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English Baptist Periodicals, 1790-1865

THE following bibliography¹ lists in chronological order all the periodicals which are known to have been produced between 1790 and 1865 by English Baptists chiefly for the members of their own denomination. Two further lists are appended; the first contains titles of periodicals whose careers are uncertain, since no extant copies have been traced, and the second gives brief details of periodicals with strong Baptist connections. The date 1790 is that of the opening number of the Baptist Annual Register, the first Baptist periodical published in England. The year 1865 was marked by the appearance of the Sword and the Trowel, the first magazine devoted to the interests of a single Baptist church.

For the purpose of this list, the term "periodical" is defined as a publication with a distinctive title which appeared in numbered or dated issues at stated intervals. Serials of the following kinds may arguably fall within this broad definition but they are not generally regarded as periodicals and are excluded from the bibliography:—books published in parts, tracts, sermon series, the circular letters of associations, and the proceedings and annual reports of societies and institutions. Most of the items included are miscellanies or the bulletins of societies, but the list also contains almanacs, directories

and newspapers.

The groups and individuals who produced the works included in the bibliography all claimed to be Baptists, although they interpreted their Baptist identity in different ways. The denomination at this time comprised several distinct sects. During the period under review the rift between the General Baptists of the old General Assembly and those of the New Connexion widened, while the moderate and stricter elements among the Particular (Calvinistic) Baptists also drew apart. Scotch Baptists (a term of theological, not geographical, significance) were also part of the denominational scene in England. The periodicals reflected these divisions and were mostly addressed to readers of one theological persuasion and not to all Baptists. The geographical limits of the bibliography are determined by place of publication. Thus the English edition of the Friend of India, published in Liverpool, is included though the Indian editions do not appear here. Some of the publications which qualify for inclusion may have had more readers outside England than in it (e.g. the Scotch Baptist magazines).

Historians have not previously had a specialized guide to this subject. Although there are bibliographies of Baptist literature² and lists of periodicals,³ these are not organized for easy reference to

Baptist periodicals, and the entries are less detailed than those given here. Two compilations which are limited to Baptist periodicals differ in intention and scope from this bibliography; the first⁴ is a short article which mentions 28 English Baptist periodicals up to 1865 (cf. 60 in this list); the second⁵ is a list of the holdings of 94 American libraries.

The bibliography is intended as a guide for historians, and some deviations from conventional cataloguing practice have been introduced with their needs in mind. It may be used as a check-list of titles, a means of identifying the volumes published in particular

years, and a summary of the character of the periodicals.

The first aim of the list is to reveal all the appropriate titles. Without such comprehensive coverage Baptist historians may be unaware of publications which have not been preserved in their denominational libraries, and general historians who wish to examine Baptist activities or opinions as reported in contemporary periodicals may miss useful sources whose titles do not indicate their sectarian nature; this is especially true of the Strict Baptist magazines. The bibliography is also devised to help users interested in the publications of a particular date or short span of years. Frequent inconsistencies in the number of series and the incomplete state of most library holdings make it hard to trace and cite relevant volumes. It is hoped that the chronological arrangement of the bibliography and the attention given to the numbering and dating of the periodicals will lessen these difficulties. The detailed annotation is intended to show which publications are worth examining for answers to specific questions concerned with viewpoint, contents or readership.

Arrangement of entries. The periodicals are listed in order of the date of their first issue. Each entry is numbered. References to periodicals in the bibliography include the entry number, in square

brackets, following the title.

Title. The title is taken, wherever possible, from the title-page supplied for each volume. When a title-page was not printed or is not extant, the source of the title is stated. Variant titles of individual issues and of different editions (e.g. diary editions of almanacs) and other names (e.g. headings) by which a periodical might be known are noted. When a title altered within the period covered by this bibliography, the date of the first title has been given, and subsequent titles have been listed with their dates, but no attempt has been made to record changes after 1865.

Numbering and dating. Series and volume numbering is given in Arabic numerals but is otherwise as printed in the periodical. Additional numbers or phrases (e.g. New series) which have to be supplied for the sake of clarity are placed in square brackets. The enumeration of parts is indicated when it is felt to be helpful in establishing the sequence and dating of issues. If a series began or ended in the middle of a year, the opening and closing months are noted; otherwise it may be assumed to have begun in January and ended in

December. Periodicals with several series often carried two sets of numbers, maintaining the order of the latest series while re-introducing the original sequence of volume numbers; in these cases precedence has generally been given to the original numbering,

e.g. Baptist children's magazine, vols. 30-34 (= new series, vols.

Parts were almost invariably collected into annual volumes. In a few instances of irregular and confusing volume length, a note on the composition of the volumes has been added. Supplementary issues are not listed in detail. They were mostly dated but not numbered, and if an odd unbound copy is found there is usually little difficulty in relating it to the rest of the publication.

The dates quoted for series and volumes are generally those of publication, except in the case of almanacs and year books which are distinguished by the year for which they were produced (one year

later than the actual publication date).

Imprint. It is difficult to be consistent about the definition of publishers in this period, but the bibliography does attempt under this heading to identify the principal backers and distributors of the periodicals. The information is not merely of historical interest, but is bibliographically useful in distinguishing between periodicals of identical or similar titles. Most of the periodicals which originated outside London had two publishers; one was the provincial proprietor (often, like John Gadsby and J. F. Winks, the printer as well) and the other was the "London publisher" (usually a firm with an extensive distribution network, such as Simpkin, Marshall & Co.). The imprint was often enlarged by adding booksellers or ministers who had agreed to be agents for the periodicals in various towns. Strictly, a publisher is a distributor, but recording all the distributors named on the title-pages would have clogged the bibliography with detail of little use. In the imprints given here, no more than two publishers have been named for any single year. The place of publication is followed by the publishers' name. When no dates are given, the person named was publisher throughout the life of the periodical or until 1865.

Editor. The name of the editor is given, with dates, whenever possible, but the traditional anonymity of editors in this period has made this information hard to come by. A few editors (e.g. William Groser, of the Baptist Magazine) signed their prefaces, but hardly any placed their names on the title-page. It is clear, however, that the readers of a periodical could usually name its editor, and in some cases it has been possible to reconstruct that knowledge from allusions in the text, other contemporary writings, directories and obituaries. The bibliography indicates the source of the editor's name, unless the identification occurs in the periodical itself. The dates given are usually somewhat tentative; they cover the years when a man was known to be editor, but his term of office may well have been longer.

Size and price. The average number of pages per issue is given as

a rough guide to the volume of material published. Apart from the two newspapers in the list, most items were octavo or duodecimo, the latter size being commonly used for magazines for children and the working classes. The price, of course, also reflects the size of the periodical but is more important as an indication of the level of readership aimed at. The usual price of the periodical is stated here. but it should be noted that many of the cheaper magazines published supplements or "double numbers" at higher cost from time to time.

Annotation. This section sketches the character of each periodical with information of the following kinds:—frequency of publication (when this is not mentioned in the title), type (e.g. miscellany, bulletin), ownership or official backing, sectarian grouping, readership, policy, contents, notable contributors, relations with other periodicals,

and circulation.

Location. The purpose of this note is to name one library where a complete file of the periodical to 1865 may be found. When no complete file has been traced, the library which has the least imperfect holdings is indicated. In most cases the British Library (Reference Division) has the best holdings, and this location is preferred even when other libraries have equally good files. Most items are available in one of the three major English Baptist libraries.6 Further locations in libraries open to the public are supplied in the British Union-Catalogue of Periodicals.

Abbreviations. The following abbreviations have been adopted: Jones, Autobiography. W. Jones, Autobiography of the late William

Jones, M.A. (London, 1846).

Whitley, Cards. W. T. Whitley's unpublished notes for a Baptist bibliography covering publications from 1837 onwards. They are on cards, filed chronologically and deposited in the Angus Library. Regent's Park College, Oxford. They are described in K. R. M. Short, "A note on W. T. Whitley", Baptist Quarterly, vol. 23 (1970), p. 282.

NOTES

¹ The bibliography formed the first part of Rosemary Taylor's "English Baptist Periodicals, 1790-1865: a Bibliography and Survey" (M.Phil. thesis,

London University, 1974).

Notably W. T. Whitley, A Baptist Bibliography: being a Register of the Chief Materials for Baptist History, whether in Manuscript or in Print, preserved in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies (2 vols. London, 1916-22), which covers 1526-1837. Periodicals are not included in E. C. Starr, A Baptist Bibliography: being a Register of Printed Material by and about Baptists: including Works written against the Baptists (25 vols. New York, 1947-76).

Almost all the periodicals in the present bibliography are entered in J.D. Almost all the periodicals in the present biologically are elected in J.D. Stewart [and others], British Union-Catalogue of Periodicals (4 vols. and supplement. London, 1955-62) and The Times Tercentenary Handlist of English and Welsh Newspapers, Magazines and Reviews (London, 1920). The Waterloo Directory of Victorian Periodicals, 1824-1900: Phase 1, compiled by Michael Wolff, J. S. North and Dorothy Deering (Waterloo, Ontario, 1976), includes most of the titles current in and after 1824; a subject guide to Phase 1 and a much more detailed listing (Phase 2) are in preparation. Other works which list periodicals are included in T. H. Howard-Hill,

Bibliography of British Literary Bibliographies (Oxford, 1969), pp. 187-94. Although some of these lists, particularly W. S. Ward, Index and Finding List of Serials published in the British Isles, 1789-1832 (Lexington, 1953), are useful for a chronological approach, none of them classifies periodicals by

⁴ [W. T. Whitley], "Baptist periodicals", Transactions of the Baptist Historical Society, vol. 5 (1917), pp. 193-6.

