

has lodged in good and honest hearts, and we confidently believe it will bring forth fruit to the glory and honor of God.

Since my labors began here, the first of May, there has been received into the church, by letter, 10; restored, 4; relation, 2; baptized, 11; total, 27.

We have given letters three, and one has gone from us because he was not of us—making a loss of four—leaving us a net gain of 23. I have never found a better church to labor with, nor one that I thought had more of the spirit of Christ. Pray for us that our labors may be mutually blessed in the Lord.

J. W. SPRIGGS.

California Letter.

DOWNEY CITY, CAL.,
Nov. 16, 1882.

Bro. Stanley:

Our meeting at San Luis Rey was very fine—eight confessions in a week, and a small community. Bros. Frazee and Borden aided much.

There were two additions at El Monte last month, two at Artesia, and two at Anaheim. We keep our regular course at Downey City, and peace and good will prevail everywhere, I think. Still, we lack that consuming zeal necessary to a great work.

The temperance question is occupying largely in California, or rather the question of prohibition. We are told generally, "Oh, you cannot succeed; there is too great a wine interest. Alcohol is too strong." We are sorry success is not our part. It is our business to be right if we can. We would a thousand times rather die in a failure, than live in a success that is not just. God gives the increase. More than thirty years ago, I found I had to get my patients out of a malarial region before I could cure them. So intimately were the cause and the effect connected. I could not remove the malarial poison, but I could remove my patients out of it. So I have seen for years, that if a Christian could not build up a congregation where he is, he should go where there is one. If we cannot correct the evil we should get away from it. If there were a winery or distillery, and could not remove it, I would remove myself.

Then there are two points I would be glad to have labored at length in your Temperance department:

1. The propriety of being right, of aiming at the right thing, whether we are ever successful in the estimation or not.

2. The necessity of removing temptation or avoiding them. The best success is to please God. All can do that.

He is not a tyrant. But "he knows our powers;" he understands what we can do. We need not suppose we please him when we do not fill up these measures.

I am glad of your approval of the Hymnal, which I see only in the *Review*. Every selfish or partisan look, and every partisan work or worker, should be opposed.

Affectionately,
C. KENDRICK.

A Card.

ATHOL, D. T., Nov. 9, 1882.

D. T. Stanley:

DEAR SIR,—I am becoming better acquainted with the Disciples, through the kindness of some of the readers of the *Standard*, who have sent me copies of the same from time to time, and also a few pamphlets, etc. I should like to read some of your larger works, but being in limited circumstances at present, cannot furnish myself with them. Should any of your readers have second-hand books that they do not care to keep, and would be kind enough to favor me with any of them, I will send books or papers in exchange, and shall also ever be grateful for the favor.

Truly yours,
H. C. LUCAS.

10,000 Card Tracts.

By the time you read this the Christian Sower Tract Fund will have received still another edition of card tracts containing the above number. Many destitute fields are being supplied free of charge. It really looks as if the brethren regard this fund with much favor. At the close of December a full report of the year's work will be made. This is the pioneer effort among us for the free distribution of tracts. Are you a friend to this work? These tracts are free to those who are not able to buy but who will circulate them. To others they are 50 cents per hundred. There are five kinds now. New ones will follow soon. Modesty keeps some who have received a gift of tracts from reading again; this should not be. Contributions are needed as the sales do not keep

the fund up. There is no better way to preach the Word. Send small sums in postage stamps. A dollar bill may be safely trusted in a well directed envelope. Brethren, help!

T. W. HIGBEE, Trustee,
Madisonville, Ky.

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GOSPEL SUCCESS.

Reported by our correspondents and gleaned from our exchanges.

OREGON.

STAYTON, Nov. 27.—A meeting of a week's duration, conducted by Elds. Doty and Whitney has just closed at this place resulting in the direct gain of three to the membership, besides the encouragement and upbuilding of the brotherhood, which is equally as beneficial as the accessions. At our next regular meeting, officers of the congregation will be ordained.—Egon.

MISSOURI.

NEVADA, Nov. 15.—Bro. J. Z. Taylor has just closed a meeting with us, with 24 additions—16 baptized. The preaching was of the highest order, the hearing fine, and great good was accomplished.—M. M. Davis.

