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| "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gespel to every creature." |
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| little things. |
| Writen for a "Mite-box Opening." and inseribed |

$\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \left.\begin{array}{l}\text { our efforts to accomplish the ends sought- } \\ \text { more interest, prayer, and giving } \\ \text { Seventh-day Baptist Missionary Society.-1885. }\end{array} \right\rvert\,\end{aligned}\right.$ To the
greations

## We invite your attention to the following













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OURQNEEDS.
The following statements, suggestions, and blanks, have been sent out to our
charches, generally through the prstors. charches, generally through the ps.stors.
We trust that those receiving the circulars and cards and those reading them here, will and cards and those reading them here, will
co-operate with us heartily and promptly in

## state


#### Abstract

To carry on our work through the year, now planned, will require about $\$ 10,000$ CHINA. We Cannot tell exactly how much as now planned, will require about $\$ 10,000$. CHINA.-Wecannot tell exactly how much this Mission will cost, as we do not know how many scholars there will be in the Boarding School; but we ought to have at least $\$ 2,700$ for the three departments of least $\$ 2$, , 00 for the three departments of this work-General, Medical, and Educa- HoLland.-A new mission station has been established at Groningen; and this field been established at Groningen; and this field calls for $\$ 520$ from this Society. UNITED STATES.-The amounts required for our work in this country are substan- tially as follows: For the South-Eatern As- sociation, $\$ 175$ E Eastern, $\$ 250$ C Central sociation, $\$ 175 ;$ Eastern, $\$ 250 ;$ Central $\$ 900 ;$ Western, $\$ 700 ;$ for the North and and Southwest, $\$ 3,375 ;$ for salary and ex penses of Corresponding Secretary $\$ 1,100$ for miscellaneous expenses, $\$ 280$. Abou


 $\$ 2,500$ could oe wisely used in enlargements.sugamstions.

1. Monthly meetings for prayer and con-
ference and other exercises, in the interests ference and other exercises, in the interests
of our denominational work.
2. Weekly or monthly collections for Mis-
sions; and we suggest the eame for the Tract
Society. Whose work- has also greatly enSociety, whose work- has also greatly en-
larged. larged.
3. One dollar a year from every one for
each Society, and above that according to
ability. ability.
4. Qu 4. Quarterly remittances to the Treasurer,
on the first of Decembe;, March, June, and
September. September.
5. Pastors can do much for our cause by
discourse, frequent remarks, and by personal
and active interest in and active interest in the raising of fusds.
6. Interest in denominational enterprises
and grows no faster than information; and this is
found chiefly in Annual Reports and in the
SABBATH RECORDER, while much ought to be given from our pulpits.
\%. General, hearty, and continued co
operation, are absolutely essential to success, operation, are absolutely essential to success,
as the Lord is calling us to still greater en-
largement. largement. Beq'
7. Bequessis And Leascies.-One of the
best ways of honoring the Lord with our
property, is to make it the means of build best ways of honoring the Lord with our
property, is to make it the means of build
ing up his kingdom, through the preaching
of the gospel.


If the legacy in not money, but real estate or some
other form of property, insert a short description of
the same. from any one who does not understand o
approve our ways and means.
Yours fraternally, Yours fraternally,
A. E. Main, Cor. Sec.
Asmawar, R. I., Jan. 1885.
Stanghai Medical Mission,-1885.

Shanghai Medical Mission,-1885.
maintain this department of our Chin To maintain this department of our China
Mission, as now organized, will equire about
\$800 a year; and we ask the women of our
churches and congregations, as organize in churches and congregations, as organized in-
to societies or othervise, in gratitude for
What a Christian civilization has done for
them, What a Christian civilization has done for
them, to furnish 0 ten dollar shares. Please
fill out the blank below, and return one card
to A. E. MAIN, Corresponding Secretary,
Ashaway, R. I.
 Betrothals are often made in China with-
out the knowledge of those most concerned,
and the and the bride brought to her husbrnd's home
without having ever feen him. Suicide is not uncommon among brides, nor among
older women; and infant daughters are often
destroyed at birth by mother, father, or
grandmother. There is no such thing as grandmother. There is no such thing as
medical education. The inanguration and
prosecution of well prosecution of well organized work by woman
for woman, not only in our owi land but in
the benighted lands of heathendom, has been reserved for the nineteenth century. Among
its grand achievements must be ranked the
noble efforts of women to educate elevate noble eftorts of women to educate, elevate
and librrate their ignorant, degraded and
enslaved sisters. And the woman medical
missionary will reliene an missionary will relieve an amount of human
suffering that lies beyond the reach of any
medical man


A Chinese boy was sold for $\$ 90$, and
younger sister for $\$ 10$, that a debt might be
paid. One hundred and sixty Chinese
women confessed having destroyed 58 of their women confessed having destroyed 58 of their
daughters, one woman owning to 11 infantides. "I write unto you, little children, because Holland Mission.-1885. This is one of the most interesting and
promising of our Missions. To maintain it
requires from this Society $\$ 520$ a year, besides a similar appropriation from the Tract
Society, for the De Boodschapper. The Young
D Pociety, for the Me Boodschapper. The Young
Peoples Mission Band of Milton Junction,
Wis., are to furnish $\$ 00$, and the church an
equal amount, leaving $\$ 400$ to be otherwise provided for. I write unto yoo, young peo-
ple, because ye are strong, and ask you, as
societies or bands, or otherwise, to furnish societies or bands, or otherwise, to furnish
40 ten-dollar shares. There ere now in Hol-
land two Seventh-day Baptist missionaries, land two Seventh-day Baptist missionaries,
two churches, and Sabath-keepers living at
nine places. Please fill out the blank below, nine places. Pnease fard to A. E. MA
and return one car
responding Secretar $\bar{y}$, Ashaway, R.

