

Missions.

"Go ye into all the world; and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Corresponding Secretary having temporarily changed his place of residence...

L. A. PLATTS, missionary pastor at Hornellsville, reports 13 weeks of labor; 18 sermons, 5 being for other churches...

THE report of the missionary hour at the Central Association, kindly prepared by Bro. F. O. Burdick...

A NUMBER of gentlemen in New York have organized for the purpose of establishing a memorial school at Tarsus...

We are indebted to Bro. D. H. Davis, of China, for a "List of Chinese Scriptures, published by the American Bible Society...

DR. A. H. LEWIS writes: "The session of our Association was interesting in every particular, and especially so in the matter of sending a teacher to aid Mrs. Davis..."

Of course it is not necessary for the editor of this department to say that, if we had no foreign mission, he would improve the first opportunity to vote for establishing one...

In an account of revival work on Ponape, Micronesia, a missionary of the American Board relates the following:

"In our meetings my eyes were often wet with tears on hearing a certain high chief talk; not so much at what he said, as at the contrast with his past life..."

me around the arms and held before my face a huge butcher knife, as much as to say: This may be suffered to do its work if you are not careful. Oh, that trying time!

CLEANINGS.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church North represents 5,546 ministers, 6,281 organized churches, 661,809 communicant members.

The Southern Presbyterian General Assembly represents 1,085 ministers, 2,198 organized churches, and 143,743 communicant members.

The latest statistics of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America report 737 ministers, 868 churches, and 88,871 communicants.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America reports 554 ministers, 536 churches, and 83,037 communicant members.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church has 1,547 ministers, 2,546 churches, and 138,564 communicant members.

The Y. M. C. A. International Convention at San Francisco, Cal., was attended by about 359 delegates.

Class prayer-meetings have been established at Harvard University.

The Boston Y. M. C. A. reports 5,293 enrolled names; 1,110 pupils; receipts for the year of \$29,309 25; and employment found for 529 applicants.

The work of the Baptists among the Indians of the Indian Territory has been very successful. There are 150 ordained preachers; 160 churches, and 750 members.

While the Wesleyan Church in Great Britain had 1,970 ministers, last year it had 24,579 lay class-leaders, and 15,009 local preachers.

The Lutheran National Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society reports an increased interest in missionary work, and the collection of \$28,000—\$10,000 more than in any previous two years.

A circular has been issued calling for a General Conference of all Evangelical Christians in the United States, to be held under the auspices and direction of the Evangelical Alliance in Washington on December 7th, 8th, and 9th next.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Missionary Hour.

REPORTED BY F. O. BURDICK.

Opened by singing, "Faith is a Living Power," by the choir.

Prayer by A. B. Prentice.

The exercises were conducted by I. L. Cottrell, as follows:

A paper assigned to W. C. Daland presented. Theme, "Missions, a question of Paramount Obligation." 1st. Because missions are essential to the fulfillment of the purpose of the church.

Maxson spoke of the missionary work on the field in the bounds of the South-Eastern Association. On that field, he said, there were 8 churches and 3 settled pastors with a membership of a little more than 700; Bro. S. D. Davis, the only missionary on the field.

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churches, a sermon for the children in objection style was delivered. The children were much interested, and the older ones seemed to enjoy it.

—Sister Randolph reports 13 weeks of labor; 3 preaching places; 31 sermons; congregations, 23 and 33; 13 other meetings; 66 visits and calls, and 4 additions.

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Sabbath Rest.

"Remember the Sabbath-day, Six days shalt thou labor, and do the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God."

BRABOURNE AND THE SABBATH.

Theophilus Brabourne was the son of Henry Brabourne, a Puritan, and was born in that city in the year 1590, since he died in the year 1664, in his 74th year.

He was a school-boy, it was the custom of the day to play at the market cross on a Friday evening, when thousands of people assembled to hear them.

For two or three years subsequent to his marriage, Theophilus remained with his father at Norwich.

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The following Report on Petitions was read and adopted:

Our Committee on Petitions would respectfully report that there has been but one request for the election next year, and we would recommend it be held with the Church of Little Genesee.

