



The Sabbath Recorder.

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CREATION AND REDEMPTION.

Rev. T. B. Brown delivered his Eighth Lecture upon the subject of the Sabbath, at the Seventh-day Baptist Chapel in Eleventh-st., on Sunday evening last.

The speaker stated in the outset, that the advocates of the change do not rest their argument entirely upon the texts which have been examined. The proof from them being altogether inferential, it seems necessary to augment its strength as much as possible; and hence they resort to analogy.

In this argument two principal points are assumed—1st. That the work of redemption is a greater work than that of creation; 2d. That the work of redemption was finished by the resurrection of Christ. But if both these points be conceded, it will not thence follow that the day of Christ's resurrection should be celebrated as a Sabbath, unless there is a divine appointment to that effect.

The lecturer then proceeded to examine the merits of the argument itself. It is assumed, that the work of redemption is greater than that of creation. Where is this taught in the Bible? The only text ever adduced in favor of the idea is, 1st. 17—was shown to have no bearing upon the point, since it speaks, not of redemption, but of the new creation, which is entirely a different thing.

sophism, which will not abide the test of sound investigation.

Before dismissing this part of the subject, Mr. Brown wished to introduce one reflection, namely, that to found an obligation upon this kind of reasoning in regard to any particular day, is to render intelligent obedience impossible to the mass of Christians. In order to feel the force of this argument for the change—if there is any force in it—it is necessary to lay propositions together, reason upon them in detail, and then draw inferences from them skillfully, in order to discover duty.

Three popular objections to the claims of the seventh day were here brought under consideration—1st. The spherical form of the earth, and the possibility of gaining or losing a day by sailing around it; 2d. The long days and nights in the polar regions; 3d. The notion that the reckoning of time may have been lost, so that we are not now certain which is the true seventh day.

EDUCATION FOR THE JEWISH MINISTRY.

The January number of "The Occident and American Jewish Advocate," contains a long and able article respecting the deficiency of duly educated religious teachers, and the best means to provide a supply. It seems that in past years the Jewish congregations of England and America have obtained their ministers principally from continental Europe, where the higher branches of Hebrew education are extensively cultivated, and men of piety and education have been easily found.

EQUAL RELIGIOUS PRIVILEGES.

The accompanying extract from the letter of a brother to the Agent of the Tract Society, ordering fifteen hundred copies of the "Appeal to the Friends of Equal Rights and Religious Freedom," for circulation in Pennsylvania, shows that the sufferings which our brethren endure are capable of being turned to good account, and that our German brethren are determined, according to their ability, to make the most of it.

That tract is doing Sabbath-keepers much good service. It is well received wherever it is circulated; and scarcely fails, in a single instance, to convince the reader of the great injustice shown to our people, and makes many warm friends to our cause where least expected. I have, myself, circulated one hundred copies in this small community; and have heard of but one individual, that has perused it, who is so intolerant a bigot as not to accede to us our just rights, and concur in the necessity of extending full justice—equal privileges—to the observers of the seventh day.

While we have so powerful an advocate, and so efficient a weapon, to subdue opposition, is it not the duty of every Sabbath-keeper to exert every means within his reach to extend its circulation far and wide? and is not he who rests supinely, culpable in the extreme, for withholding his hands, when the cause of human rights and the cause of God demand his aid?

This tract is, truly, a "winged messenger," which has access to every avenue and may penetrate every retreat throughout the land, to plead the cause of our injured rights, and promote the restoration of the inestimable privileges which have been wrested from us by unjust and iniquitous legislation. Let the denomination awake to their duty, put forth their strength, stand at their posts, and while they hold fast to the banner of the Bible, and war with the sword of the Spirit, and fling out, unsparingly, these missiles, more designed to win than injure, we cannot fail to work a revolution of public sentiment in regard to our rights.

LETTERS FOR OUR MISSIONARIES.—Packages of letters, newspapers, &c., will be forwarded to our missionary brethren, Carpenter and Gardner, by nearly every vessel which sails from New York for Canton. Persons wishing to communicate with them, should address their letters, pre-paid, to the care of Geo. B. Utter, New York.

BAPTIST MISSIONS.

The "Macedonian" for January presents a condensed view of the present condition of the American Baptist Missionary Union, and of its operations during the past year. From this we learn, that the Union has now under its care sixteen missions, with about one hundred and forty-five stations and out-stations. Seven of these missions are in Asia, one in Africa, three in Europe, and five among the American Indians.

