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THERE IS NO RESTRAINT TO
THE LORD TO SAVE BY MANY
OR BY FEW.

BY REV. A. R. BRADBURY A. M.

There is no limit to God's power,
His love a roaring thundering shower.

When falls a mighty rain;
It often aids a righteous few,
Distilling like a gentle dew,
Upon the greatest grain.

God loves to show his mighty arm,
And to defend the weak from harm,
And keep them near his side,
If they will only seek his face,
And his compassions all embrace,
And in his love confide.

But when, from him, they turn away,
And never will his laws obey,
They'll feel his wrathful rod;
But when they mourn with inward grief,
And seek from him, his sure relief,
They'll find a gracious God.

Why will men turn to vicious ways?
And spend in sin their earthly days?
When Jesus is so near;
He blesses them, though they are
fear,
And keeps them from the rebel
crew,
And from all dangerous fear.

ELEVEN TALKS TO YOUNG
WOMEN.

BY REV. SMITH BAKER.

THE YOUNG WOMAN A FRIEND.
There is nothing more beautiful
or honorable than the virtuous love of a
young woman. It is as natural to her
as the fragrance of a rose. It should
be honored. He is a villain who trifles
with it. Friendship-making with
regard to marriage is one of the most
important periods in life; it weaves
the garments of destiny. Marriage is
as solemn as death, but is generally
approached with lightness, thought-
lessness and even recklessness, as
nothing else, and hence so many
marriages are sad, miserable failures;
so many lives are full of sorrow, and
so many divorces are decreed. The
solution of the divorce question is in
the prevention of improper friendships
more than in prevention of separation.
Reason, not impulse, must govern
young people in the formation of their
engagements. The fearful vortex into
which so many honest young women
are drawn, and by which they are
brought into a living death, begins in
unguarded friendships, continues in
false ideas of love, and is culminated
in unreasonable unions.

1. Do not think a single life is a
failure. No life is a failure which is
pure and useful; no life is unhappy
which is unselfish. There are hun-
dreds of young wives who wish they
were free from the wretched bondage
of a husband whom they love, but do
not respect; for love adds to their bur-
den. The more your love is disap-
pointed, the more miserable you are.
Never marry for the sake of being
married. Never marry unless you can
better your condition. There are
hundreds of noble, useful, happy, free,
single women who, in purse, brain,
heart, and all that makes life worth
living, are many times better off than
some of their married sisters.

2. Respect yourself, your woman-
hood, your character, your name. The
more a young woman respects herself,
the more she will command respect.
Enthroned yourself as a queen whose
hand and heart are worth all any man
can give; for unless you respect your-
self, no young man will long respect
you; and unless he respects you, he
will not honor you, and unless he hon-
ors you, he will soon love some one
else more than he loves you.

3. Never marry merely for love.
Never marry without love. But the
sentiment of love alone is no sufficient

basis for a life-long union. Love can
not live upon love alone. An old fa-
ther, when he first drank a glass of so-
da, said that it was like a great many
courtships—"sweetened wind." Re-
member that the flattering visits of
friendship are quite different from the
real work of life. Never think that
"love goes where it is sent," and that
you can not help loving. Know that
your affections are under your control;
that you can not withhold them; that
they are the richest gift of your life.
Do not throw them away. Keep them
locked in the chambers of your heart
until God sends some one worthy of
them.

4. Form no intimate friendship
with a man you do not greatly respect.
No matter how attentive or polished
or cultivated or amiable or even good
he may be, unless you respect him,
can in some way look up to him, ad-
mire him, unless he is in some sense
your superior, never marry him. I do
not mean that he should be educated
or great, but he must be manly and
noble; or, other matter how much you
love him, you will not be happy with
him. A woman can not for much time
enjoy life with a man she is ashamed of.
Such a one reminds you of "Whittier's
Maud Muller."

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest of these, 'It might have
been!'"

Among the saddest duties that min-
isters are called to perform, is to marry
a bright, clear-brained, warm-heart-
ed, energetic young woman to a dull,
coarse, low-minded, small-hearted
man. We had rather bury her. It is
a kind of missionary work that no
young woman is called to do. Unless
you can find some one whose good
name, whose honest character, and
whose ability and manhood, you re-
spect, then be contented to be a sister
of mercy to all humanity.

5. Before accepting the special
friendship of any young man, seek the
advice of some wise older person—
your mother or some one you would
trust as a mother. You do not know
the young man who seeks your hand
any more than he knows you. You
both deceive each other. You see him
in his best dress, his best manners, his
best speech, expressing his best ideas.
Every young man is a gentleman in
the society of the young woman whose
love he desires. You say that you
"have known him for months or a year
and he has told you his plans"; but
you do not know anything of his real
character or of his disposition. I do
not mean that all young men are dis-
honest, but the more dishonest a young
man is, the more honest he will seem.
No young man's word is to be trusted
at such a time. The more you love
him the less you know about him.
Therefore find out how he stands
among men for uprightness, what kind
of a son and brother he is. Be sure
that his record is clean, that men hon-
or him.

