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SUNDAY TRAINS.

In an interview recently held with Col. J. M. Robinson, president of some half a dozen railroad and steamboat companies, and therefore M by his intelligence and observacompetent by his experience as well

tion to give an opinion in the premises, he stated distinctly in answer to my inquirles, first, that he had tried both plans-he had run Sunday trains and he had suspended work on Sunday, and apart from the religious bearings of the question, he was satisfied that it was an unwise economy in all railroad and steamboat companies not to respect the Sabbath day.

He said, moreover, that he did not think the transmission of the mail on Sunday a necessity, either to meet the wants of the government or of society, perhaps between New York and Philadelphia, probably between New York and Washington there might be some reason for Suni day trains, but nowhere else. The telegraph would meet cases of emergency.

These are the views of a gentlethe profoundest respect, and I submit*them as bearing on this question which has been brought before the Legislature now in session by petitions from many parts of the State. Some of these petitions are from Baptist churches, and it is to be hoped that many more will be presented before action is taken on this matter.

The sentiments of the great Baptist brotherhood are expressed in the action of the late session of the Baptist State Convention held in Charlotte in Nov. last in the' following resolution and report : "The following resolution was presented by Bro. C. M. Cooke :

Resolved, That we concur with the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in this State in the resolutions adopted at its last session on the subject of memorializing the next General Assembly of North Carolina to prevent, by stritable legislation, the violation of the

Sabbath day by our Railroad corporations. Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, to make report to-morrow at 41 o'clock, resolutions expressing our sentiments on this subject, and proposing a plan for carrying out the subject of the 1st reso-The resolution was adopted.

The report on this subject was submitted by Bro. J. C. Turner, Chairman of the committee and adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the matter in regard to the violation of the Sabbath by the various Railroad Companies and employees of the same in our State, with the resolutions of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, would respectfully report : That we believe it to be a great sin thus to

descorate that day which we are commanded to keep holy, and we are glad to know that our Presbyterian brethren are earnestly engaged to prevent said desecration ; That it is a cardinal principle of the Bap.

tists of North Carolina to keep and preserve the sanctity of the Sabbath, and we are willine to lend our aid, in any lawful way, to a certificate of Life Membership. Don't wait put a step to this great evil.

We, therefore, respecially recommend that the Baptists of North Carolina do earnestly co-operate with their Presbyterian brethren in their endeavors to accomplish this end;

That Baptists -constituting a large part of the citizens of North Carolina, and therefor largely interested and much concerned in everything which is for the good of society and the preservation of God's honor-do, i all portions of our beloved com make vigorous efforts, in every way lawful to prevent the desecration of the Sabbath these Bailroad Companies. T. H. P.

Dr. Plummer thinks the conversion of Matthew the Publican, one of the strongest evidences of the power of the gospel to save the worst of sin-Of a lady who claimed to disbelieve the Bible, and whose husband, an upright, hon-orable and virtuous index also an inside ners. The salvation of any man is a miracle. The wonder is not that so few men are saved, but that any of them are saved. There is enough of native depravity in the best of men to render their salvation wonthat her husband, good and true and honorable as, also represented him, might not be the product of Christianity, notwithstanding his rejection of that faith. But standarding of the concentration of well

too honest and upright to read a paper for which they do not pay. Very few of them would be willing to read a paper for which would be willing to read a paper for which they had not paid. They pay for the Reflector like men."—Reflector. We are gird to learn this of our Tennessee brethren. But there must be something wrong with the Reptists of Kentucky, or the Western Recorder would not have on its books \$10,000 in dead who, taught by this holy faith, were so far

WE reproduce with pleasure the following editorial on Methodists and Episcopalians from the Alabama Baptist. We are not concerned about the union of what are termed the Branches of the church. Tobe-sure the eight hundred and forty branches are sufficient to make up quite a respectable tree. Still the branch builders are hard at work aranging for others so as to thicken the shades of error and darken the light of religious truth. An additional thousand or two of these limbs or

the article from the Bantist. We be-

lieve that to be the Scriptural founda-

tion for denominational union. To

adopt any other would be but to

build another branch, and by so do-

ing darken counsel and add to the al-

Methodists and Episcopalians.

hurch. And this expresses a hope ente

ained by not a few members of the latter

everture is made to the Methodists to come

tack to the church which John Wesley de-

dared he never would leave and in whose

nembership he continued to his dying day

Dean Stanley has caused a monument to be

erected to Wesley in Westminister Abbey

and recently uttered a warm eulogy upon the

Father of Methodism at a reception given

him by the ministers of that communion in

New York. At a late missionary conference

the Bishop of Western New York uttered a "glowing tribute" to Whitefield as well as