To qualify the native preachers for their work, there are three schools in the Asiatic missions, embracing about forty pupils. Besides these, there are about fifty boarding and day schools, in which not less than two thousand children are within the influence of Christian instruction.

Connected with the various missions, there are about eighty-five churches, numbering not less than six thousand five hundred members. Many, once in these churches, have joined the departed missionaries, in the heavenly inheritance. Others are there who were led to Christ by the missionaries, but did not connect themselves with the churches.

MISSIONARY OPERATIONS IN THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

DEAR BRETHREN.—At the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Seventh-day Baptist Western Association, which held its session with the 1st Church in Alfred, on the 30th and 31st ult., I was appointed to lay before you the subject matter of the following resolution, accompanied with such remarks as the circumstances would seem to suggest.

Resolved, That the following persons be Committees in the several churches where they reside, to make efforts to produce harmony of feeling and action among the brethren upon this subject, and also to obtain contributions, and to do whatever else they may be able to, to advance the cause of missions; and report at our next annual meeting.

- The several committees are as follows:— 1st Alfred—N. V. Hull, Maxson Green, Hiram Cornwell, Maxson Stillman, Jr. 1st Genesee—John A. Langworthy, J. Y. Scott, J. Maxson. Friendship—E. Lanphear, Dr. B. B. Babcock. Clarence—L. Pratt, S. Hunt, J. Barrett. Huxfield—A. A. F. Randolph, B. Stelle. Perrisa—O. C. Babcock, D. C. Burdick. 2d Alfred—C. D. Langworthy, S. R. Smith. Hebron—R. Babcock, E. S. Main. Independence—S. S. Griswold, A. C. Burdick. Scio—C. Rowley. 2d Genesee—S. B. Main. 3d Genesee—E. Crandall, H. P. Green. Ulysses—R. Babcock, N. Hallett. Pendleton—Leman Andrus.

Address to the Committee.

DEAR BRETHREN.—You, with myself, are appointed a committee to execute an important trust. For a number of years past, our missionary concerns have been in a most deplorable condition. Among the causes that have contributed to this, probably none has been more potent than want of system. It is with this, as with all other matters, where we have not order we most certainly have confusion, and with this "every evil work." Now it is believed, that if this committee will interest themselves in the matter, and feel deeply the importance of the subject, they may, by the blessing of God, so arrange and systematize it that at least in this respect the evil may be cured.

Address to the Members of the several Churches.

BELOVED BRETHREN.—You are again called upon, in behalf of that cause which to you is dearer than all others—the cause of God. Brethren, do you love the blessed Jesus? I know you do. Do you love his religion—that religion by which you are saved? To this question you return the emphatic, Yes! Once more, do you love the souls of your fellow men? To this you also respond in the affirmative. In view of this, I inquire, Has God ordained any other method for the salvation of their souls than that which has operated to the salvation of your own, namely, the preaching of the gospel? If not, then we ask you, in all earnestness, Will you not throw aside all and every excuse, and respond to this call, and aid in sending the gospel to the destitute? A number of ministers in the Association have responded to the call made by their brethren at the Association in June last, and have entered the field, expecting to live upon your liberality. They set no price upon their labor. They expect to receive for their temporal reward only the contributions you see fit to remit. And now we leave the matter with you, to answer to God and your own consciences.

CHANGE OF OPINION.—The Alliance and Visitor says that Dr. Arnoldi, the Archbishop of Treves, so famous for his part in the "holy-coat" affair, has addressed a circular to all the ecclesiastics of his diocese, recommending them in the most pressing terms, to employ all their influence to discourage the faithful from all further pilgrimage to Treves, and stating that such demonstrations, far from being acts of piety, were rather prompted by vanity, savoring of superstition. The use which Ronge has made of the holy coat, has taught the archbishop a profitable lesson. A few more such coats will go far towards making this infallible church of Rome change its coat.

THE NESTORIANS.—The Missionary Herald for the present month speaks thus of the work of the Lord among these people: "Seldom is it the privilege of the Christian to dwell upon occurrences of such present interest and such prospective importance. In the midst of the universal dearth of revivals at home, in our own country, some of the missions have enjoyed seasons of refreshing, for which they are to be sufficiently grateful. To say nothing of other fields, the work of grace among the Nestorians stands before the world as having in some respects no parallel in the history of modern missions."

