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respondents are respectfully reminded that communications, as a general thing are more table to readers of Newspapers, than long ones, Revival influences are again prevailing with that a legible style of writing will save the tr time, which is always valuable, and insure rect impression.

For the " Chustian Visitor." TROSPECT, SOLEMN PROVIDENCE.

AR VISITOR. relatives and friends in your Province my ; blessed manner. orteur journeyings, and altho' in a sister a little space in your useful columns.

One of the baptized was Capt. G. K. T. of the the Germain and Brussell St. Churches. Feel-"Mary Richards," who lately sailed from your ing desirous of listening to and profiting by the Port. May God honour him with the conversion Ministrations of our Brother. I concluded to of his crew. Amen. On a visit to Tusket Lake I remain for a time in the City, and avail myself was called to baptize two on the 19th December of the opportunity. I trust I shall never have laste

happy exhortation, and while listening to one of ern part of Nova Scotia.

spirit departed to repeat the glad Amen to the corpse was conveyed in the Hearse to his late residence. He has left a wife, three sons and four parent.

Brother Hilton was converted at sea some sixteen years ago in the brig Emiline on a voyage from this port to Trinidad, and returned with all his crew rejoicing in Christ, when he was baptized, since which time he has lived as a Christian until God took him.

us. The above Providence has deepened these influences. On the 13th March I baptized two, brother and sister were baptized together ; five males and four females. four being heads of fa-

I was under some impressions that former tion, but God has made it otherwise, and the

cause to regret coming to that conclusion. I SOLEMN PROVIDENCE. On March 6th Capt, remained there some three or four weeks, then John Hilton, of the brig Emiline, while worship- I came up the river as far as Upper Gagetown, ping in the Central B. M. House suddenly ex- just in time to attend the Western Association pired in his pew from heart disease. At the held in this place, which very strikingly remind-

close of my discourse he had delivered a most ed me of the last Association held in the Westthe Deacon's he repeated Amen, Brother, and his I would to God that all our Annual gather-

ings might be conducted with a like spirit, that welcome call, Come ye blessed of my Father .- the same holy zeal and earnestness to advance O how solemn was that death sermon delivered the glory of God, and the interest of the Red. in on instant, unattended with a groan or strug- deemer's cause would characterize all our busigle of the dying child of God. Stillness regned. ness transactions and our devotional exercises, After some twenty minutes recess the services as was manifest in the gatherings above referred were resumed, the Communion of the Body of to. At the conclusion of this Annual session Christ was enjoyed when after the dismission the Brother Earle commenced a protracted meeting, which was continued about five weeks without cessation. The result of this meeting, so far as daughters to mourn for a kind husband and loving sould be discerned by finite vision, has been already communicated to you. I will therefore

only say, that it was the most wonderful outpouring of the spirit's influence, I ever had the privilege of witnessing. A short time after the close of this meeting, Brother Edwards who was then pastor of the Church, by reason of ill health and some other cause or causes resigned his charge. I then received an invitation to become their Pastor, and with much trembling, about the 1st of December, I entered upon this on the 17th two more, and on the last Lord's arduous and responsible duty, which indeed ap-Day nine more. The father, mother and son, the prared to be marked out by the Providence of God. I am still labouring here in connection

with my dear Brethren, my hands being held up by their prayers and my heart encouraged by milies. Seven more are reseived for baptism their sympathies, and I believe the good work is our columns have oft reported to my numer- , and God manifests his quickening grace in a yet prospering through our combined co-operation. May the Great Head of the Church still

continue to bless us and make us a blessing to others. And now before closing I would express vince and no longer having the Provinces for ingatherings comprised the sheaves I should my sincere gratitude to God for the sending scene of my labours but a section of about 5 be privileged to gather here, and that some down of such a glorious shower of salvation to es square, I presume that you can still give other field might probably engage my atten- water and refresh some of the thirsty pastors of this province, I would also devoutly thank him, nembering my own native

