

The Sabbath Recorder.

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MISSIONS AND MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS.

Most of those who deserve the name of Christians are free to acknowledge an obligation to labor for the spread of the Gospel, or in other words, to engage in the work of missions.

Notwithstanding the approval which was given to this example of the early disciples, there are not wanting those who profess to be Christians, and yet practically deny their obligation to labor to make known the Gospel to others.

Undoubtedly there is a duty resting upon each church, in its church capacity, to do something in the missionary work. The church was organized to carry out the plans of its Great Head.

There is a work also appropriate to missionary organizations. They are useful as a central medium through which individuals and churches may act.

"I ever spake openly, and in secret have I said nothing." Pursuing such a course, they ought not to be looked upon with suspicion, or spoken of as having interests separate from the interests of the whole people.

ENCOURAGING LETTER—CHURCH ORGANIZED.

I thought it might be interesting to the readers of the Recorder to hear of the success of Christ's kingdom in any part of the country, and of the growing interest manifested in the cause of God's holy Sabbath.

The history of this little band of Sabbath-keepers is quite interesting. There are a few in Pitcairn, who moved from Brookfield a number of years ago, and have been deprived of church privileges, except as they have visited their friends in different places.

On our way to Diania we called at a place named Quaker Settlement, in Jefferson county, where brother Green preached a Sabbath discourse. Brother Coon had been there before us, and the Lord had blessed his efforts in the conversion of souls, and a few had embraced the Sabbath.

dying under the care of its most skillful nurses, while the truth is thriving in the hands of the feeble. Let us arise, beloved brethren, from our slumbers, for God is giving us the signal to labor.

Yours in Christ, G. M. LANGWORTHY. Adams Centre, May 11, 1846.

THE BILL OF EQUAL RIGHTS.

The Legislature of the State of New Jersey having now adjourned, there no longer remains a doubt as to the result of their labors in behalf of that portion of their constituents who conscientiously observe the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath, who so respectfully petitioned for an exemption from the penalties and restrictions of the law regulating Sunday-keeping.

THE ANNIVERSARIES IN NEW-YORK.

Report concluded from last week. THE AMERICAN ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY held its Twelfth Anniversary at the Broadway Tabernacle, on Tuesday morning, May 12.

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held a meeting at the Tabernacle, on Tuesday afternoon. Arthur Tappan presided, and Rev. A. A. Phelps read a part of the Annual Report. The Report states, that there are now thirty-five papers published and sustained by the Liberty Party; besides which there are seventeen others devoted to the anti-slavery cause; making fifty-two anti-slavery papers published in the free States.

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY

celebrated its Twenty-First Anniversary at the Tabernacle, on Wednesday morning, May 13. The Society has now 1,207 publications on its list, having added 73 stereotyped works during the past year.

AMERICAN FEMALE MORAL REFORM SOCIETY.

A large audience assembled on Wednesday evening in the Allen-st. Church, to celebrate the Twelfth Anniversary of the Society, Alvan Stewart, Esq. Chairman. After prayer by Rev. Mr. Stow, the choir sung a piece of music composed for the occasion.

Rev. Dr. Dowling begged to be permitted to

congratulate the ladies of the Society on their perseverance in the work of faith and labor. He was more than ever satisfied that the Society was entitled to confidence and respect.

Rev. E. Weed here made a few remarks on Improvement and Reforms generally. The order of the day is improvement, and the world would soon see the benefit of many things now hooted at.

Rev. Dr. Ludlow of Poughkeepsie, had that very afternoon heard this subject introduced in one of the most influential and respectable families in the city. This Society has more influence than is apparent at this signal.

The choir here closed the exercises by singing a Hymn composed for the occasion by Mrs. Sigourney.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY met at the Tabernacle, on Thursday morning, May 14. From the Reports read, the Society appears to be in a prosperous condition. The period since the last report only includes eleven months; yet during that time the receipts have been \$197,367; had the financial year extended over twelve months, the receipts would probably have exceeded \$200,000.

THE AMERICAN AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY

met in Dr. Cone's church, on Friday morning. The Treasurer reported the total receipts of the year at \$36,971. The number of volumes published by the Society during the year is 24,438. 316 life members have been added since the last report, making the whole number 1,920.

THE AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

met at the Tabernacle on Friday morning. It was stated that the Board have missions in Western and Southern Africa, Greece, Armenia, Syria, China, and the Sandwich Islands. The receipts for nine months past have exceeded those for the same period last year by \$19,000.

EXHIBITION OF THE BLIND.

The anniversary exhibition of the New-York Institution for the Blind, took place at the Tabernacle on Wednesday afternoon, May 13. One hundred and twenty pupils were present, about seventy of whom were males.

in the several branches almost incredible. The performances by the band were received with great satisfaction; also that of the young pupils, about fifteen in number, who sang a charming hymn accompanied on the piano by one of the pupils.

EXHIBITION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.—The anniversary of the New-York Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, took place at the Tabernacle, on Thursday afternoon, May 14.

NEW YORK COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

We are indebted to the New York Tribune for the following report. The Annual Meeting of this Association was held at the Tabernacle on Tuesday evening.

By the Census recently published by order of Congress, it appears that the total population of the Colony in 1843 was 2390, of whom 1474 were communicants of churches.

THE PRESIDENT.

Whereas, The Congress by virtue of the constitution in them, have declared this day, that by this Mexico, a state of war exists between the United States and the Government of Mexico; and I do hereby proclaim the same.

By the President.

JAMES MONROE, President of the United States of America. This Proclamation is hereby proclaimed in the City of Washington, this 23rd day of May, 1846.

General DOINGS IN WE stated in our last... THE WAR Various and conflict of war have reached... FRANCISCO R. M...

Miscellaneous.

SLANDER.

BY FRANCIS S. OSGOOD.

A whisper broke the air— A soft light with shame and woe—

Al, me! a quick and eager ear, Caught up the little meaning sound!

It was the only heart it found, The only heart "twas meant to find,

Low as it seemed to ether ears, It came—a thunder-crash to hers.

'Tis said, a loving humming bird, That in a fragrant lilly lay,

With love and hope, so fast and sweet, (Shrined in its lily too—)

WATCHING FOR A TIGER.

The spot I selected, (says the writer,) was the edge of a tank where a tiger used to drink.

ARE THEY WELL TREATED? We often hear people remarking that the slaves are treated well enough, and that there is no cause of complaint;

OF AFRICAN BLOOD AND DESCENT. It seems to be settled at last, that the Hon. David Yulee, late Levy, U. S. Senator from the new State of Florida, is of African origin,

ministration of the state-church clergy. Indeed, the stream of pure evangelism which formerly fertilized many a barren corner of our land,

sulkily stalked away to some distance. I felt that the danger was past, and rose with a feeling of relief which I cannot describe.

OLD TIMES.

We cut the following literary notice from the Boston Recorder. It may interest some of our readers to have a peep at the times and customs of the good old pilgrim fathers.

REV. MR. KIMBALL'S SERMON.

This discourse was delivered February 22, 1846, the last Sabbath that public worship was attended in the old meeting house in Ipswich.

METHODISM IN ENGLAND.

It appears that Dr. Campbell, editor of the Christian Witness, (a Congregational Magazine) has lately been showing the declining state of the Nonconformist bodies in England.

THE JEWS.

Dr. Durbin, in his 'Observations in the East,' has a very interesting chapter on the restoration of the Jews—the prophecies in relation thereto—and the 'signs of the times' which indicate their speedy fulfillment.

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