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The colored brethren of Tazewell county, Va., recently held their county convention. They organized and assigned fields of labor to the different preachers of the co-operation. There are eight preachers laboring in the co-operation.

The Disciples of the second district of East Tennessee recently held their annual meeting and the report shows zeal guided by knowledge in coöperating for the better spreading of the Gospel.

Abingdon College, Abingdon, Ill., is running on smoothly under the management of President Bruner, with an excellent faculty and good class of students. It is to be hoped their old troubles are all past.

MISSIONARY BOARD.—W. H. Adams, Portland, President; Henry Shadle, Portland, Vice-President; I. G. Davidson, Portland, Treasurer; S. M. Hubbard, Amity, Recording Secretary; Bruce Wolverton, Corvallis, Corresponding Secretary.

The brethren at Sumner, Pierce county, W. T. want a preacher. A young man just beginning his work in the ministry would receive encouragement and support with the good brethren at Sumner. Address Bro. S. Boney, as above.

Lots have been purchased in Corvallis whereon to erect a church house, and it is hoped that ere many months a suitable building will be erected. But several hundred dollars are yet needed for its completion. This could and should be raised within the next few months, but who will undertake the task? Who will assist?

Quite a number of the churches of Oregon have been having good meetings. The prospect for the spiritual growth of the church is favorable, if the brethren will only come up to the work of the Lord in full force and each do in accordance with his ability.

We give this week the names of members of the Missionary Board. The missionary interests in our State and on the coast demand at the present time our most earnest attention. It is the desire and intention of the Board to extend this work as far as possible the coming year. To this end it is necessary that every church and (where there is no church) every person interested in the spread of the Gospel, should be heard from immediately, or at their earliest opportunity. The officers, therefore, will be glad to communicate with any brethren and sisters, as to giving and receiving in this missionary work. Please write to the proper officers and your communications will receive due attention.

"T. H." furnishes the *Christian-Evangelist* the following solutions: An item of some interest to the mission workers was named at the Farewell Convention yesterday by Rev. Dr. Rainsford, of London, England, viz:

That if twelve Christians could convert twelve persons in one year and the same rate of increase continue for thirty years there would be every person in the whole world converted to Christianity. In fact the figures show a greater result.

Let our young people figure out this interesting point and be courageous in the cause of their Redeemer.

It is now time to be raising the lists for the HERALD for the year 1883. The arrangements that are being made for carrying on the paper, will, we believe, make it a much better paper than ever before. The brethren will no doubt do their duty in the matter of increasing its circulation and spreading its influence.

We look forward with high anticipations of favorable results for the cause in Oregon the coming year. Brethren, pray the Lord to bless the efforts put forth.

On account of the delay necessary in getting out the issue of last week, it is necessary this week to issue half the usual size in order to get out on time. But by setting the matter solid and leaving out much of the advertising, we are able to furnish nearly the usual amount of reading matter. This is the first interruption we have had in the time of issuing the paper this year, and we do not expect another to occur soon.

We still have on hand something over one hundred copies of last week's paper, devoted to missionary work, which we furnish at 10 cents per copy till they are all gone. If you want any of them you should order early.

The *Christian Standard* thinks we have shut our eyes to the facts when we said:

"A few churches, through the influence of the *Christian Standard*, will adopt the Hymn and Tune Book, but the Hymnal is being almost uniformly adopted."

Our brother of the *Standard* goes on to say that "fully three hundred churches are now using the book." So much the worse for the cause we have so earnestly been pleading for nearly a century past "the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." This introduction of another book to oppose the wishes of the general brotherhood as expressed in convention for a revised Hymnal and delegating authority to the proper parties to make the revision, is carrying the spirit of discord and division with it wherever it goes. We hope to be delivered from such a state of affairs in this section of the country. Still we think we are reliably informed that the Hymnal has a much wider sale than that estimated by the *Standard* for the Hymn and Tune Book, and do not see any great modification of our former statement necessary, as a large part of the introduction referred to by the *Standard* has been made since we wrote.

The church is the place of self-denials for Christ's sake, and for those with whom he associates and for whom he died.

As the Board will have an evangelist ready for active work at least by the first of January, it will be well for the different congregations of the State which desire to make a special effort in evangelizing to arrange for the same and communicate with the Board, that time may be assigned them, and all needed preparations may be made.

Bro. F. M. Green, who has been for five years corresponding Secretary of the General Christian Missionary Convention, has retired, and Bro. Robert Moffett of Ohio has been chosen in his place. Bro. Green has been an excellent Secretary.

Dean Stanley on the baptismal question makes certain admissions, which the *Christian Commonwealth* sums up as follows:

In order to present the whole case clearly before the mind of the reader, it may be well to summarize the chief points in the Dean's article. The following, we think, fairly represents his views:—

1. Immersion was wisely selected, not only because it was "a most delightful, ordinary and salutary observance," but because it was significantly expressive of the design of baptism.

2. The word which Christ used to express baptism is literally translated by immersion.

3. Christ himself was immersed.

4. The Apostles uniformly practiced immersion.

5. Immersion was the invariable practice of the Primitive Church.

6. It was the almost universal practice of Christians for thirteen centuries.

7. When the substitution of sprinkling for immersion began to find favor, it was stoutly resisted as an innovation.

8. Even in some of the cold countries (Russia for instance) the innovation has been up to the present time, successfully resisted.

8. Immersion, "even in the Church of England, is still observed in theory. Elizabeth and Edward VI were both immersed. The Rubric in the Public Baptism for Infants enjoins that, unless for special cases, they are to be dipped, not sprinkled."

10. The change from immersion to sprinkling is greater than that which the Roman Catholic Church has made in administering the Sacrament of the Lord's supper is the bread without the wine.