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nothing will diminish the enjoyment of the whole being or make the perpetuity of its condition distasteful or undesirable.

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PUT THE "INTELLIGENCER" IN EVERY FREE BAPTIST FAMILY!

We look to our Ministers to give a little special at- " associated Baptist Churches of this Continent. tention just now to the INTELLIGENCER interests. Their interests and those of the INTELLIGENCER, are identical; their object is one-and they ought to aid each other in their work.

Every Free Baptist family should have the regu lar visits of the INTELLIGENCER. It is the denomi- " cite and strengthen prejudices against the usages national organ-having the unanimous sanction and approval of the General Conference. That into every Free Baptist household.

pathy and aid in extending its circulation. To the guilty of a very grievous sin. But let us explain.

fit of their influence just now ? We hope so. We nificant individual he would fain have his readers expect it of them. Let the list of new subscribers consider him, but we happen to know to the contrasent witness that our confidence has not been mis- ry. If he is really ignorant of the real standing of placed.

"GO WORK TO DAY IN MY VINEYARD."

VISITOR.

We are sorry to have to return to this subject; "OPEN Doon"? It is a plain, unvarnished narra- Are your churches (meeting-houses) much in who cherish a harsh spirit of unforgiveness? Hav- becoming Christians. They have regular prayerultimo, returns to the charge in last week's issue tor says. It does, if showing the desirability of perty being worth about \$25,000; the worshippers haps some reader will profit by the following from of Damascus. Syrian villages are asking in a body "Montgomery," our contemporary's anonymous open communion can be considered an assault. not rich and very few. Have you any examples the Christian Messenger :--correspondent, fills a column with abuse and mis- Otherwise, it does not. It yet remains to be proved after this fashion ? Do you have any patience with

representation. With him-as stated two weeks that the Baptist denomination has been so grossly such "financiering?" Should such encumbered more unlovely in the estimation of the world than the old law of the empire, that any Mohammedan since-we have nothing further to do, since he is abused. The Visitor has made many assertions to property be dedicated to God ? not man enough to write over his real name. If that effect, but in support of the assertions nothing

we had space to spare we would publish his articles has yet been adduced but bitter and unqualified that our readers might judge of their character for denunciation of the book and its author, the INthemselves. We know they would agree with us TELLIGENCER and its editor.

that they are most bitter calumnies. We have no Is it not strange that Mr. Smith should be re- Ministers in these modern days are not free from even his fellow man is not from above. A man of Inebriates, that one third of all deaths in New ambition whatever to win notoriety by entering the tained as a member of the Baptist denomination, thorns. And they are the occasion of no little suffer- who has become the victim of fancied or real grielists for such a combat as "Montgomery" evident- if it be true that he has so grossly maligned the ing. A writer in Zion's Advocate, who probably has ly delights in. To do so would be to demean our- usages of that body? The fact of his still being a had some experience, enumerates some of them. selves. Our conclusion is this—if the Visitor can recognized Baptist minister proves that "THE We hope everybody will read what he says, and try tissue of slanders." It proves that while Mr.

This time however the Editor of the Visitor him- Smith may hold views on the communion question but God will be honoured. self dips his pen for our benefit, and in reply to not exactly in accord with those held by his denohim we want to say a few words. Though he says mination at large, he is still enough a Baptist, and some hard words about us, and fully endorses all a sufficiently worthy Christian man to le allowed to become extinct in consequence Saviour of sinners. The influence of such a man is er, beginning with an occasional dram, and not one that his "valued correspondent" says, he yet to retain his connection with the denomination. writes more like a gentleman. He asks, "Who is And yet the Visitor would condemn us for circulato blame ?" and then gives his version of the case ting, as a Free Baptist, what Mr. Smith, as a Bap- one half of the members of the church attend con-

" recreant to the principles of his denomination, tist interests. What more need we say. When we wrote a book, for the purpose of breaking down, commended the "OPEN DOOR," nothing was furso far as he could, the established order of the ther from our purpose or wish than to injure or in-"The Editor of the INTELLIGENCER adopts the terfere with the Baptist body in the least imagin. terests of Christ's kingdom. "book-takes it under his special care, eulogizes able degree. In reaffirming our estimate of it, 'its teachings, and earnestly commends it to his which we do now, we also wish to reiterate that we readers as a book worthy of all confidence; knowing at the same time that the tendency of the " circulation of such a production must be to ex- interfere with Baptist Churches or people in their " of the churches which the Visitor represents."