THE CHOCTAW INDIANS.—At a recent missionary meeting in Boston, Dr. Anderson, Secretary of the American Board, stated that 218 members had been admitted to the Choctaw churches as a result of the revivals of the past year. And it was worthy of note, as an example to their neighbors, that their national councils and courts were daily opened with prayer by members; thus, in the most open and becoming manner, recognizing the supreme Ruler and Judge. This people, moreover, were now contributing more, in proportion to their numbers, for common schools, than any one of the United States!

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.—This body has been principally occupied thus far in preparing for business. The different parts of the Governor's Message have been referred to the appropriate committees. Several portions of the New Constitution have been referred to select committees. The anti-rent petitions on file were referred to a select committee. A bill has been passed to provide for the register of births, marriages, and deaths. Petitions have been received to subject New York City to the License Law. We shall keep an eye open to the proceedings of the Legislature, and inform our readers of whatever is particularly noteworthy.

IMPORTANT DECISION.—We learn from the Columbus papers that the Supreme Court of Ohio, among other decisions, have decided adverse to the City of Cincinnati in what has been called the Jew case. The Court declare "the ordinance of the Cincinnati Council, prohibiting trading, bartering and selling on Sunday, void as to those who conscientiously observe the seventh day of the week as the Sabbath."

THE NEW POPE AND THE JEWS.—"Der Jude" states that Baron Rothschild had an audience of three-quarters of an hour's duration with the new Pope, who gave him the assurance that he would take his Jewish subjects under his special protection.

FOREIGN NEWS.—By the arrival at New York of the packet-ship Rochester, two days later intelligence from England has been received. The news is not important, but such as it is, favorable to this country. There had been a slight rise in wheat, while other grains remained firm.

NEW AGENT.—Bro. Thomas E. Babcock having removed to Richburg, Allegany Co. N. Y., is requested to act as agent for the Recorder in that vicinity.

MISSIONARIES ON THEIR WAY.—The Christian Secretary publishes a letter from Rev. E. N. Jenks, one of the missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union, who sailed for China in the ship Cohota, with Rev. Mr. Dean, and others. The letter is dated in the Indian Ocean, Sept. 8, lat. 28, lon. 101, after they had been seventy-seven days at sea. The Hon. A. H. Everett, U. S. Minister to China, is among the passengers. They have all enjoyed good health, with the exception of the usual amount of seasickness. Of the manner of passing away their time at sea, Mr. J. says:—

"Our social evenings afford us much enjoyment. Mr. Everett is a valuable acquisition to our little party; his literary attainments and his general knowledge of the world and its different languages, customs and political institutions, all making his conversation very entertaining and instructive. At our request he commonly delivers a literary address of some kind every week, generally on Wednesday evening. His first address was on the 4th of July, on the early history, and the political institutions of our country. He has since addressed us twice on the French Revolution, on the Bible, its Philosophy, Poetry, and History, on English and American Literature, &c. &c. Besides these addresses, we have stated meetings each week, for conversation on some important moral question. Our time has been otherwise employed chiefly in the study of the Chinese language. We have learned the 214 Radicals, which may be called the alphabet of the language, though in a very different sense from the English alphabet, and some seven or eight hundred words besides, together with a few common phrases. We have studied it enough to see how hard it is, but are not dismayed; on the contrary, we are inclined to think its difficulties may have been overrated."

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Miscellaneous.

FLOWERS.

Ye are the Scriptures of the earth. Sweet flowers, and fair fruit; A seraph speaks in every bud...

THE ELECTRICAL EEL.

This species is common in South America. It is from three to five feet in length, and ten or twelve inches in circumference in the broadest part of the body...

"We had little doubt that the fishing would terminate by killing successively all the animals engaged; but by degrees the wearied Gymnoti disappeared..."

RUSSIAN CUSTOMS.

In this desolate region I saw old men with grey hair and ruddy faces, who had lived through sixty dark winters...

"Even love in this country seems to have sought some frost from the climate." We continued on as far as Ustug-Welliki...

AGE OF TREES.

A person who has been engaged for a long series of years in prosecuting the lumber business, on the upper tributaries of the Penobscot...

In America, upwards of one hundred and forty different trees reach the altitude of thirty feet and upwards; in Europe, only thirty-seven grow to this height...

GENIUS AND COLD WATER.

Men of genius are always unfortunately addicted to drinking. Nature, as she has gifted them with greater powers than their fellows...