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missionary periodicals and reports. The Baptist Home Mission Monthly. Pub lished by the Ame:ican Baptist Home Mis
sion Society, TempleCourt, New York City. 50 cents a year
The Home Missionary. American Hom Missionary Society (Congregational), Bi
ble House, New York City. 60 cents a year Presbyterion Home Missionary. Pubished by the Board of Home Missions, 23
Centre Street, New York. $\$ 1$ a year: Centre Street, New Iork. $\$ 1$ a year.
The Baptist Missionary Magazine. Amer
can Baptist Missionary Union, Tremon Temple, Boston, Mass. \$1 10 a year.
The Missionary Herald. American Boar of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (A
B. C. F. M., Congregational), Boston. $\$ 1$ The Foreign Missionary. Presbyterian
Mission House, 23 Centre Street, New York 1 a year.
The Helping Hand. Woman's Baptis Foreign Mission Society, Tremont Temple,
Boston, Mass. 40 cents a year. Life and Light for Woman. Womans
Board of Missions (Congregational), co.op erating with the A. B. C. F. M., 1 Congrga-
tional House, Boston. 60 cents a year. ional Honse, Boston. 60 cents a year.
Woman's Work for Woman. Published by
he Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of
the Presbyterian Church, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, and the Woman's Pres
byterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, 48 McCormick Block, Chicago. 60 cents a
year.
Heathen Wonan's Friend Heathen Wonan's Friend. Womans' For
eign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 36 Bromfield Street, Bo
ton. 50 cents a year. We do not doubt but that the above are
the best denominational missionary periodic ls published in any land. Children's Work for Children. See Wom-
n's Work for Womán, above. 35 cents a year.
The Missionary Society America for Heathe Lands, Bible House, New York. 50 cents
year. Lutheran Missionary Journal. Home
and Foreign Missions, York; Pa. 30 cents China's Millions. Orgau of the China Inand Mission, London, Eng.
The Mission Field. Publis The Mission Field. Published by the So don, Eng.
We have had of Missions, London, Eng We have have also received from the publish
ers a large missionary sheet almanac for 1885 , ers a large missionary sheet almanac for 1885 ,
illustrated, and containing hundreds of misionary items.
The Church
The Church of Scotland Home and Foreign
Mission Record. The January number be Edinsurgh, Scotland.
The Missionary Review. An undenomi ational bi-monthly. The following is a part Ceylon and its Missions; Evangelical All ance at Copenhagen; Inter-Seminary Mis sionary Alliance; Foreign Missions in 1883 84, (of 13 Boards); Evangelistic Work among the old Armenians; Zienana Work in the
Kolapow Mission; Field Notes; Africa; Sailing of Missionaries; Death Notices of $\cdot$ Mis-
sionaries. $\$ 150$ a year. Princeton, N. J. The Gospel in All Lands.' This undenom inational missionary periodical has been
changed from a weekly to a monthly of 48 pages. The January number offers the folple, religion, missions etc., of Corea; Protthe Methodist Centenary Conference, For-

North; Foreign Missions of the United PresNorth; Foreign Missions of the United Pres-
byterian Charch, Monthly Review of Missions in Papal, Mohammedan, and Heathen
Lands. There are also seventeen illustrations. \$2 a year. 116 Nassau Street, New
York City, and 114 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md.
The Indian Evangelical Review. A quarterly journal of missionary thought and ef-
fort, devoted to the interests of Christianity and of Christian work in India. The following are the principal contents for Januamode of Evangelistic Work; The Immanence of God in the Unirerse; The Missionary Consecration of the whole Churcl; "Teaching
of the Twelve Apostles;" Missions and the Millennium; A Bengali Will. \$2 50 a year. Calcutta, India.
The Chinese
Journal. The following is a part of the taThe of contents of the last number received
The Prorbs and Common Sayings of the The Proverbs and Common Sayings of the
Chinese; Tauism in the Ts'in and Han Dynasties; Chinese Relations with the Tartar and Tibetan Tribes; The Old Chinese Pro
nunciation; The Aboriginal Tribes.of West ern Yunnan; Ancient Earth Works in China Correspondence; Missionary News. $\$ 300$ a
year. American Presbyterian Press, Shang ai, China.