6. Form no intimate friendship
with an indolent man, a fop, one who
has prepared, or is preparing, for no
business. Wait for the young man
who is always going to do something,
but never does it, until he does it.
The young man who has no business
has no business with a wife. Marry
no man to support. If he is past thir-
ty-five, and has nothing ahead, let him
remain single; for such a one, as a
rule, is either a spendthrift, or "defi-
cient." Single independence is better
than double poverty. I do not mean
that you should marry to be supported,
but do not marry a man who can not,
or will not, support you; for a man
who can not lack brains; and he who
will not, lacks heart; you want neither.
When a man can and is willing, then
it is no one's business if you support
him.

7. Do not marry a man destitute of
ambition. By ambition, I do not
mean one who is seeking riches, great-
ness, or display, or is seeking to live
in fine style; but one who is not con-
tented to remain as he is—a young
man who wants to be somebody and
takes an interest in good and public
things. There are multitudes of young

men who are very religious for a year
or six months before marriage, who
will go to church three times each
Sunday and twice during the week,
and to all the sociables, but about
three months after marriage their re-
ligiousness ceases. Marry a man who
will be a companion for you after
marriage as well as before—who will
lead you, help you in all good things.

8. Marry a man who has the spirit
self-denial. That is the best test of a
young man's love. He may be will-
ing to go with you to places of recrea-
tion, or to spend his money for pleas-
ure-riding because he has selfish en-
joyment in your society, and his atten-
tion at such times does not prove his
affection. The important question is,
how much is he willing to give, or sac-
rifice what he enjoys, to please you?
He asks you to give up your name
and your home for his. How much
will he give up to please you? For
instance, there is a habit of wine-
drinking—a little harmless habit, as
he thinks, and he laughs at your fears
—but it is not the question of harm or
no harm, but of self-denial to please
you. If he loves you one half as much
as he pretends to, and will not give up
his drink habit for your pleasure, then
he is not fit to be the husband of any
woman; for be sure that he who
has not self-denial enough for that be-
fore marriage will make a tyrant of a
husband after marriage. If you can
not refrain him when he is seeking
you, you can not after he is sure of
you. Such a man is selfish. No sen-
sible young woman will marry a young
man who drinks intoxicants any more
than any sensible young man would
marry a young woman who had com-
menced to eat opium. One is as
senseless as the other. There is too
much peril in it. Thousands of young
women have thus gone into a life of
misery, tears and a living death.
If he will not give up his cups to
please you, then withhold your heart
from him. Test his love by his self-
denial.

9. Lastly, give yourself in friend-
ship to him who sympathizes with you
in all your higher nature, who will
help you in the life heavenward. Let
there be not only the sentiment of love,
but something for love to grow upon.
Does he enjoy the society you enjoy?
Does he love the kind of thoughts you
love? Does he sympathize with you
in your religion? Or will you, though
married, be alone in these things?
Not when social life, mental life, or
spiritual life are in harmony, then love
is no transient dream, no vapor of the
morning, but it grows deeper and
stronger and sweeter as the years pass
away, and it becomes a type of the
eternal love of Christ and his children.
If a young man is pure, temperate,
honest, industrious, manly, and you
can respect him, and if he sympathizes
with you in all good things, and you
love him, then no matter how humble
his circumstances, it is safe to secure
his friendship, and Christ will come to
your marriage, as he did of old, and
your life will be a perpetual unguing
of hearts in joy and hope.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, January 26, 1886.

I saw "the Queen of the Lobby"
the other day. I've read about her
in novels, in stories of Washington
life, and in the letters of correspon-
dents who write fanciful lines; but
although I've been around the capitol
for a dozen years or so I never
saw the lady before. While I was
sitting in the marble room of the
Senate a bridal couple came in un-
der the escort of a guide. He de-
scribed the room to them, told the
story of its construction, pointed
out Senator Logan and Senator
Hapton, who were receiving constitu-
ents, and then in a melo-dramatic
whisper exclaimed:

"Do you see that fine-looking
and richly-dressed lady over there,
with the paper in her hand and a
bunch of roses in her bosom? That's

the Queen of the lobby! You've
read all about her, of course. She's
got more influence in Washington
than the President himself. Con-
gress will do anything she wants.
She secures legislation for railway
companies, gets big claims through
Congress, and is in all the big steals.
She lives in a fine house in the
north part of the city, gives
big dinner parties to Senators and
Congressmen, plays poker with
them, and gets her schemes through
in that way. She gets bigger fees
than any lawyer in Washington."

"How much?" gasped the awe-
stricken bride.
"There's no telling; but she
won't touch a thing for less than a
thousand dollars, and I suppose she
often gets as much as fifty thousand
dollars. She's paralyzed the old
man there; see how she works him!
He can't resist that smile; I sup-
pose that paper she has in her hand
is some big railroad subsidy, and
it's pretty certain she's got him to
support it."

The couple looked with all their
eyes. The handsome temptress they
had read so much about was right
before them—the woman whose
business is to juggle with legislation
and give smiles for votes. The
bride didn't overlook a wrinkle in
her dress, and the groom was im-
pressed more than by anything he
saw before or after in Washington.
The mental photograph they will
carry home with them will be that of
the president of the Home for Desti-
tute Colored Women asking Senator
Mojill, of Vermont, to introduce a
bill exempt that institution from
taxation.

