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For the Sabbath Recorder. TO THE MOON. Star of the night! How bright thou art! In the darkness of the earth, how bright thou art!

I have made this long quotation, that your readers may have your correspondent's argument entire, and see that no injustice is done him, and see whether I answer him fairly and fully.

going to be a preacher, and particularly if I wanted to be anything like a successful preacher, I must form the habit of extemporaneous address. So I went into my room, locked the door, placed the Bible before me on the mantel, opened it at random, and there on whatever page my eye chanced to rest, proceeded to deliver a discourse of ten minutes.

Yale College was founded in the year 1700. Ten clergymen met at New Haven, and agreed to found a College in the Connecticut colony. Afterward, they met again at Branford, each bringing with him, according to previous arrangement, such books as he could spare from his private library.

Thus do we find the church, through every period of her existence, bearing the same uniform testimony in relation to Colleges. Upon them she bestowed her richest treasures; to them she gave her most gifted sons as instructors.

600 SLEEPERS IN CHURCH. At a recent crowded meeting in Edinburg, Rev. Dr. Guthrie delivered an address, in the course of which he defined as follows the close relationship between sleeping in church and bad ventilation.

THE BIRTH-PLACE OF GENIUS. It is one of the mysteries of life, that genius, that noblest gift of God, is nourished by poverty.

SABBATH DISCUSSION. BY H. H. HULL AND W. M. ARMSTRONG. Reply to Mr. Armstrong's First Article.

In the Free Press of July 10th, is an article from the pen of the Rev. Mr. Armstrong, taking ground against the sentiments advocated by the review of the "Lauder" in the "Christian Sabbath," published in your paper of the previous week.

COLLEGES: THEIR ORIGIN AND VALUE. An Address delivered before the Seventh-day Baptist Education Society, at its first Annual Meeting, held in Hopkinton, R. I., September, 1856. BY Wm. C. KESTYON.

THE WHITE PILGRIM. PART FIRST. I came to the spot where the white pilgrim lay, and gazed upon his tomb.

CONVERSION OF ANDREW FULLER. The conversion of Rev. A. Fuller happened in this way: "One morning," says he, "I think in November, 1769, I walked out by myself, with an unusual load of guilt upon my conscience."

NOT ANYBODY'S BUSINESS. As a people, the Americans are not supposed to be exclusively confined to their own business.

THE TURKEYS AND THE SERMON. To enjoy a sermon, one's mind must be in sympathy with it.

EXTEMPORANEOUS PREACHING. After Newman Hall had finished his address before the Young Men's Christian Association, at Springfield, he was waited upon by a few theological students.

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RESTRICTED COMMUNION.

The rule of discipline... Christ laid down in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, is sufficient, it seems to me, to settle this whole question.

But what more does the Saviour say? "And if he will not hear the church, let him be to thee as an heathen man and publican."

Paul also writes with equal definiteness and authority to the Thessalonians, (2d Thess. 3: 6.) "Now we command you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the traditions which he received of us."

Now, since the Lord's Supper is the only feast belonging to the church, and in view of the rule of discipline which Christ has laid down for his church, and the commands uttered by Paul with reference to the Lord's Supper, applying that rule to all disorderly walkers, seems to make the duty of restriction about as positive as any instructions can.

thy of excommunication, she has done nothing that justifies us in standing aloof from her. But if she has, it consists in departing from the Bible rule.

That such was the principle which governed the apostolic churches, is evident from their history. A clear case is recorded in 1 Cor. 5th, where Paul insisted that a member of the Corinthian church should be delivered to Satan, and that they should "keep no company with him, nor to eat."

There are many counterfeits of genuine controversy, and they may be easily detected without the aid of artificial means. Men are usually disposed to defend their own opinions with considerable zeal and persistency.

Every effort to ensnare an opponent by the arts of sophistry, or to destroy the force of his arguments by a display of wit, ridicule or caviling, is at once recognized by all honest readers as a violation of the rules of honorable controversy.

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CONTROVERSY.

This term is usually applied to written, rather than oral discussions. It signifies, "a dispute, or agitation of contrary opinions," and when wisely used, it becomes a most powerful agency in the elucidation and diffusion of truth.

The appearance of a trifle in support of any position, however strong in itself, invariably tends to bring it into disrepute, and lessen the probability of its acceptance.

Brother, in view of all these facts, and many others that he has mentioned, I claim him for a Christian if you will, but I prefer to regard him as a heathen.

Mr. D. says I "try to intimate that Constantine inaugurated the Lord's-day, or Christian Sabbath, and that too as a heathen festival."

his likeness. Her remains were taken to Fitchburg, Mass., for interment, that her two orphan children may have an opportunity to visit her final resting place.

Mr. D. begins his fifth paper with a gross misstatement of what I said of Ambrose and Augustine. He says I dispose of them by styling them Romanists, and therefore false witnesses.

Stanley bears this testimony, (History of the Eastern Church, page 202.) "We may remember the striking words of Niebuhr: 'A man judge of Constantine by too severe a standard, because they regard him as a Christian; but I cannot look upon him in that light. The religion which he had in his head must have been a strange jumble indeed.'"

Mr. D. complains of my treatment of Athanasius, and submits to my conscience the question of "bearing false witness." Mr. D., in his book, quotes Athanasius as saying, "The Lord transferred the Sabbath to the Lord's-day."

Mr. D. charges me with attempting to misrepresent his quotations from Neander. Brother, you are again mistaken. I neither attempted it nor did it. I only quoted from another part of his history, for the purpose of letting the reader see your quotations in their true light.

the laws of the Sabbath to Sunday. Perhaps at the end of the second century, a false application of this kind had begun to take place; for men appear by that time to have considered laboring on Sunday as a sin.

