## THE CHRISTIAN MESSENGER.

### Appreciating Preaching.

## Jeachers' Department.

Sabbath School Scripture Lessons.

### OCTOBER 7th, 1860.

Read-JOHN JV. 1-15 : The Vine and the Branches. 1 Kings iv. 20-34 : Solomon's Court and Officers.

### Recite-JOHN xiv. 15-19.

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### OCTOBER 14th, 1860.

Read-JOHN XV. 16-27 : Christ's discourse with the disciples, continued. 1 Kings v. 1-20 Materials for the Temple prepared.

Recite-JOHN XV. 1-4.

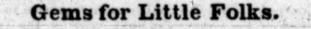
### MESSENGER ALMANAC.

From September 30th to October 13th, 1860.

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\*. \* For the time of HIGH WATER at Pictou, Pugwash Wallace, and Yarmouth add 2 hours to the time at Halifax.

\* For HIGH WATER at Annapolis Digby. &c. and at St. John. N. B., add 3 hours to the time at Halifax. \*. \* The time of HIGH WATER at Windsor is also the time at Parrsboro', Horton, Cornwallis, Truro, &c. \* For the LENGTH OF DAY double the time of the ran's setting.



The Monthly Religious Magazine (Unitarian) gives the the following incident of Rev. William Ware, sen., one of the most learned and accomplished ministers of that denomination :

Dr. Ware used sometimes to relate amusingly his experience as a parish minister. One week bes owing almost all his care and thought upon the morning discourse; and the result was what he considered one of his very best sermons. Saturday evening came, and he must get up something tor the alternoon service, which of course must be more hastily and carelessly done. It was probably some brief and simple exposition of Scripture. Monday morning the Doctor walks out, and meets one of his parishioners, who greets bim very cordially.

Farishioner. I must thank you, Doctor, for that sermon : it has edified me more then 1 can tell vou.

Doctor. I bestowed much care upon it, auc am glad that my laber was not lost.

Parishionor. I assure you it was not. It ha cleared up my doubts and difficulties.

Doctor. I persume you refer to the morning discour-e.

Parishioner. No, sir-the afternoon. The morning discourse-I-I don't particularly re member about that.

used to relate of himself.

He had noticed for several successive Sabbaths his congregation, who, at the commencement of the setmon, would place himself in the corner of his pew, and fixing his eyes upon the preacher, apparently listen with the utmost interest to the sermon. Leeling some what gratified at this mark- first discovery of the town, it is well known, was ed evidence of interest in his preaching, Dr. T, resolved to cultivate the acquaintance of the new. a tamily above, which well come into this theater. comer, and accordingly on the next Subath bus," are several marule ones, called the " Momanaged to accost him on his way out of church ther, Wife, and Daughters." The statue called and to express his pleasure at his attentive listening. "Why, you see, parson," rep'ied the at-

### Visit to Herculanæum and Pompeii.

[In a late number of the Independant, Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe gives the following description of her recent visit to Herculanzum and Pompeii ]

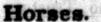
he had made special preparation for the pulpit, lage of Portici, which is built over Herculanzum. horses-fancy animals, that stand in warm sta-We alighted and went iuto a common-looking bles, blanketed, and taken out only occasionally honse, where an old man provided us all with for exhibition, rather then use. To keep a horse candles, and then opened a door which appeared or other animal healthy, the carbon taken into to go down into the cellar, and we began to des- the system in food must be proportioned to the cend.

of the pickaxes which had cut the passage down which we were treading, through a bank of solid lava, burd and glassy. Down lower, the damps dripped and oozed along the walts, and the rumble of carrages overhead sounded strangely in contrast to the gostly darkness and stilinesss into which we were descending. It was the old theater of Herculanzoum we were coming into-a building as large as the San Carlos, which is said to be the largest in the world. We heard the bats flapping overhead, squeaking and gibber.ng as the unwonted light disourbed them. We passed through long galleries to the stage, to the green-room-saw here and there traces of ver-This reminds us of a story which Rev. Dr. T., million ceiling or partly efficed fresco-saw the a Baptist pastor in one of the New-England cities places of the orchestra, and stepped on the mossgrown stage. The very fact that it had once been a place of amusement added to the heavy, ghostly chill-the sense of death and desolation. a stranger of somewhat intellectual appearance in We saw the bases with inscriptions, from which had been taken the equestrian statues of the "Two Balbi," father and son, which we had seen in the museum the day before. Every space thus made must be carefully bricked up again because of the living town above. The

