# THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR ST. JOHN, N. B., JUNE 11, 1868.

### The Approaching Anniversaries.

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With the return of the months of summer comes the return of our denominational anniversaries. The annual meeting of our Seminary at Fredericton has already taken place, as will be seen by the report of it in our present issue. On Thursday the anniversary of Acadia College will be celebrated. On the Wednesday preceding there is to be a meeting of the Board of Governors. The brethren there must know that as the Empress will not arrive in Windsor until Wednesday about 2 P. M., it will be impossible for any of the New Brunswick Governors of Acadia College to be in time for the morning meeting. They will probably, therefore, have an adjourned meeting for Wednesday evening. Several of the New Brunswick brethren are going over, and will be glad to participate in the proceedings of the Board. The Governors will find it necessary to adapt the College to the altered circumstances of the country in regard to educational interests. Hence the importance of a full representation from all the Provinces united in the College.

The Central Association of N. S. opens its services on Saturday the 13th, with the Baptist church at Gaspereaux, at 2 P. M. Matters of grave interest to the whole denomination are likely to come up for discussion. It seems to us, therefore, that wisdom from above, to guide the Lord's servants, was never more necessary than now. May we not hope that many fervent prayers are being offered by ministers and people, that the Spirit of the Holy One may descend and take full possession of all hearts. Neither as Christians or as Baptists can we afford to indulge in the spirit of angry strife. Whatever difference of opinion may arise on matters regarded as of vital interest to denominational life and progress, let us be careful to maintain the spirit of brotherly love and christian forbeatance. Says the man after God's own heart, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." But how sad and disastrous it is for brethren to be rent and scathed by the spirit of alienation and discord. Let us all ponder well those passages of the Word of God which admonish us to the full and free exercise of brotherly kindness, holy charity, christian forgiveness, and conformity to the example of him who exercised, in their highest perfection, all the graces of patience, meekness, forbearance, humility, forgiveness, and love. How intensely touching the prayer. which in the prospect of the cross, he offered for his disciples, "That they all may be one; as thon, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." The first six versese of the 4th chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians may be pondered by us with immense advantage. May God give us all grace to conform in heart and in life to an example so pure, and to precepts so wise and so holy !

The Re-union of Baptists North and South. We rejoice to see indications of the return of

the year, forty-six; several of whom, are in preparation for a College course, and some for the sacred mibrotherly feeling between the ministers and churches nistry. I learned that six of the young men have this of the Northern and Southern States. For a quarter year completed their preparatory studies for College. of a century they have been thoroughly divided The "peculiar institution" kept them as far apart as and will be matriculated at the approaching term in the poles, but now that slavery is blotted out, their

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with that sparkling and sanative beverage called water. Speeches were made by several gentlemen, advocating the cause of education in general, and the pecuniury interests of the Seminary in particular. Generous pledges were given to aid the effort now being made to wipe out the debt, and to place the school in a more advanced position. Judging from what we saw and heard we may say that the prospects of the Seminary were never more promising than at present. It is eminently deserving of the confidence and cooperation of all, and especially of the denomination most intimately conn cted with its origin and progress. Parents may rely upon the character and work of this school, and send their sons thither. Pro'essor Hopper, aided by teachers devoted to their calling, seems to be earnest and indefatigable in his efforts to bring the Seminary up to the growing demands of the age, and with the liquiand are not alike. Many are mere savages, as when dation of the triffing debt, now about to be lifted from it, we predict for it a vigorous and useful course WENTWORTH, in the future. P. S .- The successful candidates for the prizes are the following :- In Orthography, John Fleming ; in Mathematics, Judson Coy; in Penmanship, Sydney Hurd; in Classics, A. Freeze; in Geography, -Evans; in Reading, 1st prize, A. Freeze, 2d prize, John Forrest. To young ladies : 1st prize, Miss Hea; 2d prize, Miss Todd. Mr. Reuben Lunt has offered a prize for the best essay on Taxation for Schools. Essays are in for this prize, but they have not yet been examined.

### For the Christian Visitor.

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Brussels street Baptist Sabbath School, which took place in the body of the chapel on Sunday evening, the 31st of May, was one deeply interesting to every lover of Sabbath school instruction.

