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God suffered Saul to retain his kingship until another was ready. The rejection of Saul was just as sure as if he had been at once deposed.

Explain the practice of anointing those called to a great office, as prophet, priest, or king. Call to mind the anointing of Saul, and others. Notice carefully the directions given to Samuel. It might be well to dwell a little on the grief of Samuel concerning Saul, who had so signally failed. Saul had a noble physical appearance; he had done some great things worthy of approval; his appointment as king had been made through Samuel; and no doubt the old prophet felt toward him much as a father feels toward a son Saul's waywardness and wickedness must have grieved Samuel a great deal.

Describe the interview with the elders; the preparation of Jesse and his family; the call of David; and the anointing that followed. It was a joyful feast.

We must not make the mistake of supposing that Samuel spoke aloud his thought concerning the sons of Jesse, or that the Lord spoke to Samuel in an audible voice. The people were disappointed in SAUL. Doubtless Samuel entirely mistook his character. The strong, sturdy sons of Jesse might equally well have led his judgment astray; hence his first thought concerning Eliab.

So begins the story of a really beauti ful character. You might dwell upon the description of him. He was the voungest, and it was not at first thought worth while to send for him. He was engaged in a menial's work-taking care of the sheep-but he was in the path of duty. God saw his heart, and knew what he would become. This is why

God chose him. Of David it had been said that he would be a man after God's own heart. We shall learn what that means, if we watch closely.

-Abridged from the Baptist Teacher.

Bouths' Pepartment.

Original and Selected: Bible Enigma.

No. 250.

Find answers to the following, place them in order and the initials will give the name of one who escaped from a terrible slaughter, and became the friend and companion of a king; yet ended his days in banishment, barely escaping the death of a traitor:

Who was Paul's fellow-prisoner on his voyage to Rome? Tell the scene of the murder of Amnon

by his brother Absalom. Give the name of the city in which Paul and Barnabas "long abode, speaking boldly in the Lord."

What besieged city was saved by the advice of a woman

What was the name of king David's first capital? What city of refuge was the last home

of a traitor priest? David took a very precious jewelled crown?

> CURIOUS QUESTIONS. No. 139. A Charade. (First.) 'Tis found in the wardrobe Of each little man; Yes, all the boys have one,-

Tom, Harry, and Dan. (Second.) I'm a cereal plant, In warm climates grown, Make good wholesome food For muscle and bone.

(Whole.) We call it a fancy, A whim or a freak ... Please send in the answer Inside of a week.

F. E. DAY. -Watchman.

No. 140. Prefix a letter to a fruit, and make a

a piece of wood. A letter to falsehoods, and make little

A letter to a small stream, and make a piece of clothing. A letter to a place to live in, and make a domestic utensil.

No. 141. Take one-fifth of Agate, one-sixth of Copper, one sixth of Silver, and onea precious metal.

No. 142. While my first be blythe and gay, 'Tis your duty to obey; Then happily will pass your day. Wearing my second, hie to school When the morn is clear and cool; And when there, obey the rule. Soon my whole will pass away, Then enjoy it while you may, And be useful in your day.

No. 142. Form a diamond of words: 1. The beginning of a bad boy. 2. By the way of

3. A valuable volume. 4. Malt liquer. 5. The end of a lane.

Find answers to the above-write them down-and see how they agree with the answers to be given next week.

Answer to B ble Enigma.

No. 249.

A CHARADE. -- Beth-any.

ANSWERS TO CURIOUS QUESTIONS. No. 134. A shadow. No. 135. Bark.

No. 136. MORAL OMEGA REMIT AGILE

LATER No. 137. Sable, able, Abel, Elba, bale, ale, les

No. 138. 1. Jarha (1 Chron. ii. 34, 35)

2. Ephraimites. 3. Ezra.

4. Og. 5. Three hundred cubits (547 feet)

Great alarm was caused at Woolwich on Monday by an explosion in one of the buildings of the Arsenal used for the storage of rockets, and for some time there was danger of serious destruction both to life and property resulting. As it was, two persons-the man and boy in charge of the place-were killed.

Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger. Notes from New York.

Dear Editor,-

Desiring to take up some studies during the winter months, and being well aware of the advantages offered by a great city, on the first of the month I found myself once more in the metropolis of the western world. New York seems so near to the Provinces, and the name is so familiar, that we fail to remember how great a city it really is. To us London is the city, forgetting at the same time that one nearly as popu lous, at least, is within a few hours travel. For although New York proper has only a population of 1,250,000, if it were to annex the cities and towns until it covered the same area as London, the number within its limits would almost equal that of the English capital. It seems a pity that this great commercial centre of the Continent should be situated at the confluence of two rivers, making it impossible to extend it except in one direction. Philadelphia, with little more than half the population, has a greater number of buildings, and covers more ground, thus making homelife a possibility, which it is not here, except for the very rich and very poor, the former living in their mansions, the Where was Jeroboam's beautiful latter in tenement houses, seven hundred families in one, fourteen persons in a small room.

