

his comrades for special prayer, the midnight intercession of the aged saint, the word of testimony, and the laying him at the feet of Jesus...

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Christian Baptism.

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Had infant baptism been introduced by the apostles, the baptism of adults would early have become only exceptional, and "visible saints," to use the expression of President Edwards, would very soon have constituted no more than a minority of the baptized.

The statistics of modern Pedobaptist missions show how rapidly this change would take place. In the Ahmednuggur Mission of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, twenty-three years after its establishment, there were one hundred and ninety-eight communicants, of which number eighteen were baptized in infancy...

The Brunswick street Methodist Church has, during the past two or three weeks had large accessions. Meetings have been held every day, either in the afternoon or evening, or both. About two hundred persons have been received as new converts or persons restored to membership.

Rev. E. Spurgeon reports to the Messenger an interesting revival in progress at Cow Bay, C. B. Since the 1st of October they have had seven Conference Meetings, at all of which some one as candidates have offered for baptism.

The Baptist Church, Fredericton. Having given the Rev. William Hall from Nova Scotia, a call to the pastorate, which call he accepted, in May 1843, he was inducted into office. The Rev. Theodore S. Harding from N.S., preached the sermon, and Rev. Dr. Spurgeon gave the right hand of fellowship.

The Peoples had a Mind to Work. This is said of the earnest people who, under Nehemiah, rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem, and re-established the worship of Israel's God in their own loved city.

The Efforts of Rome in the Southern States are prodigious. She is terribly in earnest to secure, if possible, supremacy over the recently emancipated millions of the South.

The Messenger informs us that religious services of much interest have for several weeks past been held in the North Baptist Church in Göttingen street, Halifax, (Rev. J. E. Goucher, pastor.)

From our Travelling Correspondent. DEAR VISITOR—Permit me after a longer delay than I intended, to give your readers a few jottings by the way.

From our Ontario Correspondent. Voluntaryism and its Financial Results—The Ministerial Education Question—The Educational state and work of the Baptists in Ontario and Quebec, &c.

From our Chicago Correspondent. DEAR BRO. BILL—Here, in the far West, with the throbbing life of the great busy city about me, your paper comes to me as weekly visit, a Visitor thrice welcome.

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larger demand for large brick-and-mortar additions to the present fine, but outgrown buildings, and for increased appliances and additional laborers in the work.

And here, I may perhaps be permitted to express my gratification, that the Visitor's able contributor, "E," has taken up the subject of Ministerial Education, and the wants of the age in respect to it, in the shape of a friendly notice of Dr. Fyfe's pamphlet.

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people through the West and South have such a relish for butchering each other. Of course, owing to the large extent of territory, and the difference in population, between these sections of the United States and New Brunswick, it is quite difficult to say whether the average of crime is greater or not.

In one particular a marked difference may be observed between the United States and New Brunswick, and that is, in their educational systems. The State governments do not, as in New Brunswick, give direct aid to the teacher, but common schools are obligatory in nearly all the States, and the money, for their support, is usually raised by assessment.

These schools stand as noble monuments of the wisdom of the State legislatures; they stand, too, in striking contrast to the stupendous folly exhibited in the management of the Provincial Training school of New Brunswick, at least, as it was a few years ago.

Chicago has been full of stirring incidents for the last two months, and by no means least among these has been the Woman's Convention, held about the middle of February, under the auspices of a society called the Sorosis.

Some changes have taken place in the pastorate of our city churches within the last few months. Rev. Dr. Jeffery has removed from the North church, Chicago, to Cincinnati, and the Rev. Mr. Walker, of Boston, takes his place in Chicago.

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Among the passengers by the American Boat on Friday evening were Rev. David Crandal and his companion, who had been on a visit to their sons in New York for the winter.

Do not fail to read the article on our first page from the pen of Dr. Eaton, describing the gracious work of revival in Hamilton, under the ministry of Elder Knapp.

We are glad to see that the Paper Factory, established by the Messrs. Francis & Thompson, in Portland, have commenced to turn out brown paper of excellent quality.

A Brief Review of the News of the Week. HERRINGS ARE VERY ABUNDANT on the Newfoundland coast. An American fishing steamer from Fortune Bay, put into Halifax recently, having on board 4,500 barrels.

The following bills were introduced since our last issue: Bill in addition to Act to establish a Polling Place in Carleton County; Bill to exempt Fredericton Branch Railway from taxation; Bill relating to assessing rates and taxes in St. John; Bill to establish a Polling Place in St. Stephen, Charlotte; Bill authorizing Commissioners of Sewers, St. John, to reimburse persons heretofore assessed for improving King Street; Bill changing the time of holding Spring Term of County Court, King's.

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