

The Christian Advocate.

REV. J. B. BOBBITT, Editor.

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A Day of Mourning.

A prince in Israel has fallen. On Monday, at his home in Greensboro, N. C., on the 17th inst., as will be seen from an appropriate memoir from Rev. J. A. Cunningham, Rev. William Barringer died, from injuries he received in his fall, an account of which we gave in our last issue. We cannot measure this loss to the church. He was one of our first men in every sense—an acknowledged leader. As a preacher, he was bold and fearless in the advocacy of the truth as he conceived it taught in our articles of religion. He never made pretensions to oratory. He was not an orator in the popular sense, yet his preaching was strong, forcible, earnest, and often with great power. He was a man of solid reading in his profession. When our cause was entrusted to him in any department of work, we all felt at ease, knowing that we should have from him a good report. As a representative in the councils of the Church, none were safer—none wiser with more practical judgment—none wiser as to what was best to do. He was not an "one idea" man—not impulsive—not a man to rebel—not a disorganizer, but yielded always cheerfully to the majority. He went his whole force for the Church against all cliques and parties.

He was a most efficient Presiding Elder. All the interests of the church were cared for and looked after with a vigilant eye and an active hand. The cause of missions, Conference collections, and the support of the preachers, all received his special attention. He pressed these claims, and the returns from his District always showed the effect of his efforts. He was one of the best pastors we ever had amongst us. He obeyed thoroughly the Saviour—"Feed my sheep, feed my lambs." Greensboro will never forget his pastoral labors. As a Christian, he was a very pious man—a man of faith and prayer.

And great faith in God's word. In social life he was a cultivated gentleman—the very soul of honor. High minded, noble in nature, he scorned anything that was little and mean. He was honest in speech, and scrupulously exact in doing the right. We have known him from our boyhood, and loved him as a father. We scarcely know how to limit our words of praise. Truly did he combine all the elements of a noble manhood. But how sad his fate. To sicken and die of disease tends the heart indeed, but we feel that it is of God, and we bow submissively. To die by a slight misstep in the prime of manhood, in the fullness of years, in the midst of the multiplied labors of usefulness, oh, how sad and mournful! We shall see his face no more in the Conference room, in the pulpit nor in the social circle. Another home in Greensboro is darkened, the shadows lie thick upon the hearthstone. His voice will no more be heard through his halls. How lonely in his own chamber! There are his hat, his cane, his coat. As his children gather these up to lay them away as mementoes of their dear father, how their hearts must ache. But in the testimony of a pure life, wholly devoted to God's service, and a triumphant death in his service. Many a faithful and loving heart has in spirit, already made its pilgrimage to the spot where the earth lies upon his bosom, to drop a tear on the sod that hides from mortal eye, the remains of WILLIAM BARRINGER.

Rev. Robt. I. Carson, for many years an active and influential member of the North Carolina Conference, but for the past few years a member of the Virginia Conference, is no more. He died in the town of Halifax on the evening of the 16th inst., after a brief illness. His many friends will be deeply afflicted at the announcement of his death. One after another of our Fathers in Israel are called from labor to "refreshment." The particulars of his death, and a worthy tribute to his memory is furnished by Rev. B. O. Burton. Although a member of another Conference, his memory is still fresh in the minds of thousands to whom he preached, while with us, and they will read, in the *Advocate*, an account of his life and death with mingled feelings of pleasure and sadness.

Rev. Robt. I. Carson died in Halifax Town, N. C., on the 16th of this month (March) at the residence of Mr. Mongo Parnell, of typhoid pneumonia, in the 64th year of his age, after an illness of eleven days. He was returning home, whence he came with his wife to visit his son, who was very sick with pneumonia. He received the information of his son's dangerous illness, when absent from home to fill an appointment on the Sabbath, the coldest of the season, he traveled, and the exposure brought on a chill while on the highway, which was followed by effects which baffled the best medical aid the adjacent country afforded, and although, all was done, that human kindness could do, his system succumbed, and the work of death was done!