I said in my haste that it was possible for the city to grow in only one direc What was the place from whose king | tion, but this must be slightly modified, for the property holders, taking advan tage of the inexpensiveness of the air lots, are building straight towards the clouds, and now it is no unusual sight to see buildings of ten or twelve stories in the course of erection. These are called French Flats, and are for men whose dollars per annum, and are in very

respectable localities. many more. It is the third German haps, throughout the whole winter. city, having 300,000 of that nationality, divided in their religious beliefs as in Russia. The Czar has been able to man Catholics, 60,000 Jews, and 100,000 spot where his father was assassinated A letter to a fastening, and make 80,000 Protestants only about 15,000 are though sixty-three members of a revoconnected with the churches.

In order that this large foreign element may be properly cared for, there are 10,000 gin mills, grinding out their poison all hours of the night and day, and every day in the week, 3,000 more of life may be purchased. With this fourth of Lead and you have the name of fact before me I never wonder at the hood as to make you blush for human- celain.

ity. There must be a whole army of such men within the city limits, enough, you would suppose, to endanger the lives and property of all respectable citizens, were the opportunity once given. But why are these men idle? Well, most of them from choice, I | ings have been interrupted somewhat of suspect, for looking at them you can easily believe the anecdote told of one | Yet the disease has not been of a very mawho fell asleep by the roadside, but soon | lignant type, and nearly all who suffered began to moan and clinch his hands, by it have recovered. One loved child while the great drops of sweat stood out fell a victim to its poisonous effects. upon his forehead. A companion awakened him, when he started up exclaim- Brown, Esq., aged 6 years, passed ing, "It is not true, then, it is not true, through the portal of death into the while many are idle for lack of inclina- children to come unto me and forbid tion to work, doubtless the greater them not, for of such is the kingdom of gulf is certainly widening between the were mercifully spared to the fond rich and poor in this country. I have parents, who mourn the absence of their with a million bodies. Coming events her. cast their shadows before, and the ob- On the 23rd of October Fannie, the servant eye can see them now gathering beloved daughter of Abel and Lydia thick and fast. Already men are talk- Rogers, entered into rest after a severe ing of what will be done should the illness, though brief in duration. She Presidential contest cext result in anything near a tie. The discontented upon her seventeenth year, and gave disturbing elements, apart from both political parties. will see that there is no "counting in" this time. The opportunity must not be lost to fill up the gulf. I heard a minister of our own denomi nation only last week assert that the dangerous classes did not live in the lower streets of the city, but on Fifth Avenue. "For they, more than any others, by the increase of wealth, were diminishing the safeguards which the law throws around the people."-Think of it. The World a week or two since published the names of those in the city worth one million and upwards, and the list footed up some four hundred. But to me the most remarkable feature was that so few of them owned but one million, most of them representing from five to a hundred millions, proving that after wealth has

matter to add to it almost indefinitely. Thus the rich become richer But here I am at the end of my time and have said little or nothing I intended. Never mind, will I send further

once been obtained here it is an easy

notes shortly. F. O. W. New York, Oct. 26, 1883.

> For the Christian Messenger. From France.

Paris, Oct. 17, 1883.

The other day chance led my steps over the water through the main streets of the noble Faubourg Saint Germain. It was curious to notice how many of incomes range from five to ten thousand | the aristocratic mansions were shut up and deserted. In the natural course of things many of the members of the old The growth of the city is something noblesse, not a little from motives of marvellous. There are men living to- economy, are in the habit of passing the day who remember when it had but autumn in their country houses. This 60,000, mostly below the post office. year appears by general consent, and in There are now 500,000 of foreign birth, consequence of the mourning for the actually born in other lands, while their | Comte de Chambord, this exile is to be offspring born here must be almost as prolonged beyond Christmas, and, per-

The Nihilists seem to be in a bad way follows: 80,000 Protestants, 60,000 Ro- lay the foundation of a chapel on the infidels and Free Thinkers. Of the amid signs of universal popularity, lutionary society have just been con demned to Siberia. Meantime Russian officialism makes blunders and daily grows more hateful.