The singing, which was performed by the members of the school, under the leadership of the Secretary (Mr. James Clerke) and Miss Annie Estey, who presided at the organ, was equal to any thing of the kind we have had in Brussels street, and elicited the praises of many who were present. The deportment of the scholars on the occasion was highly praiseworthy. The Annual Sermon was preached by the pastor. Rev. Timothy Harley, from the memorable words of our Lord in Luke xii. 6 : "Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God." The sermon was one of uncommon interest, and well suited for the occasion, and was listened to by one of the largest congregations ever assembled in the Brussels street church, with the most profound attention.

The following is the report :

### Eighteenth Annual Report of the Brussels-st. Sabbath Echool.

As another year has rolled its round and b come eckoned with the past, your Secretary is called upon to make his usual Annual Report; and in doing so, the weighty and solemn reflection comes over the mind, Have we, as officers and teachers in the Sabbath school, been faithful to our trust? Have we, as workers in this department of God's moral vinevard, done our best to promote His kingdom in the nearts of the children and youth connected with our beloved Sunday school? Each of us must answer for himself. The year has gone; and if, as the time has sped, we have been less faithful than we should have been, let us double our diligence for the coming year-put on the whole armor of God, and enter the field of labour spread before us in the Sabbath school with renewed ardor and zeal, to promote, in this department of Christian labor, the cause and kingdom

Our Report on the statistics of the school for the year is as follows : Number of males 166; females, 159-total, 325. Average atten jance, 236. New scholars are constantly coming in, while others move away. The Infant Class is very large. For the principal part of the past year it has been conducted by Miss Alice Estey. It is now carried on conjointly by her-self and her brother, Mr. Fred. A. Estey, who have it in excellent order, with an average attendance of about 40. The number of officers and teachers in the school is 33-17 males and 16 females. Two of the latter bave just left. The average attendance is 29. The Treasurer's account has been received, and it shows that, for the year ending the 22nd day of May, 1868, the gross amount received was \$282.66, and that the sum of \$258.63 has been expended, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$29.05. His account dissected would be :

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In November last it was resolved that there should be in the church but one general fund from which all monies should be paid, and into which all sums should be received, and that the sources of revenue to the school-viz : a centre pew in the Meetinghouse, the school rooms and the quarterly funds from the boxes, into which the scholars put their cents-should be given over to the church, which should, in return, grant to the school the generous sum of two hundred dollars per annum, payable halfyearly,-the first hundred dollars of which was paid into the hands of the Treasurer on 1st of February last. This arrangement will do away with the doubtful mode of raising money for Sabbath school purposes by tea-meetings, concerts, &c.

During the past year we have, to some extent, enlarged our Library, which now contains some 1,200 rolumes, besides 390 Bibles and Testaments-120 of which are reference Bibles. The school, as usual in former ye rs, has given away to the destitute some papers and second-hand library books. The Library conducted upon a most efficient plan-one that, with careful attention, ensures the return of all books given out to the scholars. There are two other Libraries in the school in connection with Bible Classes; that in Mr. Hartt's class is by far the most efficient. The remains of the Te chers' Library have been directed to be handed over to the school. The order and discipline of the school are, as heretofore, good, and union and harmony prevail among the teachers. The only draw-back in the school is a deficiency of teachers, and these we must have, as be-

fore stated, or the school will suffer greatly. We are exceedingly gratified to report that our new pastor, the Rev. Timothy Harley, takes a deep interest in the school, and, since his arrival, a little over two months since, he has visited the school several times, and delivered interesting addresses and such as the scholars love to hear; and we feel assured that to him we may confidently look for co-operation. counsel and direction.

We have only to a limited extent spoken of what good we think is being done by our beloved school; but we do not despair of yet seeing, from its ranks, many who will profess the name of Jesus, and become ornaments to His Church.

In closing this report we beg earnestly to request the parents of the scholars, and all other friends of beloved Sunday School, to pay the school a visit

cowardly wolf roams. Fierce and savage do the villagers appear, with tattooed bodies stained blue and green, their long hair and mustachois, their rude shields and weapons, and the chequered mantle chariot with scythes extending from its axles passing furiously along, the driver flourishing a javelin; or you may catch a glimpse through the bushes of men spearing fish; or a wild hunter may rush past following a deer, or some other kind of game. But this scene is enveloped in the shadows of antiquity, and gives some idea of what Dereyhern was before Romuus and Remus, with their outlaw band, founded their infant city upon one of the Seven Hills; for this Canterbury is a very ancient city, and is supposed to have existed before Rome had an existence. But we 85.54 look again, and the scene is changed. The huts of 17.47 wattle and daub are replaced by buildings of a better 85:00 character, some elégant mansions of stone, and round 14.00about the whole a wall of stone is thrown. The 86.16 forests in many places have been cleared away, and fields of waving grain meet the view. Flocks of sheep 00.00 and herds of cattle meet the gaze here and there. 82.16 The people, instead of being in tattooed nakedness, are covered with clothing; the javelin and shield and spear have disappeared, and few arms are seen except in the hands of the crested warriors, with breastplates

and ample bucklers, who, martial and stern, keep guard upon the walls. The mists of antiquity are clearing away; we now look upon Canterbury under the name of Durovernum, as it appeared during the time of the Roman supremacy.

