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OUR ENGRAVING

In a representation of North-American Indians offering food to the dead. Some tribes bury their dead in an upright posture, the arms and ornaments of the deceased being inserted with the body, and skins wrapped round it, so that it may not touch the earth. Others place them upon an elevated platform, such as appears in the engraving. They have the idea that the soul continues to hover around the body, and that it has waste which must be supplied. It burners, and food must be deposited at the grave. It suffers from cold, and the poor remain must be wrapped in skins. It is in darkness, and a light must be placed at the head of the grave. If an Indian passes the spot where, either in a grave or on a scaffolding, the body of a relative is placed, and he has provisions with him, he cannot bring himself to pass without offering a portion.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

FLINT, MICHIGAN, MAY 9, 1853.

To the Corresponding Secretary.

DEAR SIR, — I feel it my duty to keep you advised in regard to affairs on the mission in this district. Things are progressing as usual at the older stations. The schools are all in operation, with competent teachers, with one exception. This point is remote, and we have had a native, a young man, teach in the engraving. They have the idea that the soul continues to hover around the body, and that it has waste which must be supplied. It burners, and food must be deposited at the grave. It suffers from cold, and the poor remain must be wrapped in skins. It is in darkness, and a light must be placed at the head of the grave. If an Indian passes the spot where, either in a grave or on a scaffolding, the body of a relative is placed, and he has provisions with him, he cannot bring himself to pass without offering a portion.

DEAR SIR, — Having nearly finished my second year's labour at the St. Regis Indian Mission, I here forward you my annual report.

MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.

NORTH-AMERICAN INDIANS OFFERING FOOD TO THE DEAD.

P. S. The Domestic Mission in this district is proceeding to our most sanguine expectations, under the direction of Rev. George Bradley. We shall want a number more missionaries among the white population another year.

REPORT OF THE DOMESTIC MISSION.—Rev. R. E. King, missionary, writes from Hogansburg, April 25, 1853, to the Corresponding Secretary,—

DEAR SIR,—I have just finished my second year's labour at the St. Regis Indian Mission, and I here forward you my annual report.

This mission has been established nearly five years ago. Under the labours of Rev. J. P. Jennings, the first missionary, a beautiful and convenient parsonage were erected, for the benefit of the society and the missionary. During my two years' labour here, I have made an addition of a kitchen and woodshed to the parsonage—have finished a good horse-shed, of respectable size, and made some other improvements upon the premises.

The society since last fall has been increasing in spirituality and numbers, and a good state of feeling now prevails in our mission. Four accusations have been made to the society this conference year.

This indeed is a small number, as the fruits of a year's toil; but, be assured, it is hard toiling with these Indians, to make converts, and almost every other species of vice. Several professed religion who have not yet joined society, and most of the members are active and faithful.

The society numbers twenty-four. There are a thousand more in this tribe; and I hesitate not to say, that a majority of them, so far as I can judge, give evidence of friendly feelings to us and our religion. I believe better days are in reserve for the St. Regis mission; therefore we will not despise the day of small things, but turn to the duty of small things which need so to be supplied. It burners, and food must be deposited at the grave. It suffers from cold, and the poor remain must be wrapped in skins. It is in darkness, and a light must be placed at the head of the grave. If an Indian passes the spot where, either in a grave or on a scaffolding, the body of a relative is placed, and he has provisions with him, he cannot bring himself to pass without offering a portion.

The mission school is doing well; it numbers thirty scholars: the average number is fifteen. The school has increased in numbers this year.

Another school is very much needed at another point in the mission, about four miles from our present location. Circumstances herefore existing forbade our entering that vicinity, but they are now changed, and we are invited by the Indians not only to go and preach among them, but to set up and continue a school in their midst. I believe if the right instrumentalities are here employed, and the right means properly used, this mission, under God, will rise above the prevailing errors of this age and place, and stand forth as a living embodiment of our holy religion, and a powerful witness of the willingness and ability of our Lord and Saviour to save men from the widening courses of iniquity, and every other sin.

We ask the prayers of the Church of Christ for the St. Regis Indian Mission. Yours, respectfully,

BEPUS B. KING, Indian Missionary.