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The Rev. William Barringer, son of General Paul Barringer, was born in Cabarrus county, N. C., Feb. 18th, 1816. After taking the usual academic course, he pursued his studies at Chapel Hill. He then entered the mercantile business at Concord. About the year 1842, he attended a camp-meeting near Concord, where he commenced seeking religion, but was not converted until several days after the meeting closed. While sitting in his counting-room, engaged in meditation and prayer, he rested on Christ as his personal Saviour, and was made happy in a sense of his pardoning love. He soon felt that it was his duty to preach Christ and him crucified. He lived within the bounds of the South Carolina Conference, which he joined at its next session.

At the transfer in 1852, he became a member of the N. C. Conference. He was appointed Presiding Elder of the Wilmington District, where his prudent administration did much in allaying the troubles, caused by the transfer. He afterward served the following appointments, viz: Greensboro District, Salisbury District, G. F. College as Ag't., Raleigh District, Greensboro District a second time, Greensboro Station and Hillsboro District. In every field of labor he was very laborious, acceptable and successful. He comprehended thoroughly and loved devotedly the peculiar doctrines held, and the usages practiced by the Church of his choice. And his church loved and honored him. He was elected to every General Conference, as delegate or reserve, since 1852. He was prominently connected with all the important interests of the Conference and was ever faithful to the interest committed to him. After his return from the last Conference at Fayetteville, he entered upon his work at once, and had completed the first round of quarterly meetings. He had been confined to his house for about a week with influenza which had somewhat enfeebled him. On the 11th, he was superintending the work on G. F. College when passing out of the window on the third story to the gangway, his foot slipped and he fell about 28 feet. His right thigh was broken, and his right arm and face considerably bruised. The fall produced concussion of brain, which caused his death. He was conscious for several hours on the day of his fall,—and also about one hour on the 16th. He did not apparently suffer much except occasional paroxysms of pain. During his lucid moments, he gave satisfactory evidence that he was fully ready to depart and be with Jesus, which he did at ten minutes past seven P. M., on Monday 17th. His funeral was held in the Methodist Church at 11 P. M., on the 18th, to a large and sorrowing congregation, after which he was buried by the side of his dear wife to await the resurrection summons.

He leaves behind him five sons and one daughter, a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn over his death. But he has left them a rich legacy in the pure and faithful life which he lived. Experimental religion was his great theme; and he exhibited it as a controlling power in all the relations of life. May the blessing of God rest upon his dear children in double measure, as they are doubly orphaned. And may all who lament his death, profit by his pure example, be warned by his sudden death and like him be ever ready.

J. A. CUNNINGHAM. Greensboro, March 20, 1873.

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STATESMEN AND LAWYERS.

Mr. Webster was dining one day while he was Secretary of State, at the Astor House, N. Y., with about twenty invited guests, his special friends. He sat at the table apparently travel-worn, and was quite silent. His silence became painful to the company. After an abortive effort to draw him out in conversation, an intimate friend propounded this question to him:

"Mr. Webster" (Mr. Webster looked up out of his cave), "I want you to tell me what was the most important thought that ever occupied your mind?" Here was a thumper for him, and so everybody thought at the table. Mr. Webster slowly passed his hand over his forehead, and in a low tone said to a friend near him, "Is there any one here who does not know me?" "No, sir, they all know you—all are your friends." Then he looked over the table, and you may imagine how the tones of his voice would be on such an occasion, giving answer to such a question. "The most important thought that ever occupied my mind," said he, "was that of my individual responsibility to God!" Upon which, for twenty minutes, he spoke to them there; and when he had finished, he got up from the table and retired to his room, and there, without a word, went into an adjacent parlor, and when they had gathered there some one exclaimed, "Who ever heard anything like that?"

And yet Mr. Webster died without leaving satisfactory evidence that he met that responsibility, by seeking and obtaining through our Lord Jesus Christ, that change of heart required in order to an entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven. Of course the testimony in the night to inquire about the matter, must be applied to him and all others, great and small. This case is suggestive.

