

The Sabbath Recorder.

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Our Accounts—Close of the Volume.

CHURCH BUSINESS.

We are not satisfied with the way in which church business is too often managed.

In the next place, we see no reason why the female members should not attend the business meetings of the church.

Another thing we have to complain of, is the neglect of churches, on receiving members by letter or certificate, to promptly inform the sister church from which such members have come.

above supposed. Now it is possible that such cases may be of rare occurrence; possibly the like has never happened in our denomination.

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH—WILL IT SUCCEED!

We answer, The prospect of a successful issue is before us. We are encouraged to believe this, because it is promised.

Another consideration, inspiring us with hope in the enterprise, is the instrumentality of divine appointment.

The last remark we shall offer is, that present indications foretell a glorious triumph.

the church, too, at the present day, for carrying on the work, are favorable indications.

THE FAMILY NEWSPAPER FOR THE CHILDREN AT SCHOOL.

Some months since, the writer took occasion to suggest, through the columns of the Recorder, to parents sending their children from home to school, the propriety of furnishing them with their family newspaper.

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"GETTING RELIGION."

This expression may often be used in a false sense, as though the nervous or mesmeric or sympathetic excitement which often accompanies the beginnings of religion, were the religion itself.

LAYING ON OF HANDS.

In the Recorder of last week, W. B. M. has a review of my article of Feb. 19th, on the "laying on of hands."

In the first place, I take exceptions to the remarks of my venerable brother, when he says, "It is to be regretted, that brother N. V. H., or some other wise man, had not lived in the days of our 'ancient fathers,' &c."

Second. As to my interpretation of Heb. 6: 1, 2, I am aware that I differ from my excellent brother W. B. M.; also from Dr. Doddridge, and many other good and learned men.

Third. I had for many years supposed that there was no uniformity of views or practice in our denomination on the "laying on of hands."

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A NOTE OF WARNING.

The unprecedented prosperity of our country for a few years past has led to immense investments in railroads and other public works, and created a spirit of speculation everywhere.

returns, until we can do so owing no man anything, and paying as we go.

THE SUPREME COURT ON SLAVERY.

The decision of the Supreme Court in the Dred Scott Case, is rousing the people of the North to a sense of their condition in relation to slavery.

"Now there is no concealing the fact that under this decision the rights which the Free States have all along believed themselves to possess, are denied and can no longer be recognized."

"Unless we have mistaken the tenor and extent of the decision, and we do not think we have, any of the following consequences may result from it."

No doubt some of the Northern States will give expression to their loathing of the connection with slavery in which the Supreme Court's decision places them.

"Whereas, The Supreme Court of the United States have decided, by the concurring opinion of the five members of that court from the slaveholding States, that slavery may be extended into the territories of the United States, and that neither Congress nor a territorial government instituted by it can exclude slavery from them, and which decision has in effect declared slavery to be national, and most seriously impaired the constitutional rights of the free citizens of this State."

Surprise.—The current of surprises is taking a new turn. It was the custom first to "surprise" fashionable ladies in their fashionable parlors; then the practice was taken up by parishioners with a view to their pastors; and now we learn that "last but not least," the ancient and honorable fraternity of editors are coming in for participation in this "peculiar" but beneficent "justification."

visitation, some fifty "warmly attached friends" having made a descent upon him and his family, but leaving the attack with "accompanying tokens." These "tokens" were three hundred and thirty dollars in cash, and the deed of a lot of land, worth five hundred more, this last a gift of the senior proprietor of the paper, as a reward for services rendered and sacrifices borne.

CURIOUS SERMON.

A writer in the Boston Christian Register criticises a recent sermon preached by Rev. Dr. Cox, in this colonial way, and not inaptly.

Dr. Cox on the Baptist.—The Baptist papers are roundly censuring the Rev. Samuel H. Cox, D. D., of the New School Presbyterian Church, for an offensive reference to the Baptists in a recently published letter of his.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Mr. Charles Hendrie, of Burlington, has donated \$15,000 to the Iowa College, for the ultimate purpose of establishing and endowing a school in that institute similar to the "Lawrence Scientific School in Harvard University."

