THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

ST. JOHN, N. B., JUNE 14, 1866.

The Annual Examination

of the Baptist Seminary at Fredericton occurred on Thursday, the 7th inst., in the presence of Dr. Jack and Prof. Campbell, of N. B. University, Dr. Brooke, Judge Wilmot, Rev. B. F. Rattray, Asa Coy, Esq., the writer, and many others.

Classes were examined in reading, Greek history, English History, Grammar, Geography, Geometry, Latin Reader, Virgil, Homer's Iliad, and Greek Testament. Some of the best and most advanced classes were not examined for want of time. It would be invidious to make comparisons where all did so well. and exhibited so many excellencies, showing close application and correct instruction. It was surprising to witness the progress made by some of the classes of beginners in Latin and Greek. The examination in English Grammar, especially, when we consider the age of the scholars, was especially commendable

At the close, Dr. Jack spoke in high terms of commendation, congratulation, and encouragement,

There are four things which must have attracted the attention of every one who attended this examination, all of which are signs of progress, and causes for encouragement and hope to all the friends of the Institution.

1. The increased number of teachers, by which greater facilities are furnished to all who attend the institution. This improvement has been needed for some time; and even now we see Dr. Spurden, who has been so long associated with the institution. worn down with labor, care, and anxiety. It is to be hoped, that during the vacation his health will be fully restored, and that the new arrangements will so far relieve him from care and severe labor, as to be more favorable for him in the future, and furnish for bim that work for which he is admirably fitted. and which is more congenial to his tastes. During the next year we are to have a still greater increase in this direction, as we are to have four teachers in

2. The increased number of pupils, and especially the increased number who are pursuing the higher branches of study. There is nothing now to hinder a still greater increase, except the want of accommodations. I am thankful to be able to add these are to be much increased

3. The new desks, and the favorable appearance of the rooms, the building, and the premises generally, It is doubtful if there are any other desks in the Province so good as these. They add wonderfully to the beauty, convenience, and real progress of the school.

4. A fourth thing to be mentioned is the increased number of students who have the University in view, and the general anxiety on the part of all to return to enjoy the advantages of the school another E. C. CADY.

Important Educational Arrangement. BAPTIST SEMINARY, June 6, 1866.

According to announcement made in the Visitor, the annual meeting of the Committee of Education was held on Wednesday evening.

The following members of the Educational Committee met :- Revs. Dr. Spurden, E. C. Cady, A. D. Yerxa. W. S. Estey, and Richard H. Phillips: ore-

Deacon Estey appointed Chairman, and R. H. Phillips. Secretary. Prayer by Rev. E. C. Cady. Mr. Cady stated to the Committee the action of

the Committee in St. John. Committee wished Dr. Spurden and Mr. Hopper to make suggestions. Dr. Spurden then desired to be relieved of all pe-

cuniary responsibility; was willing to leave the house, and also to resign, if thought advisable. After some conversation, the following resolution

was moved and adopted-Resolved - That in the opinion of the Committee,

it is advisable for the interest and advancement of the institution, to make the following changes :-

First-That a Theological Chair be instituted: the Professorship of which the Committee are de-

sirous should be filled by Dr. Spurden. Second-That the literary and financial department should be managed by Mr. Hopper, under the following arrangement: The whole of the buildings to be given to him for the uses of the institution, and to be kept in repair by the Committee. The Govern-

ment grant of one thousand dollars to be handed over to him; and in addition to this, the whole of the tuition fees collected from the students and scholars. It is understood that as one-half of Dr. Spurden's time will be occupied in attending to classes connected with the institution, therefore one-half of his galary, viz. : four hundred dollars, shall be paid from the funds of the institution; the remaining four hundred dollars to be provided for from the funds of the Union Society devoted to Ministerial Education. specially donated for that purpose.

Dr. Spurden then accepted the post of Theological Professor. Mr. Hopper also accepted the Principalship of the institution, provided he had the sympathy and support of the Committee and denomination.

Moved-That A. F. Randolph, Dr. Spurden, and A. D. Yerxa, be a Committee to look out a suitable person to take the Steward's department, with Mr. Hopper's sanction and approval.

Moved-That the tuition fees be re-arranged. Dr. Spurden, Messrs. Hopper and Phillips were

appointed the Committee.

Resolved.-That the terms be ten weeks each, commencing the year the 1st of September.

Adjourned to Thursday evening, the 7th of June. after the public Educational meeting, to be held in the vestry of the Baptist chapel.