Wesley. There are some difficulties in the

way, however, of a re-union. One is the

question of "orders." The Episcopalians do

not recognize the ordination of Methodists as

valid. Another is the question of rites and

peremonies. By resigning themselves to the

tiresome and hollow forms of High Church-

ism (now the prevailing drift of Episcopacy)

the Methodists would be shorn of their

strength. Another is the question of self-

respect. The Methodists were driven into

their position of antagonism by the intoler-

ance of the Church of England; and they

with storms. Another is a question of pro-

priety. If a union is to be effected in this

country the smaller body ought to become a

satellite of the larger. The Methodists out-

In our opinion the best platform of ecclesi

astical union is that laid down in the New

Testament :- repentance, baptism upon a

profession of faith, congregational churches

composed of a spiritual membership, and a

ministry elected by the suffrages of the

church and ordained by a presbytery of

ministers ;-a limited Diocese with a Pastor

as its Bishop : a spiritual Empire with Christ

BY T. H. P.

A Suggestion.

At the last meeting of the Board of Missions

Maj. W. A. Graham, who has a mill, said

he paid his subscription to his pastor's

salary in meal. Would it not be many times

just as well for the pastor, and much easier

for the member to pay his subscription in

some article that he raises and the pastor

needs? Properly managed it seems to me

that the pastor might realize in supplies more

than could be paid him in money, though of

course he will need and should receive some

Life Membership.

Any church or individual, who will give

\$30.00 at one time to the objects of the Con-

vention, is entitled to Life Membership, in

that body. You may be a whole year in col-

lecting it, and you may select your pastor or

some valuable brother or some excellent sis-

ter to enjoy the honor, it matters not how

long you are about it, or in what small sums

you receive, so the \$30.00 are paid to the

Treasurer at one time, the certificate of Life

Membership will be issued. And a very

handsome picture it makes containing the

likeness of M. T. Yates, Thomas Meredith,

James McDaniel, Charles Skinner, Robert

There is sourcely a church in all the State

that could not compliment their pastor or

some good member by presenting him with

for the pastor to move in the matter, he may

sister take hold of this matter and it can be

The Bible.

At a late meeting of the Wake County

Bible Society, Gov. Z. B. Vance made,

That the Bible is true is apparent from the

fact that in this most practical age of the

world—an age when everything is subjected to the severest seismilic investigation, and if not found to be useful and true is merdilessly

discarded, it not only helds its own but

bought of that, but that Senece among the

were good and tree men without the help of the Christian faith. To this the Governor re-plied, that they were deubtless good men after their light, but their light was very imperfect, and that there could be found thousands of humble persons in Scotland, or this country,

Romans, and Socrators among the Gr

among others, the following good points:

be too modest, but let any active brother or

Lawson and the venerable Samuel Wait.

number the Episcopalians ten to one.

n. Ever and anon some virtua

The Countries and specific Metho not become members of the Epis

ready perplexing confusion.

It was an edifying sight—the Governor branches would possibly meet the de mands of all the weak constitution and damaged eyes of the people who and damagod of so sa see } -- } -- } Rome maneman m em-ge 1-1 now profess and call themselves christians and would not materially mpede the progress of Christ's A Word to Every Paster Kingdom. Should they all unite,

If you want your salary promptly paid lowever, which is by no means ironlate the RECORDER among your people If you want your churches to sustain the probable—even if possible, there can be no better creed auggested, or cause of Missions, Education, Sunday Schools to, induce them to read the RECORDER. platform laid down, than that presented in the closing paragraph of

character and in the conduct of their social

ablish his faith in the inspiration of the

criptures. The advice he received was to

and the Bible itself, and he had found in his

experience that the best evidence of Christi-

anity was Christianity itself, and that the very

est proof of the truth of the Bible was that

ed book without note or comment.

was superior to the stars of heaven.

If you wish the people to whom you mini er to be interested in all the great religiou interprises of the day, to be large hearted liberal minded, and intelligent Christians then promote the circulation of the RECOR ozn among them.

