

from among us, and of the warm and cordial wishes of all our hearts for your continued prosperity in your labours to save souls—Our prayer is that the Great Head of the Church may be with you and bless you, and crown your efforts with abundant success.

Dear Brother, we truly thank God on our own and your behalf, that while with us you were instant in season and out of season, in breaking to us the bread of life, in visiting from house to house; and that your labour has not been in vain in the Lord.

And Sabbath after Sabbath, in the prompt and energetic manner in which you also came to the support of our Sabbath School, so that you left us a large increase both of scholars and teachers, and also a large addition to our library.

Where congregations do not break up, and Sabbaths never end, and your labours in the bonds of Christian fellowship, signed in behalf of the unanimous voice of the Church.

REPLY. NEWCASTLE, MICHIGAN. Aug. 17, 1857. Dear Brethren and Sisters, Your very affectionate address came to hand immediately, which caused us many deep feelings of sorrow, measured with pleasure and gratitude.

I rejoice with you that during my stay a number of precious souls were brought to know the Lord Jesus, and were able through his abundant grace, to own him in the primitive mode of a believer's baptism, some of whom remain to the present.

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give until Hon. A. McSeely returns from England. He is expected now in a day or two, and we shall see that the needed documents are forwarded to the agent. We trust that his appeal will meet with a warm response.

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American Bible Union Anniversary.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26, 1857. The next Anniversary of the American Bible Union will be held in New York, commencing Wednesday, October 7, 1857, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Some of the most prominent advocates of the Revision Enterprise will be present and address the Union. It will be an occasion of unusual interest. Much time will be occupied in Free Conference Meetings, in which, brief addresses are expected from all our friends.

We hear of large numbers who intend to be with us on this occasion. Those who purpose attending the Anniversary will greatly oblige us by giving early information of their intention, as it will greatly aid us in making arrangements for their accommodation.

A Committee of the Board will be in attendance at the Bible Room, No. 350 Broome Street, on Wednesday morning, to assign to delegates places of accommodation during the Anniversary meeting, which will probably extend through two days.

Only one week remains before the close of the financial year of the American Bible Union. We understand from the Rooms that there is needed about five thousand dollars to meet all the obligations of the Union; and enable it to commence the coming year with the same pecuniary encouragement as heretofore.

The Report which the Board will be enabled to lay before the Union, a few days hence, we learn, is of a character to call for gratitude to God for His great goodness and His signal favor towards the plans of the Society, from its very origin.

Remittances should be made, as usual, to the Corresponding Secretary, W. H. Wyckoff, or to C. A. Buckbee, Assistant Treasurer, American Bible Union Rooms, No. 350 Broome Street, New York.

LITERATURE.

EVENINGS WITH JESUS; a series of devotional readings for the closet and the family, carefully prepared from notes of sermons preached by the late Rev. William Jay, of Bath.

The writings of Mr. Jay are too well known to need eulogistic remarks from us. The volume under consideration is rich in scriptural truth, addressed to the understanding and the heart in a style adapted to do great good.

It includes, also, what the old divines call ejaculatory prayer—that is, a sudden starting up of the thought and desire to God. Wherever we are, and however we are engaged, this may be done.

He never said to the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain. Ask, and it shall be given; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you.

Spurgeon's Sermons.

A third volume of Rev. C. H. Spurgeon's Sermons has been issued recently by Sheldon, Blakeman & Co., and is for sale at the Colonial Book Store of this City.

This book embraces twenty-nine Sermons in all, eighteen of which were preached in Surrey Music Hall to listening thousands, among whom were numbered gentlemen and ladies of the highest rank and distinction, as well as the poor and illiterate; and what was said of the hearers of the Saviour, may with truthfulness be applied to those hearers of Spurgeon; "they were astonished at his doctrine for his word was with power."

So far as we have had an opportunity of examining this volume of Sermons, we may say it is quite equal to either of its predecessors, and is admirably adapted to interest all classes of readers.

The following specimen extracted from a sermon entitled "Why are men saved?" will give our readers some idea of the peculiarity of his style.

"Once on a time, Mercy sat upon her snow-white throne, surrounded by the troops of love. A sinner was brought before her, whom Mercy designed to save. The herald blew the trumpet, and after three blasts thereof, with a loud voice, he said, 'O heaven, and earth, and hell, I summon you this day to come before the throne of Mercy, to tell why this sinner should not be saved.' There stood the sinner, trembling with fears; he knew that there were multitudes of opponents, who would press into the hall of Mercy, and with eyes full of wrath, would say, 'He must not, and he shall not escape; he must be lost!'

"I am Law; the law of God." And what hast thou to say? 'I have this to say, and he lifted up a stony tablet, written on both sides; these ten commands this wretch has broken. My demand is blood; for it is written, 'The soul that sinneth it shall die.' Die he, or Justice must! The wretch trembles, his knees knock together, the marrow of his bones melt within him, as if it were ice dissolved by fire, and he shakes with very fright.

