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I promised in my last number to speak of the objections which have been made to revivals of religion. Two or three centuries ago a book was written by a master mind called "An Apology for the Bible." At the present day one almost thinks such a title a desecration. Apologize to daring, impious, sinful man for God's own Revelation of Himself, and of all His wondrous mercies to these very men! Apologize for the most precious gift, after the Unsearchable Gift, of His Holy Spirit, to our Heavenly Father ever bestowing on His rebellious children! Yet such was the case, and it can only be accounted for from the general disregard of all religion to those times. I almost feel as if I were about to fall into an error of the like kind when I undertake to defend these gracious revivals of religion from the various objections of man's depraved heart. But as I shall "dare say," by those at least who read the Bible, that it is the real Work of God to which the objections are pointed, but the spurious arts of man in "getting up" revivals by means of protracted meetings, exciting preaching, prayer, exhortations, and singing, with sometimes a little unnecessary machinery; all which, it is urged, arouse the natural feelings, but are attended with very little if any, of the spirit's work. And further, that the force of this objection is seen in the numbers who have been converted, but afterward relapse into worldliness and many of the sirs for which they appeared to have escaped.

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ANOTHER VETERAN FALLS.

"The Fathers; where are they?" Passing one after another from the conflicts of the militant warfare, to the true triumphs of celestial life and glory. As will be seen in another column, Father Eastbrooks, as he was familiarly called, has recently gone to his rest. In his earlier days he was the companion of the Mannings, Harlings, Crandals, and others of like precious faith; and when stricken with years he seemed to constitute a sort of connecting link between the witnesses of the past and the present; but the link is now broken by death's shivering power, and he too has gone to participate in the enjoyments of the upper sanctuary.

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Rev. David Blakeney, in a letter of a recent date, thus speaks of his mission field:— "In New Brandon where I labour one fourth of my time a gracious revival is now in progress chiefly through the instrumentality of the Methodist friends. I have just returned from a short visit there, and might here state, that although at present there is but one person professing Baptist sentiments in that region, I have reasons to hope that very soon a Baptist church will be organized. "At Armstrong, Break the cause is not as encouraging as I could wish, but in the region beyond that, at Jacket River, and River Charlo the prospect is very cheering, the congregations are increasingly large, attentive and solemn. There are at present two meeting houses in course of erection, chiefly through Presbyterian liberality designed to be free for all evangelical denominations. We expect to be permitted the privilege of occupying them steadily when completed. I need hardly remind my brethren that we hope to be remembered by them at a throne of grace. "Hoping the great head of the church will abundantly bless the missionary enterprise. DAVID BLAKENEY.

PRAYER FOR COLLEGES.

We called attention to this subject in our last issue. The religious statistics of thirty-nine colleges as given in the Watchman and Reflector of the 7th inst, indicate the immense importance of devout application to the God of grace in this denomination. Out of the 5771 students in these institutions, 2274 are members of churches, and 1294 are preparing for the ministry. All except about 1000 students in the 21 theological seminaries reported, 76 are intending to be missionaries. Several important institutions, among them the Hamilton, are not included in this statement. It appears from these figures that considerably less than one-half of our College students are members of churches, and that about one-half these have the ministry in view as their work for life. In almost every college there are some pious young men who are not connected with any church, as well as many who have not yet decided on their duty in regard to entering the ministry. Eleven colleges report conversions, the interest in seven of them amounting to a revival. In ten, the tone of religious life and interest is represented as being, in thirteen, as not specially marked, and in six, as declining. The religious state of their respective colleges is thus discouraging, but make mention of a few excellent ones which may lead to prayer, hoping in the preparation of

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THE LONDON FREEMAN OF THE 16TH ULT.

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RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

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