from the sinking of a we'l for the convenience of

the "Mother" is a most striking one. It is of an elder'y woman of majestic presence, and impressed with such deep lines of tragic prescience, tentive hearer, " I works hard through the week, that one might tancy it the statute of one who and Sunday morning I puts on my bettermost foresaw the desolation that was about to entomb her city. Most singular in its force of character and strength of expression is that statueone of those portraits that so evidently suggests raised at a loss. So it is with cattle and sheepa history that one longs to know the original. This family distinguished for personal dignity and presence, and holding so high a place in public e-teem, reveals itself to us after a silence of centuries. How impressive and awful must have found them in these subterranean recesses, standing silent, awfui! I fancied how that pale, strong, lateful face of the mother of Balbus must have looked when down in these cezy damps the light of the discovery torch first glared upon it. The history of pride, passion, and sorrow, which have written themselves on that stravge face, must have had starting power, looking on out in their stony stillness from the silence of so deep a night of so long and stony an entombuent! Our party was a large one-many of them young and full of spithis, and trod the desolated way with many a gay word and light laughyet even the fair young faces and the thought less laughs had a ghostly, unnatural look and sound in that depressing stdiness. When we emerged to the daylight, one young maiden appeared to view bearing a beautiful full-blown tos , which she said she had picked up on the damp floor below. The blooming child of upper air seemed to us an incredible marvel to emerge from so deathlike shades, and we wondered and speculated how it got there. Such doubtless, once grew in the gardens of that subterranean city, and lying back in the carriage; and shutting one's eyes, one might have fancied it the ghost of a rose from some of those baried gardens-a rose that should look just like another, but should gradually dissolve and fade from view in upper regions.

# Agriculture.



We osually feed our horses too much ; that is the food is disproportioned to the labor they per-About an hour's drive brought us to the vil- form. We speak more particularly of our best oxygen taken in by respiration. Thus a man of On our right and left we could see the marks sedentary habits, sented day after day in the warm room where there is little oxygen, can live on mush and milk, a little toast, or other light food, while the same man, in the Arctic regions, would swallow whale blubber with impunity. The excess of oxygen in the Arctic atmosphere requires an excess of carbon, otherwise the oxygen would consume the lungs, and produce pulmonary disease. If the food (or carbon) exceeds its due proportion, or is disproportioned to the oxygen, it is unconsumed, and is stored away in the form of fat, which induces acute diseases and premature death. Now, a fancy horse, that has little exercise, standing in a warm stable, blanketed, with little circulation of air, and consequently little oxygen, gorging himself at a fuil crib from day to day, requires an excess of fcar-. bon; his muscles are over oaded with fat-he becomes stepid, and sluggish, and very liable to acute diseases .- Ohio Farmer.

### Facts for poor Farmers.

"Those farmers who have most difficulty to make both ends mee, alway, plow most and keep most stock. Now these men take the true plan to keep themselves always poor, because their crops and stock are always poor and bring little. So writes John Johnston, in a letter to the Secretary of our State Society ; and he thus illustrates his statement : " It is good profit to raise 300 bushels of wheat from ten acres, but when it takes thirty acres to raise that amount, it is you will see the thinking former making fouryear old steers worth from \$60 to \$80 each, and his neighbor's at the same age not worth over \$25 to \$40" His advice to the latter is, " if his land is exhausted, he should plow no more than he can thoroughly manure. Seed with clover and grass, and let it rest, and that field will not only pay well for tillage, but it will furnish manure (if rightly managed) to make another field of the same size, rich also." And then keep it rich, do not run it with grain until again exhausted, or " the latter end of that land will be worse than the first "-- Country Gentleman.

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1. KEEP a list of your friends; and let God be the first in the list, however long it may

2. Keep a list of the gifts you get and let Christ, who is the unspeakable gift, be first. 3. Keepa list of your mercies; and let pardon

and life stand at the head.

4. Keep a list of your joys; and let the joy unspeakable and full of glory be first.

. 5 Keep a list of your hopes; and let the hope of glory be foremost.

6. Keep a list of your sorrows; and let eor row for sin be first.

7. Keep a list of your enemies; and, how ever many there may be, put down the " ole man and the " old serpent" first.

8. Keep a list of your sins; and let the sin o unbelief be sat down as the first and worst of all -Journal and Messenger.

We gave not long since, a specimen of the magniloquent language in which our "colored brethren" are so apt to include. Here another " sample," and of actual occurrence in Washington Market, having been overheard by s friend, whom it pleased so much that he took it down at the time.

My colored friend, George Fitz Augustus, walked up to the wagon of a countryman, and After peering for some time at his stock, inquir-

" Are dose good taters ?"

"Yes sir," responded the countryman.

" A tater," resumed George Edward Fitz Aumstus, " is inevitably bad unless it is unwariably good. Dere is no medeocrity in de combination 'ob a tater. De exterior may appear remarkably exemplary and beautisome, while de interior is totally negative. But, sir, if you wends de articles on your recommendation, knowing you to be a man of probability in your transactions, 1 widout furder circumlocation, takes a small measure ob dat superior wegetable."

him said :-

cloths, comes to meeting, puts up my feet on the cushin, looks at the minister, and thinks of noth-

### A Compliment.

ing."