G. W. BURDICK, } Com.
L. E. LIVERMORE, }

The List of Delegates was read and adopted. A temperance resolution was presented by W. Burdick, and adopted: Resolved, That to make our work effective in the session of the liquor traffic, we must religiously abstain from drinking any intoxicating liquors...

The Association voted \$5 to compensate clerks for their services.

Resolved, That when we adjourn it be to meet at the church at Little Genesee, on Fifth-street, before the third Sabbath in June, 1888, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The following Circular Letter was presented by the Corresponding Secretary:

Western Association to Sister Associations, sends greetings: The sessions of this Association are drawing to a close. They have been, throughout, very interesting and profitable. The most perfect harmony has prevailed. The devotional spirit has been especially full of encouragement to holy and ardent aspiration...

The Moderator returned thanks to the delegates for the assistance they had rendered in conducting the business of the Association.

The Association then adjourned, after prayer by L. M. Cottrell.

EVENING SESSION.

At 8 o'clock A. McLearn, delegate from North-Western Association, preached an interesting sermon from "Take my yoke upon you." Matt. 11: 29.

A benediction by A. McLearn, the Association adjourned, to meet with the church at Little Genesee, on the fifth-day of the month before the third Sabbath in June, 1888, at 10 o'clock A. M.

E. R. CRANDALL, Moderator.
J. F. LEWIS, Secretary.
H. FITZ RANDOLPH, Assistant Secretary.

Communications.

MAN'S WORK—WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

In the recent session of the Western Association, a business meeting of the ladies was called for Sunday afternoon, to consider the feasibility of sending a lady to the Shanghai mission, in accordance with the request frequently and forcibly made by Mrs. Davis of the mission.

A meeting was largely attended, and a most gratifying interest was manifested in a dissenting voice being heard in the session of the resolution "that the Seventh-day Baptist ladies take up the work of procuring funds for sending a helper to Mrs. Davis in the girl's boarding school," which was done by a rising vote.

already existing contributions, so that it should in no case diminish the regular funds of the societies. In connection with this, the meeting voted to recommend that committees be appointed in each of the churches to endeavor to raise one dollar per member for each benevolent society—Missionary and Tract—during the present conference year, as suggested by Mr. Main in the Recorder of December, 23d.

Altogether, the wisdom of calling such a meeting for interchange of views, discussion of ways and means, etc., seemed to be fully justified.

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY.—No. 10.

BY REV. T. R. WILLIAMS, D. D.

FLITTING SUNWARD.

NUMBER XIII. ICE.

What is Sin and what are its Consequences? Sin is not simply a theory or a speculation; it is a real fact, and has a deep and fearful significance.

One of the many ways in which science has contributed to the prosperity of mankind, by establishing new industries, is the manufacture of artificial ice, if that can be called artificial which is real, but is produced by man instead of nature.

There are two large manufactories of ice in New Orleans; and, receiving an invitation to visit the larger, we devoted one morning to that object.

On the river bank, beyond the bustle of the wharves, we found the place we sought, the works of the "Southern Ice Company," and thought they received us heartily, it was with a coolness which was refreshing, after the heat and dust of the long ride.

The fall affected man as man, every man as a member of the human race. All mankind descending from Adam by ordinary generation, are involved in his first act of disobedience.

as bad as he can be, but that he is tainted or biased by sin or moral weakness. Since this is an inherited weakness it is called native depravity.

This form of moral corruption or depravity, must be sharply distinguished from personal or voluntary sin. The one is native bias, original tendency, inherited from ancestry; the other is free and personal choice, to do what ought not to be done; to please self rather than God and the higher behests of our own souls.

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the ice. That is the way we get it pure and also free from bubbles. If we made it from the purest spring water it would be white and opaque, because of the air bubbles.

"Why does it all gather there?" "Because the ice freezes from the outside and as it congeals the air is driven before the crystallization until it is caught and imprisoned at the center.

"By means of the steam, also! That is, the steam is used to make power—which is only a transformation of a portion of the heat into force—and then that power is used to compress ammonia gas into a liquid, during which process the force is again converted into heat, which heat is absorbed in warming a quantity of water.