RICHARD H. PHILLIPS, Secretary pro tem.

ADJOURNED MEETING. Vestry Baptist Chapel, June, 7, 1866.

Met according to appointment. The following members of Committee were present :- Rev. I. E. Bill. President, in the Chair, Dr. Spurden, Rev. E. C. Cady, Messrs. Sewell, Yerxa, Estey, and Phillips. Others by invitation-Rev. Dr. Hurd, A. F. Randolph, J. E. Hopper, C. Goodspeed, S. Wilbur, J. L. Haines, and C. Mutch.

Committee of Financial Arrangement was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Randolph, Yerxa, Gabel, and Hurd.

Dr. Spurden, Messrs, Randolph and Hopper, were

appointed a Committee to fix rent of rooms. Report of Committee on re-arrangement of tuition fees was as follows : Common English, \$2.50 ; Higher English, \$4.00; Classics, \$5.00; French \$2.00; Incidental expenses, 50 cents each term for three terms.

Number of free students (not ministerial) was left to the discretion of the Principal; each to pay, how-

ever, 50 cents per term for fuel. Mr. Joseph Jones' resignation as English Master was accepted; and it was voted that the thanks of the Committee be given him for the faithful perfor-

mance of the duties of his office. Mr. Hopper submitted the name of Mr. Calvin d as Tutor in Natural Science and French; and also that of Mr. Samuel Wilbur as English Mas-

ter, for approval. Adopted. A Committee was appointed to look after the re-pairs of the institution, consisting of Messrs. Hopper, Phillips, Yerza, and Haines.

Ordered-That back tuition fees be devoted to th epairs of Seminary, Further-That Capt. Hunt b

RICHARD H. PHILLIPS. Secretary pro tem.

For the Christian Visitor. From our Boston Correspondent.

Boston, June 5, 1866. DEAR BRO. BILL-I was very sorry not to see you. and many other brethren from the Provinces, at th very pleasant Anniversary Meetings which have jus closed their session here. Those of us who have had the privilege of attending your annual Conventions. and have been so kindly received, can, in some measure, appreciate the pleasure and benefit which is derived by the interchange of visits and social intercourse between those " of the same faith and order :' and we would have most gladly welcomed a large delegation of our provincial brethren. Brethren Garner and Cady, of St. John, were here; and so far as I know, these were all who favoured us with their presence from either Province.

I see that the Visitor has already published "Anniversary Papers, No. 1," which indicate that your readers will receive from "G" a very full account of the meetings held by our various denominational organizations; and I will, therefore, only give you some general impressions of their character as presented to my own mind.

The financial condition of all the Societies is en couraging; the receipts of most of them being larger the last year than ever before. The reports of what had been accomplished in the way of home and foreign efforts for the evangelization of the world was cheering in the highest degree, and led us all to feel that it was our duty to "thank God and take courage." and to press on in the great work of spreading the gospel of our blessed Saviour in every part of our own and in other lands.

The meetings were fully attended. Our strong mer -clerical and lay-were present from all parts of our country. The discussions were earnest, but kind and where at first there seemed quite a wide difference of opinion in regard to measures, facts brought forward, calm reasoning and a truly fraternal spirit. led to an almost unanimous decision on all the important questions that came before the meetings. An unusual interest was felt this year in the meeting of the Home Mission Society; as the denomination was to act on the question, as to What agency they would use to aid in educating our colored population in the South. The Home Mission Society has sent out teachers and established schools the past year, and have also had at Richmond, Savannah and New Orleans classes in training, under competent teachers, for the gospel ministry, and they proposed still to go on in the prosecution of this work with increased energy and an enlargement of operations. Some of our brethren objected to this plan, and thought a new organization should be effected, especially to perform that part of the labour necessary to prepare young men for teaching and preaching. After an entire day and evening spent in discussing the question in all its bearings, the vote was taken and found to be very nearly unanimous in favor of the Home Mission Society continuing the work they had already so auspiciously inaugurated. As a Society, however, had been organized in the city of Washington, and received a charter from Congress, a number of our leading men proposed to continue and sustain it and thus the "National Theological Institute" was launched upon the sea of denominational favour-well officered—you may be sure—but waiting for supplied

It was supposed that arrangements had been perfected for a union of our two Bible Societies, and it was officially announced that a united meeting would take place in the evening : but for some cause, yet unexplained, the union did not take place, and separate services were held as in former times. Last vear an effort was made to unite the Bible and Publication Societies, which also proved a failure, and it is now conjectured that the Bible Society will struggle on alone, so long as it can obtain funds enough

to pay current expenses. The last days were the great days of our feast, when the American Baptist Missionary Union held its Anniversary. You have the details in the reports so widely published and therefore I need only say that the meetings were of surpassing interest. The reports were brief and to the point; the discussions earnest and full of hope for the conversion of the

The social festival in Music Hall, the Photographic episode and some other local matters, I will leave to be described by "G:" but should health and time permit I may again ask permission to present some thoughts to the readers of the Visitor on matters that are of interest to every christian disciple.