can neither give nor take away ; to us He has those of the mildest dispositions become savage. sent down the comforter, and in our cold hearts They neither think, nor talk, nor act like themthe fire of his own inextinguishable love has oft- selves; as the result of oft repeated and long times been kindled up. We have heard His continued visits of this sort, minds of the finest gracious advice, His heavenly counsel, His sa- and firmest mould are sometimes shattered into other in heavenly places ; and almost felt hea- And who has insensibility to witness such wrecks lives only be shortened ten years, and of Mode were, the divine friend of sinners, sweating for the sight? us great drops of blood-nailed to the Cross, and Him to this rebellious world, and have been

us believe, my Brethren, in such favoured seastarcy of our love-how soon it cools ; oh ! the clouded over ; oh ! the imperfection of our obeclaim-" my leanness, my leanness!"

But such is frail man at his best estate. world censures christians for their inconsistencies, and much of it is truly deserved. No one and, says the celebrated Dr. CHEYNE of Dublin, can be more sensible than they are themselves of their many defects; but others know not the vation : "Let ten young men begin at twentyplague of the heart as the christian knows it in one years of age to use but one glass of two is conflicts with the opposing world, a fiery ad- ounces a day of alcohol and never increase the versary and flesh to be mortified at every step. quantity, nine out of ten of those young men will Little do others know how many hard struggles shorten life more than ten years." the christian makes only to maintain the standing men long accustomed to the use of ardent spirits ful. Hence the rule of Total Abstinence from which he does main ain. But he is ready to can be taken off from them suddenly and entirely, every thing of an intoxicating nature, as a matblame himself entirely for all his short-comings without injury to health-and, with the certain ter of auty. Again : the appelite for intoxicatand for all his errors-and thus he comes back prospect of improving health, plainly shows that ing liquors is not one of natures's producing, again and again to his first peuitence and first such a drink is poisonous and pernicious to the and cannot be satisfied in the natural way. It love. He looks to his Saviour anew to gather human system, and this is a fact now incontrotope, strength and courage on his way. never dissatisfied with his Master-never with Mr. Powers, Agent and Keeper of a very extenhis calling. He has found already a rich re- sive Penitentuary, declared, that during several ward-and his confidence in Christ he would not for all the world beside surrender. And now my christian friends in view of the Saviour's benefitted by the total abstraction of spirit, and love set forth afresh to-day, oh! let that love every other stimulant drink from his diet. never be saddened by the neglect of any one of the Saviour's commands to us-especially that cy arden, spirits have to impair health and dewhich Jesus made so empha'ic, your love to one another. Loving the image of your Lord leads you to your Lord himself. Loving one another will prepare you to love the great object of your common attachment. A great deal grows of genuine love to man. It is a most powerful spring to all that is dear and desirable in the Church below, and it will be essential to the glory and blessedness of the Church above. There can be no amiable and worthy character without love. Its exercises penetrate gloom which nothing else can penetrate, and cary in their train influences and blessings to relaym and save the most guilty-to sustain and cheer the most indigent, and to relieve and comfort the most miserable. It often melts the heart which everything else has failed to move, and recovers to the path of virtue and peace the soul that has been abandoned by every other messenger of good. It operates as well when there is firm that not one considerate person will deny no complacency in the object of its regard as when there is. Indeed, this Heaven-born prin- man mind sooner than that of fitting it for sericiple appears the most lovely and attractive when ous contemplation. They impart such animainterposing for those who have no claim but that which the sight of guilt and wretchedness itself being; and we all know, this happiness serves 'o creates in the heart of the beholder. This Divine principle of christlan love finds ample scope in such a world as ours, and the right exercise of it, when directed towards suitable objects and put forth on suitable occasions, does much to reclaim and bless a fallen world anh he who would continue in the Savior's love must keep hinself well instructed and well trained in the school of benevolence. Let my brother man know what true benevolence requires, and let him be brought entirely under the influence, and his heart will expand with universal goodsill, and the proper fruits of such a disposition will appear in his daily conduct towards those with whom he is a sociated. He will carry about with him, wherever he goes, a mind controlled by geterous sentiments, a heart abounding with generous feelings, and a hand ready for however, not here mentionec, will be glanced at generous actions. This Heaven-born and Hea- in looking as I now invite you to do, at the exven-tending virtue is the only thing which can tent of the evils which called, and still call, for fit us at once to promote and share the happiness the Temperance Reformation. of all around. Let us take our lessons, my Brethren, from Him who became love Incarnate, and in whom as He appeared on earth met the bright cording to calculations founded upon acknow constellations of all the moral virtues. In His ledged facts, (and calculations, undoubtedly fall. school is taught what we learn in no other.-There and nowhere else, is taught all that our

