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after the leader in public prayer... shall be the light and the joy of those who dwell by his throne.

LORD BEANSFIELD ON THE JEWS. FREQUENT REFERENCE has been made in speeches and articles to Earl Beaconsfield's extravagant ideas...

PULPIT POWER. The programme of public worship in the churches generally embraces four things: prayer, reading of the Scriptures, singing and the sermon.

"BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH!" It had been a busy day in the streets of Jerusalem; for after two days came the feast of the Passover.

HOW ONE DRUNKARD WAS MADE BY GRACE BENEDICT. It was done in the usual way, with this difference, (to me, at least), I saw it done.

RUSSIA AND RELIGIOUS LIBERTY IN BULGARIA. Will Russia respect religious liberty and Protestantism in Bulgaria?

THE MISSION INTEREST IN POLI-TIC. Ex-Governor B. Graz Brown, of Missouri, made a forcible speech recently in favor of the total prohibition of the drink-traffic.

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which acted on them, was that there were good tidings for all the world except Israel, and that Israel, for the commission of a great crime...

For thick fall and evening shadows, Then follows the deep, dark night! The bridegroom is at the marriage!

Have you heard the tale of the Aloe plant, That grows in the sunny clime? By humble growth of a hundred years,

Have you heard the tale of the Pelican, That lives in the African solitudes, Where the birds that live, lonely are?

Have you heard the tale of the swan, The snow-white bird of the lake? It is a lovely creature, and very rare,

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CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

By A. L. LEWIS. Many very pertinent and valuable ideas concerning the question of denominational and ministerial education have appeared from time to time in the annual reports of the Education Society...

"Any denomination which does not educate its own ministry can not be a denomination in fullness and completeness. The destructive power of such a failure increases in proportion as that denomination is small and unpopular, until with it becomes, as we apprehend, a question of life or death."

Thus has my prophecy been in part fulfilled, for Dr. Boardman's volume is destined to live for many scores of years, and whoever reads it will be sure to see the name of our worthy, suffering brother Walden.

By the way, "Descon Miller" has withdrawn entirely from that crab-like paper, the Progress, having lost some money by the operation. It is to be presumed that he had never read of Isaac and his attempt to fly, or the desecration which had been tried to edit and publish a newspaper in the interest of a narrow and irrational policy on the ground of piety.

PARSED. "Ye shall seek me, and shall not find me; and where I am, thither ye can not come." John 7: 34. Dear Christian, did you ever think what a sad fate it is to be separated from Christ? Imagine yourself to be one of those poor, rejected men whom our Savior called to be his companions, while he was a wandering exile upon earth. You have heard that sweet speak in accents irresistibly sweet, saying, "Come and follow me." You have left your net upon the shore, and with holy joy, embraced the form of him who bade you love and cling to him through the burning desert, or the jagged mountain, or the raging billows, you kept by his side, each moment binding you closer to this God who said, "Did you thirst in the desert? He quenched your desire with cooling waters. Did your feet get weary and bruised and bleeding? He bathed and healed those wounds with magic touch. Did you tremble with terror when the black waters rolled their huge billows around you? Ah, how quickly then did he arise and calm your fears with the tempest, and bid peace prevail. Now when your very life is bound up in his, when the grand destiny which is as clearly known to him as it is hidden from you, approaches its most awful climax, and the dark treachery of human agency looms up before him like the storm cloud to the mariner in mid-ocean, he gently breaks the truth to you, telling you that he is going away. "Here," he says, "you will look for me in these humble rooms, in these beautiful fields, in these sacred synagogues where I have taught and you have listened, but you will not find me; for I shall be far beyond the shores of time, and where I am, thither you can not come."

Long you wept, but a gladness filled your heart when you remembered the promised Comforter, and the agony of the final hour was mitigated. As he declared, so you dutifully obeyed, and your Lord, your heavenly Prince, was received up out of your sight. A little while, a few days of earnest entreaty and prayer, and as a flood of sunlight into the darkened chamber, so was the sweet gift of the Spirit poured over your soul.