⁵ Fleming Library, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Union

List of Baptist Serials (Forth Worth, 1960).

The Angus Library at Regent's Park College, Oxford, and the libraries of the Baptist Church House (comprising the Baptist Union and Baptist Historical Society collections) and the Baptist Missionary Society. The holdings of these libraries are not entered in the British Union-Catalogue of Periodicals.

The Baptist annual register.

Vols. [1] "for 1790, 1791, 1792, and part of 1793" (=nos. 1-7); [2] "for 1794, 1795, 1796-1797" (=nos. 8-14); [3] "for 1798, 1799, 1800, and part of 1801" (=nos. 15-25); [4] "for 1801 and 1802" (=nos. 26-41), 1791-1803. Vols. 3-4 had continuous pagination. London: Dilly: Button [etc.].

Editor: John Rippon.

Average 80 pp. (1791-1800), 40 pp. (1801-3), illus. Price 1s. 6d.

(no. 1 only), 1s. (nos. 2-17), 6d. (nos. 18-41).

Miscellany of varying frequency; published twice a year 1791-6, annually 1797-1800, monthly Jan. 1801-Jan. 1803 (except Aug. 1802). Aimed to make Baptists better informed about the history of the denomination and its present state. Contained information about churches and associations in Britain and America, news of missions, reports from European continent (e.g. concerning Mennonites), lists of books, extracts, poetry, obituaries. In later issues there was more non-Baptist material (e.g. "Dissenters' Register") and less association and missionary news. No. 1 contained documentary material about Baptists in the 17th century in 6 extras (all separately paginated). "History of the Welsh Association", by Joshua Thomas, appeared in supplementary parts in vols. 1-2. The periodical is fully discussed in K. R. Manley, "John Rippon, D.D. (1751-1836), and the Particular Baptists" (unpublished D.Phil. thesis, Oxford University, 1967), pp. 235-329.

Circulation at least 3,000 in 1796.

In British Library.

Periodical accounts relative to the Baptist Missionary Society. Vols. 1 (=nos. 1-6); 2 (=nos. 7-14); 3 (=nos. 15-19); 4 (=nos. 20-24); 5 (=nos. 25-29); 6 (=nos. 30-33), 1794-1818. Title page of vol. 1 dated 1800, of vol. 6 dated 1817.

London: Button, 1800-17; Burditt, 1810; "and may be had of the Baptist ministers in most of the principal towns in the kingdom".

Editors: Samuel Pearce 1794-8 (A. Fuller, Memoirs of the Rev. Samuel Pearce (London, 1837), pp. 70-1); J. W. Morris, under superintendence of Andrew Fuller 1798-1809 (Dictionary of National Biography (London, 1908-9), vol. 13, p. 998).

Most issues about 100 pp., few illus., maps. Price 6s. 6d. (whole vol. 1), 1s. 6d. (no. 33).

Official publication of committee of (Particular) Baptist Missionary Society. Issued irregularly. Consisted mainly of letters from missionaries and lists of contributions. After 1818 the committee published regular annual reports; bound volumes of these, covering 1819-23 and 1824-32, were entitled Periodical Accounts, vols. 7-8. The Missionary Herald [12] superseded the Periodical Accounts as a medium of recent correspondence.

Circulation 3,000 in 1810.

In British Library.

3. The General Baptist magazine.

Vols. 1-3, 1798-1800.

London: D. Taylor. Editor: Dan Taylor. 44 pp., 2 illus. in vol. 1.

Monthly magazine "consisting chiefly of biography, Baptist history, sermons and essays, correspondence, Christian philosophy, sacred poetry, a candid review of select publications, an obituary, and religious and civil intelligence". Officially sponsored by the New Connexion of General Baptists, and managed by a small society formed for the purpose.

In British Library.

4. The new theological repository 1800-2. Continued as The theological repository 1803-8.

Vols. 1-6, July 1800-Dec. 1803. New series, vols. 1-5 (=nos. 1-31), June 1806-Dec. 1808.

Liverpool: W. Jones.

Editor: William Jones.

60 pp.

Monthly (except in 1803 when it was bi-monthly; none in 1804-5). David Stewart Wylie contributed to vol. 1; work by Samuel Stennett, John Fawcett, Abraham Booth, Archibald McLean and Samuel Fisher also appeared in it. Contained doctrinal essays, letters, biblical exposition, book reviews, biography, poetry and a small amount of church news. Intended as publicity for Scotch Baptist faith and order (Jones, Autobiography, p. 44). Its sale was mostly in Scotland.

In Angus Library.

5. The biblical magazine, intended to promote the knowledge and belief of the sacred scriptures.

Vols. 1-3, 1801-3.

Clipstone: J. W. Morris, 1801-2. Dunstable: J. W. Morris, 1803.

Editor: J. W. Morris.

40-60 pp.

Miscellany, bi-monthly in 1801, then monthly. Essays and notes on biblical subjects were supplemented with a good mixture of anecdotes, news, obituaries, sermons and verse. Aimed to interest evangelical dissenters in general, but contained much Baptist material, with important contributions from Andrew Fuller, Robert Hall and other Baptist leaders. It merged with the *Theological Magazine and Review* (founded by Independent ministers in 1801) to form the *Theological and Biblical Magazine* (1804-7), in which the Baptist element was considerably reduced.

British Library file incomplete; other parts in Angus Library.

6. The General Baptist repository.

Vols. 1-10 (=nos. 1-61), Oct. 1802-Nov. 1821.

London: Adam Taylor. Editor: Adam Taylor.

48 pp. Price 6d.

Miscellany published "at the request of the Ministers and Representatives of the New Connection of General Baptists". Contained "Biographical and historical memoirs, Youth's museum, Essays, Thoughts on select passages of scripture, Anecdotes, Queries and solutions, Correspondence, Extracts, Deaths, Missionary and religious intelligence, Original poetry, and a Register of General Baptist occurrences". Appeared semi-annually 1802-11 (vols. 1-3), quarterly 1812-21 (vols. 4-10), six issues to a volume, except vol. 10 which contained seven issues.

In British Library.

7. The Baptist magazine.

Vols. 1-57 (vols. 18-57=3rd series, vols. 1-12; 4th series, vols. 1-19; 5th series, vols. 1-9), 1809-65.

London: J. Burditt, 1809-10; W. Button, 1809-18; W. Whittemore, 1819; B. J. Holdsworth, 1820-5; Wightman & Cramp, 1826-8; George Wightman, 1829-40; Houlston & Stoneman, 1841-56; Pewtress, 1857-63; J. Heaton, 1857-60; Elliot Stock, 1864-5.

Editors: Thomas Smith 1809-14 (Baptist Quarterly, vol. 10 (1940), p. 126); editorial committee 1815-37; William Groser 1838-56; Samuel Manning 1857-60; Daniel Katterns 1861-3; W. G. Lewis 1861-5; C. H. Spurgeon 1861-2.

32-48 pp. (excluding supplements), ports. in most vols. from 1814,

few other illus. Price 6d.

Monthly miscellany, representing the main stream of Particular Baptists. Initiated at the Western Association meeting, 1808. Vols. 1-3 printed at Tiverton; the management moved to London in 1812, and in the same year the magazine gained the support of three influential ministers in the provinces, Andrew Fuller, John Ryland and James Hinton. Officially recommended in constitution of Baptist Union, 1813. Almost every notable Baptist Union minister of the period contributed to it. In avoiding discord within the denomination, it was often rather tame and dull, but it faithfully

reflected the Baptist consensus. Its profits (£2,500 in first fifteen years) were given to Baptist widows. Absorbed New Baptist Miscellany [20] at end of 1832. Carried as supplements the Irish Chronicle [11], Missionary Herald [12], Quarterly Register of the Baptist Home Missionary Society [15], Continental Herald [24] and Baptist Almanack [36]. Periodical Papers [52] appeared in it as an advertisement.

Circulation 4,000 in 1809.

In Baptist Union Library.

8. The Christian advocate, designed to plead the cause of primitive Christianity.

Vols. 1-3 (=nos, 1-25), 1809-Jan. 1811. Vols. cover Jan.-Aug. 1809, Sept. 1809-April 1810, May 1810-Jan. 1811.

Liverpool: W. Jones.

Editor: William Jones (Jones, Autobiography, p. 46).

56 pp., front. to vol. 1.

Scotch Baptist. Monthly miscellany, containing biography, doctrinal and moral essays, scripture commentary, letters, poetry and reviews. Often contentious; in vol. 2 Jones disputed with John Walker, Irish sectarian, and in vol. 3 he turned against his former collaborator, D. S. Wylie, in defence of the Scotch Baptist leader Archibald McLean.

In Angus Library.

9. New evangelical magazine and theological review.

Vols. 1-10, 1815-24.