Fraternally yours, N. P. KEMP.

Missionary Meetings. to secure funds for the Union Society, are to be commenced in the city this week, and will be held-in Brussels street. Wednesday evening; in Germain street. Thursday evening : in Portland, Friday evening. They are to be held next week in Pitt street. on Monday evening; in Leinster street, on Tuesday evening; and in Carleton, on Wednesday evening. We hope to set the ball rolling in such a manner on Wednesday night, that it will not stop until every Church in the Province has held such a meeting, and every dollar called for by the Board (\$3,000) shall have found its way into the treasury of the Society. Who will help it on? Let every pastor in the Province see that the work is commenced in his field of labor, and that missionary meetings are held and missionary sermons are preached in every one of his preaching stations, and that all his people are invited to give to this good cause. Send notices of your meetings and tidings of your doings to the Visitor. We shall be glad to herald the good news. All the above meetings are postponed for one week

From our Australian Correspondent.

each.-Ep. C. V.

The following letter was not intended by its

author for the public eye: but we shall be pardoned for giving it publicity, as a touching expression of filial effection and sympathy called forth by sad tidings of crushing bereavement.

MY DEAR FATHER, Your letter of Nov. 19th, 1865. conveying the painful intelligence of dear Mary Ann's death, arrived just in time to be too late for me to reply by return mail, so I trust you will not accuse me of neglect. When I took the letter in my hand and saw it was draped in black, an indescribably painful sensation came over me. I felt I had one less friend in the world, some dear one had gone to the spirit land. Which shall it be? sister or mother? -for from what you had written previously, I was somewhat prepared for the intelligence. I tremblingly broke the seal, and for the first time felt what it was to part with an only sister.

She the gentle, good, and kind; the indulgent sister; the amiable daughter; the loving wife; the has been secured, or so nearly so as to place the sucfaultless mother, the beau-ideal of all that was lovely in woman; one in whom virtues of so pure a cast are seldom combined; one whom to human ken could so ill be spared, had gone to join the spirits of the just

of that sad group of mourners, who on that beautiful

Dear Mother, I am afraid to hope that she still too late. Your mother sleeps the sleep of death.

Dear father. I had such a strange dream the other Singular if such a vision should be realised. I shall feel much relieved to hear that she lived long enough to hear read my last letter to her dated. I think, about January.

To me it is of thrilling interest as a faithful record of the lives and deaths of a dear brother and an only sister by one well qualified to portray the truth simply and free from all affectation. I shall have it neatly bound : distribute it among a few of my friends who will rejoice to read it; and then lock it up and keep it as a thing to be prized.

Don't you think you could manage to send us a have something to recall her to one's memory. Do try and send us one.

middle of March - so that he may be expected tution. to reach England, if all be well, the middle of June. and as probably his stay will be short there, you may

I am very glad he has made up his mind to go other latitudes. home, he will be such a comfort and support to you. He says he intends devoting the remainder of his life to the work of the ministry. This I know will be a source of great happiness to you, and your advice and counsel will be of incalculable benefit to him

My prayer is, every day, that he may have a prosperous voyage; that he may reach home safely, to be a comfort to his bereaved father, and an honored servant in the hand of God

You will excuse me for not writing for the Visitor at present. The reason I need not explain, you know what I feel. Dear father, God's ways are but they are none the less just. Take courage then, and look forward to a happy reunion with the dear ones who have gone before, and who are now mingglory, and power, and might be unto our God for ever and ever."

Oh, may the rich promises of His Holy Word. which it has been your pleasing duty, for so, many and your support, and may you be enabled in this upon the strong arm of Omnipotence.

Your affectionate son. EDWARD M. BILL. SCARSDALE, Victoria, March 28, 1865.

From our Canadian Correspondent. THE CANADIAN BAPTISTS.

