

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

DECEMBER 23, 1882.

CHRISTMAS.

We celebrate next Monday the birth of Jesus of Nazareth. It is the habit of the world to-day to set apart a certain time in commemoration of the men who have rendered high service to the race. The leaders of thought, the great discoverers and inventors, who, by what they have said and done, have helped on the progress of the world, are justly entitled to recognition from their fellows. And it is a pleasing sign to see men turn for a moment from the thoughtless enjoyment of others' benefits and give their attention to the men who have wrought out these benefits.

How much does the world owe to Jesus Christ!

Appearing at a time when the drama of the old religions was played out; when those who held the keys of knowledge entered not in themselves, and kept out the masses whom they wished to hold in spiritual serfdom; when prophecy had disappeared from earth, and the best that prevailed was a cold stoicism or a restrained indulgence; when there was no certain basis of morals; He, in a short public life of less than four years, established a movement and created a force which are the main conditions of our present civilization.

Certainly our civilization is defective enough. We have not cultivated the full manhood which was Christ's ideal. He is still, in his conduct and principles, for ahead of the aim and practice of the nineteenth century. But He has not had fair play, so to speak. Civilization and religion have been divorced: with Him they were one. Religion was merely the tone of mind in which He performed the duties of citizen and of reformer: it was not a thing apart. He was nothing of the recluse. He identified Religion with Life, and Life with Service. His highest dignity was to be useful. But the identity became lost; and perhaps we are only coming to recognize now the real nature and value of His work.

The peculiar service which He did render was this: He stated the claims of man on man; He showed in His life the meaning and measure of those claims; and He established the connection between righteousness—the recognizing and conforming to those claims—and eternal life. This is the basis and sanction of Right, that he that doeth it abideth forever. Of course we take for granted, as proved, the fact of His Resurrection. Deny this, or prove that it did not take place, and Christ becomes a mere enthusiast, Himself deluded in his most cherished hopes. This is not the place to discuss this matter at large; but the hold, the increasing hold, which an intelligent Christianity is taking of the world to-day, is owing to the conviction that this connection between Righteousness and Life is established, equally well with any fact of science. In this light we do well to pause and think of the obligations we are under to the Reformer of Judea; for the teachers of moral science, seize, as their last conclusions, the principles on which He acted, as it seems, intuitively; and remembering what He has taught as to duty and service, we crave an observance of the festival in the spirit of His life.

Christmas at Home.

As we write the Great Festival of the year is drawing very near. For weeks past the little ones have been anxiously counting the days to Christmas, and we fancy we can hear from multitudes of sweet childish voices, the glad exclamation: "Only one more day now! As the tired, but happy mother, lays her darlings to rest to-night, she will be required to give again the oft-repeated assurance that this is the last night that must pass before that on which Santa Claus comes with his burden, to them infinitely more precious than all the wealth of the Indies. The last task undertaken by willing fingers is now nearing completion, the secrets which have for weeks been so carefully kept are ready for disclosure, and the gifts, trifling it may be in themselves, but measured by the love of the givers, very valuable, are ready for bestowal. During the past week many of our friends from the country have taken from town, hidden among their necessary purchases, sundry small parcels which have a mysterious tendency to make them forget the long road and the keen wind. To-night in spite of hard times our stores will be filled with mothers and fathers, striving to select from the wares so temptingly displayed suitable gifts for the loved ones, while sisters, brothers, or sweethearts who chance to meet in the streets, or in the shops, shew a most unusual disinclination for each others society. We hope the good old fashion of making Christmas boxes will never go out.

It is very sweet to be reminded by them of the love of our friends; and it is good for us all once at least in the year to spend a little time in studying the tastes of those we love and trying to gratify their wishes. To the poor, too, the gifts bestowed now have a double value, speaking as they do of the warm hearts and tender consideration of their brothers and sisters, who are blessed with a larger share of this worlds goods than they. There are we know many who find it out of their power to bestow even the smallest gifts, but there are none so poor as not to be able to give the hearty greeting, the loving glance, the tender kiss or the warm hand thus,

and those things are of more value than the most costly gifts.

