# THE CHRISTIAN MESSENGER.

## June 5, 1861].

## Agriculture, &c.

## Large or Small Corn.

MR. EDITOR :--- I noticed in reading the Farmer, an article headed, "Which to plant, large or small corn ?" The writer goes on to show that the 12 rowed is the most profitable, and yields 30 bushels to the acre; he takes nothing vation of our race in mental or moral status, into consideration but the corn shelled.

I am a farmer, and a miller also. I have had a chance to see 8 and 12 rowed corn brought to mill in the ear, and I can say that not more than success is to be obtained. Energy, by the eternal one grist in ten comes to mill of the 12 rowed but what gets mouldy before the cob is seasoned. -Another consideration is the fodder. The 12 rowed stalks grow so large, the cattle will not eat more than two-thirds of them, while on the other hand they will eat every one of the 8 rowed stalks; and there is no trouble to cure the corn or stalks, which is quite an item. The 8 rowed will bear planting nearer together, with more stalks in a hill, and requires from 2 to 3 weeks less time to bring it to maturity than the 12 rowed, on the same kind of soil. I venture to say that I can raise as many bushels on an acre of perfectly sound corn, that is, shelled corn, as Mr. " Massapoag" can of the 12 rowed variety, and the fodder worth one-third more It is not spring up under the nurturing smile of a benig- Be faithful to your God, "Go then triumpha half the trouble to cover it, and it is better corn when shelled, for market.-P. D. P. in N. E. Farmer.

## Pulverization of Manures.

This is a subject in which I heartily agree with "M. F.," in saying that its importance demands a more thorough attention. I am aware that the look back ; while one pit-fall remains in the former practice of manuring in the hill is fast being superseded by the application of manure broadcast, and therefore the most strict attention should be given to the pulverization of the manure thus applied. The evenness of spreading on the surface is very essential, that the roots of the plants may partake of the manure equally, and thus promote a more even growth often heard the remark, "I wonder what makes that corn so uneven." I think if they should ask, or wonder why one plant does not grow so rapidly as another. This is a subject which has ner in which the manure was applied. My mode of management is as follows : casionally applying plaster as an absorbent and pulverizer, at the same time taking care to break to pieces the largest lumps. After two days, fork over again and cover with plaster, and in prime condition to cart out, and apply broadcast, and if sheep manure (as the most of mine is), you will need a shovel to spread it. Great care should be taken not to let it remain too long in the heap, as it will burn, and thus destroy the life of the manure .- J. E. W. in N. E. Farmer.

## Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger.

## Stray leaves.

Continued and active effort, in any time of procedure which has for its end and aim the eleseems from the beginning to have been decreed by a wise providence as the only means by which mandate, has been constituted the parent of prosperity, and when directed in channels which conduce to the happiness of the creature, and becomes not a matter of possibility, but of certainty. As well might we doubt the power of

the returning sun to remove from nature's face, her white veil of winter, and to re-invest her with her verdant summer mantle, as to cherish the belief that the good seed sown by our beloved Order and kindred associations through the erly love. Carefully improve every opport highways and hedges of vice and sin, shall not nant providence and watered by the rich dews on your glorious way. Go ! heaven is with you of the Divine blessing, return an abundant harvest of bending sheaves, many of which we trust shall not only be rescued from the drankard's life of misery and grave of infamy, but plucked

also as brands from everlasting burnings. . Having put our hand to the plough let us not

path of the unweary traveller our work is before us; while one misguided mortal, with eyes dazzled by the glitter of his cankered gold, continues to proffer the cup of death to his fellowspeak of youthful health and vigor, of strong them occasionally, faculties and high resolves. Behold him now he sits at the tavern bar; one by one his preat the end of the fourth day, the manure will be judices have been overcome ; the first glass is taken-the second-the third-the coils of the remorseless drunkard-maker are tightening upon him ; rivet by rivet are the fetters securedhe stands a shackled slave. How changed ! the sunken eye, the tottering gait, the meaningless expressions tell the sad tale. Now, e'er it be too late, brothers-sisters, to the rescue, once a regular attendant at your Division room,

victory, wl	en the infernal strong-hold totters to
its fall ; sha	Il we, the besiegers, in coldness and
apathy rest	upon our arms, when the fight grows
thickest wi	th the last sorties, the last throes of
	r? or, nobly and tirelessly bear on
our banner	s till they wave in triumph over the
doomed wa	

Ours is a work that brooks no respite : "line upon line-line upon line" by precept and example, by smiles and frowns, should the faithful Son of Temperance aid, and aid continually in the "glorious insurrection of Virtue against the cruel bondage of Intemperance." In the Divi sion and on the Street, in the pulpit and at the counter, the justice of the cause may be vindi the glory of the Creator, its ultimate triumph cated, the integrity of the white collar upheld and the honor of the name that we are proud t bear," sacredly maintained.