Whether or not the Baptists in Canada have any eason to fear from the Master the reproach, "This ought ye to have done," they certainly are not leaving the other undone. In their own land they are accomplishing a good work. From the reports of the last Baptist Missionary Convention of Canada West, we learn that during the year ending October, 1865, there were under the direction of the Convention, 29 missionaries, the aggregate of whose labours represented a term of 251 years. During the year they had travelled in the presecution of their work \$3,790 miles and have preached 3.163 sermons to congregations, averaging above 200, and at 106 different stations. They had also made 5,684 pastoral visits, and had baptized 127 candidates. During this period they had collected for the Convention but \$346, while it had appropriated for their support \$3,441. During the same period the Convention of Canada East contributed \$1,132 for the support of missionaries, of whom there seem to have been eight or ten in the field. These operations are exclusive of and in addition to those of the French Baptist Missionary Society lately organized, which is now, we trust, doing a good work, and to the support of which the Western Convention had pledged one thousand dollars for the year of which we are speaking. From these statistics it will be seen that, however much greater things might be accomplished were every church member moved by the spirit of self-sacrifice and devotion which should characterize the living members of the Living Head, vet what has been done proves the existence of much of the right spirit in the churches, and affords abundant cause for devout thanksgiving. This will especially appear when it is remembered that the great body of the Baptists in Canada belong to the poor in this world's goods. Here, as elsewhere, not many rich, "not many mighty, not many noble" are

called. I must not omit to mention, in this connection, the praiseworthy effort which is now being put forth by the "Ministerial Aid Society." This Society was recently organized with a view to the establishing of a permanent fund for the aid of superannuated, and the widows and orphans of deceased ministers. The plan was to raise a capital fund of ten thousand dol lars for investment, the annual proceeds to be devoted to the above named object. I. J. Claatou, Esquire, of Montreal, whose praise is in all the churches, unconditionally contributed one thousand dollars, and when the project was likely to fail, pledged another thou-sand on condition of the whole sum being made up at a given time. That time is drawing near, and I am happy to be able to say that the required sum cess of the scheme beyond a peradventure.

That this Society is adapted, if properly managed to be the instrument of much good to the cause, there can be little doubt. There yet will be not find relief in tears, and I feel as if I had been one | position to sympathine with, or endorse the contiments

Monday afternoon followed the remains of my dear little ripple upon the surface of a few communities. sister to their resting place amid the "beautiful These have, or propose to have lost faith in our shrubbery and evergreens" of Salisbury Cemetery. system of Church polity. The voluntary principle Brother and sister are gone in the same order as they does not work with them, and instead of looking for next eldest brother, oh, may he be enabled to meet flaws in the machinery. There is no doubt, that the death with the same composure as they did, and be constitution and mode of government of Baptist prepared to meet them in an eternal home. I have Churches, and as we believe of all New Testament much to say which I must defer just now to another | Churches demand for their harmonious working and the accomplishment of their highest and best results. a large amount of real spiritual life in the memberlives. Your last sad letter has partly prepared me ship; and not only that, but also a large amount of for the crushing announcement that she too has gone | zeal and forbearance, "aptness to teach" and ability to the spirit land. Her trials are ended, her joy is to rule by moral and religious influences on the part complete. Well, be it so. What remains for us, fa- of the pastors. Failing in this latter respect, it is ther, but to bow in submission to His will who "do- but natural that disappointment and vexation should eth all things well," and to say "the Lord gave and sometimes lead one to seek to lay the blame at the the Lord bath taken away, and blessed be the name door of the system, attributing to it as a fault that of the Lord." The separation from those we hold so which constitutes its highest excellency, viz. -the dear is only for a season. Thank God for unshaken lofty christian graces which are necessary to its effifaith in the prospects of immortality. Oh. I am so cient operation. Dismissing, however, all such reashappy to hear that dear mother and sister were so onings, which, by the way, I desire to present with free from violent pain, so composed, so tranquil, so the modesty becoming to so grave a subject, and resigned. This is a source of great satisfaction. I with all the charity which should always be accorded dare not send a heart full of love to dear mother, to those who claim to have conscientiously changed though one clings tenacitly to hope till the last, their views, let us come to matters of fact. Within Something whispers to me, your message will arrive the last few months we have had no less than three defections from our ministerial ranks to the Episcopal Church. The first was the Rev. W. H. Watts. night. I dreamed that I received the Visitor in of London. His case, I think it is not uncharitable mourning, and three or four columns of it were de- to say, was not, so far as I know, the cause of much voted to memorials of my dear departed mother. surprise, and most persons amongst us seemed quite willing to accept as the true solution, his own statements in a most remarkable letter to the Church he was leaving, viz. - that his "views, tastes and feelings"-the italics are mine-did not accord with the I am very happy to receive the neat little pamphlet. Baptist Church polity. The next cases were those of the Rev. S. Jones, of Kingston, and his son, Rev. W. Henry Jones, A. M., of Woodstock. The first of these did, I think, surprise and grieve many, as Mr. Jones, the elder, has been long in the vineyard, and was much esteemed and beloved by many. The circumstance in respect to the latter which will, I dare say, be most interesting to you in the Lower Provinces is the fact that the degree was so very recently likeness of our sister. It would be so pleasing to conferred by your own Acadia. I forbear comment, save that I could wish for the interests of the only Baptist institution in British America with the power I received a letter from Ingram of the date of Jan- of conferring degrees, that some plan were feasible uary 17th, in which he rather startled me with the by which a reliable criterion could be applied to test announcement that he has made up his mind to leave the qualifications of candidates for its literary ho-New Zealand for home by way of England. He was nours. Where honorary titles are at all freely beto sail in the "Chili," from Tasmania for London stowed upon those at a distance, some such safeguard in about two months from that date-say about the seems almost essential to the reputation of the Insti-

