

How wonderfully God takes care of his word! The precious beatitudes, in the fifth chapter of Matthew, had found a place in the old man's heart and may prove his eternal salvation. How many unknown to the Christian world, are trying to follow Jesus, we shall never know. God's word and work are moving gloriously onward, though Christians are sometimes unfaithful. We know that the kingdom of righteousness is yet to fill the whole earth, and surely that means blessing to these poor degraded people of India.

We have received word that dear Mrs. Boyer has arrived safely in her native land, and we trust that the devotion she has shown in the work may fire the hearts of others, and that workers and means will be forthcoming to carry on a grand work for God. We are passing through (I hope we are nearly through) one of the severest financial trials we have ever had, at least since I have been in the mission. If there is not a generous remittance this month I will be obliged to close some of my work. It is not an easy matter to say to a teacher or preacher, whose family is dependent for support on his small pay, that he must close the work, which, possibly, it has taken months to establish. We are all praying for and expecting better times soon. We are also expecting more ingathering of souls for the Master.

Pray for us, that our faith fail not, and that we help the speedy spread of His Kingdom throughout the world.

Yours, etc.,

MISS J. COLDREN.
Chandbali, India, Sept., 1896.

Mission News and Notes

—The United States and Great Britain are the two great foreign missionary countries of the world. Of the 1,157,668 communicants in foreign mission churches, Great Britain has 312,297 and the United States 312,252.

—In a village of the Khamptis, a tribe in Assam, the men, after listening to a sermon in which the Cross of Christ was the great theme, rose en masse to their feet, expressing great concern for their lost condition.

—A converted Chinaman on the Pacific Coast sold himself to work as a coolie in New Guinea for the sake of working among his own countrymen, and before he died he personally led to Christ two hundred of his companions.

—Reliable estimates show that during the present century four millions of people have been baptized from among the heathen, but during that time the heathen peoples have increased two hundred millions. There are eight hundred millions on earth to-day who have never heard of Christ. Thirty-five millions of the people pass annually into Christless graves.

—Sixty three of the missionaries of the Church Missionary Society serve it without pay. This is a remarkable fact, and shows the operation of the purest love to Christ and of the greatest consecration to the promotion of his kingdom. There are more of these volunteer missionaries than the world dreams of. They have means of their own, and they take this way to lay out both their persons and money in bringing mankind to a knowledge of the only Saviour of sinners.

—Dr. Faber says: "To me it seems impossible that China should flourish again, unless the palace can be delivered from the government of women and eunuchs, and unless polygamy among the mandarins and men of rank can be abolished. Moreover, idolatry and ancestor-worship are cancers that consume the marrow of the land. This is true, notwithstanding the opposing assertions of the antagonists of missions, who endeavor to veil their malignity under sentimental phrases."

—In an interview on his return to England the Rev. E. H. Hubbard, of the Church Missionary Society, who has been engaged in Uganda for five years, stated that the progress made in the British Protectorate under the present administration was remarkable, the native chiefs and people showing an apparently united and sustained effort to repair the destruction caused by the warfare and pillage in the past. There was a growing tendency among the people to adopt European methods, and the Paine Minister and other chiefs were constructing permanent stone houses in place of the huts they had previously been content with.

—There has been a remarkable growth of Christianity in Uganda, Africa, whose King Mwanga ordered the massacre of Bishop Harrington and a number of Christian converts less than eleven years ago. During

Bishop Tucker's recent visit to the country he ordained five natives to the deaconate and three to the priesthood, licensed twenty-two lay readers, and confirmed more than two thousand converts. One of the natives recently ordained was Samwili Mukasa, who, in 1890, was one of the envoys sent to the coast by the king to see the consul-general with regard to the political situation. "His earnestness and devotion," the bishop writes, "are beyond all question." The ordination service was attended by three or four thousand persons, and lasted for nearly five hours.

