

The Sabbath Recorder.

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BE YOUR OWN EXECUTOR.

A worthy brother, whom the Lord has prospered, sends a communication to the Recorder, to which we invite the attention of our readers.

We are to serve God with all our powers. The Law makes this our duty, and the Gospel requires nothing less.

It is strange that, while the obligation to serve God with every other power is acknowledged, the duty of serving Him with our money impresses us so feebly.

The brother to whom we have alluded, acts, we are happy to know, upon a different principle. He looks upon his property as a power with which he is bound to serve his Lord and Master.

We want to see more of this spirit prevailing in our denomination. Will not those upon whom God has conferred this world's good, be stimulated by the example of this brother to do likewise?

scattering the seeds of Divine truth, and bringing souls into the Kingdom? I have a large family of children, (ten in number), and the Lord has prospered me also in business.

Now I have no other object in view in making this public, but to provoke, if possible, some of my brethren to do likewise, or do better in some other way.

DOMESTIC.

THE FUTURE OF CHINA.

The readers of the Recorder, particularly those of them who are supporters of or take an interest in the missionary effort in China, doubtless take a lively interest in this question.

Our first inquiry is, What will be the probable destiny of the different races of men? This leads to another inquiry, What is the nature of the different races, physical, mental, moral, and religious?

The Christian believes that debasement, degradation, misery, and death, are brought upon individuals, families, communities, and nations, as the wages of sin.

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trines of Christianity—that the dark and colored races of men are only capable of a humble grade of improvement—that their civilization is of an humble grade, and has been stationary for many ages—that the dark and colored races are, by the constitution of their physical, mental, moral, and religious nature, idolaters, polygamists, and barbarians.

We find that our article is extending beyond what we intended. We are an inquirer, wishing to learn, and our intention was to start an investigation—to elicit and make known the truth.

These views in relation to the different races of men will doubtless be deemed erroneous and objectionable by many, and will be strongly controverted. It is the intention of the writer to avoid controversy on this subject.

FROM THE LAND OF CANAAN—No. 2.

JERUSALEM, June 10, 1855.

DEAR SISTERS—Through the kind providence of God, we are enjoying better health—still, not our full strength.

Last winter a poor Jew came to us—said he was sick, and unable to do any thing for his suffering family. He expressed a wish to become a Christian, wanted us to take him in and his family, which we were under the painful necessity of refusing.

Mr. S. Martha, and myself, left our home on the afternoon of June 6th, rode one hour amidst the beautiful gardens which are around Jaffa, where the lofty palms with their clusters of dates, and the broad dark-leaved fig, cast their welcome shadow on our pathway.

Rising at twelve o'clock, we were again pursuing our way by the light of the innumerable stars, which were most glorious in the arch of heaven.

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and over the rough fragments of rock. Our progress now became very tedious and fatiguing; the ascent became steeper and steeper, until I scarcely dared to look down from the dizzy heights.

June 14.—I am now standing upon Mount Zion; it is early morn; all is quiet; I hear nothing but the low pensive moan of the turtle dove. I take advantage of this calm sweet hour to take you upon the terrace where we can have an extensive view of the objects of interest, both near and distant.

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

From a Letter of Bro. Carpenter, dated Shanghai, May 3, 1855.

My principal labor of late has been the preaching of the word. There has been a good deal of rain during the last month, but with the weather and the state of the roads would allow, I have gone to our chapel in the city (now about two miles) daily, either to preach or be door-keeper in the house of God while Bro. W. has preached.

From a Letter of Bro. Gardner, dated May 1, 1855.

In my letter of last mail, I alluded to the condition that my teacher Chong-Koo-Lew was then in. On the 8th of last month Bro. C. and myself visited him.

May 2d.—Last evening, soon after prayers in Chinese, our cook, as he was passing through my study, turned to me, apparently under the influence of deep feeling, saying, "My heart is much distressed."

Day before yesterday his son and a near relative came to inform me that he died on the ninth day after our visit, and that they had delayed coming in consequence of the exceedingly bad traveling.

was forsaken by his friends, ridiculed by philosophers, stoned, and beaten. Thus he toiled on for thirty years, in the service of God; then lays his head upon the block of the executioner, and his redeemed spirit takes its flight upward to its glorious reward.

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true God to warn him of the danger he was in; and that it stood him in hand to beware how he treated the message slightly; for God would not be trifled with; that I was glad to see him disposed to confess his fault, and so far as I was concerned, could freely forgive him.

A "CONVERTED JEW."

