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TN a recent letter from New York G. W. N. says:

I will give you one or two ideas that Mr. Noyes has presented to-day. One is, that Christ in order to win his sweet-heart, the Jewish nation, is obliged to save the whole world. It is like the case of the man in the parable who found a treasure hid in a field, and who to get it went and sold all that he had and bought not the mere place where it was hid but the whole field. The Jews rejected Christ and would not look at him, and in order to get at their heart he must show his power and glory around them on such a scale as to gain the whole world.—The other point was, that the common idea of God that he is such an overpowering mighty being as to have every thing his own way must be corrected and we must rather conceive of him as the meekest being, one who knows patience and self-limitation and sweet acquiescence to what is inevitable in his circumstances.

Letters from Charles Cragin and Elizabeth Hutchins were received yesterday. They write in a good spirit. Charles seems to be more and more impressed with the providential aspect of the opening there, and thinks we have found the right place to learn the silk-business.

Another thaw is in successful progress to-day. A light rain having fallen during the night, accompanied by a south wind, a dispensation of slush prevails under foot. This is another of the sudden changes of the winter. A few days ago the mercury was below zero, 16 degrees below up the valley, at Hamilton.

We have frequent calls from visitors this winter, especially of late. They are mostly persons of intelligence and come in a spirit of inquiry. There is a feeling in the Community that we shall have a larger number of this class of visitors this year than ever before.

Mr. W. A. Brown of Higginsville, died on Wednesday last. Mr. Conant and Mr. Newhouse went to his house yesterday for the purpose of seeing him, but found him dead and buried.

The following communication to the family from Mrs. Knowles was read Saturday evening:

DEAR MR. HAMILTON:—I am thankful for your invitation to visit Oneida, and for the kind feelings manifest towards me since I came. I feel a strong desire to give myself up unreservedly to the Community to be guided by them in all things. I have been drifted here and there and suffered much by the enemy of all truth. I now feel like asking help of the Church and believe they can help me out of trouble. I want to be cleansed from my old life and be what God would have me, and come up in newness of life and be a faithful soldier of

the Lord. I hope all will be free to criticise or advise me when they feel an inspiration to do so.

I confess Christ's resurrection life in my body and spirit.

D. W. Knowles.

In the conversation last evening respecting the providential manner in which the way is opening for us into the silk business, Mr. Hamilton remarked, "I was thinking of the silk-business and of our business in general, how that it is taking a cleaner shape than ever before. Our business may be said to have commenced with the trap-business; but that and the silk-business were for a long while under a worldly spirit and administration. I trace the starting of our business on a new basis, and under the direction of faith in God's guiding providence, to the building of the factory at Willow Place. In buying that place and building the factory we followed Mr. Noyes's advice. He was the leader, and the measure was decided upon during the absence of the person most likely to oppose it, and who represented the spirit of the world in our business. It was by Mr. Noyes's advice that we were induced to put up the wing of the factory, now used for the mach-ineshop and destined to accommodate the silk-business.

"In this way things have been working until now we have our business more under the guidance of inspiration than ever before. I feel good heart that we can now go to work with the idea that it is the Lord's business we are called to—that we have got our job from him.

We can all now have the consciosness that we are at work for the Lord. The Lord controls the seasons and the elements, and if we are about his business we need feel no anxiety as to the result. Let us all, from this day, say we are at work for the Lord. If we are at work for him our pay is certain, there is no failure about him—he is A. No. 1.

"I do not see through—do not yet see where we are going to get the capital to pay for all the machinery and meet all the expenses of starting and stocking the business we have entered upon, but I expect it is sure to come in some way, and I am not going to worry about it. I am going to live by the day and without anxiety.

"We have now five good businesses from the Lord, through Mr. Noyes. First, we have the trap-business, and then we have the bag-business, the silk-business, the fruit-business, and the store enterprise."

At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Hamilton said: "Perhaps there are a good many who would like to say a word to show that they offer themselves to the Lord and dedicate themselves anew to his work. All who feel like making a new offering of themselves to the Lord, and saying to themselves, to each other, to the angels and the heavens above us, Henceforth we are the Lords servants, will please rise." The whole family rose to their feet.

We shall print no Journal to-morrow.