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For the Christian Messenger. From Rov. W. E. Hall.

Dear Editor,

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I see in the Wesleyan of the 4th inst., Rev. J. Gaetz has taken his "Farewell" of me in a faint, dying groan. I would be disposed to let him pass away in silence were it not that a few who have more confidence in his veracity than have, may be misled by him.

In his first paragraph, he speaks of my evading facts, and hints that started the discussion on Baptism. Ho refers me to "a challenge given at Margaretville." I have no need to "evade facts " and so will state a few. The "challenge," as Mr. Gaetz calls it, was given Dec. 31, 1876. At a baptism at Margaretville that day, I said, " I do not want a discussion, but if any person will, during the week, bring me one single passage from God's Word to prove that Christ or his apostles ever baptized a child or commanded one to be baptized, I will preach my farewell sermon among the Baptists a fortnight from this day at Evergreen, at 11 a. m." Now it appears that statement has been rankling in the breasts of some of my Methodist friends ever since. Well it is bad to hold a hardness against any, and I suggest that we settle it. I tell you Mr. Gaetz what you do. Bring along the passage, and if I "back down" you will have the laugh over me. That is fair. But if you have not the passage, I charge you never to commit the solemn farce of pronouncing the name of the Trinity over an act for which you have not one passage in the Word of God. WHAT LED TO THE CHALLENGE? By turning to a diary, which I have kept, I find I made the statement because of certain remarks about Baptism, made by Mr. Tuttle at Margaretville, the Sabbath before. So much for Mr. G's insinuation. He seems slow to learn that unfounded assertions are damaging to himself. Again he accuses me of "slandering" Mr. Tuttle. Excepting the statement that Mr. T. started the discussion here on Baptism a year ago, I do not remember having referred to him, only in the Messenger of the 28th of April last. There I said "I thought Mr. Tuttle just as able to defend himself as Mr. Gaetz was to defend him? But I cannot see any " slander" in that, unless it be in associating Mr. T's name with that of his successor. The next paragraph Mr. Gaetz gives mostly to Greek. He begins by saying, " Mr. Hall is not satisfied with our version of the Scripture. When did I say so? It is another instance of Mr. G.'s recklessness and WORSE. But what of the Greek? Mr. Gaetz in a former article in speaking of the commission said, he "baptized all nations." I replied the commission did not authorize him to do so. We are to teach or disciple all nations, baptizing the discipled, And I asked him to make the masculine pronoun "Autous" agree with the neuter noun Ethne. The compositor in the Messenger office mistook a u for an n, and so made it read Antous instead of Autous. In the next sentence he made me say Mr. E. for Mr. G. In the next Messenger, the issue of May 5, 1880; page 139, and 3rd column, attention was called to the error and the correction made. As Mr. Gaetz appears to be a reader of the Messenger he probably saw the correction and I have some doubt if his mental perception is keen enough to have discovered the error had not attention been called to it. He had the labor of writing that paragraph to point out an error already corrected.

will resort to very questionable measures." But you never yet have pointed to a single case where I misquoted you. Turn to Mr. Wesley's notes on the passage, and deny the quotation if you

1877, the Rev. D. McMillan, Presbyterian Minister of Lahave had occasion to reply through the press to some articles published by the Rev. Joseph Gaetz. Mr. McM., says of the writings of Mr. G., they are " one tistions." I have also in my possession a published certificate from clergymen of different Denominations in Lunenburg, wherein they certify Mr. Gaetz's "representations in his pamphlet are misrepresentations." So his course with me seems nothing new,

and they will ask for charity. I have only to say, Bible Charity "rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth." I want no other kind.

So, Mr. G. has taken his last farewell of me. Judging from his last article, I think it time. Farewell Joseph, a long farewell.

Yours etc., WM. E. HALL. Melvern Square, June 8, 1880.

For the Christian Messenger. The N. S. Eastern Association,

meets at Advocate Harbor, Saturday 10th July. It is somewhat out of the line of travel, but there is a noble band of brethren to give a right hearty welcome to all who will favor them with their presence on that occasion.