The Editor puts his case quite cleverly, if not as body also recommends and urges its introduction fairly as he might. The reader who has no other

thus:

means of information on the subject would very To all the friends of the paper we look for sym- readily and naturally suppose the INTELLIGENCER Will they give the paper-their paper-the bene- of the "OPEN DOOR" to be the obscure and insig- they are waiting to secure a full list before sending

The "man by the name of Smith" is Rev. J. Hyatt Smith, the popular and successful pastor of the The saved man is a debtor to Christ. He is no Lee Avenue Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New UPPER CAVERHILL.-Bro. Gunter has returned

insignificant, are in the same plight. The great and

good Spurgeon, with the other English Baptists

many in America, and some even in this province

are of the same stripe. Pretty good companions

we think even the Visitor will admit. Then why

deal so severely with Mr. Smith and his book, and

with the INTELLIGENCER for speaking well of it

The "OPEN DOOR" has been read by thousands

and by them approved. When we read it we like

it. We thought what was good for us to read

would be good for others too. We arranged to

get as many copies as we could circulate with th

INTELLIGENCER. We made an offer of it on certain

conditions to our subscribers. We did it as plainly

We did not for a moment imagine it would

arouse the ire of the Visitor, or even of its pugilis

loing wrong; and we have yet to see wherein lie

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ery" with the name of a "rebuke," and thinks w

smart severely" under it, which is a very grea

"The chastisement may be unpleasant to all con

cerned; but if merited, as in the present case

"to seek by misrepresentation, to convert it into a

mistake on his part. He then says :

and simply as possible.

nothing can interfere with absolute ease, so | THE "OPEN DOOR" AND THE "CHRISTIAN We hardly think the Visitor will deny us the more ago. Verily, is there any thing new under right. Then why so much excitement about the the sun.

> but there does not seem to be any way to avoid it, twe; and its tendency is in favor of "Open Com- debt, like many of ours in this region, and too ing a grievance, real or imaginary, they resolve that meetings, and pray to the Lord Jesus Christ to rethough we hope it may not again be necessary. munion." But it "assails the doctrines or prac- much so throughout the denomination? I know the fullest restitution shall be made, ere they deign veal himself as their Saviour, and to lead them out The Visitor, not satisfied with its effort of the 16th tices of our associated Baptist Churches," the Visi- one church about \$16,000 in debt, the whole prop- to forgive. Is it then forgiveness at ail? Per-

> > D. M. G.

-----MINISTERS' THORNS.

Paul had a thorn which gave him much uneasiso doing, the minister will not only be benefitted,

It is a thorn in the minister's soul when classes of promising young men and women in our Sabbath of the irregularity and half-heartedness of their evil, and must be injurious to the spiritual charac- of them believed that he would ever become a slave

It is a thorn in the minister's soul when hardly "A man by the name of Smith, who had proved crown all it insinuates that we do it to injure Bap- when they can attend parties and stay till late

It is a thorn in the minister's soul when the most

prayer, conference and other meetings, and then have not the slightest intention or inclination to complain that such meetings do not prosper. or by their cozy fireside.

It is a thorn in the minister's soul when members will not support our Home and Foreign missions, national paper, which latter paper is more adapted to promote piety in the soul than the former.

that only pay for five talent pastors, expect them to oreach and labor like ten talent pastors. It is a thorn in the minister's soul when those

churches that only give their pastors \$300 and \$400 vear, expect them to make a similar domestic appearance, occupy as high a literary position, and command as much influence as those pastors who receive \$1000.

It is a thorn in the minister's soul when the

CHRISTIAN FORGIVENESS.

Perhaps there is nothing that renders christians but many of the wealthiest of the people. It was give is essentially unchristian. Any system of been instituted; but the work proceeds.