Again the scene changes. The houses and wall are there, and do not appear much changed, only, it may be, there is an appearance of dilapidation about them. But the country around seems neglected; what were formerly cultivated fields, are now overgrown with weeds and bushes; and where you do see the ground cared for, the inhabitants appear dejected and careworn. Instead of the mailed figures on the walls, we now see both there and in the street wild, fearless men, with targets, battle axes, swords, spears and clubs. The glory of Rome has departed ; her garrisons are recalled to meet the barbarians rushing down from the North ; and the Saxon Hengist now rules in Durovernum over the people he came to suc-

Once more we look down. There is terror and confusion in the city. From the country around the inhabitants are fleeing like deer before the wolves, and well they may; for coming up from the coast is a fierce and cruel band. Soon, with a blood red flag with a black raven in the midst, carried before, they rush over the walls, and their long swords and ponderous battle axes reap a rich harvest of death. We are gazing upon the terrible Northmen, who do not leave until, having stripped it of its plunder, they burn the city to the ground.

But enough of savage times. The mists of antiquity are all gone. It is time to get upon the train. So with a last look at the peaceful, prosperous scene around, let us breathe a hymn of praise to the preserver of England's greatness as it is to-day, and speed back again to the "Metropolis of the World." C. G.

Rev. Mr. Punshon at a meeting held at Kennau's Hotel, London, before he left for America, was made the recipient of seven hundred guineas, as an expression of the steem which is cherished for him by his Methodist friends in England. At that meeting, says the London Freeman. Mr. Punshon made an admirable speech, in which give a sketch of his mininsterial life. Mr. Punshon emarked :- " In the course of my ministerial life, and after the first ten years of it, a wonderful fact was brought to my knowledge by my late dear friend Edward Corderoy, who had a fancy for arithmetical calculations of that kind. It may be remembered that in the course of those efforts (and mine was only ex-pluribus unum), the first of a series for the relief of Spitaificide Chapel, I was enabled, by God's blessing, to raise some thousand pounds in six months by lecturing. Edward Corderoy, as you remember, wrote a series of letters on ministerial stipends. In the course of those letters he entered into some calculations, and wrote me a letter telling me that he shrewdly suspected I had been the instrument of gaining more for Methodism during those six months han Methodism had given me in ten years. It so turned out that when I came to add up the aggregate of my income for the first ten years of my ministry I found it did not amount to anything like a thousand bounds. I may therefore quote my experience as a varoing against those who would enter the Metholist ministry at any rate for a morsel of bread." Further on, he said :- "I learned very early one lesson-I learned it as most people learn lessons, by painful experience; I learned it by one of my own aults, and the rebuke which that fault brought about -a lesson which has been of very considerable value to me in after-life. For the last eighteen or twenty years I can say I have by God's grace set it before me as a rule of conduct. That rule of conduct has been never to depreciate my brethren. I was rash, and impassioned, and sanguine, and dogmatic-speaking with what Mr. Disraelt would call 'the heedless hetoric of those below the gangway ;' and in my early years I dure say I ventured with sufficient preumption to find fault with those who were very much above me. 1 met with a rebuke which effectually checked me in that course of conduct, and since that time I have endeavored always to try to find out what there was of good in everybody. I have found it a wonderful help to me in gaining and in keeping the love of my brethren, and I have found it moreover a wonderful help I think to the cause of God, because I find that if I, as a minister of Christ, uphold the reputation of my brethren, other people are likely to catch the contagion of my example, and in that matter to do so too." So far as we are guided by the law of christian love, we shall, like Mr. Punshon, uphold the reputation of our brethren. It will be as sacred to us as it is to them. This depreciatory style, in which some men indulge, when speaking of their brethren in the church or in the ministry, is a sad commentary upon the jealousy and waywardness of the human heart, and must always recoil with damaging effect upon the party who vents his spleen in this way. "Let each esteem others better than himself," is the wholesome advice of of the Christian law book.-ED. CH. V15.

