

THE COMING CONVENTION.

It will be seen by the communication from Bro. R. Phillips, which appears in another column, that the Fredericton friends are putting forth commendable efforts to make all useful provision for these visitors. The prospect now is, that we shall have a very full representation. Let all earnestly pray that Jehovah Jesus may grace the assembly with his charming and soul-saving presence.

OUR MINISTERS' INSTITUTE.

As reported in the Visitor, opens (D.V.) in this City, on Tuesday, the 16th inst. The reputation of the lecturers should secure a very large attendance, especially of ministers. Some of our ministering brethren may feel themselves unable to incur the unavoidable expense of the journey; if so, a collection should be taken by their people forthwith to supply the needful. Seldom will they have an opportunity of enjoying so rich a treat as these lectures here offered. Let none stay away unless stern necessity compels such a course.

DEATH OF REV. GILBERT SPURR.

The letter from Bro. Cox, as will be seen, reports the death of this venerable servant of God. He was brother to Mrs. Hunt of this city, the Principal of the Young Ladies' Seminary, Germain Street. He devoted long years to the proclamation of the Gospel to ruined man, and we trust he is now reaping a rich reward for all his toil in the past, the rest remaining for the people of God.

N. B. BAPTIST EDUCATION SOCIETY.

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT. Eighty have enjoyed the advantages of the Institution the past Academic year, of whom fifty-seven were day scholars, and twenty in French and Finnish.

At Christmas there was a public examination, at which His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, Dr. Spurden, Dr. Brooke, and other gentlemen interested in education, were present. The examination at the close of the year was conducted by Rev. Dr. Spurden and Rev. G. M. W. Carey, A.M. On both these occasions the gentlemen who were present expressed themselves highly gratified with the proficiency of the pupils, and accorded great credit upon the ability and faithfulness of the teachers.

Mr. Geo. G. Tufts, B. A., Tutor in Mathematics and Natural Science, has resigned the position he has held for the past three years, and the Committee cannot permit his retirement without recording their high opinion of his services as an instructor, and the esteem in which he is held by them as a gentleman. His place will be filled by Mr. Geo. R. Foster, B. A., a graduate of the University of N. B., a gentleman who has had experience in teaching, and who comes highly recommended.

From the foundation of the Seminary to the present, it has had able men for its Principals, and the good it has been doing our Province and denomination, in fitting its youth for the different callings in life, and for higher scholarship, by a thorough preparation for a College course, has never, we think, been sufficiently acknowledged or appreciated. If it had been the debt, so long standing as a hindrance to greater usefulness, would not have been left to the past year by its liquidation, and repairs long needed, and urged from year to year, without meeting a ready response. While we rejoice that the debts have been paid, we cannot boast. Still the payment of the debts warrants us in believing that a new era has commenced to dawn upon the Seminary, and would remind Ministers and people that they have a work to do. The Ministry should seek out and encourage the young men and women of our Province to partake of its advantages, and the laymen should give liberally to promote its efficiency. If Baptist parents expect their sons to take useful and commanding positions in society, they must see to it that they are fitted for those positions. The uneducated must remain as they ever have been—the "hewers of wood and drawers of water."

It must not be disguised, however, that we want each and every year money. Educational institutions in other countries are liberally aided, and New Brunswick Baptists have tried the withholding system too long not to be satisfied that another course must be adopted if we are to advance. In the United States—that land of Colleges and Academies—where men are moving as they have never moved before to place their Academies in the front rank, seeing that if their Colleges are well filled by properly prepared students, they must look well to the *feeder*.

The late Educational Convention in Brooklyn, N. Y., composed of the foremost men in our body, from all parts of the Union, gives weight to a subject that has been mooted several years—the raising of an endowment for the Seminary. The *Western Christian*, in commenting on this Convention, says:—"It is evident that in the view of our most distinguished educators all over the country, the Academy is the great educational question of the day. As we provide for and perfect this, we provide for and perfect the whole system. As Baptists, we are behind other denominations, and have already suffered vast loss, we must remain as we are, or we must improve on the one hand, and in our Ministry and Laity on the other. Let us hasten to repair our loss. Let our men of wealth and far-reaching wisdom come to our help. Let the Academy be well endowed, strongly managed, amply furnished, and have the very best curriculum." * * * "Our neglect, as Baptists, of the Academies has worked disastrously on the Universities."