London: Thomas Tegg, 1815; "the Proprietors", 1816-24.

Editor: William Jones (Jones, Autobiography, p. 61).

32-36 pp. Price 6d.

Monthly. Claimed to be "a religious Magazine, wholly unconnected with all religious parties", but contained more material about Baptists than about other denominations. Jones described the New Baptist Magazine [17] as a continuation of this periodical (Jones, Autobiography, p. 65). Aimed to provide useful knowledge, in the form of biographies, essays and sermons. Jones himself wrote the reviews.

In Angus Library.

10. Quarterly papers (Heading) 1818-20. Continued as Quarterly missionary papers 1820-2. Continued as Quarterly papers, designed for the weekly subscribers to the General Baptist Missionary Society 1822-60 [or later].

Nos. 1-28, 1818-25 (month of publication not stated); 29-93, June 1825-June 1841. Numbering after June 1841 not known.

Derby: Printed by G. Wilkins.

4-12 pp., some illus. Issued gratis to subscribers of 1d. weekly and to Sunday school children subscribing ½d. weekly.

Official bulletin of the General Baptist Missionary Society, probably started by the society's first secretary, John Gregory Pike. Reported

progress of Orissa Mission and activities of supporters at home. Not seen after 1841, but references to it occur in minutes of the society's committee up to 1860. W. T. Whitley, A Baptist Bibliography (2 vols. London, 1916-22), vol. 2, p. 107, records copies to 1860 in the Baptist Missionary Society library, but these cannot be traced.

2,000 copies of nos. 1-4 printed.

Incomplete file in Baptist Union Library.

11. The Irish chronicle (Heading) Jan. 1819-May 1865. Continued as The chronicle of the British and Irish Baptist Home Mission (Heading) June-Dec. 1865.

Issues dated but not numbered, 1819-65.

London: printed by John Haddon.

Editors: the secretaries of the Baptist Irish Society—viz. Joseph Ivimey 1819-34 (jointly with George Pritchard from 1823); Samuel Green 1835-43; Frederick Trestrail 1843-9; William Groser 1851; C. J. Middleditch 1856-64; Charles Kirtland 1865.

Usually 4 pp.

Monthly news sheet of the Baptist Irish Society (founded 1814), which organised itinerant evangelism, schools, tract distribution and relief work. Produced principally as a supplement for the Baptist Magazine [7], but was also included in the General Baptist Repository [13] and Primitive Church Magazine [31], 1844-6. Became the organ of mission activity in both England and Ireland when the Baptist Home Missionary Society and Baptist Irish Society amalgamated in 1865.

Incomplete file in British Library; other issues in Baptist Union

Library.

12. (The) Missionary herald (Heading; also on title-page from 1840 onward). With various extended forms of title, describing the contents.

Nos. 1-245, Jan. 1819-May 1839. [New series], vols. 1-14, June 1839-Dec. 1856. New series, nos. 1-96, 167-178 (recte 97-108), 1857-65.

London: Baptist Missionary Society; G. Wightman, 1840; Houlston & Stoneman, 1841-56; Pewtress, 1857-60; H. J. Tresidder, 1861-4.
Editor: John Dyer Jan. 1819-Aug. 1841.

8 pp. (1819-39), 16 pp. (1839-65), illus. Gratis (until May 1839),

price 1d. (June 1839-Dec. 1865).

Official monthly bulletin of the (Particular) Baptist Missionary Society, constituting its most important link with its supporters. Reported its proceedings and activities, published correspondence and descriptions of foreign lands and customs. Included a little news of other missions. Was distributed through churches and auxiliary societies as a separate publication; the B.M.S. also sold it as a magazine supplement to the Baptist Magazine [7], New Baptist Missellany [20], Primitive Church Magazine [31] and Baptist Record [34]. In Baptist Missionary Society Library.

13. The General Baptist repository, and missionary observer 1822-53. Continued as The General Baptist magazine, repository, and missionary observer 1854-9. Continued as The General Baptist magazine, and missionary observer 1860-3. Continued as The General Baptist magazine 1864-5.

Vols. 1-12, 1822-33. New series, vols. 1-5, 1834-8. New series, vols. 1-14 (recte 15; vols 14 and 15 both numbered 14), 1839-53. New series, vols. 1-6, 1854-9. New series, vols. 1-4, 1860-3. Vols. 66-67

(=new series, nos. 1-24), 1864-5.

London: W. Baynes, 1822-7; Wightman, 1828-40; Sherwood, Gilbert & Piper, 1841-7; Benjamin L. Green, 1848-51; Piper, 1852-3; Simpkin, Marshall, 1854-61; Marlborough, 1862-5. Leicester: Winks, 1854-6, 1864-5. Derby: Wilkins, 1857. Loughborough: John Henry Gray, 1858-63.

Editors: Adam Taylor 1822-32; John Gregory Pike 1822-54; Joseph Wallis 1833-8; Joseph Goadby 1833-59; Jabez Burns 1847-52; Joseph Jackson Goadby 1859-65; James Carey Pike 1859-65.

32-48 pp., few illus. Price 6d. (1822-38), 4d. (1839-65).

Monthly miscellany "published under the sanction of the Annual Association of the New Connection and the profits devoted to the public institutions supported by that union". In fact, it sometimes ran at a loss, and the deficit had to be made up from New Connexion funds. Provided religious instruction, discussion of doctrinal and moral issues, information about General Baptist events, and material suitable for family reading. "Missionary observer" (6-16 pp. in each issue) reported the activities of the General Baptist Missionary Society. Carried Irish Chronicle [11] as a supplement in 1844-6. The numbering adopted in 1864-5 was a claim to continuity with Dan Taylor's General Baptist Magazine [3], but the Repository made a new beginning in 1822 under New Connexion management.

In British Library.

14. Quarterly papers, for the use of the weekly and monthly contributors to the Baptist Missionary Society (Heading).

Nos. 1-? 92, Jan. 1822-Oct. 1844.

London: Baptist Missionary Society.

4 pp., illus. Gratis, to contributors of 1d. a week to the Baptist

Missionary Society.

Bulletin of the Baptist Missionary Society, serving same purposes as Missionary Herald [12], but in much smaller compass. Reprinted in at least 7 collected editions, 1825-39, as News from afar, or missionary varieties. Discontinued by the committee of the society when they began the Juvenile Missionary Herald [38].

A few issues in Baptist Union Library.

15. Quarterly register of the Baptist Home Missionary Society (Heading). Sometimes headed Supplementary register of the Baptist Home Missionary Society.

Nos. 1-50, Sept. 1823-June 1836. New series, nos. 1-53, Aug. 1836-Jan. 1850. Thereafter not numbered, sometimes not dated, Apr. 1850-June 1859.

London: printed by John Haddon.

4 pp.

Supplement to Baptist Magazine [7] 1824-59, not strictly quarterly. Also appeared as a separate work, but no file of this has been traced. The Committee of the (Particular) Baptist Home Missionary Society began it as a means of organising support and "to excite a deeper sympathy for the moral and spiritual condition of our fellow-countrymen" (Baptist Magazine, vol. 16 (1824), p. 45). Contained reports of meetings, news from auxiliary societies, accounts, appeals, and letters from ministers and missionaries.

British Library file incomplete; other parts in Baptist Union Library.

16. The General Baptist juvenile magazine 1825-6. Continued as The Baptist children's magazine 1827-58. With sub-titles (1) and sabbath scholar's reward 1827-33; (2) and youth's missionary repository 1845-53; (3) and juvenile missionary record 1854-8. Continued as The Baptist youth's magazine, and missionary intelligencer 1859-61.

Vols. 1-? 2, 1825-6. [New series], vols. 1-? 5 (=nos. 1-60), 1827-31. New series, vols. 1-7, 1832-8. New series, vols. 1-? 6, 1839-44. New series, vols. 1-? 6, 1845-50. New series, vols. 1-3, 1851-3. Vols. 30-34 (=new series, vols. 1-5; =nos. 349-408), 1854-8. Vols. 35-37 (=new series, vols. 1-3; =nos. 409-32 and new series nos. 25-36), 1859-61.

Loughborough: J. F. Winks, 1825-7. Leicester: J. F. Winks, 1833, 1854-61; Hull, Harvey, 1837-50; Brooks, 1851-3. London: Wightman & Cramp, 1827; Wightman, 1833-40; Sherwood, Gilbert & Piper, 1841-6; Hall, Virtue, 1851; Piper, 1852-3; Simpkin, Marshall, 1854-61.

Editors: Joseph Foulkes Winks 1825-33, 1854-61; Samuel Wigg 1839-? 53.

12-32 pp., illus. Price 1d.

Monthly magazine, which Winks started because of the scarcity of "wholesome" literature for children and the total lack of Baptist periodicals for them. Contained memoirs of young people, anecdotes, poetry, missionary items, biblical commentary, church history and competitions. There were some non-religious articles (e.g. on natural history and inventions). Was reviewed in major periodicals of both Particular and General Baptists and in the non-denominational Sunday-school magazine, which commended its lack of "party spirit". John Taylor stated that the volume for 1840 was "also issued under the title of The Parlour Magazine" (Baptist Magazine, vol. 78 (1886), p. 179), but no copy bearing that title has been seen. Preface to vol. 37 (1861) announced that it would merge with the Baptist Reporter [28].

