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THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

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The Necessity for a General Outpouring of the Spirit.

Hitherto our remarks upon this subject, have had special reference to the spiritual necessities of the church of God. We now proceed to contemplate it in regard to the wants of a perishing world.

There for example, is heathen idolatry, the grand apostate of the centuries. Early in this world's history it planted its roots deeply in the human heart...

Then there is Judaism, with its long roll of superstitions and crimes, all crimsoned with the blood of the prophets and of Jesus, their promised Messiah.

Then there is infidelity, which tramples upon the authority of the eternal God, treats the whole system of revealed religion as a delusion and a snare...

Now before the promises, as quoted above, can have their full realization in the universal triumphs of the truth as it is in Jesus, these systems of giant strength which have struck their roots deep down in perdition's depths...

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and which have grown with their growth, and strengthened with their strength, we cannot but be deeply impressed with the utter inefficiency of all human agency, and the absolute necessity of the immediate interposition of the Omnipotent Spirit...

Ministers of God, christian brethren of every name, can you gaze upon this dark tragedy of human guilt and ruin, and not cry mightily for the general outpouring of the eternal Spirit? Let this be your unceasing prayer:

Blest River of salvation, Pursue thy onward way; Flung thou to every nation, Nor in thy riches stay; Stay not till all the lowly Triumphant reach their home; Stay not till all the holy Troicam the Lord is come!

Brief Notes of Some of Elder Knapp's Sermons.

In compliance with your urgent solicitation, I send you a few notes of Elder Knapp's first sermon in this city. I may give you sketches of some of his subsequent discourses should time permit. Let it be understood, that these are only shadows of the man and hints of his preaching. He cannot be reported so as to give a correct idea of his mode of presenting truth.

The text is found in Revelation 2d chap. 4th and 5th verses: "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou hast fallen, and repent, and do thy first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of its place, except thou repent."

First, the complaint: "I have somewhat against thee because thou hast left thy first love." 1. The church is commended because their activity had been protracted into labor, and their labor into patience, and to this was superadded an orthodox creed, but love was lacking.

It is to spirit what the attraction of gravitation is to matter. Just as this mysterious power holds the globe in which we live and all the worlds that roll through immensity in their proper places, so love regulates moral agents and keeps them in their true relations, united to God and to one another.

Love will endure trials. "The waters cannot quench it, and the floods cannot drown it." The disciples of Jesus endured reproach and shame. The apostles suffered persecution. Oh think of the lives of Paul and John! What shining examples of the "love that endureth all things!"

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cold-hearted professors help the adversary to chill the hearts and cool the zeal of young disciples. If our first love could not be maintained, Christ would not find fault with our leaving it; but his charge against the church at Ephesus, and his charge against the churches of St. John, is—I have something against you because you have left your first love.

Secondly, The admonition REPEAT. This is the first thing to be done. Bring memory to aid in this work of repentance.

Where is the blessedness you knew When first you saw the Lord? Where is the soul-refreshing view Of Jesus and his Word? And do your first works. Go back, and take up the cross where you laid it down, and bear it for Jesus.

From our Ontario Correspondent

Newspaper Controversies.—The Leaven Working.—Church Extension in Toronto.—Hospital Reactions of the Free State System, &c.

What a pity for us pugnacious Baptists, that truth is so complex and many sided! If it were only a simple, superficial thing, capable of being bounded and subdivided by straight lines, and designated by letters or numbers which could be easily coned and learned by rote, what a vast deal of newspaper war should we be saved!

Mr. Onken in Russia. Mr. Babcock permits us, says the Examiner, to copy the following letter from Mr. Onken, dated Hamburg, Dec. 23, 1869:—

The hardest task of my missionary life [a tour of three months in Russia, Turkey and Roumelia] has, by the tender care of our gracious Lord, been accomplished. I have been permitted to form three churches in the South of Russia, numbering upwards of three hundred baptized believers, ordained three pastors and six deacons, preached almost every day among Mennonites, Lutherans, Reformed and Baptists, and formed connections by which a healthy life will be circulated in all countries I visited.

Mr. Spurgeon and the Evangelical Alliance. It was currently reported that Mr. Spurgeon designed to attend the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance in New York next autumn, but the following letter from his own pen assures us that he has no idea of being present.

It is pleasing to observe, too, the remark, that "ample provision" has been made in the case of the Broad Street church, for the doing of this work, "by the adoption of the weekly offering system last July." Other churches in this vicinity, have recently adopted this system, and thrown open their pews doors to the public with equally encouraging results.

PERSONAL.—We regret to hear that Rev. G. S. Carpenter, of Bay Side, Port Egin, has been deeply afflicted. Some time ago he unfortunately cut his hand badly; medical remedies were applied, but they failed to heal; consequently mortification took place, and the wounded limb had to be amputated to save life.

The Last Days of Rev. William Hall.

The Windsor Mail informs us that the Rev. William Hall, Baptist Minister, died in Windsor, at the residence of his brother-in-law, Leonard Maxton, Esq., on Saturday evening, January the 15th.

Mr. Hall was present at one of the Union meetings the week before his death. Few will soon forget the impressive manner in which he pronounced the benediction on Wednesday evening. For some days that week he was the guest of Mr. Harding. On Saturday he drove to Wentworth, visited his niece, Mrs. Morrison, and returned to his sister's. Sunday Mr. Maxton drove him to meeting, his last sabbath on earth. He was able to walk about his room, although at times suffering most severe pain until Thursday. On that day he gave a friend directions for his funeral, which took place on Tuesday last.