The following Reports have been received "A Wind from the Holy Spirit" in Swe
and Norway. By Rev. M. W. Mont gomery, Superintendent of work among condition and needs of the Scandinavians embracing their situation in Sweden and
Norway, and in the United States. AmeriNorway, and in the United States. Ameri
can Home Missionary Society, New York. Thirty-eighth Annual Report of the Board
of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South
Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyte Seventieh of North America. eedings of the Annual Meeting of the Amer can Baptist Missionary Union.
Nineteenth Annual Report of the Presby erian Board of Missions for Freedmen, of
the Presbyterian Church in the United State of America.
The Missi
The Missionary Annual of the African $M$ E. Church.

Society for the Propogation of the Gospe mong the Jews.
Ninety-second Annual Report of the Bap Mist Missionary Society of England
Sixty-seventh Annual Report of the Gen
al Baptist Missionary Society of Eng land.

The great importance of our home misTon work appears from several facts: 1. Ou withont the spread of Christianity; and wo profess to be patriotic citizens. 2. There is
sin and there are lost souls everywhere; and dearth of gospel preaching, especially in the new parts of our country. Lord has commanded, we are under particu lar obligations to be thoroughly evangelical and obedient to the Master's great commis-
sion. 4. There is a spreading interest in the subject of the Sabbath. Old founda-
tions are being deserted. Two prominent New England ministers have recently stated
publicly that the New Testament does not publicly that the New Testament does not
require the observance of the First day. Here and there one embraces the trath as
we hold it. Prominent among the human anses of these changes is the Outlook. Bu demand for more and very efficient home the work of our Missionary Society. Breth misinterpret the signs, if great possibilities nore prayer, greater benerolence' increas. ing matual confidence and heartier co-oper ation will accomplish great things for the
Lord. "Work, for the night is coming."

## rom eld. THRELKELD.

I should have written you, before this, but rom several considerations have not. About six weeks ago I began a series of meetings in
our church here, going on more than a week, the interest rising all the time, both in and sickness in my family seemed to abate, thou for the time being. Nearly three weeks ago
I commenced the work again, and as far as I am able to judge, the interest is a very deep
ple so revived and in such working order. A number have professed faith in the Saviour, and a large number are inquiring the way of
life. Some have been reclaimed. The past Sabbath being our Quarterly Meeting. two were added to our Church, making six acce sions since my labors began here. The out look for the Charch is quite favorable if they only continue to rally around the standard of truth. We are hoping for a number to
come out strongly on the Lord's side and take astand with the church. I have preach ed day and evening through
with no ministerial helps. . P

Yours in Christ,
W. Threlzeld.
P. S. - Oh! how I long to reach my old Kentucky home. Sister Todd, our Sabbath-
keeping sister that I left there has just writ ten me, begging a visit, wanting to know ten me, begging a visit, wanting to know and stating that she thinks they would soo have a strong Seventh-day Baptist Church
there now if they had me back to look after them. My coming away has worked strange y upon their minds. No one thought I $\mathrm{T}-$ is working hard for the cause, and two have embraced the Sabbath since I left. hope in the Saviour before I left, still refuses to join the Church there, and expects me to
come back, when he will join our church as he wants me to baptize him. I get letters from others begging me to come. I think Sabbath in her next letter. I sent her a good supply of tracts and arguments: I am glad went to Alfred and got my children situat as they are in school and hoped to go myfear I shatl her grows on my hands till I fear I shall have to give that idea up. I
still contend that my old home is going to one of our best fields. Lord help me Pray for us.

Quire a little breeze has been stirred up in the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New
York, over the action of Assistant Bishop
Potter in admistering Potter in administering vows of celibacy, poverty and obedience to a young man duced in this country. It is thought by to be quite ministers of that denomination monasticism, and an assumption of authority
which an Episcopal Biskop does not possess which an Episcopal Biskop does not possess.
Others approve it, insisting that if a man wants to take such vows upon him, there is
nothing to hinder the Bishop from aiding
nim "sim doing so. Is , "signs of the times," betokening
sionsin "the American Church?".


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## Whe sabbath werarder.  REV. L. A. PLATTS', Editor and Business Agent. REV. A. E. MAIN, Ashaway, R. I., Missionary  


We call attention to our revised list of books and tracts published and for sale by
the American Sabbath Tract Society, pub lished elsewhere in this number.
We have decided to issue an edition of
the Lesson Leaf tor February, that those who have not yet seen the Helping Hand
may have time to examine it, if they wish to do so. Meanwhile, we hope the orders for the latter will come forward without de-
lay. See what we say about it in another

Che firstlecture in the course as arranged by the Committee in behalf of the literary
societies of Alfred University, will be given by ex-Governor Cumback, of Ohio, on
Wednesday evening, 28th inst. Those who can do so, will do both themselves and the broje

The cloth editio is just received from the bindery in New York, and is a very neat little volume. The price of it, as previously announced, cents, while that of the paper edition is 30 cents. Certainly, the price will place subject should lead copy soon.

