



take into the account our frail, and overruling destiny, the character of which depends on our present predominant choice and our prevailing habits and pursuits—for,

Man is the maker of immortal fates. We should forever renounce all self-dependence. "If we call on the Father, who, without respect of persons, judgeth according to every man's work," we should "pass the time of our sojourning here in fear," a duty which is enforced upon us both by the character of the being on whom we call—our final and impartial Judge, and by our own needy, helpless, and dangerous circumstances, which are acknowledged by our calling upon him. Let it be our daily care, in the exercise of faith and humility, to confide in his paternal keeping; believing that we shall eventually realize the truth of the declaration, that "happy is the man that feareth always."

Rev. Mag.

#### Extracts from *Journal on the Death of the Righteous*.

##### HIS REVIEW OF THE PAST.

This is what the review of the past affords to a faithful soul, of the world's trial. Sufferings, afflictions, which have endured his trials, and which are now to be eternally rewarded. The time of dangers and temptations past; the temptations by the world upon his faith at that time; the trials in which his innocence was so many trials, in his temptations; the temptations by which his virtue was so nearly brought to the point of being recovered; the continual combats which he had to sustain against his passions, at last ended; and every affliction which flesh and blood had placed in the way of his duty, by ever multiplied. How sweet it is, when safely arrived in port, to recall the remembrance of past dangers and temptations. When, in the review, how pleasant to extract, in imagination, our exertions, and to review those parts of the course most distinguished by the trials, the obstacles, and the difficulties which have rendered them celebrated.

The righteous man appears then, to me, like another Moses, gazing on the holy mountain, where the Lord had marked out to him his grave, who before he expired, looking down from that sacred place, and casting his eyes over the extent of country, the nations and kingdoms he had traversed, and now lay behind him, reviews in imagination, the numberless dangers he had escaped; his battles with so many conquered nations; the fatigues of the desert; the plagues of Midian; the murmurs and calamities of his brethren; the rocks split in pieces; the dangers of Egypt avoided; the waters of the Red Sea passed through; hunger, thirst, and weariness struggled against; and, at length, last to a happy term of so many labors, and viewing from that high country promised to his fathers, he sings a song of thanksgiving and praise to God; God, transported with joy, both at the prospect of so many dangers avoided, and at the prospect of that place of rest, which the Lord shows him from afar, and looks upon the holy mountain, where he is to expire, as the reward of his trials, and the happy term of his journey.

#### LIMERICK:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1828.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE AT SANDWICH. On the 21st, pursuant to appointment delegates from different parts of the Connexion assembled at the Centre meeting-house in Sandwich, N. H. The throne of grace was addressed by Eld. John Buzzell, after which the Conference organized and proceeded to business. The minutes of this meeting will be published as soon as received from the Clerk. There was a representation in this Conference from all parts of the Connexion. As similar circumstance has not before happened, since the organization of Yearly meetings in New-York, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The weather, during the session of Conference, was extremely pleasant, and every occurring circumstance rendered the opportunity highly delightful. After the adjournment of the first day, the business of Conference was conducted at a commodious school-house, while meetings of public worship were occasionally attended at the meeting-house.

We did not have opportunity during the sitting of Conference to attend a single meeting of worship, but we were informed that meetings were attended at Sandwich on Thursday 21st P. M. Eld. Eliza Hatchings preached at the meeting-house. In the evening at the same house Eld. Arthur Caveno spoke to the people. Friday P. M. Eld. Samuel Robbins preached, and Eld. Joseph White in the evening. Saturday Eld. Abner Bridges preached in the A. M. and Eld. Nathaniel Bowles in the P. M. and Eld. David Moody in the evening. Friday evening Eld. Eliza Hatchings also preached at Dea. Hinson's, and Eld. David Marks, Jr. at the North meeting-house.

Sunday, meetings of public worship were attended at the Centre and North meeting-houses. At these meetings all the preachers were present, excepting a few, who had given out appointments in neighboring towns on their way home. At a request of the church in Sandwich a discourse was delivered at each of the meeting-houses adapted to the solemn occasion of the death of Eld. Thomas Jackson, who had died a few weeks previously in Sheffield, Vt. he having been the faithful pastor for a considerable period. At the Centre meeting-house Eld.

White delivered a discourse suited to the occasion from the expressions of the Psalmist: "Help, Lord, for the godly man ceaseth, and the faithful fail from among the children of men." In the afternoon, at the same house, Eld. Marks preached, and in the evening Eld. John Buzzell. Through the day it was a weeping, solemn, and we believe a profitable season.

