

widow, and at length hit upon the plan, which proved successful.

His father was very desirous that he should begin to act for himself in business matters, such as making bargains. He did not wish him to ask his advice in so doing, but to go by his own judgment. After the business was done he would show whether it was wise or not, but never censured him, lest he should discourage him from acting on his own responsibility.

In view of these facts Arthur formed his plan.

"Father, may I lend my half-crown?"

"To some spendthrift boy!"

"I won't lend it without good security."

The father was pleased that his son had the idea of good security in his head. He would not inquire what it was for. He wished Arthur to decide for himself. He told him to lend it, but be careful not to lose it.

"I'll be sure about that," said Arthur.

Arthur took his half-crown, and ran to the poor widow, and gave it to her, and came away before she had time to thank him.

At night his father asked him if he had put out his money.

"Yes sir," said Arthur.

"Whom did you lend it to?"

"I gave it to a poor starving widow in Mr. Harvey's house."

There was a frown gathering on his father's brow as he said, "Do you call that lending? Did you not ask my permission to lend it? Have I a son that will deceive me?"

"No, sir," said Arthur; "I did lend it."

He opened his Bible that he had ready with his finger on the place, "*He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth to the Lord.*" I lent it to the Lord; and I call that written promise good security."

"Lent it to the Lord? Will He ever pay you?"

"Yes, father, He will; it says that He will pay again."

"I thought you had more sense," said his father; but this was not said in an angry tone. The truth was the old man was pleased with the ingenuity, as he called it, of his boy. He did not wish to discourage that; so he took out his purse, and handed Arthur half-a-crown. "Here; the Lord will never pay you. I must; or you will never see your money again."

"Thank you, sir," said Arthur. "In my way of thinking," said he to himself, "the Lord has paid me, much sooner than I expected. I hardly expected He would pay me in money. The hearts of all men are in His hand; and the gold and silver are His. He has disposed my father to pay it to me. I'll lend it again!"

Arthur kept the habit of lending his spare money to the Lord all his days, and he was always satisfied that he was paid fourfold, and often several times over.—*Selected.*

SUGGESTIVE TEACHING.—"Suggestive teaching is the highest kind of teaching, the only teaching of any worth. He who crams the mind of others with his own ideas, however correct, does nothing to help human equality to him who stimulates the mind to create ideas for itself.—to think."

THE BIBLE.—"As nature is to art, so is the Bible to human systems—a thousand times greater, grander and more divine."

One of Ruskin's best sayings is: "It is better to be nobly remembered than nobly born."

THY WILL—NOT MINE.

The strong man's strength is (all for Christ),

The fervent preacher's skill,

It sometimes wish—but better far

To be just what God will.

I know not how this languid life

May life's vast ends fulfil;

He knows; and that life is not lost

That answers well His will.

No service is itself is small,

None great, though earth it fill;

But is that small that seeks to serve

And great that seeks God's will.

Then hold my hand, most gracious Lord!

Guide all my goings still;

And let this be my life's one aim,

To do or leave Thy will.

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Religious Intelligence.

DENOMINATIONAL.

ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Baptisms are reported during the month at Brampton, Burgessville (21), Burlington, Dundas (3), Eugenia Falls, Forest (3), Guelph (3), Hamilton, King and, Ormond (36), Ridgetown (12), Springfield, Stratford, Strathroy (6), Tilsonburg (2), Toronto, College St. (4), Jarvis St. (3), Wingham (11).

Ministerial Changes.—Rev. S. A. H. FRESHNEY has resigned the pastorate of the Tilsonburg church, and accepted a call to the State of Ohio. Rev. S. G. ANDERSON has resigned the pastoral charge of the Florence and Erie churches. Rev. THOS. HOWLAND, late of the C. L. Institute, has accepted the pastorate of the church in *Fitzroy township*. His P. O. address is Pakenham. Rev. W. F. ROSSER, late of Lindsay, has become pastor of the *Poor Valley* church. Rev. W. K. ANDERSON, late of Breda, has accepted the call of the *Lindsay and Ope* churches. Rev. H. RICHMOND, recently pastor of the Arkansas and Pine Hill churches, has accepted the call of the *Yarmouth Church*. His P. O. address will be New Sarum.