It is surprising how many things
happen in Washington that the
newspapers do not get hold of. As
an instance of this I may mention
that army and navy people have
been gossiping for a week at a lively
rate over the fact that a retired offi-
cer of the Navy was elected to rep-
resent that branch of the service at
the first state dinner at the White
House. Of course Admiral Porter
was first invited, and he being too
sick to attend Vice Admiral McRo-
wan was the proper person to have
filled his place. At any rate, no re-
tired officer was officially eligible
for this invitation so long as there
was anybody, even a naval cadet,
on the active list who could accept
it. The Army officers are inclined
to make little fun at the expense of
their brethren of the Navy over the
fact that an officer whose active
service long since ceased should
have been called upon to represent
it upon this occasion.

The office of comptroller of the
currency is a sort of kindergarten
bank presidents. In resigning his
official duties to enter into banking
Mr. Cannon is only following the
example of those of his predecessors
and he has only had four. While
his resignation embarrasses the
President, Mr. Cannon can scarcely
be blamed for leaving a position
which is always a target for political
attack, and whose tenure rests upon
the will of a President with whom
he is not in political sympathy for a
permanent, independent place; or
for leaving a \$5,000 salary for one
of \$15,000, with plenty of opportu-
nities, to make money out side. The
comptroller of the currency is pro-
hibited from holding an interest in
any business; he is simply tied down
to his salary, and the Government
cannot expect to keep a good man in
this place for that pay. One who is
capable of filling this position can
get a larger salary in any sort of
private business, and a cheap man is
not wanted. There are plenty of
candidates for Mr. Cannon's shoes,
but I understand that none of them
are considered quite up to the re-
quired standard, and that the Presi-

dent has directed a search for an-
other \$15,000 man to fill this \$5,000
place.

I see by the "Confessional Direc-
tory" that the Senatorial windmill
from Nebraska has forgotten the
day of his birth. His autobiography
reads: Charles H. Van Wyck, of Ne-
braska City, was born at Poughkeepsie,
N. Y., on the—day of No-
vember, 1824. Two of the Senators
do not give their ages—Logan and
Spoonner. Logan is 60 in the shade,
and there is a rumor that Spoonner
is the youngest man in the Senate.
Kenna was born in 1848 and if any
one knows when Spoonner came into
the world he can answer this coun-
drum.

CATHARINE LAKE.

There are many places of interest
in our State, comparatively un-
known, which if otherwise, would
gain universal celebrity for their
natural beauty and attraction. This
sheet of water 60 acres in area is
situated in Onslow County and the
following lines were written through
inspiration of its charms by a friend:
Fair lake, upon whose bosom calm
The drowsy sunshine loves to dwell,
Far from the busy world's alarm,
I tread the shores I love so well!

How fresh at morn, at eve how
bright!
How tranquil neath the noon day's
gleam!
And through the silent watch of
night
How fairy like thy beauties seem!

Upon thy breast the lillies bloom,
Along thy banks the song birds sing
And o'er thy peaceful waters come
The wandering night winds mur-
muring.

The night birds song, the sighing
wind
Such weird supremacy maintain,
That brooding sorrow here might
find
Harmonious presence—thy domain.

Along thy shores, like watchers
grim,
The whispering pine trees weirdly
cast
Their shadows to the waters brim
To dim the moon-lit wavelet's crest.

The owl's loud call from out the
wood
Unbroken silence now relieves—
The grey moss sways in troubled
mood
And chilling night airs stir the
leaves.

The day now breaks, the patridge
cries,
The white mists roll in clouds away,
And brighter grow the eastern skies—
Londer the sounds of opening day.

Lit with the glow of new born day,
Resplendent now thy glories shine,
Spirits of gladness seem to play,
Along thy shores of clustering vine.

'Tis evening now and gentler mood
Enfolds thee in a holy peace,
Like last looks of the past and good
Ere rebel nature's struggles cease.

Fair lake upon whose bosom calm
The snowy lillies sleep away,
My heart returns with feelings
warm
Unto a distant vanished day.

I minds me of a cherished form
And ah! her memory shall endure,
Whose blush was like the roses
bloom—

Whose heart was like the lillies pure!
Back from the mute bushied past
there seems
To come through yonder sun set
sky,
Faint murmurs from a land of
dreams
My spirit sees in its ecstasy!

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We left home Thursday last to
visit the Union Meeting of the Eastern
District to convene at White
Hill, Beaufort Co. and arrived at
Mr. R. Bergeron's late in the after-
noon and spent Thursday night,
Friday night, and Saturday night
with him and his good wife. There
was a small delegation Friday, but
the neighbors turned out which
made quite a respectable congrega-
tion. We acted as clerk. We left for
home Sunday morning contemplating
to publish the proceedings in this
issue, but after traveling about
four miles we had forgotten our
valise and proceedings. The session
was a harmonious one; love and un-
ion prevailed. The crowd was quite
a large one Saturday, and we had
the pleasure of meeting and shaking
hands with numbers of our good
brethren. At the close of Confer-
ence, a collection was taken up for
the benefit of the "FREE WILL BAP-
TIST" paper and received eight dol-
lars. We arrived home late Sun-
day afternoon and found all well for
which we return thanks to the Lord.