In spite of this invasion of politics, Paris and the Parisians afford the same than the places where the necessaries interesting spectacle as ever. Every day the resorts of fashion become more and more animated, and the shops of the | Eaton, of Dedham, William L Eaton, of crime, nor yet at the murders reported | Rue de la Paix more thronged with fair nearly every morning. Upwards of dames in search of elegant novelties. 30,000 arrests for drunkenness were The great color of this season is to be made last year, and 5,000 dead bodies | red, not only poppy red and caroubier, sent to the morgue, 4,000 of these being but also a shade known as red copper, the direct result of intemperance. New or in French cuivre rouge. It is a curious York fairly swims in lager beer and fact that nowadays the new colors come whiskey from Monday morning to Mon- to Paris, so to speak, from across the day morning, and the results are visible Atlantic, and during the summer months every hour of the day and night. You | there is great curiosity among the manmay see more degraded, homeless men | ufacturers of all kinds of articles to know here in one hour than you would see is what shades the Lyons dyers are produ-Halifax in ten years. All the parks and | cing for the American market. Last public squares are full of these dirty, season the great color was mashed lazy, drunken tramps, sunning them- strawberry, and no sooner was the secret selves, or dozing off the effects of the known at Limoges than Haviland and last glass of beer. At any hour you may other makers began their experiments see such specimens of degraded man- to produce the fashionable tint in por-

For the Christian Messenger. Arcadia, Yarmouth County.

Dear Brother,-We have not any special religious news to communicate at present. Our meetlate by the prevalence of diphtheria. Maggie, youngest daughter of W. V ah. I dreamed I was at work." But presence of Him who said, "Suffer little number cannot find employment. The | heaven." The remaining three children spent five years of the past fifteen under | little one. Death has removed three of the Stars and Stripes, and I have no our church members during the last hesitation in saying that the decrease in | three months. Emily, beloved wife of wages is out of all proportion with that | Heman Rogers, whose death has already in the price of living. You could live | been noticed in your columns, of whom cheaper in Boston in 1868, when gold it may be truly said, "Blessed are the was at a premium of 38, and wages one- dead who die in the Lord." The next third higher than now, than you can in to follow this loved sister was Chloe, this city to day. Thus the producers wife of John Rogers, Senr., at the adare growing richer and the laboring vanced age of seventy-five years. She class poorer. The gulf between them is | was a child of God, and in her last days widening each year, and it does not upon earth gave evidence of her firm require a prophet to foretell that it will trust in Jesus. Her illness was short in the near future be filled up, as was and severe, yet borne with composure that between the North and South, and patience till the Master called for

was in the bloom of life, having entered promise of a life of usefulness. It was her pleasure to be present at all our meetings as far as possible, and always to take some part in them, thus giving evidence of her sincere attachment to Christ. Our brother and sister do not mourn as those who have no hope. They may rejoice that God has placed their treasure on high. During her last days on earth reason was dethroned, yet we have abundant reason for believing that her soul rested upon God's promises, and found him a faithful friend who welcomed her into the kingdom of glory. May the Lord comfort the bereaved in this sad trial, and give grace sufficient to their needs.

Oct. 29th, 1883.

(Boston Daily Advertiser Oct. 11th, 1883. The Eaton Family.

ANNUAL REUNION OF THE ASSOCIATION AT THE MEIONAON, AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The annual meeting and first reunion

J. D. SKINNER.

of the Eaton Family Association took place at the Meionaon Tremont Temple, yesterday, and was quite largely at tended. The president of the association, the Rev. William H. Eaton, D. D. of Keene, N. H., occupied the chair. The morning session was devoted to reports of the secretary and treasurer, and to social intercourse. At one o'clock lunch was served, and at the tables brief addresses relating to the genealogy of the Eaton were made by the president, the Hon. Charles W. Slack, and others. Returning to the Meionaon the secretary made a report concerning the first of the Eaton families, from which it appears that on the pension rolls of the United States, published some years ago, there are the names of 87 Eatons. Of Seminole war, six in the war with Mexico. Of the 69 who were in the Revo lutionary war 3 were of the family of Francis Eaton, of Plymouth, 12 of the family of John Eaton, of Dedham, 13 of the family of John Eaton, of Haverhill, 11 of the family of Jonas Eaton, of Reading, and 15 of the family of William Eaton, of Reading. After the reports the following were elected officers:-President, the Rev. William H. Eaton, D. D., of Keene, N. H ; Secretary, Prof. Daniel C. Eaton, of New Haven, Conn.; Treasurer, Edward B. Eaton, of Boston; Executive Committee, the Rev. Joel W. Eaton of Albany, N. Y.. Miss Lucy E. Lowell, the Rev. Arthur W. Eaton, of Cambridge; Finance Committee, the Hon. C. W. Slack, John Eaton, and Chas. O. Eaton, of Boston.

