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TIME OF CHRIST'S CRUCIFIXION.

We give the article below, which we have taken from the Church Union, a prominent place in the Recorder. The subject treated on is one concerning which our people have felt considerable interest, and on which much has been written. In the discussion of the Sabbath question it constantly comes to the surface, as those observing the first day offer as an essential item in their statement of reasons for their practice, that Christ was crucified on the sixth day of the week, and arose on the morning of the following first day; a thing so in conflict with his statement, that he would lie in the heart of the earth "three days and three nights," that many of our people have not been able to accept it, nor have they been alone in this difficulty.

On What Day was Jesus Crucified?

An aged minister, J. J. Moss, one of the best biblical students the church ever knew, has written to him the following criticism of the usually accepted answer to the above question. It is usually assumed that he was crucified on Friday and put into the tomb on Friday evening, and rose early on the following morning. To this there are the following objections: 1. Jesus says (Matt. 10: 40), "The Son of Man shall be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." There is no other natural construction put on this language than that Jesus declares, as plainly as language can express it, that he will be in the tomb three periods of time measured from sunset to sunrise, and three previous periods measured from sunrise till sunset. Can any one frame a sentence that will express that idea more clearly? I do not think any one ever put the meaning of this plain declaration of our Saviour down to the popular answer to the question heading this article, without feeling that he was garbling and destroying its only natural meaning. Any other construction than that Jesus was to lie in the tomb three full days and three periods from sunset till sunrise, and three days or three periods from sunrise till sunset, is simply a perversion of one of the plainest statements of the Scriptures.

2. The Sabbath day on, when Joseph of Arimathea took the body of Jesus from the cross, Luke 23: 54, Joseph of Arimathea laid the body of Jesus in the tomb when the evening had come. Matt. 23: 54. The evening had come when Joseph placed the body in the tomb. If this statement is true, the body of Jesus was not in the tomb at all on the Jewish sixth day, for the seventh day began with the evening or sunset. At the most, it could not have been in the tomb for more than an hour. This fragment of an hour (if there was one) is made to stand for an entire day and night.

3. Jesus rose before dawn on the Jewish first day, Matt. 28, Mark 16, Luke 24. Reckoning from sunset, he could not have been in the tomb more than ten hours on the first day. Then we have part of an hour on the sixth day, twenty-four hours on the seventh, and not over ten hours on the first day, making thirty-five hours to represent seventy-two hours, or three days and three nights.

4. Jesus declares (Mark 8: 31) that he will rise after three days. Day means twenty-four hours in this declaration. Jesus declares that he will rise after he has been in the tomb three periods of twenty-four hours, or seventy-two hours. Not that he will rise when he has been in the tomb less than thirty-five hours.

5. It is assumed that the preparation day on which Jesus was crucified was the weekly Sabbath following the Passover. It was not. It was the day after two days came the Passover. The rulers decided not to arrest Jesus before the first day of the Passover, lest there be an uproar. He was not arrested and crucified before the weekly Sabbath following the Passover.

6. According to the popular view, Jesus was arrested in the morning following the Passover, and crucified at nine o'clock the same morning. Let us see what must have transpired between sunset and before dawn? 1. The preparation of the room for a company. Then eating the Passover. Then washing the disciples' feet. Then the long series of discourses of which we have merely an outline in John 13, 14, 15, and 16. Then the prayer in John 17. Then he instituted the Supper. Then they sang a hymn and went out to Gethsemane. Then they ate the Supper. Then followed the series of prayers and exhortations to the disciples to watch. Then came the betrayal. Could all this transpire between sunset and before dawn?

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10. Pilate's wife warns him not to put Jesus to death. 11. The rulers spend some time in instructing the multitude to call for Barabbas instead of Jesus.

A CATHOLIC BISHOP ON SUNDAY DESECRATION.

The Roman Catholic Bishop of Buffalo, Rev. S. J. Ryan, has issued a circular on the proper observance of Sunday. While the Bishop urges a degree of strictness in its observance, he clearly states that the change in the day of observance was made by the church. He says: "Remember that keep holy the Sabbath day" is God's own command, and the Christian church, in transferring its observance to the Sunday, the Lord's day, enforces the obligation of keeping the Sunday holy, and determines for us in what the Christian observance of the day consists. This statement contains three important ideas: 1. That the "Church" transferred the observance of the Sabbath to the "Sunday." 2. That the "church enforces the obligation to keep the Sunday holy." 3. And "determines for us in what the Christian observance of the day consists." Is not all this a good deal for the "church" to do? And yet we confess that it is more honorable to say frankly that the "church" does all this than to say the Lord has done it.