We have received a long communication from an anonymous writer, the avowed pur
pose of which is to call attention to the read ing course of the Chautauqua Literary and similar for Seventh-day Baptists. We see no reason why Seventh-day Baptists may not the Chautauqua Oircle. Nothing can b more catholic than literature and science and there seems to us little need of denom inational

## the helping hand again.

Sample copies of the Helping Hand to Bi all our Sabbath-schools, as far as known to us. We hope they will all want it, and tha without delay. It has been suggested that the size and price of the Helping Hand place were well suited with the Lesson Leaf. But
it has stemed to some who are well acquainted with the condition and wants of many o our schools, that something more than wat
furnished by the Lesson Leaf is an absolut necessity. It is believed that the Helping
$\vec{H}$ and will meet that necessity. It covers all that was contained in the Lesson Leaf an
mach besides. With its Scripture Text Golden Text, Central Truth, Outline, and and questions, it is all that the Lesson. Lea
was. With its Introduction and Connect ing Links, Words Explained, Time and Place, Persons, Helpful Scripture, Doctrines,
Other Things, Colored Maps, and some general and helpful reading, it is more than the Lesson Leaf; and it is believed to be all that
intermediate and ad vanced scholars, and alintermediate and advanced scholars, and al-
so teachers will want of this kind of help in the preparation of the Lesson. By using
it they will save the necessity of using Cook's or other quarterlies, which teach doctrine
we de not wish to have our children taught, we de not wish to have our children taught,
and they will not pay more than the average and they will not pay more than the average
price of such quarterly helps. If we will all take hold of the Helping Hand, we can mak a success of it , and do ourselves and the
canse we represent in the world, a good ser .rice.

## deati of ex-vice-president colpax.

Ex-Vice-President Schuyler Colfax died in the St. Paul and Sioux railroad station in Man kato, Minnesoto, about two weeks ago. He
had just walked the distance of a mile, from the depot of one railroad to that of the


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other, in the face of a bitter wind with the thermometer $25^{\circ}$ below zero. On reaching the gentlemen's waiting room, he took a sea and in a minutes fell forward, dead His body was taken to his late home, i South Bend, Indiana, for burial. Concern pendent makes the following just remark which we copy in full: "The sudden death of Schuyler Colfax, last week, closes the caree: of one who had conspicuously shared in paree of one who honors, ha who, at one time, was thought to be a no improbable candidate for the Presidency He was born in this city, on the $23 d$

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## "вваноогя,";

This interesting and instructive book of given by the author at various places in India, both in Urau and in English, and is
published for the purpose of helping to dispel misapprehension and sentimentalism respecting the Brahmo religion. The first
chapter is devoted to a comparison of Mormonism, Comtism, and Brahmoism, setting forth, particularly, some of the excellencies Brahmoism has been a protest against athe ism, polytheism, idolatry, and the caste sys-
tem; it has supported social and political reform, and has helped to popularize the Christian ideas of the fatherhood of God
and the brotherhood of man, and to in crease veneration for the name of our Lord
But it has fallen into the mistake of reject ing some intuitive religious beliefs, such a divine intervention, revelation, and media-
tion; of holding up to public view as correct representations of Christian doctrines the
presentations thereof found in the writings of noted infidels, instead of going to the ogy; and of assuming, too soon, the place Hinduism better than the Hindus, Moham medanism better than Mohammedans, and Christianity better than Christians." The second chapter gives an account of nt status of the Adi Somaj, founded in 1830, by Rajah Ram Mohun Roy, and which ing around the banner of Brahmoism. Th third and foarth chapters give an account
of the Progressive Somaj, under the leaderof the Progressive Somaj, under the leader
ship of Babu Keshub *Chunder Sen, wh joined the Brahmoistic religious movement
in 1858. His one great object was to estab in 1858. His one great object was to establish a narrow circle of essential truths with-
in rhich the varied systems of human faith ould meet on terms of perfect friendship and goodwill.
The fifth
The fitth and sixth chapters give a de
scription of that remarkable religious move-
ment in India called the New Dispensation,
which received its direction and inspiration eceded from Babu Keshub Chunder Sen, who searching analysis of the character and enth chapter gives an account of the Sadha-
ran Brahmo Somaj, which was a revival o genaine Brahmoism, and a protest against
some of the errors of Mr. Sen's Somaj, among these being a tendency to mysticism
and to pantheism. Chapter eight is a view of Rajah Ram Mohun Roy as a Hymnolo-
gist. Chapter nine is a lecture on "The As pist. Chapter nine is a lecture on "The As
pirations of Young India;" and is given to show the kind of discourses that are adapt-
ed to the wants of educated, English-speaking native inhabitants. It sets forth in a
plain and practical manner the claims of Christianity as the only. religion that can
satisfy the religious aspirations of Young satisfy
India.
What are the interest and value of this tian missionaries and Christian missions ? tian missionaries and Christian missions ?