all our own. Yes, to us this divine Saviour has individuals whom you have known to be persons left his peace. We know it is, such as the world of the best sense become extremely silly, and ered commands, and His all-endearing promises; the fragments of mere idiocy, or broken down we have sat together with Him and with each into the frightful runs of incurable madness.ven was begun so far that the world could no of the immortal mind, with all their attendant ag- rate Drinkers only five-oh, what a number of more charmus away. We have seen too, as it gravations, and not be filled with sympathy at

I have said Intemperance destroys life. It is exclaiming as He expired under our load o not necessary to appeal to the testimony of any gnilt-" My God, my God, why hast thou for-f of the thousand Physicians who have expressed aken me ?" as if He, who had poured forth so the most decided and startling opinions on the lately all heaven's consolation on poor sinful subjects ; it is not necessary to appeal to them man, was now almost devoid of any for himself in order to establish the correctness of this asserin that dark hour. O, how dark it must have tion ; although their opinions are entitled to the been to God's forsaken Son! We have looked highest respect, and ought to be very seriously again and again, till we have been crucified with pondered as they are brought before the public eye in the Temperance wints of the present day. the evil grew, and we were looked upon by some, sorely grieved at our many sins. Brethren, we They are the opinions of men most competent have also seen our Lord rising from the dead, to juge. But my Brethren, you can judge for of drunkards." And we turned our eyes indig. have seen his wounded side, have heard him say yourselves-you do judge, and you, I doubt not, be not faithless but believing," have seen him judge correctly. You know that Intemperance ascend to heaven, and have heard the song of shortens a man's days, and you, as well as the triumph there. And we have felt that all this Doctors know, not only that large doses of any was done for us ; and that for us the same poison frequently repeated will at length kill, glory is preparing, as the Prophets, Apostles, and may and sometimes do kill, suddenly or Martyrs, and all departed saints have already shortly; but also that small doses, though taken found with Jesus. Who then could have made with great caution and regularity, must have the same bearing. - Plain good sense teaches you sons, that we should ever again so crucify afresh that an article which is bad in its very nature the Saviour as we have done! Oh ! the incon- will do much hurt when much is used, and litile shall I say more? Only one thing, and that is hurt when little is used. But that you may not considered by many the secret of the business weakness of our faith -how soon it fails ; oh ! conclude the little hurt in the case before us. is the variableness of our hope-how often it is a small matter, let me here direct you to the con- This in many instances, I fear, was what made the clusions of two amongst the many who have drunka, d, and this was what baffled all our efforts dience-how often have we been forced to ex- spoken on this subject Dr. KIRK of Scotland, gives it as his opinion, that such men as were not considered ntemperate by daily regular drinking, have often shortened life more than twenty years; after twenty years extensive practice and obser-He is vertibly established. In the summer of 1829, years residence in that Institution, he had never known an individual whose health had not been Many other statements respecting the tendenstroy life might be produced ; let me, however, simply remind you of what the days of the Cholera proclaimed in our ears. It has been computed, says one of good authority, that fivesixths of all-(not all for there are exceptions)who fell from that disease in England, were taken from the ranks of the intemperate and dissolute. And, says a gentleman who saw two thousand one hundred and sixty perish in twentyfive days, in one town in Russia : " It is a most remarkable circumstance that persons given to drinking have been swept away like flies." friends, what of a temporal nature is so valuable as life ? Will any of you throw away a single year, month, day or hour of it in such a habit f Intemperance ruins immortal souls! drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of God." But here is something to be thought of by those who are not drunkards. I will venture to afthat ardent spirits have any effect upon the hution as makes one feel more happy for the time keep from him that poverty of spirit in which alone the salvation of the soul is found. My friends, would you give power to temptations? Then drink ardent spirits ! Would you drown all serious reflections, choke the uterance of conscience, and keep yourselves cheerful amidst all these disappointments of this life and forebodings of another, which tend to make you feel your need of a portion in God ?-Then use the sparkling bowl ! But, if you would see things as they are, be in the bes' possible situation to judge of them aright-then touch not, taste not, handle not. It is one of Satan's principle agents in the destruction of immortal souls. In speaking of the greatness of the evils in question,-I might instance many particulars; but we cannot say all in one discourse. Some things, So common and free was the use of ardent spirits when the Reform commenced, that, acing short of the real truth, at least in some of the particulars;) three-fourths of all the pauperism in the civilized world, four-fifths of all aggravat-ed crime, one half of all madness, one half of all sudden deaths, and one-fourth of the deaths of all descriptions above twenty years, resulted from this cause. And oh ! what a picture of huwithin ? If so, we shall manifest it to all within man folly, guilt and woe, would the facts here our reach-to all who need our pity. " As the summarily stated make me to draw, were it now my object to enlist your leelings with descriptions of greatness fallen, of health injured, of And now letus notice THE EVILS WHICH HAVE property squandered, of families ruined, of wives GIVEN TO THE EFFORTS OF THE TEMPERANCE murdered, and of kindred scenes, such as proba-REFORM SO MUCH IMPORTANCE. I trust there bly some before me this evening have witnessed will not be a dissenting voice in this assembly, But this is not my present object. I wish to speak to the understanding chiefly. I ask for your calm and collected thoughts upon a sub-They were great. An article of common drink ject, the complete filling up of which you well was in daily daily use which has a direct tenden- know, would summon us to weep over the most cy to impair reason, destroy life, and ruin the crual injury done to every thing man holds dear ntemperance impairs, reason. Physicians on will be its disclosures, what its decisions, and every side tell us that Alcohol is a poison. They tell us too, when taken into the stomach, it goes into every part of the body and affects the whole system. It finds its way to the head, and there it works vast disorder by its bewildering and in-toxicating powers, making one think himself to man, when, alas! he is enly so much farther re- here present a calculation. which any person of dy gained, and to stop and ask those who have