We have left our little friends but have not forgotten them. Our fancy follows them when, on Christmas Eve, induced by the promises and persuasions of the older members of the family, they, having carefully hung up their stockings, go to bed unusually early. We listen to the whispered speculations as to what tomorrow will bring forth, till at last the weary eyelids close, the busy tongues and busier brains are at rest, and silence reigns just at the moment that Santa Claus is ready to fulfil his benevolent mission. And then the morning! Is there, we wonder, in all the world such a happy sight as a group of children examining their gifts by the dim light of the early Christmas morning? There, at least, anticipation is more than realized; and no feelings except those of joyful surprise and loving gratitude fill the little hearts. Then follows the long happy day when every wish is gratified and during which, love is lord from the kitchen to the attic. Christmas is peculiarly the children's day, and to those who have already far advanced on the journey of life, the sweetest feelings of childhood return as they gather once again under the parental roof. What though old Father Time in his remorseless way has made many changes in the group, silencing the head of father or of mother, drawing lines of care in the face of son or daughter, or transforming the pet of the household into a stalwart man or blooming maiden, while from all parts of the house the sounds of childish shout and laughter tell that those who were erewhile children have taken to upon themselves the cares and responsibilities, the hopes, and fears of married life. Even, he, the Great Divider has not been able to estrange the hearts of those who gather round the Christmas table with the same feelings of affection as when a merry group of children they shared the Christmas feast. And to the absent one, the hearts of all go out and his name or hers is spoken with fond regret. How many a one resident in lands far distant, it may be, thinks with moistened eye and softened heart of the dear ones at home.

But we are growing sad, and sadness ill befits the day. The evening is drawing near, and the children tired with play have gone to dream of the next Christmas day. Let us who are older ask ourselves if we have done well to spend the day in mirth and feasting. We think so. Let us look at His example who in His humble Galilean home first felt the impulse of that divine love which was so mightily to move mankind. While He sternly rebuked selfishness, greed, and hypocrisy, He warned those who followed Him from entertaining a revengeful thought or an impure desire. He was ever ready to share in the pleasures of those with whom He lived, and never by word or sign showed that He looked with disapproval on innocent mirth or harmless enjoyment. He has taught us too, if we have tried to learn, that they who love most unselfishly and most devotedly those who are bound to them by the ties of kindred or association, will partake in the greatest degree of that wider love which extends to every member of the great human family.

To all our readers then, and especially the little ones, we wish with all our heart, A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Charlottetown Hospital.

WHAT are we doing for the poor? This is a question which comes up at Christmas. The true answer is "not much." Still we are doing something,—more than we were in other years. The "Charlottetown Hospital" has relieved us of much reproach. Since the 1st of October, 1881, when the last report was issued, there have been admitted to the Hospital, one hundred and nine patients—who may be classified as follows:—

Men.....	43
Women.....	56
Catholics.....	71
Protestants.....	38
Surgical cases.....	48
Medical cases.....	61
Surgical operations.....	37
Discharged cured.....	52
Improved.....	22
Unimproved.....	5
Incurable.....	9
Died.....	4
Remaining.....	17

The attendance at the outdoor department of the Hospital has very much increased within the last year. The poor who have received medicine and attendance thereat during the past twelve months, are counted by hundreds.

"Oh God, that men should put an enemy in their mouths to steal away their brains! that we should with joy, pleasure, and applause, transform ourselves into beasts."—SHAKESPEARE.

EXCESSIVE drinking at Christmas tide is going out. Perhaps one reason is, that the stuff which is now sold doesn't give joy or pleasure either in the drinking, or in the drunkenness, or after the drunkenness is past. Another reason is that most men have now too much respect for themselves to make themselves lower than the beasts, even for a day. Certainly nothing can be more unseemly than drunkenness at Christmas.

No less than 33,641 bushels of potatoes, 12,152 bushels of oats, 2,240 bushels of turnips, 40 carcases of pork, 15 tubs of butter and 17 packages of lard, arrived in Halifax during three days of this week from Prince Edward Island.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

ADDRESS TO PRINCIPAL MILLER.

To LEMUEL MILLER, Esq., Principal of the West Kent Street School.

DEAR SIR,—At the close of another "school term," we desire to tender you our hearty thanks for your untiring exertions for our intellectual improvement.

If we have failed in our duty, and not made the progress that you and others had a right to expect, the fault is ours and not yours, for as a teacher you have been both kind and faithful.

Soon we shall enter upon another term, which we hope will be marked with closer application, and more success on our part and greater satisfaction to you our teacher.

We beg your acceptance of the accompanying small token of our esteem for you, and wishing you, Mrs. Miller and family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We remain, on behalf of the school,

Yours truly,

C. HARRIS,
H. CROSSKILL,
H. BEER,
F. CURTIS.

ADDRESS TO MISS MACKINNON.

To MISS E. MCKINNON:

DEAR TEACHER,—Another year has glided swiftly by, on the shadowy pinions of time, and we find ourselves once more almost at the eve of Xmas. Yes, dear old Xmas with all its holy reminiscences and loving memories, and as we are about taking our customary holidays, we cannot leave without offering you our sincere thanks for the great interest you have taken in our improvement during the past year.