1. It reveals a deep. unrest concerning religious things in the minds of thoughtful
men in India. Christian religion, and its claims to be the only system of faith and practice that c ing the true God.
2. It offers great encouragement to mis.
ionaries to go forward in their wo preaching the gospel as the power of $G$
unto the salvation of all who believe. 4. Finally, it warns ministers of th
Christian religion against compromising wit other religions, and calls on them to stand boldly by the religion of the Bible. L
missionaries preach, not a Christ fashione dia, England, America, or China, but th Christ of the New Testament, and so preach satisfy the needs of all human souls in al $\frac{1 \text { ands. }}{*}$. Brah


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a notable boof for youne people.*

I know how useless it is, ordinarily, to try to get young pèsons to read books written whose contents are in sermon-form, and Whose title page bears the name of some
"Rev."; but I am so strongly convinced of the need of this class of books-the best of them, at least,-and so well satisfied of the
value, to any young person who will not merely read, but absorb it, of a certain (comparatively new) volume of this class-
"On the Threshold," by Rev. Theodore T Munger-that I feel it will well repay the effort to describe the latter, however few may therefore request a brief space for this pur"pose. "On the Threshold," to begin with, is not a large book; it numbers not more than
two hundred 16 mo . pages, and is printed in large type, with wide margins. The author ful spirit to weary it with either a long se res of discourses, or a long discourse in the long words in the sentences, or to attempt to help young persons by kindly suggestion and counsel in any other than a live, sympa-
thetic, terse and direct fashion. As a result, the course which such persons, standis here opened up wholly free of those obstacles which, unconscionsly to their au-
thors, appear in most attempts of this kind.
Another consideration which demands at tention is the fact that if one wishes to buy Mr. Munger says what he has to say, in nine essays.
his object is tells us at the outset that of the main principles that enter into life as it is now opening before young men (he
more particularly addresses young men, but his remarks are largely applicable to young women as well ] in this country; near them to aim at a far end rather than than under impulse; to set aside the thought of enjoyment, and get to thinking of attainment; to co
of a drift."

## Each essay is introduced with a series o

 terse and thoughtful applicable sayings fromthe Scriptures and from various. profan sources, in prose and verse, occupying space opposite the essay's title page.
The subjects treated are: Purpose; Friend and Companions; Manners; Thrift; Self Amusements; Faith-a list, it will be no tical and vital questions.
Sympathetic, sensible of the nobility
ers thossibilities, aware of the great dan endency of the youth of our time to aim essness; logical, high-toned both morall
and intellectually, constantly responsive to he demand that what is .written shall hav masterly in analysis, business like in expres ion, and skillful in quotation, Mr. Munge persons.
"On
the Threshold " is a book which an inserested reader will regard as a companio strong, pure, genial, inspiring. It will show him what and how to do, and will help him emerson said every man needed, viz, some
one to make him do the best he can. It 18 a
book which men of business, men not accustomed to read anything of the nature of
preachment, are reading with the mo agreeable impression; and doubtless to their everlasting benefit. Its strength, I think,
lies quite as much in the character of its
author, which seems stamped throughout its pages, as in its statements of truth and ob-
servation, its illustrations, or its quotations servation, its illustrations, or its quotations
-and there is great strength in all of these.
Through every sentence is felt a personality Through every sentence is felt a personality
like that, and not inferior to that, either, which is felt through every utterance of another dress, a man of the hour, speaking to men of the hour, about the hour's work.
The morning lecture of a college professor to his pupils, or the afternoon instructions of a great newspaper editor to his subordi-
nates could not be more direct and personal, or bear more practically upon immediate
duty than do these addresses to young perduty than do these addresses to young per-
sons regarding their prospective career. This man knocks over some cherished popular
theories (theories originating in a desire to pamper lower self) in the course of his rery positive talks; not for the sake of showing how combative he can be, but in order to
clear the way of life of all mental and moral stumbling-blocks; for his work is that of a Stanilder.
Standing on a sunny elevation in life, he the pave those who are in the valley, or a the plain, and who, many of them, are
better contented with their outlook than they should be, come up higher. So he shows them what better jops are found and
what grander work is accomplished where what grander work is accomplished where
he stands, and tells them how to reaeh the place. He is religious, but not dogmatic; Christian, but not Churchian. Since God has given him reason, he would use it as far
as reason can be used legitimately; yet the as reason can be used legitimately; yet the of all sacred subjects. He shows a fine ental balance in discussing matters which are much debated, and in regard to which
the best of men vary in opinion; and indicates a power of logic in discriminating between one form of amusement and another, where discrimination has place, which fe possess.

## I intended to quote a few sample sentence

 thought convinces me that I would bette leave the entire book for the enjoyment of any who it.*". On the Threshold." Houghton, Miffin \& Co
Publishers, Boston, Mass.