TREATY WITH THE INDIANS OF THE GREAT PLAINS.—We learn that the venerable and experienced Indian agent for the Upper Platte and Arkansas, Major Thomas Fitzpatrick, has been appointed to hold a council this summer with the wild Indians of the Great Plains bordering on the Arkansas, consisting of the Cunaminges, Pawnees, &c., for the purpose of making a treaty with them, of a character similar to that with the Laramie Indians last year, binding them not to molest the travel through those desolate wastes between our Western frontier and New Mexico, and to obtain their consent to the establishment of necessary military posts along the route. Large promises of provisions and the usual goods and articles will be made them by the agent, the cost of which will be not less than twenty thousand dollars. After having performed this important service, Major Fitzpatrick will proceed to the eastern frontier of Utah and obtain the assent of the Indians, parties to the treaty of Laramie, to the amendments of the Senate thereto—National Intelligencer.

AN INTERESTING CHARACTER.—An Indian was ordained to the work of the ministry by the Baptist Home Missionary Society in Troy last week, who, to attend the Convention, walked one hundred miles on snow-shoes, accompanied by his wife and child.
MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.

MISSIONARY COLLECTION RETURNS.

The following is a specimen of the manner in which the missionary collections should be returned, entered on the Missionary Treasury Book of each circuit and station, and returned to Conference by the presiding elder or agent in charge for the purpose of publication, as provided in the Discipline, Part III, Ch. IV, Sect. 8. This plan represents a printed form which should be in the hands of each Circuit Conference Missionary Society. Under the head Contributors are arranged all independent personal contributions made at the annual meetings, or at any time during the year.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

GLENDALE CIRCUIT.

Contributors.

Collected by Miss Garrett and Miss Law.

A. Friend .................. 30 00
John Jackson ................ 5 00
Mrs. Jackson............... 10 00
Miss Garrett ............... 20 00
Miss Law .................. 10 00
Total ....................... 70 00

GLASSBLOWER CIRCUIT.

Contributors.

Collected by Mr. H. Williams.

J. Owen .......................... 3 00
Jonas, Jr.......................... 75
A Friend .......................... 10 00
In small sums ................... 3 15
Total ....................... 16 25

BECKLEY CIRCUIT.

Contributors.

Collected by Rev. Robert Jordan.

James Harrow .................. 1 30
James Martin .................. 2 00
Miss Harrow .................. 5 00
Mr. Jackson .................. 2 00
A Friend .......................... 2 00
Small sums ......................... 2 00
Total ....................... 12 60

ESSEX DISTRICT.

Contributors.

Collected by Miss Green.

Rev. Thomas Jordan ........... 10 00
John Harrow .................. 2 00
Mrs. Thompson .................. 10 00
Miss Thompson .................. 10 00
Miss Alley .................. 5 00
A Friend .......................... 2 00
Small sums ......................... 9 00
Total ....................... 79 97

AFRICA.

MISSIONARIES.—The statistics of the Liberia Mission Conference show not only an increase of members, but also, notwithstanding death and other causes, an increase in the number of our missionaries.

The Massachusetts Colonization Society has been directly instrumental, the past year, in emancipating seventy-five slaves, and in sending them to Liberia. The Society received more money by subscription the past year than during the year previous.

OHIO.—The coloured citizens of Cleveland, Ohio, are about sending an agent to Liberia, to seek out a home for them, as are also the coloured people of Cleveland.

Pennsylvania.—The Philadelphia Ledger says a party is being formed in Pennsylvania to carry with them to Liberia a steam-engine and saw-mill, and perhaps other machinery, to be located at Monrovia, the capital of the Republic of Liberia. There are now two engineers at work at Batavia, at the distance of eighty miles from Monrovia, and the other, still more distant.

AFRICA. —The Home and Foreign Journal of the Baptist Church says:—

Of the six men desired for the Central African Mission, only four can be considered as likely to go. We need two others. Will they be found? Can the Board secure well-trained, energetic, judicious men to join their company? We have occasion for much prayer to the Lord of the harvest, that the labourers, suitably qualified, may be sent into the harvest. It may also be a subject of inquiry among the Churches, whether the men we need are not among them.

LETTER FROM BISHOP SCOTT.—The Church will read the following letter with great pleasure:—

MONOVIA, March 16, 1853.

