

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

The Secretary of the N. S. Central Board W. M. A. Societies has received a letter from Mrs. Churchill, and as she and Mr. Churchill were both sick at last accounts, our readers will be glad to hear better news. She says, "Mr. Churchill and I are getting along pretty well he is not quite so well this week as last, needs a little rest I think."

Further she says: "You remember the young Brahmin woman of whom I wrote in my last to you? Well I paid my first visit to her yesterday. Her husband is post master in one of the hilly districts, and is home at her father's now, quite ill with jungle fever. They knew I was coming for they had sent two boys the day previous to show my horse-keeper the way to the house, so when I got there he met me out on the street and conducted me in. I was shown into a very small room, in the centre of which was a table and chairs round it, and on it, several small dishes of fruit, confectionary and flowers. There were only two openings in this room, the door by which I entered, and a window opening into another dark room, in this was a number of women and they came to the window which was opened to see and be introduced to me, but I said "it is so dark I cannot see your women, or which is your wife, could we not go out on the verandah?" "O no" the post master said "she would be ashamed to go out on the verandah."

So I supposed it was something contrary to their custom, and said no more. Soon they brought an oil lamp that gave very little light, but I could see the women's faces better. I do not know how many there were but he said they were 20 of a family, and the father's pay was very small. They all seemed very much pleased to see me, and told me how much they had prayed for me, since the woman had recovered, through my advice and instrumentality; called me their mother, and all the endearing names they knew, and said they knew if I had not come to Bobbili she must have died. I told them why I had left my own land and kindred and come to this country, and told them how earnestly I wished to teach them how to be happy in this life, and the life to come. They listened attentively and said they too wished very much to learn, and wanted me to come often to see them and teach them. It was a very pleasant visit, the moon was shining brightly when I came out of the house. They urged me to come again, and I promised to. The fruit and confectionary and flowers were presented to me, and then the two former sent out to the carriage for me to bring home. Now would you not be surprised if I could never get into that house again? I shall not be, for from your first visit to any of these high caste houses, you can never know what the second will be like, and I talked to them so plainly of our religion, the men may never allow me in again, still I hope for better things, for I think they are really grateful to me and I know the women would like me to come again, I will tell you in my future letters (D. V.) how I get along, if the Lord has any work for me to do there. He can keep the door open for me."

In addition we learn from our Canadian exchanges something of the Conference at Cocanada. Rev. A. V. Timpany writes concerning the conference: "The steamer of the 2nd Jan. from the north brought to us Mr. and Mrs. Sandford and Miss Hammond from Bimlipitam, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong from Chicacole, and as I have said already Dr. Bainbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Churchill were too sick at Bobbili to come. Their absence was all there was to mar the full joy of our annual meeting. No time was lost and that same day the sessions of our conference commenced which were held until Thursday of this week. We had reports from the several stations to hear and talk over methods of work and principles that should guide us in our work to compare together. All of our mission fields will be the richer for our earnest and friendly consultations. Not to mention all that came before us I may say that Bro. Armstrong of the Northern part of our Canadian field gave us a most encouraging report. His field is full of promise. He has been much more fortunate than Bro. Sandford at Bimlipitam or Bro. Churchill at Bobbili. These two last or three have to build from the bottom, while Bro. Armstrong got a substantial base that, with most moderate repairs, unites the mission family with a firm base. It has not been my lot in India to hear a report of school work equal to that given by Mrs. Armstrong. And I am sure it is the sober truth—yes inside of the reality. She is a remarkable woman, both as to ability and power of organization. It would be somewhat worth seeing, the results of her work in any place, say for ten years. Last year I was struck when at Chicacole at the way she was conducting her work, and was in a measure, prepared for the admirable report given this year. Another question of much interest was the reception or rejection of men having two or more wives when asking for baptism and church membership. Some missions receive such. The de-

cision of our conference is "not to receive such until all wives but one are put away." Only a few days ago a man who has two wives, and one of his wives asked me for baptism, I refused until one wife was put away. It is a hardship for the woman put away, but on the whole we believe our course nearest the truth, and best for the purity and fair name of our churches.

Rev. John Craig also writes: On Friday the 2nd, we met at 3 p. m. and elected our officers. Bro. Sanford was chosen president and Bro. Currie vice-president; Bro. Armstrong, of Chicacole, was reappointed secretary. A committee of arrangements was appointed, and Dr. Bainbridge was invited to a seat in our conference. When called on he gave us a very enjoyable address. One of the most important questions, brought before us was the Bible question which had occupied the attention of our conference for some years past. The American Baptist missionaries met in conference at Nellore on Christmas day, I believe, and decided to bring out a New Testament at once to meet the present needs of our fields. The Madras Auxiliary Bible Society undertook a revision of the Telugu Bible some dozen years ago or more. The committee of missionaries appointed by the Society has worked very slowly owing to various causes, so that Genesis is the only book revised and published. Other parts may be brought out soon, but the work is not likely to be finished inside of five or ten years. Meanwhile what is called a tentative or trial version of the New Testament has been published. It is more distasteful to us Baptists than the old unrevised New Testament, as the Greek "baptizo" is generally transferred in a Telugu form and not translated. Now this tentative version suits the Pedobaptists very well for temporary use, so they can afford to wait for the revised New Testament, but we cannot circulate it without wounding our own consciences, so our desire is to secure as soon as possible a version which shall give a correct translation of terms which relate to baptism, and at the same time be an improvement in many respects on the old version. Then we also can wait patiently for the revised Bible.

BAPTIST PROGRESS.

