

WESTERN RECORDER

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1888.

HIS FAVORITE HYMN.

Under the heading of the "Empire" Frederick's favorite hymn...

When the Lord me comforted, Let me hear patiently, Lift me up like heaven's joyer, Comfort like will not wait, Therefore in love what will, In the Lord my heart be still.

Our Pulpit.

THE UNCHANGEABLE GOSPEL.

A HERMION BY REV. J. H. MURKINSON. Galatians 1:9-10. I mention that you are soon removed from here...

men, these scientists, these wonderfully instructive theologians, who have lifted the veil of evidence, my eye has been mistaken in the old...

I take it that the gospel can not be rational or shifting, because it is certain that man has not changed...

can bring your honor fifty times as much as he does. But the nation does not prosper, the people do not prosper...

Let me not be deceived, let me not be deceived, let me not be deceived, let me not be deceived...

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again if somebody does not stand out and say it shall not be. Those things must be assimilated with all the eloquence of Christian men...

Great business men on borrowed capital have been built up and men who have nothing left all they had believe we are started on a higher career...

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Correspondence.

OUR FOREIGN LETTERS.

ROME, ITALY, JANUARY, 1888.

Returning to our old stand on the Capitol Hill and looking westward we see the venerable Coliseum leaning against its mighty structure for support...

There was an immense open space oblong of course, in the center of the Coliseum, around which rose seats, tier upon tier, until the tops seemed to meet in the very clouds...

Not far from the Coliseum we see two triumphal arches raised in the deep blue sky. One is the Arch of Titus, erected to commemorate his victory over the Jews...

Now the conqueror comes to his war chariot, driving the palm branch of victory and followed by the Roman legions, who keep time to martial music...

What a sad thing it would be, if after you are dead, your administrator should find out from your will that you were very full of vouchers, that you had never bankrupt in estate...

We need, doubtless, to be hammered on the head for tolerating a thousand forms of vice, and the laity are every day to see the clergy pounding their pulpits on the floor...

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FROM AFRICA.

REPORT BY MISSOR BONA, APOSTLE IN AFRICA, FEB. 1887.

It has been a long time since I wrote to you, although I hear from you all very much. Perhaps if I wrote to you as often as you come to me you would get tired of me...

We still keep on in our work about as usual. The good Lord has granted us to remain on the island and to enjoy a degree of health, though we are often reminded that we are living in a hostile climate...

Just now there is a great deal of gossip in our part of the city. One compound not far from us has thirty-six persons. The people take no care to keep their children from going to school...

As I look in prospecting a little as people would say here. More people are attending our church service than before, and I can see that a knowledge of our work is growing among the people...

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MOUNTAIN CLIPPINGS

Again, after a absence of some weeks, we venture to give the readers of our welcome weekly visitor, the REVENUE, a few clippings.

Indian Creek Church—Rev. G. R. and V. P. Foley held a meeting with this church in January; 32 additions, and the church revived.

Middle Fork and Grand Rivers—A meeting held with this church in January by Rev. P. Foley resulted in 15 additions.

Robinson Creek Church—Has recently passed through a gracious revival, and now numbers fourteen members, and has been revived.

Laurel Grove Church—Elders Joel Philip and Levi Brock held a meeting with this church a few weeks since and the Lord added twenty members.

Brush Creek Church—Has recently passed through a wonderful meeting; 35 additions and the church much revived.

Greasy Creek Church—Rev. J. A. Ingram and L. D. Timley and others recently held a meeting and there were 35 additions.

Liberty Church—Seventy were added to this church during a revival in January.

Locust Grove Church—Twenty additions to the church was the happy result of a meeting held here some time since.

Among the Churches. Williamsburg Church is in a most prosperous condition; 150 members; unusual large congregations; about 150 in Sunday-school; regular prayer meetings all in peace. Will contribute near \$3,000 for all objects this year, and this does not include the donations of the members to our school. More than one of our churches have already given \$500 to this object. Will give \$20 for missions.

Barlowville Church—Congregational here; great interest; over 100 in Sunday-school. A plan is being devised to build a beautiful brick church house. The work will begin here.

