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We want the brethren everywhere to be sure to send us reports of all their meetings, and all matters that are of general interest to the brotherhood. Make your paper the means of intercommunication in every sense.

From several parts of the country we have received expressions of regret at the discontinuance of the Sunday-school lessons. We will make arrangements as soon as practicable to resume their publication.

Now we think the HERALD the neatest and most convenient form of any religious paper on this coast. As to its merits we allow our readers to judge of that, and are well satisfied with their verdict of cheering words and new subscribers. We hope they will now feel constrained to renewed diligence to increase its influence among the people.

We read of a congregation that gave, in one year, about \$5, for the support of the Lord's cause. How can the Lord say to those members in the day of final accounts, " Well done good and faithful servants?" Is not that rather poorly done?

The seed-time of life is rapidly passing. Will you plant some kind word or loving action in each of the furrows of time? Then shall you reap the harvest golden in the end of your labors.

The elections in Oregon are over and the people now breathe more freely, and have more time to talk about the welfare of the church on Lord's day. Some men's polities when at fever heat, make it sad for their religion.

We this week begin an excellent article by Bro. Lamar from the *Christian Standard*, on "The Church Distinguished from a Sect."

The key to successful Christian experience, is prayerfulness and watchfulness over self. Our worst foes are those within.

Two subscribers peremptorily ordered their papers stopped this week, a thing that has hitherto been unknown to us. One of them was a crazy man in Marion county, and the other was a wooner in Yamhill county who has become "sanctified" in that modern way is now sinless and does not longer need the HERALD. As we received some thirty new subscribers in place of these, the paper will be able to continue as usual.

The *Christian Herald* is doing good and manly work on the temperance question. There is no uncertainty nor doubt in its words on that subject. We gladly recognize the earnest and Christian efforts of that paper on those lines of practical temperance work on which the *Advocate* is so thoroughly understood.

Thanks, Bro. Hines, we are glad to have the appreciation and coöperation of such papers as the *Advocate* in this struggle against this terrible evil.

Next week the Polk county meeting begins at Dallas; the following week the Linn county meeting begins near Central church, east of Albany; and the next week the Marion county meeting begins at Turner's Station. The senior editor of the HERALD expects to attend all these meetings part of the time.

Decoration Day was observed in most of the cities of the Pacific, with much impressiveness and ceremony. In Portland, business was suspended, flags were at half-mast, and appropriate ceremonies were had at Lone Fir Cemetery.

Bro. O. Spencer, at a recent meeting in Missouri, baptized Dr. Ditzler, a brother of Dr. Jacob Ditzler, of Methodist fame.

Many of our writers are condemning the title "Eld" before a preacher's name. We agree in the condemnation.

Since the revised version takes "hell" out of several passages, and "fool" out of several others, it is a comfort to a great many people.

*Messenger.*

The Mormons of Utah are arranging to send out two hundred missionaries. If we only had the zeal of that people, how we could spread the truth abroad!

An exchange says that a sect called "New Israel" has arisen among the Jews in Russia. It abandons circumcision, the distinction between clean and unclean meats, and changes the Sabbath to the first day of the week.

Next week is Commencement in Christian College. The program for the various exercises of the week will be found on page 3.

There seems to be a general demand for a cheap edition of the New Hymnal, and we hope to be able to announce soon the determination of the publishers to issue such an edition.

The Kentucky College of the Bible graduates six young men this year.

Messrs. Whittle and McGranahan have just closed a series of meetings at Oakland, Cal.

A bronze statue, ten feet high, will be erected on the Thaine's embankment as a memorial of William Tyndall, who first translated the New Testament into English.

Read our premium offer on page 4 and then send us some new subscribers. Almost everybody will take the HERALD if they know what it is. We must have 1,000 more subscribers this year, and will be able to go beyond that if all our firm friends will put forth a little effort to show the paper and ask people to subscribe. If you need extra copies to canvass with, send for them.

"There's too much horse-racing at agricultural fairs," remarked Parson Jones to the secretary. "I should like to know what horse-racing has to do with agriculture."

"Well, nothing perhaps, parson, any more than church lotteries have to do with the Gospel." The parson felt the rebuke.

How the tide has set in against infant membership is illustrated in a statement found in a late number of the *Independent*, that in an eastern town "a Congregational minister, Mr. Clark, has just been installed, who took somewhat novel and suggestive positions on the subject. He was asked by the council: 'Who are the proper subjects of baptism?' He replied: 'Believers.' 'How about their children?' 'They should not be baptized; certainly, my children shall not be.' But how in the case of such as desire to bring their children for baptism?"

If they cannot be dissuaded, I should not object to a form of consecration; but I should not call it baptism. This, we are informed, was the substance of the examination on this point. He was unanimously accepted, and Dr. Duryea preached the sermon."