The Independent says that Mr. Alexander Stuart, of this city, a few days since purchased the house of worship formerly belonging to the Baptist church in Madison street, near Governor, for which he paid the sum of \$10,000, and gave it to the Presbytery of New York for the use of the German Presbyterians in the south-eastern section of the city.

Miss Amelia M. Cone, lately deceased, left \$50,000 to the American and Foreign Bible (Baptist) Society, and an equal amount to the American Baptist Home Mission Society; and she has further directed that a legacy of \$1,500 to her brother, Dr. Cone, should be also paid to the Bible Society, in the event of his decease before the execution of the will.

The Catholics are about to build a Cathedral at Montreal, to surpass in size and magnificence any edifice of the kind on the continent. It is to be modeled after St. Peter's at Rome, it is to be 350 by 175 feet, with a dome 300 feet high.

A Jewish Rabbi writes to the New York Commercial, that the marriage ceremony among the Hebrews is never clandestine, but always witnessed by at least ten persons, and that the marriage document must be signed by two persons of character, and unconnected with the parties by marriage.

The Rutgers-street Presbyterian Church in this city (the Rev. Dr. Krebs) is not yet sixty years old. Within the first thirty years it sent out twelve ministers of the Gospel; within the last twenty-five years it has produced twenty-one, making thirty-three in all; the far greater part of whom are alive and ministering in the Presbyterian Church.

The pastor of the First Baptist church in New Haven gave the hand of fellowship, on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 22d, to more than thirty persons, and in the evening, in the presence of a crowded and attentive assembly, baptized eleven persons, making forty baptized into that church within a few weeks past.

On board the Receiving Ship Ohio, Charleston Navy Yard, there has been of late a spirit of unusual religious inquiry. Evening meetings have been held for some time daily, two persons have been converted, and others are inquiring.

The Rev. Eli Smith, D. D., one of the veteran missionaries of the American Board, died at Beirut, Syria, Jan. 11. His death had been looked for, but hopes were indulged that his valuable life might be spared to finish the Bible in the Arabic language.

The Rev. H. C. Fish is preparing a new volume of Pulpit Eloquence, containing Discourses from eminent living Ministers in German, French, English, Scottish, Welsh, Irish and American Churches, accompanied with Biographical Sketches of their respective authors.

The reinforcements to the Lutheran Mission in India, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Heise, Snyder, Unauget and Long, with their wives, are expected to sail from this country about the first of April next.

The Rev. George W. Watson has entered upon his duties as missionary at Omaha City, in the Territory of Nebraska. Nebraska is thus applied with its first Episcopal missionary.

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The Territory of Kansas extends from 37th to 40th deg. north latitude, and from the state line of Missouri 800 miles westward, embracing an area of 112,000 square miles. It lies in the same belt as northern Kentucky and Virginia, and southern Indiana and Illinois.

The surface of the country rises from the deep valley of the streams by a series of steps or terraces, stretches away in smooth slopes, and culminates in gently undulating uplands about 900 feet above the sea.

The rocks of this district consist of limestones, sandstones, clay, &c., belonging to the coal formation; they are usually horizontal or but slightly inclined, and can be cheaply quarried on nearly every hillside, furnishing excellent stone for building or lime-burning.

Coal is also very generally distributed; it is a soft, free-burning, bituminous coal, generally quite free from sulphur, and already used extensively by blacksmiths.

The soil of Kansas is equal to the best soils of Illinois and Iowa; it is quite uniform in composition, everywhere preserving the character of a rich heavy loam.

The principal streams are, the Missouri river, which is the boundary line for about 100 miles, from Nebraska to the mouth of the Kansas, and the Kansas, which with its tributaries waters the northern portion of the Territory;

The climate of Kansas is somewhat different from that of the same latitude further east. Its distance from the ocean gives us here the purely continental climate. Its atmosphere is remarkably pure and dry.

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The timber is mainly confined to the valleys, but is occasionally dispersed over the uplands in groves and parks of rare beauty. It occurs in belts from a few rods to several miles in width, following the valleys to their termination.