FROM BRITISH CHATEL.

ELD. HEARN—I did not think of
writing until after our Quarterly
Meeting but I saw in our paper of
January 13th that some man has
falsified our church and spoke
contemptible of us which hurt my
feelings at first, but I thought of the
words "Tret not thyself of evil
doers." We are told "he that lives
Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer
persecutions." I would like to know
his or her name and I would then
know better how to reply; I cannot
think that name is on our church
book. Our elders and deacons, live
as near up to the duty in the
church as any man I know of,
and I defy any one to bring a charge
against their deportment. I do not
say that every name on our list
over one hundred names are per-
fect or what they ought to be; for
there are black sheep in every flock
but if there is one, we know not of
him. I wrote some time ago that
peace and harmony prevailed in our
church and I say so now. Who is
that peevish, contemptible person
that wrote to you? I want to know.
Yours in Christ.

R. T. PATTERSON.

For the FREE WILL BAPTIST. A Short Sermon.

BY REV. A. R. BRADBURY, A. M.

I. Sam. xiv. 6. There is no re-
straint to the Lord to save by many
or by few.

There is no restriction or limitation
to the Lord to save by many or by
few. The whole verse reads: And
Jonathan said to the young man that
bare his armor, Come and let us go
over unto the garrison of these uncir-
cumcised; it may be that the Lord
will work for us; for there is no re-
straint to the Lord to save by many or
by few.

And his armor bearer said unto
him: Do all that is in thine heart:
turn thee: behold I am with thee ac-
cording to thy heart.

Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will
pass over unto these men, and we will
recover ourselves unto them.

They say thus unto us, Tarry, un-
til we come to you; then we will stand
still in our place, and will not go up
to them.

But if they say thus Come up unto
us; then we will go up: for the Lord
hath delivered them into our hand:
and this shall be a sign unto us. And
both of them discovered themselves
unto the garrison of the Philistines;
and the Philistines said, Behold, the
Hebrews come forth out of the holes
where they had hid themselves.

And the men of the garrison an-
swered Jonathan and his armor bearer
and said, Come up to us, and we will
show you a thing. And Jonathan
said unto his armor bearer Come up
after me; for the Lord hath delivered
them into the hand of Israel. And
Jonathan climbed up upon his hands
and upon his feet, and his armor bear-
er after him, and they fell before Jo-
nathan; and his armor bearer slew af-
ter him. And that first slaughter,
which Jonathan and his armor bearer
made was about twenty men, within
as it were an half acre of land.

And there was a trembling in the
host, in the field and among all the
people: the garrison and the spoilers,
they also trembled, and the earth
quaked; so it was a very great trem-
bling. And the watchman of Saul in
Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and be-
hold the multitude melted away, and
they went on beating down one another.

And Saul and all the people that
were with him assembled themselves,
and they came to the battle; and be-
hold every man's sword was against
his fellow, and there was a very great
discomfiture.

Yes Jonathan and his armor bearer
verified the truthfulness of Jonathan's
words in my text, for they went alone
into the garrison of the uncircumcised,
routed them with an immense slaugh-
ter, for the hosts of the Philistines
bewildered fought against each other
and slew each other by the thousands.

In proof of the truthfulness of our

text let us refer to the Bible and cite

a few instances.

Let us examine the case of Noah.

Jehovah commanded him to build an

ark to save his family and multitudes

of creatures. In obedience to this

command Noah for long weary years

toiled to build the ark in the dimen-

sions and in every other way accord-

ing to God's directions. He was all

alone. He toiled all alone for scores

of years and finished the work. Then

the creatures entered the ark.

And the Lord said unto Noah:

Come thou and all thy house into the

ark; for thee have I seen righteous be-

fore me in this generation. They en-

tered, God shut the door. They

were safe. No water could enter.

Then the Lord opened the windows of

heaven, poured down the waters in

abundance; and broke up the fountains

of the great deep; in other words rolled

the great oceans over the continents,

until every living creature on the sur-

face of the globe was drowned. God

everthrew these creatures, and saved

Noah and his family, because

Noah did as he was commanded.

There is no restraint to the Lord to

save by many or by few.

Let us, My Hearers, look at the case

of Joseph, the pious son of Jacob.

His brothers through envy sold him to

be carried into Egypt to be sold as a

slave. But God was with him. By

the wickedness of the wife of his own

er, he was cast into prison. By his

wisdom in interpreting the dreams of

his fellow prisoner he was liberated to

tell king Pharaoh the meaning of his

dreams. He explained the meaning

of God's assistance, which brought

him in power next to the king. He

rode in the second chariot of state

with a gold chain around his neck.
A mighty elevation from a prisoner in
jail to the second office in that vast
empire of immense wealth.