Circulation 10,000 (1827), 12,000 (1839), c. 6,000 (1856).

British Library file incomplete; other parts in Baptist Union Library.

17. The new Baptist magazine, and evangelical repository.

Vols. 1-2 (= nos. 1-26), 1825-6.

London: "the Proprietors", 1825; Wightman & Cramp, 1826.

Editor: William Jones (Jones, Autobiography, p. 65).

40 pp., only vol. 1 illus. Price 6d.

Monthly miscellany, with annual supplements (nos. 13 & 26). Included doctrinal and moral essays, memoirs, poems and reviews. News mainly concerned Particular Baptists, but General Baptist and Independent affairs were also noted; its reports on Protestant missions and its anti-Catholic comments reflected fear of advancing Catholic power. In 1826 when Jones was declared bankrupt, Wightman and Cramp bought his interest and engaged William Groser as review editor (Baptist Magazine, vol. 48 (1856), p. 528).

In British Library.

18. The Christian repository: a magazine and review.

Vols. 1-2 (=nos. 1-10), June 1825-March 1826. Vols. cover nos. 1-7 (1825), 8-10 (1826).

London: Francis Westley.

56 pp.

Monthly, "conducted chiefly by members of the Baptist denomination". Intended as an organ of scholarly discussion and instruction, for educated readers. Contained articles on contemporary religious affairs and theology and news of non-Baptist missions as well as of Baptist Missionary Society. Included poetry of literary merit (e.g. by Byron and Coleridge). Robert Hall contributed under the pseudonym Philalethes. A possible connection with F. A. Cox is noted below (see Christian Expositor [62]).

In British Library.

19. The General Baptist home missionary register, tract repository, and teacher's magazine. Some issues headed Home missionary register, tract repository, and teacher's magazine.

[1st series], 1826-7. New series, vols. 1-4 (=nos. 1-48), 1828-31. [3rd series], 1832-3.

Loughborough: J. F. Winks, 1826-9. London: Wightman & Cramp, 1828; G. Wightman, 1829-31. Leicester: J. F. Winks, 1830-3. Editor: Joseph Foulkes Winks.

16-24 pp. Price 2d.-3d.

Monthly news sheet. "The design of its promoters was to assist the Societies, formed amongst the General Baptists, for the diffusion of the Gospel at Home, and to excite the churches of that denomination to increased efforts for the salvation of their neighbours". Chiefly concerned with open-air preaching, sabbath schools and tract distribution.

Circulation 1,100 in 1830.

Incomplete file in Baptist Union Library.

20. The new Baptist miscellary 1827-32. Issues for Jan.-Dec. 1827

entitled The Particular Baptist magazine, but were bound up as The new Baptist miscellany, and Particular Baptist magazine.

Vols. 1-6, 1827-32.

London: W. Simpkin & R. Marshall, 1827-8; Holdsworth & Ball, 1829-32.

Editors: William Jones 1827 ((Jones, Autobiography, p. 75); Edward Steane, Thomas Price and John Haddon 1828-32 (Baptist Magazine, vol. 76 (1883), p. 53).

36-40 pp., few illus.

Monthly miscellany, usually carrying the Missionary Herald [12] as a supplement. Showed great concern over quarrel between Baptist Missionary Society and Serampore missionaries. Maintained policy of instructing readers in Particular Baptist current affairs, history and doctrine, but also included items about wider nonconformist interests, e.g. founding of London University. Title was changed in 1827 to give it wider appeal, but its reputation for conservatism was justified. Profits of magazine given to superannuated ministers and widows of ministers. Merged with Baptist Magazine [7] at end of 1832.

In British Library.

21. Periodical accounts of the Serampore Mission 1827-34. Continued as The friend of India and of the East in general, with the proceedings at large of the Serampore Mission, in continuation of the periodical accounts 1836-7.

"New series", vols. 1 (=nos. 1-12, 1827-34) and 2 (=no. 13 and

nos. 1-9, 1834-7).

London: Parbury, Allen, 1834. Liverpool: D. Marples, 1834.

Editor: Christopher Anderson (H. Anderson, The Life and Letters of Christopher Anderson (Edinburgh, 1854), p. 332).

60 pp. (1827-34), 136 pp. (no. 13 only), 16-20 pp. (1836-7).

Price 2s. to non-subscribers (no. 13).

Newsletter of British supporters of Serampore Mission during its period of separation from the Baptist Missionary Society. Was called "New Series" because an earlier series of this title (a Serampore publication reprinted in London, not an original English edition) had been issued under the auspices of the Baptist Missionary Society in the early 1820s. Contained appeals, reports on Indian churches, Serampore College, etc., letters from missionaries, subscription lists and home proceedings. Periodical Accounts irregular, Friend of India planned to appear bi-monthly.

In British Library.

22. The General Baptist advocate.

Vols. 1-6, 1831-6.

London: Sherwood, 1831-4; R. Hunter, 1835; Smallfield, 1836.
Editors: Joseph Calrow Means, 1831-6; Benjamin Mardon 1836 (H. McLachlan, The Unitarian Movement in the Religious Life of England, vol. 1 (London, 1934), p. 188).

16 pp. Price 3d.

Official organ of the Committee of the General Assembly of the General Baptists. Monthly miscellany of biblical, historical and devotional articles, reports of political activity affecting dissenters, General Baptist news, obituaries, poetry and book reviews. "Proceedings of the General Assembly of General Baptist Churches" was published as a supplement (price 3d.) to vols. 3-6 (1833-6). Superseded by *Unitarian Baptist Advocate* [29].

Circulation declined from 500 to 220 copies.

In Baptist Union Library.

23. The gospel herald; or, poor Christian's magazine. First issue (Jan. 1833) entitled The gospel magazine; or, poor Christian's friend.

Vols. 1-34 (vols. 23-32 = new series, vols. 1-9; vols. 33-4 = new series, vols. 1-2), 1833-65. Part of vol. 26 (1858) was numbered 27; the vol. for 1859 was numbered 28.

Ipswich: J. Scoggins ("for the Proprietors"), 1833-40; Rees & Gripper, 1864-5. London: M. & S. Higham, 1841-6; Houlston & Stoneman, 1847-56; Houlston & Wright, 1857-65.

Editor: Samuel Collins 1833-58 (Transactions of the Baptist Historical Society, vol. 7 (1920-1), p. 193).

20-36 pp. Price 2d.

Monthly, usually with annual supplement. Circulated chiefly among the Strict Baptists of Norfolk and Suffolk. Concentrated on "soundness of doctrine", expounded in reprints from Puritan writers and original contemporary articles. Brief news items, poetry, extracts (e.g. "Dying words of saints"), answers to queries. Children's page in 1864-5.

Incomplete file in British Library.

24. The continental herald (Heading).

Nos. 1-3, ? April-Nov. 1833.

London: printed by J. Haddon.

4-8 pp.

News sheet of Baptist Continental Society (formed 1831, dissolved 1836). Contained accounts, extracts from missionaries' letters, and reports of meetings. Extant numbers appeared as supplements to Baptist Magazine [7], but it is highly probable that they were also issued separately.

Original edition not traced.

25. The Baptist tract magazine, young Christian's companion, and cottager's friend.

[1st series ?]. New series, vols. 1-3, 1835-7.

Leicester: J. F. Winks. London: G. Wightman.

Editor: Joseph Foulkes Winks.

32-36 pp., illus. Price 2d.

Monthly miscellany, with great variety of short items. Winks may have begun it in 1834, when he sold the Baptist Children's

Magazine [16]. Merged with Baptist Reporter [28] in 1838. Incomplete file in Baptist Union Library.

26. The millennial harbinger; and voluntary church advocate. Vols. 1-2 (=nos. 1-16), March 1835-June 1836. Vols. cover March-Oct. 1835, Nov. 1835-June 1836.

London: G. Wightman, 1835-6.

Editor: William Jones.

48 pp.

Monthly periodical for dissemination and discussion of views of Alexander Campbell, who founded American denomination usually known as Disciples of Christ. Jones reprinted material from Campbell's periodicals, the *Christian Baptist* (1823-9) and the *Millennial Harbinger* (from 1830). The English *Millennial Harbinger* also contained letters from Scotch Baptist churches. In preface to vol. 2, Jones announced that he was suspending publication, at least until Jan. 1837, but no further issues appeared after June 1836. In British Library.

27. The gospel standard, or, feeble Christian's support 1838-50. Continued as The gospel standard 1851-65.

Vols. 1-31 (=nos. 1-5, 1-360), Aug. 1835-Dec. 1865.

Manchester: John Gadsby, 1835-48. London: E. Fowler, 1835;

Groombridge, 1836-52; John Gadsby, 1845-65.

Editors: John Gadsby, with assistance of William Gadsby 1835-40; John M'Kenzie 1836-47; Joseph Charles Philpot 1838-65 (J. H. Philpot, *The Seceders*, abridged edn. (London, 1964), pp. 163-4, 168).

24-32 pp.; only vol. 1 illus. Price 2d.

