

### Mission News and Notes.

—Unoccupied mission territory to the extent of 4,000,000 square miles still exists in Central Africa, an area larger than the whole of Europe, says the Rev. George Grenfell, of the Baptist Congo Mission.

—The young people of the Clarendon Street Baptist Church, Boston, for two years have been sustaining with their gifts a missionary in Africa, but now have gone much farther, and in addition have sent to China two of their own number, one of them a native of that country, and are to be responsible not only for their support, but for their oversight and direction also.

—What evidences are there that Christianity is making headway in the provinces where Paul's greatest work was done? Statistics show that the last quarter of a century has been a remarkable advance therein. Places where the Gospel is preached have increased from 155 to 348; evangelical churches, from 59 to 124; Sunday attendance, from 10,439 to 33,749; Sunday-school pupils, from 6,656 to 25,752; common schools, from 165 to 400; with pupils, from 5,511 to 16,563. More than 20,000 students are found in the various educational institutions.

—English Baptist missionaries in India have become greatly stirred up by reason of a declared purpose on the part of the Anglican Bishop of Calcutta to establish a "mission" of the Church of England, in the midst of fields which they have long cultivated unopposed, and where the people have ceased to be heathen. For sixty years they have been carrying on their work there, and the converts and their adherents number some six thousand. Until now, no missionary of any other denomination has disturbed them, or invaded their territory. But their peace seems to be seriously threatened, and they are very much disturbed about it.

—Moukden lying in the path of the Japanese in their present war with China is a centre of missionary activity. The Roman Catholics, who began their propaganda early in the seventeenth century, have a pretty church and an orphanage in the city. The Irish and Scotch Presbyterian missionaries laboring in the same field number a round half dozen. There is a medical mission, which has been conducted with remarkable success by Dr. Christie, and which combines preaching the gospel with healing the sick. In one year upward of ten thousand outpatient visits were made to the dispensary connected with the mission, over a hundred in patients were received, two hundred and fifty operations of different kinds were performed, and many visits paid to sick people in the town.

### General Religious News.

—Japan has 33 Y. M. C. A's.

—The "McAll Mission" in France is growing in extent and resources—is doing work in twenty cities.

—There are 7,000 Japanese on the Pacific coast. One-seventh of them are communicants in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

—Mr. Moody has gone to Texas, where he will conduct a series of revival services during the winter.

—In the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, as a whole, the Catholics are now a million and a half less than they were fifty years ago.

—During the past quarter the number of Christian Endeavour Societies in the world has reached 37,002. In Pennsylvania several hundred have been organized since the State Convention.

—For several days the Israelites, a religious sect of Detroit, Mich., marched around a block in that city, and on the seventh day marched seven times around the block, halting in front of a store, when one of the number blew a long blast on a horn. The walls of the store did not fall down. The leader of the sect says that they expected that in this way the wall of prejudice against them would fall.

—Scotland has never been a fruitful field for Baptists, and yet they have made progress there. For twenty-six years past they have had a Union to which and through which they make their reports of their work and its results. This year they report 96 Churches, with a membership of 12,038, a net gain of 621. The baptisms for the year numbered 1,120. Among their new church edifices is that known as the Coats Memorial, at Paisley, one of the most beautiful and costly in the United Kingdom.

### Home Religious News.

—Trinity church, Episcopal, Sussex, is to elect a rector on May 29th.

—Mr. Joseph Allison has bought the house at the corner of Princess and Carmarthen streets, St. John, for \$4,000, and has presented it to the Centenary church for a parsonage.

—Three of the churches in this city—the Baptist, Methodist and Free Baptist—are holding special meetings, and are enjoying revival. In the first and last named baptism was administered to three and eight candidates, respectively.

### Denominational News.

FROM REV. D. LONG.—Brethren, I know the "Golden Rule" but fail to obey it. I like to read reports from the brethren of the various churches as to how they are getting along in the good work. I have nothing special to report, we are trying, by God's grace to keep in the old paths and the right way.

This pastorate has three churches and two out stations; I preach three times every Sunday. While we are not as active spiritually as we would desire to be, yet our motto is "Onward and heavenward." The long standing debt on Norton church has been paid off, and now we have three neat respectable churches to worship the Lord in, and all clear of any incumbrance. The brethren at Long Point have lately placed a new organ in their church, which aids us much in our worship. The churches have purchased a nice residence at Norton Station for a parsonage, at a cost of about eight hundred dollars. I feel this is a move in the right direction; every pastorate should have a home for the pastor. The people on this field are kind and remember their minister by looking after his temporal needs. It is with gratitude that I learn of the special labors of some of my brethren being so blessed. May God's spirit be poured out abundantly upon us all is my prayer.

