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BUSINESS MEETING.

J. Conant said that the weekly ironing was a very laborious and costly operation. Considerable money is paid out every week for the ironing, probably five times as much as for the washing. Those connected with that department are anxious that a mangle or some other apparatus should be procured that will do the work rapidly and well. Mr. Burnham proposed to enquire at Troy and Saratoga, when he goes there, to find what apparatus is employed in the collar laundries and hotels. Mr. Burnham, Mr. E. H. Hamilton and H. Allen were appointed committee to investigate and report as soon as possible.

Mr. Hatch reported that those who have charge of the furniture, found it difficult to get a supply, without buying, and furniture is now very costly. He thought a man might be hired to make what bedsteads, stands, bureaus, &c., we may need. A man might be employed half the time at this business. Messrs. Hatch, A. Burt and D. Kelley were appointed committee.

Mr. Woolworth said he had received a letter from Mr. Leander Wilcox, in which he proposes to come and work for us, and board his daughters, who are now in our employ. He is a shoemaker by trade, but

is a universal genius, a good mechanic, and would perhaps prefer some other business to shoemaking. It was thought Mr. W. might take that tenant-house near the Trap-shop, which has lately been fitted up, and work in the shop. Referred to the Trap-shop committee.

A good letter from J. W. Towner was received yesterday, from which we have room only to make a few extracts.

"Some time has elapsed since I have written to any one of you, but my eyes are turned toward you continually, and my heart yearns for you with increasing warmth and tenderness. We, meaning myself and family, are enjoying a good degree of health and contentment, and are striving to enter in at the 'straight gate' of unselfishness and love to God and man. Pray for us that we may not be of those who strive and shall not be able. * * *

"We have thought much and have anticipated fondly the possibility of our becoming fit to come into closer union with you, to become, perhaps, members of some one of the families of the O. C.; yet now as ever, we feel willing to wait, and obediently to watch and pray for the full in coming of the kingdom into our hearts and lives, as it shall please our Lord and Saviour. * * * * *

"But upon one point let me acknowledge just now to feeling deep solicitude. Our oldest boy, Arthur,

now sixteen, and rapidly developing into manhood is the source of the anxiety to which I refer. Generally teachable, obedient and well disposed, he is yet easily influenced by his surroundings, and I find myself unable as at present situated, to do by him, and for him, what he needs. In the first place, I am unable to give him proper and adequate employment. He inclines to mechanics, wants to learn to work in iron, to build machinery, &c. I can not get him a place to work and learn any trade of this kind, without an apprenticeship for a term of years, and this would separate him from me to such an extent that I shrink from such a course. Besides, in a city like this, spite of all precaution, he is often exposed to various pernicious and corrupting influences and associations &c. How often for his sake I have wished we were with you—that even he were.” * * *

Miss Nun handed in a note, which was read in meeting last night, in which she exposed some of the difficulties and temptations that have troubled her of late, and invited the criticism or advice of the family. She was so sincere in her expose of the workings of evil spirits upon her, that but little was said in addition. Mr. Cragin remarked, in speaking of her case, that the spirit that sought place and distinction directly, was sure to defeat its own end. God has a place for every one of us, and is educating us to fill it. Some one remarked that the way to seek honor, was to be ambitious to serve.

Mr. Hatch, H. R. Perry and some others told of their temptations, and with the rest Mr. Perkins said *he* was tempted greatly to do all he could to serve the cause; Mr. Woolworth replied that he hoped he would not try to resist that temptation, but persevere. The meeting closed with an old song "The Pilot," by H. W. B.

WILLOW-PLACE.—Charles Cragin returned Thursday, from a trip to New-York and Paterson, which he made for the purpose of visiting silk-manufactories and buying silk. He learned nothing of importance, however, about silk-machinery, as that of the silk-manufacturers at Paterson, was decidedly inferior to our own.—He bought a bale of silk containing one hundred and seven pounds, at \$11.87½ per pound.

Mr. Bolles and his little charge came Saturday. The joy of the smallest children at seeing Maud was unbounded, and their manner of expressing it was an interesting sight.

Over 100 acres of our grass have been mown. Thirty-six loads of hay were put into the barn last Saturday, a large day's work.

W. G. Kelly and Victor start on a peddling trip together, this morning.

Mr. Noyes and H. C. Noyes left Saturday noon for New-York.