The RECORDER is doing more to educate ou people, to diffuse a missionary spirit, and to collect money for our various enterprises than any ten, or even twenty, of our wisest ablest and most influential pastors. Bisho Marrin said, when he presided over the Meth odist Conference in Baleigh, a few years ago

that he could tall what pastors had received their salaries, and what districts had been most liberal in sustaining all church enter prises by looking at the mailing books of the Christian Advocate; where this paper was read the people were, as a rule, doing their duty but where it was not read, they were buhind. Therefore, I wish to ask every pastor who reads this article to work for a large increase in the circulation of the RECORDER among his people. Take a copy of the paper with you nto the pulpit and show it to the people ; talk bout it in your church conferences; speak of it at the fireside; see to it that every family in your church reads the RECORDER. Don't fail to begin the year with this determining tion, and be sure you carry it out, and I am satisfied you will find it to enure to your indi-

The RECORDER is not in distress-it is good condition; indeed, if one may judge from the reports from all parts of this State, and from many prominent brethren in other States, the paper was never held in such high esteem as it is at present; it is doing a great easiest and most certain way to double its subscription list, is for each pastor to go to work to this end among his people, and for the sake of your churches, as well as for your own finterest, I do most earnestly entreat

I have no property in the RECOMBER. I have no interest in it other than that which you have, save that I write for it regularly, and I can therefore say some things which the modesty of its Editor will not allow him to say. With the hearty, earnest and general co-operation of the pastors the subscription list of the RECORDER can be doubled during the year

PERSONAL & OTHER ITEMS NOTES AND COMMENTS.

>Rev. T. Hume has resigned the paste rate of the Cumberland Street church. Norfolk, Va.

.... "Twenty young preachers are now at ending Mississippi College, and more are expected. - Reflector.

.... The National Baptist cordially sec onds the recommendation of Rev. J. P Thompson as Minister to Germany

When a man says, I am a Methodist everybody understands him."-Rev. C. A. Apple. Yes, we all know what that means. ... Rev. J. O'B. Lowry, of Mobile, has declined a call to Lexington, Ky., and Dr. J.

L. Burrows has been called to the vacant pul-

... Rev. G. J. Hobday, late of Petersburg. has settled in the Potomac Association Ha is right. Four good country churches is better than a city pastorate, January

.... "Is New York in China, Bro. Balley ? Tezas Baptist Herald, Not exactly. But to read the Texas Baptist and the Texas Baptist Herald one would naturally infer that Texas was in China or very near there. ... The Baptist church in Suffolk. Va.

improves. They are now refitting house of worship. This is as it should be church should never stand still. There is always something for a church of Christ to

WANTED-A STRUCTION.-A young lady raduate of Raleigh Female Seminary, wishes a situation as teacher. She is prepared to teach the higher branches of English and Mathematics, Latin and French, Refers to Prof. Hobgood, of Raleigh, and the Editor Bro. D. J. Rivenbark, of Lauriabo

requests us to state that the church has ap-pointed a building committee, consisting of D. J. Rivenbark, F. Fountain, G. W. Good wyn, J. A. McDougal and D. H. Meachan and that these brethren sak for one dollar from each church in North Carolina toward building the house of worship in Laurinbury The Paracies and Houses graphical blunder, it is a good one. We nev heard city pastors charged with "hob-nobing but know of nothing that comes nearer to than the supplying each other with sermon

Ber, H. L. Simpson, a celored minister in their conventions. The editor of the Monough an educational period." If carryin

is as "I have again been disappointed, I speed have reached me without my artic led for a week or two, and hope no b will think of writing a line for the Ruce who is not absolutely willing to leave the

relations to Socratees and Seneca, as the sun Brethren Devin and Baldwin spe eral days last week in Selem and Winston. He said, further, that when disturbed by doubts as he had been at one time, and as every thinking man would be, as to the truth .Rev. R. W. Crews has been elected pastor of the new church at Farmington, Davie county, N. C. They propose building a neat and comfortable house at an early of the Bible, he had consulted a minister then present, as to what he should read to es-

....Rev. S. M. Collis says : "I see some dvice to the Legislature, given no doubt by our wisest and best men, but in my judgment the best thing the Legislature could do for North Carolina would be to pass a prohibitory liquor law, and not allow one drop to be mad or sold only as a drug for medicine; then we ould have good schools, and my

"What is to be the result of this pite school presidents, newspaper editors, etc. J. B. S. The result will be, precise any other enterprise has ever enjoyed in Texes. Its assets have been rolled up so grandly that they dazzle like a splendid dinner before a hungry man,"—Texas Baptist Herald. This a a very suggestive figure, and we fear the result will be in the one case as in the other

The Rev. Levi Philetus Dobbs, A. M. D. D., on conjunctions : "And then the reources that are contained in the word though !' "Though a Baptist, he was not sigot; though a Presbyterian, he was not s Life Insurance Manager; 'though a Metho dist, he was not a Savings' Bank President; tom House Officer; though an Episcopalis he was not a Member of Congress."-Na-

.... I do not believe the Christian Church can ever succeed in accomplishing the only possible distinctive work which it can lay claim to; that is to say, The Union of God's People upon the Basis of the Essential and ntal Principles of the Gospel, as the only Doctrinal Coastitution of the Church. Rev. C. A. Apple. No one cise ever really believed that. Some may have thought so, and some may have even hoped so, but believing it is another thing altogether.