To the Corresponding Secretary.

DEAR BISHOP,—With profound gratitude to my Heavenly Father, who has permitted me, though disabled by sickness and unadapted for active toil, yet to continue in the service of the Christian Church, I do not feel that I have been preserved and enabled to accomplish the work I trust satisfactorily, for which I came to this coast. The conference of the Bethania Circuit, held on the 7th instant, at nine A.M., and was closed on the 9th. Our time is so limited, and our paper so restricted, I must first and foremost state, that I visited the city of Monrovia, and I visited Barley, on the St. John's River, and Louisiana and Lexington, on Cape Palms. I spent nearly two weeks, and I have spent, first and last, nearly three at this place. We leave early to-morrow morning for the States. I have suffered a good deal in this beautiful but strange climate, from languor and very attentive. Thirteen brethren, five of whom are local preachers, were ordained deacons—right elders. It was one of the most interesting days of my life, those five, as one great labour to me. I trust it may be seen in the future that our much-cherished missions to these shores have been bountifully blessed by our Master. Yours, very truly, L. SCOTT.

PLAN FOR EDUCATING AND CIVILIZING NATIVE CHILDREN IN LIBERIA, AFRICA.—The Church will have learned, from the preceding letter from Bishop Scott, the Corresponding Secretary, the results of his visit to the Church in Liberia. The plan, mentioned in the letter, for the education and civilization of the native children, was suggested by Bishop Scott, and is embodied in the following resolution:

Resolved. 1. That the plan of establishing schools for native children, in or near native towns, having proved an entire success, be allowed by their parents to remain a sufficient length of time even to learn to read, and properly because of the scarcity of the children to their parents, and of the teachers, and of the masters, and of the friends, and old associates, influences are exerted upon
them constructive of the labours of the teachers, in our judgment that should the efforts of another year
issue in no more favourable results than heretofore, said
plan ought to be abandoned, as involving a useless
expenditure of missionary funds.
Resolved, 2. That, instead of schools established as above, no appropriation be made to each presiding el-
der's district of a sum sufficient to pay the board, at the annual rate, of a number of children, not exceeding
three, to each married preacher in said district, on the follow-
ing conditions:—1. That no child be received under six
or over fourteen years of age. 2. That no child be
received unless the entire control and management of
said child shall be surrendered to the preacher who receives
it, for a period of not less than four years. 3. That the
children so received into the families of the preachers
shall be subject immediately to the discipline of the
habits and customs of civilized society, in dress and every-
thing, as are the children of the clergy. 4. That the
children so taken shall be sent to the day and Sunday
schools we may have established in the neighborhood
of said preacher, that they be care­
cfully instructed at home; and the presiding elder of the
district will be expected to report to the annual confer-
ence the number of children so received in each family,
the care taken of them, together with their progress in
literature, civilization, and Christianity. Lastly, That
when a presiding elder, or a preacher through his pre-
siding elder, shall certify the secular agent that he has
received on the above conditions one or more children,
not exceeding half the number taken.

New-York City.—An impression has been prev-
lent that the coloured population of this city is deterio-
rating in every respect. So far as Church statistics afford
any evidence, there is no cause for alarm, and it is believed
by some of the most intelligent of the clergy, that they are
greatly improving in pecuniary condi-
tion and in responsibility.
The number of Church members has been steadily on
the increase. There are fourteen colored Churches, of the
different denominations, namely: Methodist, seven; Baptist,
two; Episcopal, two; Presbyterian, one; Congrega-
tional, one. All are provided with coloured pas-
tors, excepting the Episcopal. In the Sabbath schools
there are a large number of children; and there are eight
eight schools, mostly under the Public-School system, in
which there were some three thousand coloured children at
last accounts.

The Squadron on the African Station.—We
are informed that the United States steamer Nixen,
now at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, will sail in a short
time for the Coast of Africa, and that any person
wishing to send letters or papers to their friends or relatives
on that station, can do so by forwarding them
to the Naval Lyceum, Navy Yard, New York.