It is to be hoped that there will be a good representation from the churches, and that all the pastors within the Association will be present, and that we shall be favored by the counsels of some at least without its limits. It is to be hoped that all the churches will send Letters. There are several that did not send Letters last year. Brethren let us hear from you all. If you cannot send by the hand of Delegates, enclose Letters and Post Office Orders to Pastor Jos. F. Kempton, Advocate Harbor.

universities; and beyond this, the whole proceedings involve considerations that have a practical bearing upon the conduct of all who are engaged in education and upon whom lies the responsibility of maintaining discipline. It appears that on the last day of the May boat race, an exciting race took place between the boats belonging to University College and New College, respectively. A supper was held in the evening, the festivities besue of exaggerations and misreprésenta- ing kept up to a late hour. When the senior Proctor, who had gone out for his round, returned to his rooms at eleven o'clock, he found that the door had been fastened up by screws. Dr. Bradley, master of University College, having been informed of this, gave orders next morning, that those who had been concerned in the freak should send in their To some this may appear severe names. A meeting of undergraduates was held, and though the real aggressors, it is said, were willing to come forward and comply with the Master's request, their fellow students would not permit them to do so. The Master, upon learning this, went into the hall at dinner time and gave notice that all undergraduates, who were in college the previous evening, between nine and eleven, were to leave the University at once, except those who made a written statement that they had nothing to do with the affair. A second meeting was held, when it was unanimously resolved to hold together, and the consequence is that upwards of ninety students have been sent home for the remainder of

the summer term. *

For several days the University was disturbed by this wholesale 'expulsion, and the country was called upon to side either with Discipline and the Dons, or the undergraduates and the spirit of misrule. The guilty one has seen his way to confess, and the innocents have from this date to JANUARY 1sT, been recalled. They have been put to 1881. much inconvenience and expense, their parents have been mixed up with the muddle, and the public has not been edified by the spectacle of youthful frolic or the hot haste of the superiors. It is to be hoped that we have heard the last of these practical jokes. A very few years ago such customs were common in all educational institutions. Boys in the Grammar schools had their "locking out," and students in training colleges their "last night." But the firmness of the authorities, aided by the good sense of the pupils, has made these in a great measure, things of the past.

agement of the institution. However historical reminiscences. capable each student might be of obtaining for himself all the practical acquaintance with geology sought by the excursion, and of taking care of himself and the rest of the company, (as they doubtless were) and however much vexed the class might be with the delay in starting, and whoever else might be blameworthy, none of these things form a valid excuse for non-compliance with the orders given, or for a violation of the terms of the permission from the President and Faculty.

As we are concerned for the honor of each student in the class, and the subsequent classes that may be employed in like manner in future years, as well as for the good name of the College we doubt not that on mature consideration each one has enough of manliness and respect for himself and his fellowstudents to induce him to make due acknowledgment of error; and, so, at the proper time, to allow no interruption to take place in his work of laying a good foundation for an honorable and useful life.

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Educational.

Shaw University-a Baptist Institution at Raleigh, N. C. - has 277 students, of whom 59 are studying for the ministry. There are three courses of study, normal, scientific and classical. The latter has 33 male and 11 female students. Estey Seminary, connected with the University, has accommodations for about 100. It is devoted exclusively to the education of colored women.

Sir N. de Rothschild, M. P., opened, on Friday, at Aylesbury, England, the new buildings which he has just erected, at a cost of from £2,000 to £3.000, and conveyed to the existing Mechanics' Institute on lease for 1,000 years at a peppercorn rent.

The London Athenaum says :-- "It was expected that the Gaelic Chair in Edinburgh University would have been formally instituted during the present summer, but a decision has been come to that this should be delayed till next year, when it is hoped the funds for the endowment of the professorship will have increased to an amount considererably over £12,000.

Motices.

M. P. FREEMAN, Clerk.

For the Christian Messenger.

From the Rev. T. H. Porter.

Dear Editor,-

Please allow me to say to those interested, that I am once more at home, having through the good Providence of God successfully accomplished that for which I went abroad. I am now very desirous of finding work, such as I am able to do, and such as I know my if not expelled from that institution. greatly benefit them. I am also just as anxious as ever, so far as I may be able, to preach the gospel to those destitute. I will be glad to hear immediately from any who may desire my services. My terms will be reasonable, and just as easy as I can make them; and I pledge myself to do honest work, and to give value for all I receive. In addition to former Testimonials, I now hold a very satisfactory recommendation from my late instructor in Boston. Very truly,

T. H. PORTER. Fredericton, N. B, June 12th, 1880.

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Halifax, N. S., June 16, 1880.

COLLEGE DISCIPLINE.