Chapel Dedicated.—A new chapel was opened for Divine worship in the village of Dutton, on the Canada Southern Railway, on the 4th of November, the introductory sermons being preached by Revs. R. Lennie and D. P. McLaurin.

Church Organized.—On the 1st of November, at Harrow, brethren and sisters, to the number of 55, from the 2nd Colchester church, met and organized themselves into a new regular Baptist church.

Ordination.—Bro. JOHN MUNRO was set apart to the work of the Gospel ministry at Burgessville, on the 6th of November, and has commenced his pastorate of that church under very encouraging circumstances.

MARITIME PROVINCES.

Baptisms reported during the month: Barton, N. S. (2), Hebron, N. S. (3), Sherwood, N. S. (14), Five Islands (19), Rockland, N. B. (12), Lower Woodstock, N. B. (1).

Miscellaneous. The wells of the new German St. Baptist chapel, St. John, N. B., are almost completed.

Rev. James Trimble, formerly a resident of New Brunswick, and well known and highly esteemed there, has recently fallen heir to a fortune of £40,000 sterling.

Acadia College. The Baptist denomination in the Maritime Provinces has met with a severe loss in the destruction by fire of the main building of Acadia College, on the evening of Sunday, Dec. 2nd. The boarding house escaped.

Most of the library books were saved, though in a damaged condition; but the museum, which is said to have been one of the most valuable and complete in the Dominion, is a total loss. Already a strong movement has been set on foot to restore the ruined buildings at as early a date as possible. The following, from the pen of the venerable Dr. Cramp, in the *Christian Messenger*, will be interesting to our readers:—

"The college, which was fiercely burning, in two hours was in ruins. The Female Seminary was saved by spreading of carpets, blankets, etc., kept constantly wet by the application of water.

"The books in the College Library were to a considerable extent saved, but the Museum was consumed—an irreparable loss!

Dr. Sawyer's furniture and effects were partially saved. The entire College building is now a heap of ruins. The new Academy building was not near enough to be affected by the disaster.

The contents of the Museum, by far the most valuable part of the property, were uninsured. You can easily imagine the trouble and confusion that will be occasioned, the breaking up of classes, etc.

The Baptists will have plenty of work in hand now! They will be carried through—we may be assured. As Luther used to say, when fresh trials arose—"Let us sing the 46th Psalm!"

GREAT BRITAIN.

The brilliant and eratic Rev. Arthur Russell was lately invited to supply the pulpit of one of the Baptist churches in Glasgow, while on a lecturing tour; and, to the astonishment of the congregation, expounded his peculiar notions on the intermediate state and retribution, asserting the final salvation of all—the intermediate state being a purgatorial discipline to fit the soul for final rest. His right to hold such views, unsatisfactory and contradictory as they are, is admitted; but taking advantage of his ecclesiastical position to propagate offensive doctrines is severely condemned, especially as he knew he would not have been allowed to preach, had he given notice of any such intention.—*Examiner and Chronicle.*

UNITED STATES.

The Baptist churches of Baltimore make a favorable showing. They are all supplied with pastors, and are in regular working order. There are no annoying church debts, the aggregate indebtedness of the denomination in that city amounting only to about \$20,000.

THE REV. MORRIS HENDERSON, popularly known as "Uncle Morris," the most influential colored minister in Memphis, Tenn., is dead. He was pastor of the Beal Street Baptist church, whose roll of members contains 2,000 names. Though receiving a salary of only \$24 a month, he had led his people in the building of a church which cost \$40,000.

Many friends of PRESIDENT ANDERSON, of Rochester University, will be glad to know that he is slowly but surely recovering from his long and severe illness. He has sufficiently improved in health to be able to endure the journey from Freeport, Me., to his home, which he reached, accompanied by his physician. No ill effects resulted from the long and fatiguing ride, and the physicians are agreed that his ultimate recovery is very probable. The world cannot afford to lose Dr. Anderson yet. Since reaching his home Dr. Anderson went to Clifton Springs, where he now is, the waters being found very beneficial.

An eminent Baptist divine and an accomplished scholar has passed away in the death of Rev. ROBERT TURNBULL, D.D., of Hartford, Conn. He was sixty-eight years of age, and was a native of Whiteburn, Linlithgowshire, Scotland, and at the age of twenty-five came to America. After brief pastorates in Danbury, Conn., and Detroit, Mich., he accepted the pastorate of the South