God showed the king by his dreams
that there would be seven years of
great plenty and then seven years of
an immense famine, not only in Egypt
but far off in the Holy Land, where
Jacob and his eleven sons lived.

Pharaoh made Joseph overseer in
laying up the abundance of eatables
in the seven plentiful years. He fill-
ed every thing full and made many,
very many new barns and granaries.
All were crowded to overflowing.

Then came the seven years of fam-
ine. It spread far and wide. Canaan,
Jacob's residence and home felt it.
The brothers felt it. Through the en-
treathes of the father, who had heard,
there was plenty of food in Egypt. Jo-
seph's brothers went down to Egypt
to buy grain. Joseph knew them, but

he did not let them know it. He
played a few artless tricks upon them.
The second time he made himself
known to their great confusion. Jo-
seph sent them back with some food
and carriages to bring down his and
their father Jacob. It was a joyful
meeting. They clasped each other
round the neck and wept a long time.

God assisted Joseph to interpret the
dreams and to lay up food to save the
great nations of Egyptians alive and
Jacob's large family of seventy-five
persons also. And Joseph, the pris-
oner, the son of Jacob did it all.

For there is no restraint, no limit to
the Lord to save by many or by few.

And the Lord said unto Joshua he
I have given into thine hand Jericho,
and the king thereof, and the mighty
men of valor. And ye shall compass
the city, all ye men of war, and go
round about the city once. Thus shall
thou do six days. And seven priests
shall bear before the ark seven trumpets
of rams' horns; and the seventh
day ye shall compass the city seven
times, and the priests shall blow with
the trumpets. And when they shall
make a long blast with the rams' horn,
and when ye hear the sound of the
trumpet, all the people shall shout
with a great shout; and the wall of
the city shall fall down flat, and the
people shall ascend upon every man
straight before him.

And Joshua, and the priests, and
the men of war did as they were com-
manded and here we have the results
as recorded by Joshua.

So the people shouted, when the
priests blew with the trumpet; and it
came to pass, when the people heard
the sound of the trumpet and they
shouted with a great shout that the
wall fell down flat so that the people
went up into the city, every man
straight before him, and they took the
city; and utterly destroyed all that
was in the city. Thus God destroyed
the city of Jericho by the hand of
Joshua with a few priests.

For there is no restraint to the Lord
to save by many or by few. We can
not place any limit to the power of the
Lord.

So Joshua by a stratagem of placing
five thousand men in ambush easily
took the city of Ai. For he set the
battle in array opposite the five thou-
sand men, so when the king of the
city marshalled his hosts and came
out of the city and attacked Joshua
and his men they fell before them,
while the king and his warriors or sol-
diers pursued them in great haste and
left their city. Then the ambush of
five thousand men came up and took
the city and burned it up and destroy-
ed it. For there is no restraint to the
Lord to save by many or by few. When
God directs, if his directions are fol-
lowed success is absolutely certain. There can be no fail-
ure.

The Bible relates the wondrous suc-
cess of Joshua in the twelfth chapter
of his book in subduing the kings of
Canaan and ends the chapter with
these remarkable words: The king
of Heshbon, one: all the kings thirty
and one.

Thus Joshua by Divine aid in his
short life subdued and conquered thirty-
one kings, who possessed the Holy
Land.

Soon after the death of Joshua the
children of Israel fell into grievous
idolatry and angered the Lord greatly;
wherefore he holds them into the hands
of the king of Mesopotamia, who af-
flicted them with many and deep bur-
dens. And when they had served him
eight years God raised up for them
Othniel, the son of Kenaz, Ba-
leb's younger brother. For they cried
unto the Lord and he repented of their
idolatry. God poured his spirit on
Othniel and he went out to war and

fought against the king and delivered
God's people out of his hands. And
Israel had, forty years rest and peace
throughout all her borders. And Oth-
niel, the son of Kenaz died.

And the children of Israel did evil
again in the sight of the Lord: and
the Lord strengthened Eglon, the
king of Moab against Israel, because
they had done evil in the sight of the
Lord. And he gathered unto him the
children of Ammon and Amalek, and
went and smote Israel and possessed
the city of palm trees. So the chil-
dren of Israel served Eglon, the king of
Moab eighteen years. But when they
cried unto the Lord, the Lord raised

them up a deliverer, Ehud, the son of
Gera, a Benjamite, who carried a
large present to the king of Moab from
the hands of the children of Israel.
Eglon the king was resting in his sum-
mer house. Ehud says I have a secret
message unto thee O king. The king
ordered all to depart from his palace.

Then Ehud stepped forward to give
him the great present the king arising.
Ehud drew a large sharp dagger and
struck it into the king's abdomen and
he fell down dead. Ehud locked the
doors after him and Eglon's waiters
came to the doors and found them
locked. They said the king is resting
and so they let him alone for several
hours.