Difficulties frequently arise in maintaining order in Collegiate institu-He advises me "to stick to the Eng- tions, and exercising proper discip- intimation that they are to remain sus-

Since preparing the above, we find some of the morning papers noticing an unfortunate affair which recently occurred in connexion with the Junior Class of Acadia College. A communication to the St John Globe gives what is alleged to be the students' side of the affair, as follows :-

"It is reported that the junior class of Acadia College, Wolfville, with two or three exceptions, have been suspended, brethren and others need, and would | The statement made to us, which comes from a source friendly to the students, is that the class annually makes an ex--cursion to Cape Blomidon. It is a sort of scientific expedition to that interesting locality. This year a schooner was hired as usual for the trip, the students on the day appointed got on board of her at the wharf, and eagerly anticipated accompany them. But he came not. messenger was se t for him, and he sent what was considered a trivial excuse, his excursion boots were being repaired and the shoemaker had not sent them home. The young fellows soon fixed that. When the Professor got his boots, he did not travel any faster, and another messenger was sent, but he sent back some excuse just as trivial, so the excursionists hoisted sail and were soon away. They had a delightful time. On their return, the President and Faculty took them to task for their breach of discipline and demanded an apology. But some of the students thought an apology was due to them, and they declined to make one. They were suspended, to the number of about fifteen, with the

The Presbyterian General Assembly met at Montreal on Wednesday last, in Crescent Street Church. Dr. Reid the retiring Moderator preached before a large assemblage. Revs. Principal McKnight, T. Duncan, C. B. Pitblado, R. Laing, from Halifax, and a large number of ministers and laymen were present. Rev. Donald MacRae was unanimously elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Among the names of applicants for admission as ministers was one named Ross, said to have been a Baptist minister in Ontario.

Leave to retire from active services. was asked for Rev. Wm. Duff, of Lunenburg and four others.

The next Assembly is to meet at College Hall, Kingston, Ont., on the 2nd Wednesday in June, 1881.

Rev. Dr. Steel, Deputy of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, was introduced to the Assembly by Dr. McGregor of Halifax.

Dr. Steel eloquently addressed the Assembly. He was received with great enthusiasm. He described the remarkable progress of Presbyterianism in the Southern hemisphere. Fifty years ago the first Presbyterian minister entered Australia. Now there are the coming of the Professor who was to 400. They have a College connected with the University of Sydney, largely attended. He described to the Assembly the prosperons condition of the New Hebrides Misson, founded 32 years ago by Dr. Geddie. He paid a high tribute to Messrs. Selwyn and Patterson for missionary enterprise. He described the martyrdom of the brothers Gordon on Erromanga, an island now Christianized. He held the Assembly's rapt attention for one hour.

> The Assembly sang the hundredth psalm.

At a general assembly of the Church of Scotland recently held, it was re-

Our Baptist Anniversaries, 1880.

N. S. WESTERN ASSOCIATION at Freeport, Digby County, commences on Saturday, June 19th, at 10 a.m. Sermon by Rev. J. H. Robbins. Circular Letter by Rev. F. Beattie.

N. S. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION at Windsor, Hants Co., commencing on Saturday, June 26th, at 10 a.m. Sermon by Rev. Joseph Murray, Circular Letter by Rev. S. McC. Black ..

N. S. EASTERN ASSOCIATION at Advocate Harbor, Cumberland County, commencing on Saturday July 10th, at 10 a. m. Sermon by Rev. H. Bool, Circular Letter by Rev. D. A. Steele.

N. B. WESTERN ASSOCIATION at Chipman, Queens Co., commencing on Tuesday June 22nd, at 2 o'clock p. m. Ser mon by Rev. W. J. Stewart, (the late Rev. A. J. Stevens was the first name, and Rev. W. J. Stewart the alternate) subject named, "The duty of Baptists to give the gospel to the destitute at home " and abroad." Circular Letter by Rev. W. P. Everett, subject "Why are we Baptists ?"

N. B. EASTERN ASSOCIATION at 2nd Sackville, Westmoreland Co., on Tuesday July 13th, at 2 p.m. Sermon by Rev. A. B. McDonald, Subject "Regeneration and its outgrowths." Circular Letter by Rev. A. Chipman, Subject, Baptist Polity and Church Discipline."

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND ASSOCIATION at Tryon on Saturday, July 3rd, at 10 a. m. Sermon by Rev. H. Foshay, Circular Letter by Bro. J. R. Calhoun.

NOTICE.

THE N. S. WESTERN ASSOCIATION meets this year at FREEPORT, on Saturday, 19th of June, at 10 a.m.

Delegates coming by train on Friday can get off at "Jeddry's Corner," (Menteghan River Station) and take Packet, Capt. Dennis, from Menteghan to Freeport, and return on Wednesday, for one fare, fifty cents. Carriages will be in waiting at Jeddry's corner to convey to Packet about six miles at reasonable rates.