"I am Mercy; 'sit on thy throne; and I and thou together will now send forth another summons.' The trumpet rang again. 'Come hither, all ye who have sinned against this sinner, why he should not be acquitted; and up come another—one who often troubled the sinner—one who had a voice not so loud as that of the Law, but still piercing and thrilling—a voice whose whippers were like the cuttings of a dagger. 'Who art thou?' says Mercy. 'I am Conscience; this sinner must be punished; he has done so much against the law of God that he must be punished; I demand it; and I will give him no rest till he is punished, nor even then, for I will follow him even to the grave, and persecute him after death with pangs unutterable.' 'Nay,' said Mercy, 'hear me; and while he paused for a moment, she took a bunch of hyssop and sprinkled Conscience with the blood, saying, 'Hear me, Conscience, 'The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanseth us from all sin.' Now hast thouught to say? 'No,' said Conscience, nothing—"

"Covered is his unrighteousness; and henceforth I will not grieve him; I will be a good conscience unto him, through the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ." The trumpet rang a third time; and growing from the innermost vaults, there came a grim black fiend, with hate in his eyes, and hellish majesty on his brow. He is asked, 'Hast thou anything against that sinner?' 'Yes,' said he, 'I have; he has made a league with hell, and a covenant with the grave, and here it is, signed with his own hand. He asked God to destroy his soul in a drunken fit, and vowed he would never turn to God; see, here is his covenant with hell! 'Let us look at it,' said Mercy; and it was handed up, while the grim fiend looked at the sinner, and pierced him through with his black looks. 'Ah! but,' said Mercy, 'this man had no right to sign the deed; a man must not sign away another's property. The man was bought and paid for long beforehand; he is not his own; the covenant with Death is dissolved, and the league with hell is rent in pieces. Go thy way, Satan! 'Nay,' said he, howling again, 'I have something else to say; that man was always my friend; he listened even to my insinuations; he scoffed at the gospel; he scorned the majesty of heaven; he is to be pardoned; while I repair to my hellish den, for ever to bear the penalty of guilt?' said Mercy, 'Avast, thou fiend; these things he did in the days of his unregeneracy; but this word 'nevertheless' dieth them out—Go thou to thy hell; take this for another lash upon thyself—the sinner shall be pardoned, but thou—never, thou cursed fiend! And then

Mercy, smilingly turning to the sinner, said, 'Sinner, the trumpet must be blown for the last time! Then stood the sinner up, and Mercy said, 'Sinner, ask thyself the question—ask thou of heaven, of earth, of hell—whether any can condemn thee? And the sinner stood up, and with a bold, loud voice, said, 'Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? And he looked into hell, and Satan lay there, biting his iron bonds; and he looked on earth, and earth was silent; and in the majesty of faith the sinner did even climb to heaven itself, and he said, 'Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? God? And the answer came, 'No; he justified.' 'Christ? Sweetly it was whispered, 'No; he died.' Then turning round, the sinner joyfully exclaimed, 'Who shall separate me from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord? And the once condemned sinner came back to mercy; prostrate at her feet he lay, and vowed henceforth to be hers for ever, if she would keep him to the end, and make him what she would desire him to be—

Then no longer did the trumpet ring, but angels rejoiced, and heaven was glad, for the sinner was saved.

"Thus, you see, I have, what is called, dramatized the thing; but I don't care what it is called; it is a way of arresting the ear, when nothing else will. 'Nevertheless' there is the obstruction taken away! Sinner, whatever 'be the 'nevertheless,' it shall never the less abate the Saviour's love; not the less shall it ever make it, but it shall remain the same.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE. MINNISCAM, BLANVILLE, SEPT. 11th 1857. The Lord is blessing the administration of the word here in two Settlements where I have been laboring. The prospect is encouraging. God is working powerfully in the hearts of sinners in one of these places almost the whole congregation arose and requested to be prayed for. In the other we held a conference yesterday for the first time; the Lord was pleased to crown the meeting with his special presence, and we had an affecting season. One young woman offered herself as a candidate for baptism, and was joyfully received. She was converted when I was here thirteen years ago, though she did not come forward. Her life since that time has been an example for many a professor, the harvest is truly great here, and the labourers are few and the fields are whiting to harvest. O, may the Lord of the harvest raise up more faithful labourers in his vineyard! JAMES BLEAKNEY.

DOMESTIC.

FATAL OCCURRENCES.—William Ferris, one of the crew of the steamer Creole, while passing from the wharf to the steamer on Monday evening the 14th inst., by means of a rope, lost his hold, fell in the water and was drowned.

On Tuesday evening, William Dillon who lived in Lower Cove, while going from the flats by the Back Shore was swept away by the rising tide and drowned. The unfortunate man perished in sight of several parties.

Captain Belyea the highly respected Master of the ship Boadicea, while passing from the wharf to his vessel on Friday evening, lost his foot-hold and fell receiving serious wounds in consequence of which he died on Saturday morning.

CROPS.—The crops throughout the country have been unusually prosperous this season, for which there is much cause of general thanksgiving to a benignant Providence. The Potatoes have been somewhat injured, but with that exception an abundant yield has been realized.

On Monday last, a highway robbery was committed on the Hanwell road, in the vicinity of Fredericton. The victim's name is Magee, a resident, it is said, of Calais, who had lately sold a horse and wagon in St. John, and who it is also said, had mentioned the circumstance of his having their price in a possession—The robber presented a pistol to his breast, and after commanding him to undress he himself to the contents of his pocket-book—\$29 15s. Magee begged in vain that he might be permitted to retain the fifteen shillings, but without effect. He describes the robber as a stout fair-haired man, wearing a cap, and a red shirt, which later concealed all his clothes excepting the legs of his pants, which were dark, and of the kind generally called Yankee homespun.—Reporter.

Dr. Peterson's Report for Aug. 1857.—Number of patients treated 102; discharged cured 56; still under treatment 20; discharged incurable 2; left 5; continued from the latter month 17.