—At a recent meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Baptist Home Missionary Society, it was decided that "no appropriations for missionaries' salaries be made for the present for a period extending beyond December 31, 1896, unless the current receipts meantime shall be very considerably increased." This is made necessary by the very serious situation of the society. The debt, steadily increasing, now exceeds \$130,000, and in the present peculiar financial condition of the country, it is becoming more and more difficult to borrow money to meet the maturing obligations. Under these circumstances, and in default of increasing receipts the only course open to the society is to reduce its expenses. It is loth to inaugurate so severe a retrenchment, and yet there seems to be no other course to take. In view of this the Board took the action noticed above.

Home Religious News.

—A new Methodist church was dedicated at Cole's Island Sunday 1st inst. Special meetings are being held there now.

—Messrs. Crossley and Hunter, who have been laboring at Canning, N. S., closed the meetings there last week and went to North Sydney, C. B.

—Rev. Mr. Parker, of Truro, N. S., formerly of St. Martins, N. B., has become pastor of the Temple Baptist Church, Yarmouth, N. S.

—This week is being devoted especially to prayer for young men. It is, also, a week of self-denial by Y. M. C. associations, the results of which are to be devoted to the extension work of the international committee of the Associations.

—The Baptist Year Book of the Maritime Provinces contains, besides the Minutes of the Convention of this year, and the reports presented at the Convention, the minutes of the several Associations and of the B. Y. P. Union, and the list of ministers. The statistics show that the total membership of Baptist churches in the Maritime Provinces is 48,830, a net gain of 1650 over the previous year.

—The Baptist Home Mission Board of New Brunswick had a meeting last week, and made appropriations. Among the appropriations were \$100 to furnish an assistant to Rev. A. H. Hayward in the Florenceville and Aberdeen work; \$100 to the Upper Tobique field, C. G. Blackburn being appointed to it; and \$40 to Otonabog. Two general missionaries were appointed, Rev. J. W. S. Young and E. A. Allaby.

Denominational News.

RUSIAGORNISH, S. Co.—The young people's meetings here, every Monday evening, are well attended and much interest is manifested. I was at French Lake last Sunday morning, and the church there is in a thriving condition; the members are active and enjoy the presence of the Master. We had a good meeting at Rusiagornish in the afternoon, and at Oromocto in the evening.

CHAS. STIRLING.

FROM REV. C. B. LEWIS.—I have accepted a call to the Wickham pastorate, and began work immediately after Conference. We have held a few special meetings with the church at Shannon Settlement, and the church has been encouraged, and one young woman professed conversion and has put on Christ by baptism. My P. O. address is MacDonald's Point, Queens County.

C. B. LEWIS.

REV. H. A. BONNELL has become pastor of Westfield, Brown's Flat, Oak Point and Hamilton Mount churches. Bro. Bonnell has been nearly four years labouring in Stanley and vicinity, and his labours there were blessed. He wishes to say that he found the people of Stanley warm-hearted and kind, and he desires to thank them all for their kindness to himself and family. It was, he says, much harder to part from than he had anticipated. He visited the little church at Boiestown since Conference,

and speaks encouragingly of the outlook for that church if proper care is given it. We hope some one will be found to take charge of Stanley and Boiestown. They are interests which should not be allowed to suffer from lack of care. Bro. Bonnell and family went to their new home last Wednesday. His P. O. address is now Round Hill, K. Co.

DON'T ROLL IT.—Manuscript sent to a newspaper office should never be rolled. We have often wished that the people who send rolled paper to this office had to handle it about the time it reaches us. They would never do it again.

GOVERNOR FRASER is now enroute to France, having started last week. Mrs. Fraser accompanied him. His health is said to be improving, and it is hoped that the winter in a milder climate will greatly benefit him. Judge Barker has been sworn in administrator in the governor's absence.

GENERAL BAPTISTS.—We are indebted to Rev. J. P. Cox for the minutes of the seventy-second annual session of Liberty Association of General Baptists of Indiana. There are thirty-three churches in the Association, having a membership of 5955; there are twenty-six ministers, three of them not yet ordained. The minutes indicate that the churches are making progress in several respects. The General Baptists, who are essentially Free Baptists, and who cooperate with the Free Baptists in Foreign missions &c., are quite numerous in Indiana and adjacent states. They have a paper, The Messenger, which is evidently helping the work very much. We are glad to note the signs of prosperity.