. The 44th Anniversary of the Philoms thesian and Euzelian Societies, of Wake Forest College, will occur on February 14th, 1879, Public Debate at 2 o'clock. P. M vidual interest, as well as to the welfare of President, Geo. T. Pritchard, Richmond, Va., Secretary, J. T. J. Battle, Wake Forest. N. C., Debaters, J. F. McMillan, Lumberton, N. C., J. N. Holding, Wake Forest, E. F. Aydlett, Camden co., N. C., H. Montague, Wake Forest. Anniversary Orators: Philomathesian, W. L. Wright, Troy, N. C.; Euzelian, W. N. Jones, Raleigh, N. C. Marshals: and good work, but it might do just twice as | Philomathesian, J. T. Alderman, Clinton, N. great and twice as good a work if its circula- | C. L. T. Carroll, Columbus county, N. C.; Euzelian, J. M. Davis, Hendersonvilte, N. C., W. T. Jones, Wilmington, N. C.

.... "I believe God has given me a work to do which I could never have done in the Christian Church." So says Rev. C. A. Ap. pletin his reasons for leaving the Christian Church. In our opinion he has about finished his work. To ride a few circuits and possibly rise to the grade of Presiding Elder, is about all that now awaits him.

.... A Rev. Mr. Kendrick, of New York who seems to spend most of his time trading horses, has been sent to jail for procuring horse under false pretences. We could not learn from the New York Herald what church he belonged to, but reckon he is a Higher-Life-Holiness-Shouter or Non-sectarian-Undenominational-Independent. Who ever he belongs to may keep him.

"...."Dr Shaver has resigned his position as pastor of the First Ward Baptist church Augusta, on account of a throat affection and has accepted the position of Assistant Dr. Roberts in the Colored Theological In stitute on Telfair street, to which he wa elected some time since."-Index. We are very glad that Dr. Shaver has entered upon this important work. A better man for the position could not be found in all our ranks, North or South.

.... "From what we have recently heard we judge that there is no College in America where students have been more moral an studious than at Wake Forest College, N. C. There have been but three cases requiring rigid discipline within eight years."-Rell gious Herald. And we might add that fewer of its students have failed in the great aim of life than of any other class of men we have heard of. About one in three hundred failed to reflect credit on the State and the

..... 'I tell you, dear brothren, I lived Italy twelve years, and had I not the love of the faith peculiar to an Irishman, I would have left Italy an infidel." So says "Father Flaherty," the Roman Catholic pastor of New York that charges each of his members 15 cents for a seat during mass. We think his faith and practice in this country, where it is modified and ourbed by intelligent public sentiment, has a tendency to produce infidel-ity. In Rome it is infidelity to every word of the New Testament Scriptures.

"Rev. Geo. B. Eager has gracefully signed his pastorate at Legington, Va., and hopefully accepted the care of the First Baptist church, Knoxville, Tenn, The art of resigning and leaving a pastorate in the right spirit should be more generally oultivated.

Bro. Eager speaks kindly, and says he loves "the little church" at Lexington."—Texas Baptist. We agree with the Texas Baptist. and advise our brothrens to coltivate the art of resigning. Some men find it difficult to retire from a dinner party pleasantly.

"The 'Disciples,' or followers of Alex-nder Campbell, now universally call themselves Christians / You assume the name because it appears to be non-sectarian. Of all Protestant denominations, the Campbellites are the most sectorian." -- Rev. C. d. Apple: All these much talked of "branches are afflicted in the same way Nothing less than the rankest sectarianism over lead one

ei The Catholico churches infa .. New through an educational period." If carrying out resolution passed in conventions and associations is a fair test of education, then we know of some white brethree who should go As a general rule the Catholics of our cities are the powerst of the people. If each has to pay 15 cents a please we can well see how churches and outhedrain are kept up and why it is that their people are so poor. Few Protest-apt families so heavily tax themselves for reliult is they are willin secured spoin

dry ut #When a college profes to make a lawyer out of a young gentleman whom God him image to split rails, he often

seven years trying to teach a pet goose t enokle in Greek."-J. E. Hutson in Texas Baptist. Our theological schools should bear this in mind. We rather think that we have een some mistakes made in this dep squal in magnitude to the one referred to be Bro. Hutson. If God calls a man to preac he can preach. The first evidence of a cal

to do anything is a capacity to do it.Bro. Flippo's letter to Dr. Jones, et the first page of this paper, will be read by our older brethren and sisters with pleasure Indeed, the articles by brothren Hiden, Flippo, Jones and Amzi, make our first page this week very entertaining. We have a number of these splendid articles on hand, and prom-

