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Postmasters are respectfully requested to act as agents.

We perceive by an advertisement in the columns of several of our city contemporaries, that a series of Lectures on the subject of Temperance are being delivered in the Congregational Church, St. Maurice Street, every Tuesday evening, at half-past seven o'clock. Three addresses have already been delivered, by the Rev. Messrs. Bosworth, Howard, and Strong; and five more remain, which will be taken place as follows:—

Tuesday, January 23, Rev. J. J. Carruthers, "The use of Intoxicating Drinks in relation to personal piety and the public efforts of the Christian Church."

Tuesday, January 30, Rev. M. Lang, "On the best means of reforming Drunkards and preventing the sober (especially the young) from intemperance."

Tuesday, February 6, Rev. H. Wilkes, "The duty of the Church and influential Members of Society generally towards the Temperance Reformation."

Tuesday, February 13, Rev. W. Taylor, "Alcohol and the Decalogue."

Tuesday, February 20, Rev. R. Cooney.

It is truly pleasing to see the union and harmony prevailing among ministers of different religious bodies, on the important subject of temperance. We earnestly recommend these lectures to the public generally.

#### ANNIVERSARY MEETINGS.

It will be seen by the following notice, that those interesting anniversaries, which are always so attractive, will commence on Tuesday evening next, and be continued the three following evenings, in the American Presbyterian Church. We need not say one word by way of recommendation.

The Annual Meetings of the following Religious Societies will be held this year in the American Presbyterian Church, in the following order, viz:—

RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY, on Tuesday evening, January 16, 1844.

AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY, on Wednesday evening, January 17.

FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, on Thursday evening, January 18.

CANADA SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION, on Friday evening, January 19.

The Churches in the city are respectfully requested to give up for that week, any of their ordinary meetings usually held on either of the above mentioned evenings, to insure greater unanimity and a more general attendance.

It is expected that some Ministers from a distance will be present, and take part in the proceedings.

The chair will be taken each evening precisely at half-past six o'clock.

Collections will be taken up at each of the Meetings in aid of the funds of the respective Societies.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the "Eighteenth Annual Report of the Missionary Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Canada." It contains full and interesting details of the labours of that body among our North American Indians, and others. The Report announces the death of that eminent man, the Rev. GEORGE MORLEY, in the following manner:—

"The later publication of the Report, this year, by direction of the Conference, affords the Committee a painful opportunity of recording the recent death of the Rev. George Morley, for half a century a respectable and useful Minister of the English Conference, and once its President, among whose last words were these:—"I gave myself to God, and to God's people, three-score years ago; and He has never left me. He is with me now." His highest eulogy is this—"he was the originator of the Wesleyan Missionary Society in its present form of home operations." This was in 1813, when, in the month of October, the first Methodist Missionary Meeting was held in Leeds, and Mr. Watson delivered his lofty sermon from "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." Prior to this period Dr. Coke—who crossed the Atlantic eighteen times on errands of love for souls, and whose very life-blood was Missionary—had done much for foreign lands; and since then the plan which a Morley's benevolent skill devised, has, by a potency unparalleled since Apostolic time, blessed all the countries of our globe."

#### THE CHILDREN'S MISSIONARY AND SABBATH SCHOOL RECORD.

In our last we had barely time to acknowledge the receipt of the first number of this very interesting little work. On glancing over its pages, we were much pleased with the admirable style and excellent variety of its contents; and, we have no doubt, that the enterprising publishers will experience the countenance and patronage of all who have the spiritual welfare of the rising generation at heart. This little work is peculiarly adapted for Sunday Schools; and we know of no better way to recommend it to Christian parents and guardians generally, than by copying from its pages the following notice of its nature and design:—

"The object of the *Missionary Record* is—just to gather into one little book all the interesting portions of missionary intelligence; and present it, from time to time, to the friends of the Saviour, that they may be stirred up to work and pray without ceasing for the perishing souls of poor heathens."

And such, dear children, will be your *Missionary Record*.