The Pennsylvania Board report in Africa four
missionaries, and six male and female assistant mis-
sionaries, stationed in Liberia, among the Kroo people,
and at Corisco, near the equator. Schools are supported at
several stations, containing about one hundred and fifty
scholars; seven probationers and five teachers are re-
sident in Liberia. The Athletics High School, at Monrovia,
is conducted with efficiency.

South America.

Buenos Ayres, S. A.—The following extracts are
from a report prepared by Rev. D. D. Lovel, who is our
missionary in Buenos Ayres. It was intended by
brother Lovel to be his annual report, according to the
arrangement existing heretofore, he not being appointed
of the change made at the last General Conference with
respect to the conclusion of the missionary year.

When brother Lovel wrote the city was under siege
and in great distress, and had been full of political
and civil commotions for ten months, to the great detri-
tment of the mission, as well as of business. But by
late advice we learn that peace and order are restored,
and we may anticipate the same prosperity as has
heretofore attended our missionary work in Buenos
Ayres. The Government, joined with the Church,
and is addressed to the Corresponding Secretary.

On Thursday evening, the 3d instant, we had not
our usual preparatory sermon, although special notice had
been given of it. This was occasioned by a messenger from
Venezuela, in consequence of the current report that the
besiegers had determined to make a more energetic effort to
enter the city by force and to celebrate the first anniversary
of General Urimítia's victory over General Ressel.

The 3d, however, proved another general effort to enter.
On Friday evening we had a very good attendance at
our love-feast, and a profitable service. Five pro-
tions were received into full fellowship, and one person
by letter from a Congregational Church in Liver-
pool, England. There were several other probationers
admitted to fellowship, but the membership was not al-
ready admitted. During the quarter one has been
removed, and one joined.

On Sabbath morning we had the sacrement of the Lord's Supper, and in the evening the quarterly report was
read.

During our religious services we could not but con-
template the check with the indifference, with the
worn and with the direfied. We were forcibly reminded
of the 46th Psalm:—

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help
in trouble. Therefore will we not fear, though the
earth be removed, and though the mountains be car-
ried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof
be troubled, and though the mountains shake with
the swelling thereof. Then will I teach Judah again
shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of
the tabernacles of the Most High, she shall not be
moved. God shall help her, and that right early."

At the time of our last year's report we had fifty-one
members and twelve probationers. Of these, three
whereby emigration and seven probationers
were dropped; leaving of last year's number, fifty-three.
We have received the present year we proba-
bly have lost of our scholars by election for teachers
or by removals from the schools; by removals from
the country; and in the unsettled state of the country.

We have also lost two of our scholars by death;
Margaret Abbott, aged seventeen years, and Margaret
Wadson, aged nineteen years. Both were young
women dearly and deservedly beloved by their teachers
and schoolmates.

Four of these various causes, our loss during the year
were sixty-nine scholars and six teachers. We have added,
during the same time, fifty-four scholars and six teachers.

Within the last few months there has been quite a
diminished attendance at our school, attributable to the
unrest in the state of the country.

During the year I have married seven couples, baptized
twenty-one children, and buried thirteen persons.

The year has been well prosecuted. The expenses
of the mission have been fully met.

Collection for the American Bible Society... $130 00
Collection for our Sunday School... $82 50
Missionary Society M. E. Church—Donation by
a sister $15 00, by a brother $1 50, sale of
books... $84 50

The missionary collection has been omitted. The
month of January is the appointed time for collect-
the condition of the mission at that time was
sufficient excuse for the omission. Nor has there
been anything in our department to encourage the
present state of warfare and siege continue, it will
fail, seriously embarrasses our finances for the coming
year.

Our Sunday School has forwarded to the Sunday
School Conference of the Missionaries of the
year, the sum of $68 34 silver. This, with the
exemption of three dollars, was contributed by the schol-
ars in the school.
THE ANNUAL REPORT OF REV. L. S. JACOBY, Superintendent of our Foreign German Mission —

DEAR BROTHER DURBEN,—In sending once more the annual report of our Missionary Advocate, we have to protest against the suggestion that we have to prate his kindness and favour toward us personally and to the work in general. As for myself I have always, and as far as I can, been most cordially and most friendly disposed towards Mr. Macalay, the average attendance has been found at the above place.