London Church—Is weak numerically, financially, and we fear spiritually; yet we have some good members, Rev. Jones and Dr. E. M. Steves here, and are noble brethren. They want to build, but are not weak financially; but so early as the winter can possibly reach this point the purpose is to begin to raise money to build a house of worship.

McLendon Church—Rev. J. C. Carmichael is the pastor here, and the church is doing well concerning her surroundings. Work will soon begin on their new church house.

Other Points. Pinesville—We have no church organized here, nor have we any hope of it; we will build. The prospects for a strong church here are flattering. The writer will visit this place early to hold a meeting and give money to build a house.

Harding Court House—is the county seat of Harlan county, and here the Baptists have no church or house of worship, yet we are told that the harvest is ripe, and that the Baptists would have a large church and could build a good house of worship.

Associational Work. North Central Association—Rev. L. D. Timley, missionary. His report for the last few months is before us. We give some extracts: Labored 35 days; preached 65 sermons; received by baptism, 52; by letter, 9; by restoration, 1; total, 62. Each church was visited an order for the deacons to take up a monthly collection for missionary purpose. This is one step to the right direction.

Eggn Camp Association—Rev. L. Clouse, missionary. Here are some extracts from his report for the last few months: Preached 132 sermons; received by baptism, 11; by letter, 9; by relation, made 100 converts; received \$250 on the field. This is a good work. Lynn Camp will do better next year.

Rockcastle Association—This association is helping to support. It is a collection of Mt. Vernon and has had some valuable work done among the churches, which work has been previously reported. Their Executive Board meets each year.

Mt. Zion Association—Has no missionary. Has an Executive Board, but they have never met, and in vain have we tried to get them to meet. There is some money in the treasury and no work going on, yet there is much to be done.

R. C. MEDARD.

If all the blind men in the world should endeavor to bear me down that the sun is not bright, or that the rainbow has no colors, I would not believe any of my eyes. I can not prove to their satisfaction what I assert, because they are destitute of sight, the necessary medium; they would not see—they could not understand it. Just so they who have been taught of God, who have tasted that the Lord is gracious, have an experimental sense of the truth which renders their proof against all the sophistry of the infidel—vain.

Transients of wickedness profit nothing.

The Sunday-School.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS, 1888.

SECOND QUARTER.

Sunday, May 30.

JESUS IN GETHSEMANE.

Mat. 26:36-46.

MORRY TEXAS.—Though he were so poor, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered. Heb. 5:8. See Mark 14:32-42 and Luke 22:39-46.

Gethsemane means oil press. It was a place for quiet meditation, situated on the western slope of the Mount of Olives. John tells us Jesus withdrew thither with his disciples. Here, Judas knew where to find Him. Never a busier life than Christ's, and yet He found time for meditation. In the rush of modern life there is too little quiet reflection for our characters to suffer in consequence. With the shadow of the cross on Him, Jesus came here to pray.

He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee—i. e., James and John. These three with Him at the raising of Jairus' daughter and at the Transfiguration. "These three witnesses of His divine glory on the mount were chosen to witness His human anguish in the valley" (Schaff). Having laid the compass-nail of His glory, they now have the closer companionship of His divine glory on the mount.

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God's will and an example for all times to those who suffer.

And he came and found them asleep again. "The first awaking did not suffice. They are asleep again as before. Also for human sympathy." It is Jesus at the only time He is found upon His knees. "The third time."—This was not "vain repetitions." Dr. Broadus well says, "Impassioned feeling sometimes makes repetition natural."

"Sleep on now."—Luther makes this a question. Did he now sleep? Or, Obedience make it a peremptive imperative. It declares that the opportunity for watching with Him is now past. There is a tone of deep sadness in the words, "The hour is at hand."—After a brief sentence the torches of the band led to Judas are seen through the olive trees. "Behold!" announces them, and he greets at last in his hour Judas as he swears while they were sleeping. "Betrayed into the hands of sinners"—or rather into sinners' hands, for there is no article in the Greek. He is delivered into the hands of the traitor.

"Arise, let us be going."—i. e., to meet the coming band. There is no effort to escape. "They will do as they please."—They would not accept of his prayer. Jesus would not avoid the way of crucifixion, and He would not avoid this arrest with all it involved. "He was led as a lamb to the slaughter and as a sheep before his shearers is dumb, so opened he not his mouth."

