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To the Worker:

Your answers to our 1st, 2nd 3rd and 4th questions have been duly considered and fail to give the desired satisfaction. Similar views have been print ed in and other periodicals of the "Current Reformation." the "Current Reformation."
But they do not harmonize with the Bible or reason. We maintain that the, New Testament is seldom, if ever in antagonism with good common sense.

Good common seuso-does not teach that any person can go out and act the evangelist, who simply wills to do so. The cause has already suffered alarmingly from such Tramp Prackers, "God is not a God for outside "On the Parket." Preachers, "(onfusion." Again "But let things be done decently in order." While the and in order." While the whole church may preach and ought to preach, overy mem ber is not expected to make preaching his or her calling and life work, else the body would be all mouth. Your answers are irreconcilable with Paul in 10th Romans. "How shall they preach except they be sent." Then we have an example 13th Acts. In the church at Antioch there were five prophets end teachers "The Holy Spirit said separate me Bornabas and Saul" (two of them) for the work wh. ceunto I have celled them." "Then when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them they sent them away." Their work was to preclaim.

prayed and laid their hands on them they sent them away."
Their work was to proclaim the word of God. If you say there is no command for ap-pointing a brother to the work of an evangelist, it will not relieve us. There is no com-rand for family rayers per pointing a brother to the work of an evangelist, it will not relieve us. There is no command for family prayer nor for breaking bread every first day. If there had been what would be involved? But there is enough taught to give us the will of the Master. If every church had been commanded to ordain or appoint an evangelist what would be involved? Now brethren you can from brethren you can from the above, see some of our diffi-culties. Kindly reconsider our questions and try to relieve our minds and oblige.

Bible Class. Owen Sound.

the more destitute parts of our own country. These plans have been vigorously assailed by equally devout christians, and have been characterized as unscriptural and even popistical, and truth itself has some times suffered during the discussion of the question touching its propagation. That such a state of affairs has existed, that they do now exists on. BIBLE CLASS, Owen Sound.

We too believe that "the New Testament is seldom if 'ver antagonistic with common sense." All we require is common sense enough to accept its teaching as right and be willing to abide by it. This we desire to do. In 'Rom. 10:15 we see nothing about onlaining evangulasts. The Saviour sent His Apostles to preach the Gospel to every creature, and we know that the churches sent chosen men for certain purposes at different times. The Apostles too, chose men to go with them, to help them in their work. Those inenses chosen were men who had first shown their zeal and ability by their works.

As to Acts 13, we find that Paul had been an Apostle and a preacher for ten years before this time, and that about three years previous to this Barnabas had been sent to Antioch by the church at Jerusalem, that he was a good man, a good preacher, and that much people were turned to the Lord. Sea Acts 11:22. This laying on of hands was not to make them evangelists, for they had been exery disciple of Christ who is every disciple of C

preaching for years. The re-ference to tramp preachers we think is out of place. Paul and Barnabas were not

bas an interest in the relemp-

of the world, do his or ner part

in assisting those who are

spending their time and talents

in their Master's vineyard in

propagating the glorious truths

of the Gospel which liberate

men from the bondage of sin.

James said, "Faith without

works is dead; being alone. By

this and other passages wo

learn that the amount of faith

which a man possesses can be

measured more accurately by

his actions than by his declar-

ations. Affirming that we love

the truth will never convert

the world unless we demon-

strate that wor do, by making

known the scheme of redemp-

tion ourselves or by contri-

buting, liberally of our means to

those who are engaged in that

work. It is well to have o

correct theory, but it is better

is well to be satisfied with the

reasonableness of our position

and the soundness of our plea

but the success of any princi-

cipal or truth depends to a

great extent upon the ability,

energy and tact displayed by

So with the grand and soul

Those truths, were

inspiring truths of the gorpel

committed into the hands of

men, who became responsible

Men having assumed that

responsibility and it having been justly and equitably dis-tributed among all the follow-

ers of Christ, are we not pre-

suming on the mercy of God

when we neglect to do our

part in sounding out the word

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Having dec-ted to use part of our S.S. Mission Collection for

where to send it, can you give us

through the Worker, the name of

one of the sisters in Waitilleet.

who are preparing to send a mis-

sionary to that province, or have

Manitoba, we want to kn

H. T. L.

Glencairn, May 12,

for their dissemination.

of Christ.

of the Lord.

BRO. WHITHLAW,

its advocates and adherents.

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to have a correct practice.

Faul and Barnadas were not framp. preachers," before the laying on of hands at Antioch. Neither was Philip a tramp, northose who went overwhere the weathers the west-and the nor those who went everywhere preaching the word—and the term "tramp" should not be used in this connexion, with any "reference to those who have not been ordained by one, two, or more churches, but who with hearts full of love to God, are proclaiming to the people the way of Silvation.

