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GENERAL NOTICES

Subscription notices, including information about rates and terms for subscribers.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

Instructions for correspondents regarding article submissions and editorial handling.

ADVERTISING RATES

Advertising rates for various types of notices and advertisements.

THURSDAY, NOV 15, 1888.

TO SUBSCRIBERS IN ARREARS

Notice to subscribers who are in arrears regarding their subscription payments.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Editorial notice regarding Thanksgiving Day, discussing national thanksgiving and its significance.

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to get rid of the causes which produce... How to induce citizens generally to take an active, intelligent and unselfish interest in the business of municipal government...

These are those who take a gloomy view of the future of the country in considering the problems that already are pressing for a solution. There is no need for fear, we are bold to affirm...

EDITORIAL NOTES

Whatever may be said as to the political significance of the elevation by General Harrison to Presidential honours, which seem to be the more than probable issue of the recent electoral contest in the United States...

On the morning after General Harrison's nomination last June, one friend only was with the family as they passed from the breakfast table to the back parlour, where the family daily gathered for family prayer...

General Harrison does honour to his Presbyterian upbringing. A statesman who enters upon a public career in such a spirit as this, inspires confidence that his public policy will be based upon motives of right rather than of party expediency.

FROM our news columns it will be seen that Mrs. Charlotte I. Nicholls, a member of St. Andrew's congregation, Peterboro, Ont., has added to the long series of liberal benefactions which the possession of a princely fortune has enabled her to bestow...

Talk daily papers is full of the particulars of a very unseemly quarrel between a Methodist minister of this city and certain officials of his congregation. The minister has been accused of drunkenness by some of the officers, and when after a brisk warfare, in which the reporters outdid themselves...

We give up a considerable portion of our space this week to a report of the Burnfield case at the late meeting of the Toronto Presbytery. From a perusal of the report our readers will readily discover the points at issue between Mr. Burnfield and the Presbytery...

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Literary Notices

BIBLE STUDIES FROM THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS, covering the International Sunday School Lessons for 1889. By Geo. F. Pentecost, D.D., A. S. Barnes & Co., New York and Chicago. 725 pp., 40¢.

Dr. Pentecost, encouraged by the favourable reception accorded to his "Bible Studies" for 1888, has sent out this new volume. It is a solid book, as one expects from his author, the well-known evangelist, who has done as much as any other man to redeem evangelistic work from the charge of shallowness.

The plan on which the "Studies" are constructed is as follows:—The Lesson title, Golden Text, and the Passage, in the authorized version, are first given. The Passage is then expounded in order. Exegesis is not overlooked, but exposition is the primary object of the writer. His work differs from that of, say, the authors of the "Monday Club" sermons on the International Lessons in this, that while the latter give a comprehensive statement of the meaning of the entire passage, and dwell especially on a few points, Dr. Pentecost expounds section by section, and more minutely. These "Bible Studies" form an admirable supplement to Peloubet's Notes. Peloubet tells us what every other commentator has thought and said. It is indispensable to know this. Dr. Pentecost gives the result of his own study and meditation, and with the highly practical end of leading the teacher to appreciate the great spiritual truths contained in the lessons, and aiding him in applying those truths in a practical way in teaching, we venture to say that the book will be found of special value to ministers and Bible-class teachers.

"I ought to have a wide circulation." "Outline" is about as like full disquisitions as the desiccated and wig-jointed skeleton is like the living man; but the two of the lessons may be given in "outline," as indicating the method of the book.

"The Three Introductory Papers" on Demons and Spiritual Possession. The "The unhappy demoniac." (1) He is possessed by an unclean spirit; (2) He is dominated by the unclean spirit; (3) He has a torment to himself and a terror to his neighbours; (4) He had his dwelling among the tombs; (5) His double personality; (6) He is clothed and in his right mind; (7) The demoniac and the Saviour. (1) The demon's recognition of Jesus as the Son of God; (2) The demon's prayer; (3) The herd of swine. III. The Unhappy Gadarene. IV. The healed demoniac's prayer.

"The Frozen Dragon." A Story Book of Natural History by C. F. Holder. Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, 1888; pp. 285. \$1.00. This is a most interesting and attractive book, and though written for boys and girls, might yet be read with much profit by many older people who do not care to go very scientifically into the subject of Natural History. This work is divided into chapters, each of which deals with a particular animal or theory, and is fittingly enlivened by anecdotes and illustration. Some of the most interesting chapters are: "The Frozen Dragon," which treats of the discovery of the extinct mammoth and mastodon; "Animal Traps and Trappers," telling some of the peculiar ways resorted to by animals and insects to obtain their food; "Spiders of the Sea" and "Electrical Animals and Plants," as very instructive papers showing how electricity is used by animals for defence, and how electric light is given off by some plants. Besides the chapters named there are many others equally fascinating. When once the book is begun it is not likely soon to be laid down. It is emphatically a first-rate young people's book.

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It is not meant that he should read it over comfortably, and then have done with it. No, he is to treat the promise as a reality, as a man treats a cheque. He is to take the promise and endorse it with his own name by personally receiving it as true. He is, by faith, to accept it as his own.

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FROM FLAX TO LINEN. By Mrs. Nathaniel Conklin (Jennie M. Drinkwater). New York: Robert Carter & Brothers.