NEVER PUT GOD IN THE WRONG.

By Rev. H. W. TAPPAN.

We can not, in fact, but we may in thought, as in intention, word and deed. This was the beginning of sin in the world, the occasion of all the sin and misery following. Satan's first suggestion to Eve was to this effect. Her yielding to it was the cause of her sinning of her sin. She thus sinned in her heart before she touched the forbidden fruit. She could never have touched it without having first, in the thoughts of her heart, put God in the wrong.

"Satan had it ever since, a one sin without in thought and feeling, putting God in the wrong; counting him severe, partial, unjust, or, in some way, wanting in wisdom, or goodness." This is stated to all mankind, though not always clearly perceived, till God evidently crosses the opinions or favorite plans and desires of men. Then it is sometimes evident enough even to the sinner so thwarted. It is a principal, the principal occasion of the unfaithfulness of real Christians. The more we carefully and candidly sit this statement, the more evident it appears.

In reading the Scriptures, whether as a duty or in any relation, we continually find things that tend to create this spirit, and if we have it within us, we are liable, if not most of these difficulties, doubtless can be cleared-up by due painstaking and candor. But a right heart is the principal requisite. If we have a prejudiced heart in relation to a person, we readily misunderstand or pervert his meaning. The same is true in relation to our Maker. In truth, men are never fully satisfied with God as to certain things in His Scripture or out of it, except as they reverse and love Him.

We must suppress an undue curiosity, or we can not safely dispose of many difficulties in the natural and moral world. In short, we must have right thoughts of God, as we look about us or open the Bible. This lies at the very root of all filial acceptance of his way as revealed in the Scripture, or in creation and providence. The longer we are servant, growing Christian lives; the more profoundly will he realize, that in order to do anything to the best purpose in religion, he must never, even in thought, put God in the wrong. Envy, jealousy, torments, excessive cold, famine, pestilence; none of them all, impugn the divine wisdom and goodness, nor even the astounding fact of the existence of sin; and it does not become us to do it. If we were wholly on the Lord's side, we never should. Holy angels do not. If we actually felt that we are but creatures of yesterday and know nothing except as God in some way instructs us, we should not. If imperfect Christians, who may sometimes most unhappily disagree with God for a time, could take good heed, always to think and speak well of their Heavenly Father. "What stupidity to feel, for a moment, as if we, ignorant, limited creatures, who, in a short space of time, would take good heed, always to think and speak well of their Heavenly Father, or our own circumstances, better than the All-Wise and the Almighty. He managed the worlds before we were born. And, if the world, as we are created being, he does not now. Soon we shall leave this earth, and God will not feel crippled on this account. This truth, daily to God, but also the consummate absurdity and folly—Zion's Advocate.

If any person makes a proposition to hold a fair, or festival, or bazaar, or broom-drill, or any other worldly device for getting money for the church, more or money by substituting a gospel meeting for the proceeds of the gospel to sinners.—G. F. Anderson.

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SOME CHURCH-MEMBERS PRAY TO GOD AND VOTE FOR EVIL!

YES, and some Ministers of the Gospel keep silent about the greatest evil in the world. The greatest curse of earth is drink. It drags to drunkards' graves seventy thousand of our fellow-citizens every year and fills countless homes with want, misery and degradation.

Some people say that we ought not to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors because people can not be made sober by law, and they will drink in spite of the law. As well say we should not prohibit stealing because people can not be made honest by law and they will steal in spite of the law. It is right to suppress by law what destroys the homes and lives of our citizens. No Christian can afford to be lukewarm or indifferent, nor can he afford to be cowardly. He should vote as he prays, or his praying will not avail.

The saloon is the bitterest enemy of the home, and the issue is Home or Saloon—which? The saloon-keeper is after dollars; we want to save our sons and the sons of our neighbors. The question is Dollars or Sons—which? Shall we not love our sons as well as the saloonists love the price of blood? And is it not better for the community, better for the family, and better for the man himself, that his dollars should go to feed and clothe and shelter his family rather than go to enrich the man who sells death and ruin to his fellows?

It is time for plain speaking and faithful dealing. Let all hearts now come in the front. If there is any man good in you, let it show itself. Don't be afraid of being laughed. We are all the better for not handling money that is the price of blood. The Whisky men have bottled our money in to our fellow-citizens from degradation and ruin.