.... "You do not love the name "Christian any better than I do. But to attempt to give hat name exclusively to a small and obscure rganization, will lead to endless mistakes and sehensions."-Ree. C. A. Apple. small and obscure organization." The small ness and obscurity seem to have been the real objections. The two organizations differed only in name. One was rich and large other poor and small, therefore he cast lot with the one of "potent promises." We have heard of men who acted that way be-

The Paducah Herald, 'Bishop' Dupree's organ, has been swallowed up by the Western Recorder, or captured by Dr. A. C. Caparton, the Western Recorder's editor and publisher, who will try his hand publishing a paper called the American Baptist, 'in the in erest of the colored people of the United States, "-- National Monitor. We had been

tympathizing with Dr. Caperton, undersid that he was overworked and sick. But our sympathies seem to have been misapplied o rasted. The editor of the Western Records is a wonderful man and capable of doing good deal of hard work. We wish him great cooss in his new enterprise.

"Some will be ready to ask, how it i that I, who have been so earnest a defende of the Christian Church, should now make so great a change? I confess, brethren, that my views have undergone a change. But the change has been far less than many of you imagine. So far as theological dogma is concerned, the Methodist system is precisely the same with that held by the great body of jour people. The position of the two organize tions concerning Baptism and the Lord's Sup per is precisely the same. The only differences are in Name and Government."-Rev. C. A. Apple, in his reasons for changing his denomination. If that is so, why not unite? No wonder these brethren can hold union meet ings and co-operate so agreeably. They are but branches of the same tree. Only differ

.. "The Methodist Episcopal Church, my opinion, has more of the promise and potency of great results in the future than any other Christian oganization."-Rep. C. A. Apple Everybody has a right to his opinion, but the "promise and potency of great resulta"is not a Scriptural reason for joining a religious organization. Roman Catholicism has the"promise and potency of great results,"and is a religious organization. So is Budhism. The truth as revealed in the New Test ament criptures, this, and this only, should control our religious actions. No man is fit to be a member of the church who is not willing to be such by himself or with the poorest, the 5ewest and the most despised as brethren.

.... The citizens in the vicinity of Rowan Mills, Rowan county N. C., among whom are Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Lutherans, led by Bro. B. F. Eaton, recently made a substantial donation in kind to Elder D. K Bennett, who has for some time been preach ing among them. There being a few Baptists there without any church organization, the Lord was graciously pleased to call Elder B to them, and to put it into their hearts thus to remunerate him for his labors. Such acts speak well for both preacher and people, and cannot fail to result in lasting good to the community. We learn also that Bro. Bennett has engaged to preach at Rowan Mills, for a time. In this also the people will find that their confidence is not misplaced.

."Eighty-six years have elapsed sin James O'Kelley began his work; and, while other religious systems have be developed and grown great, the followers of O'Kelley are still struggling with the problem of mere existence. Saints have been born into the Church, have lived, fought the good fight, died, and gone home to glory; and yet the Church, as it seems to me, is not much, if at but not more than might have been accomplished if O'Kelly had never departed from the Methodist Episcopal Church."-Rev. C. A. Apple, in his reasons for joining the Methdists. Well, this is doubtless true. The Church is not seriously affected by sects, colors and divisions. They fight and die. but the truth of God remains unchanged and ontinues its onward march.

Some brethren are remarkable for per nce. Right or wrong, they never char their minds after ouce reaching a conclu In a letter that come to us within the last few days we have the following illustration of this infortunate habit, which will interest all editors of newspapers; "While Bro. Mills was editor I got some brethren to subscribe for the RECORDER, promising them that they would have a chance of reading every week through the next year an article from the Rev. These articles were written but only two or three of them were ever published. We were all disappointed and grisved, and the paper has never recovered in our As: sociation. Those who subscribed then can not be persuaded to take it again." It has been over five years since Bro. Mills declined

"We find the following paragra the Bratical RECORDER, of North Carolina;
The Northern people and the Southern people are sirtually two different peoples. Poor Bichard's Almanee differs from the New ared in that paper, but did not quote m, lest it might be thought we were "scaking an occasion" against our brethren in that section ; but now that the RECORDER has seen fit to quote them and make its comment, we are disposed to ask what they mean. Wil-either of the papers interested be kind enough is tell us just what it means by such language?" If the editor of the Journal and Messenger will turn to the article "What we Est and Drink," on our fourth page, and take into consideration the fact that such impositions are power processed in these works he itions are never practiced in these parts, I will get a glimpse of our meaning.