Death of Dr. Robert Bayard. This eminent physician and honored citizen, departed this life at his residence at Weldford, Queen's County, on the 5th inst., in the S1st year of his age. thrown over their shoulders. Mayhap you may see a The departed was the only remaining son of the late Colonel Bayard, of precious memory. As a medical man he had few equals in this country, and probably no superiors. His scholarship was highly respectable, and his talents varied and commanding. He always evinced a lively interest in the social and political progress of the country, and was ready to use his tongue or his pen at all times in defence of what he considered right. His rural habits and his hearty devotion to country life we have no doubt tended to prolong his years upon earth.

We rejoice greatly to learn from his spiritual atendant that during his protracted physical debility the Bible was his constant companion and his unfailng source of consolation. He expressed his fullest confidence in its rich provisions, as in all respects adapted to his spiritual necessities in the prospect of the great change before him. In this trustful frame of mind he calmly yielded up his spirit into the hands of Him who gave it, and went, as we trust, up to meet his glorified father in "the better land."

A letter from Bro. Solomon Parent informs is that there are revival indications at Upper Queensboro'. Elder James Tupper, assisted by brethren Fupper and Howard have recently organised a Baptist church consisting of eleven members. He says it is the only church of the Baptist order in that Parish. May the Lord greatly multiply the number.

The Sabbath school Library ordered for Upper Queensboro', was sent to Fredericton by express on Monday last

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be found, if the the finder will leave it with the subcriber for the owner, he shall be handsomely rewarded. I. E. BILL. No. 3 Orange street. June 9, 1867. Secular Department. From our Halifax Correspondent.

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hearts yearn for re-union. At the recent convention of Southern Baptist in Baltimore a delegation from the North was in attendance, and greetings of the most friendly nature took place. This resulted in sending a delegation from the South to the Baptist anniversary in New York. The reception of these delegates is thus reported in the Watchman and Reflector :---

Dr. Hague took the floor. He detailed the separa tion between the Baptists North and South which had existed twenty five years ; the steps taken to renew the old union; the appointment of himself and colleagues to the Southern Convention at Baltimore: the manner in which they were received, and the fact that delegates from that Convention were then on the floor of the house. Dr. Hague presented the documents in the matter, which have been published. A motion was made that the delegates take the platform. It was carried amid great enthusiasm, and Drs. Jeter, Fuller, Broaddus, Manly and Graves started toward the presiding officer amid cheers, clapping of hands, and the excitement of the entire audience.

## DR. JETER'S SPEECH.

As chairman of the delegation Dr. Jeter presented a report of the appointment of himself and associates to represent the Southern Convention at the Home Mission Society. He said he met the occasion with intense feeling that he could not express. He was in the old Oliver Street church in 1829. The good and strong of that day, Kendrick, Cone, and others, were gone. Alienations sprung up. A separation took place that divided the Baptists North and South for twenty-five years. God had chastised the South, and blotted out the cause of the division. Past alienations were dead, let them be buried. It was God's intention that this country should not be divided. The South bowed to the will of God, accepted the situation : would not restore slavery if they could : and now the wanted harmony and peace, for men who had got to live together, had better live kindly than in discord. Baptists North and South had pluck and principle. Four millions of freedmen, in their helplessness and serrow, wanted aid from every section of the country. Oliver Street was the old battle-ground. Here the separation took place. From it the olive branch should be extended. He had come to exchange the hand of fellowship with Northern Baptists, and bury the tomahawk forever. The speech was listened to with intense emotion, frequently interrupted by applause. The audience were melted to tears, and Dr. Welch was called upon to lead the great audience in a prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God.

#### DR. FULLER'S SPEECH.

Manly in his bearing, courtly in address, with a fervent eloquence that never fails to captivate. Dr. Fuller chained the great audience for nearly an hour. He endorsed the fraternal words of Dr. Jeter : contended that he was at home on that platform as a Life Director of the Mission Society; detailed the history of the long separation ; the manner in which he had been received at Beaufort on his recent visit to that place in company with Judge Chase; and now that the sword had done its work, and had returned to its scabbard, he desired to accept the situation, and unite with his brethren in the North in elevating and saving four millions of freedmen who were crying to the church for help. The war had decided that slavery was ended forever. It had decided that the State Rights doctrine was at an end. Union, harmony ession and confidence were now demanded. some way the Baptists North and South must come together and work together. He closed by relating an incident in which two hostile armies, after a severe conflict, stacked their arms and met on the border o a river to slake their mutual thirst. So let Baptists with all cause of alienation removed, meet of the border of that fiver whose streams make glad the city of God, and renew the fellowship and co-operation which distinguished the puble fathers of the denomin ation in other days. Dr. Fuller's address was received with alternate applause, laughter and tears.

