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A WINTER TRIP TO A SUMMER LAND.

These summer islets are of interest to the geologist. They are built upon the summits of a vast submarine mountain which was thrown up in some remote geological age by volcanic action from the bed of the sea, which stretches away on every side of their outermost reefs, 2,000 fathoms deep.

Latterly the beautiful Bermuda or Easter lily has been extensively cultivated. The largest lily farm is that of W. F. James, Esq. The acres of snowy, waxy white flowers are a beautiful sight.

The name, Bermuda, was given the islands from their discoverer, Juan Bermudez. This Spaniard was not able to make his way through the reefs to land. On one of the low headlands there is a place called Spanish rock.

ADVANCEMENT IN OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK.

Dr. Saunders, in another column, publishes very encouraging information to the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces. Many of us can remember when, with the appeals for aid to Acadia College there came the assurance, that when the present pressing demands were met, the calls for more funds would cease.

from drifting snows and freezing storms, is a very pleasant one indeed. The rugged, irregular hills, if we may so designate them, and the nooks and valleys between, appear as if forming one continuous grove of the fragrant Bermuda cedar.

The records of this enterprise are very inspiring. The blessing of God has ever been upon it. Men of great ability and grace have given themselves to this service. Their self-sacrificing labors are a noble example.

THE UNSAVED.

Our pastors are laboring incessantly and anxiously with and for the unsaved in their congregations. Day by day the prayers of the people of God are ascending for their conversion. To these anxious ones the progress of converting power appears slow and uncertain.

THE WEEK.

A congress of two hundred delegates, all Mohammedans, and all slave-traders, assembled at Kartoum to devise means for the extinction of the sale of foreign liquors in Africa.

Not the whole, but the sick need a physician. "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest to your souls."

We invite the unsaved to draw near and hear of the dangers of delay to these impatient rejectors of the gospel's invitations. "Because I have called and ye have refused; I have stretched out my hand and no man regarded it; but ye have set at naught all my counsel, and would none of my reproof; I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; when distress and anguish come upon you."

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The friends of the College will be glad to hear that Mr. Curry, who is an honored deacon of the Windsor church, and heretofore one of our most liberal givers, has decided to offer this large and substantial help to meet the claims of the College.

By reading the President's letter other brethren may be induced to communicate with Dr. Sawyer, and, with his advice, put means at the disposal of the Governors for enlarging and rearranging all the schools on the ground, according to the demands of the present day.

DEFENCE.

A clipping from the MESSENGER AND VISITOR containing Dr. Harper's "Humbug" having been forwarded to Dr. Harkins, President of the "National University," I have received the following copy of a letter sent by Dr. Harkins to Dr. Harper, with a request that I ask for its publication in the same paper in which Dr. Harper's "humbug" appeared.

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

NEWS FROM THE CENTRAL BRIDGE, N. B. has been blessed in our and I expect to baptize tomorrow morning. St. MARTIN'S—Four baptized on the 9th inst., were baptised here to belong to the seminar March 23.

THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, 147 THERAP ST., CHICAGO, March 11, 1890. W. R. HARPER, Ph. D., Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Sir,—For some time past I have observed your hostility to our growing work, but have simply ignored it as due to envy and jealousy. I have also believed that the truth would eventually set as a boomerang to bring disaster on yourself.

BAPTIST SEMINARY.

The spring term began on the 25th ult., and we shall be glad to welcome new students. We now have nearly one hundred, and expect to cross the line and reckon 101 next week. The examinations now in progress show good results. We must finish our upper flat in the spring. Who will give us \$3,000 to do it and gain the credit of a noble deed?

FOR W. E. M. U.

Great Village, per Mrs. L. C. Taylor, H. M. \$2.50, F. M. \$2.50, \$ 5 00 Mrs. John Chaloner Digby, per Mrs. C. E. Decker, F. M., 1 00 New Tusket, per Lila A. Nowlan, F. M., 5 25 Lower Cambridge, per Mrs. L. J. Flower, F. M., 31 00 Charlottetown, per E. E. Clark, F. M., 5 00 Third Hillboro, per Mrs. Jordan Woodworth, F. M., 8 00 Yarmouth, per Lucinda Healy, 4 00 Mrs. MARY SMITH, Trea. W. E. M. U. March 25.

CONVENTION FUNDS RECEIVED. Florenceville, N. B., \$ 8 00 Oscar Hanson, Little Lepreau, per North-west Missions, 10 00 Carrie S. and Mrs. L. Hatfield, 2 00 Tryon church, Convention Fund, 7 00 North Brook Quarterly Meeting, P. E. I., 3 00 Lockeport church, 14 37 \$44 37 Yarmouth, March 25, G. E. DAT.

Opening—L. Morning. Scripture Lesson & Prayer. HYMN. Address. (Subject: "The Stability of the Gospel.") ("The Gospel and the Needs of the World.") Address. (Subject: "Anniversary of the Birth of Our Lord.") HYMN No. 79.

SUNDAY.

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MONDAY EVENING.

Missionary. Opening—L. Evening. Scripture Lesson and Prayer. HYMN. Address. (Subject: "Reflex Influence of the Christian's Life.") TUESDAY EVENING. Grand Reunion of Churches. Opening of Court. Announcement of Totals during the Annual Concert and T.

Anniversary Services. Street Baptisms. The 25th of March anniversary of this church and his people united with appropriate and interesting programs for the occasion. Some of the details will be given in our next issue.