## MINNESOTA LETTER.

Your correspondent arrived in Mankato on the evening of Jan. 13th, in time to hear the lecture given by the Hon. John P. St.
John, of Kansas. He is a very foroible speaker, though not as polished as some. ing. He spcke for nearly two hours in
manner varied from the sad and solemn to the droll. The audience seemed' completely captivated, and, according to the sentiment, was wrapped in breathless stillness or wild y applauded. The speaker referred briefly to his political opponents in a mild and gentle manly way, and gave church people a good deal to think about, especially officers and
ministers. My impression is that those who ministers. My impression is that those who voted the Prohibition ticket at the late elec-
tion need not regret that it was headed by

St. John electors. Mankato has a Prohibi.
tion Club, numerically weak, but strong
 tiog rotes polled here at the November elecThis little city was greatly shocked on the morning of the 13th, by the fact of the who dropped dead in the St. Paul and Sioux City passenger waiting room. He was on lowa. He seemed in full health. His reBend, Indiana, by special car at 11 o'clock
in the evening. Great mourning demonstrations were made at this place, and a train. Mri. St. John payed him a tribute of noble man and a personal friend.

## tract boakd meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Exec tive Board of the American Sabbath Trac M., at the residence of CO. Potter Jr., Plain The Treasurer's statement of receipts and sbursements, received as follows


## hand Jan. 1, 188

 Paid out in December.Contributed in Deceml

## Overdrawn Jan 11,1

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President reported ............... $\$ 115$
tate, had been executed, as authorized, and warded to A. L. Chester, Treasu
Check for $\$ 1,500$ was received
Check for $\$ 1,500$ was received from G. B Utter in settlement of claim of Tract
y on estate of J. W. Young, deceased.
On motion, voted to send G. B. Utter check for $\$ 15$ as our share of expenses in
above settlement, and that we tender to Bro. Utter the thanks of this Society for his ser-
The following letters were read
From Dea. I. D. Titsworth, detailing his efforts in Illinois for extending the circulaof names of 54 new subscribers, and a prom ise of more to follow.
From the publisher of the Baptist Quar terly Review, proposing a inion of the Sev-
enth-day Baytist Quarterly, with that periFrom L. R. Stebbins relative to the prop erty willed to the Society by Elder Joel
Green. From 0.W. Pearson relative to the Evan yelii Harold, and the need of further Scan dinavian help in the office.
From Rev. J. B. Clarke accepting the call of the Board to en ${ }^{2}$ er upon the work of the
And from L. A. Platts in regard to various
details of the work
West Edmesto Society for their action in releasing Rev. J B. Clark from the pastorate, feeling assured nomination at large.
On motion, E. P. Saunders was authorized to present each attendant of the Union The-
ological Seminary with the paper edition of ological Seminary with the paper edition of
Sabbath and Sunday, and to exchange this for the cloth edition with those who desire

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Since Sister Randolph .closed her labors here, we have continued one extra meeting held every Sunday evening, with good inter est and good attendance. Among genera of God's la we have presed the clal of Gods law, and expect to continue th
subject, again discoursing upon the Sabbath question. We know of some of our Firs day friends Who are not satisfied with Sunday observance, and we
There is god folin. generally, and the cònverts are growing stronger in the faith, gaining much courag to testify for Christ. Some are expecting Among oth as possible.
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## maine settiement

On the evening of the 12th inst.; the lamily, neighbors, and friends of Deacen Blanchard A. Barber and wife, determined
to celebrate the thirty-sixth anniversary of heir wedded life and their removal int heir new and comfortable home, by givin \& visit to their daughter at Ceres. It prove complete success, for as they entered thei home in the dusk of the evening, they foun others kept coming till more than fifty filled the pleasant rooms, each bringing with then tial tokens of love and esteem. But perhaps I have om ing to state that Eld. H.. P. Burdick mos pportunely happened to be present, and the bride and bridegroom on the succes hey had made of their thirty-six dnties truthfully and faithfully. Dr. H. A. Place followed, in behalf of the children, i a few words of congratulation, most felic
tously expressed. Brother and Sister Barbe esponded in words full of feeling, kindness, and gratitude. Many eyes were dim, but
hearts were glad. After a bountiful coll conversation, masic, and singing, making one of the most enjoyable that the people of this place have spent for many yeare days of these our friends, might be the best days, crowned with love and peace
with the blessed assurance of divine favor Wm. E. Hornblower. Bhode Island.

## We are striving for a revival of God's work

 ing of his, with some evidence of the moslow to cople a -
## WESTERLY.

Extra meetings are being held a part of the time, and a hopeful interest seems to be springing up.

## Wisconsin.

We have been having cold weather thus have been accustomed to a warmer climate. Oave been accustomed to a warmer climate.
On Christmas morning the thermemeter
indicated $48^{\circ}$ below zero, and on Jan. 2 d $58^{\wedge}$ below zero. While we have had numer
our cold days when the thermometer indicated $30^{\circ}$ to $40^{\circ}$ below zero.
closed in our rillage, conducted by a United Brethren minister. We feel that much good has been accomplished in these meetings,
although we fear that some of the apparen good will not be permanent, as some ver loose doctrine was proclaimed from the pul congregation. and hastily accepted by a portion of th congregation. The main object of these
meetings seems to have been to add number meetings seems to have been to add numbers
to the United Brethren church, without re many important subjects. At the close of the meetings a church was organized, and the right-hand of fellowship extended to all
applicants, many of whom admitted they had never been baptized, but promised tod
The Protestant Me
lace is now holding evening meetings, and The Methe effect a deeper work The Methodists have bought a church lot in

