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NOTES AND NEWS.

We regret to see in a late *Christian Evangelist* that some of T. H. Capp's family have been quite ill. We feel that our readers will join with us in the prayer and hope that they soon will be well again.

Notice the date on the address label on your paper this month. It tells you the time to which your subscription is paid. When you renew see if the date is changed, and if it is not send us word at once.

Each church has been asked for a definite amount for foreign missions. The request was sent to the minister or elders. What joy there would be in heaven and on earth if each church sent more than the amount asked for. There would be joy at home and abroad.

Did you ever notice the uniformity in the names of most of our papers? There is nothing sectarian about them. Look: *Christian Standard*, *Christian Evangelist*, *Christian Guide*, *Christian Oracle*, *Christian Courier*, *Christian Leader*, *Christian Tribune*, *Christian Messenger*, etc., etc.

H. A. Northcutt does not become weary in well doing. He is holding a meeting at Springfield, Mo. The church has been greatly awakened, the entire city has been aroused. One day there were thirteen additions; a few days later twenty-one. The total number of additions up to the date of the last report was one hundred and five.

Two of our evangelists, Scoville and Thomas, have just closed a wonderful meeting with the Franklin Circle Church, Cleveland, Ohio. A telegram to the *Christian Standard* says that on the last day 22 were added; the last week 71, the last twelve days 128, during the meeting 205. The church has an awful responsibility in looking after this host of converts.

W. F. Shaw conducts the Christian Citizenship department in the *Christian Oracle*. He is just the man for such work. He has no sympathy with ways that are dark and tricks that are vain. He believes that the citizen on earth, who also has his citizenship in heaven, will take for his motto: "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."

It may not be generally known that the Colleges of the Disciples, St. Thomas, Ont., has lately completed its new building, which was formally opened on Feb. 9th. *The Christian Messenger* says many distinguished speakers were present on the occasion. T. L. Fowler is the president. We congratulate the managers and wish the college much success. W. Tyler Jelley, Summerside, P. E. I., is a student there.

The gospel is "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Jesus said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." It is pitiable to see earnest, sincere, soul-loving men and women praying for the Holy Spirit to come down and save the people when he is already here. To hear some of the prayers you would think the sinners desired to be saved but God was unwilling. Why do they not go to the sinner and say in the words of Jesus: "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved?"

Since the Foreign Christian Missionary Society was organized, twenty-one years ago, \$900,000 have been given by the Disciples of Christ and used in sending the news of salvation to those who are dying without Christ. Only \$1,700 were contributed the first year, but last year, the amount reached \$93,867. The churches are asked to send at least \$100,000 this year. This amount is needed to support the 144 missionaries who are now working in the foreign fields, and the others who are so soon to go out.

The Disciples of Christ have many colleges, but the one at Kimberlin Heights, Tenn., presided over by Ashley S. Johnson, has a character all its own. "The Story of a Hundred Dollars" gives an interesting account of this unique enterprise. It is a school where a young man of good character and fair ability, but with an almost empty purse, can pay his expenses and at the same time obtain an education that will prepare him to successfully preach the word. Such young men would do well to send a post card to Pres. Johnson asking for a copy of "The Story of a Hundred Dollars." Among the names of students we find, L. Kempton, N. S., Canada.

In one week the *Christian Standard* reported two thousand six hundred and fifty-nine additions to the churches. J. V. Coombs says that "by the time all reports are in there is no doubt but 10,000 persons united with us in January." While we rejoice at these evidences of the power of the gospel, and are anxious to see our churches in N. S., N. B., and P. E. I. share in the general prosperity, we must remember that a numerical increase in the membership of a church is only one sign of prosperity.

We have spent some profitable hours reading "Studies in Acts" by W. J. Lhamon. The Introduction is written by A. McLean. He says concerning the book "I have not found a dull or obscure sentence in it from first to last. . . . These eloquent and luminous pages have helped me mightily." Following the Introduction is a Preliminary Essay, succeeded by thirteen stimulating, suggestive studies on The First Sermon after the Ascension, the First Church, the First Persecutions, etc. Then comes an Excursus: The Apostle Paul as an Organizer and Unifier. Notes and Comments close the book. The book is crowded with beautiful thoughts, beautifully expressed. It is healthy and helpful. It can be obtained for \$1.25 from the Christian Pub. Co., St. Louis, Mo.

All the churches in the provinces are invited to make an offering for Foreign Missions on the first Lord's day in March and to send it to F. M. Rains, Box 750, Cincinnati, Ohio. This is a matter that should have immediate attention. If the collection cannot be taken on the date mentioned, take it as soon after as possible. If the church where you reside neglects to aid in this work, or if there is no church there, send your own contribution to Bro. Rains. The heathen are dying in ignorance of Christ because those who have the gospel do not send it to them. "If ye believe not that I am he ye shall die in your sins." "How shall they believe on him whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?"

Most of our readers know of the terrible famine and plague prevailing in India. The accounts brought to us by the papers are harrowing. Hundreds of thousands of people are said to have perished—died of starvation. Millions at the present time are suffering and hundreds dying daily. Four months must elapse before harvest. We in a land of plenty cannot realize what that means. Appeals have been, and are being, made for aid. Canada is responding nobly. Our most