## REV. J. R. GRAVES' SPEECH.

Though not originally on the delegation, Mr. Graves as appointed to fill the place of an absent member. was appointed to fill the place of an absent member. He announced himself as having been a decided scessionist, a defender of slavery and an owner of slaves. A few weeks ago he would not have appeared on that platform, nor have taken the hand of a Northern abolitionist. The spirit of the brethren who visited Baltimore, and the tone of that meeting had entirely changed him. He thanked God that he was present. He would not have one of his slaves back if with each

the New Bronswick University, and that ten more are contemplating entering upon a University course

prepared with great care, though delivered without

winning mode of putting things, he was eminently

suited to present an unpopular theme to an unwilling audience. His point was to induce the Home Mission

Society to select men to do its work in the Southern

field from Southern ministers recommended by the

South; or to send from the North such men as the

Southern Baptist Convention should approve. He

detailed the suffering and destitution of the Southern

churches. But one church in South Carolina could

give their minister a support. Nearly every minister

heavily in debt. Churches cannot support them,

and unless the Northern churches aid, the people

must perish. They have men enough, but no money.

The masses South were never trained to give. The

ministry has mainly left the pulpit, and while there

are hundreds that want to preach to the freedmen,

the Baptists South have no means of giving them

culture. The freedmen are not understood at the

North. They came from different races and tribes,

they were taken from Africa, and nearly all of them

are as "sheep without a shepherd." Estrangement

are superstitious, and the Catholics are working on

this element with great success. The whites and

blacks cannot be separated or alienated without

danger. They must be Christianized at once, and

neither the North nor South can do this work alone.

The Presbyterians have never got hold of the Southern

negro. The Episcopal refinement and order don't

agree with the taste of the colored man. The Method-

ists, divided North and South, have not their confi-

can do the work. They stand antagonistic to Rome,

and without organic union the two sections can work in harmony. Both Boards can combine. You help

us, and we help you. He closed by counselling

with conservatism in measures. Rev. Charles A.

Browman closed the meeting at a late hour, with a

Neither section seemed quite prepared for organic

co-operation, but the spirit of the occasion was ad-

mirable, and the tendency of the whole proceedings

in the direction of a thorough practical re-union.

Fredericton Seminary.

DEAR SIE-In response to your request, I give you

a hurried statement of what I saw and heard of the

annual examinations and anniversary exercises, which

occurred last Wednesday and Thursday at the Semi-

pary in Fredericton. The first day was occupied

with the English, and the second with the Classical

Department, in both of which, the diligence of teach-

ers and pupils was clearly evident and highly com-

mendable. I can testify from personal observation

to the satisfactory indications of progress and thor-

oughness in the study of the Ancient Classics and of

the higher Mathematics. Of the examination in

English studies, I can speak only from the reports of

others, not being present myself; but these reports

conveyed to me expressions of unqualified commen-

dation. This School, I understand, has never been

in a more flourishing condition than during the past

year. The number of students has been large, and

far in excess of the number in attendance at any other

School, of a similar character, in this Province. Be-

sides the pupils from the families resident in Freder-

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a year hence. It is to be hoped that some, if not all of the students connected with our own denomination, will enter our own College at Wolfville, Nova Scotia. This, however, is a matter with which your correspondent cannot deal, though he may be permitted to give utterance to his preference. On Wednesday, for the first time. I believe, in the

history of the Seminary, the close of the year's exercises was celebrated with a public exhibition, consisting of original essays of no ordinary merit, by members of the Senior Class, some of which were read, and others delivered memoriter-the latter is far preferable-together with several pieces of stirring music by a company of the students, under the superintendence of Dr. Hurd, who presided at the planaforte. This performance was well worthy of a more public display, but the modesty of all concerned, kept it within very narrow limits, both as to its approach, and the place selected for it. This attempt was timidly and tremblingly made by Professor Hopper, meekly shut up and quietly conducted in one of the recitation rooms of the Seminary building, where as many as had happened to obtain notice of the occasion, and could possibly push into the small place, were uncomfortably packed. The audience showed by frequent and enthusiastic applause, their lively interest in this first effort at an annual public exhibition in

this School. Next year it is expected that this feature of the anniversary will receive, as it deserves, more prominence. Thursday was devoted to the examination in

