

**Local and Other Items.**

A LARGE quantity of liquor came to the Island in the "Northern Light" this week.—*Patriot.*

THE Grand Jury furnished a bill of \$550 for their services at the present term of the Supreme Court.

THE brig, "Sjena" arrived at Trinidad Dec. 7th, 3 days from Barbadoes and 18 days from this port.

THE Licensing Board met this evening at four o'clock. There was but one application for license.

"FATHER OF FOUR DAUGHTERS."—Your letter is unavoidably crowded out, will appear to-morrow.

FRANK MEERER has been found guilty of shooting with intent to murder the late Deputy Reeve Dam, of Yorkville.

The vessel run down in the British Channel was the bark "Pensiero," bound from Cardiff to Constantinople.

THE livery stables of Mr. J. E. Hamm, of Portland, N. B. were destroyed by fire on the 10th. Six horses were burned to death.

A despatch from Alexandria says the Marquis of Antinovi, supposed to have been dead, is at the town of Zelia, East Africa, preparing to return to Europe.

TAKEN AT HIS TRUE VALUE.—The Local Government of Winnipeg refuses to pay for a guard of honor or salute for Governor Cauchon at the opening of the Legislature.

THE "Soup Kitchen" Committee acknowledges, with many thanks, donations from a friend, Mrs. G. Davies, Miss Rankin, Frederick Brecken, Esq., and another anonymous two dollars through Mr. Quirk.

DR. CONROY has left Montreal for Portland, Me. His household furniture is advertised for sale. He may return to Montreal for a few days, but his mission is supposed to be over.

DEFECTIVE PUMP.—We beg to call the attention of the city authorities to the defective pump on Pownall street, near Reilly's Corner. The water is colored and entirely unfit for use. The present pump should be removed and the well cleaned.

ANOTHER CANARD.—The telegraph horrified the public a few days ago with the report that a farmer at Osgoode, Ont., battered out his wife's brains with a club, and that her lifeless body was found in an upright position in the barn. And now it appears that the poor woman died of apoplexy.

LOBSTER FACTORIES.—A correspondent of the *Patriot* reports that Mr. J. St. C. Moore, of Eldon, has erected a splendid lobster factory on the site of the one that was burned on the 26th of October last. He is also building another factory near the Breakwater at Wood Islands. We wish Mr. Moore every success in his enterprise.

GOLD MINING LOOKING UP.—It is gratifying to learn that the past year, which was one of continued depression in most industries, was marked by a revival of activity in gold mining. As an instance of the enlarged operations in this field of labor, we may state that the district of Goldenville yielded 8,200 ounces in 1877, being 3,000 ounces more than the yield of 1876.—*H. Paper.*

STAGNATION in the money market, says the *London Times*, exceeds anything for a long time. The rise in consols is partly due to investment by Banks and others having disposals of large sums, which cannot be used for loans; seems no longer any justification for banks maintaining the present rate of discount—4 per cent.

SUDDEN DEATH.—The wife of J. B. McDonald, Esq., died at her residence on Sunday evening, after an illness of about forty-eight hours. Mrs. McDonald was the eldest daughter of John Quirk, Esq., of this city, and was married to Mr. McDonald a short time ago. She leaves one child three months old. We deeply sympathize with Mr. McDonald and the parents of the deceased in their sad bereavement.

**Married**

On the 2nd inst., by the Rev. Dr. Read, Mr. George C. Younker, to Miss Sophia Curtis, both of Milton.

Also, Mr. Wm. Coles, Jr., to Miss Emily Morside, of Rustico Road, North Milton.

**Died.**

At her residence in this city, on Sunday, 13th inst., Lizzie M., the beloved wife of J. B. McDonald and eldest daughter of John Quirk, Esq., aged 22 years. May she rest in peace. Funeral at 10 o'clock to-morrow.

At New Glasgow, on the 1st inst., after a severe illness of four weeks, James Dickieson, aged 77 years. He leaves three daughters and seven sons to mourn the loss of a kind and affectionate father.

At St. Peter's Road, Lot 34, Dec. 29th, 1877, John Stewart, son of the late Alex. Stewart, Appletree, in the 31st year of his age.

**Provincial Normal School.**

The Winter Term of the Normal School WILL BEGIN ON THE

THIRD TUESDAY IN JANUARY,

and all intending students are requested to make application to the Principal, who will supply them with all necessary information in regard to the entrance examination. Students who intend studying for a First Class License are specially requested to attend during the winter term, in order that special attention may be given to the subjects required for their examination. All students must be present on the day of opening.

JOHN HARPER, Principal.

Dec. 24, 1877—

**OUR CHURCHES.**

**Religious Services on Sunday.**

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH.**

At the morning service, the Rev. Kenneth McLennan preached from the text: "With thee will I rejoice in Thee."—85th Psalm, 6th verse. The following is a brief outline of the sermon:—