At the North meeting-house, the funeral discourse was delivered by Eld. Caveno from the expression, "Jesus wept." In the afternoon Eld. Robbins preached. We were informed that it was also an agreeable time at that house, and it appeared that good was done. Finally it seemed that these meetings would prove a blessing to the people of Sandwich. The business of the Conference closed Saturday evening, when a short, but pathetic address was pronounced by Eld. King, the moderator. The members had enjoyed an agreeable interview. A favorable opportunity for strangers to become acquainted had been presented. The societies of christian connection had been strengthened, and much union and fellowship had been manifested. But the parting hour arrived, and each bade the other an affectionate farewell, sensible that they would not all meet again on earth, yet each seemed to indulge the hope, that all would meet at length in a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

We feel under deep obligations to our brethren and friends in Sandwich for the excellent accommodations which were rendered to the Conference. Convenient boarding houses were amply furnished with all that was necessary for the comfort and convenience of the members. Every expression of civility and good will was exhibited. One circumstance we think particularly deserves to be mentioned, and is worthy of imitation in every section of country. While the tables of our boarding houses were amply furnished with every variety, which a rich soil and good husbandry are calculated to produce, not a single drop of ardent spirit, or wine, was seen (by us, and we heard many members make the same remark, when speaking in commendation of the course) during our stay in Sandwich. With this method of treatment, it is presumed the Conference was happily gratified. In conclusion we have the pleasure to state that we saw the cause of religion revive in some of the boarding houses, before we took our leave, and we do sincerely hope and pray that God will graciously reward those people for their abundant labors of love, and most gloriously revive his work in Sandwich.

#### PARSONS' QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Oct. term of this Q. M. was held at the Meeting House of Eld. James Emery in Limington on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Eld. James Sawyer acted as Moderator. Several of the reports from the churches were of an encouraging nature, while others were of a different aspect. The following churches have been, and some of them still are favored with some refreshing from the presence of the Lord, viz: Wells, Waterborough, Shapleigh, Wakefield, Porter, (several have lately been added to this church, the fruits of a revival which is still progressing.) Limerick, (2 added since the last Q. M.) Biddleford, (now favored with a revival) Limington, (reformation now in progress) The churches in Wells and Hiram are in need of preaching. No reports were received from several of the churches belonging to the Q. M. at this term. (It is hoped that they will pay more attention to this in future.)

The following resolves were passed, viz:

1st. That it be recommended to the clerks of the respective churches to be more particular in future to make out their reports to the Q. M.'s, giving the number of members in good standing, the number added since the preceding Q. M. as also the number died, dismissed or rejected.

2d. That Elders Sawyer and Stevens visit and preach in Hiram previous to the next Q. M. Likewise, that Eld. Fry preach in Newfield and Sebago within the same time.

3d. That the next term of the Q. M. be held at the North meeting-house in Limington.

Eld. Leach preached a discourse in the afternoon of the first day from 2 Cor. 1: 20. In the forenoon of the second day Eld. David Marks from New-York, delivered a discourse from 1 Tim. ii. 4. In the afternoon Eld. A. Bridges of Wales, delivered a discourse from Luke xvi. 25. The preaching was awakening, convincing and powerful, and followed by several warm and refreshing exhortations.

The New-Hampshire Yearly Meeting is appointed to be held in New-Hampshire, on the second Saturday in June next.

Enigma.—In No. 21, Vol. 2, of the Star, first page of that paper, 2d col. 2d line from the top—For "in question," read "beyond a question."

Eld. Herman Jenkins is appointed Agent for the Star.

