

and nine of the Lord's people who were not before members of this congregation united with us. We now number twenty-four members, and there are some regular hearers whom we hope to see give themselves to the Lord ere long. O! that we may walk together as brethren, and love each other with a pure heart fervently.

We have two public meetings on Lord's day, and a Bible Class well attended by the youth of the congregation. There are two evening meetings during the week—one for the practice of singing, the other for prayer. When we look at the past and compare it with the present, we thank the Lord and take courage.

We have erected a neat little chapel on Seminary Street, which will be opened for worship the first Lord's day in September, (the Lord willing,) and trust that you and sister Oliphant will be with us on the occasion.

Yours in the gospel,

A. E.

SUPPORT FOR PERIODICALS.

"Two of the oldest papers in the country have formally eschewed the credit system, and taken to the cash plan. The enormous losses sustained by papers, on the credit system, is, no doubt, the cause of this change. Even religious papers, whose subscribers might be supposed to be honest, are read year after year by those who pay nothing for them."

The above we extract from an exchange paper. What is called the cash principle in the periodical department is becoming fashionable. We have steadfastly resisted it, believing that we could honor the Lord and his cause much more by sending this paper to every one calling for it and trusting to every honorable friend to forward the 'needful' according to ability. It is our desire to carry with us into every chapter of life the living generousness of the religion of Jesus; yet the question is forcing itself upon our attention whether it be possible by our labors to benefit to any material extent that class of unmindful men who will for years receive and read this monthly without doing their part to furnish it with diet to live on. Those helpers everywhere who punctually 'give those things that are needful' as well as say 'be ye warned and be ye filled' will please accept of our christian acknowledgements—not that they have done anything for us, but we thank them in the name of christianity.

D. O.