



Missions.

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

UNTIL further notice, the address of the Corresponding Secretary will be as formerly, Ashaway, R. I.

THE American Missionary Association has lately received from one man over \$1,000,000 to help on its work in the South.

THE leading articles in The Gospel in all Lands for November, relate to Syria and Palestine: Country, People, Progress, Religion, Protestant missions, etc.

MEETING HOUSE FUNDS.

We heartily appreciate the interest that the Editor of the RECORDER has shown in this important subject, at the recent Conference and also editorially, and the plain and forcible manner in which he has set forth its claims.

When we consider the moral effect of having a place of public worship, and how it adds to the spiritual life and usefulness of church members, there is not much exaggeration in comparing a mere church organization of believers, to the soul; and the meeting-house, to the body, by means of which it puts itself into communication with the outward world.

A correspondent, whose words carry great weight, thinks we ought to be still more ready to organize new churches, that the community may see tangible signs of the newly existing life and truth; and we would add let us not leave these churches shelterless, houseless, homeless.

The small sum of \$55 would secure, in Adell, Sheridan Co., Kan., a lot and a house that, after promised repairs, would be estimated at the value of \$300, with a title to remain in the hands of the Missionary Board until the loan shall be refunded.

Dear Brother,—The church that disbanded has reconsidered, and the house is not now to be sold. But as our denomination is taking steps to aid weak churches in securing meeting houses, I am encouraged to plead for help to build a house here, notwithstanding it will require more, by one half, than the highest amount mentioned in the RECORDER of Oct 11th.

house would be to the cause here, both among the white and colored people, better than I can write them. So far as I can now ascertain, it will take at least \$150 above the small amount we may be able to raise, to build a house, say twenty by thirty feet in size.

Dear Brother,—I write you a few lines to let you know how I am getting along. I began missionary work September 27th, and have been in the field all the time since.

I shall visit the brethren in Texas county soon. I am to engage in a protracted effort at Delaware Church with Brothers Johnson and Skaggs next month.

[If to "spring the Sabbath question" means to bring forward the subject in other than the most open and fair way, we hope it will never be sprung upon the association named. The truth is in need of no undue advantage.—A. E. M.]

It is time that I should give you a detailed account of my labors since my last report. I attended the annual meeting of the Iowa churches, at Welton, commencing on the 5th inst. Bro. E. M. Dunn, of Milton, was present, and by appointment from last year, preached the opening sermon.

There has been considerable material improvement there the present season. The church has remodeled and enlarged the parsonage. Dea. J. O. Babcock has built a new house near the parsonage and moved into it.

From what I could learn I judge that the Garwin Church has begun to be revived. They seem to be unanimous in their expressions of good will toward their pastor and confidence in him.

After the meeting on First-day evening Mrs. Morton and myself went home with Bro. Mullet's people, who live between Wel-

ton and Delmar, where we were to take the cars next morning. We had a very happy visit with this excellent family. The next day we went to Marion where we stopped one night, calling on Sister Certain, Bro. Jacob Brinkerhoff and family, Sister Manson, and spending the night at Eld. I. N. Kramer's.

From Marion I went to Alden on Tuesday; Mrs. Morton going on to Perry, Iowa, to visit friends. Bro. W. H. Ernst and I went the next day to Trenton, to visit the families of that church, in the hope of exciting a deeper interest in the coming semi-annual meeting at Alden.

I came to Flandreau on Monday, the 15th. The meeting on that evening was not large. We have had meetings every evening since, and day meetings on Sabbath and First-day. The attendance has been good and the interest exceptionally good.

When an invitation was given for all to come forward who wished to present themselves for baptism and membership in the church, we were delighted to find that ten of the young people of the society professed conversion, and requested baptism, while seven others applied for membership, four by letter and three on profession, they having been previously baptized.

appropriate to the occasion, a church meeting was held for the purpose of selecting additional deacons. Brethren G. W. Lanphere, I. N. Freeborn and W. N. Severance were chosen.

A word of explanation here. I had taken for granted that the annual meeting of the churches in Kansas and Nebraska would be this year as last, in connection with the fourth Sabbath of the month.

This Pleasant Grove Church (P. O. Flandreau) is, I still believe, a most promising field. It now has a membership of thirty-five, only one of whom (a young lady) is now a non-resident.

From Marion I went to Alden on Tuesday; Mrs. Morton going on to Perry, Iowa, to visit friends.

Woman's Work.

"If ye shall ask anything in my name I will do it." Communications for this Department should be addressed to the Secretary of the Woman's Board of the General Conference, Miss M. F. Bailey, Milton, Wis.

THE N. W. C. T. U.