"Why do you use brine?" asked La Belle. "Because it will admit of being cooled much below the freezing point of water without itself freezing.

"What becomes of the ammonia," asked Don Carlos, desirous of ascertaining the economy of the operation. "It is used over and over. There is no loss except a little leakage.

"Why, it is like the frost on windows in very cold weather only much thicker," said La Senerita.

"But why do you need an engine to expand it in?" asked the Don.

"Because by that means we make it give back some of the power taken to compress it, and besides the work which it does cools it still more, as heat is always destroyed when work is done."

"Then really, you make ice by burning coal!" remarked the Scribe.

"Yes, the whole result comes from that. But it is not the heat of combustion directly which makes the ice. That heat is all carried off and lost.

"How cheap can you sell such ice?" asked the Don. "We are selling these cakes, which weigh enough over 200 pounds to allow them to waste a little in carrying, to carts here, at sixty cents each, which is cheaper than Northern ice can be sold here, and we make money at it."

Thanking our guide for the information, we declined his kind offer to freeze a red-snapper or a bouquet in a block of ice, and send it to our home, when we learned that the express upon it would cost fourteen dollars, and left the grateful coolness of the grate-full of coals could make a great, full ice-chest.

DR. EDWIN R. LEWIS.

On Monday morning, June 13, 1887, at about 9 o'clock, the word spread through our village that our oldest and most widely known and beloved physician, Dr. E. R. Lewis, was dying, and it proved sadly true, for at 5 P. M. he departed this life.

his duties until about four weeks previous to his death. He then gave up and sought counsel in respect to his own case. It was found that he had a cancerous affection of the liver. He failed more rapidly and went down to death sooner than his family and friends anticipated.

Dr. Lewis was the youngest son of Deacon Christopher C. and Wealthy Kenyon Lewis, and the youngest of seven children, of whom only one, his brother Christopher, of Ashway, R. I., survives him.

In 1850, while a school teacher, he married Miss Louisa Brown, of North Stonington, Conn., who survives him with a daughter, Mrs. Prof. H. M. Maxson, of Attleboro, Mass., and a son, Dr. Edwin R. Lewis, a graduate of the Medical College of Harvard University, who attended his father in his fatal illness, and had already taken up the practice which his honored father was compelled to lay down.

Dr. Lewis, in his early life, gave his heart to Christ, and was at his decease a worthy member of the Pawcatuck, Seventh-day Baptist Church. He expressed his unshaken faith in his Saviour, and said in view of death and the future that "it is all right."

Dr. Lewis was a notable example for young men to imitate. He started out with only what he had within himself, and won success in his chosen life work, the esteem of men, a most honorable record as a man, and left behind a character and influence which will ever go on working good in those who live after him.

His funeral was held at his late residence on High Street, Thursday afternoon, June 16th. The attendance was very large, the people coming from far and near to look for the last time upon him whom they loved, and to pay their last tribute of respect.

WHEREAS, death has removed from us our friend and associate, Dr. E. R. Lewis, who was also the first President of this Society; and

WHEREAS, we this day attended his funeral, and followed his mortal remains to the grave, from an earnest desire to manifest our respect and esteem; and

WHEREAS, we now desire yet further to record our appreciation of his worth and our sense of loss in his death; therefore,

Resolved, That in the person of Dr. Lewis the Washington County Medical Society has lost not only its first and honored President, but one of its warmest advocates, one of its most faithful members, one who, notwithstanding the demands of a large practice, by his faithful attendance at our meetings set a most commendable example to the younger members of the Society, and one who by his large experience contributed many times to make our meetings interesting and profitable.

ave learned to appreciate his ability and his moral worth more highly. Resolved, That in the death of Dr. Lewis his patients have lost a genial friend and faithful physician, and the community a most excellent citizen.

FIRE AT ALFRED CENTRE.

This morning (July 5th), at about 4 o'clock, a fire broke out in the meat market occupied by Julius Proschelle. In a short time the Hook and Ladder Co. and nearly all the citizens were on hand, at work heroically; but in spite of all efforts the fire spread both north and south, burning the Burdick House and stables, M. J. Green's store and furniture rooms, A. A. Shaw's jewelry store, the post-office, and the dwelling of B. F. Randolph.

