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BAPTISTS AND BAPTISTS.

There is a class of Baptists who aim to be as much as possible conformed to the world, and to the notions of religious life which obtain in the most fashionable and numerous of the other denominations in their neighborhood; and there is a class of Baptists who ignore the world in its influence to decide their manner of life, and also care not for the usages of other denominations as models for adoption.

The demand of to-day in all departments of life, is for men with convictions, men with back-bone, who in all circumstances are prepared to give a reason for their beliefs, and who are ever on the alert to propagate their views. The ideal man in the state or the church is not he who trims his sail to every breeze, and nods to every notion.

Baptists who endeavor to minimize their peculiar views and magnify the proprieties and glories of conformity to popular demand, are not needed. In fact they ought not to maintain a separate existence. Unless the truths which make a distinct denomination are of such moment as to justify martyrdom for them rather than their barter or compromise, they should be given up.

Baptists who have a positive faith and a primitive practice, with an unbending adherence to and respect for the written word, are needed; and especially so in this day. There is a great and just cry for union. We are glad to hail the dawn of this longing. Oneness was dear to the heart of our Lord.

monious development, the simple faith and practice of the apostolic churches. And whilst the cry may become louder for union they endeavor to show that charity rejoiceth in the truth, and that the subjects of a holy God can never be permanently united, save on the basis of the truth upon which the eternal throne itself is founded.

It is for Baptists to stand by the written word, keep up the protest against all accretions or substitutions of its teaching and thus they will most effectually honor their Lord and help to usher in the day when the greatest unity possible to earthly life shall be enjoyed.

REVIVALS.

After a long and distressing drought a few drops of rain are welcomed with much joy, especially because a plentiful shower is preceded by the "few drops." The Baptist papers of the Dominion contain reports of revivals in a large number of places. Christians are encouraged to go out with their empty vessels hoping to have them filled.

THE WEEK.

ON THIS SIDE THE ATLANTIC.

The fame of Wiggins is now on both sides of the Atlantic. Fishermen refused to go to sea, and passenger ships crossing the Atlantic are empty. A million of dollars, says a New York dispatch, is lost to trade through the fears excited by the prophecies of Professor Stone Wiggins.

ed that Mr. George Munro has decided to create a Faculty of Law in Dalhousie. He will appoint one Professor. It is said Professor Weldon, of Sackville, is the coming man. Professor Weldon took a course in law at Yale and subsequently pursued the same study at Heidelberg. It is believed that sufficient help can be obtained from eminent lawyers in Halifax to carry on a good course.

BEYOND THE ATLANTIC.

The steamer "Navarre," from Copenhagen to Leith, foundered during the gale on the 9th inst. There were 81 persons, mostly emigrants, on board. Only 16 were saved.

Gladstone has declined to give a day for the discussion of the Kilmainham-jail-treaty negotiations. It is clear that in this matter Mr. Gladstone and his government compromised the dignity of England by holding indirect communications with Parnell while he was a prisoner.

Twelve thousand pounds have been raised in London to defray the expenses of a suit against Virginia in the United States Courts, for bonds held by foreigners. The Courts have decided against the bond holders. Now it is reported the bond holders will commence a suit against Virginia.

PERSONAL.

THE Rev. I. Wallace is holding a series of meetings in Lower Granville with encouraging indications. THE Rev. Abraham Barsz, Pastor of the St. Margaret's Bay Churches, has been holding a series of meetings at Mahone Bay with good results.

that a secret society exists in the North of England, composed of six thousand men. They have ample supplies of funds and revolvers. Travelyn denies the extent of distress in Ireland represented by Parnell and others.

THE theological war in the world at present is about the authorship of the Pentateuch, or five books of Moses. Biblical scholars of the Robertson Smith type endeavour to prove that Ezra or some other man was the author. For what purpose? Evidently to contradict Christ who credited Moses with their authorship.

Among the notices of deaths published of late we notice those of three of our excellent christian friends: Mrs. James Morse, of Berwick, N.S. We made the acquaintance of Mrs. Morse in 1857, while assisting for some weeks in the summer vacation the late father William Chipman.

last week. He presented his claims at the Prayer-meeting in Granville St. Church on Wednesday evening. The Rev. Mr. Gates is now without a charge, having resigned his pastorate of the Church at Mahone Bay last autumn.

AN EXTRAORDINARY SWINDLE.

The Methodists of New York have been badly fleeced by the promoters of a mine, the manner and mode of the fleecing being full of interest. One day in the summer of 1878, there appeared in the study of Dr. Newman, in New York city, Dr. John F. Spence, Prof. L. B. Caldwell and Col. H. B. Bixby.

The end was now at hand. Bixby wanted still more money to develop the Isabella mine and purchase adjoining properties. President Spence raised \$25,000 for this purpose and a Mr. Platt, a prominent Methodist of Waterbury, Ct., sent along \$35,000.

The above is an editorial taken from the Winnipeg Daily Times. No part of this Continent is proof against the insidious swindlers who traffic in mines. Bubbles are still common throughout the whole world.

We notice that the Canadian Baptist contains an advertisement of Easter Cards for sale by the company who own the paper. How is this? Do Baptists in the Upper Provinces believe in the Ecclesiastical Calendar?

FOR THE VISITOR.

THE apostle Paul did not, even ly, seek letters of introduction or commendation, from his brethren the purpose of showing his religious standing, or for an approval of his labors. He declares that he did not need them. He did not say that letters of commendation, written in ink, were worthless. But a far better commendation, in Paul's estimation was "an epistle of Christ," written in the heart.

HOW I STUDY THE BIBLE.

Dr. Angus tells us that the reading of the first eleven chapters of Genesis should be followed by the reading of the Book of Job. Well, we get through with these eleven chapters, I then turn over to Job. I am a disciple of Dr. Angus. He, I think is about as safe as the "common" of teachers. He does not, however, tell me to put Job down here because he says it is the place of Job; but he gives a few reasons why it should be done.