

parents, and to follow the promptings of their nature so as to please God. In like manner *masters* and *servants* have their respective places to keep, and duties to perform. The word of God supposes certain distinctions to exist, and prescribes the proper course to be followed in such cases. *Masters* are to maintain order among their domestics as well as their children, but they are to remember that they have a master in heaven to whom they must render an account, they must give unto their servants what is just and equal "forbearing," or graduating, "threatening," on the other hand *servants* are to be obedient to their employers, serving them with all sincerity in the fear of God, and avoiding that pertness, or "answering again," to which they are often tempted.

This brief and cursory view of the subject will fully show what I mean by *the authority of the scriptures in social life*. My object in writing is, to lead Christians to regulate their ways according to the word of God. Many excellent treatises have been published that cannot be read without advantage, such as "James' Family Monitor," and Mrs. Ellis's "Woman," and "Wives of England." But as my object is to enforce the authority of scripture in the domestic circle, I solicit prayerful and daily attention to various passages in the seventh chapter of the first epistle to the Corinthians, the fifth and sixth chapters of the epistle to the Ephesians, the third and fourth chapters of the epistle to the Colossians, the second and third chapters of the first epistle of Peter, and the second chapter of the epistle to Titus.

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## The Harbinger.

MONTREAL, OCTOBER 16, 1843.

**DENOMINATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.**—His Excellency the Governor General has kindly presented the Rev. J. T. Byrne with £25 currency, towards the erection of a Congregational Church at Hawkesbury, Ottawa District.

The same munificent donor has presented the Rev. T. Machin with £25 towards the erection of a Congregational Church at Whitby, Western Canada.

It affords matter for rejoicing that such has been the Divine blessing on our Sister Church at Toronto as to render necessary a considerable enlargement of their place of worship.

Some fifteen or twenty feet have been added to its length, and side galleries have been erected. We learn also that the *spiritual structure*, the Church has been greatly increased; so that while the baneful heresy of Puseyism is rampant in that city, the head of the church is providing an antidote by adding to the scriptural churches "such as are saved."

The recently erected Congregational Church at Sorel, will, with divine permission, be solemnly opened for public worship, by appropriate services, on Wednesday, the first day of November ensuing. The Rev. Dr. Caruthers and the Rev. Richard Miles have been invited to preach on the occasion. As this is a recently occupied station of very deep interest, it is hoped that the Bishops of all the Churches of our denomination within reach, will endeavour to be present; and also that a number of the members of the Churches, especially those at Quebec and Montreal, will assemble at Sorel on the occasion. Collections will be made to assist in defraying the expenses of the erection.

We rejoice to be able to announce that the Rev. James Porter, an excellent and able clergyman, has arrived at Sheffield, New Brunswick, selected for the interesting Congregational Church there, by the Colonial Missionary Society of the Congregational Union of England and Wales; we hope to learn that the sphere of labour there presented is congenial with his views, and that he is permanently settled as the Bishop of that Church.

The Rev. James C. Galloway, M.A., of West Bromwich, near Birmingham, England, has arrived with his family at St. John, New Brunswick. This laborious and eminently successful clergyman has been appointed by the Colonial Missionary Society, its Corresponding Agent for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia; also, to occupy a post in the city of St. John, as the minister of a Congregation which he will immediately proceed to form. These important movements, in relation to the above sister Colonies, are the first regular attempt of our denomination to plant Churches there. It will not be forgotten that the corresponding agent of the Society for Eastern Canada, the Rev. H. Wilkes, M.A., visited these provinces last year at the request of the Committee in London. We notice that large extracts from his reports have appeared in the British periodicals, more particularly identified with Con-