The Rev. Dr. John Lord, of New York

Authority." In speaking of Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, in the fourth century, he says : "At the age of thirty-four he was selected for Governor of Northern Italy. When the people were looking for a bishop the voice of a child was heard through the cathedral, say-ing. "Let our Governor be our bishop." The people echoed the cry, and the Governor became Archbishop of Milan. Ambrose had not been baptized; he was nothing but a layman. The reason he was elevated to the bishopric was because he was the ablest man for that position." We have heard Pedobap represent the churches of the first centuries as so absorbed with the all importance of baptism that they baptized children as soon mein der menen menerdferent Contines meine

or any of its ordinances. Shall I tell you the pleasantest sigh saw on Christmas day ? It was in St. John's Church—that church whose age, quaintness and simplicity make any approach to splendo impossible. It is the oldest Episcopal church in Washington, and by many deemed the most aristocratic. On Christmas Day, amid its wealth of cedar and holly, pale Christman flowers bloomed in unprofaned profusion and myriads of delicate roses made its altar fre grant. Sitting in the front pew, I saw clos before me, kneeling at the sacrament, a lad in costly attire. An India shawl and costly laces fell about her stately figure. Close b side her, at the same chancel, kneeled an old black "Auntie," in a dingy bood, Here was the holy level. Outside, the decrees of socie-

ty-sight or forty years old. .. The truth of the

matter is, the Catholic Church was at that

time rapidly degenerating into a mere political power, and neither cared for Christianit,

ty, the immutable lines of caste, remaine unbroken. Within, all were forgotten, blot ted out in the hame of the beloved Lord, it the memory of his death and passion for the suffering race whom he came on earth to leve and save Mary Clemmer in the Independent 16th. We have partaken of the Lord's Sup per with hundreds of our colored brethren and sisters, but we never thought of taking an inventory of their clothes at such a time.

LETTER FROM DR. VATES.

DEAR BRO. PRITCHARD :-- You

highly esteemed letter of Sept. 23

was received a few days ago, only

As it told me of many persons of whom I wished to hear, it afforded me much pleasure. I wish you would give me the names and postoffice of the Presidents of Ladies' Missionary Societies, or the persons in those societies, to whom I could write, or send, what I might, from time to time think would interet them. Mrs. Yates is still in Hongkong on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Being alone, if I did not have so much to occupy my mind and body, I might be very lonely. In addition to my regular work, I have undertaken to teach a Theological class of two, three afternoons in the week and to translate the Epistle to the Romans into this dialect. I don't know what Peter would have said. if he had undertaken to translate what Paul said into a Chinese spoken dialect. I am trying to make my little (heathen) church, a church at work. Two weeks ago they undertook, in addition to pay- unbroken pine woods. Therefore ing the native pastor's salary \$15 per month, to pay the expenses, \$13 per month, of the families of two this region. Here and there fertile young men, who seem apt to teach and a desire to preach. While I engage the whole of their time and attention in the study of the Scriptures—theology—to prepare them for effective work. They entered into it with a will and there and then out down their names and amounts they would give monthly to the amount of \$12 (\$13 will be required.) subscribed \$4, of the amount to encourage them. And you will excuse me for saying that I think their act is worthy of imitation. For, considering the wealth of the First Baptist Church of Shanghai with that of the mass of the churches at home this act of liberality on the part of my church in supporting two beneficiaries, and their pastor too would not be equaled by a church at home that supported its pastor and sustained two beneficiaries at Wake Forest College. Cannot the pastors all, nearer the consummation than it was in and leading men of our churches, be 1794. Much work has been done for God; induced to inquire among the young men of their churches for such las for them to do if they were prepared for it, and educate them. It is a very simple matter-it only wants a will, and a very little comparatively, from two+thirds, or one-half of the members, if all will not help. It would greatly stimulate the spirit of education, strengthen, the hands of the pastors, and glorify God in the extension of Uhrist's kingdom. am sure there are many young men and women in our country churches with native intelects capable of being fitted for the highest spheres of usefulness who are craving for the education that would fit them to

