

As we remarked in our last Report, we are assured that both a Scientific and Theological education are very valuable helps to an efficient ministry; and we think we are safe in adding, that an education is indispensable to the work of the christian ministry in these days of light and learning.

We may add, also, with propriety, that the man who has the best education—who has the most thorough acquaintance with all those things which go to make up a liberal education and to constitute a sound and able theologian, is the man who is the best prepared, (other necessary qualifications not being neglected) to go out into the world, so full of that which is contrary to the spirit of Jesus and opposed to the religion of the Bible, and preach Christ and save his fellow men.

Our Society proposes to do something towards helping our young men who feel that God is calling them to the work of the christian ministry, to get such an education.

We find it difficult to get our people fully awake to the importance of this subject. There seems to be a lack of interest in this matter; and, consequently, we have done but little as yet towards raising funds.

During the last year we have sent a few dollars to some of our young brethren who are pursuing a course of study in the United States, and in return we have received their expressions of gratitude, and determination to live and labour in the vineyard of the Lord.

There are now three of our young men connected with institutions of learning, and others have the ministry in view, and will want help.

The funds of the Society are very low. Who will help to replenish them? Behold the whitening fields! Behold how few the reapers!

Are you praying for the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers into his harvest? Pray on, and pray more earnestly; but don't forget to accompany your prayers with means which the Lord may use to qualify these labourers to be "workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

THEO. H. CROWELL.

Barrington, 1871.

After the reading of the Report, a collection was taken in aid of the funds of the Society. Subscriptions were also taken.

The meeting was characterized with much earnestness and interest in the cause of education.

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