> Forward then brethren in your chosen an Godlike work. Exemplify in your conduct to wards each other, and to all men, the love graces of Temperance, Benevolence, and Brot nity of doing good. Be faithful to your vow victory is sure."

> > GERSHOM.

#### For the Christian Messenger.

### Sabbath School matters.

#### MR. EDITOR,-

In the C. Messenger of April 3rd, in your Sabbath School article, you think the carrying out of the Sabbath School Convention " is not so much competitor for the goal of perdition, let us still dependent upon funds as upon cordial co-operaraise our voices in solemn warning, and bear tion." I agree with you, but still money is nethrough the field. The beauty of a crop is high our white standard on the strong signal cessary. And to carry out the object fully, means evenness and equality in its growth. I have pole of the Eternal word. And when the night should be adopted to create a fund, if possible, to seems gathering around us, and the dastard enable the Board to employ a suitable person to pay more attention to the pulverization of the wrecker's light gleams over the sunken reef, on visit every part of the Province and carry with pay more attention to the purvertisation of the manure, and evenness of spreading, so that the which many a noble ship that set out on the voy- him a supply of every thing requisite in a Sabroots of the plants may readily take up the age of life with bright promises and high hopes bath School. Sell when they are able to buy, manure, that they would have no occasion to has been lured to destruction, from every Pharos, assist when they are weak, and give when they and from every altar, let the pure beacon-flame are unable to do anything. He should be a man been greatly neglected by the majority of our of love arise, to warn them of their danger and thoroughly acquainted with the work, prepared farmers. Often do we notice newly-seeded to guide them home. See yonder young man, to lecture, council or advise, organize Schools pieces, which are striking evidences of the man- he is steady and industrious, the pride of his where there are none, and point out all necesparents and acquaintance, the life of the circle sary improvements to those in operation. How Three or four days before I want to use a in which he moves, his brow bears the stamp of strengthening it would be to our Schools quantity of manure, I fork it up into a heap, oc- intellect, his elastic step and noble bearing throughout the country to have such a man visit The difficulty you speak of in reference to the locality of officers is a great one, and should at your next annual meeting be remedied. Your staff of officers and Board should be so located that they may be able to consult together whenever necessary. Halifax would be decidedly the best locality, the organ of the Denomination being published there. In addition to this Board you should have county Secretaries, one in each county, whose duty it would be to correspond with the general Secretary, and keep him informed on all matters of interest connected with the Sabbath Schools in his county. The Widespread and death-dealing is the influence Secretary would thus be prepared to lay before wielded by the upholders of this accursed traffic your annual meeting a detailed Report, showing in "Slaves and sculs of men" that mars the the condition of all the Sabbath Schools in the fair face of God's beautiful heritage. Broad Province. The statistics should be published so and steep the dreary path down which for paltry that strangers who look at our Minutes for inpelf they urge a maddened throng into the in- formation, may see that we have Sabbath satiate billows of a black eternity. Still thickly Schools among us. It can be done by adding dotted is each sequestered hamlet, and tainted five columns to the statistics of the Churches,

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one fifth of the whole amount contributed. The rest is secured by note.

I have witnessed with pleasure the increasing zeal which is being manifested in behalf of the College. While the Manning Fund is not to be abandoned, other plans are proposed which acting in concert must sooner or later realize the wishes of those who are most friendly to the interests of our youth. And who' can prove recreant to such an important object ? To swell the Edward Manning professorship, I propose to raise a scholarship in the name of Major Nathaniel Parker. One quarter of the amount is already secured. When the whole is paid the donors will be entitled to a certificate in the name of the person thus honored by his descendants entitling them to the rights and privileges of the College. Those of the relatives who wish thus to commemorate our noble ancestor, and connect his name with this good work, will be kind enough to communicate to me how much they are willing to contribute.

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Friends that are worth having are not made, but "grow," like Topsy. An old man once gave this advice to his sons on his death-bed : "Never try to make a friend. Enemies come fast enough without cultivating the crop ; and friends who are brought forward by hot-house expedients are apt to wilt before ripened."

A woman asked her gardener why weeds always outgrow and covered up the flowers "Madam," said he, " the soil is mother of the weeds but only step-mother of the flowers." So is the heart of man. Sin is native to it, while grace is an exotic.

Wrinkled silk may be rendered nearly as beautiful as when new by sponging it on the surface with a weak solution of gum arabic or white glue, then ironing it on the wrong side.