JOURNALISTIC.—"The Examiner," New York, is the leading Baptist paper in the United States. It is ably conducted, and in every way worthy the denomination it represents and the cause it advocates. It has just appeared in new form and new dress. Its sixteen pages have become a thirty-two, though the size of the paper has not been increased. It is even more attractive and convenient than before. The Christian Statesman has been reduced one-half in size, on account of hard times. It is an excellent paper.

A FIRE.—The Governor General has a ranch in British Columbia, and he is now there for a short time. A fire occurred in his office there a few days ago, and all the official papers he had were burned.

A MILLION.—The temple of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Chicago, which will cost \$1,000,000, is now nearing completion, and great efforts are being made to clear off the whole debt.

DEATH OF A MINISTER.—Rev. Dr. Daniel, Methodist, died in St. John Sunday morning. He was 90 years of age, the oldest Methodist minister in the Provinces, and probably the oldest in any denomination. Until recently he had been quite active. Sixty-six years ago he came from England, his first field of work being St. Andrews. About twenty years ago he became a supernumerary, though he never ceased to take an active part in the work of his church. He was highly respected not only by his own church, but by all denominations.

POLITICAL NEWS.—A Liberal Convention is to be held at Saskatchewan on the 23rd inst to nominate a candidate for Parliament.

The Tariff commission, consisting Mr. Fielding and two other members of the government, will begin its inquiries this week. The first place to be visited is Toronto.

It is intimated that the N. B. legislature is likely to meet in January.

Literary Notes.

The last Magazine number of the "Outlook," the issue for 31st October, is an exceptionally fine number. Princeton's 150th anniversary, The Boy's Republic, A Post's Workshop, and the founder of the Y. M. C. A. are among the special illustrated articles. There is another instalment of Ian MacLaren's Kate Carnegie. The number is full of interest from the first page to the last. Price \$3.00 a year. The Outlook Co., New York.

In the "Methodist Magazine and Review" for November, Mr. S. H. Blake, Q. C., writes with emphasis "Needed Prison Reforms." There is an illustrated article on "The Story of the English Bible," one "Among the Maories" is an account of the aborigines of New Zealand, and the success of missions amongst them. An article on "The Stundists," a sketch of Bishop Taylor, and notes of the World's Progress, Recent Science, Current Thought Book Reviews, Religious and Missionary Intelligence, and three strongly written stories, make up a number of interest.

The "Century" for November opens the twenty-seventh year of the magazine with a series of papers entitled "Campaigning with Grant," embodying recollections of Grant during the

period of his command over the Union army. "Election Day in New York" is described in much detail, and is accompanied by pictures. "The Olympic Games of 1896" are the subject of a paper. A suggestive article is "Why the Confederacy Failed." There are also short stories, poetry, &c.

The November number of the "Missionary Review of the World" is full of interest and information. Dr. Arthur T. Pierson opens with an article on "The Habits of Giving." "Six Years in Utah" describes experiences and observations during a residence among the Mormons. "Foreign Community Life in China," presents a view of the hindrances to Christian missions arising from the immoral and unprincipled lives of many of the foreign residents. It is a subject which should awaken the attention of those who have the interests of the Kingdom at heart. The second paper on "Russian Stundists" describes the cruel persecutions which these subjects of the Czar are compelled to undergo. Among other subjects of interests are "The Question of Schools on Evangelization," Mr. Gladstone on Armenia, etc. The Monthly Survey takes up South America, Mormonism, and Frontier Missions. The Editorial and General Intelligence Departments will repay a careful reading. Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Company, 30 Lafayette Place, New York. \$2.50 a year.

