

ADVERTISING SERMONS.—At one of their late meetings, the Baptist ministers of New York city discussed the subject of advertising themes of sermons in the secular press. The Rev. Halsey Knapp, who read the formal essay, held that church announcements should only contain the name and place of the church, the name of the preacher, and the fact that the gospel would there be preached, and this appeared to be the opinion of most present. The growing practice is one that certainly cannot be commended. The taste that is drawn by sensational announcements can only be fed by their continuance; and when the solicitation ceases, the crowds will float away to the next attractive scene.

Here are a few specimens of the subjects said to have been published by a Congregational minister in the city of Worcester, Mass., as topics for the Sabbath: "The Lightning Express from Mechanic Hall to Heaven."—"My Wife."—"Up a tree."—"Never Skedaddle."—"And a He Woman."

A London paper, says the *Baptist Weekly*, gives the following, from a list of subjects, at a Congregational chapel in London: "The Talking Donkey."—"The Devil among the Pigs."—"A Little Man up a Tree."

To the question: Would you blame a minister for suing for his salary, if he could obtain it in no other way—say it is \$400? the *N. E. Examiner* replies:

"Every other means for obtaining his salary should first be used by the pastor. But if the church owes him \$400 for services actually rendered according to agreement, and cannot be prevailed upon to pay it, we believe it would accord both with Scripture and common sense for him to compel them to pay it. We do not believe that there is anything in Paul's prohibition against going to law before the idolatrous magistrates of Corinth, to prevent any Christian man from using the established processes of law for the collection of debts honestly made."

Some of our Canadian Brethren are proposing to start a Baptist College, or what may develop into one, in Manitoba, or some part of the North West. Professor Crawford of the Woodstock Literary Institute writes about it as follows:

"I propose, then, to secure a section of land, about 640 acres, or one mile square, in the neighborhood of Rapid City in the North-West territory, about 150 miles west of Winnipeg. On this farm I would establish a college for training young men for the Ministry, who in the busy season, would work about two thirds of their time on the farm and devote the other third to study, and in the winter most of the time would be given to study, when there would be little to do on the farm, and when the weather would be most conducive to mental application. For the labor of the theological student each would receive his board and education free, also a moderate allowance for clothes. On this farm most of the provisions consumed in the college would be raised, and a surplus for sale."

A writer in the *Christian Helper* remarks upon the scheme:

"Of course the students while at college will go about the country preaching the Word and establishing mission stations, and wherever practicable, organizing Churches—doing the same kind of work in the same way in that vast country, as the Apostles did in the first century. The general principles of this great yet simple scheme have our earnest and hearty support. There are difficulties, no doubt in the way, but these are in the details of the scheme, and nowhere else. It requires no stretch of one's imagination to see, in a few years, that beautiful country peopled, —railroads built in every direction, industries of all descriptions in full blast, and large cities everywhere dotting those great plains. Why should we not now go in and possess the land? We are convinced that if Professor Crawford's scheme were adopted, and faithfully carried out, the great North-West would fall into the hands of those of like faith with ourselves."

The Editor of the *Montreal Canadian Spectator* says:

"I am told that a B.A. from McGill University does not always mean that the wearer of the title can speak his mother tongue correctly. That is a pity, and not calculated to reflect much honor upon the University."

Rev. T. H. Porter, preached at Wolfville on Sunday of last week with good acceptance. He has now returned to Fredericton, N. B.

We were glad to learn a few days since, from Rev. W. B. Bradshaw, now at Charlottetown, P. E. I., that his health is much better than it was some time ago, and that he will be soon able for work again.

THE BAPTIST TEACHER for 1880 is to be greatly improved. The B. P. Society have determined to make it the very best Teacher's Help published. Single subscribers get it monthly for 75 cents. In clubs of five and upwards, at 50 cents a year.

The Society has secured for 1880, the following band of distinguished Sunday School laborers, who are employed upon the Teacher—George A. Peltz, D. D., General Editor, Edward G. Taylor, D. D., on "How to study the Lessons; Prof. Wm. S. Wilkinson, D. D., of Rochester Theological Seminary for Notes on the Lesson; Mrs. M. G. Kennedy, on the Primary Department, and Mr. C. B. Stout, with a corps of able writers.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE FOR 1880.—The fact that this standard weekly magazine has had a successful career of over thirty-five years against much competition, is proof sufficient that it meets an undoubted want of the public. It furnishes what is essential to intelligent readers in a great and indispensable current literature—a literature which embraces more and more every year the work of the ablest thinkers and writers of the day. As the only satisfactorily complete and fresh compendium of this literature, its importance and value have steadily increased. It enables the reader, at trifling expense considering the quantity and quality of the reading furnished, to keep pace with the best thought and literary work of our time; and its great convenience to every intelligent person or family can therefore hardly be overrated.