#### For the Morning Star.

##### EXETER QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Sept. term of this Q. M. was held in Harmony on the 15th and 16th ult. A large number of preachers, brethren, and sisters having assembled at the meeting, (where was also been prepared for the accommodation of the people, the weather being pleasant, and the scenery beautiful) the meeting was opened by singing and prayer. The meeting was then organized by choosing Eld. Nathaniel Harvey, moderator, and E. W. Bradford, assistant clerk. Information from the several churches was then received, by letters and messengers, which gave a favorable report from the churches generally. Some have experienced good revivals, and the Spirit of the Lord appears to be at work in most of the churches in this Q. M. A church has been organized in Massfield and another in Coquina and Dexter since the last Q. M. and have been received into fellowship. During the last year 200 members have been added to this Q. M. We rejoice and are glad that the "north has given up, and the south has kept not back." In the afternoon the time was well spent; many short sermons were made by the brethren and sisters, and we believe that the spirit of the Lord was with us at the close of our Saturday meeting. Prayer meetings were held in the evening in different places. On the Sabbath, the people assembled at an early hour. The meeting was opened by Eld. Page of Garland, who delivered a very feeling discourse to a large assembly of people from Revelation xii. 17. "And the Spirit and the bride cry aloud, saying, 'Come.' It is with grateful feelings to that God who has promised where two or three have met in his name, there he will be in the midst of them, that I state that we had a refreshing time from the presence of the Lord, and I trust that many concluded to come and partake of that living water that flows from the city of our God. After Eld. Page concluded his discourse, Eld. Nathaniel Harvey of Atkinson, delivered a very appropriate discourse from the words, "Go preach." The congregation paid good attention, and appeared to be deeply impressed with the necessity of their being born again. In the afternoon Eld. Samuel Hutchins of New-Portland delivered a discourse, and I think at the close of the meeting, many could say, "It was good for us to be here." Evening meetings were also held in the evening of this day, and I understand that some found the Lord to the joy of their souls.

It was agreed to hold the next Q. M. at Sebec, commencing the second Saturday in January next.

Elders' Conference voted that Wm. Knowles, formerly a member of this Q. M. be no longer considered a church (he having withdrawn from us) and that the same be made public through the medium of the Star.

ABRAHAM BRAM, Clerk.

"If the Lord will, I shall preach at the following places on the days mentioned."

10th month, 1828.  
22d day at night, Sandwich, N. H.  
23d day, at 2 o'clock, P. M. New-Hampshire.  
24th, 10 o'clock, A. M. Andover.  
26th, 10 o'clock, A. M. Andover.  
27th, 10 o'clock, A. M. Andover.  
28th, do. Litchfield, Vt.  
29th, do. Litchfield, Vt.  
30th, do. Litchfield, Vt.  
11th month, 1828.  
2d day, 10 o'clock, P. M. Sutton, Vt.  
3d, candlelight, Wheelock.  
4th, do. Danville Green.  
5th, do. Tipton.  
6th, do. Corinth.  
7th, do. Tunbridge.  
8th, half past 9 o'clock, A. M. Randolph.  
9th, do. Randolph.

Limerick, Oct. 22d of 10th month, 1828.

The public are hereby informed that Daniel Bacheiler, formerly a member of the church of Christ at a predecessor of the gospel at Corinth, Vt. now resident of the town of Coventry, N. H. or recently since, is no longer considered in regular standing with us, neither as a member of the church, nor as a revival of Christ upon the gospel, he having sustained the charge against him, unanswered, of immoral conduct.

Done at the annual Conference of Stratford Q. M. at Corinth, Vt. Aug. 24, 1828.  
NATHANIEL KING, Moderator.  
JOHN HILLIARD, Clerk.

#### SUMMARY OF REVIVALS.

In South Hadley, Mass. a work of grace "commenced" (says the Hampshire Sentinel) about two weeks since, under the labor of one or two young gentlemen connected with the Wesleyan Academy at Wilbraham. It has been powerful in the factory in that town, and is extending through the village and vicinity. A similar work is also in progress in Westbury, N. Y. New-York city there has recently been an unusual degree of attention to religion, principally among the Methodists. In Greenville, Oswego Co. N. Y. a powerful revival has been effected in a Sabbath school; in consequence of which, more than 60 have been received into different churches. In Barr, Albany Co. a very considerable number are thought to have become subjects of renewing grace. In Florida, also, 30 persons have recently united with the reformers in Dutch church, who were, till within a year, strangers to the power of religion. In Buckingham Co. Va. meetings have been numerously attended and apparently richly blessed. In other counties in Virginia, particularly Prince Edward, Charlotte and Cumberland, and likewise several other counties in N. Carolina, a spirit of serious inquiry is prevailing, and many are anxiously seeking the way of salvation. The first Presbyterian church in Cincinnati, have been added, since the conference of the 1st of June, 1828, 345 persons. A writer in the (Richmond) Religious Herald, states that there have been very extensive revivals in Kentucky, and says, "Elders Vandewater, Noel and Warden have baptized not less than two thou-

sand persons, besides what others have done." In Crawfordsville, Ind. there has been a "growing concern" for many months past; Christians have been aroused to fervent prayer and faithful exhortation; and the result, by the blessing of God, has been the addition of 33 persons to the church of which Rev. James Thompson is pastor, and the deep anxiety of about as many more. Several other places in the vicinity of Crawfordsville have been visited with the outpouring of the Spirit.

