

ly win those who "resist the truth" and follow their own or human inventions

As we have a promise that our labors in the Lord shall not be in vain, you have abundant reason for hope, dear brother, that you will yet realise your reward. Those who win souls to Christ, says the prophetic *word*, "shall shine as the stars for ever and ever." Ah! what a blessed enterprise is it! transcending all others! How my heart yearns to be engaged also in some way more efficiently in my Master's service! I wish to make my School subservient to this cause. If you could send us one or two scholars from each of your churches we would support an Evangelist in some field of labor. I cannot but think that incalculable good might be done through the agency of schools. I am sorry that Disciples so over-look this means of usefulness in not fostering their own schools. I conceive of this as an adequate means of sustaining a ministry, and at the same time disseminating religious truth, that is, Bible knowledge, not sectarian or catechetical instruction. Will not the brethren ponder upon this subject, and some able scribe set forth its probable merits and the amount of gain which would be the result. If New England, or Presbyterian Fathers, regard the Westminster Catechism as useful in scholastic lore, may not we, through the clearer, brighter medium of Scripture Truth, hope to enlighten and bless much more those placed within its influence?

I proposed sometime since to the churches of Disciples in our immediate vicinity the following, which I intended also to present to you in Canada, and others more remote, ere this, but which has thoughtlessly been delayed.

The Principal of the Black Rock Female Seminary proposes to devote to sacred and benevolent purposes *twenty per cent.* of the receipts from pupils attending the school who come from Christian communities—first to sustain an Evangelist whose labours shall be chiefly confined to Buffalo and Black Rock; 2d. to sustain another Evangelist wherever his services may promise the greatest usefulness; 3d. to support the Bible Society.

To render her efforts efficient, the active co-operation of Christian preachers, and all other friends of primitive christianity, is earnestly solicited. Two or more pupils from each Christian church would greatly encourage and promote the cause not of Education alone, but also of true piety and philanthropy.

The above may be modified to suit individual communities. Thus the church sending out may by the percentage sustain their own preacher, or retain it for the Evangelist who solicits.

With sentiments of the highest esteem,

Yours, in the Christian hope,

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The above, we are convinced, is a benevolent scheme, and therefore according to our judgment it should be made manifest to all the friends of benevolent enterprise. Although our churches generally are at pres-