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ERRORS OF GREAT MEN.

Few men have lived to make more impression upon the world than Martin Luther. We scarcely know of a human character that so impresses us with the greatness, yea, the majesty of its elements, as does his.

Protestant Germany now presents a desolation, so far as the religion of the Gospel is concerned—a desolation which, in all probability, can be traced mainly to this source.

We see, then, how much to be deplored is this one error of a great man. And we see how much to be dreaded and guarded against are all the errors of great men.

There is a spice of truth in the foregoing; just enough to make the whole seem like the very gospel, to those who never think for themselves, but not enough to give it that healthful character which would entitle it to general approbation.

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Church to go back to the observance of the seventh day.

But there is a morsel of truth in the foregoing. We heartily endorse the sentiment, that evangelical religion must in a great measure die out, where no Sabbath is acknowledged.

TIDINGS FROM JERUSALEM.

PHILADELPHIA, May 3, 1852.

To the Editors of the Sabbath Recorder: I send you for publication the enclosed "Report of the Agricultural Manual Labor School in Palestine."

Yours in Christ Jesus, JAS. L. BOYD, Agent.

Report of the Agricultural Manual Labor School of Palestine, in Berthelem of Judea.

To all our beloved friends in America who love Israel: Last evening, about 7 o'clock, our pilgrim family all arrived in this sacred and lovely village.

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pecting from thence to proceed by steamer to Beyroot; but at Marseilles we learned that no steamer for Syria now stops at Messina.

On the 20th we set sail for Beyroot, with a fine wind, and found our little vessel (the Angeline) despite its unpaired appearance, to be a fine sailer, and, to our surprise, so sound in the bottom.

On the 5th of February the wind changed, and we set sail again, but were alternately delayed by light and contrary winds and calms, accompanied by frequent rains.

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four—a moment of interest, and devout awe and praise, that many hearts at home can more easily conceive than I can describe.

To our surprise, the French merchant to whom we had a letter, the Consul's Agent, and a crowd of Turkish officers, Arab citizens and porters, stood ready to receive us; the authorities, as we have since learned, having some weeks previously received orders from the Pasha of Jerusalem.

The Consul's agent immediately sent a messenger, with a note from us, inclosed in his official Arabic direction, to our beloved friend in Bethlehem, for advice as to our further progress.

Our rooms and kitchen were furnished in Oriental style and convenience, and with our cooking and table furniture, we prepared our own meals.

Soon after we landed, the wind and sea arose, and a great storm of rain ensued, and our brig and many other vessels were obliged to put to sea, or run back to the safe harbor of Caipha, as Jaffa lies in an exposed position.

OBITUARY—REV. O. B. BROWN.

Died, on the 2d inst., at his residence in Washington City, the Rev. OSADIAH B. BROWN, in the 73d year of his age.

Probably not many of the readers of the Sabbath Recorder were personally acquainted with the deceased; but the high regard entertained by the writer for his memory, calls for something more than a bare statement of the fact of his death.

Mr. B. was born in New York, N. J., and at an early age became a student of divine grace, and a member of the Baptist Church in that place.

Mr. B. was a man of uncommon vigor of intellect and decision of character. Necessitated to pass his early life in mechanical pursuits, he did not enjoy the advantage of what is commonly termed a liberal education.

As a husband, father, and friend, his character cannot be too highly eulogized. A resident of several years, in his family enabled the writer of this notice to testify, that he was a man of most affectionate disposition, and of great benevolence.

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DEATH OF A PHILANTHROPIST.

The venerable philanthropist, ISAAC T. HOPPER, died in New York on the 7th inst., after many weeks of bodily suffering, in the 81st year of his age.

In this world of shadows, few things strengthen the soul like seeing the calm and cheerful exit of a truly good man; and this has been, my privilege by the bedside of Isaac T. Hopper.

He was a man of remarkable endowments, both of head and heart. His clear discrimination, his unconquerable will, his total unconsciousness of fear, his extraordinary tact in circumventing plans he wished to frustrate.

During nine years that I lived in his household, my respect and affection for him continually increased. Never have I seen a man who so completely fulfilled the Scripture injunction to forgive an erring brother.

Farewell, thou brave and kind old friend! The prayers of ransomed ones ascended to heaven for thee, and a glorious company have welcomed thee to the Eternal City.

THOU HENCEFORTH shalt have a good man's calm, A great man's happiness, thy zeal shall find repose at length, firm Friend of human kind.

L. MARIA CHILD.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS.

On Sunday evening, May 2d, Rev. W. W. Sprague, D. D., preached a sermon in one of the churches of New York, before the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

Finances.—The donations of the churches and individuals, the main reliance of the Board, are \$8,051 larger than those of the preceding year.

Missionaries sent out.—Thirty persons were sent forth as missionaries and assistant missionaries during the year, seven of whom are ordained ministers of the gospel.

Indian Missions.—Among the Choctaws, Chickasaws, Creeks, Seminole, Iowas, Sacs, Omahas, Otoes, Chippewas, and Attawaps; eleven ministers, and forty male and female assistant missionaries; four native assistants; 368 scholars under instruction, of whom 325 are boarded and clothed by the missions; church members reported, 93.

China Missions.—At Canton, Ningpo; and Shanghai, ten ministers and eleven assistant missionaries; scholars, 206, of whom 87 are boarded and clothed by the missions.

Missions to Romanists.—Moneys have been remitted as in former years for the support of evangelists, colporteurs, &c., in Europe. In Hungary, Italy, Belgium, and France, \$4,500 were thus expended last year.

CLOSE OF THE VOLUME.—Four numbers more will complete the eighth volume of the Sabbath Recorder.

We wish the occasion could be signalized by a general payment of what is due for the paper. Within the past three months we have sent bills to all who owe us, so that they need be in no doubt as to the state of their accounts.

Another thing which ought to signalize the close of this volume, or the beginning of a new one, is a special effort, on the part of the friends of the Recorder, to increase the number of its subscribers.

THE MAINE LIQUOR LAW.—This law, in its principal features, was passed in the Rhode Island House, on the 7th inst., by a vote of 47 to 23; and it passed in the Senate without division.

Few men have been more strongly attached to any religious society than he was to the Society of Friends, which he joined in the days of his purity, impelled by his own religious convictions.

METHODIST MISSIONS.—A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held of Fifth-day at the Mission Rooms, for the purpose of making appropriations for the various missions during the ensuing year.

Table with 2 columns: Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions. Includes totals for current expenses and constitution.

This is by far a larger contribution than any previous year. According to the reports of the Treasurer, the receipts up to the present time exceed those of last year by \$20,000.

RELIGIOUS MEETINGS.—This is a great week for religious meetings. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church is in session at Boston, the Catholic National Council at Baltimore, and the leading Benevolent Societies of the country at New York.

Dr. JUSTIN EDWARDS.—We are sorry to learn, says the Independent, that the venerable Dr. Justin Edwards, so long engaged in the cause of the Sabbath and of Temperance, is lying dangerously ill at his house in Andover.

REVIVAL IN BROOKLYN.—Sixty persons were received into the Plymouth Church in Brooklyn on Sunday, May 2d, fifty of whom then made a profession of faith.

DISSENSION AMONG THE JESUITS.—A correspondent of the N. Y. Times says that a great dissension and rebellion has recently sprung up among the Jesuits at Rome and Naples, not respecting any new religious principles, but in relation to a reform in the fashion of their hats, called by the Italians cappelloni.

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