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who teaches most persons their relations to God as sinners, and the plan of salvation through the mediation of Jesus Christ, and brings them, through his instruction, to accept the terms of that salvation, it may be readily concluded that the title is conferred on such aged ministers as Bro. B. met at Hartsville, as an acknowledgment of their ability as teachers, the evidence of which had been previously made manifest in the many rich sheaves gathered, through their instrumentality, into the kingdom. It may be cheap honor for a school to grant such titles for such reasons, or it may be no honor at all, but the honor that shall be attached to such labors when the Lord shall make up his jewels will not be considered too valuable to compensate for a lifetime of toils, struggles, and persecutions even unto death.

If this idea is not the one governing our schools in conferring the title upon aged ministers who have not been blessed with the privileges now placed within the reach of every young person, I am as much in the dark as Bro. B.; but with this, I can see that a school may honor one of the noblest of teachers of humanity, and at the same time honor itself in that expression of appreciation.

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clear she "would never break another Sabbath if she was obliged to leave her home." Great peace now fills her soul, and as Bro. Rogers led her into the beautiful Chemungo for baptism, this week, it seemed as though angels were near to witness the solemn ordinance. The expression of that countenance and her smile, as I reached out my hand to help her from the water's edge, will never be forgotten. While the banks and suspension bridge just below us, and lawns in front of the various dwellings near by, contained interested spectators, a train of cars stopped on the bridge just above, and the engineer and fireman stopped from the engine to witness it.

Brethren, pray for these self-denying Sabbath keepers who have left all to follow the Master; and O, ye who never made a sacrifice for truth worth mentioning, think of these, and ask yourselves if God's Word is as dear to you as to these. How many Seventh-day Baptists brought up without opposition to keep the Sabbath, would under such trying circumstances, remain true to their principles? I hope there are thousands; yes, I believe there are, but when we see some leaving it because of the love of fame and expected riches (which I seldom realized), we can not but fear that there is something lacking in their hearts.

We were greatly cheered and pleased by visits from our aged Sister Williams, of Brookfield, and Algie Whitford, of Leonardville, yesterday, both of whom stayed all night and started for Allegany county this morning. The earnest exhortation of Sister Williams went home to many souls in our tent, and helped on the work of grace in more than one heart, while the presence of Sister Algie, who presided at the organ and assisted in the singing, was a joy for many friends and honors. We hope others from a distance will give us a call before we leave, and give in a testimony for Jesus.

We are having many heavy showers this month, and our tent is not exactly water proof now, but we are glad to say it stands a good chance of being serviceable quite awhile yet. H. D. CLARKE.

"PIPHED HIS TENT TOWARD SODOM." The subject of Abraham and Lot, as introduced in our Sabbath-school lessons of late, introduces two principles that should interest every individual. Abraham is the representative of the God side, the side of religion and morality, while Lot represents the worldly side and the side that leads to destruction.

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Seventh-day Baptist is as well versed in the doctrine of God's Sabbath as Lot was in God's law under the teachings of his uncle Abraham; for we have the written law plainly before us. "Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the

In regard to the details of my work, I found the Greenbrier Church just completing their new house for worship; and if they will only persevere in their work, I believe their church will be greatly benefited. They have only about seventy members, but they are united and working well together.

The Middle Island Church greatly needs a settled pastor to be with them every Sabbath, and lead in Sabbath-schools and prayer meetings, and a great field lies around them which they were ready to occupy and till it. Nor do I think it impossible for a young man to be pastor of both these churches, Greenbrier and Middle Island, and preach to them every week, and unite all together in the good work.

The West Fork Church is active and progressive, and doing a good work for our cause in that community. Though only about a score in number, they have a pastor and are very earnest missionaries. The Ritchie Church has taken hold of the work with new life, the young people leading in the matter, and carrying on vigorously their Sabbath school and conference meeting. They have no minister since Eld. Jagob Davis concluded he could not supply them any longer on account of the long journey, but I would suggest that Eld. L. F. Randolph should be secured to go to their Quarterly Meetings, and often if possible, he would greatly help our cause in Ritchie county. The inherent difference of views between them and the Pine Grove Church may prevent, for some time, their union into one church.