DAVID LONG.

Jan. 30, '95.

ST. JOHN.—There may, perhaps, be some readers of the INTELLIGENCER who think that I should often send something for the denominational news department. If there are any such, I would like to say to them that my infrequent contributions are due, not to my lack of interest in the editor, the paper, or its readers, nor that there is nothing of interest about which I might write, but rather because I have not fully appreciated my privilege. In regard to my church, I presume the officers and their wives will excuse me for not personating them, notwithstanding they are quite equal, in every good respect, to those of whom other pastors have so fully and recently written. And yet I may say that the words, so long ago spoken, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," have strong application to the members of our church; and "being justified by faith they have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." This is not the peace of death, but the peace of the Christ-life; "peace in believing and joy in the Holy Ghost." There are others, however, who would do well to pray "Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation and uphold me by Thy free spirit," that they might get where they could teach transgressors the way of the Lord, and see sinners converted unto Him. There are some in all the churches perhaps, who doubt whether they are Christians. May I say to them, there is no occasion for doubting. The Scriptures are very plain, as the following quotations will show: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." "If any man hath not the spirit of Christ he is none of His." "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature, old things are passed away behold all things are become new." The work of regenerating the human heart belongs to God, not to us. Regeneration, as I understand it, means cleansing and renewing, in other words, "the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Ghost." But we are sometimes reminded of a saying of the Apostle Peter. "The soul that was washed returned to her wallowing in the mire." She had been washed (or cleansed), but not renewed (or changed). Her nature remained the same, and she went back to her wallowing in the mire. Now those who return to their former ways, and have neither desire nor love for Christ, may be very certain that their names are not enrolled with those who are enrolled to the "Heavenly Rest."

For all those whom God has given to us as interested and devoted members of the church, the Sunday School, and the Christian Endeavour Society, we would be humble before Him and thankful; and only the humble, I think, are truly thankful. Our prayer and conference meetings, which of late

have increased in interest and attendance, are seasons of much refreshing. "God is our help, and through the word, we lean upon our helper, God."

We were glad for the privilege of leading into the waters for baptism, at the close of a Sunday morning service a few weeks ago, a dear brother who just a few days before obtained pardon and peace through Jesus Christ. Our brother was then and is now in failing health; but his peace is like the river, which deepens and broadens as it flows on. May our Father's blessing be upon us, strengthening us in all our work for Him, in my earnest prayer.

J. W. CLARKE.

St. John, Jan. 31st, 1895.

MORE RELICS.—The Quebec Telegraph makes the following announcement for the comfort of the faithful:

"To-morrow being the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, a fragment of one of the bones of the great apostle, two links of the chain with which he was bound and a piece of the pillar on which he was martyred will be exposed in the chapel of the Seminary."

Whereupon the Halifax Witness says, "Canada is becoming rich in relics. A bone—the wrist bone—of the 'Grond-Mother of God' is often displayed for the benefit of the faithful. And now these relics of the great apostle are announced. What next! One wonders when or where the limit shall be found of the credulity of the victims of superstition, or the ingenuity and boldness of the impostors who play upon the faith of the poor people. A lie is never innocent: a fraud is never safe or beneficent. The Quebec habitants will have their eyes opened some day to the way in which their intelligence and common sense are trifled with."

JOURNALISTIC.—The Daily Telegraph on Saturday issued an excellent illustrated supplement. It tells the story of the founding of the Telegraph in 1862, by the late John Livingstone, and its growth during the more than thirty years since. There are portraits of the editorial, business and mechanical staff, with a brief sketch of each. There are portraits, also, of the late Mr. Livingstone and the late Mr. Elder, men who must always be thought of when journalism in this Province is mentioned.

### MORE NEEDED.

New subscribers are always in order. While glad to have received so many this year, more are needed. Send them along.

PROHIBITION CONVENTIONS.—It is proposed to hold a convention of voters interested in temperance and moral reform at the Temperance Hall, this city, on the 13th inst at 10 a. m., to consider the advisability of nominating a prohibition candidate for York Co. On Friday of this week a convention is to be held at Lawrencetown, N. S., to consider the nomination of a candidate for Annapolis Co.

