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THE REVIVAL INTEREST.

Seventh-day Baptists are, thoroughly evangelical in their faith and earnest in their Christian life.

But we may say that more emphatically do we depend upon this than do any others.

Are we, however, in the flesh, and are subject to its weakness, and liable to its backslidings.

But what a power for good is there in a revival when it pervades and penetrates all hearts.

THE PEACE-MAKER. It is no wonder that Christ pronounced a blessing upon the peace-makers, for surely their work is blessed.

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Let them in abundance and as once the Sabbath School is not a mere school, but a school of life.

should be secured, the revival of our Sabbath School's interest.

THE CLOSE OF VOL. 29 finds us with quite a number of subscribers who have paid nothing for the Recorder since its publication was assumed by the Tract Society.

At the commencement of the volume it was proposed to furnish the Recorder to ministers of all denominations, and to persons who should be certified by a minister.

Without complaint in relation to the past, may we not inquire of those belonging to our own order, who fail to give their countenance and support to the Tract Society in their undertaking to furnish a denominational paper.

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1873-1874. The present is the last number of the 29th Vol. of the Recorder, and the last issue for the year.

"A ROLLING STONE." I have read with a good deal of interest the article of Bro. "S. Hubert," with the above title; and with no less interest that of Brother Bailey, under the caption, "The Silent Side."

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE. 16 MILL YARD, Goodman's Fields, December 24, 1873. To the Editor of the Sabbath Recorder: On First-day evening, the 23d ult., I held a baptismal service in the

interest demanded a longer stay in the place, when I would be under the necessity of "rolling" off to fulfill another engagement.

With kind regards, I am, Yours very truly, W. M. JONES.

ANSWERS FROM THE "METROPOLITAN PARSONAGE." To Ed. Burdick's Questions (Dec. Dec. 11.) Whether the catechetical form of discussion be the better, I must leave for my catechizer to decide.

1. To this, I answer no. 2. Answers: 1. That will depend on which of the precepts he violates.

5. This is a long string of questions. I. Yes, to "believers of one heart, and one soul;" but not of one head, nor ever will be. "Husbands and wives may be, and ought to be, of one heart and one soul;"

of praise, and a prayer by one of my members closed a delightful interview.

authority does he refuse to let the bride, the Lamb's wife, set at the table with her husband? If Christ as the husband owns the violators of the fourth command as his wife, will authority does Bro. B. give a "bill of divorce and send her away?"

6. Bro. B. asks, "If the Lord's Supper is to be given to all Christians, irrespective of the fact that they are or are not living in obedience to the precepts of God's holy law, or the first ordinances of the gospel, will you determine the fact that they are Christians?"

7. I. Not always. 2. No, if the one referred to knows what the duty is. A duty may be plain to one, but not to another.

if not more, than the question of the Sabbath. The bitter hostility manifested by the close-communication First-day Baptists, their denunciation of their open-communication brethren, and their applying to them the most unchristian epithets, is strongly presumptive that they feel their weakness.

REPORT OF BRO. V. HULL. Under date of Carlton, Iowa, Oct. 26th, 1873, Bro. V. Hull writes to the Tract Board as follows: "On the 16th of September, I left home with the design to spend a little time in exploring.

"Returning to Adell, I determined to visit a Seventh-day Baptist sister about fifteen miles away. She had been invited to a meeting at the house of one of her neighbors, and I went to the house of the wife of the pastor of the church, and there I was invited to attend a prayer meeting in the evening with the Adventists of the Vision faith.

"On Second-day, we left for Adell, and reached there in three days, and we went with them and stayed overnight at their house. They were very cordial and hearty in their expressions of friendship toward me, and I was preparing myself for my special

work, which is the calling of the attention of the people of Pennsylvania to their unjust and oppressive legislation, not only in the interest of Sunday, but also against the observance of the Bible Sabbath.

TOBACCO, LAZINESS, CHRISTIANITY. A correspondent, whose letter is without date, but with the post-mark of New Brownsville, Ill., sent me a request which is, in substance, as follows: "I am anxious to see an article from your pen, in the SABBATH RECORDER, concerning the worth or worthless of the man who takes great enjoyment in idleness, tobacco chewing, and t'elling yarns, but claims to be a good man."

"I. It is not necessary to multiply words concerning such a case. The injunction of the apostle, and the whole tenor of the teachings of the Bible, declare that a Christian must be 'diligent in business.'"

"The 'yarns' which he delights to tell and to listen to are of the untruthful, obscene, and degrading kind, which flourish most where men congregate to smoke, and chew, and drink, and profane the name of God, and smutch the fair face of manhood by such things."

suppose there were but three persons among them who ever saw a Seventh-day Baptist minister before.

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THE WORK AT ASHAWAY. We learn by a letter from Ed. C. M. Lewis, that the good work in the 1st. Hopkinton Church goes on with unabated interest.

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INFLUENCE. It is much to be lamented that the nature, power, and extent of influence is so little understood...

CONGRESS. MONDAY, DEC. 15. In the Senate, a number of petitions, resolutions, and bills were introduced...

IN THE HOUSE. The total number of bills introduced in the House on Monday, Dec. 15, was 107...

OUR DANGERS. In how many ways may our poor hearts be deceived and our feet turned from the path of safety...

A MYSTERY OF LAKE ERIE. The Detroit Free Press states that on a recent Sunday morning two farmers and their families were driving to Malden to attend church...

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