

LONGEVITY OF BAPTIST MINISTERS.

It is interesting to observe how many ministers of the Gospel live to a good old age. The "work of the ministry" does not appear to be unfavourable to health and long life.

The Year-Book of our American Baptist Brethren for 1873 gives the names of 180 Baptist Ministers. The National Baptist says:—The ages of 80 of these are given. They range as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Age range and number of ministers. Rows include: From 20 to 30 years old, 2; 30 to 40, 10; 40 to 50, 7; 50 to 60, 12; 60 to 70, 23; 70 to 80, 13; 80 to 90, 12; 90 to 100, 1.

The average age of these ministers was nearly 64 years (63.86). This shows that there is nothing peculiarly unfavourable to longevity in the labours of the Baptist minister; neither in his studies, his pulpit efforts, nor in his exposure in the administration of baptism.

FATHER CHINIQUY.

We learn from the N. Y. Methodist that Father Chiniquy has made a new departure, which, we imagine, will place him in a somewhat awkward position with respect to his standing in the Presbyterian Church.

It was a good thought here in the bend of this noble river to organize and run a camp-meeting, that would in every respect amply pay for the trouble.

Thirteen acres were purchased, fenced, two wells dug, steps made to the river, underbrush all cleared out, and the ground laid off by a civil engineer.

Following the first sermon and dedication an invitation was given, and seekers presented themselves at the altar of prayer.

About one hundred and fifty bowed at the altar for prayers. About fifty were received on probation, and were duly assigned to churches near their homes.

While the invitation was being given Father Charles Chiniquy, the converted Roman Catholic priest, asked if I would administer to him this sacred ordinance.

"I was baptized when a child by a priest of Rome. I do not consider that I ever received Christian baptism, for the Roman Catholic Church is not a Christian Church.

As we passed along and came to this venerable man, full of heroic power, we baptized him. Seven ministerial hands, including Mrs. Van Cott's, were laid upon

his head, and earnest invocations offered for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The next forenoon he preached with great power from Heb. 2: 10 (see text). He has been doing earnest work for the Lord in Canada, where he was mobbed, being severely bruised with stones.

The young people had also a share of the riches in this means of grace, and daily gathered around the altar, seeking for clean hearts.

Mrs. Van Cott has proved to the world her ability to lead the Lord's host even in a field campaign, and the results of the meeting will only be known by the test of eternal day.

About fifty lots were sold, and next year beautiful cottages will be added to the goodly number already there. This is the first camp-meeting ever held under the leadership of a woman, so far as known, and Mrs. Van Cott expects to be present next year to join in faith and works again.

This proceeding of Father Chiniquy will awaken several enquiries in some minds: 1st. Was he in the Presbyterian Church before this baptism? 2nd. Having received baptism, so called, from a Methodist minister is he now any more a member and minister than when he had received the rite from a Roman Catholic priest?

Father Chiniquy's act is evidently a recognition of believers' baptism, and a renunciation of what is imposed on unconscious infants as baptism.

Let us be thankful that we have "One Lord, one faith, one baptism."

We have received a copy of the BAPTIST HYMN AND TUNE BOOK to which our correspondent 'Uthilas' on another page refers.

NOTICES.

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Deerfield.—Mrs. M. C. Stubbart, \$4 00 Do. Mrs. Thos. Uhlman, 5 00 M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y. September 24th, 1873.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

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COLCHESTER COUNTY BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Annual Meeting of this Convention will be held in the Baptist Meeting house at Great Village, Londonderry, Friday 26th inst. The first Session will commence at half-past two o'clock, P. M. The evening Session will commence at 7 o'clock.

There will be a collection taken at the close of the evening meeting. A. J. WALKER, Secretary. Truro, Sept. 11, 1873.

NOTICE.