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I sell NO WHISKY, but food and family supplies only; such things as will benefit him who buys. I am not afraid to speak out plainly words that can be understood. DOWN WITH THE SALOON AND UP WITH THE HOME!

Literary Notices.

Book Notices.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPEL. By Alexander H. Bree, D.D. 30 pp., No. \$2.50 New York: A. C. Armstrong & Son.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST. The best book on the Parables yet written. The volume before us is the course of Ely lectures before the Unitarian Society, New York.

It is a compendious volume of the work just named. The miracles and the parables of Christ are closely related. Dr. Bruce makes an admirable defense of the miracles from recent attacks, and shows a thorough acquaintance with the literature of the subject. He takes the low ground of the simple historical truthfulness of the Gospels that the Unitarianism of the present day is unwelcome. Among other books the author criticizes Prof. Drummond's "Natural Law in the Spiritual World" and presents its teachings. The character and grandeur of the miracle are well and prominently in a most readable style.

We were specially pleased with the chapter on the sinfulness of Christ, the "Great Moral Miracle," as our author calls it. Dr. Bruce is one of the brightest and most profound men Scotland has ever produced.

PALESTINE IN THE TIME OF CHRIST. By Edmund Maclay, B.D. Translated by Mrs. Annie Hester, 82 pp., No. \$2.50. New York: A. C. Armstrong & Co.

We have had books on books about Palestine as it is now, and many of them are good and valuable, but it is needed for the French professor to give us a book on Palestine in the time of Christ. We need just such a book as setting for the Gospel narratives to aid us in understanding them. Dr. Maclay seems to have exhausted all possible sources of information to give us the habits, customs and ideas of the various classes in Palestine during the time of our Lord's ministry. The work is full, and the result is a book that does us good as well as it entertains. No Testament can afford to overlook it.

"It is a plain and an ordinary of God, it certainly belongs to the threshold of the Christian life."—J. W. SAWYER.

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WAY NOTES AND ITEMS

WHAT HOPES FOR THE FUTURE THINKS OF THE METHODISTS

At a ministers meeting in Martin, Tenn., one speaker suggested that the Baptists were misunderstood as unitarians... Rev. F. M. Whipple, of Fulton, says the letters of Whittier from Europe are fully worth the price of the Racoonan...

Bro. Wagner, at Cypress Creek church, Weakley county, Tenn., urged his sons to take the Racoonan, saying to them: "If I had my money, I would never bring up my children without a religious paper. Take it for the benefit of your children..."

Bro. David Halliburton, of Rutherford Station, Tenn., said: "My yearly bill for tobacco is from twelve to fifteen dollars. Therefore, I feel ashamed to say I can't take a religious paper for my family which cost only two dollars..."

A TEMPERANCE SERMON. A preacher in Tennessee says in days ago he was holding a meeting and a brother came in who was introducing him as a minister. He invited him to preach and he took for his text and read as follows: "Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre..."

EXCURSIONS WEST, NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST. The Ohio and Mississippi Railway will run another of its popular Western excursions April 3d. Tickets at one fare for the round trip with stop-over privileges...

A TEMPERANCE ORATOR says that "with land at \$48.75 an acre, and whisky at ten cents a glass, a man drinks up 100 square feet of land with every drink of water..."

TINNS AND SEABOARD

By W. H. WHITNEY, JR.

Nothing in the world is quite so irrational and unaccountable as a plain matter of fact. This is the reason I am so often at fault in my calculations relating to matters of fact...

It would be rational to conclude that in the Northern States where the temperature is severe in winter, the landscapes are bare and bleak...

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On the contrary it would be rational to conclude that in the Southern States where the weather is mild and the landscapes are green and beautiful...

But Kentucky is not so ill off as some of our other Southern States. Only thirty-one out of a hundred churches in Ayoelle parish on the fifth day of July in this present year of grace...

Bill there are hopeful signs of nationality in the Southern country. Old Virginia that never has grown tired at last and changed the "June Meetings" into "July Meetings"...

Seriously, however, I must believe that if the Kentucky General Association is designed to hold a general examination of the work that has been performed throughout the year...

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BAPTIST LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

By W. H. WHITNEY, JR.

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