William Hall, youngest son of the late Charles Hall, was born in Windsor in August 1814. His father was an Episcopalian, and defined him for the church, and he was educated at King's College with that object in view, but the son preferred the law, studied in the office of his eldest brother, the late John C. Hall, Esq., was admitted to the bar and opened an office in Bridgetown. The Baptists were holding protracted meetings in the town. The young lawyer, accompanied by some gay companions attended these meetings, but their object, God overruled this object, William Hall was converted.—Shortly afterwards he gave up his profession, spent some time in study at Wolfville, joined the Baptist Church, and became a member of the denomination. He labored in different parts of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and had charge of the Windsor congregation for some years.

Our departed Bro. Hall received his first deep religious impressions in a Bible class taught in Bridgetown by the late excellent Dr. Sawers. The instructions received in this class, under God the Spirit, were instrumental in leading him to renounce a life of sin, and to yield himself unreservedly to the claims of the cross of Christ. It is pleasant to believe that from his death chamber in Windsor his ransomed spirit went up to unite with his early spiritual guide, in exploring the vast regions of inspired truth as unfolded in the light of celestial vision.—Ed. CHRIS. V.

Temperance in Woodstock.

DEAR SIR.—You will be pleased to hear that the cause of Temperance is prospering in these parts. No. 1 held a Public Temperance meeting at Union Hall, Upper Woodstock, on the 26th inst. which was largely and respectably attended.

Donation Visit.—A large number of the members of the Jacksonville and Jacksonville churches paid a visit on the evening of the 11th inst. After spending a pleasant evening, left me in possession of goods and money to the amount of \$120.

The Revival Meetings

The German Street and Leinster Street churches, so far, highly satisfactory in their results. The Lord's ministers have been re-invigorated in their work. Many christian hearts have received a fresh vision from the Holy One, and have been re-consecrated to the service of the Master, and some forty persons have professed a newborn faith in Jesus their Saviour.

Price Unchanged.

In a very few instances, where persons have been presented to us, widows and others, as poor and unable to pay the full price of the Visitor we have consented to let them have it for what they said they could pay, making them a present of the balance.

The Visitor Supplement

February will be ready for transmission next week. We want all our subscribers to have it; but if they don't wish it enough to send along the advance, we cannot supply it. We shall keep the advance list open as long as possible; but it will have a close soon, so far as the Supplement is concerned, for the year.

The Westmorland County Quarterly Meeting

at Peticodiac, opened January 7th, 7 o'clock p. m. Ministers present: W. A. J. Blaken W. M. Corey, J. E. Fillmore, O. Keith, A. Kinig B. Herritt, Saturday and Lord's day meetings very interesting. Met on Monday for the transaction of business. Resolved, That our next Quarterly Meeting be held with the Second Moncton Church, the 2nd Friday in March, at 7 o'clock, p. m. Resolved that J. E. Fillmore be our Missionary to the Highlands, and that he receive \$10 from the Quarter meeting Fund.

Young Men's Christian Association, Carleton.

SIR.—Permit me through the columns of your valuable paper to give the public a little information with regard to the progress of the Young Men's Christian Association of Carleton. Its first formation, on the 24th of November 1869, this society was organized, there being at that time only 10 members, since then we have worked under innumerable difficulties. We now number 125 members. The room we occupy has been granted rent free until May term by Messrs. Adams & Sons, Carleton, the proprietors. A number of the members now canvassing subscriptions to enable us to furnish our room, also to purchase a suitable library and other necessities. On Thursday evening last Mr. Boyd, Esq., gave us one of his favorite lectures, which was highly appreciated by a very large audience, thereby enabling us to add thirty-seven dollars four yet clearly understood, that the object of the Association is to draw young men away from the temptations which surround them in their every-day life. This has in a good measure been done. Numbers of our young men who formerly occupied their time in lounging around the street corners, also in drinking and swearing, never attending divine services on the Sabbath, have now become members of the society, and some of them have become regular students upon the means of grace. This much has been accomplished so far, that of other philanthropists, and though last not least, by the blessing of the Omnipotent Being to whom we are all indebted for guidance in our extreme necessity, we hope to see on the glorious work until we can bring in nearly all the young men residing in Carleton, but the of Fairville and other surrounding districts. This Association has for some time been holding afternoon evening prayer meetings in the houses of the members of the different churches of this district by its means much good is being accomplished. I thought it my duty to give the public a slight sketch of what has been done so far by the Association, which I intend to do at some time asking them to assist us in pushing forward this great work, assuring those that to so far as we are able always to give a good account of ourselves.

Secular Department

A Brief Review of the News of the Week. The long delayed snow storms have come in earnest. Last Saturday night and Sunday snow fell to the depth of ten or twelve inches on the coast, and in much increased quantity on the interior. Tuesday (Tuesday) the storm of Sunday has been renewed with two-fold vigor, and the snow drifts are being piled up in the good old February fashion. This prospect now is that we shall have a month or two of feasible sledding.

The New Steamboat

Now being erected in Mr. Oliver's ship-yard, Carleton, or the Messrs. Lunt, is progressing favorably, and will be completed in good time for the Spring business. She is designed for the Bay of Fundy trade, and promises to be one of the finest boats of her size ever built in this city. She is constructed of the best material, is copper fastened, and seems strong enough to contend successfully with the storms of the Atlantic. She is beautiful in her mould, and when completed will glide upon the bosom of the deep like a thing of life. A fine large Boiler is being constructed for her, and her other machinery, which is now being taken on board. We are glad to hear that Captain Belmont is to command her. A large experience has made him thoroughly conversant with the winds, tides and fog of old Fundy, and equipped with his sound judgment, courteous demeanor and temperate habits, cannot fail to secure for him the confidence of all concerned.

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