

(them than in any other countries whatever. These different denominations agree in the same great truths of the Gospel, which are the means of converting sinners and preparing souls for eternity.”

If, Mr. Editor, you will have the goodness to insert the above extract, it may tend in some measure to solve the important query of “Discipulus,” which however I trust will arrest the attention of some abler correspondent than your obedient servant,

SIMPLEX.

A violent storm recently occurred at Norwich, (Conn.) barns and sheds were unroofed and fences prostrated. In Montville whilst the officiating minister was reading a hymn commencing thus,

Methinks the last great day has come,
Methinks I hear the trumpet sound
That shakes the earth, rends every tomb,
And wakes the prisoners under ground,

a flash of lightning struck the top of the cupola of the meeting house, shattered the bellfry, entered the body of the house, shivered several pews to pieces and killed Mrs. Betsey Bradford, aged 72 years, and miss Mary Comstock, aged 9 years, and wounded several persons severely. One person was killed at Preston by the falling of a barn.—*The Mirror.*



Extract of a letter from the Rev. James Booth, Wesleyan Missionary, dated Odletown, May 19, 1823.

“We have had some additions to the Society, and have obtained about 1100 dollars by subscriptions in cash and materials towards the erection of a Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, to stand near Mr. Canfield’s Tavern. Two or three plans will, I expect, be ready by this day fortnight, which will be presented to the subscribers for their

choice when they will meet for that purpose.

“Unless we can realize our object, and have a Chapel of our own, we may give up the hope of establishing the cause in Odletown; but hitherto God has helped us, and I do hope he will not forsake us now: in him alone I would ever put my trust.

“When I left you in February I expected to have seen you before this, but such has been the situation of my circuit as to require my presence all the time, and now to regain the ground already gained, it is absolutely necessary, so that I do not think I shall be able to spare one Sunday until July or August, if then. I have done nothing in the Sunday School business yet, and these having been given up in all parts of the circuit, save one, needs a fresh start—and this Chapel will occupy much of my spare time when at home. The organization of the different societies is a work of time, and requires particular attention. In short my circuit is like an uncultivated piece of land, and every thing requires attention and labour, but if God grant me health and grace, I hope to see things in a different state in twelve months from this period. I am sorry I cannot have the pleasure of being with you in June, but when duty calls we must forego every personal gratification.

“I have only sold 1 Bible since I came here, and that an English one, I expect the people have been supplied by Br. De Putron.

“Yesterday was our quarterly meeting, great numbers attended in this place—27 persons were baptized, all adults excepting two. About 120 persons communed or partook of the sacrament of the Lord’s supper. The place was too small for the people who attended the Love feast; the day was a solemn one indeed. We had preaching at two o’clock on Saturday, after which the leaders, exhorters, &c. met. At half past 7, P. M. a publick prayer meeting, upwards of 250 persons were