

Mr. Gilmor moved that Mr. End be appointed, to which Mr. McIntosh moved as an amendment, not being a member of either branch of the Legislature. The amendment was then put and lost, vote 11 against 20. The original motion was also vote lost, 14 against 17. Then Tibbits moved that it was not expedient to act upon the resolution passed on the 8th instant, declaring a Law Clerk necessary, which was carried.

About dinner Mr. End moved the standing order, and I understand lectured hon. members at length for the shabby manner in which he had been treated by the House. The doors were closed about an hour. Mr. McPhelim brought in a Bill to amend the statutes relating to sick and disabled seamen. Mr. Gilmor brought in a Bill to provide for establishing the road from Jones' Creek through Jerusalem as one of the great roads.

Three times to-day the House was closed and the Galleries, in consequence of a statement which appeared in an editorial of the *Morning Globe*, and at 3 past 3 when the doors were opened and the House got into consideration of supply. Mr. Wilmot made a long speech about the prospective character of the present Government and concerning the appointment of political partisans to offices in the gift of the Government.

About a half an hour's work was done the whole day!

FREDERICTON, March 15.
Petition of Rev. Mr. Meloy praying for a grant to a Roman Catholic school in Gloucester, was referred to special Committee.

Rest of the day from 12 o'clock, occupied discussing Wilmot's amendment to Secretary's resolution for supply under head of Public Works. Points at issue were which of the two motions were most in accordance with Imperial and Colonial practice, and which afforded best opportunity for a fair and independent expression of opinion, and recording the votes of hon. members on each particular item.

The House divided—Yeas:—Tibbits, Wilmot, McIntosh, DesBrisay, Vail, Scovill, McPhelim, Allen, Botsford, Lawrence, McPhelim, Gray, Kerr, Williston—14.
Nays:—Speaker, Tilley, Fisher, Watters, Brown, Connell, Smith, Read, End, Lewis, McLellan, McMillan, Mitchell, M'Adam, Peley, Tapley, Foris, Hannington, McLeod, Wright, Cudlip, Chandler—22.

Tibbits moved to strike out grant for addition to Lunatic Asylum, lost.

McPhelim moved to strike out grant for dredge, and that for public buildings; no decision. Progress reported.

A motion being made to resume supply at 11 to-morrow, McIntosh moved in amendment that 2 be the hour in order to enable the Railway Committee to meet in the morning. Some conversation arose between Cudlip, Wilmot, McIntosh, and M'Adam, which led to the latter moving standing order at 6.30.
House adjourned at 7.10.

FREDERICTON, March 16.
Bill to prevent Lotteries in City of St. John committed; motion to strike out proviso that Bill should not affect Fishery Draft—lost, 12 to 11.—Bill agreed to. Bill respecting Sewers in Union, St. Patrick, and Clarence Streets, agreed to. Also Bill for extension of Breakwater, laying down Mooring, &c. Also Bill relating City Court. Tilley contradicted statements in New Brunswick that he went before Railway Committee of his own accord and refused to be sworn; Williston and Tapley corroborated Tilley's statement. McIntosh contradicted Globe's statement of his conduct in Committee.

House in Supply. After discussion McPhelim withdrew motion respecting Dredge, and grant passed.

Educational grant discussed at some length, chiefly upon denominational Schools and Madras Board, passed without opposition. House refused to adjourn over St. Patrick's Day.

FREDERICTON, March 17.
Chandler moved resolution for address for petition of Dr. P. Myer's claim for extra work on E. & N. A. Railroad and action of Government thereon.

Gilbert introduced several petitions in favor of Orange Incorporation.

Bankrupt Bill order of the day for Wednesday next.

Bill relating to summary convictions, as amended by Council, agreed to.

Bill to amend Act for the encouragement of Agriculture agreed to.

Bill against carrying deadly weapons agreed to.

Charles Perry gave notice of resolution asking for returns of plans, estimates and papers relating to Bridge at Woodstock.

A Bill was introduced by Desbrisay to place a certain road in Kent on Great Road list; also one by McLellan for same purpose, respecting a road in Albert.

Mr. McLellan presented Petition from persons who had served as Grand Jurors in Albert, contending charges made in a Petition of Reuben Stiles.

A Bill to give relief to Rev. Mr. Philbrook agreed to.