The Salem Church, the mother of all the West Virginia Churches, is composed of many widely scattered settlements, but the past year they have enjoyed the continued labors of Dr. U. M. Babcock. Great a field and build up the cause in all their borders. They are making great sacrifices to support their pastor and can give so much to the cause abroad, and yet they desire to do what they can.

In the Lost Creek Church the past year we have had regular missionary concerts and collections, and the cause has been steadily growing. I do believe my being away so much has increased the interest of our people, and been a blessing spiritually to the Church. What we need in West Virginia is (1st) settled pastors, and then (2d) let them visit all the scattered settlements and isolated Sabbath keepers, and the Missionary Board can do nothing better, than to labor for these two points in this State.

NOTES AND NEWS. To perform the work reported this week, Bro. L. R. Swinney traveled on horseback one hundred and sixty five miles, in a carriage forty-eight, and on the cars one hundred. Let us not forget how much such laborers are doing to strengthen the cause of Sabbath truth. It is now expected that Bro. Swinney will go to Sharpshoofville, Ky., early in October, and spend one month or more, as he needs and prospects of the S. D. Davis is to perform home mission work for three or four months during the coming year, in the more remote and remote Sabbath-keeping neighborhoods of West Virginia, seeking to unite and build them up in our holy faith, to lead men to Christ and obedience, and to enlist the people in a generous and cordial support of our home and foreign missionary operations.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for September is a bright, strong number, rich in illustration, and piquant with several novel features. Especially in magazine literature is an article by K. M. Rowland, on the Family of George III., illustrated with twenty-one portraits—including not only the members of this large family, but also those united with them by marriage. These portraits are fac-similes of old engravings from paintings, and of English artists of the time. The article is full of delightful personal gossip, and is confined to the domestic life of this royal household. A briefer article, entitled "The American Grass," is a very interesting sketch, with beautiful portraits, of the three Misses Caton, of Baltimore, who became, respectively, Lady Stafford, Marchioness of Wellesley, and Duchess of Leoda. The author contributes another Touraine paper. Mrs. Rebecca Harding Davis concludes her "By Paths in the Mountains" with a description of the North Carolina mountains. Mr. Babby also contributes "Fish Men in the Maine Islands," illustrated by Mr. Burns's sketches. Those who have read Longfellow's "Wayside Inn," will read with interest an article entitled "The Red Inn and its inmates," contributed by one who was for many years a guest at the old hotel. Besides these, the number embraces several valuable articles in prose and poetry, and the usual interesting Editor's departments.

TEMPERANCE TESTIMONIAL TO MRS. HAYES.—The temperance people of the country are uniting in a testimonial to Mrs. President Hayes for the noble stand she has taken for total abstinence while hostess of the White House. This testimonial will consist of a life size portrait of Mrs. Hayes, to be painted by one of our best artists, and, when finished, will be placed at the White House. The picture will be engraved, and to every person who contributes five dollars to the testimonial an engraving will be sent. Entertaining business men and women are being induced to subscribe large amounts; but to make this a movement "of the people and for the people," any small sums will be received. It is expected that the subscriptions will reach such proportions that after the cost of the picture is paid, enough will remain to serve as the nucleus of a much needed fund, to be named in honor of Mrs. Hayes, the interest of which will be used in circulating temperance literature. This fund will be controlled by the Hayes' Fund Commission. All moneys should be sent by check or postal note to Mrs. Esther Pugh, 64 Bible House, New York City.

A FEARFUL WARNING.—A Lowell (Mass.) dispatch of Aug. 29th says: "Last evening five young men, residing in this city, who had been attending the Caledonian picnic at Andover, took a train for this city. Either for lack of money or for sport they clambered to the top of the passenger car. When the train reached Newburyport, the conductor from this city, all five were swept off the car. At the time it was only known that one had met death in this manner. He was thrown overboard between the cars on the platform, and a native and a foreigner. He lived about twenty minutes. Some time later the trackmen found the other lying in the ditches, three on one side of the track and one on the other. A freight train was sent from here and brought them in about midnight. There is a space of twenty-two inches between the cars and the bridge. Therefore it is conjectured that the men were in the train, and probably all but the one found by the conductor died almost instantly, as their wounds on the head and back were terrible."

THE END OF A MURDER TRIAL.—The trial of Arnold for the murder of Little, at Nicholasville, Ky., closed Aug. 28th, with a verdict of not guilty. The killing occurred on the 19th of December, where both men were respected citizens. On the morning named, Arnold went to his office, and a native and a foreigner. He lived about twenty minutes. Some time later the trackmen found the other lying in the ditches, three on one side of the track and one on the other. A freight train was sent from here and brought them in about midnight. There is a space of twenty-two inches between the cars and the bridge. Therefore it is conjectured that the men were in the train, and probably all but the one found by the conductor died almost instantly, as their wounds on the head and back were terrible."

