

MR. MOSES OATES announced a prophecy the fulfillment of which will be of interest to those concerned in the seven million bushels of wheat blocked up by the ice in the canals. There is to be a break, and all the boats will be got out. Moses Oates is of the opinion that the average temperature for December will be slightly higher than usual, and that for January several degrees higher. A higher average, however, may not render less probable the great extremes and vicissitudes predicted by other meteorologists and astronomers.

The following programme has been issued by the Evangelical Alliance for the week of prayer, January 2nd to the 9th, 1881. It is suggested that on Sabbath, January 2nd, sermons be preached from the text, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, to-day and forever;" January 3rd, the general topic is praise and thanksgiving for all blessings; January 4th, humiliation and confession for personal and national sins; January 5th, prayer for the Church of Christ, that it may be faithful and united; January 6th, prayer for the young and their instructors for parents, Colleges, Sabbath Schools; January 7th, prayers for all nations and rulers, for universal liberty, for the cessation of wars; January 8th, prayer for Christian missions and all engaged in promoting them.

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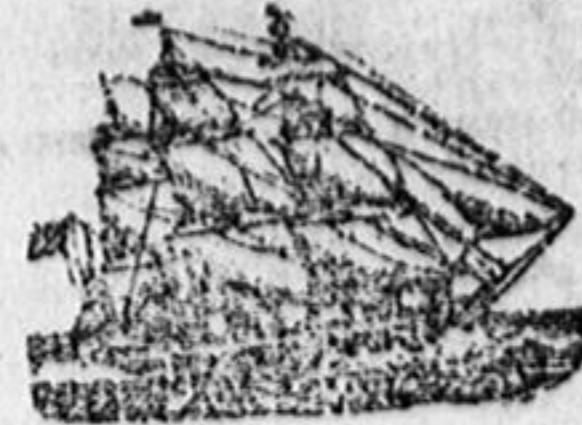
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