

Visitor's Accounts. We have commenced sending out the Visitor accounts...

THE CHRISTIAN VISITOR.

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The Bible Union.—Essex Association.

As far back as 1853, the aims of the "American Bible Union" were presented to the consideration of the ministers and churches of our denomination...

The revisors have been criticised at every step alike by friend and foe. This was perfectly right. In fact they courted criticism.

Many of our readers are aware that the New Testament, and also the book of Genesis and the book of Job have been issued from the press of the Union in a variety of forms and styles.

The success of this movement, largely in the hands of the Baptists, has called out not only legitimate criticisms, but in not a few instances most violent assaults.

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Thanksgiving and Prayer.

The day set apart by denominational union as a special season for united praise and supplication is at hand. We trust that all our ministers and churches will most heartily respond...

True it is that some of us may have been called since our last anniversary for prayer and praise, to drink the bitter cup of sorrow; losses and disappointments may have fallen to our lot...

Prayer for the descent of the Holy Spirit in greater measure upon our ministers, churches, families, and upon the world.

Ministerial Failures.

The use or misuse of a paper in the pulpit has, very often been a topic of controversy, and as usual in the clamour of contending parties, there has not only been an oversight of the real question at issue...

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Doctrines are doubtless of great importance, and the preacher in presenting to instruct disciples should be able to present such as he holds, clearly and in harmonious combination.

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A Review of the Baptists throughout the World.

By Rev. J. E. Hopper.

Besides the societies already mentioned, there remain three others which are not less important or less worthy the support of all true Baptists...

1. The absolute truthfulness of the Sacred Scriptures in Hebrew and Greek; that every word, as originally recorded, was inspired by the Holy Spirit.

2. The full and complete adaptation to the wants of the human soul; that every addition to these by man, and every subtraction from them, must diminish their excellence and their usefulness.

3. The dogma of the British and Foreign Bible Society and of the American Bible Society, that translations for the heathen should be conformed to the common English version so far as to please all the Denominations of professing Christians co-operating with those Societies.

4. The dogma of many professors of religion that words and phrases in a translation in common use, although not faithfully expressing the meaning of the original, have become sacred from age, and therefore ought not to be disturbed.

5. The dogma of superficial reasoners, that the Bible's word will be impaired by correcting the errors of translation. Gold does not lose its value by being freed from dross.

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