Those who followed the fortunes of "The Fairfax Girls" during the past year in the PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW, will require no urging to peruse another story by the same talented author. The volume now before us has many of the peculiar qualities of that admirable story. The character of the heroine is strongly drawn, and although we do not, perhaps, learn to love her very ardently, we are bound to sympathize with her in the hard trials which she was called to endure in her singular married life, and to admire her brave spirit and active, purposeful helpfulness to those about her when set free, by the death of her aged husband, to choose her own career.

An old woman interesting enough to make us wish we could have known her, is not a very common figure in religious fiction, but no one can pass "Great-grandmother" without notice. She is one of the intensely real persons in the tale—more real in her personality even than the heroine herself. "Great-grandmother" is a curiosity. And yet we feel that she is a type of those strong-minded, strong-willed, able-bodied, obstinate, prejudiced, upright and downright old women; of whom we have heard of before, and of whom, perhaps, there may be one or two still left in the land of the living, in New England, or even in Canada.

To those whose work lies among young girls and boys, this book is full of some of the most valuable suggestions. The pithy sayings and seed thoughts strewn thickly through its pages will not soon escape from the mind of the reader. Viewed merely as a story we cannot give "From Flax to Linen" unqualified praise, but as a helpful history of the gradual and natural development of a fine Christian character amidst unpropitious surroundings, it may with profit be placed in the hands of our young girls and will be sure to interest them. It would be a capital addition to a Sunday-school library.

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THE "MIDWINTER DAYS" for November is available to all who desire to know of the growing Sabbath sentiment. (\$1.00 per year; Wm. B. Eerdmans, 71 Bleecker House, New York.)

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ENDOWMENT OF THE A. AND I. M. FUND

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF DOMINIONVILLE (Continued)

SAME day and place, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the Presbytery met again according to adjournment, and was duly constituted.

Sederunt same as in the morning. Inter alia—Mr. Danglefield moved in accordance with notice previously given, "That the Presbytery now resolve itself into a committee of the whole house to consider a petition on the subject of the Proposed Endowment of (\$200,000) two hundred thousand dollars on behalf of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund."

The motion was carried *unanimously*. Mr. Bond was chosen Chairman and Elder Sparks, Clerk of the Committee. Mr. Danglefield then proposed the consideration and adoption of the following petition—

"Whereas at the meeting of the General Assembly held in Halifax in June last, it was agreed to grant permission to the Committee of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund to raise an endowment fund of (\$200,000) two hundred thousand dollars on behalf of said fund, and if deemed necessary, to employ a paid agent in the raising of said sum;

"Whereas the people from whose pockets the money to make up the proposed endowment must eventually come, have not had any opportunity of expressing their willingness to have a further appeal made to them in connection with another endowment scheme; "Whereas the scheme must be a signal failure if the people of the Church generally are not in favour of it;

"Therefore, Resolved to request the Committee of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund to delay all action towards the raising of the aforementioned Endowment Fund until the mind of the Church shall have been ascertained on the question."

Mr. Danglefield said—"The foregoing, Mr. Chairman, is the petition which I propose for adoption. The first clause needs no discussion. All will agree that the action referred to was taken at the meeting of Assembly in June last. The second clause divides itself into two branches. I suppose there were two ministers present for every one elder. The ministers, therefore, had it all their own way. They could pass whatever measures they pleased for their own benefit. The second part of the second clause indicates this. It is a ministerial measure, and one on behalf of the ministers of the Church exclusively. This has a bad look about it. It appears as if the ministers were legislating for themselves. There can be no doubt about the bad appearance. We make this as one of the reasons for asking the Committee to delay action. If, when the people are consulted, they endorse the scheme, there is no reason even on this ground why the Committee should not proceed. At this stage I advise the adoption of the second clause."

ELDER COLDWATER.—"Mr. Chairman, I second the motion. It is utterly unfair to the people of our congregations that there should be such inequality in point of numbers in Church courts between the ministers and elders. I know it has been said previously that as our own fault it we are in the minority in Church courts. I know that provision has been made for equal representation, but we cannot avail ourselves of the provision. Our circumstances will not permit. We hate not the time. We have not the money to enable us to attend Church courts. I suppose in these circumstances we should not be too hard on the Assembly in passing measures which, perhaps, would not have passed had a larger number of elders been present in the Court."

REV. MR. TEMPLETON.—"Mr. Chairman, it is with strong emotion that I rise to move—not an amendment, because the clause is incapable of amendment—but the entire and indignant rejection of the second clause of the proposed petition. My spirit is stirred within me, but I will speak with as much composure as possible. I am shocked at the impetuosity of those who are cherishing such views as those which have been expressed by the former speakers, and by one of them especially, not only just a little ago, but also on the previous part of this day. 'I'd rather be a dog and bay the moon' than such a Presbytery. These ministers legislating for their own interests when they get the chance! Where is the Christian charity of the men who will so think and so speak? I have read somewhere that charity thinketh no evil. These men having no charity are therefore only as sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. Then, to think of it, that there is an attempt made to bolster up a mean case against the ministers of the Church by false representation! There were not two ministers, Mr. Chairman, to one elder at the Assembly in Halifax. There were 142 ministers and 91 elders—enough of elders; then, to have made a good show. 'Did any one protest? True, the elders were not from Ontario in large numbers. They were from the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, where there is not mentioned