Comment on the above extract is unnecessary, but we ask that it be pondered well by our whole people. Although we have had no professedly Theological students the past year, still we have good reason to believe that four pupils have the Ministry in view—two of them, we may mention, were not professors when they commenced their studies. This fact speaks for itself.

We are desirous to draw tighter the bonds between the Seminary and the Churches, and we do not know of a better way to bring this about than for the learned President of Acadia, or some of her Professors, to visit Fredericton annually as part of an examining body.

Before closing, let us put a few questions to each brother and sister of our Churches: 2d.—Have you done your duty in helping to forward his interests, either by taking the opportunities presented or seeking opportunities to present his claims? 3d.—Have you given to the Seminary? If so, has it been systematically, year by year, or only a spasmodic effort—a giving to prevent disastrous and mortifying consequences? 4th.—Will you hereafter keep the fourth Thursday in February as a day of prayer for institutions of learning, and give to Acadia College and the Baptist Seminary a special place in your petitions?

Our acknowledgments are due to the Secretary of State at Ottawa for a bronze copy of the Medalion struck in commemoration of the Confederation of the Provinces. A box of Minerals from Mr. Jarvis Hart, Jr., of St. John, was received last year, and should have been acknowledged then. Donations of Books, &c., will always be gratefully received. Respectfully submitted, RICHARD H. PHILLIPS, Secretary, Fredericton, June 8, 1870.

DEAR VISITOR.—In my absence our aged brother, Elder Walker, made our friends here a profitable visit, which we hope may be "like bread cast upon the waters seen after many days." The Pastor of the Church, Elders, &c., have been very kind to be in danger, and we trust his preaching and visits have been pleasant and profitable both to himself and to his friends. Yours, as ever, D. CHANDLER, Essex, Aug. 7th, 1870.

For the Christian Visitor. BILLOW, Cornwallis, Aug. 1, 1870.

DEAR VISITOR.—Much interest, as you are aware, has lately been manifested in the subject of our Foreign Mission.

Miss M. Norris, a beloved sister in Christ, who for many years past has felt her heart burning with love for perishing souls, and who has longed to go to the distant heathen to tell more particularly to her own sex of the wondrous story of a crucified and living Saviour, and of the sweets of redeeming grace and dying love, has been recommended by our Association to visit the Churches in the Province, in order to awaken a still deeper interest, and to endeavor to enlist a greater zeal among the sisters of our Churches in this deeply important subject. And oh, is there not need of the children of God throughout our highly favored Christian lands—the mothers and daughters in Israel—of becoming more engaged in the cause of Missions in view of the great destitution existing in heathen lands? Millions of our sex are yet bowing down to idols, little dreaming that the Father will be brought to judgment. The child, as soon as it can lip, is taught the name of its Pagan god by its mother, and learned to worship it, and consequently grows up with the principles of idolatry firmly rooted in the heart. Now, until the mothers of India are brought under the influence of the gospel, missionary labor will be crowned with small success.

At the meetings of our Associations, our dear sister Norris has been laboring with great earnestness, and with an energy peculiar to herself, in instituting "Women's Missionary Aid Societies," and I am happy to learn that the Pastors of our Churches are rendering all their aid, giving the weight of their influence to our sister in her work and labor of love.

Societies have been formed in the following places: Cape Canoe, Amherst, Windsor, Falmouth, Hanston, Wolfville, Percival, Canning, Canard, Billtown, and Upper Aylesford, &c. &c. Miss Norris is now visiting the Churches in the Western part of this Province, on her way to New Brunswick, where, no doubt, she will receive that whole-hearted co-operation and Christian welcome which has always been extended to Christian efforts in our sister Province.