Theology that attempts to defend the exercise of A POINTED TEMPERANCE LECTURE .- Mr. Willard

One who places himself upon a pedestal of fanchristian, but he is not suited to live in this sinful ter of the community in which he mingles.

Our Lord taught his disciples to pray for forgiveness, "as we forgive." A fearful prayer for the untist, was allowed to write and publish. And to ference and prayer meetings on a week evening. forgiving to offer! Some people who dislike this condition-making the cherishing of an unforgivqualified members of the churches will not teach in of such a rule to their own case, by replying that conscientious objectors to any species of medicine Sabbath schools, nor do anything to extend the in- God requires confession of wrong and an intention whatever, as being an interference with Divine Proto pursue another course before He grants forgive-It is a thorn in the minister's soul when the lead- ness, and that therefore the same condition may be ing men of the churches absent themselves from exacted by one man from his tellow man before forgiveness can be justly demanded. This is but a It is a thorn in the minister's soul when members man in relation to his Maker and one erring mortal services are held all day on Sunday and on the

spend the holy day in their own garden and fields, were to be a prerequisite to reconciliation, the par- Railway. The seats are composed of rough planks scribers sent. Many more are expected. From and prefer taking a political paper to their denomi- in his heart. Worldly principles would then be- long table, something the shape of a carpenter's It is a thorn in the minister's soul when churches be that offences come, but the gospel is the great bers. Between the table and the first row of forms rectifier, and it demands of Christ's disciples a reaeparate or tarnish the church of Christ.

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> > CHRISTIAN WORK IN CHICAGO.

MOHAMMEDANS OF DAMASCUS .- There is a wonderful movement in Damascus among the Mohammedans; not less than 3,000 of them are desirous of of darkness into light. The movement is said to be to be instructed in Christianity-not only the poor,

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their indulgence of a haughty, unforgiving spirit, becoming a Christian should suffer death. But It is well known, even by the least intelligent in a how will the Government proceed when the number christian community, that an unwillingness to for- has reached to thousands? Cruel persecutions have

an irascible temper and the maintenance of a state Parker, the eminent surgeon of New York, stated vance, in consequence of which he shuts himself off of alcoholic liquors, and during the past thirty years from all intercourse with his offending brother, un- 160,000 persons had died from its use, either by til a humiliating confession of wrong doing be themselves or by their parents. Think of that ! An made by him, shews but little of the spirit of Je- army of 190,000 out of the population of this island alone slain by this one agent! This does not include the vast amount of poverty, destitution, and cied superiority, and wraps around himself the gar- suffering. The drinking establishments of this city ment of injured innocence, may retain the name of receive \$50,000,000 every year. There are nineteen. drinking establishments for each Protestant church: to his appetite.-Health and Home.

