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A Baptist church in Massachusetts wanted to raise a special sum for Foreign Missions, and it did not see their way out. They voted to take it to God in prayer. The night was set and they prayed all night; results, \$10,000 for Foreign Missions and many precious souls saved at home.

In the San Quentin penitentiary, California, the Salvation Army has a corps of twenty-one soldiers, as a result of its officers' efforts. All are serving sentences varying from one year to a lifetime. The prison officials commend the work, and the chaplain speaks very highly of the consistent lives of the converts.

The Calvary Baptist church, of New York City, whose pastor is Robert McArthur, a Canadian, was founded fifty-two years ago under the name of Hope Chapel. Since that time it has had a total membership of 4,455, it has educated one hundred students for the Ministry, and it has given more than \$2,000,000 to benevolence and missions.

In the past ten years the number of religious papers published in the United States has been doubled. The aggregate number of subscribers is now said to be about one million, five hundred thousand. As there are about fifteen or twenty million families in the country, these figures would leave the inference that after all this increase, only about one family in every ten take a religious paper.

The Congregationalist of Boston believes the growth of the Baptists in that city, until they lead in numbers all others, to be due to the systematic work in which they have pressed the work of planting missions under the direction of a committee on Christian work. They now number 15,000 church members, and are planning to co-operate in a still larger way through a city mission society which has just been organized.

The Third Presbyterian Church, Shanghai, has a book containing pledges against liquor, tobacco and gambling. The pastor, who has already signed his name, has read to the congregation a tract on the evils of alcohol, also an article on the subject from one of the Chinese papers. The aim is to cultivate a sentiment against these evils with the hope of having a church pure and free from all. Already several members have signed the names.

The Presbyterians in the Canadian west are regularly preaching the Gospel in fourteen different languages. They are, besides English, Gaelic to the Crofters at St. Leonards, Pelican Lake, and Wapella, Finnish near Port Arthur, Icelandic at Winnipeg and Selkirk, Hungarian and Bohemian to settlements in the north-western part of Manitoba, Danish and Swedish near Whitewood, German near Edmonton, and the following Indian tongues: Sioux, Cree, Saulteaux, Assiniboine and Ahousat.

Home Religious News.

Twelve more converts were baptized in the first Baptist church, Moncton, on the 18th.

The revival at Havelock, K. Co., is reported as continuing with much interest. Over forty have been baptized.

Rev. W. S. Martin, who has been supplying Lemster St. St. John Baptist church, and who was invited to remain till Spring, has decided to take up evangelistic work, with St. John as headquarters.

Denominational News.

MOUTH KESWICK YORK CO.—It is, I think, about time I wrote something for the INTELLIGENCER. I am not perhaps, as faithful to duty as I ought to be with respect to writing for our paper; and I have resolved to do better in the future.

I find myself at the close of three months (the first quarter of our present ecclesiastical year) on my new field, which includes the Keswick, Douglas and Kingsley churches. Excepting Kingsley, it is not altogether new, as I labored at Keswick and Douglas five years ago, and am, therefore, fairly well acquainted with the people. I am also getting acquainted with the people at Kingsley, and enjoy it very much. I like the entire pastorate and people, and trust that there will be an increasing bond of union and love between pastor and people; and I feel certain there will be when we come to know and understand one another as we ought.

I find the church is comparative-ly low, and not as earnest and active as they ought to be. I have been impressed, here and elsewhere, that our professed christian people, the members of our churches, do not realize fully what Jesus meant when He said "Follow me." They sometimes sing

"Where He leads I'll follow," but do not do it; and they sing "Jesus I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee," and at the same time are not willing to leave but very little for Him. How much time, talent, money, and influence are we putting on God's altar? He that will not, "leave all" and follow Christ can not be his disciple. Souls are perishing around us, beyond us, and everywhere, and we are not doing what we can to save them. What we need, is not more organization and machinery, but more of the real religion of Jesus Christ in our hearts, a deeper consecration to the service of God, being found more before the Lord enquiring, "What wilt thou have me to do?" The Lord will certainly answer. Then, do it. My hope and prayer are "that our churches will awaken to a clearer realization of their duty to God and man. If we were where we ought to be, and doing what we ought to do, there would be many souls saved where there is not one; and the members of our churches, would be going onward like soldiers "marching as to war," having power with God, and therefore influence with men. Unless we cultivate the fields that are already white, and ready to harvest, God will find those who will.

On Tuesday evening, the 13th inst, we were suddenly surprised by our friends from Douglas, to the number of over forty, walking into our home. It would be needless to say that a pleasant evening was spent, which was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were furnished by the ladies, and before dispersing, a bountiful repast was spread. We found when the friends had taken their leave that we were much better off in vegetables, groceries &c than when they came. We wish to extend our thanks, and hope they will come again.

I have been holding some special services, and will write concerning them soon. My thoughts quite often go back to Hampstead Pastorate and the dear friends there. I think of them and their kindness, and the sweet fellowship and love we enjoyed, and sincerely hope, that the same will be enjoyed by them and their present pastor, our esteemed bro. Perry. I never came so near being homesick as since leaving the old field.