In order that the numerous readers of the Visitor may be made acquainted with the objects contemplated by the Women's Aid Societies, I have thought it well to append a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Societies formed here, which, I believe, are similar to those adopted elsewhere. I remain, yours respectfully,

MRS. W. C. BILL, Secy. W. B. M. Aid Society.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1.—This Society shall be called the Billtown Branch of Women's Baptist Missionary Aid Society for heathen lands.

Article 2.—This Society shall be Auxiliary to the Foreign Missions Board in connection with the Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island.

Article 3.—The object of this Society shall be the evangelization of heathen women by raising funds to enable the Board of Foreign Missions to send out and support single women as missionaries for the special purpose of instructing heathen women in the truths of the Gospel, establishing schools for girls, and preparing them to become Bible readers and teachers among their country-women.

Article 4.—This Society shall be composed of women, and the condition of membership shall be the annual contribution to its funds of not less than one dollar. Any person, by the payment of \$50 at one time, may become a life member, and any Sunday School or association of persons donating \$50 at one time, may constitute any specified person a life member.

Article 5.—This Society shall elect annually from its members a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Managers, who shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Treasurer and Auditor may, at the option of the members, be gentlemen.

Article 6.—If the annual elections shall not be made on the stated day, the Officers and Managers shall continue in office until a new election, which shall be made at such time and place, and after such notice as the Board of Managers shall prescribe.

Article 7.—All amendments to this Constitution shall be proposed in writing, and adopted only by the vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS.

1. The Annual Election shall be held on the Wednesday after the 1st Sunday of January. This meeting shall be observed as the Anniversary, at which the Annual Report shall be read, the Officers of the Society chosen, with the Board of Managers, and public Addresses be given before the Society by Clergymen and others. Stated meetings of this Society shall be held on the Wednesday after the 1st Sunday of April, and the 1st Sunday of July, and the 1st Sunday of October, and the 1st Sunday of every month. All meetings of the Board or Society shall be opened by the reading of Scriptures and by prayer.

2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board or Society, shall sign all orders on the Treasury, and shall direct Special Meetings to be called at the request of members. In the absence of the President, the Senior Vice-President shall preside.

3. The Secretary shall correspond with the Central Board, shall keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Society, and at each meeting shall read the record of the last meeting. She shall counter-sign all orders on the Treasury, and give notice to the members of special meetings.

4. The Treasurer shall keep correct accounts of all the moneys received and paid out, and at the annual meeting shall present a report of the same, and also make statements to the Managers when called for at their meetings.

5.—The Board shall appoint annually Standing Committees for such purposes as they may see fit.

6. The stationary and incidental expenses, together with the postage of all letters of the Secretary and Treasurer, or the business of the Society, shall be defrayed from the funds of the Society.

7.—The Board shall take care that their preparation of the support of all those they send abroad is properly guaranteed, their salary commencing from the time of their arrival at their post of labor.

For the Christian Visitor.

I left my home on Wednesday morning, July 27th, to meet the appointments which were noticed in the Visitor.

THE CROPS.

In the lower part of the Province and along the Bay shore are pretty good, far better than in the interior. The hay crop will be about half or two-thirds its usual amount in the lower part of the Province and along the St. John River. In Canning, Sheffield and Margerville, three-fourths. On the Ashwaik, in Cardigan and on the Keswick and through the interior generally, not much, if any, over a half crop will be cut. One man in upper Keswick told me that where he cut ten tons last year, he only cut one this. A man in the Jerusalem Settlement said he never saw oats, buckwheat and potatoes looking better at this time of year. I observed many fine fields of oats coming up the river. When I got to the north of the Jerusalem Settlement, the oat fields began to grow poorer, the straw being very short, and in many instances literally drying up in the field. Buckwheat and potatoes are not so good up this way, although the late rains may yet make the crop almost an average one.

The rains have not been so frequent and heavy above Gagetown as below, but since Monday night of this week we have had a good supply.

THE FIRES.