The agitation consequent upon these and other circumstances has called forth two essays: one, a expect to see him dropping in some day in the month | prize essay, and the other by Dr. Fyfe, upon the New Testament Church polity. They might be useful in

For the Christian Visitor. From Our Nova Scotia Correspondent. ANNIVERSARIES AT HORTON.

Dear Visitor-This is the busy time at this place. As early as Friday last visitors began to arrive; and up to a late hour on this. Tuesday, they still come. In the examination of the pupils and collegians at the seminary, academy, and college, there was nothing of special interest to chronicle. It is to be regretted that the semi and annual examinations at public; especially that so few of the parents of the children receiving instruction there, should not feel interest enough therein to give their attendance when ling their happy voices with the celestial choirs in at all practicable. To instructor and pupils the insinging "Blessing, and honour, and wisdom, and fluence of such neglect is harmful; and although no "cramming" is ever practised preparatory for examination, not even so much as advising the pupil what part of his studies be will be examined upon, yet it would be a creat stimulus, both to teacher and schoyears, to administer to others, be now your solace lar, to have in prospect the presence of those most deeply interested therein. Publicity to the efficiency overwhelming bereavement to rely with confidence of such institutions is essential to their prosperity.

The annual meeting of the Alumni was held on Monday, according to previous notice. T. H. Rand. Esq., Superintendent of Education, N. S., was chosen President for the ensuing year. In the evening an unusually large assembly in the Baptist chapel listened with rapt attention to the annual oration, by the Rev. Dr. Crawley. Its theme, "the practical uses of the abstract," an oration full of life and power. In thought, combining the vigor of youth. the strength of manhood, and the wisdom of years

The degree of Bachelor of Arts was awarded six of the senior class at the college; and of Master of Arts to two of the former graduates. The following programme will give you names and topics of ora-

Music,..... "The Lord is King." ORATIONS BY UNDER-GRADUATES. Idiosyncrasy,..........James F. Morton, Wilmot. The inner Life,.....Thomas S. McLean, Bras a Or, C. B.

Music, "When the Lord shall build." Music, "Jerusalem, my glorious home." The Patriot's Vision, Albert, J. Hill, Sydney, C. B. Development, Leander S. Morse, Nictaux.

Music, "Behold what manner of love." OBATIONS BY GRADUATES Music,..... "Calm on the listening ear."

DEGREES CONFERRED.

BENEDICTION.

The orations were more than usually rich in thought, and well in delivery. Rewards of merit were also bestowed on many of the students. Six popils of the academy were matriculated.

This number will probably be increased to ten, by others from the Freshman class for the next term. The presence of the Rev. Dr. Crawley among the staff of Professors, now associated with the venerable President of the College in the department of theology, gave inspiration to the hope of yet further advances in the efficiency of the college. Long may they live to aid the cause, and to behold the pros perity of their labors.

We were led to think of the past, when some, even of Baptists, thought it "preposterous" for the Baptists of N. S. to have a college; and to note the change. Then there were, comparatively, but few interested in these institutions beyond personal feeling. Now if the venerable leaders were removed by any providence of God, a host are ready to rally arounds others, consecrating their influence, time, talents and wealth, to their support. In the great heart of the denomination, under God, lie the strength and progress of those noble institutions; and until there is defection in that beart, they must still prosper. Important improvements are to be made during the vacation, in all the premises and boarding Yours truly, departments.