During these hours Ehud escaped,
and it came to pass when he was come
that he blew the trumpet in the moun-
tain of Ephraim; and the children of
Israel went down with him from the
mount and he before them. And he
said unto them: Follow me: for the
Lord hath delivered your enemies the
Moabites into your hand. And they
went down after him and took their
fords of Jordan toward Moab, and
suffered not a man to passover. And
they slew of Moab at that time about
ten thousand men all lusty and all
men of valor; and there escaped not a
man. So Moab was subdued that day
under the hand of Israel. And the
land had rest four-score years. For
there is no restraint or limit to the
Lord to save by many or by few. His
hands and arms are almighty.

And after him was Shamgar, the
son of Anath, who slew of the Philis-
tines six hundred men with an ox
goad, and he also delivered Israel.

For there is no restraint or limit to
the Lord to save by many or by few.

And the children of Israel again did
evil in the sight of the Lord, when
Ehud was dead. And the Lord sold
them into the hand of Jabin king of
Canaan, that resided in Hazor, the
captain of whose host was Sisero
which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gen-
tiles. And the children of Israel cried
unto the Lord; for he had nine hun-
dred chariots of iron; and twenty years
he mightily oppressed the children of
Israel.

And God directed Barak the son of
Abinoam to take ten thousand men of
the children of Naphtali and of the
children of Zebulun and ascend mount
Tabor.

And they showed Sisero that Barak
the son of Abinoam was gone up to
mount Tabor. And Sisero gathered
together all his chariots, even nine
hundred chariots of iron and all the
people, that were with him from Ha-
rosheth of the Gentiles unto the river
of Hishon.

And the Lord discomfited Sisero
and all his chariots and all his host
with the edge of the sword before Ba-
rak. So that Sisero lighted down off
his chariot and fled away on his feet.
But Barak pursued after the chariots
and after the host unto Harosheth of
the Gentiles; and all the host of Sisero
fell upon the edge of the sword; and
there was not a man left.

For there is no restraint, or limita-
tion of power to the Lord to save
by many or by few. How can one chase
a thousand and two put ten thousand
to flight.

Deborah the prophetess composed a
victorious song recorded in the fifth
chapter of Judges which she and Ba-
rak sang with great delight praising
God for the great deliverance he had
given his people the children of Israel.
And it is probable it became a tri-
umphant song for the nation to sing in
after years.

And the children of Israel did evil
in the sight of the Lord; and the Lord
delivered them into the hand of Midian
seven years. And the hand of
Midian prevailed against Israel; and
because of the Midianites, the chil-
dren of Israel made them the dens,
which are in the mountains and caves
and strong holds.

The Midianites and the Amalekites
came up with their cattle, and their
tent, and they came as grasshoppers

for multitude: for both they and their
camels were without number. And
they entered into the land to destroy
it.

And it came to pass, when the chil-
dren of Israel cried unto the Lord, be-
cause of the Midianites; that the Lord
sent them a prophet who rehearsed
God's dealings to them from the time
they suffered so much in Egypt; how
God delivered them from cruel bond-
age, parted for them the Red sea, and
the river Jordan, and brought them
safe into the Holy Land. He had
spoken to them by Moses and Joshua,
but they had not hearkened to his
voice. Therefore God had permitted
their old enemies to enter the land
with unnumbered hosts to destroy ev-
ery green thing, grasses, and grains;
thus to perish them for their sins.

Then all the Midianites and the
Amalekites, and the children of the
east were gathered together, and went
over, and pitched in the valley of Jez-
reel. But the Spirit of the Lord came
upon Gideon and he blew a trumpet:
and Abiezer was gathered after him.
And he soon gathered an army of
thirty-two thousand. God said to
him Israel will vaunt themselves of
their might should they conquer their
multitudinous enemies. Therefore
make proclamation that various classes
of the soldiers may go home and
not go to battle. Gideon did so. And
twenty-two thousand men went home.
What an army of cowards! Twenty
two thousand men turned their backs
on their inveterate foes and fled home!
Now there were left ten thousand men
ready for battle. God tells Gideon
there are too many now. They will
boast when they get the victory.
Gideon reduced them to three hun-
dred. Now God was ready to give
them the victory.

Gideon divided them into three
companies of one hundred men in each
company; gave each a trumpet, a
pitcher and a lamp: ordered them to
cry the sword of the Lord and of Gid-
eon. Their lamps being lighted and
inside their pitcher as they started
to attack the army at the fourth
watch in the night, they came upon
them suddenly when their enemies
were sleeping. Gideon broke his
pitcher, when suddenly the three hun-
dred did the same, and shouted the
sword of the Lord and of Gideon;
when the Midianites the Amalekites
and the innumerable hosts of the east
fell in dismay fighting and killing each
other, till nearly all were destroyed.
Thus God gave Gideon and his three
hundred men a triumphant victory.
For there is no restraint to the Lord
to save by many or by few.

Thus My Dear Hearers, you see
how the Holy Bible illustrates my
text. And I have by no means ex-
hausted the Bible examples where God
has given a glorious victory to a few.
O may we be encouraged by such ex-
amples to study the Bible and serve
God faithfully for Jesus Christ's sake.
Amen and Amen.

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NEW BERN, N. C., FEB. 3, 1886

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Office of the Free-Will Baptist is on Pollock corner of Spring Streets.

LOCAL ITEMS.