Dear heart, it remains your own blessed, invaluable possession to-day, and while you seek Christ, and long for him to come to you in visible form, oh, cherish his own spirit of love which he hath given you. Watch it, pray for it as you did it give. This a little spark; feed the blessed flame that it may develop into a fiery chariot and translate your enraptured soul to regions of ecstatic bliss. Let your heart have the promise, "Behold I come quickly; hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take the crown."

THE BIBLE SCHOLAR.—No. 1 of Vol. I will be sent out this week to all the subscribers to Vol. 1, to those who wish it continued with these forward their orders, with a remittance for the whole or a part of the volume. The paper will be found enlarged, and we trust improved with age, as experience is a valuable school-master, and no pains will be spared to make it both interesting and instructive. The price will remain, as heretofore, 25 cents per copy, payable in advance. It is hoped that those interested in the well-being of youth will give the matter prompt attention. If we would keep the children from improper reading, we must furnish them with that which is pure, and he who fails to do so must take the share of the responsibility for the evils of corrupting literature.

DRONES CONFERRED.—In the report of the Commencement exercises of Alfred University, which was copied into the Recorder, the name of Mrs. Ruth Hemphill Whitford, of Milton, Wis., should have appeared as one on whom the degree of Mistress of Arts was conferred. Our attention was called to the omission by Prof. Allen, who very much regretted that it should have occurred.

A TEMPERANCE CAMP MEETING is to be held at Round Lake, N. Y., under the direction of the National Christian Temperance Union, to commence August 6th, and continue eight days. It is intended to have a gathering of all the workers in the "Murphy movement," in this country. Representatives of the organization will be in attendance from every State in the Union, in which the work has been inaugurated.

ed. An earnest invitation is extended to all gospel temperance workers, to be present and join in the exercises.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

July 19th, 1878. We referred last to the business investigation of charges against our Columbia Hospital, and the final report of the Board of Inquiry confirms our statement. The discharged nurse, who caused the investigation, had absolutely no case, for her own witnesses failed to support any of her allegations, so the Board dismissed the matter as unworthy of further consideration. We expect another investigation next Winter of the Insane Asylum, because one of its inmates charges he is improperly held and treated. One of our daily papers publishes the letter which he writes, and we doubt not some Congressmen whose brains are quite as lacking in equilibrium as the lunatics, will introduce and press upon the House a resolution of inquiry into the care and treatment of the asylum patients. The name of this lunatic is Conway. He brought himself into great notoriety here a few years since, by attempting to shoot Senator Pomeroy, of Kansas, for alleged improper advances to his, Conway's wife. No attempt was made to punish him therefor, and for a long time afterwards he was permitted to wander through our streets, as his undoubted insanity took the harmless form of decorating his clothes and hat with colored rags and ribbons, which he alleged were insignia pertaining to the high rank he held among the aristocrats of the world. That he remains "as mad as a March hare," no one doubts who sees him at the asylum, clinging lovingly to his decorations, yet he is sane enough to match with some Members of Congress, hence our belief that an investigation will be demanded next Winter. The asylum passed through a rigid and searching one last year, which developed only the fact that an honest Superintendent could, at times, overlook certain details entrusted, necessarily, to attendants, and as he resigned, it is not surprising that he is about time to "go for" his successor. Under an act of Congress there is a post-office box provided at this asylum in which patients can deposit letters without interference from any of the officials, hence, any friend can be informed of abuses, should any exist, and sanity enough be found to do the needful writing involved.

