

Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger.

The business at the Associations.

MR. EDITOR,

As the time for holding our Anniversaries is drawing near, it may not be amiss to call attention to making the necessary preparation.

And, as it is well known, Mr. Editor, that at these gatherings the time is limited, and generally near the close, business is obliged to be crowded through without due consideration.

As the subject of changing the time of holding the Association to such days of the week as shall not include the Sabbath may be brought up, would it not be well for each church to express their views in their letter?

I am, &c. WILLIAM CHURCHILL. Yarmouth, March 20th, 1860.

The Christian is one who, if a shipwreck or a fire were to take all luxuries away, could descend, without being crushed, into the valley of existence.

For the Christian Messenger.

"Watchman" and "S. T. Rand."

"ONCE MORE, AND THEN!"

MR. EDITOR,

I appreciate and desire to acknowledge the kind manner in which "Watchman" has replied to my brief and blundering epistle.

2. My "lady friend," too, has hardly had justice done her, between us both; but that is certainly about as much owing to my own brevity and obscurity, as to any thing else.

3. But I come to graver matters. "Watchman" says I am bound in honor "not to teach baptist peculiarities to the Indians."

I certainly for one, never had the most distant idea that such was the case. I engaged in my present occupation with the distinct and open avowal, that I would consent to no restrictions, or limitations, in respect to teaching my own peculiar views as a Baptist.

I do not know that it is necessary to protract these remarks. I am certainly, not so anxious, —I would be very sorry to be—that the Indians should be Baptists, as that they should be

Christians, in the highest and best sense of that word. Most gladly would I be the instrument of introducing five hundred of them into any of the churches represented in the Micmac Mission, could I deem them changed in heart and in life.

I am, as ever, Yours truly, S. T. RAND.

Hantsport, March 22nd, 1859.

P. S.—I have done with the subject of "Watchman's" first communication. Should he, or any one else, however, have questions to propose in a brotherly spirit, respecting the workings of the Micmac Mission, or the nature of my connexion with it, I will be most happy to give all the information in my power.

S. T. R.

For the Christian Messenger.

Home Mission Agency.

MR. EDITORS,—

After having finished my work in Chester I left on the 15th Feb., and came to HANTS COUNTY. VISITED RAWDON, NEWPORT, KEMPT, WINDSOR, HANTSPOET and UPPER FALMOUTH.

I spent one Sabbath in NEWPORT. In connection with the united labours of his servants the Lord has greatly blessed his people, and a large ingathering to the church has been the result.

In KEMPT the brethren are endeavouring to "hold on their way." Bro. Vaughan has an extensive circuit involving a good deal of hard labour, yet the Lord has from time to time blessed his labours in the conversion of sinners and the edification of the church.

In the absence of Bro. Welton I spent one Lord's day in WINDSOR. The cause of God here is steadily advancing. The Pastor enjoys the confidence and affection of his people.

HANTSPOET and FALMOUTH next claimed my attention. The brethren here were ready and willing to aid the Mission, but preferred working on the old Union plan.

In connection with all the churches above mentioned there are "regions beyond" from which the Macedonian cry is continually coming. That cry is heard by the Pastors but they cannot respond so as in any adequate degree to meet their desires and necessities.

questions be pondered in secret before God by every professed follower of the Lamb, and answered by a determination to employ more energetic efforts for the extension of the cause of truth among our fellow men.

Yours faithfully, I. J. SKINNER.

Weston, March 27th, 1860.

For the Christian Messenger.

The Manning Professorship.

MR. EDITOR,

The following sums in addition have been paid for the Manning Professorship in Acadia College:

Table with columns for location (South Sydney, C. B., Canada Mountain, Pearsau, Upper Dyke Village) and names of members with their respective contributions.

The last item of this list shows what may be done by an individual, the head of a family, and the first shows what may be done by a church. The action of the Sidney church was spontaneous.

I would also repeat the necessity of forwarding all pledges for teachers' salaries, at the earliest possible date. Will the local agents also be careful to state what is for principal, what is for interest, and what is for extra subscriptions, giving the names of parties paying, legibly written so that every name and every sum may be correctly reported.

Yours in the Lord, D. FREEMAN.

Wolfville, March 16th, 1860.

For the Christian Messenger.

Horton Academy.

DEAR EDITOR,

The exhibition in the Horton Academy on the evening of March 21st, has already been noticed in the Messenger. I am happy to be able to furnish a programme of the exercises, which I doubt not will be read with interest by the friends of the Institution and of the Students.

MUSIC.

PRAYER.

"SOULS OF BOOKS."

John F. Godfrey.

"TRIUMPH OF JULIUS CAESAR."

Seth D. Shaw, C. Webber, W. Boggs, Johnson Mosher.

"THE LIFE BOAT."

Isaac Chase, John Carroll, Lewis Shaffner, Noah Jones, B. Beckwith.

"INTELLECTUAL DISCIPLINE," (original essay.)

George E. Tufts.

MUSIC.

"WILLIAM TELL ON THE ALPS."

Geo. H. Clark.

"NOT ASHAMED OF HIS OCCUPATION."

Geo. Freeman, John Cunningham.

"CHOCUR D'ATHALIE."

Lewis Burps, C. H. Whitman, Mr. Johnson, J. W. DeWolfe and Wallace.

"THE DILEMMA, (original Colloquy).

Lothrop Caldwell, H. Bligh, A. Caldwell

MUSIC.

"PEDANTRY."

W. Miner, S. Harris, Geo. Borden, Isaiah Shaw.

"THE IRISH SAILOR IN FRANCE"

E. Dimock, T. Blackadar, G. Freeman.

"THE INDIAN—WHAT HE WAS, AND WHAT HE IS,"

(Original essay.)

J. A. Chipman.

ADDRESSES

By Rev. D. Freeman, Professor Sawyer and Dr. Cramp.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

The prosperity of the Academy is indicated by the following extract of a note I have just received from the principal, J. W. Hart, Esq.

"I am happy to say that the quarter on which we have now entered appears to have opened very propitiously. My hopes that some who found it impracticable to attend last quarter would return, and that there would be some new recruits this quarter, have been