The Central Ministerial Conference will hold its next meeting of Canard, Oct. 15. As it is the day previous to the Sabbath School Convention, it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

POSTPONEMENT OF SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Dear Brother,—It is thought necessary to postpone our Sabbath School Convention for one month. Our Ministers' Conference is to meet at Canard in October, and the Sabbath School Convention, as it is to be in the same place, should be in connection with it, so as to secure better attendance, and put the friends in Canard to less inconvenience.

By order, D. FREEMAN, Sec. Canning, Aug. 27, 1873.

CORRECTION.—In the account of moneys for Foreign Mission, Christian Messenger Sept. 17th for

Rev. Dr. Tupper, his donation, \$20 00 A Lady Friend 1 00 The acknowledgement should be, Offering for mercies, per Rev. C. Tupper 20 00 A female friend, per Rev. Z. Morton 1 00

Note. The former sum was enclosed to me without a name, as an "Offering for mercies;" and the latter was handed to me by Bro. Morton, as from "A female friend." I paid these sums over at Windsor, to the Treasurer of Convention. C. T.

Rev. W. E. Hall writes: "In giving a notice of the death of Thomas W. Hallam in CHRISTIAN MESSENGER of Sept. 3rd, it is stated that he was a member of the New Cornwall Church at the time of death. I wish to say that he was a member of the New Germany Church. It is also stated that he was baptized by Rev. A. W. Barss. His parents tell me that Rev. I. J. Skinner baptized him when about twelve years old."

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KARSDALE, LOWER GRANVILLE, Sept. 20, 1873.—Mr. Editor.—On last Wednesday, Sept. 17th, the annual Sabbath School Picnic for the children attending the school at Karsdale was given in the hall at that place. Though it was given as usual for the benefit of the children, yet it was decided this year to make it a source of profit, in a pecuniary way, for the school.

ONE PRESENT.

WAY OFFICERS.—On the 1st of September the following new Way Offices were established in this Province:—Ecum Secum Halifax Co.; David Fraser, keeper; Glenese, Pictou Co.; Donald Campbell; Logram River, Halifax Co.; J. G. Dimock; Soldier's Cove, Richmond Co.; D. Gillis.

SHARK CAUGHT.—Last week, Capt. Isaiah Potter, caught a fine shark 8 feet long in his weir near Clementsport. The liver yielded four gallons of oil.—Annapolis Farmer.

ANOTHER NOVA SCOTIAN ABROAD.—Mr. Robertson, son of the Hon. Robert Robertson, M. P. P., for Shelburne, has secured a one hundred dollar (\$100) scholarship exhibition at the opening of McGill College, Montreal. Mr. Robertson is 17 years of age.

CAST AWAY IN THE WOODS.—Among the many sad accidents that happened during the late gale and the sorrowful stories of wrecked property that we hear of every day, occasionally the laughable comes in, too. The last is, that a schooner at Cow Bay, coal laden, with a deckload of cattle and sheep, was driven away up into the woods and the captain knew nothing of the disaster, till next morning he heard the cattle bawling and the sheep bleating among the trees.—North Sydney Herald.

THE BANK OF LIVERPOOL.—The bank of Liverpool has made arrangements for redeeming its paper in Halifax at the Bank of Nova Scotia. The position of Manager of this Bank has been offered to Mr. A. H. Patterson, of Amherst. We understand he has accepted the offer, and will shortly enter upon the duties of his office.—Liverpool Advertiser.

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TEA MEETING.

A Tea Meeting will be held by the Ladies of Kentville and Vicinity in the New Baptist Chapel at Kentville, on Wednesday the 1st day of October next.

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BAZAAR.

THE Ladies of the Baptist Sewing Circle in New Cornwall, intend holding a Bazaar and Tea Meeting. Also a sale of useful and Fancy Articles at the above mentioned place, on the 30th day of September, for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a New Baptist Meeting House.

Contributions from Halifax or elsewhere will be gratefully received by the following Committee. MRS. SAMUEL HALLAWAY, " CALEB SPIDLE, " JOSEPH VENOT, " SOLOMAN SPIDLE.

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June 25.