Strict Baptist monthly periodical which recorded religious experience for the instruction and encouragement of its readers. Reprinted sermons and extracts from Calvinist authors. Original contemporary material confined to editors' addresses and readers' letters, with some obituaries and reviews. Wrappers, 1860-5, compiled by the publisher (John Gadsby) and not under the editor's control, carried a miscellany of extracts, verse, obituaries and sermons.

Circulation 1,000 in 1835, 12,000 in 1863.

In British Library.

28. The Baptist reporter? 1836-57. With sub-titles (1) and tract magazine 1838-43; (2) and missionary intelligencer 1845-56. Continued as The British Baptist reporter, and missionary intelligencer 1858-61. Continued as The British Baptist recorder, youth's miscellany, and missionary intelligencer 1862-3. Continued as The Baptist reporter Jan. 1864-July 1865.

[Weekly series, ? 1836-7.] 5th series, vols. 1-4, 1838-41. 6th series, vols. 1-2, 1842-3. New series, vols. 1-20 (vols. 2-20 = whole series, vols. 19-37; some parts have cumulated numbering), 1844-

63. New series, vols. 1-2, 1864-5.

London: G. Wightman, 1837-40; Simpkin, Marshall, 1841-63; J. Heaton, 1864-5. Leicester: Winks, 1837-63.

Editors: Joseph Foulkes Winks 1837-63.

32-36 pp., few illus. in most vols. Price 2d.-3d.

Miscellany which, though owned, edited and published by a General Baptist (Winks), was intended to appeal to all evangelical Baptists. Paid special attention to news of churches, practical advice (e.g. on Sunday schools) and cautionary anecdotes. Campaigned against "The Three Great Curses—Slavery, War, Intemperance". First issue may have appeared on 6 October 1836 (D. Fraser, "The press in Leicester, c. 1790-1850", Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society, Transactions, vol. 42 (1966), p. 68). It was advertised as a weekly paper on the wrapper of the Baptist Tract Magazine [25], vol. 3, no. 26 (Feb. 1837). From 1838 it was issued monthly. Winks always referred to it as a continuation of his first periodical, the Baptist Children's Magazine [16], hence the peculiarities of the numbering of series and volumes. The Baptist Reporter was, however, almost entirely for adults. Absorbed the Baptist Tract Magazine [25] in 1838 and the Baptist Youth's Magazine [16] in 1862.

Circulation 7,000 in 1846.

Incomplete file in British Library; other parts in Baptist Union Library.

29. The Unitarian Baptist advocate.

Vols. 1-3 (= nos. 1-34), Jan. 1837-Oct. 1839.

London: G. Smallfield.

Editor: Benjamin Mardon (H. McLachlan, The Unitarian Movement in the Religious Life of England, vol. 1 (London, 1934), p. 188). 24 pp. Price 4d.

Replaced General Baptist Advocate [22] as official organ of the General Baptist General Assembly. Monthly miscellany consisting mostly of articles, reviews and correspondence. The scanty news items concerned Unitarians as much as General Baptists.

In British Library.

30. The Baptist 1838. ?The Primitive Baptist 1839. Continued as The northern Baptist; a magazine, intended for the use of the junior members of the Baptist denomination 1840-5.

Vols. 1-5, March 1838-Dec. 1842. New series, vols. 1-3, 1843-5. London: Simpkin, Marshall, 1842-4; Dyer, 1845. Scarborough:

S. W. Theakston, 1842-4.

Editor: Benjamin Evans (Baptist Magazine, vol. 64 (1872), p. 35). 16-32 pp., occasionally illus. Proposed in 1838 to raise price to 2d. Monthly miscellany for young adults. Gave most space to religious advice, exposition of doctrine and scripture, and news of British and foreign Baptists; also contained short notices of books, poetry and correspondence. A proposal to alter the title to The primitive Baptist was announced in the preface to vol. 1 (1838), p. vii,

but the volume for 1839 has not been seen. Merged with the Church [35].

Incomplete file in British Library; other parts in Angus Library.

31. The primitive communionist 1838-40. Also known as The strict communionist. Continued as The primitive church magazine 1841-57. Continued as The primitive church (or Baptist) magazine 1858-65.

Vol. 1 (=nos. 1-12), March 1838-Dec. 1840. New series, vols. 1-3, 1841-3. New series, vols. 1-22, 1844-65.

London: George Wightman, 1840; Houlston & Stoneman, 1841-2; Dyer, 1843-5; Arthur Hall, 1846-62; Elliot Stock, 1863-5.

Editors: William Norton 1838-47; George Pritchard 1838-? 41. Robert William Overbury 1838-51; Henry John Betts 1850-7; William Stokes 1857-64; John Howe 1864-5; Edward Parker 1864-5.

24-36 pp., front. in vols. for 1843-4. Price 2d.-4d.

Primitive Communionist issued quarterly, Primitive Church Magazine monthly. In 1840s supported Baptist Tract Society. In 1854 was adopted by the Strict Baptist Society (which became the Baptist Evangelical Society in 1856). Unyielding on the question of strict communion but, in comparison with other Strict Baptist periodicals, its Calvinism was less extreme and its interest in ecclesiastical events was wider. Included essays, correspondence, poetry, reviews and news. In 1853 began series of notes on secular affairs which showed its pacifist and anti-colonial tendencies. In 1860s contained a "Page for the young". Carried as supplements Missionary Herald [12] 1844, Irish Chronicle [11] 1844-6, and Quarterly Register of the Baptist Home Missionary Society [15] 1845-8, 1855.

Circulation under 1,500 in 1851.

Incomplete file in British Library; other parts in Baptist Missionary Society Library.

32. The gospel ambassador, or, Christian pilgrim's friend. Vols. 1-6, July 1842-Dec. 1847.

Brighton: J. Tyler, 1842-7. London: S. Gilbert, 1842-4; Kent & Richards, 1846-7.

24 pp. Price 2d.

Strict Baptist monthly magazine, specializing in doctrinal instruction and testimonies of religious experience. C. W. Banks, editor of the Earthen Vessel [37], a rival periodical, linked it with James Wells, minister of the Surrey Tabernacle, and William Tant, minister of the Cave Adullam, Brighton (A. M. Banks, Poet, Preacher and Evangelist (London, 1890), p. 151). Other Strict Baptist ministers whose original work appeared in it included William Allen, John Bloomfield and William Garrard.

In British Library.

33. The Baptist examiner, a monthly journal of religious literature, statistics, and general information 1844. Continued as The Baptist examiner, and missionary herald (Cover-title) 1845.

Vols. [1]-2 (= nos. [1]-23), Jan. 1844-Nov. 1845.

London: G. & J. Dyer.

32 pp. (1844), 24 pp. with supplement Missionary herald (1845). Price 4d.

Monthly miscellany, with strong radical tendency. Opposed church establishment, Anglican-controlled education, Maynooth grant and Corn Laws. A reviewer of the first issue commented that it "appears to be under General Baptist auspices, but aspires also to circulation in both denominations" (Primitive Church Magazine, new series, vol. 1 (1844), p. 84). K. R. Short attributed the editorship to Benjamin Evans (Baptist Quarterly, vol. 19 (1962), p. 245), partly on the evidence of a note signed "ED. B.E." (Baptist Examiner, vol. 2 (1845), p. 100), but those letters probably stood for "Editor of Baptist Examiner".

In British Library.

34. The Baptist record, and biblical repository 1844-8. With subtitle a journal of history, literature, and theology 1848. Continued as The Christian record, and biblical repository; a journal of history, literature and theology 1849.

Vols. 1-4, 1844-47. New series, vol. 1, 1848. New series, vol. 1, nos. 1-6, Jan.-June 1849.

London: G. & J. Dyer, 1844; Aylott & Jones, 1845-9.

Editors: Thomas Burditt 1844-7; Edward Bean Underhill 1848-9.

48-56 pp. Price 6d. (1849).

Monthly miscellany in Particular Baptist tradition, with some unusually independent and progressive features (e.g. its interest in missions to China). Contained the customary mixture of essays, reviews, readers' queries (here called "Endeavours after Truth"), religious news, etc., but had an élitist bias towards "the higher class of topics in theology or literature". Included as supplements the Irish Chronicle [11], Missionary Herald [12] and Quarterly Register of the B.H.M.S. [15], 1845-7. No connection with Benjamin Evans' quarterly Baptist Record (1871).

In British Library.

35. The church. With heading Baptist penny magazine.

Vols. 1-3 (=nos. 1-30), Jan. 1844-June 1846. New series, vols. 1-11 (=nos. 1-138), July 1846-Dec. 1857. New series, vols. 1-8 (vols. 1-5 also numbered 12-17), 1858-65.

London: Simpkin, Marshall, 1844-56; John Heaton, Jan. 1857-June 1865; Elliot Stock, July-Dec. 1865. Leeds: John Heaton, 1844-56.

Editor: William Heaton 1844-65, with assistance of Francis Clowes 1844, J. E. Giles 1844-6, Benjamin Evans 1846-65 (Baptist Magazine, vol. 78 (1886), p. 16; Northern Baptist, new series, vol. 3 (1845), preface).

8 pp. (1844), 28 pp. (1848-65), some illus. Price mostly 1d.; en-

larged, "superior" and illustrated editions 2d.