The New York Tribune says that Baptists have solved a great problem. They combine the most resolute conviction, the most stubborn belief in their own special doctrines with the most admirable tolerance of the faith of other Christians. And this combination of sturdy faith with graceful tolerance makes it easy to recognise them as the successors of Roger Williams. Coming from such a quarter this testimony is all the more significant.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE. NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

COCANADA. - Mr. Timpany writes on the 30th July: Our mission work so far this year has been more successful than PROGRAMME FOR 1883-84. ever before. Some forty five have been baptized and others are waiting. I expect to baptize again next Sabbath. Just now, as I write, an old Brahmin has popular than ever. With every season, come to me bringing his wife and daughter, a girl about fourteen years old, November, and, when possible, subscriptions to see Mrs. Timpany, who is talking with them. They would all like to become year: Christians if some way for them to live could be pointed out. I do not know what to do about is. The old man has been living by reciting stories. Years ago, for some time, he was a teacher of hymns and tunes in a Christian girls' school in Masulipatam. Many a time I cannot sleep at night for some case like this. What I am to do is the question. On the one hand I should not get in those who have no heart in the faith, and on the other, I may shove away some souls feeling after the truth? What am I to do?

GOOD NEWS FROM TUNI.-Mrs. Currie writes the Missionary Link: I know that you will be glad to receive good news from this station. The work of grace is going on in several parts of the field, and we are rejoicing over some who have very recently "cast in their lot" with us. Malliah's work has been very much blest, and this morning we gathered to witness the baptism of two men, one of whom, a Sudra, first heard the truth from Hennama, the Bible woman, while passing through her village, and yesterday walked more than twenty miles in order to receive baptism. Thus within five weeks nine have been added to our number by baptism, and nearly all are from different villages. We be lieve there are others ready or enquiring. So the Lord answers the prayers of His

INDIA - Cumbum. - I am glad to report that the religious interest in this section is somewhat encouraging, and we hope for better things before long. This being, hitherto, a remote part of the Ongole field, which the missionary could seldom visit, things have got into a rather backward state, and there are too many signs of declension. There are large numbers of professed Christians, but a good many have become indifferent. Now, however, that we have settled among them, where we can visit them often, we hope to see a renewal of interest, and more faithfulness and more courage and joy among the disciples.—REV. W. B. Boggs, July

HEATHENISM is doomed, but it is not dead. It will die hard. Although the retrospect is encouraging, to suppose that the battle has been won were a fatal mistake. Christianity has gained a vantage-ground,-a position favorable to the ultimate success of a combined attack. That is all. The conquests have hitherto, for the most part, been amongst decay ing races, the more easily influenced in that they had comparatively nothing to lose, but everything to gain, by accepting Christianity. But in what remains to be done the case is very different. The great citadel of heathenism has as yet scarcely been touched. The gigantic systems of Brahmanism, Buddhism, and Mohammedanism seem to be almost as far from yielding as ever they were.—JAS CROIL.

CONVERTS IN CHINA.—The Rev. W. F. Stevenson, speaking of the wonderful results of Christian labor in China, says, these 69 were in the war of the Revolu- "It would be a profound mistake to tion, 10 in the war of 1812, one in the suppose that such results as I have pointed out are transitory, that the impressions made are shallow, or that those who join the Christian Church are of so indifferent & character that Christianity has been little more to them than a bribe. In a country like China, it costs too much for a man to become a Christian, to make the advantage that the Protestant missionary can offer him worth having; for that, at the most, is a salary so small that he would be hardpressed indeed if he could not earn more at his own calling, while it is burdened with a social ostracism and contempt that are bitterly felt. And, as for the great bulk of the Christians, they continue in their calling, and with a difficulty in making their livelihood that they never had before. The native Christians are often men that have not only taken joyfully the spoiling of their goods, but hazarded their lives for the

ISLES OF THE SEA. -Since Mr. Shaw, the English missionary, was arrested by the French in Madagascar, attendance upon the mission schools and services has almost entirely ceased. It is feared great damage will result to Christianity in the island, on account of the French usurpations.—The death of the Queen of Madagascar is announced. She was baptized soon after her coronation, and under her administration Christianity has made great progress in the island. Her death at this time adds to the serious complications in which the affairs of the island are now involved.

THE CENTURY

The programme for the fourteenth year of this magazine, and the third under the new name, is if anything more interesting and THE CENTURY shows a decided gain in circulation. The new volume begins with should begin with that issue. The following are some of the features of the coming

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