## pring.

The Sunday-school of this place united tainment on Christmas eve, which consisted of music, recitations and class exercises, fol lowed by distributing the numerous present from the two trees which were so bountifull oaded with Christmas gifts. Among th presents were two beautiful bed quilts pre wife; one being given by the Aid Society the Church, the other by Mrs. L. Pierce cially since the weather seems to demand ood supply of such articles.
renton, Minn., united with our church reek ago.
The subject of the Sabbath is being deeply
agitated here and we hope that the seed sown will yield a fruitful harvest, so thos who embrace Christianity may embrace it
fully, obeying the commandments of God omplete, rather than the traditions of men

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## Domestic. A large order for locomotives has been

 works, frAt Boston, David McCay, proprietor of a f50 and costs in two suits for refusing to
allow colored men to skate in his establish
The House resolution relating to Oklaho-
ma lands was passed in the Senate after be ma lands was passed in the Senate after be-
ing 8 amended as of favor the opening for
settlement of all lands in the territory not coupied by Indian tribes.
The Jones car works, which have been ialle ne of the former company. He resumed satisfaction at Schenectady.
Senator Morgan recently introduced as an mendment to the consular and diplomatic he expenses of an examination
The Piute Indians are said to be starving
on their barren reservation in Nevada. Not ne cent of the Congressional appropriation
of $\$ 7,000$, secured by Senator Dawes, of setts, has reached them
While chopping in the woods near Ron
dout, N. Y.,recently, Jacob J. Brown found an iron cannon ball, supposed to have been The ball, now much corrodel and ful
holes, weighs seven and a half pounds.
The will of Schayler Colfax has been a
mitted to probate. The homestead with it contents goes to Mrs. Colfax, together with Schuyler Colfax, Jr. The estate is of the
value of $\$ 550,000$, and is without incumThe Erie Railway began, Jan. 26th, to take up the third rail of the Honesdal length of the road. The standard gange will of forty locomotives will be necessary. Th machine shops at Susquehanna were pat on
full time Jan. 22d: Three hundred addi tional men will be employed, with a proba
bility that a number more will be employed
in the shops along the road. Much satisfac-
ion is expressed at the encouraging outlook
. Foreign.
The German Reichstag voted money for
Aurican exploration. Russia and Prassia have agreed on
vention for extraditing dynamiters.
Gen. Stewart is said to be besieged in
camp by the Arabs; the battle of Abu Klea,
it is feared, was more disastrous to the En-
glish than was first reported.


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The shadows wait:
And climbing upward ore spires and tows,
Scem drawig soffly This dul earth of ours






THE FRESHET. "I am sure I have prayed enough for him
and still he does not seem to come round and pray for himself,", said good old Grand-
mother Hill, looking out of her chamberwindow toward Prospect Park. She zaiid this about a boy who was playing ont in the orehard, among whose treas An-
tumu had hang sich sunset clouds of red and golden fruit. The boy was her grand.
son Harry, a good natured but thoughtess youth, whose conscience had gone to sleep
over the subject of his duty to God. Of corrse, he belieceref of hin Gout, but he did dio not
like to think of God and as for duty to God he put the subject away as carelessly and
complely an he would any plaything that
com not interest him. But God did not
did
 Was destined to be taken and looked at. 1 .
was the freshet carrying awwy the meadowmill which led to the opening of the drawer. chens, one cool Autcumn anorning, as he
walked into the kithen and spiled a a big arrfur What is coming?" asked Harry, Who
was unwilling that Zacehens should obtain the Hill.

Nonsense", Down Prospect Hill, and
"Rain right dol
down Switt Brook, and then into the
 Yoo are alarmed.
They stood on the stone step at the back-
door and looked toward Prospect Hill, which was as good as any barometer. A quantity
of llackish-gray mist swathed the top of the ${ }^{\text {hill. }}$
 verything.
About noon it began to rain-a lazy, care-
lese kind of of rain. The mist that had corlese kind of a rain. The mist that had cor-
ored only the summit of Prospect till, now
draped its slopes. It flung soft, white, fiececy robes over the forests, the fielda, the
meadows, and many objects looked like hage sheep astray from some unknown fold



 ": Fverything is all right?"
" 0 I guess sol The water is maki pourin' orer the dam." ${ }^{\text {Danine }}$ times, and he heard the rain slashing against
 them." aid Harry' ' mother.

## pretty bad befor clared Mr . Hill.

get throngh," deer brother, Tomm, torry iniit the mill young. boyb wore theiri heary overcoaty and stout
rubber boots, and ont in the north-east rain
they marched. What a sight tely
 good-sized waves that were riding and pranc-
ing about, charging with all the pride e f fullgrown ocean waree. How the water poured
orer the dam -one long, splendid sweep of fakes at the foot of the dam. It wasn't ${ }^{\text {a }}$
very peaceful old, bat it mas broken up tom
top of an en earthquake!