Greek, Latin, Geometry, Algebra, and a competition in Reading for prizes, offered by Judge Wilmot. With the results of the examination in these branches of study, we were highly gratified, but of the style of conducting it by the gentlemen visitors, we cannot speak with approbation. A word of explanation. It is not, we submit, the object of these annual examinations to impart instruction to the pupils, that is the duty of the teachers; but to ascertain the quantity and quality of the attainments made by them during the year. Nor is it worth while to expose the failures of the students when detected by a series of testing questions. Those qualified and expected to conduct the examination can tell when the failures occur; and, it is sufficient for them to have made the discovery without announcing it by contradicting or correcting mistakes. Nor is it time for the visitors to declare the extent and accuracy of their own attainments by answering their own questions, or by prompting an embatrassed and hesitating pupil. We are all aware that such men as Dr. Jack, Dr. Sporden, and Dr. Brooks, know about everything that is worth knowing, and what they don't know may be of little value ; and, therefore, instead of employing the time in dragging to light their stock of knowledge, we desire to sound the depths and measure the extent of the acquisitions made by these under examination. These gentlemen who ask questions which fail to solicit correct answers, may deem it necessary to avoid a misinterpretation of their silence. and therefore reply to their own questions, or correct the mistaken replies of the pupil. But the practice can hardly be justified on any ground. Much less can we approve the practice of one examiner interfering with the questions of another. It creates confusion, defeats the purpose of an examination, and is far from being complimentary to the gentleman who is attempting by his own method to test the student. All this, Mr. Editor, is said with the most amiable

At the close of the examination a number of prizes were distributed among the students for proficie in Orthography, in Penmanship, in Mathem Reading, in Geography, and in Ancient Classica. This exercise was conducted by Judge Wilmot,

feelings.

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During the past year, we have had our joys; but these have been mingled with sorrows. We have rejoiced in seeing so goodly a number of the young and rising generation availing themselves of the blessings of Sabbath school instruction; and that there have been so many classes of young men and young women who will themselves, we trust, in time become faithful teachers, and thus fill up the vacancies in the corps of leachers occasioned from time to time by death, removals, &c.

We have been blest with a truly devoted and selfdenying company of officers and teachers, most of whom have for long years devoted themselves to the interests of the school, and always manifested, by their untiring exertions, the deep interest they take in its well being and well doing.

In our report of last year, while it fell to our lot to record the death of our late lamented pastor, the Rev. Samuel Robinson, through the goodness of God none had been taken from our ranks, either teachers or scholars. Not so this year. All must be aware of the severe loss we sustained in February last by the lamented death of our sainted brother, the Hon. W. B. Kinnear-one who for more than thirty years had been engaged in various departments of Sabbath school labor,-who had been for the last several years of his life one of the brightest ornaments in our school, in which he devoted the best energies of a mind bighly cultivated and richly stored with the treasures of God's word to the instruction of one of our Bible Classes; and one who, by his presence and influence, was a host among us.

On the 18th of February last, Frank G. Titus, an interesting member of the infant class, died in the eighth year of his sge. The loss of this dear child cast a sudden gloom over the school, where he was almost universally known and beloved. His fond parents, with whom the whole school most deeply sympathised, have, since his death, sent to the school one of his treasures, a little bank containing some \$2.40 in silver.

Even more sudden and distressing to the school was the announcement that, on the 30th of April, in the city of New York, Asa DeC. Blakslee was unexpectedly snatched away by death, in the 17th year of his age. This fine youth, up to the time of his leaving this city-just four weeks prior to the time his lifeless body was brought back-had been a member of our school, and of late years of Brother Joseph Read's class. The most of the teachers and many of the scholars followed his remains to their last resting place in the Uemetery. We also regret to state that for four months pas

our highly esteemed brother Reuben G. Lunt, owing to illness, has been unable to fill, his place in the school, and is still but in feeble health. As a teacher, our brother has but few equals, and he has left a class of fine young men only temporarily supplied. Mr. Brown, another who has been an esteemed teacher in our school for four years, during which long period he has been absent only twice, has just returned to his native home in Massachusetts. He was distinguished for his faithfulness and punctuality, and the result was that he always had a good full class. Miss Blakslee, for many long years one of our most devoted and faithful teachers, has at least for a time left her place vacant.

