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EDITORIAL NOTES.

There are thousands suffering and actually starving in the distant land of China today. We are asked to give of our means in this land of plenty to their needs.

Bro. Austin of Blounts Creek writes that his little daughter enters the contest, not so much to get a prize, but because he wants to see the paper build up and put into many homes where it does not go.

Our Union Meetings have done and are doing a good work in building up the

waste places in the bounds of our connection. May this good work continue. Every church should be connected with some union meeting and through this medium a good work should be accomplished.

Every one who desires to see the good work go on should ask himself the question. Am I doing my part in this great work of making my denomination and the cause of Christ more powerful and a greater instrument for bringing the world to Christ?

Are we really making the progress that we should as a denomination? If not what is the cause of the backwardness? We recently saw this question in one of our churches: What would this church be if every member were to do as I do?

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

THOS. E. PEDEN, D. D.

The Free Will Baptist of the West and South-West have secured a page in the General Baptist Messenger, published at Owensville, Indiana, for a Free Will Baptist Department and Elder J. Wood of Farmington, Missouri, for Editor.

cease to them, would do for cause more benefit, so we bid them God speed and will help all we reasonably can. We have the paper of March, 14 before us and we are exceedingly well pleased with the able defense Bro. Wool gives our position.

Our General Baptist brethren have established a mission on the Island of Guam in the Pacific Ocean and one minister is laboring there but we have not learned with what success.

All Associations that meet later than September, should appoint their delegates to the General Conference the present year or make an arrangement to have it done by their Executive Committee.

A fountain can not rise higher than its source. Many of our graded and common schools, we are glad that there are honorable exceptions, are supplied with worldly Godless teachers who feel no interest in the moral welfare of their pupils.

Our life-long friend, Bro. James William Mauck, sends us the following extract from the act of the Michigan legislature incorporating the College over which he so ably presides, passed in 1855 and never has been changed, or modified.

ing that the diffusion of sound learning is essential to the perpetuity of those blessings, have founded and endowed a College at Hillsdale. The trustees may be changed with one exception, from any state, or country where Free Will Baptists are found.

The murders, in Carroll County, Virginia, is one of the fearful results of the use, manufacture, sale and illicit distilling of Alcoholic Liquor.

WHAT IS CHRISTIANITY?

Dear people of the twentieth century, I think some of our good people have a very peculiar idea about the meaning of Christianity. Some weeks ago I was made to ask myself, if the people really had the true conception of the word, Christianity.

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ly into a passion and say all manner of hard things about them, but instead, he prayed for them. But our people seem to think that is wrong. They fly into a hot passion and say everything that is hard and low, and they don't stop at that; they season it highly with very hard accusations and slang expressions.

Our ranks some very noble brains by this cruel method. By it several great spirits have come about in the church and by it great influence has been destroyed and men's lives have been blighted.

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If it is I have always had a wrong conception I have always thought that Christianity made men more sympathetic towards each other and to lay aside every thing that would hurt or offend any one.

J. R. McCASKEY SOLOMON'S MISTAKE.

It was not the fact of an Egyptian alliance which ruined Solomon; it was his idea of his religious life as a separate thing from his family life. This is indicated in what he said about the house for Pharaoh's daughter.

Christians in all ages have been guilty of Solomon's mistake. "We are willing," says Roskin, "for Christ to occupy the parlor and chief room, but we wish to keep a stool in the kitchen upon which the devil may sit and lick the pots."

"common or unclean," or unfit for an offering to God, if it is permissible to the man. God has given this world to His Son—its business, its society, its recreations, its work, all its manifold and diversified activities.

HAVING A STANDARD.

Many Christians fail and many Endeavor Societies come far short of the success they might achieve because they do not set before themselves a standard of excellence to be reached with God's help and within a definite limit of time.

But if we had said, "I will, beginning tomorrow morning, and for at least one month, spend fifteen minutes in prayer and meditation," we should be much more likely to carry out our resolve, and at the end of the month we should be ready to join the comrades of the Quiet Hour and perhaps make our resolution effective for the rest of the year and the rest of our lives as well.—Francis E. Clark, D. D.

Losing the Company of Christ.

Tell me where you lost the company of Christ, and I will tell you the most likely place to find him. Have you lost Christ in the closet by restraining prayer? Then it is there you must seek and find Him.