In Ontario steps are being taken towards nominations in several electoral districts.

The prohibitionists of Carleton Co. are to hold another convention.

THE RIGHT WAY.—A subscriber sending part payment says: "You will please accept my thanks for your kindness in continuing to send the paper. The enclosed is all I can send at present; but the balance I will remit as soon as I can. With best wishes for yourself and INTELLIGENCER, I am, &c."

Some persons when they receive a request to pay get greatly offended; and occasionally one writes a short, sharp note. If such persons would stop long enough to think they would know that they have no shadow of a reason for being offended. They might profitably take a lesson from the above which is manly and pleasant.

ITS AREA.—The British Empire and its dependencies and colonies embrace 11,000,000 square miles, or about the size of Africa.

POLITICAL NEWS.—Activity in political circles is increasing. While there is uncertainty about the time of the next general election, many believe that it will be within a few weeks. Both parties are making preparations for the fight. Conventions are being called, and very soon the names of candidates will be known.

A Conservative Convention for Kings Co. has been called to meet at Hampton on the 14th inst. It is expected that Hon. G. E. Foster will not be a candidate in Kings. It is announced that he will attend and address the Convention.

On Monday evening the Liberal party of St. John held a meeting for the purpose of organizing for the approaching election.

A LADY SAYS: "I love our denominational paper so much that I would like many others to enjoy it. After reading my copy I send it to a family living in the States, where they have not many religious privileges, hoping it may be a blessing to them, as it is to me."

SUNDRIES.—India has 25,000 acres in tea. . . . Almost five-eighths of the steamers in the world are under the British flag. . . . The smallest humming bird weighs twenty grains. . . . The eyes of birds that fly by night are generally about double the size of day birds. . . . At present there are almost an even 1,000 submarine telegraph cables with 89,000 miles of wire. . . . France owns about 2,000 miles of railway, but most or quite all is leased to companies. . . . The population of Germany is increasing five times as fast as that of France. . . . The estimated population of the world in 1893 was 1,000,500,000. . . . The share of land falling to each inhabitant of the globe in the event of a partition might be set down at 23½ acres. . . . The average weight of an American man is 141½ pounds; of an American woman, 124½ pounds. . . . New York, Paris, Berlin combined lack forty-eight square miles of haying as great an area as London. . . . Leunhauk once examined a section of human scalp that had nearly 12,000 hairs to the square inch. . . . Wild birds do not sing more than eight or ten weeks in the year. . . . It is estimated that in Japan, out of a population of 37,000,000 people, there are less than 10,000 paupers. . . . It is estimated that one crow will destroy 700,000 insects every year.

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St. John, Feb. 2nd.

### Was the Apostle Peter at Rome?

Recently we said that there is not one line of authentic history that testifies of St. Peter having been in Rome. Our respected contemporary, *The Casket*, devotes a very able and learned article to the question, but its "proofs" are unsatisfactory. There is not a line from St. Paul, or from St. Peter himself, or from any apostle, or from any man who lived in the first Christian century. It is vital to the Church of Rome to "prove" that Peter was "Pope" there. But in the Word of God there is not one syllable about Peter being in Rome or of his intending to visit that city. He may have visited Rome; but it is improbable that he did so, and certainly no proof has yet been forthcoming. The traditions concerning him can be accounted for in other ways. It is not usually possible to prove that St. Peter never was in Rome, but we all know that nothing in Holy Scripture or in the earliest Christian writings shows that Peter was Pope, or that he ever had any connection with the Church in Rome. The apostle Paul was in Rome, and there is no doubt as to his visit; had St. Peter been there the fact would have been equally clear. The apostle Paul wrote a long letter to the Roman Christians. Had Peter been there at the time, we may reasonably conclude that Paul would have sent his greetings to him. Paul makes no mention of Peter being in Rome, and he does not teach the people of that city as to their duties towards St. Peter or the Pope, for there was no Pope, and Peter was not in Rome. Paul wrote letters from Rome, and in none of these letters does he make mention of St. Peter as having done anything in Rome; and he says nothing of a visit past, present, or prospective from St. Peter. He gives no hint of St. Peter having been "Pope" or of any prospect of his becoming such. In the Acts of the Apostles we have mention made of the signal services rendered by St. Peter to the Church, but never a word of his having been in Rome or his doing anything for or in the Roman Church. We have two letters written by St. Peter himself; but he does not call himself Pope or priest, or Pontiff, or Primate, or Vicar of Christ. He calls himself an elder and an apostle. For Peter was a Presbyterian elder. He makes no mention of having been in Rome, or of his intention to visit that city. The apostle John has written a Gospel and three letters, and none of these give us any hint of St. Peter being or having been in Rome, or being supreme pontiff. Our respected friend of the *Casket*, a skillful advocate as he is, is well aware of all these facts; and he knows how to evade the force of them. He quotes Eusebius, St. Epiphanius, St. Dionysius, St. Ignatius, Eusebius of York, Restitutius of London, and Adelphinus probably of Lincoln. If these names do not carry conviction, then there are Catalogues, and these ought to do great things. Alas! the time comes in the history of every unbiassed student of history when the declarations of councils cease to carry conviction with regard to events distant in time and place; and when lists and catalogues are taken with