CHASING THE REDS.—Col. Miles reports, under date of Fort Keogh, Aug. 24th: "Three Cheyenne-Sioux have come in, and report that eight days ago they, with Sergeant Dewlin, of the Seventh Cavalry, and eight soldiers, followed a war party of the Sioux and Arapahoes, to the forks of the Box Elder, killing two and wounding one, and recapturing seven head of stock. Five days ago a detachment of the Sioux and Cheyenne struck a war party about the mouth of the Yellowstone, and recaptured eleven head of stock. Many of the war parties come to go through the Yantonia Camp. Capt. Bell reports, under date of Camp Hovey, 20th inst. that a party of Lieutenants Greahart's parties, under Sergeant Davint, of Company F, Seventh Cavalry, overtook a party of hostiles, killed one, wounded several and captured six ponies and a horse. The warriors were sent with a small detachment the country south of Lake station and between Little Missouri and Powder Rivers."

WELL MERITED HONOR.—Under the above head, the Western Carolinian publishes the following: "The degree of D. D. was recently conferred upon Rev. R. L. Abernethy, President of Rutherford College, by Alfred University, (Seventh-day) Baptist institution. The honor was wholly unexpected, and a testimonial of well-merited compliment to one who has devoted his life to the cause of education and morality. But there are still higher honors which Prof. Abernethy will cherish. He is a well-merited recipient of the honor conferred by the University of North Carolina's trustees, and is well known in the estimation of those who know President Abernethy well."

Committees of the Lehigh and Schuylkill Exchanges have agreed to advance the price of coal for September. The Lehigh companies have fixed the rates twenty cents per ton on all grades, and the Schuylkill interests will advance twenty-five cents on all grades except lump, steamboat and peas, which are unchanged. The colliers will be continuously working off September.

The production of cotton seed oil is a trade which is yet in its infancy, but dealers regard it as a fast rising industry. This oil is considered a very superior oil for cooking purposes, and in the majority of cases is sold for the "genuine olive." The total yield for the current year is estimated at 200,000 barrels, though not more than ten per cent. of the seed is used for oil.

REPUBLICANS AT CONVENTION.—The Republicans of this district, at convention held at Corning, Aug. 28th, unanimously nominated Hon. D. P. Richardson, of Angelica, the present Representative, for reelection as Member of Congress. His own name was presented in the convention.

THE CHICAGO CONFIDENTIAL BULLETIN'S reports from two hundred and fifty counties in the North west, indicate that the corn crop will certainly be a large average, and will be a profitable one for the farmer. This is true of Iowa.

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF RAILWAY MAILS will open negotiations in a few days with the railroad presidents regarding the proposed fast mail route from New York to Savannah and New Orleans. There are ten roads to deal with.

ROLAND RUCKER, who was to have been hanged at Palestine, Texas, Aug. 27th, for a double murder, was cut off by a lightning bolt, a job by cutting the arteries of his wrist with a penknife and bleeding to death.

Two men rode up on harnessed horses to a circus ticket wagon at Leadville, hitched the beasts to it, and dashed off with the vehicle, in front of the treasurer and a policeman. The showmen gave quick chase, and regained the treasure, but the robbers escaped.

The Italian Parliament has ordered a monument to Victor Emanuel, at a cost of \$1,300,000. Chief Orury is reported dangerously ill, and the treaty with the United States not signed.

SIX STATES COMBATED TWO THOUSAND EMIGRANTS TO CASTLE GARDEN Aug. 25th. A fire at St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 23d, destroyed property valued at \$840,000. Sanford R. Gifford, the well-known landscape painter, is dead.

"OULD NO'D DO WITHOUT IT" YOUNGVILLE, Pa., May 14th, 1878. Dr. M. F. FERRIS, Fredonia, N. Y. Dear Sir,—I had liver complaint and a number of my limbs and general debility. I tried various remedies, but they did not do me any good. I was told that your medicine would do me good, and I bought a bottle. I took it as directed, and in a few days I felt better. I continued to take it, and in a few more days I was completely cured. I feel now as if I had never been sick. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, Wm. W. A. Mearns.