#### Railroad Song.

#### BY THE PEASANT BARD.

There's the bell ! listen well ! " All aboard !" is the cry ; We are going, going,-gone,-We'll be back, by-and-bye. Now we are jumping with a thumping and a Bumping o'er the rails ; But our horse has "taken something," and his Strength never fails.

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Hear the bell; listen well; Deeply regretting that there is the difference ment. " Clear the track !" is the cry ; of sentiment existing to call for such a separa-We are flying, flying,-flown While around us by the Arch-enemy of our tion ; for that people are dear unto me ; and it Like a "streak o' lightning" by. race is waged a cruel and destructive warfare. required great fortitude upon my part to have What a racket! how we clack it, as we track it While on the right hand and on the left fall, one come to such a conclusion and would have pre-O'er the rails ! Mrs. John Locke 0 62 by one, earth's noblest sons, laid low by the But our pony needn't slack it, for his vented it if I possibly could, but honesty promptpoisoned shafts of the fell destroyer. While the Strength never fails. ARGYLE. ed me to it. I do hereby publicly avow myself tears of the widow and the orphan, wrung from \$1 00 Harvey Nickerson - separated from their Associated body and Blow it loud to the crowd the heart in agony, cry to Heaven for vengeance Who our coming wait to spy ; TUSKET. Church membership. and to us for aid. While angels from heaven's Who are coming, coming,-come ;-Nothing but a careful examin tion of the \$4 00 John Hatfield -Rub the cinders from your eye, battlements regard with bated breath and part-New Testament has brought me to take this de-Mrs. J. Hatfield 1 04 As we're sliding, and are gliding, and are riding ed lips the progress of the strife, their fingers 1 00 Dea. Abraham Lent cided stand. I have not changed in my view of Never horse less need of " hiding," or less need of quivering on their living harpstrings, ready to Into town ; - - 1 00 Mrs. Abraham Lent - doctrines, but have studied out their consistency rend the eternal welkin with their shouts of 1 00 Israel Harding, Esq. -Rubbing down. Cheater: "was left 1861. .

and the spoiler may be robbed of his prey-" the stricken, healed."

many a lovely rural scene with those plague spots for the number of Schools, Scholars, Teachers, of creation, which like the fabled Upas tree Conversions and Amount expended. fling wide their withering miasma, regardless of the bitter tears, that, like gems wrung by vice from Virtue's diadem, strew the downward footsteps of many a ruined loved one. Openly and fearlessly in the face of High heaven does the doomed Vender continue to put the bottle to his neighbor's lips, while in his right hand he holds his death-warrant sealed and attested by the oath of the Infinite-" Woe unto him."

As written with an iron pen in the everlasting rock the unchanging Word proclaims his destiny while he, with the creed of the atheist in his heart, deals out daily to his seduced victims the deadly draught, and grasping the glittering price of his brother's blood, speeds on his way to the Judge-

St. John, N. B. May 24th, 1861. 5

#### For the Christian Messenger.

#### The Manning Fund.

## MR. EDITOR,-

Permit me to acknowledge the following additional payments to the Manning Fund.

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The connection is extensive, and generally in good circumstances, so that I have no doubt the amount can be easily raised.

#### Yours in the Lord,

D. FREEMAN.

Canning, May 27th, 1861.

P. S.-Please notify that my address is Canning, Cornwallis."

#### For the Christian Messenger.

### Letter from Rev. Thos. Keillor.

#### MR. EDITOR,-

Dear Sir,-I wish to make known to the public, through your valuable paper, that I am compelled by principle to dissent from the Calvinist Baptists, upon account of some points of doctrine, the particulars of which was noticed by the Council, in one of your late numbers. I do declare that the New Testament does not teach the doctrine of unconditional election to salvation. It does not teach irresistable grace, or compelling power of the Spirit. But it teaches that the Spirit influences the mind by motives presented to the intellect.

I denounced that form of doctrine which is contradictory. And I most firmly believe that man's responsibility and God's sovereignty are reconciled in the scriptures, and if we have correct views of scripture we will behold their harmony.

I do utterly refuse to preach at any time a doctrine that I would contradict at another. And confident that the scriptures teach that we believe the gospel, in order to receive the Spirit, Gal. iii. 2-14, and do not receive the Spirit in order to believe the gospel. The Spirit is promised to the obedient believer, Eph. i. 13, Gal. iv. 6, iii. 27, Acts v. 32. I do therefore in accordance with the triendly advice of Rev. Mr. Foshay publicly declare myself free from that body of people with whom I have laboured this 8 years.