"PECULIAR PEOPLE."--- Every now and then one catches a glimpse in English papers of a sect called the Peculiar People, who are known in secular ng spirit towards another an obstacle to ourselves | ways chiefly from the police reports, where they receiving forgiveness-try to avoid the application figure as opponents to official vaccination, and as vidence. In a recent number of the London Record. however, we have at last been so fortunate as to find what seems to be an authentic report of the devotional characteristics of this obscure body. At South limsy fallacy, for there can be no analogy between | London it appears they have a chapel, at which of the churches take trips on the Lord's day, allow in relation to another. But supposing that it were evenings of Tuesday and Thursday. This chapel visitors to keep them from the house of God, or the case, and that a like confession and resolve is one of the arches of London, Chatham, and Dover ty aggrieved would become the judge of what that are raised at irregular heights from the flooramount of reparation should be accorded to him. ing. "The place is dimly lighted up, and has a self, and the Christ-like spirit would cease to rule very damp smell. In the front of the platform is a come predominant, and gospel injunctions no lon- bench, which is covered with brown paper, onger applicable to any case of offence. It must needs which are placed the hats and bonnets of the memis an open space for the 'dance,' to be described diness to remove offences, and so not allow them to presently, known by the name of the ' dance of leath,' which the members have to go through before they are pronounced 'Pure Christians!" On the day when the correspondent of The Record visited the place there were perhaps twenty members present, the brothers and sisters saluting each other on the cheek as they entered. The writer continnes: The service commenced about eight o'clock with inging a hymn, after which a lengthy prayer was delivered by one of the brethren, in a most ungrammatical manner. The Chief Sister than began to deliver a long discourse, taking her text from the Book of Revelation. She stated that she was the Bride of Christ, that her body would never be consigned to the grave, that she had already died once. that her existence now was entirely spiritual, never feeling aches or pains, and that Christ would be sure to come in her time, and before very long. Whilst this was going on, a poorly-clad and very dirty-looking boy-who was standing at one end of the table-fell on the floor and commenced kicking and plunging about in a most wild manner, but no notice was taken of him. Soon after this, a girl about 13 or 14 years of age was observed to apparently faint. She being among the "curious," an individual was about to lead her outside, as he said, " to give her air;" but the preacher entreated her hearers to "let her alone, and be silent, whatever might happen." The girl was then carried by one of the brethren to to the platform, and there seated, and in a very few minutes began to take off her boots, proceed to the open space kept purposely for " dancing," and danced about in a very peculiar manner, and at the same time throwing her arms about and uttering a gurgling sound from the throat, which was described as a language given by God and only understood by the members, whilst the boy on the floor was kicking and clapping his hands violently, which was also responded to by the girl, who after dancing about for some minutes fainted, and fell into the arms of one of the brethren. This was repeated several times, when near the close of the service some seven or eight boys, girls, and women got up and began to dance about in the same way, the "sisters" catching hold of one or two of the brethren, pulling them into the arena, taking their coats and boots off, and uttering the same discordant sounds, which, if real, was one of the most ridiculous exhibitions ever seen After the service one or two parties interrogated the leader as to the Scriptural teaching of these manœuvres, but she artfully evaded the question. On being pressed she said, "Did not David dance naked before the Lord ?" and that also before the coming of Christ most miraculous things would take place, and " who knows but what this is one of them ?" which was said in a Pythonic tone.

usages or otherwise. Nor do we think the circulation of the "OPEN DOOR" necessarily does so. -----Many thanks to our friends for the new Subsome Ministers and other staunch friends of the ministers of the denomination we look especially. The Editor of the Visitor may believe the author INTELLIGENCER we have not yet heard. Perhaps

any. It is better to send the names as soon as received, even though they be sent one at a time. the man let him make a note of the following facts. Let us hear from you all, friends, at once.

with a price. In appearing for his deliverance from sin, Christ did not simply purpose his salvation. He did not intend that the man, being delivered from bondage, should sit down with folded arms and complacently contemplate his deliverance. He wants the man's service. His kingdom is to be verted are to be won to Christ. And to aid in this work, as instruments, the services of every renewed individual are required. The vineyard of the Lord is extensive. There is an abundance of work to be done, enough to employ every disciple of Christ. The Master expects-more, commands-every one to be busy. They are His friends—His faithful which Mr. Smith belongs, have a very different **Our brethren will please keep us supplied are countenanced, none are wanted. To each one telligently, his conduct in publishing the "OPEN most part to hunt up the information we publish thorns which I have briefly named can at least in to the sufferers; and it is noteworthy that the majoyou are and have to my service, be anxious always story of the book is calculated to promote, and to glorify me in whatever you do, whether you eat they did not excommunicate him. They did not or drink, or whatever you do.'" It is not enough even abuse him for what he had done and was do that each one try to take care of himself. That is necessary of course; but in doing that there is attempts to silence him or exclude him from the other work to do. There are other than personal Baptist denomination. He is a Baptist in as " good interests to guard and forward. Each must be and regular standing" in the denomination as any concerned for the prosperity of the whole, and for other in the world. "It "recreant to principle, the honor of the Lord. If each soldier in an army those who stand by him, and they are not few no. should resolve to look out for himself, without any thought of the honor of the army to which he belonged, or of the country in whose defence he had enlisted, how soon the army would be tutaliy demoralized. Defeat would be certain. So it is that unless the soldiers of Christ's army stand shoulder to shoulder, feeling that the enemies of each are the enemies of all, that the defeat of one is humiliating to all, and that the glory of victory is participated in by all, they must fail to accomplish the conquest which the great Captain wishes. If all the followers of Christ do not labor in the vineyard, diligently and harmoniously, the work necessary to the advancement of the Redeemer's cause and the glory of His name must remain undone. Some and we fear sometimes they are the majority-plead inability to do anything. Why then does Christ ask them to work ? He has not made any exceptic correspondent. We had no consciousness , tions. Hence we must believe that all have some qualification. A man does not like to be told that the wrong. But the Visitor says it was wronghe is lacking in ability to discharge the ordinary duties of domestic and business life. But he per-The Editor dignifies the impudence of "Montgom suades himself that he cannot do anything for Christ. It is a mistake. The same ability which qualifies him for the every day dutis of his secular calling, qualifies him, when renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit, for service in the cause of Christ. Impossibilities are not demanded-they are not ex- " bear it manfully, and have too much self-respec pected. There is of course a great diversity of gifts. In the parable of the talents this is illustrated. But the man with one talent was expected to faith-