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FEEDING LEECHES.—The story of how cruelly worn-out horses are treated in France is told in the London Spectator. Some years ago certain speculators of Bordeaux made artificial swamps on the banks of the Garonne, and filled the swamps with leeches. To be profitable these leeches must multiply themselves by millions; to do this, they must be liberally supplied with food. To this supply them the speculators buy up old and worn-out horses, and drive or drag them into the swamps, which have wooden compartments so placed that when these unhappy animals have been forced into the mud there is no escape for them. The leeches fasten on them by thousands. The horse is in a few moments black with crawling creatures; the blood-suckers fix themselves most of all on the open wounds and galls. The frantic terror of the poor animals is indescribable, as, bleeding from all their sensitive parts, they try vainly to shake off the leeches, but are at last sucked down into the noxious slimes and seen no more. Nearly twenty thousand horses are said to be sacrificed annually in this way at Bordeaux. It has been pointed out that leeches, nourished on diseased horses, are very likely to convey maladies into the human system. Deliberate cruelty of this kind toward one of the most sensitive of domestic animals is an iniquity as indefensible as it is atrocious. Some friend of humanity ought to initiate proceedings for putting a stop to such barbaric cruelty.

Recent statistics show that in North Carolina out of the population of the state—1,617,000, according to the census of 1890—320,000 are Baptists, and that this body outnumbers all other religious denominations combined. Of the 320,000, at least 150,000 are colored. The white Baptists, therefore, number about 170,000, and they are scattered throughout the state. The white Baptists have 1,577 churches, which are mostly rural.

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Marriages.

BELYEA GREEN.—At Shannon, Queens County, October 27th, by C. B. Lewis, Mr. Burton B. Belyea, of Hampton, Kings Co., and Miss Annie J. Green, of Shannon, Queens Co.

Deaths.

SMITH.—At Lincoln, S. Co., Oct. 31st, of whooping cough, Ora C., aged 6 months and 4 days, infant son of Ludlow and Amanda Smith. The remains were brought to Rusiagornish for interment on Monday, Nov. 2nd. Funeral conducted by Licen. Chas. Stirling. Text—Luke 7:13. Bro. Smith, father of the child, is one of the deacons of "Gornish church, and is away from home for the winter. C. S.

FAIRLEY.—At Presquid, Me., Oct. 19th, E-nest Fairley, formerly of Boiestown. He had been in failing health for some months. His death, however, was very sudden. He leaves a wife and one child. Mrs. F. is the only daughter of the late Rev. S. B. Weyman. The funeral was at Boiestown, his old home.

FOSTER.—At Seal Cove, Grand Manan, October 29th, of consumption, William A. Foster, aged 30 years, leaving a wife, a widowed mother, three brothers and two sisters to mourn their loss. Brother Foster professed religion in early life, under the labours of Rev. J. N. Barnes, and united with the F. C. Baptist church at Seal Cove, of which he remained a worthy member till death. Funeral sermon, by his request, from Ps. 55:14.

W. H. PERRY.

PERRY.—At Gagetown, Queens Co., Oct. 31st, of cancer of the stomach, Thomas W. Perry, Esq., aged 53 years, leaving a sorrowing wife, two sons, father, mother, one brother and one sister, with a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Bro. Perry was a member of First John's F. C. B. church. In February, 1885 he was baptized by the late Rev. William Downey, and united with the church, and never transferred his membership. Disease was preying upon him for some months, but he bore it with marked calmness, and Christian patience, feeling that the "Lord was with him," enabling him to say, "Thy will be done," and giving him the sweet assurance of entering into the "rest" that remaineth for the people of God. When the end came he quietly and sweetly fell "asleep in Jesus." He was a man in whom the people had confidence. For a number of years he held offices of public trust. He was a representative of the Parish of Johnston at the Municipal Council from the institution of the Council until about four years ago, when he was appointed Sheriff of Queens Co., which position he filled honorably and well. He was held in high esteem and respect by all who knew him. His funeral was largely attended. He was a member of the Independent Order of Foresters of Gagetown, and was buried under the auspices of that order. The brethren of that Order took charge of the services at the house, which consisted of singing "Nearer my God to Thee," and prayer by their chaplain, Rev. N. McLaughlin; the then bereaved wife, and the children, then bore him to his grave, in the Methodist Cemetery. After the usual burial services by the writer, the brethren of the Order performed their last rites over their departed and much lamented brother. We then proceeded to the Methodist church, where service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. N. McLaughlin and Rev. Mr. Sealar (Methodist). Text—Rev. 14:13. G. W. FOSTER.

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Campaigning With Grant.

By General Horace Porter,

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