The Annual Report is a record of the work done during the past year. It includes the report of the Missionary Advocate, a former member of our Board, who has been our agent for the past year. The report contains a review of the work done in all parts of the world, as well as a summary of the financial and statistical information.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, in their missionary organ for the month of April last, hold the following language:—

We have been spared to labour through and recover from the great trials which have come upon our church, and through the grace of God we have been enabled to continue in our work. The time has come when we must consider the future, and we are at a loss what to do. We must either give up the work or find a way to continue it. We are at a loss what to do, and we must either give up the work or find a way to continue it. We must either give up the work or find a way to continue it. We must either give up the work or find a way to continue it.

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CHINA.
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HAMBURG MISSION. C. H. Doering, Missionary.—Brother Doering says, under date of March 23—

... It has been amongst the many wanton and silly innovations of fanaticism to steal upon the hearts of the people in such a manner that they will not see it... I hope, with the help of God, that the missionary and his family will be better in this present year, and we will see the triumphs of the gospel.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN AND WURTEMBERG MISSIONS.—E. Nippert, Missionary.—Brother Nippert writes:—

In Frankfurt I held Friday and Sunday night meetings in the same house on each of three nights, which are visited by sixty to one hundred persons. The singing is done by themselves, and has increased powerfully. Several souls have asked after the Lord, and several of the brethren are striving after it.

PROTESTANTISM ON THE CONTINENT.

AUSTRALIA.—Evangelical ministers, it is said, have not even the right to bear the name of pastor. A Protestant minister cannot make a funeral discourse at the grave. All public worship is forbidden to Protestants, because the laws of Roman Catholicism would be thereby offended.

The Austrian government has decided that such persons as emigrate to America, or elsewhere, must lose their right of citizenship in Austria. It also reserves to itself the power of not again admitting into Austria for a certain time, according to circumstances, such persons as leave it as emigrants. Notice has been sent to the representatives of Austria in foreign countries not to utter the passports of such persons for Austria.

States General of Holland.—Two-fifths of the population are Papists; by the acts of the clergy they aim at the majority at the elections. Dutch Protestants, knowing the impossibility of extinguishing the altars of the Roman Catholicism, of the Reformation. They have resolved not to vote for any but Protestants.

Hungary.—Austrian Protestants have been threatened with imprisonment for reading a prayer-book in the hearing of a Romanist.

Turkey. Churches are reported to be increasing; their simple forms of religious service are much in favour. It is thought by those who have the best means of knowing that Protestantism should be fostered in the East.

Westphalia and Saxony.—In both of these countries persecutions of a serious cast are endured by the Protestants. In the latter State the priests decline the manner of St. Bartholomew's to have been a salutary measure.

ITALY.—The Foreign Missionary contains a letter, dated Dec. 28th, from a well-informed correspondent, a gentleman of the highest standing, which, after acknowledging the condition of the French and Austrian States, gives the following interesting statement:—

The Roman Catholic newspaper, the Armonia, says that we have made some thousands proselytes, and it assumes means of knowing that what is passing in its own Church that we do not possess.

All that we know is that our chapels are filled with Roman Catholics three times on Sunday, and well attended during the week. We have about five or six adult converts, and a large and increasing number of communicants; that the Protestant weekly newspaper and Protestant books circulate freely, that the Bible is sold publicly, that there are few large towns that are not in communication with us, that even in the country the gospel makes progress, and that there is a rising Church in Genoa.

HOLLAND.—The cabinet of this country has been dissolved—the ministry resigning, it is said, on account of the recent attempts of the Pope to re-establish a Roman Catholic hierarchy in Holland. The affair produces immense excitement throughout the country. It is thought by those who have the best means of knowing that there has arisen a rising Church in Genoa.
MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.

MISSIONS TO FOREIGN POPULATIONS.

FRANCE.—The ears from Paris to Havre, 29th April, carried a hundred and fifty-five emigrants to embark at Havre for America.