In view of the losses we have sustained, especially In view of the losses we have sustained, especially in the department of teachers, we feel it our duty most earnestly to appeal to all in this church and congregation who love Jesus and are true friends to the Sabbath school, and beg them to consider the position and wants of the school at the present time. Mr. Kinnear is gone, and we sorrow greatly that we shall see his face no more; but his class, for whose in-terest be labored at assiduently remains and is withshah see his face ho more, out his class, for whose in-terest he labored so assiduously, remains, and is with-out a teacher, and we carnestly ask who among us will come forward and carry onward the work this man of God left to others when he heard the sum-mons from the Better Land, "Come up hither." Mr. Lunt's, Mr. Brown's and Miss Blakslee's class-

es are also without teachers, and unless immediatel supplied, they will be scattered and the school wi suffer an incalculable injury. Ye to whom the name suffer an incalculable injury. Ye to whom the name of Jesus sounds melodious, and who love the souls of men, here is an opportunity to work for Him : come, men, here is an opportunity to work for Him : come, volunteer to occupy those posts of usefalness; obey the command in Matt. xxi. 28 : "Son, go work to-day in my vineyard." From this beautful scriptural injunction we learn that our duty as Christians is to be engaged in working for God; and His love shed abroad in our hearts should constrain as to immedi-ate action. Let there be no putting off-opportunity is the flower of time. The solemn utterance of Scripture is, "But I say, brethren, the time is short." We know not what a day may bring forth. The day from time to time. Come and hear the children sing, and listen to their answers to the scripture questions. We want your sympathy : we want you to take an nterest in the great christian enterprise of Sabbath School instruction. To those numerous friends who have always given us their support and good wishes, we tender our heart-felt thanks. May the blessing of our Heavenly Father rest upon them !' May they reseive a hundred fold in this world, and in the world to come, life everlasting! JAMES CLERKE. Secretary.

## A Visit to Chipman.

DEAR EDITOR-I left home on Saturday last for Chipman, Salmon River, Getting on board the steamer " Antelope," we steamed up the Grand Lake and Salmon River to the head of steamboat navigation, which is about 100 miles from St. John. The country, through which we travelled, presents scenery of varied interest. On the right and left are beautiful and largely cleared farms, which are well supplied with buildings suited to their design-plain and substantial; and woodboats in course of erection and fitting out. One of these vessels, built by G. Y. King and C. Nichols, lies at the wharf of the former, the belle of her class. On arriving, by invitation, I proceeded to the residence of Squire King, by whom, and his kind lady, I was hospitably entertained. On the Sabbath, at 9 o'clock, in the Salmon Creek Meeting-house I attended the Sabbath-school, which is an interesting one, with 40 scholars, four or five teachers, and a good library, and at the hours of 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. I endeavored to preach to them Jesus. The Master was present to bless. This church was organized last September, and received into the Association held at Maugerville-I refer to the Second Chipman church. Since its organization it has received refreshings from on high. Last October, through the efforts of brethren Charlton, the then pastor, and J. C. Steadman, backed up by the brethren and sisters, twelve precious souls were converted to God and baptized into the fellowship of the Second Chipman church. Since then they have had no pastor, Bro. C. having withdrawn from them, but they wish to secure the labors of one at an early period. The church sustains a prayer-meeting, also a conference meeting, and the Lord is in their midst. The lumpermen are in good spirits on this river, having got

their lumber out of the streams, and are hastening it to market with a good prospect of fair prices. J. M. CURRY. Yours &c., Chipman, May 25, 1868.

## From our English Correspondent. May 16, 1868.

CANTERBURY.

This city, more celebrated than extensive, is situsted upon the Stowe. It is surrounded by an ampiheatre of rising ground, under complete cultivation. In '54 it contained a population of 18,000. It is the ecclesiastical capital of England, and as such has had associated with it many great names. Augustine, the apostle of Christianity in England, at the time of the Heptarchy, was made its first Archbishop. Then, A. D. 955, that imperious but remarkable prelate, Dunstan, succeeded to that position. After the Norman conquest we read of the learned and pious Sanfranc, who established the Primacy of this See. Auselm, equally learned and pious, and the uncompromising delender of the rights of the Church. Thomas a Becket, who acted the part in the reign of Henry II. that Arnold did in that of William IL, but who came to a more tragic end; and other great names, scattered along through the ages.

But let the reader come with us and take a seat pon the top of Don Juan, a small hill, perfectly coical in form, and so steep that it can with difficulty he ascended, except by the winding path which leads up to where we sit; and while looking down upon the brick built city, the placid Stowe, and the green,

For the Christian Visitor. Dedication Services.