From our Granville Correspondent.

Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia. DEAR VISITOR-At 8 o'clock we stepped on board of the Empress, leaving the fog and rain, and the political excitement of your city, and in less than four in a better land. On, my father, I felt very sad. I am not permitted the painful duty of mingling my tears with yours over the graves of those who are gone, but my sympathy on that account is not lessened in the least. Ah, no I the heart would burst could it has been removed. I say this without the least disof this lovely sheet of water we had spent ten years,

endeavoring to feed Christ's flock and point the erring to his cleansing blood. Here we had seen the Spirit manifested to the people, and experienced its gracious influence on our hearts. To these waters again and again we had repaired to witness joyful believers came. Whose shall be the next? Should it be the the fault in the workmen, they set about finding publicly profess their attachment to Christ, and also to lead them in the pathway marked out by his holy footprints. On Friday afternoon delegates from the various churches of the Western Association began to arrive, who were heartily welcomed to the homes, hospitalities and altars of the people of Lower On Saturday, at 10 o'clock, A. M., the Association

was called to order by the Rev. H. Angel, the presiding officer of the former year, who read that lovely hymn breathing the feelings of every renewed soul. "I love thy kingdom, Lord," which was sung with lively animation. After which prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Tupper. A list of the delegates being read. Rev. W. G. Parker was chosen Moderator, Rev. D. O. Parker, Clerk, and Rev. W. Richan, Assistant Clerk, Robt. Delap, Treasurer. Most of the letters from the churches were inter-

esting-some thirty I believe spoke of the gracious visitations of the Holy Spirit: the result showed 455 members added to their numbers. Services of the Sabbath were as follows: Dr. Crawley of Acadia College, preached in the morning at Stoney Beach, a good sermon on the mission of the Holy Spirit. Dr. Tupper at 3 o'clock, and Rev. C. Randall at 6, preached excellent practical sermons. At the Lower Chapel. Rev. James Spencer preached at 10 A. M., Rev. Mr. Cox at 3 P. M. and Rev. A. Corgswell, at 6. At Victoria Beach, Rev. T. Delong. At Granville Ferry, Rev. N. Cyr in the morning; at 3 Rev. Willard Parker, and at 6 Rev. William Porter. The services were all exceedingly solemn, and were listened to with much attention and interest. The exhortations which followed were marked by the gracious presence of the Holy one, whose spirit had warmed and quickened his people. At 10 o'clock the Association sermon was preached by the Rev. J. H. Saunders. of Yarmouth, from Isaiah xlv. 17, "Israel shall be saved with an everiasting salvation." The preacher divided the discourse as follows, 1st. from what Israel is to be saved; 2d. to what saved. 1. From the love of sin.

2. From the practice of sin.

3. From the consequences of sin.

II. The power by which the church is to be saved The power was in Christ.

His name was a terror at all times to his enemies and his power would accomplish all his purposes for his church.

The mail is just closing.

Yours in Christian love. Gra:vi le. 11th June, 1866.

Rev. T. H. Porter, ir., writing from North Sidney, on the 6th inst., says :--

NORTH SIDNEY, C. B., June 6, 1866. DEAR BRO. BILL-Things are moving on encouragingly here, though not as rapidly as we could wish. Our parsonage will be completed and paid for before the Association, at a cost of some \$1,500, and a nice barn will also be finished and ready, \$200 worth of good furniture in the house, not entirely paid for. The house is in a very commanding position, and presents a fine appearance from the water. It is an ornament and a credit to the community.

All other pecuniary matters are equally encourage ing. Our "first day of the week" system of raising funds has been a success, and it is destined to still greater achievements. I long for the time when

We should rejoice, Bro. P., to comply with your kind invitation to be present with you at your approaching Association, but cannot go so far from home at present -Ep. C. V.

Secular Department.

COLONIAL.