The N. W. C. T. U. Convention has passed and been reported in the columns of the RECORDER. One point has, however not been noted, of which the sisters of the Seventh-day Baptist societies desire to hear something, and according to the request of the Secretary of their Board I will give what light I can on that subject.

In the last issue of the RECORDER was a copy of the memorial sent to the Corresponding Secretary of the N. W. C. T. U., with request that it be presented to the Executive Committee and also to the Convention.

At Henszade, the Burman Christians living near, come into the large room in the mission house every morning for prayer in their native language.

Rev. Dr. Murdock, appointed to attend the recent London Conference, was reluctant to do so. His wife was scarcely recovered from illness, important business seemed to require his presence in Boston, and he rose on the morning for sailing greatly depressed in spirit.

As we hear the reports of the National Superintendents of the different branches of missionary work done all over our nation, during the past year and remember, that the same work is going on in other nations as

well, we can but feel that a mighty influence is being exerted for good, and we must not, cannot, be idlers, but we will do what we can to accelerate its progress.

WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Our Missionary Calendar for 1889 will be ready for sale in November. It is not only tasteful and convenient, but, by giving the names and location of missionaries and many items of missionary information, it is very helpful in study, and to many who have used it as a prayer calendar it has indeed been a blessing.

A sister writes:—"I only wish we could have those calendars in every family. We have been using one of those for which I sent some weeks ago, and find it a delight, day by day, to follow the names of the missionaries and remember them in our prayers."

"I have one of your Missionary Calendars for 1888, and feel that I could not do without it. It has been a great source of help and strength to me. Besides leading me to take a deeper interest in missionary work, it has been the means of interesting two other families in missions who cared nothing for them before."

From the other side of the world comes a voice in full accord with these just quoted:—"What a beautiful coincidence that by that blessed calendar the Christian world, much of it, was remembering Tura in the time of its sore trial. We, too, of Assam, needed the prayers just when they were for us."

At Henszade, the Burman Christians living near, come into the large room in the mission house every morning for prayer in their native language.

Rev. Dr. Murdock, appointed to attend the recent London Conference, was reluctant to do so. His wife was scarcely recovered from illness, important business seemed to require his presence in Boston, and he rose on the morning for sailing greatly depressed in spirit.

As we hear the reports of the National Superintendents of the different branches of missionary work done all over our nation, during the past year and remember, that the same work is going on in other nations as

As a gift for the new year the calendar is very acceptable. The pastor would like one on his desk; the mother or the sister in the home, the teacher in the Sunday-school, all would appreciate such a gift.—Leaflet.

Sabbath

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

AS TO SUNDAY-KEEPERS.

A correspondent of the Boston Herald, Oct. 11th, 1888, extracts from the Boston Herald as follows:

This, which I clip from the Boston Herald, is suggestive. I wonder Sunday really coming to seem? "There is probably change in social custom, the morning accounts of the pastimes—yachts racing for games, private excursions, beer gardens, etc. None, things combined, attract because the change to them. We have long had the Sunday evening lecture; perhaps the ritual performance may yet attract as little attention."

The Congregationalist, news indicative of a deep social danger, comments upon the following words:

Many of us would accept statement as a fair showing who could not coincide with the deduction. God only knows is to disclose as to the relation, and this nation, day. But we confess the church members driving bicycling, or otherwise to secular pleasure, upon it; chaos and death of conscience to take and read which "Sunday newspapers" in reality, are highly and secularized newspapers which Sunday—and which so they from public worship school and the prayer-meeting confess that the prospect. We have no question but the logue will triumph in the painful to anticipate the chastisements it may secure cause the pendulum to swing and call back his people to

We share in the faith of the Congregationalist that "God will triumph in the end," and it says: "It is pain through what divine cause seem best to him to cause swing the other way, and ple to himself." We, too, in view of the chastisement must bring upon his church dulum swings into harmon law. Without designing gregationalist, and those ing the Sabbath, have me even were there good rea to reinstate the Sunday divine authority, or as a ing to the Congregational members (who are) driv bicycling, or otherwise ta lar pleasures" upon Sun church members that "conscience" permit the of Sunday newspapers, gationalist evidently se its true light, from one wonder that it is hel suggest any remedy. remedy except the law c cannot apply to the Sun as to give sacredness o the chaotic and dying abound in the churches

NOTES FROM T

BY REV. A. H. LEWIS

"The Illinois Baptist" at its annual session passed vigorous resolutions in regard to the question of Sunday-keeping which threaten the interests of the United States and from the liquor traffic. The resolutions were as follows: "The Baptists of Illinois do hereby commit themselves to the maintenance of the Sabbath as a day of rest and devotion, and to the abolition of the liquor traffic."