G. W. Foster.

MONCTON.—Three more new members were received into the church here Sunday, Dec. 18th—one by baptism and two by letter. We are enjoying a spiritual quickening—the essential stimulus in christian life and work. Among those uniting are Free Baptists who have lived here for years, and, being parents with children, will increase both church and Sunday School membership. Another side to the work is that our children are being converted and becoming active workers in the A. F. C. E. Every phase of the work is very encouraging. We are still praying, however, for the coming to this inviting railway metropolis of from one to one dozen good loyal Free Baptist families.

E. S. PARKER.

MINISTERS.—Rev. J. Noble intended to be at Wicklow, C. Co., on Sunday, 11th inst., and at Prince William and Dufferin on the 18th inst.

Lieutenant Gregg spent last Sunday at McAdam.

Rev. Dr. McLeod preached at Millville, Staples Settlement and Upper Hainesville Sunday, 18th inst. He attended a union conference at the last named place Saturday evening, 17th inst. Rev. T. S. VanWart was at all but one of the services. Bro. V. is in good health and spirits.

Rev. J. S. Jones, whose home is in Upper Hainesville, is in poor health and does not get out very often in the winter. We were glad to be able to see him in his home for a few minutes.

A Conversation.

(Adapted.)

"What religious paper do you take?"
"Not any."
"Why not?"
"Oh, I don't get much time to read. Besides, I think the Bible is a good religious book."

"Do you read that much?"
"Well, not as much as I ought I suppose."
"How does the cause prosper in your community?"
"Not very well. There are only a few of us, and I am sometimes tempted to think that God has forgotten us or that maybe he is not favorable to the work."

"Did you know that a good religious paper tells you what God is doing all over the world?"

"No, I do not know much about what is going on, I get so discouraged at the obstacles we meet, that I sometimes am almost ready to give up the battle."

"No wonder."
"Where is Brother—, now? I was converted under his preaching."
"Why, have you not heard of the way God has been blessing his labors recently?"

"No, I did not hear it."
"Where is Brother—, now?"
"He has just conducted a remarkable series of meetings in—. He has seen many saved the past winter."
"I am glad to hear of his success. I have not heard about him for many years."

"If you took a religious paper it would be a weekly source of strength to you. We need the fellowship of the saints as much as we need the other means of grace."

"My experience, I am sorry to say, is not as clear as it once was. My experience has not always been as clear as it ought to be, and once or twice I lost my hold."

"No wonder. We all need much study and meditation on religion in order to lead a religious life, otherwise we will not be intelligent, stalwart exponents of religion. I never have seen any one who read no religious literature that was very pronounced or victorious in christian life."

"But we can get christian instruction by reading the Bible."

"True, we can get instruction by reading the Bible, yet God has seen that a ministry of pastors, preachers, evangelists and other helps is needed."
"Well, I suppose I ought to have a religious paper. What one should I take?"

"Why the RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER of course. Every Free Baptist family should have it. It is the only Free Baptist paper in Canada. It tells of our ministers and churches, and keeps our people informed about every part of our work. Send for it right away."

Do It Now.

We have to remind subscribers who are in arrears that we are expecting payment from them now. The money is much needed.

In fairness to themselves and us they should not delay another day.

Let us hear at once from every one who owes the INTELLIGENCER anything.

It Is Said

—That the Hebrews of New York city propose to raise \$1,000,000 for the education of their people there. The first \$100,000 has already been contributed by seven New York Hebrews, and the balance is likely to be forthcoming very shortly.

—That it will cost a million dollars at least it is said to send to Spain the 15,000 Spanish troops now stationed in the Philippines, most of whom are under parole as prisoners of war at Manila, while Aguinaldo holds a large contingent.

—That the bicycle business in Germany is on the decline, and that many failures of bicycle makers have occurred. The German makers assert that American competition is responsible for their losses, and they consequently demand a heavy increase in the duty on bicycles and bicycle parts.

—That twenty-two business men, who acted as the coroner's jury in the investigation of a recent great fire in London, and served for fourteen working days, received four pence (eight cents) each as compensation.

Rum Traffic Notes.

—The liquor law commission in Paul Kruger's Transvaal has recommended additional restrictions to the excise law and additional penalties for its violation. The list of the long list of punishments is 35 lashes.

—Lord Kitchener, the Egyptian Sirdar, treats with great rigor the offense of drunkenness among his troops. Lord Kitchener's "cure" consists in compelling the offender to walk about for hours carrying in each hand a 50-pound bag of shot.

—Liquor is playing such havoc in Belgium that the government has started a little temperance crusade of its own. Bills have been introduced into the Belgian Chamber to restrict the traffic, and the Minister of the Interior has asked the King to sign a decree offering a reward of 1,000 francs for the best pair of pictures—no representing a drunkard's downfall, and the other a domestic scene in a family where temperance is practiced.