It must be gratifying to the whole people of the United States to know that Washington not only has the largest medical library in the world, but that it is being put to one of the very best uses that such a collection of valuable books can be employed. Under the immediate supervision of the Surgeon General, a book of reference is being compiled which is to be, every intelligent physician in the land, what the American Cyclopaedia is to the student of general knowledge. Literature has not yet had an acquisition of this kind, and its addition growing out of the Federal City as the work of one of its public officers, will be a matter of no little interest to the citizen who prides himself on his nationality. When it is remembered this book will enable the physician, in the shortest possible time, to inform himself on any case he may have on hand, by all that has ever been written on the subject, its value to the health of the world can scarcely be overestimated. It is intended that every library in the country shall be furnished with one at the cost of production, the copy consisting of six volumes, each about as large as Webster's Dictionary.

The Commissioner of Agriculture, Gen. LeDuc, is determined his incumbency shall not be profitless to the country. The subject of fig culture has now his earnest and thorough investigation, which has prepared him to announce with the utmost confidence, that this fruit can be successfully and most profitably cultivated in the temperate and warm climate of America. He strongly recommends the subject to agriculturists throughout the country, and suggests the varieties as the best to be experimented upon. In collecting his information, he has availed himself of the services of our foreign ministers stationed in fig-growing countries. It is quite possible that curing figs may soon become as much an American industry as making raisins, and sorghum syrup, and sugar.

Congress authorized the Public Printer to publish a third edition of the Polar Expedition, and to furnish a copy at cost to any person wanting it. It is a large, well-bound book, beautifully illustrated, and of finest topography. Its cost is \$1 75, which sum will cover postage, hence, any person desiring a copy can secure it by remitting this amount here to Hon. Jno. D. Defrees.

A SEVERE STORM visited the eastern part of the State on Sunday, July 21st, doing considerable damage in various places, but was most disastrous at North Albany, where two storms, moving in nearly opposite directions, met. In an instant the air was filled with dense clouds of dust, branches of trees, flying timbers, roofs of buildings and various other debris, to such an extent that the people were unable to see more than a few feet. These were split by struck by lightning and twisted in every conceivable shape, and some having a diameter of two to three feet were lifted out of the ground by the roots. Heavy tin and shingle roofs were carried bodily

through the air. Sixteen buildings, including a large brick rearing house of the People's Gas Light Company, and Watervliet, horse railroad barns, were destroyed, the storm thence passed to the lumber district, where very heavy damage was inflicted. No loss of life. The Horse Railroad Company had fifty horses killed and twenty injured. It is believed the losses amount to \$100,000. The loss to the Gas Light Company is very heavy, and the railroad company, as well as several lumber dealers, suffer severely, but the saddest feature of the calamity is the loss to the poor people of North Albany, in the destruction of their houses and personal property, upon which there is no insurance.

ROME NEWS.

July 16th, 1878. As this department of the Recorder is sought for with interest, and items must be furnished to keep up that interest, I will give you a few jottings from this place. The first item is the very common remark, "O, how hot!" It has been remarkably hot for some two weeks. Last Saturday, July 12th, the thermometer stood at 102° in the shade most of the day, and in the coolest place that could be found in the open air. On that day a German, recently arrived from his native home, was struck in the harvest field near here, and died before medical aid arrived. It still continues hot, and it is an ill wind which does not benefit some one. The rapid growth of corn in this great corn-growing State is remarkable. Although kept back by cold rains in May, it is now eight feet high, and tasselled and silked in the garden of the parsonage. Crops generally are very promising.

The temperance move has effected a great good in this community. As men have stopped drinking, saloon keepers have been obliged to close up their unwholesome business and engage in other pursuits for a living. Religious interests are good. The good brethren and sisters of this church took advantage of the absence of the pastor and his family, while on his recent trip to the Association, to give the parsonage and grounds a general overhauling, building some fifteen rods of new picket fence in front, giving the parsonage a fresh painting outside and in, replacing the old wall-paper with new, and one room with new wall and hard finish, giving the whole a neat and improved appearance, besides showing their interest in such matters, as well as the comfort and enjoyment of the occupants, for which they will please accept our thanks.