Why is it that so few of our Statesmen and lawyers are experimental Christians? We mean just what we say in using the terms Statesmen and Lawyers. Not politicians,—demagogues,—stock jobbers,—whose only study is how to get into office and keep in, but Statesmen who are wise and learned in the great principles that regulate the body politic, and secure the State and national welfare. By lawyers, not pettifoggers, but just men,—men who by the clear, strong grasp of intellect, comprehend the system of jurisprudence and reach eminence in their profession. These men are generally of high moral character, chaste in their habits, and cultured in their tastes. They generally, almost universally, accept Christianity as true,—treat God's ministers always with profound respect,—revere the sanctuary. But it is a sad fact that the majority of them never go so far as to realize the power of God's truth in renewing and changing the heart,—live and die perishing under the light of the Cross—and cast a leaden spiritual shadow over the highest walks of social life. The only solution of the question that we see is that they fall into a mistake about the requirements of religion.

There is much in Revelation that addresses itself to the intellect—its system of government and laws—its theories—its sublime poetry—its cogent, convincing logic—its beautiful rhetoric,—its harmony and accord with God revealed in his works—all of which addresses itself to the intellect and excites intellectual admiration. These great minds mistake this admiration for love to Christ that is required of all men,—they conclude that this is religion enough to take them safely across the dark valley and shadow, and repose upon it in life and in death, overlook the greatest requirement that God addresses to them alike as to the humblest mortal born, "my son give me thine heart." They give the intellect, but lay the heart at the shrine of ambition.

Our much esteemed friend, Thos. W. Harris, Esq., in the upper part of Halifax county, has recently sustained a heavy loss, in the burning of his fine residence. The roof was caught by a spark from the chimney. The family were absent at church, at the time. The wind was high, and the fire was so rapid, that scarcely any of the furniture was saved. Loss estimated at \$10,000 to \$12,000—no insurance.

BIBLE MEETING AT CARY.

A Bible meeting was held at Cary on Sunday evening, March 9th. After prayer by the Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, the Rev. P. A. Strobel, State Agent, delivered an address. An auxiliary Bible Society was organized, to embrace the Townships of Cary and White Oak. The following officers were chosen:

President—Rufus H. Jones. Vice Presidents—White Oak Township—A. N. Betts. Cary Township—Charles Yates. Corresponding Secretary—W. M. Jones. Treasurer—J. R. Page. Depository—W. E. Fell. Executive Committee—A. F. Page, Adolphus Jones and A. H. Merritt. The collection amounted to \$45. Steps will be taken immediately to procure a supply of books and canvass and supply the territory of the Society. This Society enters upon its career, under very favorable auspices. The circulation of the *Advocate* is rapidly increasing. We have added hundreds of new names to our list within the past few weeks. A number of those who entered the contest for a premium have about secured the required number. Let the good work go forward until the *Advocate* shall find its way into every Methodist family in our Conference bounds.

DR. PRITCHARD ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND THE BAPTISTS AGAIN.

The last number of the *Biblical Recorder* contains a long, labored, courtly article, from the pen of Dr. Pritchard, on my review of his sermon on Religious Liberty. I thank the Doctor for his expressions of kindness and esteem, and assure him I heartily reciprocate them.

His article is more vulnerable than his sermon. It is amazing to observe with what evident alacrity he springs to his cherished theme of "baptism." It made me think of an aquatic fowling to the water to take a good swim; ready to die, if any one threatened.

He exclaims, "I haven't got any better sense than to believe that Christ and his apostles were Baptists." Well; that's a frank confession. I'm sorry. I hope he'll grow wiser as he grows older. I am glad that, with better instructors, we are favored with "a better sense," the lack of which he confesses.