As to a command for family prayer, we only fulfil a part of

As to a command for family prayer, we only fulfil a part of the injunction "I will that men pray everywhere," when we pray with our families, and the man who neglects it fails in that part.

at part.
When we assemble to break When we assemble to break bread on the first day of avery week we fulfit the Saviour's re-quest "do this in reme aberance of me," and the example given in Acts 20-7, "on the first day of the week the disciples came together to break bread." The together to break bread." The question is asked, "If every church had been commanded church had been commanded to ordain or appoint an ovangelist what would be involved?"
We answer if such a command had been given wa should urge that the command be obeyed, that is all it would involve.
We would like the Bible Class to state their views cleari; for further consideration.

And let it be distinctly un And let it be distinctly understood now, that our remarks do not apply to the choosing or appointing of Eldersor Deacons. The scriptures speak of the office of a Biskop, but not of the office of an exangelist, it is the work of an Evangelist. Let this be have in mind this be borne in mind.

J. C. W.

THE TRUTH:

Jesus suid to the Jews, "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. He also said, "Sanctify them through the

John 8:32. He also said, "Sanctify them through the truth; thy word is truth."

In all ages the propagation of truth has been encouraged by the good and virtuous. Sometimes however, differences of opinion have arisen as to the means which should be employed in disseminating that truth

ed in disseminating that truth, consequently, many volumes have been written and many sernons have been preached with a view to settling the modus operandi of sounding out the word of life. Good you a fund for that purpose, in Meaford or Owen Sound t As regards Foreign Missions it seems a pity to separate from the American B. F. M. in that work, men have favoured the various men have favoured the various schemes or plans which have been put on foot for raising money, for the purpose of sending out properly qualified preachers of the Gospel into foreign fields, as well as into the more destitute parts of our country. These places have which forms a- bond of union be tween us, while they seem to manage wisely and the Lord is adding His blessing.

I believe Bro. H. Brown who has been teaching and preaching acceptably here, occasionally, is to report church work in this Hoping you can give the desired information,

I remain, Your sister in Christ.

L. FRAME.

We do not know the names of any of those in Wainfleet who have charge of the fund referred to. Will some of those sister please send us a few lines that our readors may know what they in tend doing. There is no fund in McMord or Owen Sound for that purpose The church at Kileyth has some money laid up for Manitoba work, waiting for an opportunity to use it. This sum raised a year ago, when an effort was made here to raise a fund to sustein somebody in the west.

Sister Frame's auggestion as to foreign missions is better than un dertaking anything new at prosent. But great obligations resi upon us in our own Dominion. Immense fields are ready for the sower and the reaper. There should be occupied at once. In the June number we will endeave our to give our readers some-ting practical on this question. In the mean time let as many as are interested in this work will write us a few lines, and our readers shall have the benefit Many are ready to help in such a work if some practical way is opened up. J.C.W.

EXPLANATION.

In another column is an article from Bro Barclay, relative to a very unkind thrust made by the Index at him and THE WORKER His explanation is sufficient, we will not atoop to retaliate, nor ex press our confempt for such insin-nations. The term "Progressive" is as despicable as the term "Cambecause it is used to create divisions and parties, in such a work we take no part. In future we may not stop to notice any such unkind things, for time and space are too precious, not only so, but the law of the Lord forbids ovil aurmisings, malice, evil speaking, etc., and ro-quires us to do those things that make for peace and edification. The Lord's way is the best. J. C. W.

The annual meeting of the On ario Co operation will most probably be held in the city of Guelph on the 10th and 11th of next nonth. In the event of changes being made as to the time place of holding such meeting the brethren will be notified by circular. In the meantime it will be well for the congregations who are in sympathy with co operative work to appoint delegates to said meeting. A feast of good things is in store for those who attend, II. T. LAW,

Sec'y, Treas.

NEWS ITEMS.

liro Scott is now in a good meeting at Amora Sec

Annual meeting of churches in and around Wellington County at Erin Centre, June 6th. See Bro Kilgour's letter in this isuç.

The church at -Walkerton is making arrangements to commence a special meeting on June 14th. Already invitations are out for the brothren to come and enjoy the good time.

In article by "S," in 'April ead Matt. 3:12 instead of Matt. 12, and read' the latter part of chapters 2 & 4 instead of latter part of chapter 28 of Acts.

We have received the March number of "The Christian Pioneer," edited by G. A. Ewers, Warwick, Queensland, Australia. It is a nice monthly in the third volume, has a sound gospel ring. and is cherry, and 'full of good We hope to receive it regularly.

Bro. H. Brown called at the WORKER office on his way home to Wiarton; reports an increasing interest at Collingwood, and also that the church at Glencairn is Lordsday prosperous. The school under Sister Frame's most zealous care, numbers about 70, with a very interesting Bible class. Bro A. Henderson "who is well reported of by the brithren" has been holding an evening meeting during the week at a private house near. At one of hese meetings in April an aged lady over 85 years of age, and her daughter-in-law made the good confession, and in obedience to the Master were baptized by Bro. Tenderson, and now rejoice in the Saviour's promises. On Lordiday, May 3rd, one more was baptized and added to the church there, the day of Bro. Brown's monthly visit.

Larly in June, Bro. J. A. Harding will probably be here and commence a series of meetings at Euphrasia or Meaford.