do what they feel their duty to God and man requires at their hands. But unaided the gift within them will pine away and die and they will turn to something else. I was a country boy, and have an experience that I doubt not would touch a sympathetic cord in many a heart that is pining under a load that it cannot rise above or shake off. But I must not enter upon that now. I have thought anxiously of writing, if I could find the time, a series of letters for the RECORDER. "The Recollections and Incidents of a Long Missionary Life." I would not have to trust to memory for anything up to the time I became a Missionary, for my struggles previous to thirty years ago. What do you and Brethren Wingate, Brooks and Thompson think of it. As much of it would be autobiography, would it not savor too much of egotism. But if I do it for the glory of God, what should I care what the world think. Now verrous. Two months ago I baptised 2 women. Others are expected to come forward soon, but

and Mrs. Beaman to Christmas din- that churches and individuals will All well and hopeful. Affectionate regards to all friends, especially your Faithfully friends.

M. T. YATES Shanghai, China Dec. 3, 1878. WAYSIDE JOTTINGS.

From our Travelling Correspondent. Dear Recorder : Your traveller has been to Car-

thage, Moore county, recently, and was very favorably impressed with the people and surroundings. Churches. M. M. They have a Baptist, Methodis and Presbyterian church; the Baptist minister is Elder Harrison, o

Apex; the Presbyterian paster

older McQueen and the Methodists

have Rev. William Adams, all able anavalSchools. maidtex They have a thriving Academy over which Mr. Stewart, a thoroug scholar and a most acomplished teacher presides. It is a good location for a school-healthy and moral surroundings, and we think the very

man for the place. the People, i lead of We were the guest of Mr. A. H McNeill, Clerk of the Court of Moore for nearly thirty years, daring our stay, and we are not surprised at the attachment of the whole people for him. He is a model man as well as a public officer. He made as acquainted with many of the people of the town, and we opine that fe laced of an equal population cou boast better retinue of citizens.

Carriage Shops. This place is famous for its make buggies and carriages. Messre lyson & Jones, and the Union company both deserve credit for their enterprise in this direction. The Business Outlook

Is apparently pretty fair, for this place is looked to by a wide community, as its center for trade. We think the place could sustain a still arger population. Il bode The Baptists

Here are very anxious to have their astor, Bro. Harrison, to locate permanently amongst them. Yet they are too weak in themselves to sunport him for the whole time. They are fortunate to have part of his time. for few men have greater power and culture and a deeper piety than he, but we wish they could sustain him all the time. We cannot forbear making special

mention of the pleasant families of Mr. Waddell, Mr. W. Jones, Mrs. Person and the rising and talented young lawyer, Mr. J. A. Worthy, all of whom occupy very warm places in our heart-from pleasant hours spent. with them. Our thanks are also due to Dr. John Shaw, Prof. Stewart, W. W. Hunsucker, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Phillips for courtesies during our stay. We made two speeches while there.

The Country Between Carthage and the Rail Road, and then on as far as Gilchrist's bridge on the line between Richmond and Robeson, is mostly turpentine stills, and saw mills, constitute the chief industries through spots intervene, as in the section around Union church and Academy. and along the little river valleys. Near the Winder station, on the B. & A. L. R. R., Dr. Leslie, the turpentine king, has bought a good and pretty plantation, and will add farming to his turpentine operations. Here we found every comfort and solace, for the Dr.'s dear little lady had a share of her education from our house, out bear sented Around the Pike postoffice on the

Lumber River, where Richmond, Cumberland and Robeson hold perpetual converse, are indications of activity in turpentine. We think the Legislature would do well to make an appropriation for opening out Lumber River for light steam boats. . noties lives tient D. McN.

FROM ELDER J. R. HOWELL.

DEAR BROTHER BAILEY :-- You told me of the great difficulties I should find on entering this field of labor among the destitute on our sea- that one sister offered to be one coast-but the half was not told. When I saw and felt them, my spirit died within me, but when I remembered God's promise that "His word should not fail, but should accomplished that where unto it was sent." I took courage. Though the work is hard and the weather unfavorable my health is steadily improving. I am preaching every Sunday and occasionally in the week with as much ease as In lever did. Morehead. though rejoicing in the name of a city is a village of 4 or 500 inhabitants, mostly engaged in trade and fishing. It is said to have the very best harbor on the coast of Carolina and larger vessels can come in here than at Charleston, S. C. and the wonder is that it has not long since become seaport of importance. The Methodists have built a nest church here, which when finished and furnished will be very comfortable. There is also a free church. The Baptists have no house of worship, they have a membership of 17-and are at present without a paster. Rev. Jacob Utley, who has been preaching for them for 17 years recently moved to Swansboro Sunday citizens presented him with a Family Bible as a taken of their appreciation of his labors. He is highly esled for his Liodly w conversation. There is a graded school here, under the care of Mr. Lee, assisted by Mr. Brinson, numbering 125, partly supported from the Peabody fund. The Hotel is kept by Mr. Franklin, who with the help of his good lady make his boarders feel very much at home, and supplies his table with every variety of food from land and sea. I have something in this, I may be disappointed, as I bave as frequently bean before. I have written Bro: Tupper a long letter. If he thinks best to publish it in the Journal year armseler it to the Recorder if you think it designable. I expect Mrs. Yates and Mr. Convention? But as it is not I hope