February.
Spring is most here.
Eggs down to fourteen cents.
Bro. L. J. Potter spent one night with us last week.
Let us have the proceedings of the Unions.
Paris has an association that helps drunkards home at night.
Little Greece seems to be the Ireland of Southern Europe.
Now is the time to purchase winter goods at cost.
Another cold wave in the North west.

Farmers are making slow progress in their work.
Do you ask God to help you through the day?

Mr. Rudolph Duffy, from Catharine Lake, Ouslow County, spent a few days in town last week.

Bro. T. J. Sawyer was in town last week and spent one night with us.

The Evangelical work should now be pushed forward to its utmost capacity.

A Chicago church set an example of plain speaking when it recently censured one of its members for general cantankerousness.

The Free Will Baptist, printing at New Bern, has entered its sixth year. It deserves much success.—Pamlico Enterprise.

Elder D. Davis informs us that all his hymn books are sold and that brethren need not send for any more until there are more printed.

The New Bern weekly Journal is a thirty-six column paper. It reflects credit upon the city of New Bern, and deserves the patronage of every citizen.

The business failures reported in New York Jan. 29, for the United States were 252, and for Canada 37, a total of 289, against 329 last week and 332 the week previous.

Queen Victoria accepted the resignations of Lord Salisbury and his cabinet. Lord Salisbury returned to London this evening Jan. 29, from Osborne.

Leinster Duffy will move into his new Drug Store this week and will be out in next issue, in a new "ad" telling the people where to get drugs and how to save money. Look out!

Society in the Samoan Islands is growing distressingly conventional. A law has been established lately forbidding senators to appear naked at any session under penalty of \$100 for each appearance.

London, Jan. 28.—A despatch to the Times from Constantinople says there was a rumor current there that a skirmish between the Greeks and Turks had taken place at Glavova, on the frontier of Epirus.

London, Jan. 23.—Then Queen has summoned the Marquis of Salisbury to confer with her at Osborne. He will dine with her majesty this evening and be her guest until to-morrow, when he will return to London.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 28.—The opera house block at Franklin, Pa., was burned this morning. The loss is about \$95,000; insurance \$55,000. Eleven business establishments, a magnificent lodge room and a number of apartments occupied by families were burned.

It is reported that the Mormons are thinking of buying a tract of land of one million acres in extent in one of the Sandwich islands, and emigrating there in a body. A small Mormon settlement is located there already. The proposed movement would be of very large proportions, but would not be more difficult than previous emigrations of the fanatical members of the Mormon faith. The sale of their Utah possessions would doubtless furnish the necessary funds.

Our neighbor The Free Will Baptist, has entered upon its sixth year. It is a credit to that denomination of Christians and should receive hearty support from them.—NEW BERN JOURNAL.

The N. C. board of pharmacy will meet in Raleigh Tuesday, February 9th, for the purpose of examining such candidates for license to pharmacy as may appear before it. Those interested will take due notice. Any further information will be given on addressing the secretary, William Simpson, at Raleigh.

Rev. Edward Bull, called to see us Tuesday last and presented us with a nice box of honey, just as the bees made it. Mr. Bull has given bee culture a great deal of attention and it will repay those who have a colony of bees to get Mr. Bull to learn them his skillful art of arranging those boxes.

Secretary Whitney wishes it to be understood that he is not the high official at Washington credited with purchasing from a Cincinnati diamond dealer a \$40,000 necklace, and he tells a reporter that he has not bought for his wife a necklace worth forty, twenty, ten, five or two thousand dollars.

Cotton opened in New York, January 28th for futures steadily but quiet at Wednesday's closing. At the opening call February sold at 9.11a.10, March 9.21, April 9.32, May 9.43, June 9.52, July 9.62, August 9.71, September 9.50. After the opening call the market became firmer, and at noon showed 2 to 3 points higher than yesterday.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28.—The war department to-day received official information from Gen. Crook of the death of Capt. Emmet Crawford, of the Third Cavalry, at the hands of Mexicans in Mexico and of the probable surrender of the renegade Apaches. Official reports confirm the details as given in press dispatches last night and to-day.

Gov. Swineford, of Alaska, reports that miners are making from \$20 to \$30 a day on the Yukon. Stewart, Copper, Tannanah and other rivers, of course by placer mining. Of permanent mining plants established there is but one, that of Douglas Island, which is turning out gold bullion at the rate of \$100,000 per month. Gov. Swineford states that there are 20,000,000 tons of quartz rock tributary to this mill. The world wants a new gold supply. Perhaps Alaska may furnish it.

The colored people of Hempstead Texas, on January 29, were thrown into great excitement over a report which has just come in of a whole family of negroes being poisoned at Howth station. The circumstances are as follows: A family of negroes, of whom one Morris Johnson is the head, were poisoned Saturday by eating the flesh of a stolen hog which had been dosed with strychnine. The hog owner, to trap the thief who was evidently appropriating his porkers, administered to some of the fattest a dose of poison. The result above mentioned ensued. Bill Harris and Henry Clay, two guests of Morris Johnson, and Johnson's step-daughter have died and several of the family are in a critical condition.

