

Report from Seattle.

SEATTLE, W. T.,
May 10, 1883.

Bro. Floyd:

We have the pleasure of reporting one more member added to our little band since our last report. Bro. W. W. Watson was with us on the fifth Sunday and preached for us. Bro. Watson is a zealous worker in the Master's vineyard, and our prayers for him are that he may be successful wherever his lot may be cast in bringing souls to Christ.

Bro. C. Sharp, of Portland, preached for us on last Sunday and returned home on Monday. We invite Bro. S. back again.

The cause is prospering as well as could be expected. We will soon have our new church done, and then we will feel as though we had a home. We have no preaching only as the brethren drop in. We hope to be able soon to employ a preacher all his time. There is a big field of labor here, and if some good preacher would locate here I think there would be no trouble about his getting his support.

Our city is building up very fast. We have now a population of about 8000, and is destined to be the largest city on the Sound. Rents and real estate are very high, and so is labor of all kind. Educational advantages can not be excelled anywhere. Our new school house is just completed at the cost of \$24,000. We have eight school houses and 10 churches.

J. W. OSBORN.

Who is Right?

HELIX, OR., May 18, 1883.

Bro. Floyd:

In the HERALD of April 27th there was an article on "Shall Women Speak in the Church" from the pen of Bro. McGarvey. The brethren at this place took the subject under advisement at the following prayer-meeting. A goodly portion of it was read and some comments made thereon. The tenor of all the remarks made appeared to differ somewhat from Bro. McGarvey. Bro. C. M. Ely read extracts from a sermon by W. T. Moore on "Woman's Work in the Church," delivered in Cincinnati, Sept. 11, 1870, and published by unanimous vote of the congregation. This is an excellent discourse on that subject and seems to be Scripturally handled, and so far as I have heard from the brethren here, they think his views are

good. The cause of my writing this is in order to draw out more thought that we may be better established on that subject. Would be pleased to have your views.

Fraternally,

W. B. HENDERSON.

[If some one will mail us Bro. W. T. Moore's pamphlet on "Woman's Work in the Church" we will pay it our respects in the HERALD. We have read this pamphlet and think we remember that it contains some fallacious reasoning.—ED.]

Annual Co-Operation.

SALEM, OR., May 19, 1883.

Bro. J. F. Floyd:

Please say in the next issue of the HERALD that the Marion County Annual Co-operation Meeting will commence at the camp-ground at Turner, Marion county, on Friday before the third Lord's day in June, at 2 P. M. Preaching brethren Roberts, Spriggs and others will be present. All invited.

Very truly yours,

H. A. JOHNSON.

Co-Operation Meeting.

HILLSBORO, OR.,

May 19, 1883.

J. F. Floyd:

DEAR BRO.—Please announce through the HERALD that the Annual Meeting of the Christian church for Washington county will commence at Harris' Bridge, on Friday before the second Lord's day in June, to continue over two Sundays. Preaching brethren G. W. Richardson, P. R. Burnett, J. P. Easter, of Kansas, and probably A. D. Goodwin, of Kansas, will be in attendance and conduct the preaching services. Brethren, pray that God may strengthen the church and give us a rich harvest of souls for his kingdom.

By request of Bro. J. A. Campbell your list of subscribers at hand and will be attended to at an early date.

I send you a list of my lands, thinking that you may be of some use to me in that.

Yours in Christ,

W. H. RUCKER.

Tracts for New Zealand.

The tracts for Turkey were hardly out of sight before I received a letter (the third) from Wellington, New Zealand. I at once started one thousand card tracts for this far away land. About

eight hundred had been sent on former occasions, and having proved acceptable more were desired. New Zealand is composed of three islands lying in the South Pacific ocean, and is 6,500 miles west from the coast of South America, and so far south that it is far beyond the tropic of Capricorn. Its climate is very fine being neither very hot or cold. All of its native trees and shrubs are evergreens. It belongs to England and a large per cent. of the people speak this language. The principles of the Reformation have gained some footing there, but to what extent I do not yet know.

Episcopalianism, Presbyterianism and Roman Catholicism predominate. Thus we see that there as in every other land where Christ's name is honored sectarianism has fastened its fangs in the body of Christ. I have had some correspondence with A. B. Maston, one of our preachers who lives there. He wrote January 27th: "I could do a great work with tracts if I only had them. I wish that some good brother's heart might be opened towards these foreign lands. This is not an ignorant land, but a people of the brightest intelligence." After receiving a quantity of the Christian Sower Tract Fund's card tracts, he wrote March 24th: "I don't think you could send your tracts to a better place than Wellington. It is a city of 25,000 inhabitants, the capitol of this country, and a great shipping-center. These tracts are just what I want to help me in my work. All are appropriate, but the one on the Anxious Seat." So it appears that in some respects they are superior to us not having that modern religious abomination the anxious seat. I am anxious to furnish Bro. Maston all the tracts he can use. He is able to bear part of the expense but not all. Who will help in this good work? Brethren, you have the means; act at once. If you do not wish to work through

me send him tracts, directing via San Francisco. I hope to have more to say on this New Zealand matter ere long.

J. W. HIGBEE.

Madisonville, Ky.

Current Religious News.

The Church of St. Elizabeth, at Marburg, a famous Gothic cathedral, is 600 years old. Jubilee services are soon to be held in it.

Many of the Jews in Germany are in favor of transferring their

Sabbath to the Christian Sunday, the present custom being very inconvenient for business purposes.

Sixty-six persons were baptized on a recent Sunday, in the Baptist Church at Canandaigua, N. Y., Rev. C. E. Hiscox, pastor.

The Presbyterian Board has purchased a large and valuable building in San Francisco at a cost of \$22,500, for a Chinese mission.

The Archdeacon of Westminster, who died on the 6th ult., at the age of eighty-five years, had held his livings for upwards of fifty years. He was the sole surviving clergyman who officiated at the coronation of Queen Victoria in 1838. It is reported that Canon Farrar will be his successor.

The Episcopal Church of Scotland has 70747 members and adherents; the average salaries of pastors, including the parsonage, is about \$1,100; contributions to missions last year about \$18,000. The gain in members and adherents for the year was 3,264.

The Universalist denomination reports for 1883, twenty-three State Conventions, 939 parishes, 719 churches, 36,238 members, 633 Sunday-schools, and 51,793 scholars. There are 780 church edifices, worth \$6,443,000, and 613 ministers. In these colleges and seminaries are 99 teachers and 1,026 scholars. The value of their school property is \$2,200,500.

The Bishop of Gibraltar, in a letter to *The London Times*, states that "the moral condition of Monte Carlo, containing as it does the very scum of all Europe, is so bad" that he declines to give his sanction to a scheme for the erection of an English church there. A queer bishop, truly! How would it do to establish a Church of Christ there?

Plans have been filed for the new church building to be erected on the north side of Fifty-sixth street, New York, west of Eighth avenue, for the Church of the Disciples of Christ. The building will be 100 by 60 feet, constructed of brick, ornamented with sandstone and limestone, and it is estimated that it will cost \$55,000.

The Presbyterians of the Pacific Coast have resolved to establish a college which, "while it is unsecta-