Some four weeks ago, a young man called upon us who claimed that he was a converted Jew—that his father, a rich man in Europe, had cast him off because he was baptized—that a rich uncle in New York would give him five thousand dollars to start in business if he would be unbaptized—but that he had determined to sail for London on the following Monday, to study in the institution for converted Jews located there, and needed only a few dollars more to complete his outfit.

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A WARRIOR'S LAST LETTER.

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BEFORE SEVASTOPOL, Sunday, June 17—9 P. M.

MY OWN BELOVED WIFE AND DEARLY BELOVED CHILDREN.

At 1 o'clock to-morrow morning I head the 5th to storm the Redan. It is, as I feel, an awfully perilous moment to me, but I place myself in the hands of our gracious God, without whose will a sparrow cannot fall to the ground. I place my whole trust in Him. Should I fall in the performance of my duty, I fully rely in the precious blood of our Saviour, shed for sinners, that I may be saved through Him. Pardon and forgive me, my beloved ones, for anything I may have said or done to cause you one moment's unhappiness. Unto God I commend my body and soul, which are His; and, should it be His will that I fall in the performance of my duty, in the defence of my Queen and country, I most humbly say, "Thy will be done." God bless you and protect you; and my last prayer will be, that He, of His infinite goodness, may preserve me to you. God ever bless you, my beloved ELIZA, and my dearest children; and, if we meet not again in this world, may we all meet in the mansion of our Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, God bless and protect you; and ever believe me, your affectionate husband, and loving father, THOMAS SHADFORTH.

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RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Mission at Damascus is proceeding favorably; five new candidates, all giving evidence of sincere piety, were admitted into the church at a recent communion; fourteen naive communicants partook at once of the emblems of Jesus' death.

Mr. Greeley writes, that the boast of temperance wine-producing nations is founded in mistake. It is true that the people in warmer climates are less addicted to intoxication; but there, as well as in more northerly regions, all the miseries of intemperance are visible.

The receipts of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions during the year ending July 31, were \$310,427 77, and the expenditures during the same period were \$318,893 18.

Three hundred and fifty-three thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars will be the amount of receipts for the current year by the Treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, provided each conference succeeds as well as the New England Conference, which reported an aggregate amounting to fifty-two cents per church member.

A quarterly meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Church was broken up a few days ago, in Platte county, Mo., by a mob of proslavery ruffians.

The United Brethren, at the recent annual meeting of their Board of Missions, determined to establish a Mission in Africa.

The Episcopal Church Journal of this city says that "in this diocese of New York there are about 20,000 communicants."

Mr. David Kimbrough, who was a merchant in Dunning, England, about ten years ago, and whose estate was then sequestered, yielding to his creditors 4s. 2d. in the pound, has remitted from Boston, United States, to the trustees, full payment of the balance, with 25 per cent. more in the name of interest due thereon.

Rev. Dr. Babcock, late Corresponding Secretary of the American and Foreign Bible Society, has been elected President of Burlington (Iowa) University; and it is understood that he will enter upon the duties of his office as soon as a sufficient amount is raised for the endowment of the Presidency.

The Grand Ligne Mission in Canada has a strong staff of ordained ministers, raised up from among its French Canadian converts. The fabric of Romanism is being undermined, at a great number of points, by the labors of this Society; and the time has probably come when extended labors would be eminently blessed.

In answer to an appeal by the Rev. Dr. A. Thomson, of Edinburgh, the children of the United Presbyterian Church, in Scotland, have contributed the entire sum necessary for the support of one of the professors in the Waldensian college at La Tour.

Sir Moses Montefiore carries with him to Jerusalem the product of a subscription for his co-religionists, amounting to 3,000,000, or 4,000,000. At Constantinople a firm was granted authorizing the establishment of a Jewish hospital at Jerusalem.

The King of Dahomey, an African monarch, says a recent traveler, keeps a drunkard, feeds him on rum, and exhibits him at the customs, that his emaciated appearance may shame his people for making beasts of themselves.

A correspondent of the Boston Transcript of last week says, that out of one hundred and forty-eight families belonging to the congregation worshipping in King's Chapel, all are now absent from the city except twelve.

The Bishop of London acknowledges, through the Times, the receipt of the first half of a £1,000 bank-note from an anonymous donor, to be applied to the purposes of church extension in the metropolis.

The New York Observer states that in Kentucky the Baptists are more numerous than the Methodists. In Missouri, their number is about equal, but in all the other Southern States the Methodists are numerically in advance of the Baptists.

Ten Bohemian priests within the last few years have fled to Prussia, and renounced the errors of Rome. Many others would follow the example could they find the means of escape. Rome does all it can to stop the movement.

The Independent, and one or two other papers, speak of the late Rev. Eustace Carey as a son of Rev. William Carey. This is not correct. His relation to this distinguished and good man was that of nephew.