THE COMING TROUBLED.—Private letters from the Rev. Thomas Carter, the missionary, prove that the work of the mission is progressing with great energy. It is New is likely to prove extraordinary within the coming six months. It is estimated that some two hundred thousand Swedes, and also the great majority of the people of Canada and Ireland, and that this vast army will be increased to so large a number that we shall probably be able to afford support for the work of the mission. The Rev. J. Hedstrom writes from Victoria, Illinois, to the Editor of the North-Western Christian Advocate, have been very kind unto me, and favored the mission very greatly; it was misrepresented and spoken against, not only by the ministers of other Churches, but also by the people who were present. A few of them have turned to the Lord, but we cannot attend to that part of the work without help. Yet your interest which the people take in our work, I will state that last Sabbath afternoon our base.

OPENING OF THE NEW FRENCH CHURCH IN DETROIT.—Rev. Thomas Carter, the missionary, writes from Detroit, April 15, 1853:—

Last Sabbath we entered our new church, which was built on the Rock River, near Oswego, in this State. We visited that place for the first time last winter, and found a great change in the work of the mission. The Lord. Meetings were continued for four days; the Lord poured out his Spirit, and many precious souls were saved for ever. We have continued the work of the mission, and a society has been formed, and a plan is made out for a new work in the neighborhood. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, of this part of the field where we labor, unless you should think differently, and could send us some more help. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, a very zealous agent, was converted, and the work is still continuing. My health is very good, thank the Lord. I have much labor, but still labor on, rejoicing in the prospect of being able to go forward in the work, and give God the praise to our God. May the Lord bless you, sir, and the missionary cause. Yours in Christ Jesus.

S. B. NEWMAN.

NEW ORLEANS IN IOWA.—Brother Peterson gives an account of a meeting which is doing among this countrymen, by the grace of God, in the midst of some trials. In a recent letter he says:—

Awakening.—Thursday evening we had a powerfully convincing time, after preaching and during the prayer-meeting. Eight persons stood up, requesting an interest in our prayers. An enemy brother—Agent, Christian brethren, employed by different religious bodies, all aimed to promote the glory of God and the good of lost men, do sometimes vex and envy each other, whereby they do much hinder the cause they would advance; it should be deeply engraved on the hearts of all, "See that ye fall not out by the way." Brother Peterson speaks of an agent, who, knowing of my appointment to preach, and appointed for a part of the time, and time. Of this brother he further says:—

He does all he can to excite the feelings of the people against us. He has done such things often, and, we often surprised that we have been so many and so much more. The work is well done, and we have a good church. The Rev. Mr. J. Hedstrom was present; he is now pleased with it; he feels the interest which the people take in our work, I will state that last Sabbath afternoon our base.

The same number joined the Church; many of whom, in former days, had greatly withstood our words, and one in particular had written me a very influential letter, but after he had seen the mission, and the good results obtained, he was turned to the Lord. We are, God be thanked, quite well. Otto is very healthy, and has much work to do the balance of the time. The Rev. Mr. J. Hedstrom, of this place, has been in the Rock River Conference. That part of this conference is included in the American mission, and he is still with us. We number about sixty-three persons in the church. Everyone seems pleased with it; and to show the gratitude a short distance from the American camp; here a small camp-ground was fixed for the Swedish congregation; the Rev. Mr. J. Hedstrom was appointed to preach, and a plan was made out for a new church, and a society has been formed, and a plan is made out for a new work in the neighborhood. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, of this part of the field where we labor, unless you should think differently, and could send us some more help. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, a very zealous agent, was converted, and the work is still continuing. My health is very good, thank the Lord. I have much labor, but still labor on, rejoicing in the prospect of being able to go forward in the work, and give God the praise to our God. May the Lord bless you, sir, and the missionary cause. Yours in Christ Jesus.

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J. J. HEDSTROM, Missionary.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Service in Swedish.—Sunday service in Swedish was commenced in the Bethel, at San Francisco, California, in the month of March. Brother Jockeck, an exhorter, and an educated man, discovered to about two hundred of his flock the consciousness of his native tongue. There are a large number of Swedes in the country, and we hope the interesting service will be continued.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF SWEDISH AND NORWEGIAN MISSION.

CHICAGO, Illinois, April 15, 1853.

To the Corresponding Secretary.

Dear Sir,—Believing that it is my duty to inform the Church of the progress and future prospects of the Swedish and Norwegian missions in this place, I take the liberty hereby to say, to the glory and praise of God, that his grace and mercy have been extended to the poor Scandinavians here.