The remarkable strides made of late years by Baptist sentiments may be seen by a comparison of the Baptist population of the United States at different dates. The following table will show this in a very succinct form:

- 1792. Baptists in the United States, 1 to every 60 of population.
1870. Baptists in the United States, 1 to every 26 of population.
1872. Baptist in the United States, 1 to every 22 of population.

This last is an approximation. It is said that there are now forty-seven to forty-eight millions of inhabitants. Another view may be taken. Computing the increase of the Baptists for the eighty-six years, from 1792 to the beginning of 1879, we find there has been an average net gain of sixty five per day. Making a similar estimate for the decade from the beginning of 1869 to the commencement of 1879, we find that the average net gain has been 279 per day—equal to a large church.

The editor of the Canadian Baptist talks straight out and says: "We feel that the denomination is abundantly able to raise all the money which is wanted. If the Baptists of Ont. and Que. can't, apart from all other interests, raise \$100,000 for our College at Woodstock, then they ought to strike their tent, and move off to some other part of the universe! We can do anything we wish to do."

The latest Canadian Baptist informs us, in reference to the Endowment of the Woodstock College, that "Four men in Brantford guarantee thirty-six hundred dollars, and more to follow." Well done Brantford! an excellent beginning.

Rejoicing and sorrow are never far apart. When we think of one who has enjoyed a long life we may be sure that the close of it is not far off. A few weeks ago we had a notice of the jubilee of Rev. Dr. Paterson's ministry in Glasgow, Scotland. We see by the Scottish Baptist Magazine for February that he, Dr. P., departed this life the 29th of January.

Notices.

EASTERN COUNTIES MINISTERIAL AND LAY CONFERENCE.

This Conference will meet (D. V.) on the 19th of March, 1880, when a season of unusual interest is expected. Essays on different subjects will be read by T. M. King, and A. H. Deakins. The sermon will be preached by the Secretary, at 7 p. m. Saturday. Ministers and Delegates intending to be present will kindly communicate with Captain J. McConnell, Port Hillford. The former name of Port H., was Indian Harbor.

A. H. DEAKINS, Sec'y. Guysborough, Feb. 27, 1880.

CASH RECEIVED TOWARDS FUND FOR BUILDING ACADIA COLLEGE.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes David Thomas, W. H. Thorne, Uriah Johnson, Edgar D. Shand, D. R. & C. F. Eaton.

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A. D. W. BARRS, Treas. Wolfville, March 6th, 1880. (Christian Visitor please copy.)

The next session of the Hants County Pastors' meeting will be held at Windsor on Tuesday March 16th at 10 o'clock a. m. and the Auxiliary H. M. Board will meet at the same place on the same day at 2 p. m.

The next meeting of the Colchester and Cumberland Baptist S. S. Convention will be held with the Church at Pugwash on March 24th 1880. Morning session will be taken up by the reading of letters from the different schools of the two counties, and an Essay by Rev. M. P. Freeman, subject of the Essay, "How to make the Sunday School attractive."

Afternoon, Essay by Rev. J. E. Goucher, subject, "Sabbath School concerts, use and abuse," followed by discussion and remarks. Evening session, Essay by Rev. C. H. Martell, subject, "The place of the S. S. in relation to the family and pulpit," followed by discussion and remarks. A form will be sent to each S. School in the two counties, which must be filled out accurately and returned to the Secretary of the Convention to be read in the morning session. Each school is requested to send one or more delegates to the Convention so as to have a good representation of our S. S. workers in the counties. A. J. WALKER, Sec'y.

The next meeting of the Colchester and Cumberland Ministerial Conference will be held in the Baptist Church at Pugwash on March 22nd 1880. Rev. J. E. Goucher will preach the usual sermon on Monday 7 o'clock p. m. C. H. MARTELL, Sec'y.

Donation Visits.

Please acknowledge for me through the Messenger the receipt of a generous donation made me by my churches and congregations amounting to the sum of one hundred and fourteen dollars. J. E. BLAKNEY. Port Lorne, March 2, 1880.

Dear Sir,—Will you allow me through your columns to acknowledge my indebtedness to friends of Annapolis and Round Hill for kindness shown. Feb. 26, we spent a very pleasant evening at home in company with many friends.

Feb. 27th, an equally pleasant evening at the hospitable home of Dea. I. Healey, of Round Hill. In addition to all the enjoyment of social intercourse and sweet music, two purses were presented, one on each occasion containing the handsome sum of \$122. We were much gratified with the friendly spirit of the meetings, and could not help feeling, "How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." We hereby tender our hearty thanks to all, praying that the donors may be amply rewarded and that the recipient may become more worthy of such Christian regard and esteem. T. A. HIGGINS.

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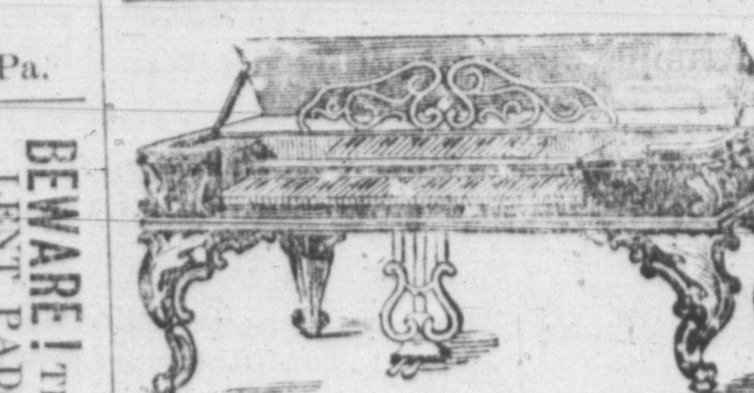
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