A Bill to provide for investigating case of fine in Fredericton agreed to.

Progress made in few Bills.

House adjourned at 3 o'clock.

FREDERICTON, March 19.

Bill to incorporate Campbell Mining Company agreed to. Bill to abolish property qualification of members of House committed.

Opposed by Speaker, Fisher, Smith, and Tibbits, supported by End, Brown, Chandler, Steadman, and Gilmor. Progress reported.

Fisher moved address to Queen, that Prince of Wales might visit New Brunswick. Tapley seconded. Brown would support it if expense would be raised by subscription, and asked Fisher what expenses would be. Fisher replied seven or eight hundred pounds for furniture of Government house, which would not be lost, and ten or eleven hundred pounds lost. End would not consent to such expenditure. Tilley supported the address warmly.

McClellan moved amendment, striking out portion of address containing invitation, Kerr thought proposition was not brought in proper manner. They ought first to have gone into consideration of expense. Lawrence thought each locality should bear its own expense, and would support address only with the understanding that nothing should come out of Treasury. Hannington opposed the invitation, believing that the Prince would come without. Gray warmly supported address and contended that reception and expense should be Provincial and not local.

Amendment lost 20 to 16. Resolution lost—Yeas on amendment voting nay, and nays yes.

For Resolution—Tilley, Connell, Wright, Fisher, Wilmot, McIntosh, Desbrisay, Tapley, McPhelim, Allan, Botsford, Lawrence, Mitchell, Watters, Gray Read.

House in supply; passed votes for Oat Mills, Fisheries, Penitentiary, Asylum, with little discussion, and no division.

FREDERICTON, March 20.

A petition to have certain roads in Northumberland placed on the great road list, was introduced by Mr. Kerr.

A bill to amend the act for better securing the liberty of the subject, was introduced by Gilbert, with this exception the day has been spent in discussing matters incident to the address to her Majesty moved yesterday.

Wilmot moved that action of yesterday be expunged from journals, at 4 o'clock that was agreed to, and then Attorney General moved and Tapley seconded his address of yesterday.

McClellan moved his amendment—Steadman seconded amendment, lost and address sustained. Yeas—Fisher, Tilley, Connell, Watters, Mitchell, Lawrence, Grey, Read, Botsford, Allan, McPherson, W. E. Peley, Tapley, Ferguson, Scovill, Vail, McLeod, Gilbert, Wright, Wilmot, McIntosh, Desbrisay, Montgomery.

Nays—Brown, Smith, McPhelim, End, Kerr, Williston, Lewis, McClellan, McMillan, Steadman, Gilmor, Chandler, Hannington, McAdam, Tibbits, C. Peley.

Legislative Council asked to join in address. House adjourned 5.30.

The Christian Visitor.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., MARCH 22, 1860.

AFFLICTIONS SANCTIFIED.

Prosperity, ease, and uninterrupted happiness are desired by all; but they are enjoyed by none. "Man is born to trouble as the sparks fly upwards." "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble." In the common ills of life the people of God have their full share.

Inspiration tells us that they are chosen in the furnace of affliction. Christ assures his disciples that the law of the present dispensation is, that "in the world they shall have tribulation;" and David says, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous." How many there are who eat their daily bread in sadness and their very comforts are barked in tears. The wormwood and gall of sorrow are intermingled with every cup of joy.

Such are saying, "Our earthly hopes are being blasted; the cisterns upon which we have relied are being dashed in pieces, and gloomy clouds hang over our pathway." But are we Christians? Then what though the rough winds of tribulation blow upon us, and the angry waves of affliction threaten to engulf us, yet is there a refuge for our tempest-tossed souls, and calmly may all sing "Jesus is our hiding place."

Child of grief remember, "that you have not a high priest who cannot be touched with the feelings of your infirmities, but one tempted in all points as you are." He knows how to succour those that are tempted. Upon the ungodly, affliction may have only a hardening effect, for worldly sorrow worketh death; but the bereavements and sorrows of the people of God are the chastenings of their Heavenly Father sweetened and sanctified by his superabounding grace; and "though no affliction seemeth to be joyous for the present but grievous, nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruits of righteousness to those who are exercised thereby." As the children of God we should count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations, for says the apostle, "tribulation worketh patience, and patience experience, and experience hope."