The battle has been fought, the victory won. Confederation is triumphant. The Counties of St John, Queens, Sunbury, York, Carleton, Victoria, Restigouche, Northumberland, Albert, Kings, and Charlotte have returned their thirty-three members all new House thirty-three Confeds. against eight Antis. The eight anti members, it is supposed, are largely indebted to the French vote for their return. The vote for the winning ticket is much larger than its most sanguine friends anticipated, and it is pleasing to know that it is on the side of the Queen, on the side of the British Parliament, Lords and Commons, on the side of British Connection, and we trust it will be found in the issue to be on the side of social and religious expansion. A fearful responsibility rests upon the men chosen by the people to work out righteously and successfully the great changes in contemplation. We trust they will show themselves equal to the occasion. There has been a good deal of unnecessary excitement on both sides during this campaign: but we hope now that the agony of suspense is over, that angry strife will cease, all hard privates on the Canadian side. A writ of habeas in making the best arrangements possible for the present and future good of our common country.

THE WEATHER continues very cold for the season of the year, and the crops generally are far behind time, but the grass for the most part looks promising, and we still hope for a bountiful harves to the disposition of the prisoners on board the steamer Michigan, and no demand for their and had been made by the Canada to Country Produce.

Secondary Produce.

23 South Market Wharf, St. John, N. B. for a bountiful harvest.

The Witness says :- Halifax hasagitated over the news of the COMPANY, Canada. Volunteers, militial would willingly shoulder to John Manufactor the defence of their felloneed. But all feel confidence or take care of themselves. JODS

A melancholy acciden Line and Woollen Draper, Haberdasher, and General Importer of English, French and American Dry Goods.

Thursday afteration of last week. A little by be-4.

tween 6 and 7 years of age, son of Nathan Moses, LONDON HOUSE. sq., had hold of one of the wheels of a truck stand. It ing in the street, when the horse started and the boy was drawn under the wheel, which passed over his head, killing him instantly.—Yarmouth Herald.

The Watchman and Reflector, of Boston, says :-The Canadian authorities would be justified were they to hang every invader who falls into their hands-Legitimate war the Fenians cannot wage."

ENGLISH AND FOREIGN.

By the arrival of steamers Alleniania at New York and Hibernian at Father Point, we have Liverpoo dates to June 1st. The Government was beaten by ten majority on the vote of Mr. Bowrie's motion of instruction, look-

ing to a better prevention of bribery and corruption The consolidated Bank of England stopped pay

The consolidated Bank of England stopped payment on Sunday.

The invitations to a Congress have all been accepted, and it will meet in Paris shortly.

Various conflicting statements are made as to the programme for the Conference, and the terms of ac-

eptance of the armed powers.
It is asserted that Austria categorically refus propositions relative to the cession of Venetia; that she calls for a Convention of the estates of the Duchies to settle the Schloswig-Holstein question, and demands that the Congress skall not be considered. discuss any proposal for a reform of the Federal Con-

Prussia is also said to demand that the Conference shall not discuss questions relating exclusively to the internal interests of Germany, and that its deliberations shall speedily prove that a real prospect exists for the preservation of peace.

The Dublin police have arrested five persons sup-

posed to be active Fenians, and to have assisted Stephens in baffling the detectives.

The British trade returns for April show the value of exports to be over three and a quarter millions

in excess of April last year.

Financial affairs continue to exhibit steady progress The pressure for discounts at the bank was dimin. ishing, although still extremely large, and the rate

in recovery, and a gradual return of confi remains at 10 per cent. There are rumors of assistance from the Bank of France with its immense accumulation of specie to the Bank of England, but they are not authentic.

Funds and securities generally exhibit decided firm-

ness, and prices advanced. ness, and prices advanced. H. J. Enthover & Son, of London, principally en-

gaged in the metal trade, have suspended, liabilities £3,000,000, assets believed to be ample. Breadstuff's dull. Provisions dull. Consols closed on Friday at 87% @ 874. U. S. 5 20's 66%.

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It is fully contirmed that Austria, Prussia, and Italy, and the German Diet have accepted the Conference. They will be represented by their Ministers of Foreign Affairs, while the Diet has chosen Baron Von Der Ifordten, the Bayarian Minister of Foreign Affairs.

The time for the meeting has not yet been fixed. but Clarendon, Gotschakoff, Bismarck, and La Mannara had officially announced that they would shortly arrive in Paris. La Presse believes that Napoleon will preside with

Drouvn De L'Huys as second plenipotentiary. There are rumors of an understanding, if not an alliance, between Austria and Russia to support the treaties of 1815. It is affirmed that Austria positively refused to entertain any project for the cession of Venetia, and had made over Hoistein to the German Confederation.

The Times, in view of the action by Austria, regards the Conference as about hopeless in ensuring peace, while every day makes it more clear that the three armed powers are not likely to submit their disputes to their neighbors. Apprehensions are entertained that all the seven powers may yet not be represented at the Conference.