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3d) The apostles, disciples, and first Christians, applied the term Sabbath to the seventh day, as even God's law admits; they therefore observed it.

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the authority of "the fathers;" the other, that one who has had over twenty years' experience as a minister of the gospel, should so far forget what is due to that position as to indulge in invidious epithets and personalities, as illustrated in the Recorder of December 19th.

It may be proper to premise, that the Sabbath and Sunday Schools of this place have held, during the past season, semi-monthly evening union concerts. The exercises on these occasions, consisting of prayer, singing, scripture responses to the roll-call, reading of hymns and scripture passages, reading and essays, were very interesting, both to the school and to the congregation.

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ASIA is likely to be the theater of important changes during the year just opened. In Japan, the whole form of government is to be altered. The peculiar position of the Tycoon, it seems, will be abolished, and the Mikado will henceforth leave his retirement isolation and personally take notice, not only of ecclesiastical, but of mundane affairs.

Webster's Unabridged Dictionary. We have examined, with a good deal of care, the latest edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, published by the Messrs. Merriam, of Springfield, Mass., and prepared to endorse the following recommendation of it, by W. S. Clark, President of the Massachusetts Agricultural College:

Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, with its copious and excellent illustrations, its numerous and instructive tables of signs, abbreviations, and its etymological, explanatory, and pronouncing vocabularies, must be regarded as the most useful and remarkable compendium of human knowledge in our language.

TEACHING THE INDIANS HOW TO WEAVE.—Parties engaged in introducing domestic industry among the Indians have concluded to place a loom in one of the rooms of the Indian Department in order that the representatives of the Western tribes who will visit Washington, this winter may have a practical illustration of weaving.

STEAMBOAT ACCIDENTS ON WESTERN RIVERS.—The St. Louis Republic publishes a list of the casualties to steamboats on the western and southern rivers during the past year, which shows one hundred and twenty-eight accidents reported, eighty-two of which resulted in the total destruction of the boat, involving a loss of \$645,000, on which there was insurance to the amount of \$512,000.

Various small notices and advertisements on the right margin of the page.

THE WAR IN CRETE.—Official Crean accounts of Dec. 22, report that a battle had been fought between the Christians and Turks on Nov. 25th and 26th, in the village of Lake, in which the latter were defeated, and obliged to retire with severe loss.

NORTH GERMANY.—Among the diplomatic documents lately communicated to Congress by the State Department, is a letter from the Hon. George Bancroft, United States Minister at Berlin.

THE STEAMBOAT HARRY DEAN, running on the Ohio River, between Marietta and Cincinnati, exploded her boiler on Saturday, Jan. 4th, two miles below Gallipolis, caught fire, and burned to the water's edge. Five persons are reported killed, and nine wounded.

CHRISTIANS IN JAPAN.—Late dispatches received from Japan state that the Christians who had been imprisoned and persecuted in Nagasaki, have been released.

DEED COUNTING HIS MONEY.—There is something very striking in the incidents attending the death of Mr. Lyle, Chief Engineer of the Philadelphia Fire Department.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.—The coroner's inquest into the cause of the late railroad disaster at Angola, after 11 days' investigation, have concluded their labors.

A double wedding took place at Plainfield, N. J., on Tuesday, Dec. 31st, the peculiarity of which consisted in the fact that two sisters, Maggie and Nellie, were married to two brothers, the Rev. Hiram W. Sheppard, of the New York East Conference, and Professor in the Baker University, Kansas, and the latter to the Rev. G. H. Whitney, of the Newark Conference, and pastor of the M. E. Church in Plainfield.

A novel experiment has been in progress among the managers of the Howard Mission, New York city, for some time. It is that of furnishing breakfast, clothing and spiritual instruction to the great masses of the population who pass their nights in the station houses for want of some better place to lie.

Building churches, says "Burleigh" of the Boston Journal, is not so easy a matter as it was two years ago. Then all hands were making money; now all hands are losing it.

Reports from Algeria describe the most frightful sufferings among the Arabs. The cholera has carried off fifty-two thousand, and now famine seems about to swallow up the rebels.

The Post Office Department has on hand, taken from the dealers which accumulated during the war, more than 10,000 photographs of Union soldiers.

The cable brings a report that King Theodor, overcome by the fame of British prowess, has released the English captives in Abyssinia.

The Wisconsin treasury took in last year \$895,127.95, paid out \$820,533.82, and has \$69,594 left.

A factory, near Boston, recently received an order to manufacture ten thousand watches.

An Illinois Farmer set a trap in his corn-field, and found a man's hand in it the next morning.

A. J. Halleck, a brother of General Halleck, was one of the passengers who lost their lives by the burning of the steamer Raleigh, off Charleston, South Carolina.

The American flag was raised on old Fort Cobb on the 20th of Dec., by Major Shankler, for the first time since it was torn down by the rebels under General Price, in 1862.

The large manufacturing in Morrisania, N. Y., are discharging most of the men employed in them. At the Mott iron works in Mott Haven, where 185 men are usually kept at work, there are now but 25.

Cornelius S. Hamton, Representative from Delaware district, Ohio, was killed at his home in Maryland, Union county, on Sunday morning, Dec. 23d, by an insane son.

The fashion correspondent, Jennie June, says the most distinguished fashion writer in Paris is an old woman, who lives in an attic, smokes a short pipe, wears a yellow bandanna around her head, and signs herself "Countess."

At Skowhegan, Me., a man is doing an extensive business in the grinding of slate for colors used in the manufacture of oil cloths.

The officers of the New York and New Haven Railroad have decided to use steel rails in laying the track of their road, and President Bishop has ordered two thousand tons from a manufacturer in England.

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