Dear brethren, we began the worship of God on the first Sabbath of the new year, by observing the Sacrament in commemoration of the sufferings and death of Christ. This was followed by the Week of Prayer, and the services in the different churches. If we conducted those services in the spirit of a true faith in God, we may now look for results. It may be asked why men should leave the common business of life, and go back to the old, old story of Jesus? If necessary to give an answer, we may say that the experience of men proves that when the story is believed truly, it does what no philosophy can do for suffering humanity. Legislation, science, art, all fall short of the simply story of the Cross in their effects upon men. It deals with everlasting life and eternal things. The question, indeed, should be, why so much apathy in a matter of such importance is shown? True for those who have neglected its importance, it is possible to indulge in extreme expression of feeling. But those who are earnest in their convictions on matters of politics and education, or any other matter, do not hesitate to express their feelings strongly. The Stevenson's in their days and sphere, were enthusiasts, and gave vent to their convictions in language and action, until their efforts were crowned with success. So with Gladstone and Bright. They gave expression to their feelings in language that could not be mistaken, until what men at first called dreams, were realized to be facts. In politics and trade, men employed all their energies to accomplish the end they have in view. Why then should not the Church put forth all its energies to do the work it has to do? It should pray for a revival to dispel the indifference; coldness and inertness by which it seems bound. The Church has large responsibilities. There are millions of the human race living in darkness and vice. War, with its horrible butcheries, is entailing misery on millions of the human family. Surely the Church ought to pray for the revival of a true religious spirit among men. If the Gospel of Christ is not a familiar tale, it is the duty of everyone who professes to believe it, to be up and doing. Many have a sort of half-hearted belief in the gospel of Christ; but, in reality, have not closed with it. They hang about the gates of Christianity, and say to themselves they will go in sometime. Ask them if they are Christians, and they hesitate. They have some regard for those who go to the house of God, and they do not like to part with them. Will it be of any benefit to them, if they were at the very gates of everlasting life, if they do not enter in? The Church should pray for such a revival of religion, as would induce such as these to lay hold on Christ by a living faith. Some say that the best way to get men to go into it, is to make the Church attractive, by lowering it to the feelings and tastes of the people outside. But the Church at Jerusalem did not lower itself to the feelings and tastes of the Scribes and Pharisees. It was a praying Church. It continued steadfast in fasting and prayer; and the society that looked on first in amazement and wonder, soon looked on in admiration. If the Church show the world that they are living a life hid with Christ in God, they will soon gain the respect of men. If we pray earnestly to God to remove us by the influence of His Spirit, we have no new arrangement to make. A society of living, loving hearts looking to God through Jesus Christ is all that is wanted. Man cannot improve on the air; neither can he on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Christ's promise to His Disciples was, "Lo, I am with you always," and they trusted and believed him. There are no new measures or means wanted now. The mind of God toward men is revealed in the Gospel of Christ. In Christ we are all brethren, and the Church should admit it more than it does. It should meet oftener to pray for faith and strength to meet its responsibility. The responsibility of the Church is not met by shirking its work, but by doing it. We want more faith, and with faith works. No man can have a true faith in God and do what he pleases. He will pray to God and work as well as pray. If we want to relieve human ills, the best commencement we can make is to accept in true faith the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If we felt our responsibilities as we should we ought earnestly to pray to God for a revival in the Church. That we might be the better enabled to bear the ills of this life and be prepared to enter that which is to come.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.**

Rev. Alfred Osborne preached from the following text: "And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, 'Lord if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.'"—Matthew VIII Chap., 2nd verse.

Mr. Osborne began his sermon by stating that many persons were much troubled about coming to Christ. Coming to Christ appears to some a mere visionary term. How can I come says one? What shall I do before I come, says another? Such expressions are but platitudes. Persons who think that Christian work is the coming to Christ make a grand error. In the XIII Article of our religion it is laid down, "Works done before the grace of Christ, and the Inspiration of His Spirit, are not pleasant to God, for as much as they spring not of faith in Jesus Christ." It is just impossible to come to Christ through works of Christian merit. Examine the mode by which the leper received his cure. Bear in mind that the leprosy was incurable. Man in his natural state is rotten; sin is incurable and will destroy man. The leper first worshipped Christ, and then said, "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." There is a mighty difference between a personal Saviour and ordinances. Notice, I

was AFTER the leper was healed that he was sent to the Temple, not before. The leper went to Christ just as he was. It was not ordinances that he needed; he did not need the grand temple service—the incense nor the beautiful chanting—to prepare him for Christ's healing balm. The true Christian does not ask how he is to go to Christ; he merely says, I am a sinner and I want a Saviour. The first step that can lead a man to God is faith through Christ; let him fall down, and on his knees plead before the Throne of the Almighty, shutting out all but I am a sinful man. The meaning of the word SINFUL is, that persons are naturally averse to God. Men take two ways to bring about a change—some change their surroundings and curb their appetites; others perhaps do not at first alter their habits of life, but they kneel before God and stay there until peace enters their minds. Reformation into Christ would be more palatable to many persons, but not believing it, Mr. Osborne said he could not, of course, preach it. So far as coming to Christ is concerned, the inmates of the palace and prison are both alike in God's sight; none are really good in the sight of the Almighty. In the words, "Come unto me all that are weary and heavy laden," there is no difference made between rich and poor. A man must come to Christ feeling his leprosy, and he must ask for cure in faith. "If thou wilt thou canst;" there is a little fear displayed here by the leper, but not of Christ, only of self; the leper did not doubt Christ's power to heal him. The sinner says, "Lord, I feel that I am not thine, I want to love thee, I am kneeling before thee, knowing that thou canst cure me of sin if thou wilt. When a man or woman speaks thus we have hope, but when a person boasts that he is safe and has found heaven, we tremble for him. Mr. Osborne concluded his discourse by asking persons that had already reformed in many things to question themselves and find out whether they are heart and soul for Jesus. To the leper no answer was given to the faith but to the doubt, "I will be thou clean." God's willingness to pardon is not barred by the unworthiness of the supplicant. Eternal life is not an objective thing but it is a well of water, as the Greek has it, ever bubbling up into everlasting life.

[Note by reporter.—Having written the above report almost entirely from memory, the readers of the EXAMINER will please excuse its meagreness. In order to fully understand and appreciate Mr. Osborne's sermons, a person must be present and catch the words as they fall from the preacher's mouth. No reporter except a "short hand" can do this eloquent and earnest minister of the Gospel justice.]

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