The skeletons of sixty peddlers and others, claimed to have been murdered many years ago for their money in a lonely spot in the highway near Cookeville, Tenn., are claimed to have been found in an old cave.

It is estimated that the reduction of the public debt for June is about \$15,000,000.

TRACT SOCIETY.

Receipts in June, 1887.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Church, Andover, N.Y. (\$3.20), 1st Brookfield Church (7.07), Woman's Aux. Society, Plainfield, N.J. (19.05), A. R. Crandall, Lexington, Ky. (50.00), Church, West Hallock, Ill. (8.00), J. G. Spicer, on L. M., self (12.00), Church, Greenmanville, Conn. (16.94), Wm. C. Maxson (1.00), O. D. Sherman (3.00), Collection, Eastern Association (95.75), Mrs. C. C. Maxson, Milton Junction, Wis. (50.00), Church (18.19), Mrs. C. Z. Greenman (1.00), W. H. Greenman (1.00), Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Greene, Adams Centre, N. Y., completing L. M., Janie B. Greene (10.00), Geo. W. Gardner, Adams Centre, on L. M. (5.00), Mrs. Polly Coon (1.00), Mrs. Charles Lindsley (75.00), Mrs. F. M. Dealing (20.00), Mrs. E. B. Saunders (25.00), Mrs. Quibell (10.00), E. C. Satterlee, 2d Verona, N. Y., L of H. (1.50), J. West (1.00), Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wolf (1.25), George Satterlee (2.00), Milton D. Potter (2.00), Frank Reynolds (1.00), Mrs. William Warner, 1st Verona (2.00), Mrs. Eliza P. Maxson (1.00), Wm. H. Lewis (1.00), George W. Burdick (1.00), Mrs. Arthur Thayer (60.00), Wm. Davis (1.00), D. P. Williams (1.00), Mr. and Mrs. Ray Greene, Berlin (3.00), Mrs. S. S. Johnson (1.00), Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rogers (1.25), W. D. Greene (5.00), D. G. Whitford, on L. M. (5.00), C. Bentley (5.00), David K. Greene (2.00), Mrs. P. D. Greene (1.00), Mrs. Phebe Greenman (1.50), Mrs. Rosetta Greenman (1.00), H. Vars (1.00), Mrs. Wm. P. Greene (1.00), Mrs. R. E. Lamphere (1.00), E. R. Greene, on L. M. (5.00), Lucy Greene (3.00), Arthur E. Greene (2.00), Collection, South-Eastern Association (8.68), A. Friend, Berea, W. Va. (1.00), S. F. Chipman, Rockville, R. I. (1.00), Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Sullivan, Ashaway (2.00), L. D. Burdick, Lincoln, N. Y. (1.00), Henry Marble (1.00), Fernie E. Randolph (2.00), Collection, Central Association (28.80), D. S. Burdick, Alfred Centre (5.00), E. A. Stillman (1.75), Church, Little Genesee, N. Y., on L. M. (10.00), Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Crandall, Little Genesee, N. Y., on L. M. (15.00), Rent of house, Little Genesee, N. Y. (44.00), Edson Warren, Shingle House, Pa. (2.00), Mrs. C. B. Wilbur (1.00), Church, Nile, N. Y. (11.75), Church, Adams Centre, N. Y. (61.69), Collection, Western Association (86.87), Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Saunders, Newport, R. I. (3.00), A. D. Bond, Buffalo Gap, Dak., L of H. (50.00), Book Sales, J. B. C.: 32 Sabbath and Sunday History, Vol. 2 (89.50), 8 Cartwright's Natural History (8.00), 2 Sabbath and Sunday, Vol. 1, paper (1.10), 4 Bound Outlooks (2.75), 4 Quarterlies (2.00), 5 Hand Books, paper (7.75), 63 Cloth (15.50), Total: \$589.94. E. & O. E. J. F. HUBBARD, Treasurer. PLAINFIELD, N. J., July 1, 1887.

