

"Tell me, was my child a Christian—may I hope for her?"

Teacher in the Sabbath School, I beseech you spare yourself the agonizing reflections that rush on my mind, as I reflect, that more prayerful and faithful efforts might have saved the soul of that dear girl. Remember that each Sabbath day may be the last on which you will be permitted to speak to some of your little flock, and *speak for Eternity*.

My young friends, who are determined to try for yourselves the fascinations of earth, recollect the fearful hazard of your determination. You cannot possess more temptations to worldliness than did my lovely Ellen; beautiful, accomplished, wealthy, the admired and the beloved of all,—and what now avail all these? Will you make her choice?

Christian Parent, make your own application!

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TO CORRESPONDENTS AND AGENTS.—We shall be happy to hear from T. S. Y. on the understanding proposed.

Will some competent friend at Toronto afford us an account of the special religious services recently held there, with their results? Similar information from other churches will be acceptable. Our Burford correspondent has set the example.

With many thanks to our New York friend *Historicus* for his kind offer, we doubt whether the series of articles to which he refers would suit our pages, for two reasons: they are of limited extent, and we are not a magazine, but a religious newspaper. The *intelligence* he offers would be exceedingly acceptable.

One word on the exterior of the *Harbinger*. Its pamphlet form does not interfere with its designed character as that of a religious newspaper, any more than the same external shape of the *London Spectator*, removes it from the class of political newspapers. And in the present form it is much more easily filed.

What are our Agents doing? We have heard from several of them with very favourable returns, but not more than half their number have yet written us to say how many copies are required in their respective localities. We doubt the expediency of sending to any quarter future numbers, without some communication from our hitherto silent agents.

Meanwhile our circulation has become so large that the editions for February and March are exhausted. We therefore beg that any copies of those numbers not subscribed for may be returned to us immediately.

CONGREGATIONAL THEOLOGICAL ACADEMY.—We are happy to communicate to the Congregational Churches of the province, the gratifying intelligence, that this long desired institution has now an established and organized existence. The Rev. J. J. Carruthers, of the Universities of *St. Andrews*, and *Edinburgh*, who came out with this view, will occupy the office of Professor of Theology, Biblical Criticism and Literature, and generally superintend the Classical Department. The Rev. H. Wilkes, of the University of *Glasgow*, will lecture on Intellectual and Moral Philosophy. Each department will embrace courses of lectures on other branches of sacred and general science, and nothing will be left undone to secure for the rising Congregational ministry of Canada, a thorough intellectual training for their arduous and honourable work. The Institution has now received the full sanction of the Colonial Society, from whose funds a large portion of the Theological Professor's salary is as yet derived. They look, however, to the churches of Canada, for the efficient support of the seminary; and whilst prepared to meet, to the extent of their ability, any emergency that may occur, they trust that, at no distant period, these churches will be both able and willing to maintain, on a liberal and extended scale, the apparatus so essential to their edification and their increase. The Tutors will be happy to receive applications from or on behalf of young men—who may desire to enter the sacred office of the ministry;—and pecuniary contributions in support of the academy may, meanwhile, be transmitted to the Rev. H. Wilkes.

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—It cannot fail to gratify the genuine disciples of Christ to learn that there has existed during some months a very interesting state of matters in the Congregational Church of this city. Not only were the usual assemblies on the Lord's day large and more than ordinarily solemn in their character towards the close of the past year, but the weekly prayer meeting on Monday evening and the weekly lecture on Wednesday evening, were attended by very large audiences. In accordance with the recommendation of the Congregational Union,