Be assured, dear teacher, that your long and continued kindness will never be forgotten, but will ever command our gratitude and respect. We sincerely wish you all the happiness this world can give, and when the thread of life is spun we hope to meet you in that far away home where the brows of all will be enriched with the diadem of immortality.

Please accept the accompanying small present as a souvenir of our love and esteem, while we all join in wishing you A Merry Xmas.

JANE BATE,
EDITH WILSON,
ETHEL SMITH,
EMILY WORTH.

On behalf of this Department.
Charlottetown, Dec. 22nd 1882.

ADDRESS TO MR. SEAMAN.

To MR. SEAMAN:

DEAR SIR,—On behalf of the pupils of your Department, we wish to thank you for the deep interest you have taken in us during the term now about to close. We beg leave to assure you that you have the respect and esteem of those under your charge. As a small mark of our appreciation of your unweary labors in the schoolroom, we present you with this silver butter-cooler. And now, Dear Sir, wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We remain,

J. MCKINNON,
W. SMALL,
A. LARGE.

West Kent St. School, Dec. 22, 1882.

ADDRESS TO PRINCIPAL GAUL.

The Principal of the Queen Square School was yesterday presented, by his pupils, with a very affectionate address accompanied with a handsome inkstand in silver and gold. The teachers of the other departments also received suitable mementos of the season.

SHIP NEWS.

HALIFAX, Dec. 21.—At schr James Semple, Ch'town, 125 bushels turnips, 226 do potatoes, 725 do oats; Jewel, Georgetown, 1300 bushels potatoes, 200 do turnips, 450 do oats, 7 carcases pork, 4 qrs beef, 4 pigs; Pet, do, 2,400 bush potatoes, 1 pig; Lettie May, Grand River, 800 bush oats, 1250 do potatoes, 55 do turnips, 8 do barley, 6 carcases pork; Eugene McMillan, Montague, 2300 bush potatoes, 300 do oats, 2000 lbs pork, 15 pgs lard; Vivace, Souris, 1646 bush oats, 115 do potatoes, 8 carcases pork, 1 box geese; Bismarck, do, 1800 bush potatoes, 602 do oats.

At Bristol, Dec. 18.—bark Willie McLaren, McLaren, New York.

At Queenstown, Dec. 16.—barque Lucy Pope, McPhee, Baltimore.

At Yarmouth, N. S., Dec. 20.—schr Chlorus, Goodwin, from Charlottetown.

At Boston, Dec. 19.—schr Kohinoor, Spencer, Charlottetown.

Passed Fortress Monroe, Dec. 18.—brig Alaska, Young, Montague.

At Barbadoes, Nov. 24.—schr Cepola, Nickerson, Summerside.

In port at Buenos Ayres, Nov. 14.—barque Geo. Peake and Ralph B. Peake, Charlotte town.

Brigt. Carita, arrived at Liverpool, 24th November.

Barkentine Erema, arrived at London, 30th November.

Bark Moselle, arrived at Boston, 11th December.

Barkentine Ethel Blanche, arrived at Liverpool, 20th December.

Brigt. Zara, arrived at Liverpool, 21st December.

Brigt. Alphaeta, arrived at Liverpool, 22nd December.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, on Nov. 2 st., by the Rev. W. R. Frame, Mr. Hamilton D. Coffin, of Savage Harbor, to Henrietta, youngest daughter of Mr. John Jardine, Head of Hillsborough.

At Lot 48, on Dec. 13th, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. John Goodwill, Mr. Daniel McRae of Southport, Lot 48, to Miss Catherine McEachern, youngest daughter of Mr. Stephen McEachern, of Lot 48.

At the residence of the bride's mother, Dorchester Island, on the 18th instant, by the Rev. S. R. Ackman, Mr. Douglas Buchanan, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., to Cassie C. McNeil, of Dorchester, N. B.

DIED.

On the 22nd instant, at Mill View, John Roche Bourke, of paralysis, in the 86th year of his age. Funeral from his late residence on Sunday, at 2 p. m.

[Other papers please copy.]

At Eldon, Belfast, on Tuesday the 5th inst., Charles Earnest, infant son of Charles and Katie McWilliam, aged 5 months and 24 days. Suffer little children to come unto me.

At Corwall, on the 12th instant, John Corbin, aged 75 years.

TO LET—Immediate possession given of a desirable residence, situate on Upper Hillsborough Street. Rent low to a good tenant. Apply at the Merchants Bank of P. E. I. to Mr. F. S. Moore.

L. E. PROWSE

Will, for the next Two Weeks, give

SPECIAL BARGAINS,

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Everyone should call and see those Goods, as Great Bargains will be given.

L. E. PROWSE,

Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1882.