There have been a great deal of damage on the Nashwaak, Keswick and Miramichi, so also back of Gagetown and around the lakes. Thousands and millions of acres of the best timber berths in the Province have been burned over. The fires have also been burning in the patches of timber land among the farms, and in many instances burning up houses and barns, and in one instance, I am told, it got into the standing hay and burned up about twelve tons. So dry has been the ground that the fire runs up the soil, running along in the roots of the grass, trees and brush. Some five or six houses were burned on the Keswick last week. At the time the whole settlement seemed to be in danger, and the people not knowing which way to take their household effects to a place of safety. Some times, they say, the fire would leap from a quarter to half a mile. When it would catch in a house the inmates would only be able to escape with their lives and the clothing they had

on. There will be many instances of distress calling upon the sympathies of the benevolent in all parts of the Province.

THE CHURCH AT JERUSALEM AND GREENWICH.

are in need of a Pastor. The people are calling loudly for a preacher, and the pastor who is in need of a Baptist minister being located on that field, to preach to this church and the surrounding fields all his time.

THE CHURCH AT UPPER GAGETOWN.

have settled Rev. B. Hughes. He has left moved his family into the Parsonage, and seems to be quite comfortably situated. His health, however, is poor. It is to be hoped it will soon be better. If the people will do their duty they can support our brother and make his pastorate long and profitable among them. But for the fact this church has a parsonage, they would, without doubt, be without a Pastor. The people are making ample preparations, I am told, for the Association in September.

THE CANNING AND SHEFFIELD CHURCH.

is presided over and preached to by the Rev. Geo. Scott. Our Rev. pastor has labored profitably settled among this people. The prospects here have not been so encouraging for years. There is some prospect of a Parsonage being built at Lakeville, just between French and Macquart Lakes, where there is a thriving little village.

THE MAUGERVILLE CHURCH.

is in a more prosperous condition than for some years past. Rev. W. D. Manzer has been Pastor for one year. By the blessing of God he has succeeded in arranging for, and almost removing a debt of long standing upon this house of worship. This Church feels the need of a general revival of religion. Oh, that the hands of the Pastor may be held up that Israel may prevail, and that many souls may here be converted to God speedily.

THE NASHWAUK CHURCH.

also has Rev. W. D. Manzer for Pastor. He has been greatly blessed in his work here during the past year. His labors have been blessed and profitable, the fruits of which are very visible as yet. The people here are feeling the hardness of the times very much, and scarcely know how they will meet the wants of their Church. It is to be hoped that the more able will increase their subscriptions, and that their Pastor may long continue to labor with them.

Here reside the parents, brother, and sister of Rev. Gilbert Spurr, the Principal of our Seminary. God has greatly blessed our aged brother and Sister in every way. Their eldest son was brought out under the labors of Elder Knapp in Fredericton, and is now one of the working men of the Nashwaak Church.

FROM NASHWAUK, I WENT TO CARDIGAN,

a distance of twenty-four miles, on Tuesday afternoon. This is a Welsh settlement on the up land, in the upper part of the Parish of Douglas. A little Church was organized here in 1820. Of late years it has been in a low state, and has not reported to the Association for some years past. But about three or four weeks ago Bro. Curry, a recent emigrant from the Macknackquart Church, a young man who has just graduated at the new Freshman Class in Acadia College, came among them. His preaching has taken a deep hold upon the people. At nine o'clock on Wednesday morning, we had a Conference meeting, which, under the circumstances, was well attended, and gave promise of much good. I was glad to meet Bro. Curry, and to find that he had decided to give himself to the work of the ministry. He is a brother to the Pastor of the Methodist Church, Fredericton.

On Wednesday, I came to Keswick, but as last week's Visitor did not reach this part of the Province until last Monday, my appointments were not given out. Here is a fine country, large and populous, with more voters than the County of Sunbury in the City of Fredericton, with only one mail a week. What do the mail authorities mean! Do they know the importance of this county, and the injustice done it? Is the news of the world to be kept from this people a whole week? I should think the people en masse would rise in rebellion against such injustice. The Baptists on the Keswick have two fine meeting houses, and an interest in a union house, and two pretty good sized Churches. Rev. J. H. Tupper is Pastor, and is preaching to the people with great power. There are many fine buildings in the county, but most of the farmers are said to be in debt, having become involved by lumbering. I am to preach in Upper Keswick on Sunday morning, in Lower Keswick Sunday afternoon, and in Macknackquart Sunday evening.