Monthly miscellany. In 1846 declared itself "the only cheap Baptist Magazine published by Calvinistic Baptists" but in 1858 was claiming circulation among the General Baptists as well as the Particular Baptists. Gave special attention to interests of young church members. Contained doctrinal and practical articles, poetry, news items (including baptisms, marriages, deaths and ordinations), tales and sketches, occasional book notices, children's section. Its political content is discussed in K. R. Short, "Benjamin Evans, D.D., and the Radical press, 1826-71", Baptist Quarterly, vol. 19 (1962), pp. 248-9. Incorporated Northern Baptist [30] in 1846.

Circulation rose from 900 (1844) to 4,000 (1846), then to 18,000

(1849).

In British Library.

36. The Baptist almanack.

Vol. for 1845.

London: Houlston & Stoneman.

75 pp. Price 6d.

"Pocket edition" of the almanack which appeared as a supplement to the *Baptist Magazine* [7] in December 1844 only. It contained a calendar, a directory of Baptist societies, colleges, churches, etc., and information about law terms, royal houses, ministers of state, bishops and public buildings. Not connected with Banks's *Baptist Almanack* [46].

In British Library.

37. The earthen vessel: and Christian record and review 1845-57. Continued as The earthen vessel: and Christian record 1858-65.

Vols. 1-21 (=nos. 1-247), 1845-65.

London: James Paul, 1846-55; Banks, 1848-55, 1857-65; Houlston & Stoneman, 1855-6; Partridge, 1856-8; G. J. Stevenson, 1859, 1862, 1864-5.

Editor: Charles Waters Banks.

24-32 pp., often with supplementary cover pages. Price 2d.

Monthly miscellany. Strict Baptist allegiance, involved in long doctrinal controversy with the Gospel Herald [23] and Gospel Standard [27]. Contained articles (mainly theological and devotional), anecdotes, extracts from Calvinist authors, poetry, pious biographies, reviews, letters, notes on churches. "Choice fragments" re-issued in two volumes entitled The true followers of the Lamb (1852). Issues for Jan.-June 1854 bound up and issued as Chronicles of Christian character, and the condition of the churches.

Circulation less than 200 in early days, over 8,000 in 1859.

Incomplete file in British Library.

38. The juvenile missionary herald.

Vols. for 1845-65. Vols. not numbered on title-pages, but the following numbers appear on covers: vols. 1-3, 1845-7. New series, vols.

1-4, 1848-51. New series, vols. 1-3, 1852-4. New series, nos. 1-60, 1855-9.

London: Baptist Missionary Society, 1845-51; Houlston & Stoneman, 1845-56; Houlston & Wright, 1857-9; John Heaton, 1860-3; Henry James Tresidder, 1864; Elliot Stock, 1865. Leeds: John Heaton, 1852-9.

Editors: J. A. [i.e. Joseph Angus] 1849; S. G. Green 1855-9.

16 pp. illus. Price ½d.

Monthly. Official publication of the Baptist Missionary Society, encouraging children and young people to support the society and providing general religious instruction. In later volumes, much material was reprinted from other periodicals and fiction was included.

Circulation 45,000 (1845), 12,000 (1861).

In British Library.

39. A manual of the Baptist denomination 1845-59. With covertitle Baptist manual. Continued as The Baptist hand-book 1861-5. Vols. for 1845, 1847-59, 1861-5.

London: Houlston & Stoneman, 1845-56; Houlston & Wright,

1857-9; J. Heaton, 1861-5.

Size gradually rose from 72 pp. to 144 pp. Price 6d.-1s. 0d.

Official handbook of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland. Contained proceedings of 33rd-52nd annual sessions of the Baptist Union, constitution of the Union, lists of churches and associations, report on state of denomination, obituaries, foreign correspondence and financial account. From 1861 the publisher, not the Union, was responsible for additional directory material (lists of societies, colleges, publications and ministers) and calendar.

Incomplete file in British Library; other parts in Bristol Baptist

College Library.

40. The Baptist guardian and Christian intelligencer (Heading). Vol. 1 (= nos. 1-13), 3 Oct.-26 Dec. 1845.

London: Francis Newton.

Editor: Arthur Francis Newton (Whitley, Cards).

16 pp. Price 4d.

Weekly newspaper, with news (largely reprinted from other papers) arranged under such headings as "Foreign", "Parliamentary", "Police", and "Markets". Also contained historical and biographical sketches, reviews, correspondence, poetry and advertisements.

Incomplete file in British Library. Whitley reported another file (continuing into 1846?) in Auckland, New Zealand, but this cannot

now be traced.

41. The Christian pioneer: a monthly magazine. With cover-title The Baptist pioneer, and poor man's friend July-Nov. 1846. With heading Baptist halfpenny magazine July-Dec. 1846.

Vols. 1-19 (=nos. 1-234), July 1846-Dec. 1865.

London: Simpkin, Marshall. Leicester: J. F. Winks.

Editor: Joseph Foulkes Winks.

12 pp. Price ½d.

Monthly tract magazine, "intended for cottage reading". Was at first avowedly Baptist, but later advertisements described it as an unsectarian evangelical publication. Winks' main motives were to counteract "the vast numbers of bad publications now in circulation . . . tales, novels, romances, plays, songs, ballads, and we know not what" and to warn against the spread of "Popery and Puseyism".

Circulation claimed to be over 12,500 in 1847.

In British Library.

42. The scriptural calendar, and chronological reformer.

Vols. for 1848-50. London: W. H. Black.

Editor: William Henry Black.

48 pp.

Published to defend and encourage Seventh Day Baptist observances and chronological reform. Calendar included biblical texts associated with dates and times. Also contained articles, reviews of publications on the sabbath, extracts from writings of Edward Elwall (sabbatarian, fl. 1734), hymns and programmes of Black's lectures at his church in Mill Yard, London. Title-pages of volumes for 1848 and 1849 named distributors in London, Glasgow and New York. Volume for 1850, recorded in Seventh Day Baptist General Conference, Seventh Day Baptists in Europe and America (1 vol. in 2. Plainfield, N.J. 1910), p. 68, has not been traced.

In British Library.

43. The appeal; a magazine for the people.

Vols. 1-28, July 1848-Dec. 1865. Vols. 1-21 semi-annual (Jan.-June, July-Dec.), vols. 22-28 annual. Vols. 20-27 described as New series. Some parts of vol. 28 numbered 29 (in error).

Leeds: John Heaton, 1848-56. London: Simpkin, Marshall, 1848-57; John Heaton, Jan. 1857-July 1865; Elliot Stock, Aug.-Dec.

1865.

Editor: Benjamin Evans.

12-16 pp., often with additional text on the unpaginated covers. Price ½d.

Monthly tract magazine for the masses. Non-sectarian in content: "All Evangelical Christians, of liberal views on general questions, may safely circulate our Tract, even before they read it" (Appeal vol. 1 (1848), note on cover of December issue). Consisted of articles on Christian behaviour (e.g. Sunday observance), exhortations to belief, anecdotes, poetry, narratives for the young, information on practical subjects (e.g. cholera, provident societies).

Circulation 30, -35,000.

Incomplete file in British Library; other parts in Bodleian Library.

44. The Christian advocate, and Scotch Baptist repository: designed

to plead the cause of primitive Christianity 1849-51. Continued as The Christian advocate, and theological repository, designed to plead the cause of primitive Christianity 1852-3.

Vol. 1 (=nos. 1-10), vols. 2-5 (=new series, nos. 1-42; vols. 3-4 also numbered as new series, vols. 2-3), March 1849-June 1853.

Beverley: James Everson. London: Arthur Hall.

24-36 pp. (1849-52), 8 pp. (1852-3). Price 3d. (1851), 1½d. (1852), 2d. (1853).

Monthly miscellany propagating Scotch Baptist teaching as William Jones had done in his *Christian Advocate* [8]. Contained many exegetical articles about the church in New Testament times and answers to correspondents' queries about interpretation of Bible. Also included news of Scotch Baptists, book reviews, obituaries and poetry.

In British Library.

45. Cheering words for the household of faith 1851. Continued as Cheering words for seeking souls 1852-5. Continued as Cheering words 1856-65.

Vols. 1-15, March 1851-Dec. 1865.

London: Houlston & Stoneman, 1851-4; Banks, 1851-4, 1858-65; Partridge, 1856-8; G. J. Stevenson, 1862-5.

Editor: C. W. Banks 1851-6, 1858-65.

16 pp. Price ½d.

Monthly tract magazine. Aimed to provide "a published testimony for God's truth, and for vital godliness, apart from all sectarian peculiarities, or party prejudice". Extracts were grouped in series with titles such as "Silver sounds for savoury saints", "Fragments from the prison basket" (i.e. letters from convicts). Numerous comments on Calvinistic preachers in London.

In British Library.

46. The Baptist almanack. Advertised as The original Baptist almanack and congregational handbook. Also published in diary editions as The Baptist pocket book (for 1853) and The Baptist register (for 1854).

Vols. for 1852-66.

London: Houlston & Stoneman, 1852-6; G., J. & R. Banks, 1852-4, 1862; Partridge, 1857-8; H. J. Tresidder, 1860; G. J. Stevenson, 1862, 1865.

Editor: Charles Waters Banks.