continued for thirty years to come, as in the thirty years preceeding this Temperance movement, it would cost our Province a sum considerably exceeding the present value of all our houses and lands, and would carry thousands of people to the drunkards grave; besides other housands whom it would put in the way of coming to the same unserable end. And should the number of Drunkards not be increased, and their years would it cut off of human probation !--of time unspeakably important for the interests of this would and of the next.

But I have also said, the evils were growing upon us. The case was becoming worse and worse every year. What was there, my Brethren, in our Parish fifteen years ago that seemed more likely to work our ruin, then what we then called an excessive use of ardent spirits. We resorted to different expedients for the suppression of Intemperance. Much was said and done, but still as we are still called by our neighbours, a "City nantly towards those who were really such; we reproved them, we proscribed them, we reasoned with them, we laboured and strove to reclaim them. But seldom indeed was it, that any one listened to our advice. Then we would turn to those who we saw on the borders of Intemperance; we begged them to beware, but alas ' too frequently they also became drunkards. We cautioned our children, we guarded our servants, we watched our neighbours, and what we were accustomed to drink moderately ourselves. to reclaim him. But a more excellent way was at length discovered-the direct way to the end ; and one, so plain and casy to walk in, that once fairly opened and explained it could not fail of securing many a safe and happy traveller.

Let us then notice secondly .- THE PRINCIPLES ON WHICH THIS SO MUCH NEEDED REFORMA-TION PROCEEDS. The foundation work of the whole is this; that Temperance consists in the moderate use of things good in themselves, and ' The fact that in entire abstinence from things which are hurtis indulged, the more it will crave. There is an Italian Proverb-"He that hath drunk the ocean wants more." No man who uses it regularly can be sure that he will not die a drunkard. All drunkards were once Moderate Drinkers. Of course, all the habits of dranknness must be charged to the the practice of Moderate Drinking. Hence the rule of Total Abstinence as a matter of safety. There can be little safety without it. For men of all professions and of all ranks in life of all grades in talent, and of all degrees of strength and firmness, have fallen victims to this great destroyer. But 1 am briefly to show THE GOOD ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED. According to statements recently made, Temperance Societies exist and flourish in almost every part of the Christian World ; yea, the streams of its blessings are more than we can embrace-are more than we can number. They have carried in . Il directions health to the diseased, sanity to the distracted. bread to the hungry, clothes to the naked, and life to the dead. We think of the Drunkard's home. We hear the agonizing anxiety of a Father's and a Mother's bosom-the deep drawn sighs of the broken hearted wife, as she contrasts her once cheering prospects with her now more than widowed state, and casts her sorrow-stricken eye on her more than Fatherless children; our sympathies awake ; and we feel for the Parent we sigh with the wife, we drop a tear for her babes. But think again: Those weeping Parents have embraced and kissed the returning Prodigal, and that patient and constant wife, finds herself and little ones safe and happy in the arms of an again devoted husband and an again affectionate Father. Whose spirit bounds not with delight, when he thinks how many in almost every part of the civilized world, are the happy changes which this glorious reformation has wrought. But this is only an item in the good which domestic