

to reduce all its Colleges to one, and thus diminish the positions of intellectual activity and usefulness that may hold our aspiring young men in their native land.

If the statements made in the organ of the Council of Public Instruction concerning the proportion of students and professors, proceeded from a practical teacher, he must have a theory of education different from ours.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

Under the above title we find an article in our Presbyterian contemporary to which our readers' attention may very properly be invited.

The narrative of the conversation [conversion] and baptism of the Ethiopian Chamberlain is a typical one. Especially we take it to be the Divinely selected example, from apostolic times, for our guidance in the admission of persons into the number of Christ's professed followers.

This includes, (1) The conviction that the Redeemer Jesus was the anointed Saviour, God manifest in the flesh. No one should be introduced into his Church who does not believe that Jesus is the Divine Person who came into the world to reveal the truth of Salvation, to die for sinners, and to rule over them as their sovereign Lord.

to give the growing obedience-of the life to the will of God. The profession of this faith must be publicly made, and be accompanied by the reception of baptism, if that sacrament has not already been administered.

We italicise the last sentence. If the writer had stopped at "baptism," it would be harmonious, and consistent with the narrative; but there the darkness begins.

When there is the heart-belief in Jesus, the willingness to confess him, and the sincere determination to endeavour, in reliance upon God's grace, to obey him, there should be no delay in yielding to the express command to profess faith in Him, in connection with the Church, and in the mode that He has appointed.

Especially should we not act on the idea that the children of the Church should be permitted, first to go astray in active sin, and then be able to point to a remarkable, instantaneous conversion, before they are admitted to the Lord's table.

Nor should the Church be blamed because it may have disobedient members on its roll. Even those who are discovered to be scandalous must be dealt with carefully, and, for a time, leniently, so that, if possible, they may be reclaimed.

How strangely inconsistent to say that "the Ethiopian Chamberlain's" case is "the divinely selected example for our guidance in the admission of Christ's professed followers" and almost in the same breath, that "We should proceed on the principle that they (the children of the church members) are already in the church of Christ" even when they make no profession and give no evidence of conversion.

If the writer had been free from the dogma of infant baptism he would have been saved from the difficulty he evidently labored under in this matter of Church Membership.

Our Brethren in Ontario are proposing to get out a Canadian Baptist Hymn Book. A committee was lately appointed to take the matter into consideration. They have resolved to take immediate steps for this purpose.

It was carried unanimously: That we approve of the report of the Committee and request them to go on with the work.

We shall probably hear from Dr. Hurd on this matter.

Our Canadian Brethren are continuing their efforts to secure a Manitoba N. W. Territory Baptist Mission Fund. They wish to get one hundred subscribers of \$10 a year for three years. The names of about fifty are already secured.

YARMOUTH.—The Tea Meetings in the Vestry of the First Baptist Church, on Thursday and Friday evenings last, were a perfect success, and realized the sum of \$160.

Notices, &c.

FRENCH MISSION BOARD. There will be a meeting of the above Board on Friday, May 21st, at 3 o'clock, P. M., at the West Yarmouth Church.

ACADIA ATHENÆUM. The next lecture of the Series before the Acadia Athenæum, will be delivered by the Rev. A. R. Garvie, on Friday evening 10th inst., in the Vestry of the Church. Subject,—"The science of the beautiful."

The next Baptist Ministerial Conference of Yarmouth, Co., will meet, D.V., at Chegojin, on Tuesday, May 21st, at 9 1/2 A. M. Should storm prevent, the Conference will meet the following Tuesday. It is important that all the ministering brethren of the County should, if possible, attend.

SECOND UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES. To Sunday School Workers: The Executive Committee have made arrangements to hold the next Union S. S. Convention in New Glasgow, N. S., commencing July 19th, at 2.30 P. M.

It is desirable that the Convention should consist, let of one delegate from each S. School; 2d, one from each S. S. Teachers' Association; 3d, one from each Provincial or County Convention; 4th, one from each Sunday School Union or other S. S. organization.

Secretaries of the various Sunday School organizations, and superintendents of Sunday Schools are requested to send, in condensed form, statistics of their work, and to signify their intention of sending delegates by addressing Mr. A. C. Bell, New Glasgow, N. S. as early as possible, in order that accommodation may be provided.

Usual arrangements will be made with railways and steamers to provide delegates with free return tickets.

RECEIVED FROM WOMAN'S MISSION AID SOCIETIES.

Brookfield, Queens Co.,—Mrs. Jas. Dailey, \$1.00 Pine Grove,—Mrs. J. N. North, \$4.00 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. May 8th, 1872.

OUR FOREIGN MISSION. To the Editor of the "Christian Messenger."

I will thank you to insert in the columns of your much esteemed Messenger the acknowledgment of the following sums of money for our Foreign Mission:— From the Womans' Missionary Aid Societies of New Brunswick, from the Treas. of the Central Board, Mrs. S. L. Alwood, \$261.69

From Mr. Edward Seely, per the Rev. I. E. Bill, 1.00 From Mr. Joseph C. Smith, per the Rev. I. E. Bill, 3.00

From Mrs. Maria R. Selden, Secretary of the Central Board of the Womans' Missionary Aid Societies, Halifax, N. S., from Miss Board in connection with the Pine Grove Church, N. S., for Miss Adams, 17.50

This last amount shall be, as requested, sent forth at once, free Z. G. GABEL, Treasurer of the B. F. M.

LETTERS RECEIVED. M. Hunter, 1 sub., \$2. Rev. O. Chute, \$2. J. E. Lockwood, Rev. H. Achilles, \$6. Rev. Chas. Randall, \$2. I. Thurber, Esq., \$12. Jas. Gough, D. Whitman, Esq., W. H. Sabean, \$2. J. W. Stevens, Esq., L. Hall, Rev. E. P. Foshay, Robert Chambers, Esq., \$24.15. B. L. Telfer, Esq., \$7. Z. Phinney, Esq., \$8. Rev. J. C. Morse, G. W. Freeman, \$4. Rev. J. Williams, Thos. J. S. Bennet, \$10. E. G. Miller, 25c. J. H. Robbins, G. B. Titus, \$1.50. W. H. Sulis, N. Miller, Rev. I. Wallace, F. Tremaine.

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