74 Queen Street.

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To the Wholesale and Retail Trade:

W. & A. BROWN & CO., are showing a general assortment of British and Foreign Dry Goods and Fancy Ware (suitable for the Xmas season), at very close prices. The very latest NOVELTIES shown in every Department.

Fancy Woollens, Dress Goods, Fur Goods, a speciality.

A general assortment of Brussels, Tapestry and Scotch Carpets, of new designs, of extra value. Also Twine Mattings, Hemp, Carpets, Oilcloths, Paper Hangings, etc., in variety, all of which are being disposed of at our usual low prices.

W. & A. BROWN & CO.

Ch'town, Dec. 15, 1882.

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- A Lot of Men's Reefing Jackets, \$2.75 and \$3.50.
- A Lot of Men's Overcoats, \$4.00 and \$4.50.
- A Lot of Men's Ulsters, \$5.50.
- A Lot of Men's Pants, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.
- A Lot of Ladies' Cloth Sacques, \$1.00, \$1.75 and \$2.25.
- A Lot of Ladies' Skirts, 50 cents.
- A Lot of Cheap Tweeds, 40, 50 and 60 cents up, for Men's and Boys' Wear.
- A Lot of Winceys, Wool Goods and Dress Goods,
- A Lot Men's Wool Underclothing, very low.
- A Lot of Men's Shirts, job lots.
- A Lot of Horse Rugs and Carriage Wraps at very low prices.

GEO. DAVIES & CO.

Charlottetown, Dec. 8, 1882.

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Ch'town, Nov. 30, 1882.—cod 1m

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These Goods must be sold, and are offered at the lowest prices. Call and see for yourselves. Charlottetown, Nov. 23rd, 1882.—2m set tu th wily

Y. M. C. Association.

THE ANNUAL SALE of Papers, Periodicals, etc., will take place in the Reading Room, on the evening of Wednesday, the 27th instant, at eight o'clock.

Dec. 23.—31 HENRY SMITH, Secretary.

WOOD. WOOD.

Nice Pine Kindling and Hard Wood FOR SALE,

At Woodyard between Baptist Church and Skating Rink.

WM. BURROE, Ch'town, Dec. 23.—cod 1m pd

CONCERT AND READINGS.

St. Paul's Schoolroom.

TUESDAY EV'NG, 26th INST.

PROGRAMME.

- Duet (Piano), "Victoria Waltzes," Schulliff
- The Misses Holl
- Solo (Vocal), "Yeoman's Wedding Song," Capt. Maxwell
- Reading, "Mr. R. R. Fitzgerald"
- Solo (Vocal), "A Bird in Hand," Mrs. W. Longworth
- Piano Solo "Andante and Rondo Capriccioso," Mendelssohn, Miss Henley
- Solo (Vocal), "The Misses Henley"
- Duet (Piano) "Selections from Zampa," The Misses Hayden
- Solo (Vocal), "Two's Company," Miss Dixon
- Violin Solo, "Otello," Rossini, Mr. Vinniosobe
- Solo (Vocal), "Mr. Hazlewood"
- Reading, "Mr. G. Peake"
- Solo (Vocal), "Close to the Threshold," Miss K. Henley
- Duet (Piano), "Reveil du Lion," Misses Hobkirk and Dunn
- Solo (Vocal) "Come Whom to the Children an' Me," Mr. Unsworth
- Chorus from "Patience," (Soprano) Misses A. Longworth, G. DesBrisay, K. Davies, K. Henley; (Alto) Mrs. G. Macleod, Misses K. Longworth, L. Brecken, G. and F. Holl; (Bass) Capt. Maxwell, Messrs. H. Hazard, R. Cant, T. May, S. Gray, V. Longworth.

Proceeds of Concert in aid of the funds of "Ladies' Industrial Aid Society," of St. Paul's Church. Doors open at 7.30; Concert to commence at 8 o'clock.

Admission, 15 cents.

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NOTICE

—TO—

Stockholders of Bank of P. E. Island.

A MEETING of Stockholders of the above Bank who are desirous of considering the advisability of appealing from the decision of the Judge, fixing the call at \$4.00 per share, are requested to meet in Messrs. Welsh & Owen's Brick Building, corner of Queen and King Streets, upstairs, over Telegraph Rooms, on Tuesday next, 26th instant, at 12 o'clock, noon.

Signed on behalf of several Stockholders, THOS. MORRIS.

Ch'town, Dec. 22, 1882.—9i

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Acme-Club Skates,

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JONATHAN CROOKE'S

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So justly celebrated, are but a little higher cost than the ordinary Sheffield Goods. Our assortment in this line is very large.

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Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1882.—6i

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SOLICITORS, NOTARIES PUBLIC, ETC.

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Neil McLeod, W. A. Q. MORSON, Nov. 24, '82.—pres her

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