All these Churches are taking hold, more or less, vigorously of the Union Society. We shall see what they will do by the time of the Western Association in Gagetown. E. C. CADY, Upper Keswick, August 5, 1870.

FOR THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

The members of the Christian Church are compared to the different parts of the body, the offices of which are so distinct, that one cannot perform the functions of another. All are necessary, but each one must be in its appointed place, and do the part for which it was formed by its Creator, in order that the whole may glorify Him.

And though it is true that in Christ Jesus there is neither male nor female, but all are one in Christ Jesus; alike involved in one common ruin, and alike called to the same glorious inheritance, yet is there in the Scriptures a special mark set upon the female sex, and which is to be observed in the life of the Christian, and which it becomes her with humble earnestness to be found pursuing. It is, perhaps, somewhat humbling to the pride of the human heart to read the list of unostentatious virtues set forth for her attainment. She must possess "the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit;" if a wife she must "see that she reverence her husband," if a prayer, she must "pray without ceasing, and in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, continually in prayer and supplications night and day;" whilst single life specially devotes her to be "holy both in body and spirit."

"If she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work," she is considered as having fulfilled her mission; and not only so, but she is deemed worthy of the commendation of the church.

Though forbidden to speak in the church, and commanded "to learn, in silence, with all subjection," she is required to be a "teacher of good things" (Titus 2-3), and Solomon declares "she openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to the meaning of the former injunction, there can be no doubt that the latter affords a wide field for female usefulness. "A teacher of good things to the little ones will be the pious mother or elder sister in the family circle, and such also may she be in the Sabbath School, gently controlling the bright young spirits committed to her care by lessons from the word of God. A "teacher of good things" may she be to her domestics, perhaps by direct instruction, but by example and influence, but pre-eminently may she be a "teacher of good things," if teaching be her daily vocation.

Mary Lyon is only a specimen, though a remarkable one, of a class of devoted women, whose superior intelligence and earnest piety are moulding the character of the age, and who, while zealously imparting secular instruction, are supremely anxious to bring their youthful disciples to the feet of Jesus. All honor to these Christian trainers of the future mothers of the land; and may God continue to raise up a liberal supply of this "salt of the earth," a continuous succession of these "lights of the world!" Let us not forget, however, that the virtuous woman not only "openeth her mouth with wisdom," but that "in her tongue is the law of kindness." The tongue is, as the Proverb says, a fiery member, and it needs a strong law, and where that law is kindness, how blessed are its effects! How much good is done, how much mischief is prevented, how many sorrowful hearts are cheered, how many firesides brightened, and how much is the religion of Christ adorned and recommended! Well may it be said of such an one, "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all!" E. X.

NOTICE.

Delegates who expect to attend the Convention, to be held with the Baptist Church in Fredericton, are requested to forward their names immediately.

RICHARD H. PHILLIPS, Church Clerk, Fredericton, July 6, 1870.

For the Christian Visitor.

HOME AGAIN.

I feel that I should be truly thankful to Him who is the Ruler of all events, and the Father of all our mercies, that He has preserved me through many dangers, seen and unseen, by sea and by land, and has permitted me, after an absence of nearly twenty years, to visit the land of my birth and the home of my childhood.

Since I left Nictaux, what changes the busy hand of time has wrought. How many have passed from earth to enter upon the realities of another world. The Fathers were there? Some few still remain, and it has done my soul good to meet them once more on the shores of time. Many have left the assembly on earth to join "the general assembly and church of the first born in heaven." Many, who were led down into the baptismal waters and received the hand of fellowship in the church militant while my father was Pastor of this church, are now among those who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

The general aspect of the country has undergone very striking changes for the better, and many improvements have been made.

My visit over here has been a delightful one. I have felt cheered and comforted in meeting so many dear friends once more. I find the people of Nictaux, and Wilnot the same kind, loving, and hospitable people that they ever were.