Of the vast multitude who are now singing their songs of victory before the eternal Throne not one is to be found who in this world was exempt from sorrow. All have gone up through great tribulation, for whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. He melts his children in the furnace that they may reflect his image. This is an evidence of his love that he puts you through this refining process to fit you more thoroughly for his service here, and for heavenly enjoyment hereafter.

We are led to this train of remark for the purpose of speaking a word of comfort to such of our Christian readers as are drinking the cup of sorrow at the present time. Bereavements, vexations, and disappointments we know crowd the pathway of thousands who read the *Visitor* from week to week. In the case of many death has invaded their dwellings—the mourners are going about the streets and Rachel refuses to be comforted because loved ones are not. But be not overcome with sorrow. Remember the immutability of the promise which declares, "All things work together for good to them that love God." Cast your burden upon the Lord and he will sustain you. We deeply sympathize with you all, and pray God to be your unfailing source of consolation and joy. Says an exchange:—

During the siege of Sebastopol, a Russian shell buried itself in the side of a hill without the city, and opened a spring. A little fountain bubbled forth where the cannon shot had fallen, and during the remainder of the siege afforded to the thirsty troops, who were stationed in that vicinity, an abundant supply of pure cold water.

Thus the missile of death from an enemy, under the direction of an overruling Providence, predestined an almoner of life to the parched and weary soldiery of the allies.

So is it often with afflictions, which spring not out of the ground, but are sent down by the Father of Lights, that we may be made partakers of his holiness. They may come, as if from an enemy, in the various forms of forked lightning, the devastating tornado, the devouring fire, the fell sloop of disease, the loss of property, the death of those we love and cherish most. Indeed, no one of such calamities can be construed as a judicial visitation, without trenching upon the prerogatives of Jehovah. But each has its blessing in disguise from that God who hideth himself in the works of nature, in his daily providence, and in the on-goings of his grace. Be stricken as we may; let our spirits be dried up, so that like Job we may say, "How long without depart from me, nor let me alone, till I swallow down my spittle;" yet the eye of a normal faith will not fail to detect the out-gushings of the fountain of life in the midst of all these apparently unpropitious events. A Christian alchemy will change the flood of death to the tide of a new life; the flame of fire to the lamp of a truer life; the pestilential vapor to the breath of a diviner life; and death itself may prove the angel of a life of joy beyond this vale of tears.

"There are sufferings," eloquently says Frederika Bremer, "sufferings to the death, which are not bitter, which possess their own great, their marvellous enjoyment." And Lady Ravenscourt, in her letters—beautifully referring to the providence of God—remarks, "He has not suffered you to walk smoothly down the stream of time; but by large and rough billows has dashed you on the promises."

And how does the heart of the experienced Christian respond to the sentiments of these gifted minds? It is the peculiar privilege of the child of God, while he sits enveloped with the flowing branches of the willow and the cypress, to look through the leafy interstices to the sunlight around, or to the sparkling stars above him. It is the privilege of the children of God in their loneliest moments, and in their saddest hours, to receive the visits of angels, who are ministering spirits sent forth to minister to them who shall be heirs of salvation. Joy and sorrow are wisely commingled in life, blending the light and shade most skillfully.

"The darkest day hath gleams of light, The darkest wave hath bright foam near it, And twinkles through the darkest night, Some solitary star to cheer it."

Reader, have you been sorely tried in body, mind, or estate? Have your treasures been buried in the ocean's depths? Have the elements made havoc of your houses or your farms? Has sickness wasted your frame? Has death relentlessly torn away the child of your love, the wife of your bosom, or the parent you revered? Are you uneasy, tossed to and fro, seeking rest and finding none?

Seek not consolation in the broken cisterns of an earthly tantalization. Search not for comfort in the dissipating vanities of the world. Flee to Him who "is able to succor." Make the acquaintance of Christ, who condescends to be the elder brother of the humblest and most down-trodden of the sons of earth, who repent and believe in him. Search the Scriptures daily. Familiarize yourself with the throne of grace. Call mightily upon God, and he will delight to deliver you from the griefs of life, and will weave the bow of promise over your dwelling, as a triumphal arch-way to his Paradise on high.

ONWARD STILL.