Beginning.—I arrived at this place the first of January last, and found that the most of the Scandinavians, who had joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, under the superintendence of Rev. H. W. Reed, Presiding Elder on the Upper Iowa District, and No. 26 addressed to the Corresponding Secretary:—

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The Rev. H. W. Reed, Presiding Elder of this district, and Rev. J. Clarke, who are members of the Bethel Church, and in addition to this, brother Arnold boarded Rev. J. Hedstrom, who had come to help me. The Lord bless these brethren and their kind families. It is especially due to me to say, that the Rev. Mr. E. T. H. Hedstrom and the Rev. Mr. J. Clarke, of the Clarke-street Church, as well as Rev. J. V. Watson, Editor of the North-Western Christian Advocate, have been most kind and helpful to me in the mission work which I am doing. When Rev. J. Clarke has acted toward me like a father, and I have felt the same towards him. I have been with Rev. J. Hedstrom one week, and labored very much and successfully, and when he left we numbered about sixty-three people in society. These some continue to help in the gospel. Since the departure of brother Hedstrom, which took place the 10th of this month, we have met together morning and evening except Wednesday. We have a weekly prayer-meeting on the afternoon of Wednesday. God has been with us, and we are still with him. We expect to rest in heaven, and the peace of God which passeth all understanding; is our portion. We are, God be thanked, quite well. Otto is very healthy, and has much work to do the balance of the time. The Rev. Mr. J. Hedstrom, of this place, has been in the Rock River Conference. That part of this conference is included in the American mission, and he is still with us.

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JENNY LUND.—Exhibit of a letter written by Jenny Lund to the Swedish Convent at New York, dated Dresden, February 10th:—

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DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

IOWA CONFERENCE.—The Church will feel a deep interest in the progress of our missions in the new empire opening in the North-west. The following report is from Rev. H. W. Reed, Presiding Elder on Upper Iowa District, and is addressed to the Corresponding Secretary:—

I should long since have written a report of the missions on this district, but from various causes have been hindered. I am now for a day at the Wintreberg mission-house, on Yellow River, spending the time at a camp meeting. The Rev. Mr. A. Yane and Mr. Arnold boarded me grade one week each; they are both members of the Bethel Church; and in addition to this, brother Arnold boarded Rev. J. Hedstrom, who had come to help me. The Lord bless these brethren and their kind families. It is especially due to me to say, that the Rev. Mr. E. T. H. Hedstrom and the Rev. Mr. J. Clarke, of the Clarke-street Church, as well as Rev. J. V. Watson, Editor of the North-Western Christian Advocate, have been most kind and helpful to me in the mission work which I am doing. When Rev. J. Clarke has acted toward me like a father, and I have felt the same towards him. I have been with Rev. J. Hedstrom one week, and labored very much and successfully, and when he left we numbered about sixty-three people in society. These some continue to help in the gospel. Since the departure of brother Hedstrom, which took place the 10th of this month, we have met together morning and evening except Wednesday. We have a weekly prayer-meeting on the afternoon of Wednesday. God has been with us, and we are still with him. We expect to rest in heaven, and the peace of God which passeth all understanding; is our portion. We are, God be thanked, quite well. Otto is very healthy, and has much work to do the balance of the time.

I may here remark as to boundaries: they are somewhat like those works that used to be travelled by Garrison. The Rev. Mr. J. Hedstrom was appointed to preach, and a plan was made out for a new church, and a society has been formed, and a plan is made out for a new work in the neighborhood. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, of this part of the field where we labor, unless you should think differently, and could send us some more help. The Rev. J. Hedstrom, a very zealous agent, was converted, and the work is still continuing. My health is very good, thank the Lord. I have much labor, but still labor on, rejoicing in the prospect of being able to go forward in the work, and give God the praise to our God. May the Lord bless you, sir, and the missionary cause. Yours in Christ Jesus.