This perpetual clamor and clatter about water baptism, kept up by some, reminds me of what St. Paul writes in Cor. 1st chap. 14 to 17 verses: It reads thus: "I thank God I baptized none of you but Crispus and Gaius; lest any should say I baptized in my own name. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas; besides I know not whether I baptized any other. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel." From this it appears that Paul felt so little interest in mere water baptism that he could not remember much about his connection with it; that he was glad he baptized but few of them; and that he regarded the matter so exceedingly subordinate to the great leading object of his ministry, that he pressed on with the preaching of the Gospel, and either slighted water baptism altogether, or left it for others to perform. If he was a Baptist, the Baptists have changed mightily in this respect since his day. While recognizing and reverencing the sacred rite, I can but be impressed with the palpable contrast between the great Apostle, on the one hand, and a modern Baptist minister with his baptismal platitudes, on the other.

If those who read the sermon and the article in the *Recorder*, will read my review of the sermon, my object will be accomplished. The Doctor's article may be termed "A Sermon on Religious Liberty and the Baptists," revised, and *confused*. If the *Biblical Recorder* will publish my review and this note, I may not think it necessary to write anything more in reply.

A. W. MANGUM.

TO THE PRESIDING ELDERS OF THE N. C. CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN: As the Minutes of our recent session are delayed, and as it is important that all should know at an early day, what they are expected to raise on their respective Districts and circuits for the Bishops' Fund, and Conference collection, I have concluded to call your attention to the assessments for 1873:

Table with columns: District, Amount. Includes Raleigh, Hillsboro, Greensboro, Salisbury, Shelby, Charlotte, Fayetteville, Wilmington, Newbern, Washington.

FOR CONFERENCE COLLECTION. Raleigh District, \$175,000. Hillsboro " 125,000. Greensboro " 175,000. Salisbury " 150,000. Shelby " 130,000. Charlotte " 145,000. Fayetteville " 120,000. Wilmington " 170,000. Newbern " 165,000. Washington " 150,000.

FOR CONFERENCE COLLECTION. Raleigh District, \$550,000. Hillsboro " 500,000. Greensboro " 500,000. Salisbury " 450,000. Shelby " 450,000. Charlotte " 500,000. Fayetteville " 450,000. Wilmington " 450,000. Newbern " 450,000. Washington " 450,000.

And now Brethren—Presiding Elders and Preachers in Charge, if this amount ought to be raised,—and in this we all agree,—each one resolve, I will not be a party to its failure.

V. A. SHARPE. Lincolnton, N. C.

Christian Advocate—Terms for 1873.

The Christian Advocate is furnished to subscribers as heretofore, at \$2 per annum in advance. If payment be delayed six months \$2.50. One copy six months \$1.25. TERMS TO PREACHERS. All ministers in the regular work who will act as agents for the Advocate, and use their influence to extend its circulation, will receive the Advocate free of charge. When our agents assume payment for a subscriber who may want time, the paper will be sent; but in all cases when payment is delayed six months the subscriber will be charged \$2.50. AGENTS. We wish to have some reliable and energetic person, in every congregation, to secure a club of subscribers. When it is not convenient for the pastor to act as agent, let some suitable person male or female, be designated for that purpose. ONE YEARLY LIST. For 25 new subscribers for one year we will give a copy of Webster's Unabridged Pictorial Dictionary, new illustrated edition, worth \$12. For 50 new subscribers we will give \$30 worth of Bibles, to be selected by the person sending the names of the subscribers. For 100 new subscribers for one year, we will give a new Sewing Machine worth \$60. In sending names, please state whether you propose to canvass for these prizes, so that we may place them to your credit. In all cases the subscription must be taken for 12 months at \$2 in advance. The cash must accompany the names.

RELIGIOUS SLANG.

We find in some of our English journals the following pungent protest against religious slang, the use of which is too common in many churches:

"John Forster wrote a famous essay on the 'Aversion of Taste to Evangelical Religion.' We wish modern Christians would read it through, and purify their daily conversation from vulgar commonplaces. There are phrases and modes of speech which ought not to be tolerated any longer. For example, we ask Mr. Brown which chapel he attends, he replies that he 'sits under the Rev. Jonah Nervous.' We are surprised that Mr. Brown should be willing to be 'sat upon.' When Mrs. Flighty wishes to inform us of her reason for leaving Adullam Chapel for Zoar Tabernacle, she explains that she could not get any 'food' at Adullam, whereas Zoar she banquets on 'fat things,' which probably explains her physical magnitude and well known sloppiness. On some placards we read, 'Come and hear the simple gospel preached. What is this simple gospel? Is there a learned gospel? What do the good men mean who talk about their simple gospel? Do they mean Bible and water? If so, we pity their hearers!'"