The right hand of the Almighty is still outstretched to redeem the citizens of St. John. The combined efforts of the pastors and Churches of German and Brussels St. continue to be crowned with the most cheering results. Some who a few weeks ago appeared to be very far removed from religious impressions, have been arrested by the power of the Spirit, and are now in the language of the publican exclaiming in heart felt agony, "God be merciful to me a sinner." The meetings are kept up every afternoon and evening with unabated interest, and many are still enquiring what shall we do to be saved? The pastors have their hearts and hands full in guiding souls to the only source of cleansing, and to the only means of rescue.

One of the most interesting baptismal scenes we have had occurred at the Ballast Wharf, at nine o'clock on Sabbath morning last. Eight rejoicing candidates were baptized by the pastor of German Street Church, in the presence of a large assemblage of people. The pastor of Brussels Street Church, spoke and prayed at the water, and in other respects kindly aided the administrator in the service. The waters of old Fundy were as calm as a summer morning, and as clear as crystal; and as the candidates were planted in the likeness of the Saviour's death, and raised in the likeness of his resurrection, the song of praise went up from many Christian hearts for the wondrous display of love divine. Many are exclaiming, "This is the Lord's doings, and marvellous in our eyes."

Rev. Dr. Clay baptized three in Carleton last Sabbath, and the state of feeling in his church and congregation indicates that brighter days are at hand.

Rev. Mr. Thornton and his people (Congregationalist) have been holding special services, which we rejoice to hear have been attended with saving influences from above. Several of the congregation, we are informed, have recently professed conversion, and are about uniting with the Church.

Our Methodist brethren are, as usual, actively engaged in striving to lead sinners to the cross, and at Exmouth St., we are told, a good work is in progress. God grant an abundant increase.

Rev. George Armstrong (Episcopalian), has been holding a weekly prayer meeting for months past, which has been numerously attended. In this meeting laymen speak and pray and take an active part, the same as in our own meetings. This service is found to be conducive to a healthful state of religious feeling and progress, and to excite enquiry in many minds. We shall rejoice to know that such meetings are being multiplied in the Episcopal Church an hundred fold.

Our unceasing prayer is, that grace, mercy and peace may be with all of every name, who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity and in truth.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The letter which appears upon our first page from the pen of our esteemed Bro. Crawley in Burma, will be read with deep interest. Although sustained in his self sacrificing labors by our American brethren, yet we cannot but feel that to some extent he is the representative of our Baptist Churches in these Provinces. Born in Nova Scotia, educated and converted to Christ at Acadia College, and there inspired with a new born love to the perishing heathen, and with a determination to consecrate his life to the salvation of distant Burma, our churches cannot cease to cherish a most lively interest in all that pertains to his toils, and success, in that far off land. What he says in relation to the duty and ability of the Baptists of these Provinces to sustain at least two missionaries in the Foreign field is perfectly correct. There is reason to fear that the God of Missions will not hold us guiltless in this matter. We trust the financial organization of the denomination to which Bro. C. refers, and which is now going forward so successfully through the agency of Bro. Todd, so far as New Brunswick is concerned, will lay a foundation for enlarged action in missionary work, both at home and abroad. O for more of the Spirit of missions in all ministers, in all churches, and in all christian hearts!

CALEDONIA MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

During a visit to Albert County last week, to which we will refer more fully in a future number, we had the pleasure of a personal inspection of the property and works of this enterprising and thriving Company. Altho' at an unfavourable season of the year we were delighted with the picturesque and beautiful character of the country, on the road from Hillsboro' to the "Oil Works," and thought surely this must soon be the centre of a large and rich agricultural population. The Company's property is located along the branches of Weldon Creek, and consists not only of an extensive and valuable deposit of the rich shale which they are manufacturing into oil but of a rich soil covered with a heavy growth of hardwood, which gives an exceedingly fine—park like appearance to the country.

The vein, which we found to be seven feet thick at one opening, lies parallel to the face of the hill, having about the same dip in the same direction, rendering the work of mining a very simple process—as by going into the hill on a level the vein can be struck at any point from 30 to 100 feet distant. From the Mines to the Works is about one-fourth of a mile of descending ground, over which the material can be conveyed at a trifling cost. With experienced miners and suitable conveyance the Company expect to deliver their Shale at the Works for one and a half or two dollars a ton.

