

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 Miss-
sippi, 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 retro-
grade." 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 differ-
ent 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, is-
sued in more or less benefit to the Christian Banner. Sundry sub-
scribers 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 sugges-
tion—advertized—and parties addressed us subsequently for the
purpose of ordering the Banner, saying that they had seen the ad-