life has realized, and domestic life itself, is only a part, and a small part of the whole. The face of society in many places has been made to smile with new beauty ; the altar of Religion to teem with a purer and fresher fragrance, and Heaven to swell with fuller bliss, At the same time, also, let it be remembered that the amount of good done is not to be confined to evils corrected ; a great share is to be found in evils prevented. And to say nothing on other points, first estimate, my friends, if you can, the bearing of this reform on the destinies of the Millions of Children. Happy children ! God, I doubt not, is preparing many of you, in this way, as well as others, for great achievement in your day and generation. Happy children ! are you in having felt the imfluences thus far exerted for your well being . and thrice happy will you be, f the consummation of what so many of your dearest friends are now labouring for, and praying for, and preaching for and confidently looking for, shall indeed be realized in you. Finally we proceed to notice, THE PRESENT CLAIMS OF THE CAUSE. And what shall I say first. Surely this-that most hearty thanks should be given to the Father of all mercies, for the success which has so far attended these exertions. We talk of the Temperance Reformation, as an illustrious monument of the agency of light and love, operating on the heart and consciences of maskind. But at the same time, let us duly recognize the hand of Him, without whose blessing the most vigilant watchmen will watch, and the most devoted labourers will labour in vain. Let us then, my friends, earnestly supplicate the guidance and assistance of the Holy Spirit, which we so much need; that no dark cloud may again overspread cur present animating prospects-no contentions or political divisions confound our counsels-ne lack of zeal or self-denial cut short our course. But time admonishes me to bring my remarks to a conclusion, and yet I cannot do so, without adding a few words more on this important subject. My triends what does the cause of Tenperance claim at your hands ! It claims that its

am well. Praise Godfor this, all we that love to express my gratitude for so much mercy | God here for a yct longer space. ards a great sinner ! I am unwearied in my ble, inefficient labours, and to God belongs glory and while in the ministry since 1850 I endeavoured to point sinners to Christ. I adore God that the weeping sower finds some aves to harvest home.

od's hand led me to this township in Novem-1856. The South Yarmouth Baptist Church experienced a mixture of joy and sorrow .-ree succeeding Pastors had removed to find ther scenes and clearer skies ; and when I reed the Pastorate considerable anxiety preed. It is exceedingly rare that the removal Pastor does not lead to some disunion .---ilar minds will become cemented. Happy those churches where the minority will ace to the wish of the majority and thereby prethe frequent removal of the Pastor, and pyare the hurthen bearers when the offended ubers will cast away their heart-burnings and dially unite in a new call. A little christian nility will effect this. Sometimes a year's orate or more is spent in reunitig the fragtal circumstances. This seems like labor lost. labours were commenced here through God's sing on Nov. 7th. During the year I was ed to inter two Deacons, three other memnts; and God gave me the privilege of adg to this Church 13 by baptism, seven being ds of families, three of whom had passed the

n of life, the rest were young people. uring that time I baptized 11 individuals in nico and aided two licentiates in the organition of a church which I left numbering 25 ere no Baptist nursery had ever been planted, l in a Pastorate of Tusket Church where I laed one half of the time. God granted his saltion to His people and 14 were baptized, aking a total of Baptisms 38.

