

requires not only seeking but *agonizing*—as it is in the original. It is comparatively easy to enter a school, but difficult to master all the hard problems. It is easy to sign the ship's papers and become one of the crew; but in storms and tempests to fulfil all the duties of a seaman, how hard, how much courage, energy and perseverance is necessary. So with gospel truth before the mind, well sustained by the testimonies of prophets and apostles. How easy to believe and obey the truth; but how few fight the good fight of faith and lay hold on eternal life.

I have, since writing the above, brushed the dust off Doctors Macknight, Clarke, Campbell, and Barnes; and those who have said any thing on the text understand it as referring to the ultimate salvation—the entrance upon the eternal rest that remains for the people of God. When a teacher of christianity stumbles at the obvious meaning of his text, I cannot be greatly edified, though he utter many interesting considerations.

In the afternoon I gave the disciples of the Lord, who continue to meet every Lord's Day to commemorate his dying love, a short address on the grand motive which should influence us in the service of God, "The love of Christ constrains us."

After an absence of four weeks, I arrived home safely, and but little benefitted by my excursion; for one Lord's Day's effort convinced me that I must desist from speaking until an essential change shall have taken place in my vocal powers.

I owe our readers an apology for the small space occupied in the *Banner*: but the fact that I neither study nor write, unless in my study among my books, must be accepted as the only apology which I can now offer.

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THE CHARGE OF UNITARIANISM.

The following letters will explain themselves. Many of our readers are fully aware of the tactics frequently employed to damage the cause which is urged and advocated by the Disciples. Vigilance is needed to keep pace with the open attacks, and far worse secret insinuations and grave misrepresentations, of opposers. On hearing some time since that our old friend Davidson, formerly of Markham but now of Brantford, was pleased to represent me as one of the Unitarian school, a note was addressed to him in these words:—

MR. DAVIDSON, MINISTER:—May I ask you a question? Have you at any time intimated or asserted to a brother minister that the writer is a Unitarian? I have learned that you were pleased so to testify; and I desire to have the report either confirmed or disowned by evidence from yourself.

As I am always desirous to cultivate religious friendship with all intelligent Baptists, many of whom I greatly esteem for the truth's sake, you will at once perceive how requisite it is that we fairly un-