning in the central and western portions of America.

II. Annular eclipse of the sun, April 5th. Visible throughout Asia.

III. A partial eclipse of the moon, September 14th. Visible in America and Western Europe.

IV. A total eclipse of the sun, September 28th. Visible in the central and eastern portions of Africa and throughout the Indian Ocean.

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Marriages.

MCCREA-FOSTER.—At the residence of the bride's father, March 14th, by Rev. T. W. Carpenter, William McCrea to Elizabeth Foster, all of Wickham, Queens County, N. B.

ARMSTRONG-CAMPBELL.—At the parsonage of Pettitville, March 22nd, Daniel Armstrong of Killim's Mills, W. Co., to Mrs. Mary Campbell of the same place.

Deaths.

VANWART.—At Tenant's Cove, King's County, March 19th, of whooping-cough, infant child of Elliott and Sarah Vanwart. T. W. C.

CARPENTER.—On the 18th inst. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. Harvey Germain St., St. John, Catherine, relict of the late Coles Carpenter sen., aged 91 years and 6 months. Our deceased sister was born in Queens Co., where she spent more than two thirds of her life, removing to St. John about 30 years since. More than a half century ago, while attending evangelistic services conducted by the late venerable Father Hartt, she experienced the religion of Jesus Christ. Some time after this she was baptized by the late Rev. J. Flanders and united with the Free Baptist church of Wickham, Q. Co., with which church she continued her membership to the end of life. During all the years of her exceptionally long pilgrimage, amidst trials incident to life, she was enabled to trust God, and often would express her assurance of faith by a quotation from the Apostle, saying, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." Eight of her ten children survive her, three sons and five daughters. Many friends were present at the funeral, showing respect for the departed and sympathy for the bereaved. Her remains were deposited in a vault at the "Rural Cemetery," awaiting the opening of this river, when they will be taken by steamer to Wickham for burial.

J. W. C.

HAYWARD.—At Portage Lake, Maine, on 16th of March, after two week's illness of Pneumonia, Henry A. Hayward, son of the late Daniel Hayward of Lincoln, Sunbury Co.

BIRMINGHAM.—At River Bank, Car. Co., March 24th, John Birmingham, aged 77 years, 10 months and 14 days, leaving 4 sons and 5 daughters, 2 brothers and 2 sisters, and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Bro. Birmingham professed religion a number of years ago, and was baptized and united with the Free Baptist church at Connell. Our brother lived a christian life, and died in hope of a glorious resurrection. His funeral which was largely attended was conducted by the writer assisted by Rev. A. H. Bunell. "Ex 37 Psalm and 25th verse."

McLEOD.—Mrs. McLeod, relict of the late Seth McLeod, died at her home Wednesday afternoon, Mar. 25th, of heart disease, after a short illness. Deceased leaves four children, two sons and two daughters, who were all present at their mother's death. They are: Rev. A. H., pastor of the F. C. Baptist church here; Whitfield, who, together with his mother and one daughter, Birdie, have always resided on the homestead; the other daughter is Mrs. George McLeod of Lower Millstream. Deceased was a daughter of the

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late Samuel Freeze, M. P. P., and half-sister of Sheriff Freeze of Sussex. He has only one sister living, Mrs. Caleb M. Cready of Penobscia. Deceased was seventy-two years of age and a highly respected Christian woman. She was one of the first members of the F. C. Baptist church. The funeral will be a place tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.—Cor. Sun.

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