During my second year ending last Nov., boured chiefly with South Yarmouth. Dark ouds lowered, afflictions fell on the people ; brothers, five sisters, a young woman, a boy, d two infants were consigned to the tomb .-taily circles broken and mourning habiliments dewed with tears, in sorrow's lonely path, cast gloom over ue ; still God exalted His name, d mag. ifica His word ; salvation came, diffilities were removed, and revival succeeded in e Eastern part of my field of labour; other arts rejaiced, and thirteen were Baptized lin outh Yarmouth, with three in Tusket circuit ; bree of these were heads of families, the rest oung man and women, the opening buds of aparent usefulness. Res'ored three heads of famies, ordained four deagons, and assisted to Orain a Brother to the work of the Ministry, in a ister Church.

The present year dear Visitor, has its encour gements. I bless God. I know not words of ce sufficient to express my humble gratitude. how before God, the Father of our Lord Jesus arist, in adoring praise. O that I may devote nyself without reserve to God. On the 20th No-ember a series of meetings aided by my minisering brethten were held, and amid strong Ar-ninian influences, seven were baptized-all heads f families but two, and two others received in-

co-operation of my ministering brethren being the much loved Church to which I belong th! I anticipate glorious immortality when made a blessing to me and their opinion express-

> Rev. J. A. Stubbert in third Yarmouth and Lake George Churches has enjoyed a glorious refreshing. Fifty one having been baptized .--Praise God for as many as were ordained to eternal hfe. Revds. Henry Angell, T. C. Delong and Anthony Mar'ell have enjoyed important accessions in ther churches.

I am. dear Visitor. In the Gospel of the grace of God,

JAMES V. TABOR.

P. S. I baptized three on the 27th. Stormy or doubtless more would have submitted to John xv: 9. Christ. Signs are favourable. J. V. T.

the bra sentender For the Visitor.

9th, 1859.

There were present as members of the Council from Second Cambridge and Wickham, Dea-Allan McDonald, and George McDonald. First St. Martins, Elder J. A. Smith. Second Upham, Springfield, Elder W. G. Spriager. Norton, Eli'er A. B. Macdonald. Elder J. A. Smith chosen Moderator, and A. B. Macdonal, Secre

tary. It was made known to the council that the 2nd Cambridge and Wickham Church, had unanimously called Bro. W. G. Bleakney to ordination. Also that the 1st Cambridge Church desired his services half the time as their Pastor. After careful deliberation the Council resolved to ordain Bro. Bleakney, which was immediatey proceeed with in the usual torm. The Sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Smith. Ques tion by Elder Trimble. Ordaining prayer by Elder Skinner. Right hand of Fellowship by Elder Springer. Charge to the Church by Elder Smith. Praver by Elder W. A. Corey. Elders P. Sprague, P.O.Reece and B. Hughes part in the services. Brethren Goucher and Bleakney, Licentiates, and Elder B. Merrit, F. C Baptist were also present. At the close of the believers, making over forty that have been baptized in that Church during the winter.

J. A. SMITH, Moderator. A. B. MACDONALD, Secretury.

UPPER GAGETOWN, Feb. 12th 1859. DEAR EDITORS :--- I doubt not but some of my friends in Nova Scotia will be expecting to hear

my Brethren to attend the Convention, expect ing after its close to visit my up-river friends. and then return to my native Province. But he who you ; continue ye in my love." What men ever sees not as man seeth was pleased to order it received such a legacy befere. What more could otherwise. As you are aware immediately after be said to awaken their gratitude, inspire their mended his meeting, that had begun some time

May the good work increase there and here, hall as an hireling accomplish my day; help ing my continuance, I may resolve to wait on yea and throughout the world, is the humble pet tion of yours to serve in the Gospel.