Mostly 32 pp. Ordinary edition 1d.-4d.; diary editions 1s. 6d.-2s. 6d. Contained lists of Baptist and Congregational chapels and ministers, mostly in London, and Baptist societies and colleges; short obituaries of ministers; general almanack information on the Royal Family, stamp duties, law terms, etc. Edited by a Strict Baptist, it included information about Strict Baptist chapels not found in the Baptist Manual [39].

Circulation nearly 20,000 in 1854. Incomplete file in British Library.

47. The Baptist messenger: an evangelical treasury and chronicle of the churches.

Nos. 1-58, April 1854-Dec. 1858. New series, nos. 1-85, 1859-65.
 London: B. L. Green, April-Aug. 1854; James Paul, Sept. 1854-Dec. 1865.

Editors: Jonathan Whittemore 1854-60; W. A. Blake 1862-5 (Whitley, Cards; J. Burns, A Retrospect of Forty-five Years' Christian Ministry (London, 1875), p. 184).

16-24 pp., often illus. Price ranged from ½d. to 3d., but most issues

cost 1d.

Monthly miscellany, containing short devotional articles, sermons, historical sketches, serial stories, denominational news, book reviews, poetry and, in early volumes, summaries of public events. Regular contributors included C. H. Spurgeon, James Smith and W. P. Balfern. Alleged to have begun publication before 1848 at Rushden (G. E. Bayes, *These Years have told* (Rushden, 1951), p. 27).

In British Library.

48. The little gleaner 1854-65. With sub-titles (1) a monthly magazine for children 1854-60; (2) a monthly magazine for the young 1861-5.

Vols. 1-12, June 1854-Dec. 1865.

London: J. Paul, 1854-5; Houlston & Stoneman, 1856-7; Houlston & Wright, 1858-65. Birmingham: T. Ragg, 1854-9.

Editor: Septimus Sears. 24-32 pp., illus. Price 1d.

Strict Baptist miscellany for children. Considerable variety in form of contents, but Calvinistic themes, especially the imminence of death, were pursued incessantly. A series of lessons on chemistry (1856) provided unusual secular interest.

Circulation 4,000 in 1856.

In British Library.

49. The biblical messenger: and quarterly record (Cover-title).

Vol. 1, nos. 1-2, July-Oct. 1854.

London: Houlston & Stoneman.

Editor: John Edgar Bloomfield.

64-72 pp. Price 6d.

Miscellany. Biblical exposition was its main feature, but it also included news of secular and ecclesiastical (mainly Strict Baptist) events, biography and reviews.

In British Library.

50. The freeman.

Vols. 1-11 (=nos. 1-571), 1855-65. No. 1 appeared 24 Jan. 1855. Vols. 1-4 covered 1855/6-1858/9, with 52 issues in each volume. Vol. 5 contained remaining issues (nos. 209-258) for 1859. Vols. 6-11 each covered one calendar year.

Leeds: J. Heaton, 1855. London: E. Marlborough, 1855; J. Heaton,

Jan. 1856-6 Sept. 1865; Elliot Stock, 13 Sept.-27 Dec. 1865. Editor: William Heaton, with assistance of Benjamin Evans, Francis Clowes and others.

16 pp. Price (unstamped) 3½d. (1855), 4d. (1856-65).

Weekly newspaper, published every Wednesday. Aimed to be a complete family paper, especially strong in its coverage of ecclesiastical matters. Reported regularly, from liberal viewpoint, on political and commercial affairs. Included literary reviews and material for leisure reading (short stories, articles and poetry). Founded by W. Heaton, B. Evans, John Cooke and W. F. Burchell (Baptist Magazine, vol. 64 (1872), p. 105). Henry Dunckley provisionally consented to be editor (Church, new series, vol. 8 (1854), p. 303), but there is no evidence that he took up the post. Joseph Angus gave general editorial oversight in the 1860s (E. A. Payne, The Baptist Union: a Short History (London, 1959), p. 93).

Circulation 2,000.

In British Library.

51. The New Park Street almanack for 1857. Continued as The Rev. C. H. Spurgeon's illustrated almanack and Christian's companion for 1858-65. With cover-titles (1) The Christian's companion for 1857; (2) The illustrated almanack and Christian's companion for 1860-2; (3) Spurgeon's illustrated almanack for 1864-5.

Vols. for 1857-65.

London: Alabaster & Passmore, 1857-60; Passmore & Alabaster, 1861-5.

Editor: C. H. Spurgeon. 32 pp., illus. Price 1d.

Contained exhortations by Spurgeon, anecdotes, poems, texts for daily meditation, list of Baptist societies and directory for Spurgeon's chapel. The publishers were responsible for adding almanack information (eclipses, stamp duties, etc.).

In British Library.

52. Periodical papers.

One issue, not numbered, dated Jan. 1857.

London: printed by Briscoe. Editor: ? William Norton.

16 pp.

Collection of letters and addresses, attacking Open Communion tendencies in British Baptist churches and overseas missions. Was stitched up with the Baptist Magazine [7], March 1857, as a supplement. The editor of the Baptist Magazine, who disclaimed all connection with it, was "deluged with protests against (its) insertion" (Baptist Magazine, vol. 49 (1857), cover of April issue). He persuaded his publisher not to accept such propaganda material, and no further issues have been traced.

In British Library.

53. The Baptist year book, and almanack.

Vols. for 1858-65. London: James Paul.

27-37 pp. Price 2d.

Scripture texts and meditations for each day; Baptist directory (London chapels, obituaries of ministers, lists of societies and publications); general almanack information.

Incomplete file in Baptist Union Library.

54. Quarterly reporter of the German Baptist Mission (Heading). Nos. 2-31, July 1858-Oct. 1865.

London: J. Heaton, July 1858-Dec. 1865.

Editor: J. G. Oncken.

16 pp. Price 2d.

News sheet of the German Baptist Mission (founded in Hamburg, 1823). Reported evangelistic activities and religious persecution principally in German states but also in Sweden, Denmark, Holland, France, Switzerland, Poland and Russia. Included extracts from missionaries' journals and letters, British subscription lists, statistics of continental churches. The first number, dated March 1858, was published in Hamburg, by J. G. Oncken.

In British Library.

55. The voice of truth. With sub-titles (1) or, the baptized believers' magazine 1860-1; (2) a Particular Baptist monthly magazine 1862; (3) or, Strict Baptists' magazine 1863; (4) or, Baptist record 1864-5. With heading Strict Baptist penny magazine 1860-1.

Vols. 1-2, 1860-1. New series, vols. 1-4, 1862-5.

London: G. J. Stevenson, 1860-62; R. Hoddy, 1860; Elliot Stock, 1863-5.

Editors: William Palmer 1860-4; John Bloomfield Dec. 1864.

12-28 pp. Price 2d.

Miscellany, mainly for instruction in Strict Baptist principles. Also included news and reviews, answers to queries and selections suitable for families and Sunday schools. In 1863, taken over by a committee who tried to make it the recognized organ of the Strict Baptists and who planned to support the widows of Strict Baptist ministers with its profits.

Incomplete file in British Library.

56. Pearls from the golden streams: a monthly magazine of truth, incidents, and bye-words, for our neighbours (young and old), of the towns and villages (Cover-title) Jan. 1861-March 1863. Continued as Pearls from the golden stream (Cover-title; sub-title was dropped) April 1863-Dec. 1865.

Vols. 1-4, Oct. 1861-Dec. 1865. Vol. 1 covers nos. 1-15 (1861-2).

London: Houlston & Wright.

Editors: William Hawkins Jan. 1861-March 1863; Josiah Briscoe April 1863.

16 pp., illus. Price 1d.

Strict Baptist periodical, mainly for children, intended "to display the glorious doctrines of a Free Grace Gospel in a pleasing and attractive style". Short narratives of Christian lives and deaths, moral sayings, cautionary tales, Protestant and temperance propaganda, poetry, hymns with music. Two editors succeeded Hawkins in 1863 (Pearls, vol. 2 (1863), p. 48); possibly Josiah Briscoe's co-editor was his son John who shared in his printing business (Baptist Magazine, vol. 80 (1888), pp. 385-7).

Circulation 4,000-5,000.

In British Library.

57. The sower (Heading 1862-4, cover title 1865).

Nos. 1-36, 1862-4. Vol. 4 (= nos. 1-12), 1865.

London: Houlston & Wright.

Editor: Septimus Sears.

12 pp. Price ½d.

Monthly tract magazine, unsectarian in content. Its advertised aim was to "Sow the Word" to believers and unconverted alike. Usually contained a sermon, a biography or moral tale, one or two poems, and several anecdotes or extracts.

In British Library.

58. The quarterly journal of the East Lancashire Union of Baptist Churches (Heading). Jan. 1863-Feb. 1865. Continued as The journal of the East Lancashire Union of Baptist Churches (Heading) Aug.-Nov. 1865.

Nos. 1-8, Dec. 1863-Nov. 1865.

No imprint.

16 pp.

East Lancashire Union (founded 1863) enabled Baptists who differed over doctrine to meet for discussion of practical problems, e.g. support of missions, conduct of Sunday schools. Each issue of fournal contained a digest of the paper read at the last meeting of the Union, together with report of discussion. Also contained news of churches, accounts of special collections and announcements of forthcoming local events.

In Baptist Union Library.