much reserve. There is no question that at an early date there was a bishop of Rome; but neither St. Peter nor St. Paul is known to have been bishop of Rome or any other particular place. They were "apostles." The world was their parish. Their ministry and apostleship was not restricted to any one city or country. Of course we do not expect Roman Catholic apologists to admit all this or to give up the legend of the "See of Peter"; the "myth" of the Roman bishopric of Peter. Other myths, other legends, other huge frauds profited the Roman Church enormously in a material sense. The faith of the Christian is founded upon the Rock, Christ; upon the unerring and infallible Word of God. To found the Church on the myth of Peter's pontificate at Rome is not wise and not safe. It never yet has been proved; and happily it is not a matter of the slightest consequence as regards the great verities of genuine Christianity. Civilization survived the fall of the Roman Empire; in truth the new civilization is vastly better than the old. In like manner Christianity survives the collapse of the Roman Church as a world wide politico ecclesiastical organization. The collapse has been a blessing to mankind. It becomes us all now to go back with strenuous faith and hope to the pure faith of the Apostles. Jesus Himself being the Author and Finisher of our faith.—*Pres. Witness.*

### Cold in The Head And How to Cure it.

One of the most unpleasant and dangerous maladies that afflicts Canadians at this season is cold in the head. Unpleasant, because of the dull, heavy headache, inflamed nostrils and other disagreeable symptoms accompanying it, and dangerous, because if neglected, it develops into catarrh, with its disagreeable hawking and spitting, foul breath, frequent loss of taste and smell, and in many cases ultimately developing into consumption. Nasal Palm is the only remedy yet discovered that will instantly relieve cold in the head and cure in a few applications, while its faithful use will effectually eradicate the worst case of catarrh. Capt. H. D. Lyon, president of the C. P. R. Car Ferry, Prescott, Ont., says:—"I used Nasal Palm for a prolonged case of cold in the head. Two applications effected a cure in less than twenty-four hours. I would not take \$100 for my bottle of Nasal Palm if I could not replace it." Sold by all dealers or sent by mail postpaid at 50 cents per bottle, by addressing G. T. Fulford & Co., Brookville, Ont.

AN ALMANAC.—A special edition of Copp, Clark & Co.'s Canadian Almanac for 1895 is printed for the enterprising corporation of H. H. Warner & Co., Ltd., of London, England, who are now sole proprietors of Warner's Safe Cure. It is full of information and reflects credit on the Canadian publishers as well as on the enterprise of the English company.

Pompos Maiden Laiden (engaging servant, who has taken the liberty to sit down without being asked)—"Do you know that it is a great breach of etiquette for anyone to sit down in the presence of their superior?" Bridget—"My! yes, mum; but kape your sats, I don't believe in them ancient superstitions."

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### Marriages.

WEBB-TRACEY.—At Fredericton, N. B., at the residence of A. D. Gunter, Jan. 17th 1895 by Rev. W. R. Read, Willard Webb to Ethel Tracy, all of Tracy Station, Sackville, N. B.

PRICE-HUGGARD.—At the residence of the bride's father, Jan. 30th, by Rev. David Long, Pennington Price, of Midland Co. to Bertha, daughter of John Huggard, Norton Station.