"We observe that some excellent communities will speak and write of themselves as 'baptized churches.' We do not wish to touch in any way the question of baptism as a matter of controversy. We simply ask, Is that an apostolic phrase? When Paul writes to the church at Rome, did he salute it as a 'baptized church,' or did he write 'to all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints?' A gentleman wishing to find a minister's house, made inquiry in the street in which he lived, when he was told to refer to a lady opposite, who was an 'old standard.' He marvelled what that could mean, and felt rather afraid to confer with one who had so peculiar a designation. He found her an old Methodist woman of great zeal and goodness, but he thought that the military diction employed to describe her was not very felicitous. There are not a few persons who think that they exalt the Saviour by calling him 'dear Jesus,' 'sweet Jesus,' and so on. The sacred writers never did this. They called him Jesus, Master, Christ, Saviour, Lord, and did not apply to him the verbal embellishments of lovers and sentimental friends. These are not small matters. Religious cant, slang, and vulgarly hinder the diffusion of Christian truth, and should be avoided by all who desire to conciliate opponents and multiply converts to Christ."

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NEWS DEPARTMENT.

ROBERT T. GRAY, Editor.

CITY NEWS.

We are under obligations to our Senator Hon. A. S. Merrimon for Public Documents sent us last week. The Berger Family of Swiss Bell Ringers, gave entertainments at Tucker Hall last week with which all who attended were delighted. It is said that Gov. Holden, who will take charge of the Post office on the 1st of April will establish a system of postal boxes throughout the city. This will be greatly promotive of the convenience of our citizens generally.

Rev. A. W. Mangum, the able and popular pastor in charge of Edenton Street Church, is delivering a series of interesting sermons on the judgment.

A revival meeting is being held at the Baptist Church in this city, which is attended with success. Rev. Mr. Huffman is assisting Dr. Pritchard in the conduct of the meeting.

Rev. Dr. Pendleton, better known as Gen. Pendleton Chief of Artillery of the army of Northern Virginia was in the city last week. He is travelling in the interests of the Lee Episcopal Church of Lexington Virginia which was designed by Gen. Lee, but never completed.

The committee appointed to solicit subscriptions for the State Fair, has not succeeded as well as it was desired. Only about \$7000 in subscriptions have been raised. The amount set apart for Raleigh is \$10,000, but it seems that our citizens are lacking in spirit and generosity.

WYATT, GREEN & Co.—This new firm announce the arrival of new goods. They are located next door to Len H. Adams, South side of Market Square. We commend this new firm to the patronage of our readers.

NEW SPRING GOODS.—A. Creech, Esq., a leading merchant in our city is fully up with the season. He is now receiving a most attractive stock of fashionable spring goods. Mr. Creech deserves the unqualified patronage of the city. It will be remembered that he needs the list of contributors to our State Fair with a donation of \$500. To a man of such public spirit, the patronage of our citizens should be unbounded.

STATE NEWS.

Statesville voted on the liquor question on the 17th inst. Nearly two thirds voted to prohibit the sale of it in the corporate limits of that place.

We learn that \$2,000 of the Peabody Fund has been tendered recently for the benefit of the public schools of this city for the present year.

Samuel Carrow, late Marshal for N. C. has been appointed supervisor of the construction of the new Post Office and Federal Court Room of Raleigh. Congress recently appropriated \$200,000 for that purpose of which Mr. Carrow will receive five per cent. for his oversight.

We are informed that Pleasant Garden Col. Legate Institute is in a flourishing condition. There were about 60 scholars in attendance last session, and an increased number is expected at the next term, which begins on the 26th inst. Board is only seven dollars per month, and tuition from one and a half to three and a half dollars per month.