—Lord Kitchener, whose conquest of the Sudan was with an army without a canteen, is about to set another good example in his administration of the conquered territory. Speaking at El Ghazal just before leaving to return to Egypt, he said:

"I think all agree that our first task will be to civilize the inhabitants of those vast districts in the valley of the Nile which it has fallen to our lot to be responsible for administering. We have done a great deal already, and we are still working hard to open up those countries to easy access. By this means we hope to introduce and facilitate trade, which, in some of its aspects is a very large civilizing element. At the same time we wish to prevent, as far as we can, the introduction with trade of those pernicious adjuncts the liquor traffic and dishonest dealing with natives, which too frequently in new countries accompany it."

Then comes the report by cable that a Cairo paper positively asserts that the Egyptian government, which is dominated by English influence, will issue a decree forbidding the liquor traffic in the Sudan.

THE CHURCH UNION.—In celebration of its twenty-seventh birthday, beginning with the January issue, "The Church Union" of New York, becomes a magazine and, at the same time, reduces its subscription price from one dollar to fifty cents a year. The prominent features of the January issue, aside from the short and pithy editorials and articles in lighter vein, are contributions by Washington Gladden, D. D., on "England at School"; by Charles S. McFarland on "The Life and Teachings of Professor Budde" of Strasbourg University and a sermon by Dr. Madison C. Peters of New York on "The John St. John of the Church". We understand that sample copies of the paper will be sent to any one free on application, to The Church Union Co., 18 Wall St., New York City.

A large number of subscriptions expire with this month. We are hoping that all of them will be renewed for another year.

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Deaths.

COLLINGS.—Suddenly, at his residence, Marysville, York Co., on Sunday, the 28th inst., brother Collings, while hauling a load of heavy iron shafting, fell from a bridge on a small branch of the New Brunswick railway, and was killed. The load rolled over the bridge into the water. The load followed, and a heavy piece of shafting fell upon and crushed his thigh in a terrible manner. He was immediately taken to his home and medical aid summoned. All was done that kindness and affection could suggest, or medical skill accomplish, but in vain. He lingered until Sunday, and then passed away. During all his painful experience he was patient and composed, and retained clearness of thought until the very last. He expressed unwavering trust in the Christ in whose footsteps he had walked from his young manhood, thirty-seven years ago. As he realized that the end had come, he could triumphantly say, "Yes, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." Just before his death he sang a hymn expressive of the brightness of his hope, and calling his family around his bed, he commended them to God and the work of his grace, and counselled them to be faithful followers of Jesus, and meet him in heaven. His earthly pilgrimage ended, he sweetly passed to his eternal rest. He leaves a sorrowing wife, three sons, and four daughters to mourn the loss of a kind husband, an indulgent father, a good citizen, and an earnest christian. His remains were taken to the church, and an appropriate sermon



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was preached by his pastor, Rev. Dr. McLeod assisted in the service. The large congregation which attended the funeral evinced the estimation in which he was held by the community in which his life had been spent.

J. T. P.

WEBB.—At Blissville, Sunbury Co., on the 14th inst. of consumption, Elias F. Webb, aged 77 years, son of the late Wilbur Webb, leaving, to mourn their loss, two brothers and an aged grandmother, with whom he lived and who tenderly cared for him in his sickness. Bro. Webb was a lover of Christ and died trusting in him. O. H. Mott.

CARR.—In Geary, S. Co., after a short illness, on the 20th inst. Midrid, beloved wife of David Carr, leaving a kind and loving husband, with two small children, an aged father, several brothers and sisters, besides many friends to mourn the death of one who was much loved and respected by all who knew her. The deceased was twenty-four years of age and until recently manifested every sign of health and vigor. She professed faith in Jesus about five years ago, under the labors of Rev. F. C. Hartley, and united with the Free Baptist church in Fredericton. She strove to adorn her profession by a well ordered walk and godly conversation, and when death approached she was without fear, and rejoicing in a blessed hope. The funeral, which was held in Geary, was largely attended. Services were conducted by A. Stetson, text Psalms 23:4. The burial was at French Lake, by the side of her mother who made the crossing a short time ago, and awaited the coming of one she loved. Com.

ROGERS.—At Middleland Kings Co., Dec. 13th, suddenly of heart failure, James Rogers, aged 60 years, leaving a widow and five children to mourn their great loss, which we trust was his sudden and glorious gain.

F. D. E.

BISHOP.—At her home, Lower Perth, V. Co., Dec. 6, after a few days illness, which she bore with christian patience, the widow of the late Samuel Bishop, died in one day of her age, leaving 3 sons and one daughter, 31 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren, with a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Sister Bishop professed religion about sixty-five years ago, under the labors of her son, James, who was a Free Baptist, and united with the Free Baptist church, which she continued a worthy member till released from the church militant to join the church triumphant. A truly sad mother of the brothers has fallen in Israel. Her home was always open to God's children, especially to those of her own denomination. The last year of her life she spent with her daughter, Mrs. W. Ridout at Middle Simonds. She was home with her son, James just long enough to make a visit, and then died. The presence of her Saviour was very near in her last moments. The funeral was attended by the writer; Text Isa. 3:10, 11.

S. J. PERRY.

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