The House of Commons continued to debate the A division was expected on Capt, Hayter's amendment in favor of postponement, on the 4th inst. It is reported that if the Government have a majority they will withdraw the measure, and if defeat ed, resignation is considered likely or even a dissolu-

London, 3d. -The Observer admits that the British Government is in a crisis on the question of Reform. The Sunday Gazette thinks the Ministry will have a majority. It is stated that Austria has received an autograph letter from the Czar of Russia, advocating the rejec-

tion of Parliament,

tion of the proposals referring to the session of The settlement of the Austro-Prussian dispute by the recognition of the claims of the Duke of Oldenburg and the Duchies, and the restoration of friendly relations between the Cabinets of Vienna and

St. Petersburg. It is officially stated that Prussia considers the Austrian declaration relative to the conversion of the Holstein Estates as a great provocation to war, a violation of the treaty of Vienna, and an attack on the sovereign rights of Passia which is bound to resist, nevertheless, in hope that Austria may deem it fit to desist carrying out the declaration. Prussian troops are in force on the Austrian and

Polish frontiers. Breadstuff's quiet. Provisions inactive. Consols 854 and 854. U. S. 5-20's 651.

UNITED STATES.

DEATH AND FUNERAL OF LIEUTENANT-GENERAL Scort.—The mourning for the death of General Scott (May 29th) was almost universal throughout the country. General Grant issued orders announcing to the army the death of the late Lieutenant-General. The officers of the army are required to wear crape on the arm and sword hilt for six months as of mourning. The funeral took place on Friday, June 1st, at West Point, with appropriate and deeply impressive ceremonies. There was a very large attendance of distinguished men from all professions and callings, including deputations from the National Congress, from the army, the navy, and from many municipal governments. The day of the funeral was observed throughout the country by the display of mourning insignia, and in several cities business was wholly, or in part, suspended.

THE FENIAN EXPEDITION INTO CANADA. -- On Thursday, May 31st, the "first division of the army of the Irish Republic" crossed Lake Erie, and, under command of Col. O'Neill, occupied Fort Erie, a small town nearly opposite Buffalo, on the Canada side. The telegraph wires were cut, and the Grand frunk railway torn up in several places. The Fenians, on the morning of the 2d inst., met some Canadian troops near pledged to Confederation. Westmorland, Kent, and Gloucester counties have returned their eight members on the opposition ticket. Thus we have in the followed by the Canadians. On Sunday morning, June 3d, they withdrew to the American Shore in the best way they could. Thirty-two of their number were captured by the Canadians, and a large portion of the rest, Col. O'Neill, the commander of the expedition, among them, made prisoners by the United

States authorities. The British troops occupied Fort Erie soon after the evacuation. The base of the Fenian operations on the line of the Niagara river has been entirely abandoned. None of the late invading army remain in that vicinity, except those who remain as prisoners on the steamer

Michigan. The prisoners in the hands of the Canadians have been forwarded to Toronto. The Canadiaus were also leaving Fort Erie in squads, their destination being other threatened points along the border. A number of Fenians have been tried by corpus, signed by Judge Clifton, of Buffalo, for the delivery of the Michigan prisoners, was served on Captain Bryson on the 4th inst. General Barry had received no instructions from Washington in regard

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the Saratoga tRDLY & CO., steerage passengers sale and Retail Dealers to been attacked with the Chamber Furniture the 80th ult.

On the 31st ult., eighty-four ca.... on board of the hospital ship Falcon, out of name number fourteen died. On the 1st inst., thirty-five new cases were reported at Quarantine, and eight deaths had taken place since the previous report. There was a total in the hospital ship of one hundred and five, and twenty-

four more are being transferred to her. The condition of the ship is deplorable, being crowded with the sick, dying, and dead.

On the 2d inst. there were twenty-six new cholera cases and ten deaths, also one case of yellow fever.

On June 8rd there were five new cases. There were four persons returned to the Peruvian and ten deaths—leaving under treatment at the hospital ship,

NEW YORK, June 11, P. M. The Fenian excitement and raids are about over. Fifteen hundred Fenians returned to Massachusetts yesterday, and the rest are leaving, as fast as transportation can be furnished, for their homes in differ-

ent parts of the States.

They are quiet and orderly, but denounce the United States dovernment in strong terms for inter-

Despatches from all parts of Canada say everything is quiet.

Reported that Canadian militia yesterday shot and hung several Fenian prisoners.

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