Many years ago there was a preaching station some distance from Princeton, to which it was usual to send the licentiates of the Seminary to preach, and they, very properly, performed the duty assigned them with a due regard to the great importance of preaching well prepared sermons. One of their habitual hearer- was an o'd New Jersey slave, known as Uncle Sam, a sincere, humble, christian man, but, of course, wholly aneducated. Always when he came home from preaching, he would try to tell his mistress what he could remember of the sermon. and he always came with the same complaint. He was a poor, ignorant old man, he would say,

and he could not understand those learned men at all. The little he did co uprehend was mingled with so much that was deep that he could not remember it. One day, however, Unc'e Sam came home in great good humor.-There was a poor, ignorant old man, just like himself, he said, who had come to preach that day.

It was plain that he did not know much, indeed he was hardly fit to preach to the white people, but Sam was glad he had come for his own sake, for he could remember everything he had said.

On inquiry it was found that Sam's ignorant old preacher was Dr. Archibald Alexander ! and when the Dr. heard the criticism, he said that it was the highest compliment ever paid to bis preaching .- Banner of the Covenant.

### The Right side of Fifty.

If christians oftener chezished the hopes of the Apostle, and felt like him, that to die is gain, they would talk like Mr. Venn, in the following

his excursions to preach for the Countess o

#### POMPEIL

and went into a little caravanseral to get a lunch, equal to sperm for burning ! Will not some before entering on our explorations. In an up- manufacturer inform the public upon this subper chamber, all hung round with French htho graphs, we took our lunch. A man with a gui- | uil, rape seed oil, coal oil, and many other tar soon found his way to the balcony, on to kinds, but horse oil is something new .- Hon. which our room opened, and began playing and olulu Friend. singing airs, the very sound of which seemed to say . " Be easy, have a good time, dance and sing while the sun shines."

The character of these Neapolitan airs strongly reminds me of the gayer class of negro melo-And frost and snaw on ilka hill, anecdote : And Boreas wi' his blasts so bauld, dies-the same strongly accentuated rhythini-It is said of the humble Mr. Venn, in one of cal character and sharp expression of time-Was threat'ning a' our chiels to kill; A BEAUTIFUL REPLY .- A pious old man was the same careless abandon of gavety. When my gudewite wha lo'es no strife, He Huntington, that he fell in company with a perone day walking to the sanctuary, with a New sang, and we laughed-he intimated carlini, and Gat up and plainly did declare, Go to the druggist, John, and buy The Pectoral o' Dochter AYER. son who had the appearance of a parish clergywe paid them-and then off he went singing Testament in his hand, when a friend who met again, till we laughed more and baid more carlini man. After riding some time together, convers--he improvised sty compliments, and had suging on different subjects, the stranger, looking " Good morning, Mr. Price," gestions of bella and amore which led to more Now this is so, as weel ye know, "Ah! good morning," replied he; "I am in his face, said : carlini-but we were to good-natured to demur, To cross the lassies will na pay, reading my Father's will as I walk along." "Sir, I think you are on the wrong side of and alogether he made a good thing of us, So aff I slid as I was bid, "Well, what has he left you ?" said his fitty." doubtle-s, careless, jouniar dog that he was, full And bought the PECTORAL that day. friend. "Why, he has bequeathed me a hundredfold Venn. " On the wrong side of fi'ty !" answered Mr. to his throat with the sunshine of this bright day. Our bealth increased, our coughing ceased, "No, sir, I am on the right side of Pompeii is a much more siry and sunny expedi-No frown the gutewite's brow did wear ; more in this life ; and in the world to come life fitty." tion than Herculup gum. It seems to have been So every time we brew the malt everlasting," " Surely, replied the clergyman, "you must be buried by dufing ashes, much as our fences in | We drink the health o' Dochter AYER. It was a word in season ; his Christian friend urned of fifty. in New Eugland are sometimes hid under the was in circumstances of affliction, but went home "Yes, sir," added the christian veteran, "but | snow drifts grass and flowers have become green | Lang be his life an' free from strife, comforted. 1 WOL Y. HARAK I am on the right side of tifty, for I am neater and gay. The unexcavated part looks like a May bairnies' bairnies climb his knee, my crown of glory." And ue'er may they to their last day my crown of glory." The professor of religion who feels bound to use moderately the "good gifts of God" in the liquid form, is wearing blister plasters and bleed-ing rattlemakes and polecats, so as to enjoy largely of these good things. ashes, offers scarce any obstacie. To him the eldest brither's chare. our salvation becomes nearer. Serged soins

### **Build high Stables.**

That is, high between floors. Most stables are built low "because they are warmer." But such people forget that wa mtb is obtained at a sacrifice of the health of the animal and pure air. Shut a man up in a tight, small box, the air may be warmed, but it will soon lay him out dead and cold if he continues to breathe it. If stables are tight, they should have high eilings; if they are not tight to the a 'mission of cold currents of air from all directions, they are equally faulty. A sable should be carefully ventilated, and one of the cheapest of modes is to build a high one.

HORSE OIL .- Report says that the Kauians are procuring an excellent oil from the fat of horses. Some horses, when tried out, will produce a barrel of oil, but the average is about We arrived at Pompen at about twelve o'clock half a barrel. Horse oil is reported to be ject? We have heard of whale oil, sperm

### Scotch Song.

November came so chill and cauld.