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LAST NOTICE.—According to a resolution adopted by the Maritime Baptist Publishing Company, the MESSENGER AND VISITOR will be discontinued next week to all those whom we have notified by circular, from whom we have not heard directly or through our agents.

WHAT IS TO BE DONE.

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days and week evenings, each headed by the pastor, and each church with its uniform, this whole business would be reduced to an absurdity, and Christianity be laughed and hissed off the stage.

What then is to be done, we repeat. The remedy does not lie outside of scriptural methods, we may be sure. The preaching of the gospel will still hold its place, as the chief agency for the salvation of men.

Our churches must be more aggressive, and not merely mount their artillery on the battlements of the church, and take aim at those who come in range, they must organize flying columns and take their field pieces along with them.

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their Lord, to whom, if they are disciples, they have just owed allegiance. He should, therefore, at once invite them to the table of the Lord.

Mr. Fotheringham may not be aware that a "mode of communion" has been devised which is as well adapted as is the "mode of baptism" he practices to the conditions of the time.

We respectfully submit that Mr. Fotheringham and his colleagues should carry their theory into practical effect, and prove their faith by their works.

THE WEEK.

The news from Europe this week is threatening. The great powers are pressing forward their war preparations. Austria is preparing to put every available man into the field if necessary.

There has been nothing special in British politics. The various leaders are marshaling their forces, at the approaching opening of Parliament.

Notes on Text.

It is, I think, Mill who defines gratitude as "a lively sense of favors yet to come." A more "pat" definition of Hindu gratitude than this could not be framed.

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Halifax Notes.

Now that the long agony of waiting for the date of the Dominion election is at last over, and our politicians know just how much time they have in which to perform their labors, it is noticed that the average citizen is not so yet taking a very deep interest in the matter.

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car. Here we have the Nile of idolatry, the Congo of superstition, and the Laubesi of ignorance. Here are immense lakes of indifference, vast, unknown wastes of sin, raging wild beasts of lust, and over all the deadly malarial breath of blind self-righteousness.

Suppose that early some morning you were to be wakened from sleep, or stopped in your before-breakfast walk, by an unusual commotion in the street,—men, women and children shouting "Come on!"

The Africa Baptist church on Cornwallis street, Halifax, as most of your readers are aware, has an extended history, which began in the days when this region was the home of but very few of our denomination.

And yet, in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred, we escape such treatment. Indeed, so rare a thing is it for a missionary of Christ to be beaten nowadays, that we do not even have the fear of it before us.

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Notes from Riverside, California. I wish to say to those of our readers who have intimated to me by letter that they are thinking of seeking a home in Southern California, on account of declining health, that they must not reckon too highly on the efficacy of a southern climate.

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The first Baptist church of Halifax is now worshipping in the vestry of their new edifice at the corner of Queen street and Spring Garden Road. It seems that the Orpheus club, which purchased the Granville street church, required full control of the building, which they would not exercise while the society continued to occupy it on the Lord's Day.

fully looking forward to the day when the interior of their sanctuary will be finished and ready for use. Although much remains to be done, the work is sufficiently far advanced to show that the audience room when completed will combine the elements of beauty and convenience to a degree seldom attained in houses of worship.

The general proportions are faultless, and the most careful attention is being given to every detail. This new structure occupies a slightly elevated position, and the appearance of its exterior, for correct proportions and simple elegance, is not excelled by any church building in Halifax.

Even better known in Germany and America is the name of Prof. Delitzsch, famous as a Hebraist and commentator, whose name, although he is so old and feeble, still fills his classroom. He is specially kind and considerate towards American and English students, and meets their Society once a week.

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the laws of voting, so that the Bohemians had a majority and, in consequence, the Germans en masse left Prague, and many of them came to Leipzig where the present university was founded to meet their case. At the present time there are about 3,500 students in attendance, and in addition to the different parts of the empire, the following countries are represented: Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Greece, Great Britain, Russia, Sweden and Norway, Switzerland, Austria, United States, Canada, Japan and Chili.

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