assault upon the INTELLIGENCER, or into a fever ish alarm to scare up more subscribers. Such dodge, to say the least of it, is neither christia fully and judiciously use that as much as the man "nor creditable, and will be so understood by al who had five. And because he did not do so, he " sensible people." was called an unprofitable servant, and his punish- Does the Editor think that when the Visito. ment was the same as though he had been a bitter speaks everybody ought to keep silence, that whe enemy. All cannot occupy the same portion in | it utters its voice all the earth ought to stand i God's service, but no one can on that account say awe of it. What he says would lead one to sup and I was impudent enough to mention that I prehe is of no use in the work. The members of the pose so. Because we did not quietly submit to it sume the publisher profits more also by the paper to the knowledge of the Christian religion. When body have not all the same office. Each has attack upon us he at once judges us unmanly, lack a distinct and specific function, yet each is essential ing in self-respect, and guilty of a "dodge" which to the perfection of the whole body. The loss of is discreditable and unchristian. Suppose the ly Offering plan was that in use in the churches warfare was inaugurated. Not only is there preachone is felt by all. The failure of one to perform its Visitor had offered as a premium a book strict till they were taken under the "protection" of part affects the whole. So in Christian work, each Baptist in its tendency, and we had so far forgot government. During that most heroic age of the prints Bibles, Testaments, and newspapers in the member of the church-" the body of Christ"-has ten ourselves as to allow some person of an abusiv church it was the weekly offerings of the poor that native language. Ladies visited the women in the something to do. If that something-however in- turn to attack the book, and the Visitor for recom supplied the "sinews of war." significant it may appear-be neglected, then the mending it. What then? Would the Visitor hav whole body suffers, and is less able to do the work borne the unjust and ungenerous assault without specifically the apostle lays down the rule-the missionaries, healing the body, and giving advice committed to it. But says one, "I do not know word of remonstrance? We think not. It doe time to pay-the amount to pay-and who to pay. in regard to the soul at the same time. Industrial what to do." Look upon the fields and see that make some "difference whose ox is gored." Bu. Every one on the first day of the week to pay as schools were started by the mission, where those they are all white and ready to harvest. No one he says we knew that the tendency of the "OPE God prospered. Can man improve this divine dineed go far from home to find a sphere of useful- Doon" "must be to excite and strengthen preju rection ? ness. The world is large ; but each may find his dices against the usages of the churches which the little world in the community where he lives. Visitor represents." We knew nothing of the from this. With money in hand, how well the continue their occupation. There were about five THERE are now eight ministers of various evan- than four years ago, 31 colporteurs have been em-There he may let his light shine. There he may kind. We know nothing of the kind yet. Every minister can do in making his purcheses. His sal- thous and Christian boys and girls in the schools gelical denominations at work in Rome. Six places ployed, whose terms of service in the aggregate live a life so godly that men must be influenced by body knows the position of Baptist churches gen. ary, though slender, is worth much more to him to it. There he may find scores who have not the erally on the communion question; and no perso have as he goes than it would be to have it at the thing was being accomplished in India, and every gious services are held every week, attended more ious publications to the amount of \$23,991.33, saving knowledge of Christ, and to them he may is disposed to quarrel with them abont it. A: end of the quarter, the end of the year, or several mail brings the intelligence of new members beging or less regularly by from 400 to 500 persons. Thus \$1712 of which have been given away gratuitously, talk kindly and tenderly, and invite them to the least the INTELLIGENCRE has never manifested an months after his year is out. See to it, O breth- added to the Church, until conversion and revival far the several denominations have labored har- and supplied 582 families found destitute of the Fountain of Life. There he may help sustain the disposition in that direction, as the Visitor mus: ren, that you mnzzle not the ox that treadeth out meeting of prayer and the Sabbath School, working allow. The Visitor has a perfect right, to streng. the corn. Does God care for oxen, or does he fect one than we had here, and in that oriental es to pray for the divine blessing, and through study from the Society's Depository, through various in both for the benefit of his fellows, young and then by every means the idea of restricted common people understood it much better of God's Word to confirm the unity of the Spirit in channels, including Colportage, has been upwards do service for Christ and humanity. He need not jects. Free Baptists and other open communior - Thanksgiving, yesterday, very cold and blustergo to the ends of the earth, where the people sit in ists do not grow furious when Baptist ministers ing. How the piercing winds remind me of the darkness and the shadow of death, to prove his preach, or when the Visitor writes, close commv. Chicago sufferers, receiving their daily bread from willingness to work. Let him do what is just at nion sentiments. They of course do not accept the liberal hand of charity, but not half sheltered. assertion that it was published "long, long ago" hand, in his home, among his friends, where his them as correct, but they do not dispute the right Allow me in the close of this hasty letter to has given the impression that it made its appearbusiness leads him. In these places take Christ, of our Baptist brethren to declare them. Is the mention a little book I have just read with much ance a great many years ago, and had been entirelive him, commend him, and God will be pleased. Visitor unwilling that other denominations shoul | more than ordinary interest-THE PERFECT MAN, the INTELLIGENCER. It is not an old book. It made And what is done, do to-day. To-day, "with thy enjoy equal privileges with its own? Free Baj an English work, reprinted by Bro. Lothrop, of its first appearance only one year ago. It has been How is it with you, Christian ? Are you making right to strengthen that belief in their churches ? which book is of course about the same perfect it has been received with much favour. Two edithe most of your opportunities? "Work while the der lasts for the right—aye the daty—of the INTELLIGENCER for one year to of providing a stock of books for the Depository der lasts for the new subscribers—airing each offe a book soft and for Colportage. day lasts, for the night of death cometh wherein no GENCER to aid in the work of strengthening th; the thoughts that I took as very fresh I find the lation in the Provinces may make a fourth edition

