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THE CHURCH WALKING WITH THE WORLD.

The Church and the world walked far apart. On the changing shores of life...

"Nay, walk with me but a little space." "Said the World, with a kindly air..."

Hillierly the Church approached the World. And gave him her hand of snow; And the World grasped it and walked along...

"Your house is too plain," said the World. "I build you one like mine; Carpets of Brussels and curtains of lace..."

"You give too much to the poor," said the World. "I give more than you ought to do; If they are in need of shelter or food..."

Then the Church held fast the strings of her purse. And modestly lowered her head. And answered, "With a doubtful air..."

Then the Church sat down at her ease and said: "I am rich and my goods increase; I have need of nothing or ought to do..."

And weeping said, "The Church is fallen, the beautiful Church."

And her shame is her boast and her pride. The angels drew to the mercy seat, And whispered in stillness and song...

REMINISCENCES No. 10.

HISTORY OF THE RISE AND PROGRESS OF OUR CAUSE IN CANADA.

JOSEPH ASH

HILLIER CHURCH.

I think I stated in a former paper that Z. F. Green was the first one to preach the "ancient gospel" in this place and county...

Considering the host of preachers who have spent so much time in this county, the most of them of a high order of talent, and added to this too, all the home talent and the many excellent members...

ing to be a preacher of the gospel who holds bad doctrine or is a man of bad morals. In 1848 I spent some weeks in that county and had M. W. Stone, for my companion...

I come now to the church at Athol—or as it was called Cherry Valley. This body was gathered by Howard and Green in 1831 or 5. Among the first and leading brethren were J. Platt, James Ketchum, James Thompson, Wilson Bentley, A. Palin and Hannibal Thompson...

Just here I must relate a very exciting incident that occurred in this place, in I think 1837. The late learned and talented Silas E. Sheppard, was preaching in Prince Edward Co., and holding a series of meetings in Athol...

A word more about this bro. Pickering. He was an English bred gentleman, had come to N. Y., and was one of the proprietors of that very popular paper which was published there called "The Old Countryman..."

"The Old Countryman" newspaper was largely patronized in Canada, and Mr. Pickering was on a business tour in connection with it. After the

above exciting incident he came on west and called at my house on a Saturday afternoon, lodged with me and we attended meeting on the Lords day in Colborne. He gave us a fine address filled with love, zeal and hope...

Bro. D. Oliphant spent several years in this county preaching and publishing his paper, first called "The Witness of Truth." I shall speak more at large of this publication hereafter.

I now retrace my steps westward. In a former article I spoke of the Port Hope church, because it was only two miles east of the village but it was properly "Hamilton Gardens." They always met in a school house near the gardens kept by Wade & Jekell...

Still passing on westward I come to the church at Onash, in the township of Trafalgar. This church was gathered by bro. Robt. Beatty and James Beatty, sen., of Toronto. This was Robert Beatty's birth place, and when a boy, went to reside with his uncle James, in Toronto...

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always found a hearty welcome. Her bible intelligence was far beyond the common, and her faculty of telling it extraordinary. Her zeal never grew cold, her faith never weakened, her piety always full and pure; her anxiety for the conversion of poor sinners showed itself in the many she induced to forsake sin and live for heaven and eternal life...

This must suffice for this number, and my next will start at Norval, where the walking concordance, as old bro. Menzies was called lived.

OBITUARY.

For the Christian Worker. WHITE.—Died at his residence in the Township of Erin, on the eighteenth of August, 1883, Edward White, at the advanced age of 85 years.

Bro. White was one of the early settlers in this township, and for many years a member of the Erin Centre congregation. His last days were days of much suffering and weakness, and to see him at rest was a cause of thankfulness though mingled with sorrow at his loss.

JAMES LEDIARD.

MITCHELL.—Died at his residence in Everton, township of Eramosa, on the 11th of Sept., at the advanced age of seventy-one, Bro. James Mitchell. He was for many years a member of the Church in Everton, and a teacher of the Bible class. His Bible class scholars carried him to the grave. He died in peace after years of suffering and in hope of resurrection and reward.

JAMES LEDIARD, Hillsburg, Ont.

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Collingwood, preached a very impressive discourse on "The Resurrection" to an attentive audience. At the close the Hymn commencing "Sister thou wast mild and lovely," was sung, and the assembly proceeded to the Cemetery and paid a last rite to our dear friend. She leaves a sorrowing husband and three little ones to mourn their loss.

J. R. Stayne, Oct. 1st, 1883.

TO CHRISTIAN WORKER.

DEAR BROTHER:—The Apostle said, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in the truth." So it must be a source of much joy and gratification to Christian parents to see any of their children obey the Saviour. Elder D. Ferguson had the satisfaction to see his eldest son stand up at our regular meeting on Lord's day the 16th inst., and confess his faith in Christ. He was immersed in the afternoon in the Sauguen river. Brother and Sister Bell in Proton were also made happy a few weeks before, on the occasion of their daughter (a very intelligent lady) deciding for the Saviour and obeying the gospel and uniting with the congregation in this place. We hope and pray that they both will give us further cause of rejoicing by continuing faithful to the Master, adoring the doctrine of their Lord and Saviour, by a holy and becoming behaviour to the end of their days.

Your brother in Christ, JOHN MCKENZIE, Pricoville, 22 Sep., 1883.

When people are starving, it bread I bread the want, not lectures on digestion and assimilation—not treatises on the chemical processes of bread making and bread-baking. When people are starving for the bread of life, it is the gospel of Christ I want—the sweet, simple, satisfying gospel Christ—and not theories, pulpit-oratory, literary bonquets, science, evolution, eschatology and criticisms on Greek and Latin words. With all our learned men and wise men, and with all our colleges and college-bred men, and with all our great libraries and countless periodicals, the masses are still perishing for lack of the gospel of Christ. Education is a good thing, and worldly wisdom is a good thing, and smart men are good in their places, but these can never take the place of the gospel. What the people want is bread, not theories, not pulpit vapor, not heathen mythology, not professionalism.—American Christian Review.

One was baptized at Port Hope, on 2nd Sept. Bro. Hertzog was present on Lord's day, and on the 16th.

Read Bro. A. Scott's letter in this paper. Sister DoLanny related some of the same incidents when in Meaford, and reports having visited the places mentioned, where some fearful massacres took place. This history is only too true, and it will repay our readers to read Bro. Scott's letter.

NOTICE.—This number ends the second volume of the CHRISTIAN WORKER, the paper will be continued. We now ask the Brethren everywhere to send in their renewals, and also to send in a subscription for a neighbor, this will increase our power for good and help us to make the paper better year by year.—Publishers.