DEAR EDITOR .- We take pleasure in informing the ublic generally and the Baptist denomination particular, that we have just finished our new Baptist Meeting-house at this place, and intend opening it for public worship on Sunday, 21st June instant. The dedication sermon will be preached at 10 o'clock, A. M., of that day. We would hereby invite, through the columns of your influential paper, as many ministers of the denomination as can make it convenient to attend on that occasion. We are at present without a pastor, but intend to

call" one as soon as our house is opened for prea-

The sale of the pews will take place on Monday the 15th inst., and as the house has been built under the supervision of Mr. Henry M. Cook-who is a carpener and architect of acknowledged ability,-there can be no doubt that the building will give general satis-faction in point of finish and workmanship; and we ope, therefore, that our friends will come forward romptly and purchase seats for themseives and failies. Hoping that through these instrumentalities we may soon be blessed with revival influences

DEAR VISITOR :- Since my last, the weather has changed for the better. We are having fine, warm, and growing weather, so that folks are beginning to recover from the fit of the blues, with which a short time since they were so sorely afflicted, such creatures of circumstances are we all. From all parts of the country good accounts come of the state of the grass crop, which after all is the staple one, though n some places it has been winter killed, so that after all a wet season is not an unmixed evil. The farmers are everywhere busy putting in their various crops and making up for lost time, for the wet and b.ck ward season has retarded all farming operations. Business is also reviving in all its branches, so that the gloomy look less desponding, and the hopeful move round with a more elastic step. There is not any material change in the markets of late, prices ending a little downward. The pressure is still felt in the money market, owing, in a great measure, to want of bank accommodation. If the monied institu-tions had an understanding among themselves it would be better for the commercial community and also for themselves. There is too much rivalry among them.

Reports are rife that the British Commons have shirked Nova Scotia Repeal, by postponing the mat-ter for three months. The anti papers are very reti-cent on the subject, from which it is inferred that the repealers have not any good news to communicate. It is said that one of the papers has a telegram to the above effect. The telegraph agent evidently did not think the affairs of Nova Scotia of sufficient importance to justify sending across the lines to New York. There will be no steamer from England this week -the City of Cork having broken down and been obliged to put back.

The Congregationalists have commenced anew their interest in Halifax. The body in England have sent out a Mr. Elliott, a minister of some note, and design to sustain him, free of expense, for the period of four years. Mr. Elliott has been well received, and will cut into the ranks of the Presbyterians and Baptists.

One or two distressing casualties have recently oc-curred. One, a fine little boy, of Mr. Payzant, in Dartmouth, fell from a tree, into which he bad climbed, syuck his temples in the fall, and died the following morning, remaining unconscious all the time. The other, a son of Mr. Watt, while playing with some companions, fell into a well in looking after his ball and was drowned. His playmates,

strange to say, ran home and left him, and never gave any alarm. Fright must have paralyzed them.

#### ENGLISH AND FOREIGN.

The London and Paris press have characteristic editorials on the acquittal of President Johnson. The general impression is favourable to the decision ; but the Daily News, of London, thinks that it is more of an escape than an acquittal.

On the 5th inst. Parliament voted in favor of new appointments to Maynooth College. - The Suspensary bill was passed in committee.-The Emperor of Austria has signed the laws hostile to the Concordat .--Report says the Pope has sent agents to enlist soldiers in the United States to guard his Holiness. As the vicegerent of Christ how strange that he should trust to an arm of flesh .- Gen. Garibaldi uses his influence against such enlistments .- Many think that there is a prospect of a European war near at hand. -The great Parisian races occurred recently. The attendance was immense.

Bismarck urges an adoption by the nations of Eu-rope and America of treaties establishing a uniform international system for the measurement of the ton-International system for the measurement of the ton-nage and capacity of shipping. He proposes the English mode as the best basis for such system, but suggests that it be modified by the application of the metrical principle. The North German Uonfedera-tion is prepared to open negotiations with foreign Go-

vernments on this subject. The Emperor of Russia has issued a ukase setting free all persons of foreign birth now exiled to Siberia, and all natives of Russian Poland who are sentenced to less than 20 years exile.

LONDON, June 8.- Chief Justice Cockburn states that the charge delivered by Judge Blackburn to the Grand Jury which recently refused to bring in a bill of indictment against ex-Governor Eyre of Jamaica is contrary to the opinion of the majority of the Court of Queen's Bench.