The boiler at Dowd's Mills at Apex, exploded a few days ago resulting in considerable damage to the building, and inflicting severe but not fatal injuries upon a negro. Loss about \$1,000.

J. C. L. Harris, Esq., has been appointed Treasurer of the Board of Directors for the Insane Asylum, viz. Mr. W. E. Anderson. This position is worth about \$750, and very little labor attached to it.

Says the Spirit of the South: "We are relieved to learn that one half an acre of land in the upper part of this county—not far from the Elber Springs, has given way and sunk down to the depth of several feet, carrying with it huge pine trees, &c. A great many fissures have been observed in the earth in the vicinity, and it is thought that many more acres are destined to go down."

There are 50,000 acres of land in Caldwell county for sale, all surveyed and mapped and boundaries marked, with title perfect.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Wilmington and Seaside Railway Company, held in Wilmington on Saturday, and Co. S. W. Wright, Richard Bradley, I. B. Granger, W. A. Fremont, C. H. Bradley and W. A. Cunningham were appointed Directors. It is understood that the Directors have decided to elect Col. Fremont President, although the election has not yet been held. So say the *Journal*.

A Rockingham Correspondent of the *Wilmington Sentinel* says: There is increased excitement in Leasford in regard to running a small steamer from Madison to Danville. Mr. John Guarratt is the man who proposes to do this, and if any mechanical genius can do it we believe he will. He proposes to have a small engine to pull three boats—each boat carrying ten tons of goods as well as passengers. The boats will have to pull only one boat at a time, the shallow at the time, he has lately visited Richmond to furnish himself with information for the further maturing of his plans.

GENERAL NEWS.

The New York Times sharply denounces the President for appointing Richardson Prentiss to the Treasury, and James Postmaster of New York.

The Democratic Convention of Rhode Island includes among the resolutions adopted, one expressing sympathy with the people of Louisiana under the rule of the "Fiducial Klan."

Disastrous fires are occurring in every part of the Union, creating fears that the freights will be as triumphant in his ravages as he was last year.

The cotton buyers at Newbury have had a meeting for the purpose of revising any regulations of unoccupied men in New York, whose object is to depress the price of cotton. The resolutions were adopted setting forth the fact that much cotton had been bought by the owners of the State for future delivery, an amount in excess of the remainder of the crop now unsold, and that the buyers have it in their power to advance the price within the next thirty days; also appealing to the buyers throughout the State to organize and act in conjunction with this movement, and help defeat the New York combination.

Hon. Alexander H. Stephens in his usual manner is going to the U. S. Congress, has said the Atlanta Sun of which he has been for some time the uncompromising Democratic Editor.

The following result of a trial in a Philadelphia court decided an important question. In the case of David Seall against the Loan Bank, for the recovery of \$30,000 in Government bonds, stolen from a box deposited for safe keeping, when the bank was robbed in 1871, the jury after being out two days, returned a verdict for the plaintiff.

There is iron in twenty-eight counties of Tennessee. Gov. Dix it is stated, has decided not to grant any further reprieve in the case of Foster, and the convict was consequently executed on Friday last.

Warrenton, Va., exempt from taxation for twenty years all capital invested in manufacturing enterprises in that town.

Every business-house in Launenburg, Ky., except a tin shop, has been burned, including the tavern and the bank. Little insurance meetings are being held throughout the State for relief.

The motto of the Good Templar girls of Salem, N. J.: "The lips that touch mine shall never touch mine."

Mr. Kodama, a native Japanese, who studied law in Washington, has been elected to the law's orders by the Baltimore Methodist Conference and admitted to full connection. He soon returns to Japan.

In the recent examination for promotion in the Internal Revenue Bureau, under the civil service rules, one lady obtained a fourth-class clerkship, at \$1,899; another a third-class clerkship, at \$1,900, while ten other persons obtained no promotion.

Some of our Southern friends have been appointed to the office of public printer. The following are the names: Hon. Peter Stuart, Swiss Consular Agent for East Tennessee, has just carried fifty Swiss immigrants to Granby County, each immigrant averaging a capital of \$1,000.