PRICETON, Nov. 14.—I assisted Bro. J. W. Monser 14 days recently, at Blackburne, where 29 were added—15 being baptized and 14 came into the fellowship from other sources.—J. H. Hughes.

UNIONVILLE, Nov. 13.—Closed a meeting, Nov. 9, of 14 days' duration. Immediate results were 27 added to their congregation of 33.—W. K. Slater.

PARIS, Nov. 13.—I held a meeting of one week, including the fifth Lord's day resulting in 6 accessions to the church at Gunn City, Cass Co. I returned home, and after a lapse of one week returned to G. C., and continued five nights, resulting in 25 more accessions, making in all 31—21 by immersion and 10 from other sources.—H. B. Davis.

KENTUCKY.

VALLEY, Lewis Co., Nov. 9.—At my appointment, assisted by Elder H. Mavity, at Pleasant Valley, Fleming Co., on Oct. 21, continued the meeting until Thursday night. Our audience was large and attentive. There were 13 additions—1 from the Baptists, 2 reclaimed, 10 baptized, 1 of them from the Methodists.—D. S. Austin.

At my appointment, assisted by Elder Wm. Coon's at Hoyt's Run, Oct. 28th, continued the meeting until Thursday night, Nov. 2. There were 8 additions—2 reclaimed, 6 baptized.—D. S. Austin.

NEBRASKA.

FAIRFIELD, Nov. 16.—Two confessions 1 from the Baptists and 6 by letter at this place, and meeting to be continued over next Lord's day.—R. C. Barrow.

At the meeting previously reported at Indian Creek, 10 were added under the

labors of N. B. Alley after I left the meeting, making 21 in all. Fairfield meeting still in progress, with 2 confessions, 2 from the Baptists and 6 added by letter.—R. C. Barrow, Nov. 18.

ENGLAND.

CHESTER, Nov. 2.—Since we opened our new building, 26 have been baptized 13 of them within October. The audiences are increasing, rather than diminishing, as we expected.—J. M. Van Horn.

Obituary.

Elder John Newton Mulkey, of Glasgow, Ky., fell asleep in Jesus at 7:25 p. m., Sept. 26, 1882, aged 76 years 7 months and 15 days.

He was born February 11, 1806, in Monroe county, Ky., where his early life was spent. Was married to Nancy Laugh, October 7, 1824, with whom he lived fifty-two years, lacking only four days. They raised a family of twelve children to be grown—5 boys and 7 girls. Four of their children died in infancy. Ten of them are still living to mourn his absence, but they mourn not as those who have no hope. They are all members of the Christian church, and looking forward to the time when they will meet him on the other shore. His dear and loving companion, with whom he lived so long and loved so fondly, bid him farewell six years ago, and was waiting and watching on the sunny shore for him. He leaves a kind, Christian and devoted wife, with whom he spent his last days, to mingle her tears with the tears of his dear children and many loving friends over his departure. As a husband and father, he was all that could be expected of mortal man—ever kind, loving, sympathizing and protecting, preferring their wants to those of his own. As a Christian, no man doubts his religion. His life was so full of the golden fruits of the Spirit that to be with him was to feel yourself in the presence of a man that walked and lived with God. The verdict of all who knew him is, that his spirit is now roaming with the blest.

He was an earnest, active and self-sacrificing minister of the Gospel for about fifty years. Several thousand souls were brought to Jesus by his earnest labors. Oh! what a starry crown will he wear on his brow through eternity. No thought or subject was so dear to his heart as the salvation of souls. Among the last words he ever said to me were words of encouragement in proclaiming the Gospel. His faith grew stronger and stronger and his hope brighter and brighter, till his spirit was no more with us.

Let me say to his many loving friends, and to his dear children and wife, who loved him the most; he is waiting and watching to welcome you on the other shore. May we all meet him there is the earnest prayer of

T. A. REYNOLDS.

When about twelve years old said Mr. Geisman, of the Globe Chop House to our representative, I met with an accident with a horse, by which my skull was fractured, and ever since I have suffered with the most excruciating rheumatic pains. Of late I applied St. Jacobs Oil which has given me almost total relief.—Fort Wayne, (Ind.) *Sentinel*.