end contributions to Rev. C. B Wiley with request to supply me with Bibles to give to those who are without, and not able to buy, I have a fine opportunity to distribute religious tracts. The American Tract Society gave me between \$4 and \$5 worth. As these will soon be gone I would like for some one who wishes to do good with small outlay of money, to send me some more. Yours truly,

J. K. HOWRLE Morehead City, Jan. 21, 1879. FROM THE MOUNTAINS Dear Recorder: I wish to correct some mistakes that appeared in Bro. Wm. Jordan's communication in the correct section in the correct se

RECORDER some month or two age.

In speaking of the Roan Mountain people, he said everybody was a preacher out there. Now I don't know what made him think that ev. body was a preacher, without it was because he is a preacher him self. Now I am well acquainted in this country, and I know he is mistaken; for not one half the men are preachers about here. Then he was mistaken about Roan Mountain church having so many licensed preachers; it had two ordained min. isters and a pastor. Only the pastor preaches on church days; and the people are not preached to death. We had a protracted meeting there during the Christmas holidays, and they were considerably enthused six professed religion, and seven joined the church: so there is another mistake, for Bro. Jordan said they could not be enthused on any subject. And further, he said dor ing services the people were going in and out. Now, somehow this strikes me as a mistake, for I have preached there many a time, and the people always behaved well. The people at Roan Mountain were well pleased with the Convention and all the ministers in attendance. but they are not pleased with Bro Jordan's communication. They say

brethren in Ohrist. S. M. COLLIS. FROM ELDER COBB.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY :- Did I write "erratas" for errata? If so I certainly made a big blunder; for erraerratum. If I did or did not write it, I hope you will make your proof reader turn to his English Grammar and commit to memory the table of "Plurals of Foreign Nouns."

he has done them an injustice. But

he can easily set himself right. I reck-on "an enemy bath done this." And

Bro. Jordan was mistaken about

crossing Jack's Oreek about twenty

times, for I have traveled the road

and counted the times of crossing.

and found it to be 34 times. 1 write

in kindness and leve to all the dear

My family have all been sick with severe colds contracted in moving during the bitter cold weather, but are all convalescent now, and able to come to the table.

Our sickness immediately on our arrival amongst strangers has served to make us early acquainted with the kindness of our new neighbors, to whom we feel greatly indebted for sundry tokens of thoughtful re-

The church came together last Sabbath afternoon and elected by ballot, without nomination, the following brethren to serve as deacons: Wm. H. Atkinson, Nathan G. Mc-Duffey, Alonzo Watson, B. G. Holingsworth and John Knight, all good, true and tried men. Our Sunday School is quite small, but we hope to enlarge it and start an infant class next Sunday. Wishing success to the RECORDER

Yours fraternally, Fayetteville, N. C. Jan. 23, 1879. REPORT OF ELDER J. L. SMITH.

Dear Recorder:-Through your columns I wish to report the first quarter of my Missionary labors in the Sandy Creek Association from October 11, 1878, to January the 1st, 1879, Days in the field, 22; sermons preached, 20; visits paid to families, 44; professed conversions, 11; baptized, 9; moneys received in the field, \$7.90. I saw in the RECORDER of 10 that would send the RECORDER to me for distribution. I have found one brother, so one and one make two. I will distribute as many as are sent, directed to St. Lawrence postoffice, Chatham county, N. C. JESSE L. SMITH.

readers of the RECORDER, in North Carolina, will grieve to hear of the death of Rev. Levi Thorne. He died in Baltimore, Jan. 24, 79 at the residence of his brother-in-law-Henry Taylor, His funeral takes place to day. He was a good man, a strong preacher and faithful minis-ter of the New Testament. Fraternally, O. F. FLIPPO.

DEAR BRO. BAILEY :- Many

Suffolk, Va., Jan. 25, 1879. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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Rev. W. B. Royal, pledged at Central Association per J. M. Brewer treasurer Wake Forest church Foreign Missions :

Maj. W. A. Graham, pleged at Con-

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