DR. FERRIS'S BLOOD PURIFIER AND LIVER TONIC may well be called "the conquering hero" of the time. Whoever has "the blues," should take it, for it regulates and restores the disordered system that gives rise to them. It always cures Biliousness and Liver Complaint, Jaundice, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Headache, Fever and Ague, Spiles Eruptions, Scalding Head, Ringworm, Itch, and all Skin Eruptions and Blood Disorders, Swelled Limbs and Dropsy, Nervous Debility, Impaired Nerves and Nerve Pain, restores flesh and strength when the system is run down or going into decay. It is a safe and reliable medicine for Rheumatism, Gout, Gravel, and all other Disorders of the Urinary System, and for all other Disorders of the Blood. It is a safe and reliable medicine for all other Disorders of the Blood.

THE DEATH OF CHIEF ORURY was announced at Washington, Aug. 28th. It is thought by the officers of the Department of the Interior that his death will not seriously interfere with the work of the Ute Commission.

THE ENGAGEMENT OF JESSE, young son of Gen. Grant, to Lizzie, daughter of W. B. Chapman, of Los Angeles, California, is announced. They will be married at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco next month.

A Geneva dispatch announces that Bishop Herzog has left Switzerland for the United States, with the object of visiting the churches of the federation of all the Christian churches in the universe.

A WATERPOUR burst along the line of the Cleveland, Mt. Vernon & Columbus Railroad Aug. 26th, and cut off the traffic for several days. It was caused by the bursting of a pipe in some place, and delaying the trains.

FOUR HUNDRED LABORERS on a guinea of the Lachine canal, in Canada, have struck for an advance of wages from one dollar and ten cents to one dollar and twenty-five cents per day.

SEVENTY-FIVE HANDS were thrown out of employment, and \$100,000 of property destroyed by the burning of Castle & Mayo's paper mill at Sotho Lawrence, Mass., Aug. 26th.

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INTERNATIONAL LESSONS, 1880.

THIRD QUARTER. July 3. The Creation; Or, God's Work. Gen. 1:1-31.

LESSION XI.—THE TRIAL OF ABRAHAM.

By REV. M. W. WARDNER.

GENERAL TRUTH.—The absolute safety of implicit trust in God.

DAILY READINGS. Trial of faith: 1. Of Job. Job 1:2-2:10.

GOLDEN TEXT.—How I know that thou fearest God.—Gen. 22:12.

OUTLINE.

QUESTIONS AND HELPS.

NOTES.

I. Faith tried. v. 1-10. After these things, Abraham was tried. He was tried in his faith.

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Dr. Dawson, President of McGill College, Montreal, has recently written a book called "Fossil Men."

A Better Organization.

There are some things in connection with the organization of some of our Sabbath-schools which we think should be remedied.

SEARED NOT HIS OWN SON.

But delivered him up for us all (Rom. 8: 32); and God's demands that we should "present our bodies as a living sacrifice,"

NOT WITHHELD.

so must we prove our faith by illustrating nothing from God.

THE LORD WILL PROVIDE.

Are We Doing our Best?

By the statistics presented to Conference last year, it is shown that there was but one conversion for every thirty-eight scholars in the Sabbath-schools reporting.

Teacher, have you one in your class who is not an earnest, active Christian? It is your glorious privilege to lead such to the foot of the cross.

Superintendent, are you doing your best to lead your school in the way of life? Do you make it your object in your lesson preparation and presentation, in your selection of teachers, in your intercourse with your school, in your prayers, your example, your unremitting care to bring your school to a union with Christ? Paul's words were written for you: "Seek that ye may excel in the edifying [building up] of the church."

Pastor, what are you doing more than you can do for God to do today that, probably, any other religious organization outside the church. We would that every Sabbath-school worker in our denomination could attend its sessions, and imbibe some of its enthusiasm.

Dear Christian brother and sister, are you doing all you can? Are you and your family all earnest students of the Word in the Sabbath-school? Can you not bring others in? Can you not, by a word of encouragement or entreaty, do just the one thing necessary to turn some soul in the right path? Can you not form a class of those who do not attend the Sabbath-school, and now attend it yourself, and so claim some of the joy which is promised to those who lead sinners to Christ?

May God give us all a greater zeal, and lead us in the way, that future years may bring a better report of the fruits of our doings.

Miscellaneous.

BRIGADES OF THE AIR. The great goshawk—a bird in a coat of blackish-brown, covered with blotches of black and reddish white, is a terrible enemy to wild rabbits, hares, and squirrels, and to all the small feathered inhabitants of field and forest.

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