59. The Baptist Sunday-school magazine, and family instructor (Cover-title).

Vol. 1 (=nos. 1-7), Jan.-July 1865.

London: Elliot Stock. Editor: William Stokes. 20 pp., illus. Price 1d.

Monthly magazine "for junior teachers, senior scholars, and the family circle". Official organ of the Baptist Sunday School Union (of Strict Baptists). Contained articles on biblical subjects and church history (e.g. Boys of the Bible, Baptist worthies of olden days), poetry, notices of books, news of churches.

In British Library.

60. The sword and the trowel; a record of combat with sin and labour for the Lord.

[Vol. 1], 1865.

London: Passmore & Alabaster. Editor: Charles Haddon Spurgeon.

36-50 pp. Price 3d.

Monthly magazine of Spurgeon's church in Newington Butts, London, the centre of his far-reaching activity in evangelism, ministerial training and pastoral work. "Intended to report the efforts of those Churches and Associations, which are more or less intimately connected with the Lord's work at the Metropolitan Tabernacle, and to advocate those views of doctrine and church order which are most certainly received among us". Besides news and doctrinal teaching, contained moral and religious essays (thoughts on travel, on William Cowper, etc.), sample tracts, letters and reviews.

In British Library.

APPENDIX I

UNTRACED PERIODICALS

61. The Baptist quarterly.

W. T. Whitley's chronologically arranged cards (supra, p. 53) referred under the year 1853 to "The Baptist Quarterly (till 1858)". Under the year 1858 Whitley noted "The Baptist Quarterly (of England) ceased this year".

62. The Christian expositor.

Jones, Autobiography, p. 64, has the following reference: "I know not whether it was as a rival to the magazine now referred to [Congregational Magazine], that my worthy friend, Dr. F. A. Cox, of Hackney, some years ago commenced a similar periodical under the title of the Christian Expositor. It is said that the Doctor enlisted a number of subscribers in favour of the undertaking, and collected funds for its support; but at the end of fifteen months, or thereabout, it became defunct, though the renowned Robert Hall, of Leicester, was one of its contributors". Possibly Jones was referring to the Christian Repository [18].

63. The free communionist.

Whitley, Cards, listed this title under the year 1841. Possibly it was a counterblast to the *Primitive Communionist* [31], which began a new series in 1841 under the title *Primitive Church Magazine*.

64. Messenger of peace.

Mentioned in unsigned article on the Rev. John Bloomfield, minister of Salem Chapel, Meard's Court, London: "For some time, Mr. Bloomfield issued monthly a 'Messenger of Peace'; and at another time, a 'Biblical Messenger'" (The Christian Cabinet Illustrated Almanack for 1861 (London, 1860), p. 39). For the Biblical Messenger, see [49] above.

65. The missionary observer.

One volume of this periodical was published in Derby in 1821. Included, as a publication of the General Baptist Missionary Society, in W. T. Whitley, A Baptist Bibliography (2 vols. London, 1916-22), vol. 2, p. 121, entry 64/821. "Missionary observer 1821" is entered in the unpublished catalogue of the Baptist Historical Society library, but the volume is now missing. In June 1821 the Annual Association of the New Connexion of General Baptists resolved that the General Baptist Repository [6] and Missionary Observer should be united in one periodical (New Connexion, Minutes of an association . . . held at Loughborough . . . 1821, p. 22). The new joint publication [13] began in 1822.

66. Quarterly missionary herald.

Possibly two issues appeared, in February and April 1859. The secretaries of the Baptist Missionary Society first announced it in Nov. 1858 (Baptist Magazine, vol. 50 (1858), p. 717). The Missionary Herald stated (no. 479, Jan. 1859, p. 16): "Quarterly Missionary Herald. On the 1st of February will be ready for issue, in an attractive form, under this title, a paper of eight pages, small 8vo., for the use of Auxiliaries and Associations, for gratuitous distribution among subscribers of one penny a week, and upwards. It will contain an interesting selection of missionary narratives, incidents of missionary life, and other matter calculated to awaken and sustain a missionary spirit. . . . It will be issued direct from the Mission House". After the announcement of the second number in April 1859 (Missionary Herald, no. 482, p. 320), no more was heard of it.

67. The Strict Baptist.

Whitley, Cards, listed "The Strict Baptist (periodical)" under the year 1861, and followed the reference with a note on the North Western Association of Strict Baptist Churches, which issued its first circular letter in that year, but it is not clear whether he intended to connect the two references.

APPENDIX II

Periodicals With Baptist Connections

The following select list of periodicals consists principally of those which had either a Baptist editor (usually a minister) or notable Baptist contributors. There are, of course, many other periodicals whose editors or contributors happened to be members of Baptist churches. The periodicals included here show that Baptist writers used this form of publication for the interests of a wider churchmanship than the main list might suggest.

68. The anti-popish reviewer and Protestant lamp for the Christian churchman.

1850-1. Editor: Charles Waters Banks. Anti-Catholic propaganda.

69. The Calvinist.

1861-2. Contributors: Joseph Palmer, C. W. Banks. Aimed to unite theological conservatives of different denominations.

70. The children's magazine of general knowledge.

1838-44. Continued as The children's magazine and missionary repository. 1845-65. Editor: J. F. Winks.

71. The Christian cabinet.

1855-64. Editor: C. W. Banks 1855-61. Contributor: C. H. Spurgeon 1855-6. Weekly penny newspaper.

72. The Christian reflector and theological inquirer.

1820-9. Editor: F. B. Wright 1822-7. Unitarian periodical for lower classes.

73. The Christian world.

1857-1961. Editor: Jonathan Whittemore 1857-60. Weekly non-conformist newspaper.

74. The Christian's bread-basket: a treasury of practical and devotional reading for Christian pilgrims.

1861-2. Contributors: C. H. Spurgeon, James Smith, T. W. Medhurst, B. W. Noel.

75. The church examiner.

1853. Joint editor (one of four): George Gould: Anti-state church magazine, explaining principles of congregationalism.

76. The church expositor.

1844-6. Organ of the Norfolk and Norwich Religious Liberty Society, which consisted mainly of Baptists and Congregationalists.

77. The eclectic review.

1805-68. Editors: Thomas Price 1837-50, Jonathan Ryland 1855-68. Contributor: John Foster 1806-39. Nonconformist answer to the Quarterly Review.

78. Evangelical Christendom.

1847-1954. Editor: Edward Steane 1847-?. Monthly journal of Evangelical Alliance.

79. The evangelical magazine.

1793-1904. Contributors: Andrew Fuller, James Hinton, John Ryland, and other leading Baptists, to 1812. Baptist widows received grants from its profits until 1812, when the Baptist contributors withdrew.

80. The family magazine.

1834-7. Editor: Joseph Belcher. Evangelical monthly miscellany.

81. The friendly companion.

1857-8. Éditor: John Gadsby. Pious amusement for children and servants.

82. The gospel times: a penny weekly Protestant paper.

1861. Editor: C. W. Banks.

83. The half penny picture magazine for little children.

1854. Continued as The pictorial magazine for little children. 1855-8.

Continued as The little child's picture magazine in easy words. 1859-62. Continued as The picture magazine. 1863-5. Editor: J. F. Winks.

84. The Maidstone Christian instructor.

1827. Editor: William Groser. Local co-operative venture of Wesleyan Methodists, Independents and Baptists. Included news of other denominations.

85. The missionary world: a quarterly journal of biography and intelligence.

1849. Editor: Francis Augustus Cox. Surveyed 23 missionary societies.

86. Old truths.

1865-8. Editor: John Cox. For teaching doctrine of "pre-millennial advent".

87. The pot of manna.

1851-4. Contributors: John Kershaw, James Wells. Calvinistic miscellany.

88. The preacher's magazine and pastor's monthly journal.

Editor: Jabez Burns.

89. The Protestant dissenters' magazine.

1794-9. "Published with the assistance of several dissenting ministers of the Three Denominations", including Joshua Toulmin.

90. The revivalist; exclusively devoted to the revival and extension of evangelical religion.

1832-44. Editor: Joseph Belcher 1832-41. Monthly miscellany.

91. Slavery in America: with notices of the present state of slavery and the slave trade throughout the world.

1837. Editor: Thomas Price. Monthly bulletin.

92. South Bucks Christian reporter, and Sunday school journal.

1830-1. Editors: J. Statham, S. R. Allom, D. Ives (Baptist ministers in Buckinghamshire).

93. The Sunday school times and home educator.

1860-1925. Editor: Jonathan Whittemore 1860. Weekly aid for teachers and scholars.

94. The teacher's friend.

1850-1. Editor: Samuel G. Green. Monthly magazine containing sermon notes, hints on conduct of Sunday schools, etc.

95. The universalist's miscellany, or philanthropist's museum.

1797-1801. Continued as The universal theological magazine. 1802-3. Continued as The universal theological magazine and impartial review. 1804-5. Editor: William Vidler. Contributor: Richard Wright. Included material on General Baptist history.

96. The youth's magazine; or, evangelical miscellany.

1805-67. Editor: William Brodie Gurney 1805-15.

97. Zion's trumpet, or the penny spiritual magazine.

1833-68. Calvinistic miscellany, linked with Aged Pilgrim's Friend Society.

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