Thus, it appears, the power of God has been exerted in various parts of the country, in "delivering sinners from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the sons of God." Christians, it is believed, are too much in the habit of contrasting their views, instead of expanding them, till they embrace the whole human family. The conversion of sinners in our own immediate neighborhood excites our gratitude and zeal, while good news from a far country, of souls saved and the waste places of Zion rebuilt, comes to us too frequently like a strange sound, without awakening in us, any new emotion of thankfulness, or impelling us to any new efforts in the cause of Christ. But it ought not so to be. The church is one, and all its parts are members one of another, and whether it experiences the smiles of heaven in the villages of New-England or in the plantations of the Southern states; whether the shores of divine grace descend upon our own families, or upon the inhabitants of the Western wilderness, we should rejoice with joy unexpressed in view of the glory of God, and so far from with increased ardor in the work he has assigned us to do.—New-Hamp. Obs.

Revivals of religion in the United States have attracted the attention of christians in England, and have occasioned the earnest inquiry—"Why is it that we have no such seasons, or nothing from the presence of the Lord, among us?" Mr. Donn, is now in New-York, collecting accounts of revivals which have occurred in the country, with the intention of publishing a work on the subject in England for the information and benefit of christians there.—Id.

New Paper.—We have received the first number of the Gospel Balance, a new weekly paper, published in Boston by Messrs. Jones and Williston. The design of it seems to be, to inculcate the doctrines held by that class of christians called Methodists, in their original simplicity and purity. The Methodists of New-England, it would appear, even so recent a period, at least a misfortune that Zion's Herald has been removed to New-York, and is there published under a different name, and in some respects, with a different character. The Balance is intended, we infer from the first number, to be more polemical than was the Herald, or than the Advocate now is; and to stand out prominently in view of the public, as an Anti-Universalist, Anti-Unitarian, and Anti-Calvinist.

#### PRESENT STATE OF THE JEWS.

An article on this subject by Peter Beer, of Leipzig, is ably noticed in the last number of the Quarterly Review. Peter commences thus: "I look upon that people (the Jews) with astonishment and reverence, they are living proofs of facts most ancient and most interesting to mankind. Wherever we have a Jew on the surface of the globe, there we see a living testimony and we are conscious that the present time with the beginning of all time." So says Bishop Watson, expressing what most every heart has the sentiment of a rational christian. But there are many circumstances which concur to render the condition of the ancient people of God a subject of more than ordinary interest at the present time. Their actual numbers in various countries are not great, but their religious notions—numbers, however, probably greater than those over which Solomon reigned. Yet so essentially are they one people, we might almost say one family; and so dispositive in their wealth, as mainly vested in money transactions, that they must be considered as an aggregate, and not in their individual portions. The reviewer, alluding to the general state of the Jewish people, and to the harsh treatment they have occasionally received in different nations, says, "Hillel, in Prussia Saxony, the seat of an university, was also that of the Calenberg Institution, the first formed with a view to convey the gospel to the Jews. The next attempt made by any body of men to communicate the knowledge of the Gospel to the Hebrews, was that of the London Society for promoting Christianity amongst the Jews."—It has been for many years a religious society of the Church of England exclusively. Its revenues arise from voluntary contributions, and were last year between fourteen and fifteen thousand pounds. The Berlin Society receives strong countenance and support from his Prussian Majesty and his government; one of his Aides-de-camp General is its president, and in the service of the State are members of its Committee. The Rabbis, their spiritual guides and rulers, have moreover most powerful worldly motives for endeavoring to check the progress of the Gospel, which they do by burning books and the New Testament, whenever they get the opportunity, and by preventing activity, and by harassing Jews who are inclined to turn their attention to Christianity—miracles, by curses and imprecations, of which they have long possessed a fearful stock. But whilst it is right to state the difficulties and obstacles to the attempt to diffuse the gospel amongst the Jews, so as to prevent unreasonable expectations, the parents of disappointment, the one thing, on the other, is to state the Jews' discouragement, it should be added, that there exists among them some spirit of inquiry, and a disposition and desire to hear new things which are decidedly favorable to that attempt.



