

subscriptions; and a brother in Alabama has been pleased to send us ten names with the funds for the purpose of holding up the Banner and unfolding it to view in new regions.

An elect few of such friends and helpers are the stay and strength and hope of every good cause this side of 'things eternal.' May their number and power increase until the Lord opens up to us the new world 'wherein dwelleth righteousness.'

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### RETIREMENT.

No christian can be comfortable or prosperous without retirement. Popular ministers may preach, converse or pray in public, to the edifying of others, and yet decline in their own souls for want of examination, humiliation, and secret prayer, suited immediately to their own case. Nay, the most able ministers will generally cease to be very useful if their personal religion is neglected, or hurried over in a formal manner. This the fervent christian knows. He will, therefore, redeem time for retirement at the expense of many inconveniences; and the friends of popular ministers should consider this, and not too much intrude upon the regular needed hours of retirement of those persons in whose company they most delight.

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☞ The first and second Numbers of the weekly "American Christian Review," by brother Benjamin Franklin, published at Cincinnati, Ohio, have visited our office. Subscription price, \$2 per year. The "Review" is very creditably got up, exhibits talent and devotion, and merits a liberal circulation. The zealous editor is assisted by a good quorum of contributors and correspondents.

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☞ We are sometimes asked where the Evangelists in Canada are laboring, and their success. Their labors we doubt not are duly chronicled in the Lord's "Book of Life," but as we have not present access to this Record, we are not in a position to satisfy interested inquirers. Wherever they are, and in all their efforts to turn sinners to the Saviour and enrich the believers, may much grace attend them.

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