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OUR ANNIVERSARIES.

Our Anniversary are to be held this year at Adams Center, Jefferson Co., N. Y., in the following order: The Seventh-day Baptist Missionary Society...

From the foregoing notices, it will be seen that the time of our Anniversary is at hand. There are two of these suggestions relating thereto, which we take the liberty of making.

One reason urged for the continuance of the General Conference is, that such an organization is necessary to collect and publish the statistics of the churches. Whether that is a sufficient reason, we will not stop to inquire.

In regard to contributions for the Missionary Society, we wish to make a suggestion. From the fact that not much has been said of late in the way of soliciting funds, some have received the impression that little is doing, and there is little need of funds.

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read along a few verses in the chapter, you can't see that it was a vision. Visions don't admit of literal realities. But is "a revelation from God, an appearance or exhibition of something supernaturally presented to the minds of the prophets, by which they were informed of future events, something imaginary?"

You, in conclusion, refer to Rev. 6: 9—"And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that had been slain for the word of God," etc.

CHARACTER.

Character is a sublime reality. It is the lofty dome, the towering Andes of a rational and self-determining power. We may gaze with rapt admiration at the grand and sublime in Nature and Art.

The world has ever made character to consist too much in externalities—palpable results. It is no pile of glittering dust, no royal sceptre, no vein of princely blood, no conqueror's triumphal arch, no fabric woven from the filmy threads of public reputation.

Character is the crystallized thoughts and sentiments, aspirations and actions, circumstances and conditions, which inhere and cluster around an immortal soul. It is the culmination of all the activities of a spontaneous, intelligent, free-willed power.

Whenever we enter upon the duties and responsibilities of life, whether we step from the threshold of the parental roof, or depart with sorrowful emotions from the classic halls of our Alma Mater, our life-work is character.

The fountain of character is the most fearful, yet the sublimest of all art-works. What an unrivaled thesaurus of elements presents itself for our selection! What influences surround, to mar or perfect the work!

When was the day of Pentecost? One of the arguments frequently used by those who try to prove that the first day of the week is the Sabbath, is, that the day of Pentecost, which first occurred after the death and resurrection of Christ, was on the first day of the week; that the disciples met for worship on that day, and were wonderfully blessed; that, therefore, the first day of the week must be the Sabbath.

all resplendent in the majesty of great virtues and heroic deeds. History furnishes us real characters, whose power and influence beam down the vista of dead years, and will be felt through the rolling ages of unweiled time—the trusting Abraham, the God-fearing Moses, the profound Plato, the noble Socrates, the indomitable Napoleon, the patriotic Tell, the disinterested Washington, the unyielding Luther, the soul-loving Judson, and hundreds of others who beam with golden brightness from the pages of history.

No system of human development, no course of education, no form of society, no system of moral or civil government—all of which have a formative influence on individual character—none of them, I say, can be true, can be successful, can be enduring, unless centered in Jesus Christ. No character can be truly good, truly great, can be heaven-approved, except Christ be its life, its light, its model.

God has thus given us the power, the materials, the life, the model for character-building. What kind of characters will we form? Citizens, you are building a monument of character founded in the blood of our forefathers. An Ellsworth, a Lyons, a Baker, and thousands of heroic sons, have fallen and are falling as immortal blocks on the rising column.

5th. If, as we have, I think, clearly shown, Christ arose between the setting of the sun of the seventh day and the rising of it on the first day; and if he remained three days and three nights in the earth, as we have every reason to believe he did, he must have been buried on the evening of the fourth day, and the passover Sabbath must have occurred the next day, the fifth day of the week; and fifty days from that time, or "seven Sabbaths complete" from the next day, must have brought the day of Pentecost on the sixth day of the week, instead of the first day.

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3d. That that Sabbath was the passover Sabbath, is shown by John 19: 14, "And it was the preparation of the passover;" and verse 31st, "For that Sabbath-day was an high day."

4th. This passover Sabbath occurred previous to the weekly Sabbath. Christ informs us, in Matt. 12: 40, "As Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly, so shall the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Also, in John 2: 19-21, it is said, "Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."

There can be no doubt, that Christ arose previous to sunrise of the first day of the week, Matthew tells us that in the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn towards the first of the week, he had risen. Mark tells us, that at the rising of the sun, he was risen. Luke tells us, that very early in the morning, he was risen. And John tells us, that on the first of the week, early, while it was yet dark, he was gone.