THE WORKS.

For simplicity and effectiveness reflect great credit upon the judgment and ability of the Manager, Mr. Harding. We saw a ton of shale or schist pounded and put into the revolving retort and delivered out in the shape of 62 gallons crude Oil in the space of four hours.—400 gallons is about the daily product. We have no doubt that as soon as the arrangements and machinery are perfected, a much better result will be obtained. The average product so far has been 64 gallons to the ton, probably 70 to 80 may be expected. The cost about six pence a gallon; which will be reduced by the extension of the works. It is doubtful whether the location of the works could be better. The season for transporting and selling the Oil is the winter, when the navigation is closed, and the works being about midway between the River and the Railway, both modes of transit may be reached at a trifling cost. The cheapness at which the material can be delivered at the works is a consideration far outweighing the cost of transporting the Oil. We congratulate the Company upon their great success, and the people of Albert County upon having a manufacture of so much importance established in their midst. We were pleased to notice that the Directors were contemplating the establishment of Schools and support to useful institutions in the district for the benefit of their workmen, and we trust they will be as wise in prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Correspondence.

For the Christian Visitor.

ALBERT QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meeting for the County of Albert commenced as announced, on the evening of Friday the 2nd instant, with the Baptist Church at Caledonia. The first sermon was preached by Elder Isaiah Wallace, from Isaiah 53d chapter and last clause of the 6th verse. On Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, Elder Puleifer preached from the following words, viz. "Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed." We had an interesting Conference Meeting in the afternoon, and preaching again in the evening, when Elder James Wallace addressed a large and attentive congregation, basing his remarks on the alarming question of the Apostle, recorded in Hebrews 2nd chapter and 3d verse.

At an early hour on Sabbath morning, the brethren assembled for prayer, and were led in their devotional exercises by Elder James Wallace. The usual morning service commenced at 10 o'clock, and was conducted by Elder Isaiah Wallace. There was preaching again in the afternoon. In the evening Elder Duffey delivered an appropriate discourse from Acts 10th chapter, 34th and 35th verses. This was a season of divine power. The word was spoken in demonstration of the Spirit, and with power sent down from above. On Monday morning at 9 o'clock, a prayer meeting was conducted by Elder Levi H. Marshall, after which, Elder W. A. Coleman preached from the following words, viz. "Let us not fight against God." During the discourse some of God's people were made glad. They felt as though their prayers had been heard, and that God was about to visit his people. Before the meeting closed, it was evident that many felt that it was a day of good tidings, and they would not do well to hold their peace. Some wept over their sins, others confessed their faults, and requested the prayers of Christians. The season was truly solemn and will undoubtedly be long remembered by many who were in attendance.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock, the "Quarterly Church Meeting" was held.

The Meeting organized by calling Elder W. A. Coleman to the chair. The writer was requested to act as Secretary.

On Motion, Resolved: That we now proceed to organize an auxiliary to the N. B. Baptist Home Missionary Society, and that we adopt the following as our Constitution, viz.

Article 1. This Society shall be called the "Albert County Missionary Society." Auxiliary to the "New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society."

Article 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in supplying the destitute with the blessings of the Gospel.

Article 3. All persons contributing 5s. per annum, shall be Members of the Society, and every person paying £2 10s. at any one time, shall be a member for life.

Article 4. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a Board consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Managing Committee, seven of whom shall form a quorum to do business.

Article 5. The Society shall meet annually, at such time and place as may be agreed upon at a previous meeting, when the officers for the ensuing year shall be elected, and such other business transacted as the requirements of the Society may demand.

Article 6. The Secretary shall keep up such correspondence with the New Brunswick Baptist Home Missionary Society as the general interest of the Missionary cause may require.

Upwards of twenty brethren then handed in their names as members of the Society, after which the officers were elected for the ensuing year, and are as follows, viz.

Elder James Wallace, President; W. A. Coleman, Vice President; Brother Henry H. McLatchey, Secretary; Deacon Newton Wells, Treasurer.

Deacons Joshua Bishop, Agreen Tingley, John Walters, John Cleveland, Andrew Bishop, William Buchanan, James Reed, brethren William McCulley, William Wallace, and David Tingley, Managing Committee.