York, a pastorate of some importance, at any rate to his circuit on the Nashwaak. He reports the most perfect understanding does not subsist benot obscure. The church and congregation to work in Caverhill as good. Sixteen had been bap- tween pastor and people.

which the "man named Smith" ministers, are tized when he left. Others he thinks are "not far ex-pastor using his influence against him. I know Thanksgiving. We are glad to learn that mission now building him a new house of worship, which from the kingdom," and with a little effort will be of a church where there are two ex-pastors, and will seat one thousand persons, at a cost of \$60,000, brought to give up all for Christ. Bro. Currie had their quarrels have driven away several pastors, and a thing not often done for so insignificant a person also left for home on account of sickness in his faas the Visitor would make Mr. Smith appear. The mily, but it was thought he might return for a built up. His truth is to be spread. The uncon- "man named Smith" is also one speaker on a short time,

course of lectures in New York city, in which only NORTH BRANCH OROMOCTO.-Bro. Reud has confirst class men are used, a fact not to his discredit | tinued his labours. He will remain till after next to say the least. Mr. Smith may have "proved Sabbath. Two were baptized last Sabbeth. Bro. recreant to the principles of his denomination." R. purposes (D. V.) going to the South Branch for toiled hard for the prosperity of the church, to have Prayer Meeting on Sabbath evenings since the fire, Probably the Visitor thinks so; but the ministers a short time. We trust God may be with him and his salary paid irregularly and in small sums at a fully attended and pervaded by profound interest. of Long Island (New York) Baptist Association, to bless his efforts.

opinion. They discussed fully, and we suppose in- with items for this department. We have for the remove his thorn. I think, however, that those

BOSTON CORRESPONDENCE.