Having received from a number of the readers of your paper letters of inquiry in regard to the various resources of Colorado Territory, its general adaptation as a home to the emigrant, its climate, &c., and wishing to answer them all, I would make your paper the medium of my answer to them.

COLORADO TERRITORY.

MONTGOMERY, Col. Ter., July 25th, 1863. To the Editor of the Sabbath Recorder:

I have been here since September of 1861. We are mining at the foot of the "Back-bone Range" of the Rocky Mountains. From the summit of this range, start the head waters of the Platte and the Arkansas rivers, running into the Mississippi, and the Blue and Green rivers, mingling with the Pacific waters.

2d. The passover Sabbath occurred that year the next day after Christ was crucified. That he was crucified on the day of the preparation, and that day was the preparation for some Sabbath, we have the evidence of Mark 15: 42. And now, when the even was come, (because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the Sabbath,) Luke 23: 54, "And that day was the preparation, and the Sabbath drew on;" John 19: 31, "The Jews, therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the Sabbath-day;" etc.; also, the 42d verse, "There laid they Jesus, therefore, because of the Jews' preparation day."

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A NEW METHODIST CONFERENCE.—The last General Conference authorized the bishops, if in their judgment circumstances should require it, to call a new conference, "to be known as the Rocky Mountain Conference, embracing such portions of the territories of Kansas, Nebraska, Utah, and New Mexico as are now under the jurisdiction of the provisional government. Such conference has been formed by Bishop Ames, and its first session was held at Denver City, Colorado Territory, commencing on July 10th, and closing on the 13th. It comprises two districts and fourteen circuits and stations, eleven of which are "to be supplied." The numbers in society embrace 255 members and 32 probationers.

TAKING THEIR FREEDOM.—Southern masters are beginning to find out that even the best of slaves will take to themselves legs and run away. Let a chance of freedom present itself, and the slave will obey the Apostolic injunction to "use it rather." The following is an extract from a Richmond paper:

"What contributed most to my mortification was, that in my whole gang of slaves, among whom there were any amount of Aarons, Abrahams, Isaacs, and Jacobs, there was not one Abdiel—not one remained loyal to the rebel. This is the complaint of hundreds and thousands of other sufferers. The most pious, trusted and seemingly devoted slaves are found wanting in the hour of trial."

MADAGASCAR.—The London Missionary Society's extraordinary appeal on behalf of Madagascar has been responded to with prompt and ample generosity, especially by the young; and thus, while death has removed two missionaries this year, and five others have been compelled by sickness to retire, the vacancies have already been supplied, and it is intended, before summer ends, to send out eleven others—four immediately to Madagascar, two next month to China, and further on two to Jamaica and two to India.

A WAR WITH ENGLAND is seriously talked of. It is asserted, that preliminary official notice has been served upon the Government of Great Britain, by the proper officer of the American Government, that if the former permits the two iron-clad nor building for the rebels in British docks to be turned over to the rebel authorities, to be employed against American shipping upon the high seas, the Government of the United States will accept the act, on the part of Great Britain, as a declaration of war, and will act accordingly.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH CONNECTICUT, a nine-months regiment, returned last week. They went by ship from New York to New Orleans, thence up to Port Hudson, and home by way of Cairo and Dunkirk, having gone around the rebellion. Two printers from our office were in the regiment. One of them—John M. Mosher—has returned, safe and sound; the other—A. B. Frazier—was left at New Orleans, wounded.

YELLOW FEVER appears to have made sad havoc on board the United States gunboat Alabama. In another column will be found a notice of the death of the Chief Engineer, Henry C. Maxson, son of Eld. Wm. B. Maxson, of Plainfield, N. J. Up to the 8th of August thirteen, deaths had occurred, including the three assistant engineers.

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At Abergele, in Pembrokeshire, a Church-rate has just been carried for buying a hearse. It appears that two months ago it was decided to collect the amount required for the purpose by voluntary subscriptions. A canvass of part of the parish produced £57 out of the £80 required. This was reported to the adjourned vestry meeting, when the vicar insisted on a rate being made for the purpose. This was actually done.

The Rev. Dr. Louis Gausson has departed to his rest, having reached his last at his country villa near Geneva, on the 15th of June. He was a really eminent man, and his death is a great loss to the church.



Incidents.