The following resolutions were then adopted viz.

1. Resolved, That an alteration or addition to the Committee may be made at any subsequent meeting of the Society.

2. Resolved, That the Board meet on the first Monday after the commencement of each Quarterly Meeting at the hour of nine o'clock, A. M.

3. Resolved, That a Missionary Sermon be preached at each Quarterly Meeting, and that there be three months notice given to the brother who shall preach the same.

4. Resolved, That the next Quarterly Meeting, for this County, be held with the Baptist Church at Harvey, to commence on Friday, the 22nd day of June next, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

5. Resolved, That Elder John H. Hughes preach the next Missionary Sermon, and that Elder James Wallace be his alternate.

people of Fredericton, who seem generally to be particularly desirous of the proposed visit.

Mr. McClellan moved an amendment, expressing the general feeling towards Her Majesty, evinced on all occasions by the people of these North American Colonies, and expressing gratitude that Her Majesty has graciously consented to grant to these her subjects, the distinguished honor of a visit from His Royal Highness. Much discussion has already grown out of these resolutions. Attorney General, Tapley, Gray, Secretary, and others, supporting the Resolution, and Surveyor General, Smith, Gilmor, Steadman, Kerr, &c., opposing it. The amendment was lost. Yeas 16; Nays 20. The original resolution was also lost. Yeas 16; Nays 20. Recon- sideration moved to-day and during the discussion it was decided *mem con* that the resolutions of yesterday be expunged from Journals. The Attorney-General then again introduced his original resolution, which was again followed by the same amendment as before.

The arguments in favour chiefly used were that because Canada had extended an invitation, it would be a great want of courtesy to be less hospitable. That dignities might be conferred and that it would bring our Province into notoriety and standing, and during the progress through and stay in the Province by the Prince money would be spent amongst us. That if we refused an invitation the character and position of the Province would be injured.

The arguments against the address were the expense that will accrue, (variously estimated at from £2,500 to £25,000), which in the present state of finances would not be justifiable.

That Canada did not allow sister colonies chance to unite in invitation, and do not wish to assume a subordinate position.

That the people have not been consulted and we had better present an address of thanks for the visit to those colonial dependencies, and when the Prince arrives, the people can adopt their own method of giving a testimony of regard. One address from this future Colonial Empire will be more acceptable to the Royalty than the paltry and selfish invitations of detached Provinces which have not the population of many of the larger cities of England. The dignities and favors bestowed at the present period will probably be upon those in this Province, least entitled to them, and all the benefits will be local and not general. Testimonies of regard to our future Sovereign would be more acceptable if presented as the individual offerings of a free people. That the Attorney General has not given proper notice of the motion, and no opportunity afforded to consult constituents. The Amendment has been again lost, and finally after two days excited debate, the address passed, 22 yeas, 17 nays—the members from Kings having changed their views upon a longer consideration.

A claim for pecuniary allowance to Michael S. Harris, and the C'range Bill, to be discussed to-morrow, if time permit. The granting of supplies also order of the day for to-morrow.

Railway Committee engaged the whole of to-day examining witnesses, &c., &c. A.

Religious News.

From the Christian Messenger.

NICTAUX.—Dear Brother.—Thursday the 16th, of last month was a memorable day for the little branch of Zion in the valley of Nictaux. About eleven a. m., a large assembly gathered around the baptismal waters. Seventeen willing converts were buried with the Saviour, and we trust raised again to newness of life. The congregation then repaired to the sanctuary and listened to a gospel sermon from the College Agent. At the close of the discourse prayer was offered by the Rev. R. Morton. The Rev. George Armstrong then addressed the candidates in a simple and appropriate manner, charging them to maintain the duties of the christian in order to walk with God, and among other things to go to no place where the Saviour would not go with them. Messrs. Vidtore and Parker then extended the right hand of fellowship, expressing the cordial welcome of the church to the privileges, duties and trials of the christian warfare. It was cheering to see these neighbouring pastors thus working harmoniously for the common Master, and so many putting on the Lord Jesus, especially as with one exception, they are young persons. The writer also attended a prayer meeting, and listened with delight to the young converts as they expressed in language what they had declared by their actions during the day that they were determined by the grace of God to "follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth." May those youthful disciples be enabled to persevere and be spared to become veterans of the cross. Most of them are young men. Why is this? It is to be hoped and prayed for that the Lord has some ministers of the gospel among them. The harvest is great and the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more laborers into the harvest.

