

Society can punish where other laws cannot reach; and what is wanted is, that punishment should be equally meted out. "Apples of Gold" should be in every Canadian liberal household. In this reading age children will read something, and it is the duty of Liberal parents to furnish them reading which will not bias their minds in favor of what we think baneful—the christian religion. Published by J. P. Mendum, Boston, at \$1.50, and for sale by Alfred Piddington, Toronto, at publishers price, postago paid.

A new Freethought paper, to be called the *Liberal Age* will soon make its appearance. It will be edited and published, by Oliver Hull Lowroy, at 41 South Clark St., Chicago. Mr. Lowroy has had some experience as a journalist in Baltimore and New York, and is favorably spoken of by the Liberal editors of the United States. In size, and make up, it will be similar to the *Boston Investigator*, and will be issued weekly at \$2 a year. In the first number a portrait of Col. Robt. G. Ingersoll, with a sketch of his life, is promised. Chicago needs a good cultured Freethought paper and we believe that brother Lowroy is just the man to supply the need. We wish him every success.

The first number of *The Physiologist* is before the public, and we extend to it a hearty welcome, believing that such a publication is much needed. We understand it intends to utilize the best from all systems, and designs to be "a harbinger of healing to the household, a guide to the grand vestibule of the temple of life and physical purity, harmony and happiness. It promises to "wage no war against any person, system or institution," and yet, "to do its own thinking independently, and express its conclusions freely"—a difficult task. This number contains able articles by Elizabeth Oakes Smith; E. G. Cook, M. D.; S. H. Preston; Mrs. Elmina D. Slenker, and the editor, Mrs. Sara B. Chase, A. M. M. D. The *Physiologist* is a large sixteen-page monthly and is published at \$1.50 per annum. Address Sara B. Chase, A. M. M. D., 56 west 33rd. St., New York.

We have received from the author, W. S. Bell, a copy of his pamphlet, entitled, "The Resurrection of Jesus," and we fully endorse the opinion of our friend, Wm. Sisson, Esq., regarding it. The author shows that the evidence in favor of the resurrection of Christ, is not of a character that would convince men, of even a commonplace occurrence, much less of so stupendous, and incredible an event as the resurrection from the dead of Jesus or of anyone else. D. M. Bennett, New York, publisher. Price fifty cents.

Will those who have extra copies of numbers one and two of the JOURNAL please send them to us, as we have not a single copy left, though we issued five thousand of each. Some of our new subscribers are anxious to get all the back numbers, hence the request.

We have again to ask all those who have not remitted for the JOURNAL, to do so at once.

The Toronto Freethought Association has presented Mrs. Marples, widow of the Rev. John Marples, with the sum of twenty dollars from the Benevolent Fund of the Association.

We have a few excellent photographs of Col. Robt. G. Ingersoll, which we will send free of postage for twenty-five cents each.

The following correspondence occurred between Mr. Braden, during his late visit to Toronto, and the editor of this JOURNAL. For the information of our readers and to show how honourable(!) Mr. Braden is, we will inform them that his letter, in which he offers to lecture under the auspices of the Toronto Freethought Association was read (by his request) to our audience in Albert Hall. Mr. Braden also, as requested by us, read our letter to his audience in the Young Men's Christian Association Hall; after which he held up and read what he said was the answer he had prepared to send, but left out that part of it which we print in italics. We who were present, and we believe every person in his audience supposed he had read the whole answer. Those who have heard his essay, "What the world owes to Christianity," will know whether his first reason for refusing our challenge is an evasion or not. We are inclined to think that the reason given which he did not read to his audience was the true one.

Toronto, March 31, 1878.

W. J. R. HARGRAVE.

DEAR SIR,—Will you be so kind as to read the inclosed notice of my lectures for this week before the Toronto Freethought Association at their meeting to-night in Albert Hall.

Will you also read the accompanying note to the Association. I renew my offer to accept your offer of your platform; I will lecture Wednesday night, April 3rd, and Friday night, April 5th, at eight o'clock on these terms.

1. Lectures free but as liberal collection as can be made be taken.
2. You insert advertisement in *Globe* and *Mail* of Tuesday and Wednesday.
3. Advertising to be paid out of collection, the rest of collection to go to lecturer.
4. You exert yourselves to give me a full hearing of all Free Thinkers of Toronto.

Let me hear from you at *Monetary Times* Office on Monday.

Yours for Freethought,

CLARK BRADEN.

Toronto, April 1, 1878.

PROF. CLARK BRADEN.

DEAR SIR,—Your favor came duly to hand, and your request to read it and the accompanying notice, complied with. Will you kindly read this communication to your audience in Shaftesbury Hall to-night. Regarding your offer to lecture in Albert Hall on the evenings of April 3rd and 5th, under the auspices of the Toronto Freethought Association, I can but repeat what I said in my letter to you last Friday; that we have control of the Hall only on Sunday evening. I am too poor to pay for the use of a Hall for you, but will make the following proposition. I will take the negative in a debate upon the question: "Does the world owe its civilization to the Christian religion?" on the following conditions.

1. The debate to be free, and no collection taken.
2. Each to pay one half the expenses incurred.
3. The debate to be extemporaneous, except reading cited authorities, notes and references.
4. The chairman, (to be mutually selected) and ourselves only, to occupy the platform.
5. Each to be allowed one hour.
6. Two full days notice to be given if you accept challenge.

To you who have, as you say, lectured upon this and kindred topics for twenty years, above conditions should not be onerous. Awaiting your decision in the matter,

I have the honor to remain,

Your most obedient servant,

W. J. R. HARGRAVE.

Toronto, April 1, 1878.

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DEAR SIR,—Yours of to-day just received. In response permit me to remind you that your invitation was, that I address your