AN EXPENSIVE OVERCOAT.

Boston Transcript.
What is undoubtedly the most expensive coat sold in this city is one made by Edward Kakas, furrier, at No. 404 Washington street, for a Boston gentleman. Value of the coat is said to be \$4,000, though it is declared that the coat could not be duplicated for a much larger sum. It contains sixty-nine Russian sable skins of the finest quality, and as \$70 is considered a fair market price for a skin of the quality of these, it is apparent that the overcoat would have been more expensive if the furs had come through the usual channels of the Russian government. But Mr. Kakas was fortunate in securing a choice lot of skins from a dealer who was not under the control of the Russian government. Overcoat, which is quite large, is of the finest German cas-

tor, the body and sleeves being lined with sable, while a broad collar and deep cuffs of this costly material give a rich finish to the garment. Although so warm that the wearer would not feel the most intense cold, the overcoat is much lighter than an ordinary ulster.

THOU SHALT SURELY DIE

A correspondent asks for an explanation of the threatening, "Thou shalt surely die."

It is plain that it could not read "Thou shalt surely be annihilated," for the New Testament, the key that unlocks the Old, sets death before us both as a transition from this life to another, and as a state of heart, the present moral state of the sinner. It shows the "dead" to be "alive," that "all live unto God," that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob "is a God of the living," that Moses and Elijah, though dead a thousand years, appeared on the Mount and talked with Christ, "that Christ tasted death for every man" but not that he was annihilated. An annihilated Christ! It also speaks of the "dead in sins," and declares that "to be carnally minded is death."

Again, the meaning of the threatening is not exhausted by limiting it to the cessation of physical life on the earth. For death in this sense had reigned for ages prior to man over the vegetable and animal kingdoms, and physically, sinless man was no more exempt from decay than the lower orders of creatures. Unless miraculously preserved these material organs must, from their nature, in time wear out. Science shows that though sin impaired it did not fundamentally alter the physical constitution of man, and hence, from the first moment of creation it was "appointed unto man," sinless or not, "once to die."

The meaning of this threatening, viewed from the context, and especially from the Testament about sin and death, seems to be this: (1) "Thou shalt die a physical death converted by sin from a translation into a curse, bondage and dread," for "the sting of death is sin," and had man kept his native innocence, leaving this life for another would doubtless have been as pleasant to him as was the translation of Enoch and Elijah to them.—Also (2), "Thou shalt die a spiritual death," a death peculiar to man as a moral being "made in the image of God." Death must be the opposite of life; and life, as Christ uses the word, means a state of love, peace and union with God. The believer, by grace, "is passed from death into life," although he has not at all escaped physical death. What death then has he escaped? That characterized by Paul when he says, "to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace." Here one moral state is called death, another moral state is called life. All men now know only too well that sin is followed at once by guilt, shame and darkness, by unrest, anxiety and hiding from God. This effect of sinning, to the sinless pair Eden, was something inconceivable. Threatened as part of the penalty for sin, it was known to be something terrible indeed; experienced after eating forbidden fruit, it was found to be a state well deserving the name of death.

In short, then, the words, "In the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die," mean, not "Thou shalt be, or be made liable to be annihilated," not "Thou shalt be, or be made liable to be, cut off from the earth," but "Thou shalt die the death of one alienated from God, the source of man's inmost life, and of one condemned to a physical dissolution made fearful, repellant and penal."

Hence the work of redemption by contrast is, as the Scriptures say, to "unite the dead in sin to God again and so secure to them life in the soul, and to 'deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.'"

Any body can catch cold now. The trouble is to let go, like the man who caught the bear. We advise our readers to keep a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup handy.

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TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

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No. 42, No. 48,
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Leave Weldon 12:15 a. m. 12:15 p. m.

Ar. Rocky Mount 1:26 3:33 p. m.

Arrive Tarboro 4:55 p. m.

Leave Tarboro 11:30 p. m.

Leave Weldon 1:56 a. m. 6:54 p. m.

Arrive Goldsboro 2:40 4:54 p. m.

Leave Warsaw 5:54

Leave Bangaw 4:40

Arrive Wilmington 5:20 7:50 p. m.

No. 40, Daily.

Leave Weldon 5:31 p. m.

Leave Wilson 6:54 p. m.

Arrive Goldsboro 7:38 p. m.

Arrive Wilmington 7:56 p. m.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

No. 45, No. 47,
Daily

Leave Wilmington 2:10 a. m. 8:45 p. m.

Leave Bangaw 2:57 9:50 a. m.

Leave Warsaw 10:35 a. m.

Arrive Goldsboro 10:57 a. m. 12:15 p. m.

Leave Wilson 5:51 a. m. 12:15 p. m.

Arrive Rocky Mt. 6:22 a. m. 12:29 p. m.

Arrive Tarboro 11:30 a. m. 5:55 p. m.

Leave Tarboro 11:30 a. m.

Arrive Weldon 7:30 12:15 a. m.

No. 43, Daily.

Leave Wilmington 8:40 p. m.

Leave Bangaw