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thirty-five miles south-west of Dubuque City. It em­braces a part of Jackson and Jones Counties. Canton is a small town on the south fork of Missiquoi River. The mission is a part of what was Cassville Circuit last year. Their prospects are good, and they are making excellent pro­gress; and there is no doubt, but with diligent, proper care, Canton will be quite an interesting field of labours. We are affiliated, that on almost every subject we are embarrased, but especially, 1st, for want of men to fill the offices, 2nd, for want of materials to supply the wants of our churches, 3rd, for want of Sabbath-school books, to supply destitute and poor schools. Perhaps you are not aware, that for de­fendants to don their robes and take their places in court, we can only get the avails of the small pittance col­lected for the mission, back to the new and comparatively poor Northwesters Conference. So it is; and what we cannot do, we shall have to let others do in our stead. Yours, H. W. Bexx.

G O O D  S T E W A R D S H I P .

A WESTERN CHURCH.—The Chicago (Illinois) Sec­ond Presbyterian Church has contributed to benevolent objects for the year 1852—

| Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church | $800 00 |
| American and Foreign Christian Union | $119 00 |

The subscriptions made at the annual concert of prayer on Missionary Day, October 18, were as follows:

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A ME R I C A N  T R A C T  S O C I E T Y .—The Tract Society has been organized for the purpose of endowing the Union Theological Seminary with a sum of one hundred thousand dollars, has met with the approbation of liberal subscriptions, and in the past year, the amount of one hundred thousand dollars has been secured.

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MISSIONARY ADVOCATE.

Anniversary of the New-York Young Men's Christian Association.—The first annual meeting of this society was held at the Reformed Dutch Church in the Treasurers' Room, December 1, 1852. It appears, that the receipts thus far have amounted to $2,509.90. Balance in the treasury, $91,771.

Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.—During the past year, 3 ordained ministers, 10 ordained mission agents, 3 teachers, 6 female teachers, and 5 others, wives of missionaries, in all 29, have been presented to the society, and assistant missionaries have been sent to different fields. It is with much regret, however, that the death of two highly valued men is reported; Rev.vd. Vanderslice and Mr. Cooper, of the missions in China—both of them men of great promise, whose removal is one of the mysteries of an all-wise Providence.

It is stated in their report, that, with a diminished collecting agency, the receipts of the Board have been, from all sources, over $8,000 in advance of the receipts of last year. The sum of $14,222.83 is acknowledged in the treasurer's report. The expenditures have been slightly less than the receipts.

The Baptist American and Foreign Bible Society held its anniversary at Albany. The total receipts for the past year amounted to $44,215.28, and the dissbursements $40,498.30. The foreign appropriations amounted to $23,872.

A. M. S. L. has sent in their yearly reports in due season. In the annual report, from which it appeared that 157 schools, consisting of 1,203 Churches, and about 76,000 members.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the society was held at Edinburgh. Nearly 200 gentlemen in Edinburgh agreed to ascertain the resignation of Hon. Robert M'Clelland, appointed for the style of their composition. Of ten other daily papers, the total circulation in 1850 was 4,201,840, representing 278,740 reams, each, the duty upon which would amount to above $100,000. 40 weekly newspapers, not including those issuing less than 2,000 numbers weekly, showed a circulation in 1850 was 2,043,174, giving an average of $47,910 issued, and 566 pages of paper composed by each; and assuming the weight per ream to be 500 lbs., only 20,000 copies in a newspaper, a supply of the daily would be equivalent to $3,600 per annum.

The Baptist Missionary Union.—The Board of Directors reported, for the year ending 31st of March, 1853, $51,470.56. The total amount of disbursements to $45,230. The foreign appropriations of this Society were over $80,000; their expenditure for missionary labour at home and abroad; for salaries, clerk-hire, postage and incidental expenses, amounted to $69,602.84, which has been expended in sums ranging from $2 to $10,000.

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The treasurer's report shows, that the amount received, of this Society, from regular sources, were over $91,771. of which the value of two pence a pound, will amount to 20,000, and a half a crown, to £62,500.

City Mission.—While we talk of the absorbing desire of gain so common in cities, and of the outrages of mankind, where women and children smoke a tobacco, and where the article is, moreover, unregulated, the case of "The Times" is entirely different. It is stated that the "Times" conveyed the quantity of this American weed, of which the value, at two pence a pound, will amount to $40,000 in aid of the University. The donations of the newspapers, and known only to giver and receiver, which would swell the amount of our city's charities to many millions every year. Let this be borne in mind, as some set-off to our many misdeeds and disappointments—Independent.

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