To relieve these feelings, many plans have been adopted. Dr. Johnson fled for years to wine under his habitual gloom...

AN ENTHUSIAST.

We read in a Belgian journal—The sale of the gallery of paintings of M. Van N. of Brussels, who died in the course of the last month...

GIVING UP SELLING LIQUOR.

Dr. Nott says, in the Enquirer, that during the cholera in New York, a man who had been a grocer, came into the office of a gentleman...

way to Hell from my store was very short—that I could, from behind the counter where I stood, look quite into it...

THE FIRST TEA DRINKING.—A Carlisle (England) Journal says—The following well-authenticated account of the first pound of tea which reached the primitive neighborhood of Cothertown...

A DREADFUL SCENE.—The Natchez Courier, in giving an account of the sufferings of the wounded by the collision of the steamers Maria and Sultana, says—"One man would pray to the doctor to cut his throat, another that he might be pierced to the heart and relieved of his excruciating pain..."

NEXT YEAR.—The Portsmouth Journal says that the observer of signs may look upon 1847 with a fearful face. The year begins with Friday—that very unlucky day...

BATTLE OF THE BEES.—On Thursday afternoon, the 18th, a farmer in the neighborhood of Twyn Barlin Mountain, was watching his flocks, when suddenly his attention was attracted by a buzzing noise...

WALNUTS.—It has been ascertained that the shag-bark walnut may be sufficiently engrafted, and that the engrafted trees are much the surest bearers. It is probable that the hickory, or shag-bark, would do well engrafted on the pig-nut...

LIME.—It is stated in the American Agriculturist, that one farmer saved his crop of clover from destruction by the slug or small snail, on land bearing a wheat crop...

TO CURE HAMS.—The Burlington Gazette publishes the famous Newbold receipt for curing hams. The old gentleman was very choice of his secret, and preserved it until the day of his death...

TO IMPROVE PEARS.—During the winter, lay bare the roots of the tree, by digging for a space of two or three feet, each way from the tree; fill the hole half full of blacksmith's cinders or old iron...

VARIETY.

Dr. Macgowan says: "A painful circumstance occurred not long since, which in some parts of China, would have been attended with serious consequences. The whole of my arsenic—between two and three pounds—was surreptitiously obtained by one of my neighbors..."

The Methodist Church at Guilford, Accomac Co., Va., was surrounded by a mob some weeks since while the congregation were engaged in religious services on Sunday. The preacher, Rev. James Haggis, had proceeded a while in the discussion of his subject...

The editor of the New Orleans Picayune has had his eyesight gratified with a string of snake rattles, which must have belonged to a snake of the Gyastacutus species—such were fifty-two rattles on the string, showing, according to the generally conceived opinion, that the animal must have numbered that many years...

There is quite an extensive and powerful sentiment awakened against the continuance of slavery in Delaware. A Wilmington paper says that petitions are in circulation recommending the Legislature to abolish Slavery on fair and equitable terms...

A company of about thirteen, chiefly Burlington county Friends and farmers, have bought 2,000 acres of land in Fairfax county, Virginia, for about \$25,000, or \$12 1/2 an acre. They intend to colonize and farm it, Jersey fashion...

The whole stock of the New York and New Haven Railroad (\$2,500,000) has been subscribed without condition, and the contractors and engineers are busily engaged on the line, preparatory to letting the sub-contracts...

Lord Palmerston, on a recent occasion, speaking of the progress of the magnetic telegraph, remarked in illustration, that the time might come when the Premier might be questioned in Parliament on some point of Indian policy...

The Boston Journal gives the following transcript from the laws of Massachusetts Colony in 1651:—"Whoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas and the like, either by forbearing labor, feasting, or any other way, upon such an account, as aforesaid, every such person offending, shall pay for such offence five shillings, as a fine, to the Colony..."

The Rochester Democrat states that there are but eleven criminals confined in the Monroe Co. Jail—not one female. The usual number at this season is 40 or 50. This is the first time the female cells have been empty for a number of years.

Learning is only obtained by labor; it cannot be bought with money; otherwise the rich would uniformly be intelligent. Learning regards all men as equal, and bestows her treasures on those only who work for them.

A vein of silver ore has been discovered in Dubois county, Indiana, and a company has been formed, who are now erecting a furnace for the purpose of working the mine.

It is said that tea affords a flavor much richer when steeped in rain water, than in spring or well water, for the reason that ordinary well or spring water is generally impregnated with lime.

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