Last Sabbath I endeavored to preach Christ: in the morning at Nictaux, and in the afternoon at Torburn. The congregations were large and attentive. The Baptists here have been making rapid strides since Father Chipman organized the little church at Nictaux; houses for worship have been erected over mountain and plain in every direction, and God has come down in great power and visited his people. The good seed sown has been watered by the dew of heavenly grace; revival after revival has taken place, until the wilderness all around has been made to blossom as the rose.

Oh, that God may still continue to bless as in days gone by, that multitudes upon multitudes may be added unto His church of those who shall be eternally saved. I. E. BILL, JUN., Wilnot, N. S., August 5, 1870.

FOR THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

DEATH OF REV. GILBERT SPURR. DEAR BRO. BILL.—I hereby send you notice of the death of the Rev. Gilbert Spurr, who departed this life last Saturday, the 30th of July. He had been on a visit to his friends in New Brunswick some eight weeks, and when returning home in a sailing packet, took cold crossing the Bay, which brought on a slight attack of paralysis, accompanied with diarrhea, which ended in death. He did not reach his own home within about two or three days, and he was as far as his father's after he landed by the assistance of kind friends, who received from his wife and daughter every kindness that love could bestow. He was very patient and calm during his sickness; sometimes he would seem to suffer considerably, but for the most part he was quite easy. He said that he longed to be gone to the better land. His trust he said was alone in the grace of God manifested through Jesus Christ our Lord. He selected his funeral text from Ephesians, second chapter and eighth verse, which was improved by the writer on the occasion of his funeral, which took place last Monday, the first of this month.

He was eighty-three years of age, having spent fifty of these years in the ministry, travelling over the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and many parts of the United States and Canada. He was very sound in the doctrines of grace, and his serious doctrines were his support in his last moments. I trust he has gone home to dwell with his Saviour and our Saviour, where not a wave of trouble rolls across the peaceful breast. May God bless his aged and much esteemed widow, and all the friends who are called to mourn in the prayer of your brother in Christ. G. D. COX, Gloucester, N. S., Aug. 3rd, 1870.

MRS. HUNT'S SEMINARY.

An advertisement of Mrs. Hunt's Young Ladies' Seminary will be found in our advertising columns, to which we would specially solicit the attention of parents with daughters to be educated, either in the ordinary branches of Primary and Grammar Schools, or in the higher studies of High Schools and Seminaries. Two of the teachers, it will be noticed, viz. Miss Hunt, the Principal, and Miss Bradford, the Assistant, are graduates of the widely and justly celebrated Mt. Holyoke Seminary. The style of female education, which distinguishes that seat of learning, is admitted by all, who know its history, and are capable of appreciating its merits, to be of the very highest order. Its very name is a synonym for pure female culture, and to be a graduate from its school is a sufficient recommendation to a young lady who wishes to engage in teaching. Mt. Holyoke Seminary aims at a genuine education of the minds and hearts of its pupils, and not, as is too frequently the case in schools for females especially, merely to attach to the surface of a young lady's mind and character some general, artificial and glittering accomplishments, so called, that will enable her to shine and flit and fascinate, just for a passing moment amid the idle trifling of shallow, worldly and frivolous society. It was, we think, Hannah More who said, that education is a school to fit us for LIFE, and life is a school to fit us for ETERNITY. If the young ladies engaged as teachers in the Seminary on Germain Street, are actuated by the spirit that has ruled, from the first, at Mt. Holyoke, and if they bring to their responsible work the mental discipline, the high-toned aspirations, the practical tact, and the unwearied energy with which they must have become familiar in the Seminary, whose diploma they hold, we can cordially recommend the school, and have no doubt that they will, ever long, win a commanding reputation for it. Mrs. Hunt's refined, benignant and affable manners, as a lady, and her long experience in guiding and moulding the young ladies placed under her care and training, make it not only safe, but desirable for parents, sending their daughters to the city for the purpose of education, to consign them to her family and school. The moral culture of the pupils is carefully conducted, but with their denominational connections and proclivities there is not the slightest interference. The school is wholly unsectarian. We wish Mrs. Hunt's Seminary abundant success. WENTWORTH.

