

some opposition from sources from which he expected better things ! But it does not shake his undaunted soul. He gazes with majestic serenity upon the little cloud ; and

"He, like a solid rock by seas enclosed,  
To raging winds and roaring waves exposed.  
From his proud summit looking down disdains  
Their empty menace, and unmoved remains."

This aged veteran of the cross will make his foot-prints upon the sands of time, which will indicate to coming generations, the course he chose. As easily could the opponents of Revision turn the Mississippi, the lord of American waters, back upon her own bosom and make her kiss the mountains from whence she emanates, as check this god-like work of Revision.

Bonaparte's maxim was : "That important revolutions never retrograde." May the ægis of lenient Heaven be our aged brother's stay in this grand work, and finally, may his brow be wreathed with immortality in his spirit home.

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#### A SENTENCE OR TWO CONCERNING THE BANNER.

Friends both far and near, are asking us how we succeed, and it is nothing but courtesy to answer these kindly inquiries. Let it then be said in all brevity that the Christian Banner is succeeding better the present year, so far, than it has during any period since its first issue. Quite a goodly few of the friends of this paper are becoming commendably prompt in forwarding nourishment for it, and in different localities there are those who get new readers and additional supporters. We are still getting a new name or two occasionally for this year's volume, and they will be made welcome until our stock of extra copies runs out—which will not be, probably, till all who desire to become readers shall be supplied.

The hint thrown out in our January Number has, we perceive, issued in more or less benefit to the Christian Banner. Sundry subscribers have been added to our list through advertizing in the weekly papers as suggested a few months since. We know not how many of the congregations saw fit to carry out practically what we hinted ; but we know this, that some churches accepted the suggestion—advertized—and parties addressed us subsequently for the purpose of ordering the Banner, saying that they had seen the ad-