BOSTON, December 1, 1871. ing. On the other hand they resolved to resist al' Weekly Offerings .- The Blacksmith.- The Bitle Rule .- crucifixion, and that, too, from professing Chris-Thanksgiving.-Chicago Sufferers.-" Nothing new un-der the sun."-Debt-burdened Churches. God forbid.

DEAR INTELLIGENCER,-I am much pleased, in ooking over one of your recent numbers, to see the hearty endorsement you give of "Weekly Offer- lions of human beings sitting in heathen darkness. ings," as a system in giving. I found this plan in Room enough for christian work, any one will ad- the almost as desolate single lodging rooms, each extensive use in the churches of various denomina- mit. Yet many are ready to say that the labour is tions in England in 1860, when I visited many of the in vain, that the results do not justify the expendichurches in that country. In more than half the ture of money and men. Here is what Rev. Dr. churches I visited, this plan was adopted in raising | Waugh says of it :--

will be found to be \$1040. Many a preacher is that amount, when, by this plan, it is easily prac- thing like this: tical to raise \$1040. Many persons can pay by the week who cannot in any other way,-cannot the way they mismanage their income. I remember a blacksmith who was always be-

hind hand to the end of the year in paying his been planted in Southern India, and at the present pew-rent, though it was but \$10. The first quarter were Christians. Northwestern India was more it had run up to \$2.50-too much for him to pay recently visited by Christian missions, and the work without inconvenience. Of course postponing only there had become very encouraging; but, taking made it worse each subsequent quarter. When the the whole field of India, perhaps his hearers would weekly offering plan was introduced into the not be prepared to accept the statement that with-in a few years of Christian labour, and with so few \$20,00.0 a year. church to which he belonged, he subscribed 50 missionaries in the field, more than 350,000 Protes-\$26 a year instead of \$10. He told me that every be borne in mind that it was a very little matter to tional creeds, and utter religious license. Saturday he set apart 50 cents to this especial pur- take down one of the heathen images from a niche pose, placing it immediately in the proper enve- in the wall, and place that of the Virgin Mary in lope which he carried to church the next morning, its stead. In material progress, everything looks lope and contents into the Weekly Offering Box nent, and telegraphic wires flash intelligence all He said, moreover, that he never enjoyed preach- over the empire. While the fire was raging in the 23rd November last, the negro boy, Oscar Dunn, a similar experience about reading papers. Once he read another man's paper because he was beadvance. He profits much more by the paper now ; schools, where the Bible is read and prayer offered. corner of St. John and Common streets.

made the church a town's talk, and many stand aloot from the same. Christians wonder why min-

isters do not practice what they have preached. It is a thorn in the minister's soul when he hears have every comfort for their homes.

paying other bills, and expect promptness in others. the American Reformed, the other in the First Bappeople themselves; and therefore I trust that they Young Men's Christian Association has issued a will proceed to remove such as they are able at

once. Why not? Are the Lord's anointed servants to be always subjected to a species of mental

IS THE WORK FRUITFUL?

In Judea there are more than two hundred mil-

other funds. If in a congregation 80 persons give convert into the Ganges for baptism-an unlettered visions, aint we!" The poor sick lady, after stand-25 cents weekly for the year, the aggregate amount convert, who, having gained some knowledge of ing four hours, basket in arm. had been obliged to letters, indited a Christian hymn, which in fervor leave the public depot without a supply. This and power was not surpassed by any ode in the will be a winter of severe suffering to hundreds of starving and pinching on a salary of less than half English language. The first stanzas went some- such families in Chicago.

' Forget, my soul, forget no more The Friend that all thy sorrows bore Let every idol be forgot But, oh ! my soul, forget Him not."