Bro J. F. Rowe, editor of the A. C. Review, will spend some time this cummer in the southern part of Untario preaching.

The "Apostolie Guide," which is the Old Path Guide and Apostol's Times combined, is at hand. F. G. Allen, Elitor in Chief, C. P. Williamson, Office Editor, and A. I. Hobbs, assistant editor. This will now be one of our strongest and best papers.

DEAR BROS .- Alter two weeks of hard labor, we have at last a break in the meeting. Two familles have been brought into the church. Two husband's and wives-one of these has been a member of the old Christian Connexion-body. The other three hearing, believed and were bap-The meeting goes on for some time; and is considered a grand success by the church, even if nothing more should be accom-plished. More anon.

EDITORS WORKER.

In last month's Worken I reported twenty-four added to the church. Now through the bless-ing of God we are enabled to report fifty eix in all, or thirty-two for the month, nearly all of these avo confessed their faith in Christ and have been baptized since just writing; there are more yet to follow. May the ord's richest blessing rost upon the dear young converte. Your Bro.,

W. M. CREWSON. Bayaville, May-11th.

Editors Worker,

We are still reaping fruit fro Bro Talmages work here, total number baptized to date 36, and we expect still more to come in. When "the word of the Lord" is sent forth on its mission, from pure lips, clean hands and courageous christian heart, it is sure to "accomplish the thing whereun's it is sent," and always will "to the end of the world." E. EVANS.

Tonawanda, April 23.

ANNUAL MEETING.-The annual meeting of the churches ocoperating in the spread of the Gospel, will be held with the church at Erin Centro on Saturday, June 6th, at 10 a.m. Preaching will begin on Friday ovening the 5th. All brethren are invit ed to attend. A grand reunion of christians is looked for. A number of preaching brothren will be present to take part in the meeting. Contributions to aid in the work of spreading the Gospel will be received by the undereign ed at Guelph.

J. W. KILGOUR. Sec'y.

Guelph, May 1, 85

Tonoxro. Our meetings at the West End continue good and very encouraging. On Lord's day, the 3rd inst., Bro C. J. Lister preached morning and evening, I wish we could have his labor in Toronto for a year constantly There is plenty of room for Gospel work here and no locality in Untario requires it more. While Bro. Lister - was here I was at Pickering, where are "good hearts and true," and had two good meetings. Bro, Forrester has done a noble work here in the years that ere gone in keeping overything moving so steadily along in the Master's work, assist-ed by others who are earnest and devoted in their work of faith and labor of love. Their Sunday School is also progressing favorably. Bro Marks is a devoted

worker in this department, assisted chiefly by the sisters as teach-613

I visited Toronto and made for me, quite a stay. Spoke in Occi-dent Hall twice. The congregations were not large, but interest. ing. Saw friends whom I had known in other localities. Lodged at Bro John Beaty's, who, with his good lady and children showed me every kindness. Their rest-dence in Parkdale with vineyard, girden, trees, fruit bearing and omamental, is beautiful and andpleasant. I attended in Sister Julps, a very good prayer meeting Bro Beaty made me a present of \$5.00. I lodged one night at Sister Culp's and one at Dr. Fry's both in the city.

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If the readers of the WORKER desire to get a book that will dothemselves and their families ood to read, let them send 31:50 to the "Standard Publishing Co.," 180 Elin et. Cincinnati, Ohio, for "The life and Writings of Geo. E. Fowler." Bro Fowler died last fall at the early age of thirty. seven; but though so young he left behind him a record which no Christian man or woman can fail to read with profit, especially may it be commended to young men who are followers of Jesus. They will find in him a living epistle,"-one of "the Gear Lord's best interpreters."

The eclections of his writings published in this volume are principally lectures on the lives of the Reformers, and are admirably calculated to instruct, and at the same time to stimulate to further study of the characters and careers of these famous men. Brethron, treat yourselves and your families to a good book.

G. Munro.

TEN GOOD THOUGHTS.

They are happy whose natures sort with their vocations -Lord Bacon.

Wickedness may prosper for ahile, but at the long run he that sets all knaves at work will pay them - L'Estrange.

Some nien are as covetous, as if they were to live forever; and others so profuse, as if they were to die the next moment.—Aris totle.

If punishment reaches not, the mind an I makes the will supple, it hardens the offender. Lock.

What must be shall be; and that which is a necessity to him that struggles is little more than a choice to him that is willing .-

The master is respected according to the discretion and good. breeding of his servants.-Cer-

My heart, is like the world bout me came forth to meet the sunshine, and thawed after its long winter .- lean Ingelow.

Love gives insight and insight often gives forebodings .- George Eliot.

The person who has a firm trust in the Supreme Being is sowerful in his power, wise by is wisdom, happy by his happiness-Addison.

Human love, when deep and frue, is never ashamed of the lowliness of its object. A truly noble nature recognizes a friend the: more he needs help. Though we are mean, and low, and despised, yet Christ is not ashamed of us, because he loves us. -Rev. Newman Hall.

All Life needs for life is possible to will. -Tennyson