The soil and climate of Kansas are adapted to most of the grains, grasses and fruits raised in the north. Winter wheat, corn, oats, rye, barley, buckwheat, potatoes, sweet potatoes, and all common garden products, pumpkins, squashes, and melons, have been tried, and succeed admirably.

Among fruits may be mentioned apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries, apricots, grapes, currants and strawberries. The choice and tender varieties of these fruits may be grown successfully. The grape culture promises to be a profitable branch of business.

Where is your market? It is the anxious inquiry of many of our eastern friends, who have not learned that during the early settlement of any new country the home demand created by new comers will very soon absorb every surplus product.

This will of course depend upon the location in great measure, but a few general facts may be of use. Breaking costs from \$2 50 to \$4 per acre; rails from \$2 to \$3 per hundred; sod fence from 30 to 40 cents per rod; stone fence 80 cents to one dollar per rod; hedge set, 32 cents per rod, growing in five years to an efficient fence.

Masons, carpenters, blacksmiths, wagon makers, and cabinet makers, are in great demand, and will find abundant employment and good prices. Every branch of common mechanical labor can be profitably pursued.

The land offices of Kansas will be opened soon, but at what precise time it is impossible to say. Three months are allowed for the payment of pre-emptions after the offices are opened.

The land is then offered at public auction, after which it is liable to private entry. Land warrants can probably be used in payment for pre-emptions. No man who has made and kept a claim by a genuine residence need be in fear of losing it.

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Freights to the Missouri to Kansas are from 30 cts. to \$2 50 per hundred, according to the stage of the water. The highest rates occur in March, October and November. Lowest in May and June. Present rate \$1.00.

Arrangements have been made with the following lines of transportation for the issuing of through tickets to Kansas. Emigrants at a reduction of 25 per cent. from the regular prices, viz:—

From Toledo to St. Louis, by the Toledo, Washburn & Western and Terre Haute and Alton Railroads, or via Michigan Southern and Chicago, Alton & St. Louis Railroads.

Through tickets will be sold at the principal ticket offices on these routes, either to single individuals or companies. These tickets entitle the holder to first class fare with meals and berths on the Missouri river boats, and 100 pounds of baggage to each person.

Arrangements are being made for a similar reduction on other routes, which will be announced when completed. All baggage should be carefully marked and checked through.

Freight may be consigned with proper directions to Care Simmons & Leadbeater, St. Louis, Mo.

An estimate of the expense of reaching the territory by these routes may be formed by noticing the price of tickets from the following points:—

Table with 2 columns: Location and Price. Boston to Kansas (approximated) \$4 00, New York or Albany 30 00, Buffalo or Dunkirk 24 00, Cleveland 21 00, Chicago 16 00.

Persons wishing to go with their own teams can make a safe and easy transit across Iowa or Missouri. The principal routes cross the Mississippi at Dubuque, Muscatine, Burlington, Hannibal, Mo., and St. Louis.

Persons wishing to go up the Kansas valley or to the southern portion of the territory should stop at Wyandotte City or Quindaro, two new towns in close proximity with each other, and located on the Missouri river, just above the mouth of the Kansas.

Persons not familiar with the method of acquiring titles to land in new States are apt to over estimate the difficulties, and suffer much needless anxiety. The following hints as to Kansas lands may be of use to settlers, or persons wishing to invest.

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lent pamphlet by Dr. Webb, of Boston, and a book on Kansas by the Rev. C. B. Boynton, contain much valuable matter.

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from \$360 to \$400 a year. The fur was collected by the Indians, who, throughout the extent of the Company's territory, are supposed to number 300,000.

An Annual Council, composed of the Governor General, chief factors and chief traders, is held at York Factory. Before this body are brought the reports of the trade of each of the districts, propositions for new enterprises and modifications of old ones; the proceedings thereupon, and the reports from the districts, being forwarded to London for final orders.

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No. 5.—A Christian Catechet. 4 pp.
No. 6.—Twenty Reasons for keeping holy, in each week, the Seventh Day instead of the First Day. 4 pp.
No. 7.—Thirty-six Plain Questions, presenting the main points in the Sabbath Controversy, A Dialogue between a Minister of the Gospel and a Sabbatharian Counterfeit Coin. 8 pp.
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