THE CROP - ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the condition of the crops for May and June, just issued by the Department of Agriculture, presents facts interesting to all classes of the community. The tables show that winter wheat is about one and one-third tenths below the average, but there is a little more land sown than in 1862, when the largest crop ever grown in this country was produced.

On a grand scale. I saw in one field of about forty acres in extent, not less than ten ploughs at work a greater number than I had seen on any former occasion. The offices are large, and possess all the most recent improvements. There is, for instance, a large threshing machine driven by water power - granaries 70 feet by 24 - accommodation for 70 head of cattle - first-rate pigsties - every possible convenience for the preservation of the manure - means for the fermentation of bone dust - all the different sorts of the most improved agricultural implements, &c., &c.

the shots fired at the battery by our gunboats, they resided in a perilous place. I stopped for a glass of water, and the old man of the house told me some of his experiences. "Three shells have passed through my house. One of them burst in my bedroom. That 13-inch you see in the yard fell just behind the garden."

having expended all his means in these efforts, leaving his widow totally unprovided for. ODDS AND ENDS. Leather, to a great degree, is to be superseded. The London Times endorses the claims of an invention owned by a Mr. Szereimy, of England, which, according to the description of the article, possesses every quality of the real leather, or is vastly superior to it on many accounts.

BIG TREES OF GREAT AGE. The Boston Journal says there are now standing, in a thrifty condition, on a piece of pasture land owned by Mr. Samuel D. Ward, at Waverly, Massachusetts, about a dozen white oaks, which are undoubtedly, taken as a collection, the largest trees in the state. One of them measures, at the distance of about six feet from the ground, sixteen feet in circumference, while the "spread," or shade of the branches, is not less than one hundred and two feet in diameter.

CHRISTIAN PSALMODY, the Hymn Book used by the Seventh-Day Baptist Churches, supplied at the following rates: Bound in roan, plain edges, \$ 75 " " " gilt edges, linen paper, " 90 " " morocco, " 1 25

The Sabbath Recorder, PUBLISHED WEEKLY, BY GEORGE B. UTTER. The Sabbath Recorder, as the Denominational Paper of the Seventh-Day Baptists, is devoted to the exposition and vindication of the views and movements of that people.

How TO SHOOK WHEAT. No part of the harvest work, in the range of my observation, is so often unskillfully performed as stock- ing wheat. A ride around the country in harvest will attest the fact that a field of wheat well shocked is an exception, while fields poorly shocked are the rule; yet it is easy to do this work well.

How TO READ SHOULDER STRAPS. The rank and arm of the military officers are designated as follows: The shoulder straps of a Major-General bear two silver embroidered stars, one on each end of his strap.

PRINTING WITHOUT INK. A gentleman, a large capitalist, and one of the most successful inventors of the day, has succeeded in chemically treating the pulp, during the process of manufacturing printing paper, in such a manner that when the paper is impressed upon the uninked types, the chemical particles are crushed, and a perfect black impression is the result.

IT'S WHAT YOU SPEND. "It's what thou'll spend, my son," said a sage old quaker, "not what thee'll make, which will decide whether thee's to be rich or not."

A MILLION. - Few people have a clear conception of "a million of dollars," which we hear expressed on every side, whenever the cost of this "cruel war" is under discussion. Let us make a very simple mental calculation, and see if we are not astonished at the result.

DISYPSERIA REMEDY!!! DR. DANIEL HAM'S AROMATIC INVALENTIA SPIRIT. Recommended to cure Dyspepsia, Nervousness, Heart-Burn, Colic Pains, Wind in the Stomach, or Pains in the Bowels, Headache, Dizziness, Kidney Complaints, Lowness of Spirits, Tremors, It STIMULATES, EXCITES, INVIGORATES, BUT WILL NOT INTOXICATE OR FEVERY.

LOCAL AGENTS FOR THE SABBATH RECORDER. NEW YORK: Adams - Dr. C. D. Potter. Alfred - Charles D. Langworthy. Albion - George H. Green, N. Y. Hull - Charles H. W. Clark. Berlin - J. Byron Whitford. Corona - Wm. R. Maxson. DeWitt - Barton G. Stillman. Genesee - E. B. Crandall. Independence - John P. Livermore. LeRoy - Geo. M. West.

FARMING IN ENGLAND. The Editor of the London Standard has published a letter from England giving an account of the manner in which farming is carried on in some parts of that country. "The weather," he says, "is not so much as that of our country. It is not so hot, and it is not so cold."