A donation of £500 has been given by a Presbyterian of the Irish General Assembly to the Wesleyan Missionary Society, for the support of two additional missionaries to China.

A pension of £50 a year has just been granted by the British Government, from the Civil List, to the well known and popular author of many works of Christian philosophy and literature, Dr. Dick.

Mrs. Lincoln Phelps, the well known author of a work on botany.

17. Thomas J. Meredith, of Baltimore, Md., of the firm of Spencer & Meredith.

18. Mrs. Margaret Prescott, of Salem, N. J., wife of the Rev. Mr. Prescott, and sister-in-law of William H. Prescott, the historian.

19. Jane Pringle, of Ellicott's Mills, Maryland. She was returning to her home in New York from a visit to her friends in Philadelphia.

20. Geo. W. Ridgeway, oil merchant, Philadelphia. He jumped out and the cars were piled upon him. His watch was crushed in pieces on his breast, and his breast torn open.

21. Hugo Rush, of Georgetown College, D. C.

22. Joseph M. Smith, Commodore in the United States Navy, attached to the Bureau of Docks and Yards. His wife was with him, and was badly injured.

23. A man about 50 years of age.

24. A man, apparently an Irish laborer.

Rev. J. M. Cornell, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, Del., who died very soon after being extricated from the ruins, we have since learned, was on his way to the East to get married.

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Another Railroad Slaughter.

The line of the Camden and Amboy Railroad, near Burlington, N. J., was on Fourth-day, Aug. 29th, the scene of a sad disaster—second only to that at Norwalk—resulting in the death of twenty-five persons and the wounding of eighty others.

The reporter of the N. Y. Tribune gives the following as the circumstances of the catastrophe:—

The 10 o'clock train from Philadelphia left punctually on Wednesday morning, and consisted of five passenger-cars, baggage-car, and locomotive. Israel Adams was the engineer and Isaac Van Nostrand the conductor.

The train reached Burlington station a few moments past 11 o'clock, and waited the arrival of the New York train from five to ten minutes. The up train not making its appearance, the Philadelphia train moved on at a moderate rate—the engineer keeping a good lookout for the other train.

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His counsel thought £400 would cover all these, and had offered to accept £350; but the unfair fair one who had inflicted the injury, refused to settle on such terms. The jury returned a verdict for £300 damages.

SUMMARY.

A dispatch from Sydney states that, owing to some mismanagement in the laying of the cable between Newfoundland and Cape Breton, when forty miles out from the Newfoundland coast, the cable was lost.

A dispatch dated Boston, Friday, Aug. 31, says: James E. Simpson, a merchant of this city, has been arrested, charged with fitting out the schooner Mary E. Smith for the African Slave trade.

A dispatch dated Washington, Tuesday, August 28, says: The report that the steamer Hezel, of the Coast Survey, burst her boiler near the Capes of the Chesapeake, proves to be true.

In Adams Center, Jefferson Co., N. Y., August 18th, 1855, the Rev. James Sumner, M. D., D. D., died.

Grasshoppers have been much less injurious than usual in all the country east of the Rocky Mountains.

The Utica Telegraph says that a fine looking negro, aged about 40 years, with his wife and several of his children, spent yesterday at the residence of a colored friend on Post street.

FOR THE SABBATH RECORDER: H. W. Stillman, Ozauska, Wis. \$2 00 to vol. 12 No. 52 FOR SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST MEMORIAL: Elizabeth Rogers, Plainfield, N. J. 1 00 WILLIAM M. ROGERS, Treasurer.

THE North-Western Association. The Seventh-day Baptist North Western Association will hold its ninth anniversary with the Seventh-day Baptist Church at Berlin, Marquette Co., Wisconsin, on the fifth day of the week before the fourth Sabbath in September, (being Sept. 20th), commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. Eld. Z. Campbell is appointed to preach the introductory discourse; Eld. M. Todd alternate. H. B. Lewis, Sec. Sec.

NEW MARKET SEMINARY. This Seminary will re-open on the 12th of September, with Mrs. E. H. Whitford, as Preceptress. This Institution is located in a pleasant section of country, and has a commodious and well arranged building, and is designed to furnish every facility and advantage to the student found in other institutions of this class.

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THE VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION. The Seventh-day Baptist Virginia Association will hold its next annual meeting with the Seventh-day Baptist Church at the Creek Harrison Co., Va., commencing on the fifth day of the week before the fourth Sabbath in September, 1855, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Opening discourses by E. Bee: A. Bee, alternate. J. F. RANDOLPH, Secretary.

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