It was true, that years before Christianity had of miles of railroads stretch across that vast conti- | cut representing a run-away slave :---

The rebuilding of the burnt districts with temorary structures is rapidly progressing. Over 3,-

000 grants of lumber for cottages have been made, and a large number will be completed before work among the sufferers is not to be neglected. The churches in the north division have been consumed, but the workmen are already at work on the ruins of Mr. Moody's mission, preparing to erect a spacious, though not a costly tabernacle there. The Young Men's Christian Association is also members plead poverty as an excuse for not giving erecting a large Mission Sabbath School House farliberally to the support of Christ's cause, and yet ther north, in the vicinity of the barracks. At their depot in the Seventh Church, corner of Peotime, and yet many of the members are prompt in Two Noon Prayer Meetings are held daily-one in rity of applicants are Swedes and Germans The circular asking all the pastors and churches in the States to take up a Thanksgiving Collection for them, and to remit it to their Secretary, Rev. Robert Patterson, D. D., at their depot. We cannot imagine anything more appropriate. Surely every Christian family sitting down to the enjoyment of the bounties of a plentifully furnished home would enjoy those services all the same if they had previasly contributed a few dollars to relieve their Christian brethren and sisters in the barracks, or in of which serves for bedroom, kitchen, dining room and parlour. The poor little children, especially, are the sufferers now. "There won't be any Christmas this year, Ma, will there !" asks one of the little ones. Another nudges his mother as the visitor all their money, for salary of pastor as well as It was in the year 1800 that Dr. Carey led his first enters, and says, "Mother, we are very short of pro

Len and Scissors.

RENEWALS are looked for now. This is the time of year when many terms of subscription expire, and we hope our friends will be prompt with their renewals. The cash is needed.

It is said that the Jewish rabbi of the great interested in Canadian literature will find that most synagogue at Berlin receives the highest salary of the best Canadian writers write for this magazines voluntarily paid to any living preacher. It is The housekeeper will find that the suggestions and

A REFORMER in Russia, in the vicinity of Te- save many times the price of the magazine in the cents a week, paying very punctually week by tant Christians had been enrolled in the Church, katarinoslaff, proclaims himself the Saviour. week. I asked how it came so easy to him to pay and it was increasing in numbers yearly. The Ro- Thousands of converts are being attracted to him. man Catholics claim 750,000 members, but it should | He preaches polygamy, abrogation of all denomina-

A CHANGE OF FORTUNE .--- In the New Orleans Picayune, during the year 1841, appeared the foland as he went into the house, dropped the enve- bopeful in India at the present time. Thousands lowing advertisement, prefaced by the inevitable aims at being a Cavadian Magazine, both in the

\$5 Reward,-Run away from the subscriber, on ing till he paid for it in advance. He said he had Chicago, they were reading of it in Lucknow, and an apprentice to the plastering trade. He is of while the Duke Alexis was making his progress up griffe color, between twenty and twenty-one years We do not think our Canadian homes can find Broadway, they were reading the account of the of age, and about five feet ten or eleven inches high. procession in Bombay, Daily newspapers are being All persons are cautioned not to harbor said boy hind with his subscription; but now he pays in established all over the country, and also Christian under penalty of the law. Wilson & Patterson,

schools, thousands of the native youth are coming Governor of Louisiana.

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Read in the last chapter of 1st Corinthiaus how

Pay the minister his salary every Monday follows for those who had to leave agricultural pursuits to them.

tists believe in open communion. Is it not their this city. Henry Ward Beecher's "Life of Christ," very widely circulated in the United States, where

views of the denomination which it represents? English book had given to the world a year or necessary.

the mission was started by Dr. Butler, in the King-We know from the Bible and history, this Week- dom of Oude, every species of modern missionary ing in the bazaars, but there are conversations with zenanas, and those ladies were nobly supported in these latter years by a band of sisters sent out by

NOT AN OLD BOOK.

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is a subject for the natural philosopher and the poitical economist, and has important relations.

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have become chronic there. The translation of the moniously. Every Monday morning the preachers Scriptures. the bonds of peace.

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