### Deaths.

ALEXANDER.—On the 16th Jan., at his home in East Blaine, Me., Mr. Joseph Alexander, in the 84th year of his age. For many years Bro. A. had been a Christian. He laid up his "treasure in heaven," and in consequence was able to meet death calmly and bravely. Six children—five daughters and one son, mourn the loss of a kind father. He was laid to rest in the cemetery at Three Brooks, Elders C. F. Rideout and Charles Orser were present and assisted the writer in conducting the funeral services. G. F. C.

BROWN.—At Wilson's Beach, Campo Bello, on the 18th inst., George M. Brown, aged 1 year 8 months. Twice has this family circle been broken the past year.

SMALL.—At Chelsea, Mass., in the 28th year of her age, of consumption, Mrs. May M. Small. The deceased was a member of the church in Campo Bello. Her remains were brought home for burial. A husband, two children, a large circle of relatives and friends are left to mourn the death of a loving and faithful wife, and truly good woman. J. B. D.

CALDER.—At North Roads, Campo Bello, N. B., on the 18th inst., of cancer, Mrs. Hannah Calder, in the 61st year of her age. Sister Calder professed religion when a girl of 16 years of age. Through all these years she has been faithful; she loved the church by whose instrumentality she was saved; its joys and sorrows alike were hers. The family lose a loving wife and mother, the church a pillar. Her life was a busy one, and now she rests from her labours. J. B. D.

ESTABROOKS.—At Rockland, Car. Co., on the 19th ult., Mary A. (relict of the late L. H. Estabrooks), in the 80th year of her age. She experienced religion when but a small girl during a revival in Lower Brighton, conducted by Rev. C. B. Stilson F. W. B. and 51 years ago received baptism by Rev. Mr. Harris, Baptist minister, and united with Baptist church of Rockland. For eleven years later her residence was in Connel, during which time they became members of the F. C. B. church at that time of its organization there. Her first husband, their membership was transferred to the F. C. B. church of this place. Here she continued in the christian fellowship of her church until the day of her death. She bore her illness, which was long and painful, with marked christian patience. One son and two daughters survive her, and mourn their loss. Her remains were interred in the Baptist burying ground near her late home. In this home of the dead repose the bodies of a large number of her near relatives. It may be justly regarded as "the family graveyard." The service was conducted in the F. C. B. church at Rockland in the presence of a large congregation. J. B. D.

DEBRAH.—At Gordonsville, C. Co., on the 25th ult., deacon James Debrah, in the 79th year of his age. About 51 years ago he professed religion at Wakefield, and was baptized by the late Rev. S. Hart. He occupied the office of deacon about all the time of his christian life in different places—first near Centerville, and second at Simonds. He was among the first settlers in Gordonsville, and at the wish of his brethren he assumed the office of deacon when a F. C. B. church was organized there. During the last few years of his life he had been in feeble health, especially for the last two years, not being able to attend the public services of his church. Though he was weak in both mind and body, yet when he was visited in his home by his pastor, his prayers were marked with strong faith in his God. His widowed wife, with children and grand children mourn their loss, which is a gain. Funeral services, solemn and impressive, were conducted in F. C. B. meetings house at Gordonsville, after which his remains were laid away in the church yard. J. J. B.

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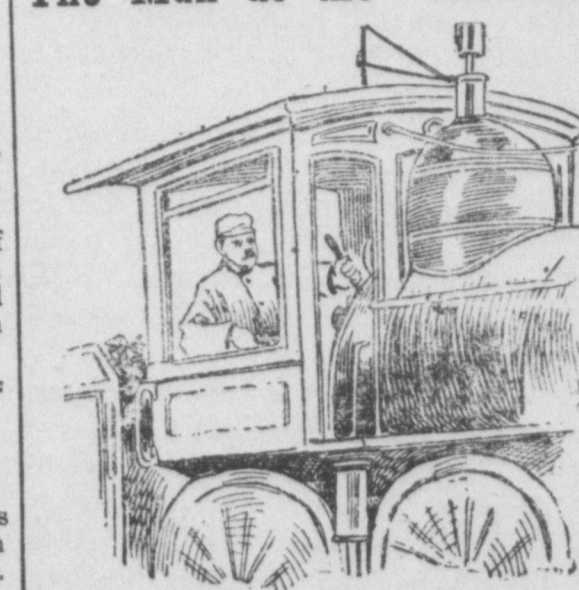
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