## sound. - It beacame han and a very crask, anppicioun then he felt a movement, not a jarring, but a go

is 0 Tommy, Tommy! I believe the mill
is a goin! shrieked Harv.
Tho very white,
ont of the window


having been cooped up long eno ogh in tha
gmanl valley, and was oft
forsaken was now only the centre of a mael had strom, where the waters were rushing in an
filling up the nuly hole.
"s, dear," said. Tommy, "what if "Don't worry!" exclaimed Harry, in
braye ene
Harry did not feel brave one bit. Th pond above the dam was now fully equale
by the pond below the dann, the ralley wid ening pond into o olow, lovel, territory. Ove
this second small sea the mill now went sail ing on a delightful royage of discovery-not
deilightulu to the bogs in the least.
"Some One sees us!" instantly Harry
said himself. "Does not God see us?
God the God, the great Father-wouldn't He coar
for and help two boys? The hought
Him was leasant, and Harrys heart weit Him was peasant, and Harry's heart went
ont to Himm,",
beidome whispered, "kneel dow
There in the old mill, amid the angry Waters, two boys knelt by the mill window,
and Harry prayed. To his soun it teemed as
if he touched God and was strengthened. pered to Tommy.
A dam cannot break and a mill run awa
but that people will soon bat that people will soon know aboutit. .lie
neighbors came hurring ap the valley
Grandmother Hill put on her bonnet and shawl and accompanied the family, who
Were all alarmed about Harry and Tommy
The to boys had been seen in the lane leading
"There the where are!" screay now ?",
"Thand"There they are!" screamed grand-
mother whose loving eyes detected them at
the mill window.
"Hurry, somebody!" shouted Mr. Hiil.
 There had been an old boat in the pond
behind the dam, bat Mr. Hill well knew it
 Zacchens poled their way out to the boys and
rescued them. Were two passengers ever more delighted to step ashore than Harry
and Tommy? Harry did not forget that experience. He
continued to look 10 Ood and trust Him.
Why though, mast porde Why, though, mast people wait for freshets
botore they look to God? Why not trint in
Gol that dea


## "on eabrth as it is it heaven."

## Josepha was not in very good humor that Sunday though it was her birthday, her

## In the first place, a sunday birthday was

 baby Fritz had been so sick that mama had roed had fony chance to get any little presenreaty ther hat that was only put
oft-the present mas to come; but still Jose phatelt out of sorts. Ale when mama called her to get her Bi-
ble verse, broke into aregular pout, and
grumbled out that it was a hard case she gruebed out that it was a hard case she
couldn't have any fun at all on her birthday not even a holiday from Bible verses.
 re in a bad humor, danghter," she said, " "
I will preach you a ititle sermon instead: "O One there was a little boy who used to
beg in father every morning to keep hin
away trom the bees bot ing away from the bees; but instead of helping
his father keep him, he went straight out and played with their hives, and of course,
heys stang him agin.
"Well, what nexit?" asked the little listen-

That's all." said mama.
"Alll Why Idon't call that a sermon."


## THREE GOOD LESSOKS.

"One of my first lessons,", said Mr. Stur-
gis, the eminent merchant, " was in in 1813 , \#hen I was eleven yearan old. Mas My grandfar
ther had a fine flock of sheep, which were carefuly tended during the, war of those
times. I Wat the hhepherd byy and my bus.
iness was to watch the sheep in the fields. iness. Was oo watch the sheep in the fields.
A bow who was more ofnd of his book than
the sheep was sent with me, but lett the

 than, my boy; if you watch the sheep, you
will have the sheep.'
" What does grandfather mean by that?


 'Thol hast been faithful over a few things
I will make thee ruler over many things.'
began to see trong began to see through it; ' Never you mind
who neglects duty; be you faithful, and you will have your reward.
"I received a mecond lesson soon after I came to New Yorra as a clerk, to the late Ly.
man Reed. A merchant from ohio, who knew me, came to buy goods, and said:
Make yourself fo monefal that then cannot do
mithout oou.' I took his meaning' quicker mithont you.' I took his meaning' guicker
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waiting to know why he me there They draggedhim from the temple e eidently with the purpose of
killing him. But the Roman guard rushed fromtheir hands. Thisis lesson givea as an an account of this
mot and of Pauits seccue $y$ the Roman soldiers. ItEXPLANATORY NOTESv. 27. When the seven days were
most ended. These seven days were requir)
in completiog the ceremonies of purification beforthe discharge from the vow of the Nazarites. TheThis. work mith the four men. The Jow whichwere o. Asta. These were men who had seenthe temple. He visited the apartment appro-prited to the Nazarites, every dyy. It was in this
apartment where they discovered Paul.up ai! the people and laid hands on
him. These men were tull of bitterness resultingrom the eontroversy in Ephesus. They recogaize
him and were eager to lead the attack against $t$ im,the four men.
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him in the co treophimus an Ephesianple, they thought hay wreq ent intifed in punishing
Paul severely. But there is no evidence that Paulpeople ran iogether. The people intent orThe ererices of this great feast were in condition 1Verion They laid hold on Paul an
dragsed hmm out orthe impleis, while they wero sttempting to destroy him b
beatiog him. Tidings came unto the chle





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