Yours in the common cause, A. SPECTATOR.

Nictaux, March 1860.

PROGRESS OF CHRISTIANITY IN FOREIGN LANDS.

MANTCHOORIA OR CHINESE TARTARY, though once the seat of many Nestorian Missions, is not now, we believe, occupied by a single missionary, except, perhaps, some of the Jesuits. The hordes who people its vast steppes, are for the most part idolaters, or followers of the Grand Lama. The missionary who shall seek to bring them to Christ, must be willing to submit to many privations and discomforts, and among the wilder tribes be in constant peril of his life; but for purposes of gain and fame, may, more from a desire to indulge artistic tastes, the mountains which hem them in have been scaled, and the vast steppes traversed, the fierce winds of the desert and the fiercer wrath of predatory tribes alike unheeded. Shall it be said, that none can be found to do for Christ what men have been willing to undertake for far inferior motives?

SIBERIA.

In this vast, dreary country, are about 40,000 Protestants, mostly Lutherans and German Reformed, belonging principally to the German colonies located in various portions of the empire. There are 6,000 Roman Catholic, 4,500,000 members of the Greek Church, a large portion of them deplorably ignorant, and about 2,500,000 idolaters.

PERSIA, INDEPENDENT TARTARY, AFGHANISTAN AND BELOOCHISTAN.

In these countries Mohammedanism is the prevalent religion, and there is little toleration of any other faith. There are, however, some Armenians, Nestorians, and Jacobites, amounting in all perhaps to 70,000, about 10,000 Roman Catholic, and 1,000 Protestants, of whom the greater number belong to the embassies of European Governments, or the British forces in that region. There are also a few thousand Parsees, usually

Churches where the Quarterly Meetings shall be held be hereby authorized to act as sole Committee of arrangement to name the ministering brethren who shall preach, and to appoint the time and place when and where they shall preach.

7. Resolved, That each Church in connection with this Quarterly Meeting be hereby requested to report its true state and condition to each "Quarterly Conference" in connection with said Quarterly Meetings.

8. Resolved, That the several churches connected with this Quarterly Meeting be hereby recommended to pay due regard to the giving of Scriptural instruction to such young men as God may raise up in their midst, and who may be found looking to the Christian ministry.

9. Resolved, That the Parent Society be hereby requested to appropriate the funds of this Society to the support of a Missionary in this County and the adjacent settlements, and further,

Resolved, That we hereby recommend Elder William Puleifer to the Board as a suitable Missionary, and further,

Resolved, That we recommend Point Wolf, Bennett's Settlement, New Ireland and Mechanic's Settlement, as a suitable Missionary Field.

The meeting then closed. The congregation came together again in the evening, and was addressed by Elder Marshall, from the words of Paul, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature." We all felt that it was good to be there, and one dear sister was enabled to relate the dealings of the Lord with her, and to express a willingness to follow the Saviour in the ordinances of the gospel. On Tuesday morning at an early hour, we met at the water-side, where the ordinance of baptism was administered by the pastor, Elder David Blakney, after which we repaired to the meeting-house, and heard Father Puleifer proclaim salvation in the name of his Divine Master, and with his soul filled with the love of Christ, exhort his brethren to live temperate in all things, basing his remarks on the following appropriate passage: "And every man that striveth for the mastery, is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible." In the evening Elder Marshall preached from 2nd Corinthians, 5th chapter and 20th verse. The meeting was solemn, and I trust there were impressions made which will not soon be forgotten. At the close of the meeting two young persons offered themselves as candidates for Christian baptism and church fellowship.

On Wednesday morning the ordinance of baptism was again administered by the pastor. The scene was truly interesting. The place was somewhat solitary, the morning lovely, and the service solemn. The candidates were just in the morning of life. One was a young man, and his countenance seemed to be the index of a heart that possessed the peace which the world can neither give nor take away. The other was a young woman, in whose conduct as well as language we might read, "Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

At 11 o'clock, A. M., we had a social meeting, during which many of the brethren and sisters felt it to be their privilege to serve God. Before the meeting closed, another candidate arose and spoke