LIFE IN VICKSBURG. It was very unpleasant, in Vicksburg, during the bombardment. A letter from that now famous place says: "The hills on which this town is perched, are composed of a fine clay loam, which you may cut with a spade, as you cut a cheese with a knife."

ENGLISH PENSION LIST. Among the numerous disbursements out of the public revenue of England, as pensions under various heads, one modest item of £1,200 per annum (\$6,000) is annually added, occasionally diminished by the death of the recipients.

TO CURE SHEEP FROM JUMPING. - A correspondent of the Ohio Farmer gives an account of the method adopted by him to prevent his sheep from jumping the fences of his pasture. I want to tell you about my jumping sheep, and how I broke them. I got them in a pen built sufficiently high to hold them; I then caught the ringleaders one at a time, and made a small hole in each ear. I took a cord or string and run through the holes in the ears, then drew the cord together close enough to keep them from working the ears.

BURGLARY AS A FINE ART. - A young man named Henry Rasche, well to do in the world, was arrested in San Francisco, on the 20th of June, for burglary. A policeman saw him enter a store at 3 o'clock in the morning and remove certain articles. He was arrested, and, like most rogues, begged to be let off on the ground that this was his first offense, offering the policeman a liberal sum of money. Rasche was a musical instrument maker, and organist of Trinity Church. On examining his room, a bunch of three hundred and seventy-two keys, of all shapes and sizes, was found. In a memorandum book was found a list of seventy-two stores to which he had fitted keys, and to which he had free access when, ever he desired. Each key was numbered to correspond with the number of the entry. A further investigation brought to light quantities of goods of almost every description, to which he had helped himself.

TO LADIES. Dr. Ham's Dyspepsia Remedy is the thing you require to remove the languor caused by weakness and debility; it invigorates the system, creates the habit of new life in its varied course through the system, in fact it gives tone to the system and will remove any thousands irregularities that from various causes are afflicted with. For Dyspepsia it is a never failing remedy, it has stood the test of years, and we are yet to hear of its failing to give relief to the afflicted, and to restore to every case health and happiness by its use.

THE AMERICAN SABBATH TRACT SOCIETY publishes the following Tracts, which are for sale at its Depository, W. W. Barton, Providence, R. I. No. 1 - Reasons for introducing the Sabbath of the Fourth Commandment to the consideration of the Christian People; 20 pp. No. 2 - Moral Nature and Scriptural Observance of the Sabbath; 52 pp. No. 3 - Authority for the Change of the Day of the Sabbath; 28 pp. No. 4 - The Sabbath and Lord's Day: a History of their Observance in the Christian Church; 82 pp. No. 5 - A Christian's View of the Sabbath; 12 pp. No. 6 - Twenty Reasons for keeping holy, in each week, the Seventh-day, and not 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 Sabbatarian, Counterfeit; 8 pp. No. 8 - The Sabbath Controversy; the True Sabbath; 10 pp. No. 9 - The Fourth Commandment; false Expositions; 4 pp. No. 10 - The Sabbath Embraced and Observed; 16 pp. (In English, French and German.) No. 11 - Religious Liberty Endangered by Legislative Enactments; 10 pp. No. 12 - Misuse of the term "Sabbath"; 8 pp. No. 13 - The Bible Sabbath; 24 pp. No. 14 - Delaying Obedience; 4 pp. No. 15 - An Appeal for the Restoration of the Sabbath, from the Seventh-day Baptist General Conference; 40 pp. The Society has also published the following works, to which attention is invited: A Defence of the Sabbath, in reply to Ward on the Fourth Commandment, by George O. May, first printed in London in 1771, reprinted in Washington, D. C., 1857; republished in 1863; 100 pp. The Royal Law Observed, by Edward Bennett; first printed in London in 1808; 84 pp. A Dialogue between a Minister of the Gospel and a Sabbatarian, by J. W. Barton, first printed in London in 1771, republished in 1863; 100 pp. The Sabbath, a Tract, by J. W. Barton, first printed in London in 1771, republished in 1863; 100 pp. The Sabbath, a Tract, by J. W. Barton, first printed in London in 1771, republished in 1863; 100 pp. The Sabbath, a Tract, by J. W. Barton, first printed in London in 1771, republished in 1863; 100 pp.