FOR THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

Mr. Editor.—In my last I had to regret that the Baptist Church in this place was without an under "Shepherd" to go in and out before them. Since then, and always the Lord has been very kind to us, and has put it in the heart of Brother Frank Beattie that it was his duty to use his talent in the Master's service, to take up his cross, preach the Gospel, and break the bread of life to perishing sinners, and to make his place his starting point. I rejoice the more in this matter, as there was every prospect that if the Church was left for any longer time without a Pastor, that it would become like a number of others in this section, existing only in name.

While Baptists with commendable zeal are exerting themselves in the Foreign Missionary cause, let them not forget that there are numerous neglected places in our own home where the Gospel seed is scarcely ever heard. Let us endeavor to christianize the people at home, as it is in our power, that we may have the more to assist in the work abroad.

Our aged patriarch and brother in the Lord, Rev. James Walker, of St. George, has been here for the past two weeks, and although in his 84th year, he is vigorous, and has encouraged his young brethren here very much, and on Sabbath last, who had gone to preach at Buctouche. The old man preached three times, and was listened to with all marked reverence and attention. Father Walker left here to-day for the southward, and intends stopping at a number of stations, as possible on his route home. May that success which his faith and diligence deserve, attend him in his protracted labours in his Master's cause. A. W. F., Shediac, 4th August, 1870.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Mr. Snow, of Providence, occupied the Baptist pulpit of Portland for a couple of Sabbaths recently with much acceptance. The Church has given him a unanimous call to the pastorate. It is expected that he will accept the call. If so, we trust he will be a valuable accession to the ministerial staff of the Province.

Rev. Mr. DeBlos, of Wolfville, supplied the Portland pulpit last Sabbath. He left in the American boat on Monday for Portland.

Rev. Henry Angel, of New York, preached in Leinster-street Church on Sabbath morning and in Germain-street Church in the evening. Bro. Chas. Corey of Richmond, Va., occupied the pulpit of Leinster-street in the evening. He preached also in Pitt-street in the afternoon. The ministrations of these valued brethren were highly appreciated by the respective congregations to whom they addressed the messages of eternal truth.

Rev. George Seeley informs us that he is pleasantly settled at Canning, and the indications in his new field of labor are encouraging. God grant a time of refreshing from his presence.

THE BIBLIOTHECA SACRA for July, 1870, has come to hand, containing nine articles of sterling value. They are: I. The Crucifixion on Thursday—not Friday; II. The Doctrine of the Apostles; III. The Creative Period in History; IV. Recent Questions in Unbelief; V. Demosthenes, and the Rhetorical Principles established by his Example; VI. Revelation and Inspiration; VII. Exposition of 2 Cor. v. 14; VIII. The Topography of Jerusalem; IX. Explorations in Palestine. Besides which are the usual Notices of Recent Publications. The first article in the list attempts to overthrow some views in Sacred Chronology and Interpretation. The writer remarks, "It is generally believed that our Saviour was crucified on Friday, the fifteenth day of the Jewish month of Nisan. A careful examination of the subject has confirmed us in the opinion that the established theory is incorrect. We believe he was crucified on Thursday for three reasons: 1. If he was crucified on Friday, his body could not have lain three days and three nights in the grave, and, in all probability, he must have risen on the second, and not on the third day, according to the Scriptures. 2. If he was crucified on Friday, there is a plain discrepancy between John and the other Evangelists. 3. His crucifixion on Thursday removes both these difficulties. But critical scholarship, in the domain of Biblical studies, is not likely to be moved from its established position by the premises and reasoning in this discussion on the date of the crucifixion."

THE PASTOR AND PREACHER. Published by Gould and Lincoln, 59 Washington street, Boston. This is the Memorial Discourse on the late Rev. Baron Stow, D.D., delivered by Rev. Dr. Neale, at the recent anniversary exercises of the Newton Theological Seminary. The style of the press work is beautiful. Besides Dr. Neale's discourse, there is an Appendix, containing extracts from memorials read and prepared to their respective congregations by Rev. Dr. Eddy and Rev. A. J. Gordon. We were present at the Newton anniversary when Dr. Neale presented this charming contribution of affectionate respect to the memory of one whose name is lovingly cherished, not only among Baptists in the States, but also in England. "The memory of the just is blessed"—a declaration of the Sacred Oracles that finds a striking illustration in the case of Dr. Baron Stow. Our brethren in the ministry, and indeed any of our Church members, would not only be deeply interested, but greatly profited by the perusal of this little book.