H. B. Lewis. North Lomp, Neb. July 12th, 1878. Harvesting has just commenced. Grain is heavy, and of good quality. The acreage is large and it will be ready for the market in next three weeks. Harvesters will probably have to be kept running some nights. I have had to resign the pastorate of the church here, on account of poor health. Eld. M. B. True will preach for the present, as a supply. General good feeling prevails in the church, and the Sabbath meetings are well attended. A healthy interest is also felt in the Sabbath-school work. We are to have a Sabbath-school concert in the evening at the Sabbath next. Among other helps a fine organ will be brought into use for that occasion.

THE EASTERN SETTLEMENT. The treaty which was noticed last week as completing the action of the Berlin Congress, being too lengthy for publication entire, we have selected the following from the Independent as being the most comprehensive summary of it which comes to our notice:

Bulgaria is constituted an autonomous, tributary principality under the suzerainty of the Sultan, with a double column advertisement in our paper this week, giving extraordinary inducements to subscribers to this weekly edition. We are happy to reciprocate the uniform courtesy of the Advertiser by calling the attention of our readers to the advertisement, and informing them that our acquaintance will, we think, warrant us in assuring them that all undertakings will be honestly performed.

THE WEATHER has been the topic of conversation and newspaper paragraphs for some time past, but especially those laboring under the burning rays of the sun, knew as much about the matter as was agreeable, we have not felt called upon to go largely into details on the subject, but are happy to announce an agreeable change to a moderate temperature this (Monday) morning.

THE INDIANS.—The reports from the frontier indicate a more favorable prospect in relation to Indian hostilities. So far as heard from, the troops, with the aid of friendly Indians, have been able to defeat the hostiles, killing a few, and taking some prisoners and considerable stock.

A young Chinese Princess, the wife of the Ambassador of the Empire to London and Paris, attracted great attention as she was drawn in a summer steamer to the exhibition, through the various sections of the Paris Exposition. She is wholly unacquainted with either the French or English languages, and her only interpreter is her husband, the Commissioner-General of China, who explained to her all the curiosities of the Exhibition. The Princess was interested in all she saw, her curiosity partaking of the childlike delight attending the first sight of so many marvels.

to-Hungary, with the exception of the Sandjak and Novi-Bazar. Montenegro is to have new frontiers and its independence recognized. Servia is declared free and independent. The independence of Roumania is to be proclaimed. The independence of the Danubian Provinces is to be proclaimed. Turkey is to be reorganized. Turkey engages to regulate matters in Crete. In case Turkey and Greece fail to agree in establishing a boundary line between the two countries, the saddest feature of the calamity is the loss to the poor people of North Albany, in the destruction of their houses and personal property, upon which there is no insurance.

SUMMARY OF NEWS. Baron von Richthofen, in a communication to an Austrian journal, estimates the coal production of the Chinese Empire at three million tons annually. All the eighteen provinces of the empire, he says, contain coal, and although the extent of the coal fields, and the quality of the coal, vary, yet China may be regarded as one of the first coal countries of the world. The area of its coal fields exceeds the extent of those of North America.

The sum of \$1,700 has been contributed to the relief of the Chinese famine, by the American Baptist Convention. The sum was collected by the American Baptist Convention, and is to be distributed to the Chinese people of North America, by the American Baptist Convention.

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Will hold the Sixty-fourth Annual Session with the Church at Plainfield, N. J., on Fourth-day, Sept. 30th, 1878. SABBATH-SCHOOL BOARD. President—D. E. Maxson, Plainfield, N. J. Corresponding Secretary—Geo. H. Babcock, West Edmeston, N. Y. Treasurer—L. D. Tisworth, West Edmeston, N. Y.

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Will hold its Eighty-third Annual Session with the Church at New Salem, Fifth-day, May 29th, 1879, for which the following appointments have been made: To preach the Introductory Sermon, L. R. Swinney; to deliver an Essay, "What should we do to lead the rising generation in the way they should go?" Preston F. Randolph; on "What is Sabbath desecration?" J. B. Randolph. J. B. Randolph, Moderator.

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