J. E GOUCHER.

Fram the Temperance Telegraph. THE EIGHTH&SERMON.

WE had the great satisfaction of joining in the immense congregation which thronzed to hear the Eighth Sermon of the Course, on Sunday evening last, in the Episcopal Church, Portland, by the esteemed Rector of the Parish and Rural Dean, the

REV. W. HARRISON.

REPORT OF THE SERMON. TEXT .-. " As the Father kath loved me, so weather prevented the holding of a Conference, have I loved you; continue ye in my love "--

On looking around on this vast assembly, I can in sincerity say, that I never, during my Ministry, felt the importance of my situation more deeply than at the present moment. _ To Minutes of the Council convened at the Meeting many I shall spoak probably for the first and House of the Second Cambridge and Wick- last time to-night ; and woe unto me if I preach ham Baptist Church on Wednesday, March, not the Gospel. To please men at the sacrifice

of principle is not my object. To denounce men for not viewing the Temperance movement in the light in which I view it, is far from my intention. No ! my object is to persuade mencons D. McDonali, J. Coldwell, and W. McCray; to speak to them the words of truth in love. and Bro. A. B. McDonald. First Cambridge. And I have for my pattern on this occasion the Elder J. C. Skinner Brethren J. McAlavoy, example of Him whose nature is love .- Love brought Him from heaven to earth ; Love led Him to endure sufferings unparallelvd for our sakes. In his love and in His pity He redeem-Elder J. Trimble. Second Springfield, Elder ed us. " Behold then what manner of love the two young men, two young women, and two W. A. Corcy, and Deacon J. Van wart. Third Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God." " And if God so loved us, we ought to love one another." In that more than human farewell discourse which the blessed Saviour gave to His humble followers immediately before His passion, He has been arging

on them the duty and fitess of humility from His own example in washing their feet. The new commandment to love one another, from considerations of such interest in view of His great love to them. A relief from all their tronble by firmly believing 18 God, and in Him as going from them only to prepare mansions of rest above. And as a faithful friend who was to them " the way and the truth and the life," and who would again return and take them to His own and His Father's bosom ; he has been urg ing on them 2s a test of their love to Him, tobe dience to His commandments ; and promising for their assistance and encouragement the sniri Elder Macdonald. Charge to the candidates by of truth as their constant companion and comforter; and after repeated assurances of His love, and the love of the father, has formally begu. athed to them His pledge that all should

be well with them here and hereafter. After who arrived after the sitting of the Council took this, in the same consoling discourse, He brings into lively view before them the whole source and supply of spiritual life to their souls, by pleasing and expressive allusion to the vine He assures them that he is the true vine and Ordination services Bro. Bleakney baptized two His Father the husband nan; and, what was of great moment, that it any branch attached to

Him was unfruitful, His Father would take it away,-it would be cast out-would wither and be gathered up as fit only for the devouring flame ; while every branch that bore fruit should be purged and pruned, that it might bring forth more fruit. He assures them that except they abide in Him and He abide in them, they could do nothing, their life would decay, their glaces lanfrom me through the columns of your paper. I left them last August in company with some of much fruit; and then as if He would make over to them all at once, Uimself, His Father, and everything valuable in the universe, He says-"As the Father hath oved me, so have I loved the close of said Convention Bro. Earle recom- Heavenly love. And to us, my christian breth-

whole nature, our whole capacity, our whole condition and our whole destiny require. And shall we not find ample scope for this la pour of love in our daily walk through life .--

Have we indeed felt the power of Divine grace Father hath loyed me, so have I loved you-continue ye in my love."

when I declare them to have been great, extensive and growing evils.

soul forever.

have more strength, more wisdom, more wealth, gent necessity there was, and still is, for an in-more happiness, more favor with God, more with stant and mighty effort towards reform, let me It is pleasant indeed to survey the ground alrea-