DAILY MANNA for Christian Pilgrims. By Rev. Barton Stow, D.D. Edited by David and Lincoln. This book is in uniform style with *THE PASTOR AND PREACHER* (square 16mo., tinted paper, bound in bevel boards, gilt edges). Dr. Neale, in his Memorial Discourse noticed above, called DAILY MANNA a mental photograph of Dr. Stow. There is a large number of little books, similar in character and design to this, but not one of them can bear a favorable comparison with DAILY MANNA. We would commend it to the young converts that have recently been added to our Churches, as a most valuable companion and help for closet reading and meditation. Price 40 cents, U. S. currency.

LIST OF DELEGATES

TO THE CONVENTION, AND NAMES OF PERSONS WITH WHOM THEY WILL RESIDE:

- Armstrong, W. F., at Mrs. Jonathan Estey's; Baker, Ansel T., and wife, at John L. Hains'; Balcom, Rev. J. E., at Baptist Seminary; Barrow, Rev. W. B., at S. W. Babbitt's; Bleakney, Rev. J. C. and wife, at David Estabrook's; Bollenstein, Rev. H. B., at Jas. McNally's; Blockner, Rev. W. A., at Baptist Seminary; Brown, Samuel, at Queen Hotel; Backus, Rev. Dr., at S. W. Babbitt's; Coombes, Rev. John, at R. S. Bailey's; Chipman, Rev. A. and wife, at Z. R. Everett's; Cramp, Rev. Dr. and daughter, at Rev. Dr. Spurden's; Creed, H. C., at Baptist Seminary; Cady, Rev. E. C., at J. B. Mitchell's; Chase, Rev. John, at David Estabrook's; Cox, Rev. G. D., at Thos. Coy's (St. Mary's); Carey, Rev. G. M. W., and wife, at Mr. Alline's; Clark, Richard, at Solomon McFarlane's; Crowsley, Rev. Dr., at William Leighton's; DeBlos, Rev. S. and wife, at William Wheeler's; Dunn, Israel, at Solomon McFarlane's; Day, Rev. Geo. E., at Queen Hotel; Foshey, Rev. E. F., at Long's Hotel; Freeman, Rev. M. P., at H. S. Estey's; Freeman, Samuel, and daughter, at John L. Hains'; Goucher, Rev. H. B., at William Wheeler's; Gates, Rev. L. B., at William Cooper's; Hughes, Rev. John, and wife, at Thos. Hustis'; Higgins, Prof. D. F., at William Wheeler's; Hickson, Rev. Edward and wife, at Mrs. Clarke's; Harley, Rev. T. and wife, at Rev. Dr. Spurden's; Hovey, Rev. Dr., at Thos. Logan's; Kempton, Rev. J. F., at John L. Hains'; Layton, T. B., at Baptist Seminary; Lamson, Rev. Dr., at J. P. Tuckey's; Murdoch, Rev. Dr., at Rev. D. D. Currie's; McDonald, Rev. J. B., at William Cooper's; McKenzie, Rev. W. S., at Baptist Seminary; Norris, Miss Maria, at John L. Hains'; Parsons, J. F., at Baptist Seminary; Parker, James and wife, at James Wheeler's; Porter, Rev. T. H. and wife, at H. S. Estey's; Porter, Rev. R. D. and sister, at Mrs. Jonathan Estey's; Parker, Rev. J. M. and wife, at Robert Winters'; Parker, Rev. W. G., at Thos. Coy's (St. Mary's); Stubbett, J. B., at Baptist Seminary; Selden, Stephen, at H. S. Estey's; Skinner, Rev. J. J. and wife, at Elijah Clarke's; Sanford, R., at Baptist Seminary; Smith, James and wife, at Elijah Clarke