The extra offer to new subscribers for 1880, and the reduced clubbing rates, are worthy of note in the prospectus published in another column. The magazine is well worth the attention of those who are selecting their reading for the New Year. As the multitude of periodicals increases more and more beyond the means and leisure of readers, the value of such a comprehensive one as this becomes more and more apparent.

THE PROGRESS OF BAPTIST PRINCIPLES IN THE LAST HUNDRED YEARS, by Thos. F. Curtis, D. D., Philadelphia, American Baptist Publication Society, price \$1.50.

This appears to be a new edition of Dr. Curtis's work published in 1855, of which we could hardly speak too highly. The matter of statistics has been more carefully attended to since that date; and from these we may gather further facts regarding Baptist progress, even more remarkable than appeared formerly. Whilst in 1792, the Baptists in the United States numbered only 65,345, in 1878 they were 2,102,034, making a net gain in 86 years of 2,036,689. In 1792 the Baptists in the U. States had one member for every sixty of the population. In 1878 estimating the population at 46, or 47,000,000 makes the Baptists one to every twenty-two. Recent facts further indicate that there is indeed "A future for the Baptists."

Notices.

CASH RECEIVED TOWARDS FUND FOR RE-BUILDING ACADIA COLLEGE.

Mrs. Judson D. Harris, Cornwallis, \$15.00
A. J. Denton, Ohio, Yarmouth Co. 25.00

Received towards Current Expenses.
Hammond Church, N. B. \$6.80
1st Hampton Church, N. B. 2.40
Belfast Church, 2.60

\$11.60
CORRECTION.—Mr. Judson D. Harris in your last issue should read, Mrs. Judson D. Harris, \$100.

A. D. W. BARRS, Treas.
Wolfville, Nov. 29th 1879.
Christian Visitor please copy.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors in the new College Building, on Wednesday, December 17th, at half past seven o'clock, P. M.
STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Secy.
Wolfville, Nov. 28th, 1879.

Received from Mrs. Freeland, Yorkville, Ont., the sum of \$12.81, less 45 cents paid for discount, postage and registration of letters—\$12.36—being the proportion of profits of *Missionary Link*; to be divided between the Central Boards W. M. A. Societies, according to the number of subscribers in each province, as follows:

For Nova Scotia.....\$8 81
For New Brunswick..... 3 18
For P. E. Island..... 0 47

The above sums are forwarded to N. B. & P. E. Island.

M. R. SILDEN,
Treas. C. B. of N. S.

The Ladies of the Baptist Sewing Circle will hold a Bazaar and Tea Meeting at Ham's Hall on first Christmas day, and if not fine, on the second.

J. HAM.
Mahone Bay, Nov. 19. 1879.

DARTMOUTH NEW BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Ladies of the Dartmouth Baptist Church and congregation intend holding a Fancy Sale, Tea Meeting and Entertainment in their New Church Building, on Tuesday, 16th inst.

Sale to commence at 10 1/2 A. M. Tea to commence at 6 o'clock, P. M. Proceeds of sale and tea to go towards furnishing their new church.

Donations are solicited and will be thankfully received by the Committee.

MRS. COBB,
MISS ELLA HUNT,
MRS. KING,
MRS. WM. KEILER,
MRS. WM. WISDOM.

Admission 10 cents. Tea 25 cents.
Dartmouth, Dec. 1, 1879.

Letters Received.

J. Bew, \$8. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$6.
W. A. Morse, \$6.

ALEXIS ST. MARTIN.—Alexis St. Martin, whose open stomach furnished Dr. Beaumont an opportunity for studying directly the processes of gastric digestion, is still living at St. Thomas, Canada. He is described as hale and hearty at the age of 87, though the orifice in his stomach is still open. It will be remembered that the wound was the result of a charge of buckshot accidentally received, laying open the stomach so that food could be injected and removed at will by the attending physician, whose observations were of such great value to medical science. It is now 57 years since the accident occurred.

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April 17

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N. B.—The demands of our business have necessitated our removing to Toronto, to which place please address all future communications.

March 12, 79.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The **GREATEST LIVING AGE**—The *Greatest Living Age*, such as Prof. Max Muller, Mr. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, Jas. J. Froude, Prof. Huxley, E. A. Freeman, Mr. Edw. J. Freeman, Prof. Tynan, Dr. W. B. Carpenter, Francis Power, Cobbe, The Duke of Argyll, Wm. Black, Miss Thackeray, Mrs. Muloch-Craig, George MacDonald, Mr. Oliphant, Jean Inghis, Mr. Alexander, Thos. Hardy, Matthew Arnold, Henry Kingsley, W. W. Story, Turgenev, Carlyle, Ruskin, Tennyson, Browning, and many others, are represented in the pages of

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[Ed. C. M.]

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