It will be, in short, a Missionary Newspaper. Its news will come from every quarter of the world,—from every country, and nation and tongue,—from the ice-clad mountains of Greenland, and "from India's coral strand,"—and from every spot where a Missionary husbandman is planting and watering the seed, and God is giving it the increase.

And this will be the nature of its news:—

It will speak of Missionaries,—telling their many trials, their many dangers, and their many deliverances; and proving how true is the Bible promise, that "as our day is so shall our strength be."

It will speak of the Heathen,—showing the awful depths of sin into which they have sunk, and their unspeakable wretchedness in the life that now is, and that which is to come; and proving how true is the Bible declaration, that "the wages of sin is death."

It will speak of Wars,—not those bloody wars that wicked men wage against each other; but spiritual wars, waged against the Prince of

Darkness and the powers of Hell. Of victories, too, it will speak—bloodless victories—won by the peace-speaking blood of Jesus.

It will speak of wonders,—wonders far more wonderful than any ever told in nursery story or tale of fancy—wonders that God himself hath wrought; how blind souls have received sight,—how dead souls have been raised to life,—how wicked hearts have been taken away, and new hearts given instead,—children of the Devil have become children of God,—the blood-thirsty savage has become the meek and lowly Christian,—and, as the prophet Isaiah foretells, the lion has become like the lamb.

And then, last of all, what it speaks will never pass away. Its news will never grow old; for it will not speak of these idle vanities of time, which fly away as quickly as time itself; but of those great realities which shall endure forever. It will record the doings of that Kingdom, which is an Everlasting Kingdom; and write in its pages the histories of those whose names shall be written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Dear children, we would like to teach you some of those wondrous doings of the Lord; and we would like to introduce you to some of those dear Lambs of His little flock; that so, when you meet them in the fold above, as we fondly hope you will, you may know them and love them there. And, therefore, we do now, with an earnest prayer for your everlasting welfare, affectionately inscribe to you, this little MISSIONARY RECORD."

#### HOW THE CHURCH MAY BECOME GLORIOUS.

"I HAVE thus endeavoured to bring together, without encumbering the subject with numerous observations, such particulars as are essentially comprehended in a revived state of the church. Could there be such conviction of defect and sin; such penitential humiliation on its account; such solemn and renewed engagements with God; such determined union among the saints; such sympathy with the living ministry; and such believing prayer for the presence and glory of God; apart from an advanced state of religious life and enjoyment?

"Such a church would at one be most blessed in herself, and the prepared instrument of blessedness to others. All the sources of weakness and sorrow should be dried up; and all the graces of the Spirit should find their richest manifestation. Heavenly light, cordial piety, and devoted action, should equally prepare her for Divine fellowship and benevolent service.—Every excellence would be there; and, as the parts of one body, each should fulfil its separate and united function, under the impulse of one principle of vigorous life. The church should sit as a queen; her eye knowledge, her voice melody, her hand charity, and her bosom the dwelling-place of purity and love. Her rule should be righteousness; her subjects innumerable; truth, mercy, and peace should wait at her feet; and her praise should be in the gates.—Many should come to gaze on her beauty, and glory, and riches; and, bowing down in her presence, should confess that the half had not been told. The Lord of heaven, for her sake, should once more revisit our world; and saints and angels should unite in the one acclamation, 'The tabernacle of God is with men on the earth, and He will dwell with them!'

"Oh, that the day—the day on which all things wait—were come!"—Dr. A. Rer's *Advancement of Religion*.

#### THE CHRISTIAN'S DELIGHT IN GOD'S WORD.

DR. BUCHANAN, the author of "Christian Researches in the East," in a conversation he had with a friend a short time before his death, was describing the minute pains he had been taking with the proofs and revisions of the Syriac Testament, every page of which passed under his eye five times before it was finally sent to press. He said "he had expected before-hand that this process would have proved irksome to him, but no," he added, "every fresh perusal of the sacred page seemed to unveil new beauties." Here he stopped and burst into tears. "Do not be alarmed," said he to his friend, as soon as he recovered himself, "I could not suppress the emotion I felt as I recollected the delight it had pleased God to afford me in the reading of his Word."