

teacher at that time, she admitted the force of all the points made in the discourse, but said, "there is something back of all this." So, at my request, she very promptly wrote out a number of questions, touching the Godhead, Inspiration, Miracles, Christ, Prayers, &c., which in a few days I answered in writing and handed her for her consideration. We spent a few moments in reviewing them, and the next opportunity that offered she came to confess the Savior and obey him in all things. It was a great joy to every one. There are many others in the same community who are "almost persuaded." I hope and pray they may be altogether ready to enter the "new life."

We had a small congregation at that place organized by Bro. Boyles about five years ago. This is the home of Bro. B. who has a small claim, some of which is very good, but the greater part stands on its edge. Bro. B. is a master workman and ought to be in the field all the time. He has calls awaiting him as soon as harvest time will permit.

The Southern Methodist have a small organization at the same place and have preaching twice per month.

There is a large order of the Good Templars and the saloon is about starved out.

The meetings are all held in the school house which had ten feet added to it last year and makes it quite commodious. The people have it on foot now to build a house of worship and have a templar lodge room above.

This is on the banks of Stoney creek at the foot of Mt. St. John, where the scenery is delightful Plateaus here and there joyful with happy homes, while the lowing herds quench their thirst in limpid waters of Stoney creek. Only a few hours ride will take you far, far up among the tall pines, where the murmuring pines raise their tall heads in the pure air, and the panting deer ruminates by the mountain brooks.

As the location is near Willows where our State Evangelist has just held a very successful meeting, they may employ a laborer for the two vineyards.

Yours,
BRO. DURHAM.

College City, Cal.

China has decided not to oppose France in Tonquin.

Report from Hebron.

LATHAM, OR., June 4, 1883.

Bro. Floyd:

On Thursday, May 24th, Bros. Callison and Sharp commenced a meeting here. On Sunday following Bro. Todd contributed to the interest of the meeting by his presence and assistance. Tuesday 29th, Bro. I. N. Mulkey arrived, according to previous arrangements. Thursday 31st, Bro. Callison was compelled to return home, very much to our regrets as well as to the detriment of the meeting. Up to that time had 4 confessions and one baptism. Bro. Mulkey, assisted by Bro. Sharp, continued the meeting until last evening, June 3rd; the immediate result of which was 6 by confession and baptism.

The labors of the brethren during this meeting proves to my mind that if the good brethren of Oregon would put forth the same effort in developing, encouraging and remunerating home talent that we do in our efforts to get something new we would have a successful and efficient ministry in our midst.

The report of the Sunday-school was read by our Secretary yesterday. The average attendance for the month of May was sixty-one.
W. J. WHITE.

The Scio Meeting.

SCIO, OR., June 11, 1883.

Bro. J. F. Floyd:

Our meeting that followed the county coöperation meeting just closed to-day, having lasted 10 days. The meeting was conducted by Bros. D. M. Doty of Scio and J. W. Spriggs of Salem, who worked harmoniously together, and, by the way, had labored together in the vineyard of the Lord for the salvations of souls before coming to Oregon. It seemed, through the instrumentality of Bro. Doty's incessant labor with the people, they were ready to receive the truth as it had been proclaimed from the pulpit, and his every day life with the church; they were anxious to announce before the world by their action as well as words that there was a reality in the religion of Christ, for they had been sufficiently educated to believe that it was their duty as well as a great privilege to lead a different life by placing their affections upon God that created them and placed them here upon earth not simply for pleasure and amusement, but to a realization of their condition and

duty that we owe to our God and bountiful benefactor for the blessings we enjoy upon this earth, God's footstool. Bro. J. W. Spriggs preaching without rest the greater portion of the time. The audiences increased constantly from the first

sermon until the close, giving the greatest attention to his forcible and clear illustrations in the presentations of the gospel. He left many friends to wish him the greatest of success in proclaiming the word of God. And we are exceedingly glad to report that their labors have not been in vain for there were quite a number added to the church. 1 from the Baptists, 1 from the Presbyterians, 2 by commendation, 21 by confession and baptism and 3 by letter; total 29. We are satisfied that the good seed sown will induce others to obey the gospel and seek fellowship with the saints and to guide them during their sojourn here below. May the good work still go on till many more may see the error of their ways, is the sincere desire of your correspondent.

R. F. ASHBY.

Report of State Treasurer.

PORTLAND, OR.,
June 13, 1883.

Bro. Floyd:

Since last report the following amounts have been received:

Albany	\$ 5 05
Central	5 50
Forest Grove	5 35
Brownsville	3 05
Salem	10 00
Junction City	10 00
Harrisburg	5 00
Henry Davidson, Halsey	10 00
East Chehalis	3 00
Damascus	5 25
Portland	4 95
Hebron	3 00
Scio	3 00
Mt. Pleasant	5 00
Monmouth	5 60
Coquille City	5 50

Fraternally,
I. G. DAVIDSON,
Treasurer O. C. M. C.

Announcement.

ELLENSBURGH, W. T.,
June 7, 1883.

Dear Brother:

I expect to start on a trip to California in a few days for the benefit of my health and my wife's, and I want to say through our paper to the brethren in California wherever I may chance to go, I want to work while among you. I am acquainted with many good brethren in the Golden State, yet, like all other places, they are scattered far and wide. I shall pass from San Francisco south through San Jose, Gilroy and Hollister,

where I will preach if desired. The congregation at the latter place I am acquainted with by reputation. From there I shall determine the course of my travels.

Yours in Christian love,

K. BAILES.

Current Religious News.

The Norwegian Missionary, Oftebro, at Ekjowe, Zululand, on a recent Sunday baptized twenty-five heathen. Most of the converts had been receiving instruction in the school for several years.

Women are laboring successfully as evangelists in Wesleyan Methodist circuits in England. The labors of Mrs. Jeffrey, of London, have been greatly blessed in country places in the Ipswich circuit, and Miss Benjafield has just closed a week's special services in Hentsbridge, which resulted in fifty conversions.

The Congregational Church at Greenwich, Conn., recently elected two new deacons and one deaconess. The church in its early history was served efficiently by a deaconess, there being but one male member and he so unworthy as to require excommunication.

The ten thousand converts of the Rhenish mission of the Cape Colony, contributed in 1881 36,000 marks for church, and 5,000 marks for school purposes: A mark may be counted as about a quarter of a dollar; so the entire contributions of these people amounted to about \$8,000. One college of 274 souls gave 5,280 marks, or \$1,300.

The American Sunday School Union, which held its fifty-ninth anniversary at Hartford, Conn., on the evening of the 20th, reported the following summary of work during the past year: New schools organized, 2,252; teachers in the same, 10,376; scholars, 82,749. Addresses were made by Gen. Joseph R. Hawley, Rev. C. I. Goodell of St. Louis, and ex Governor A. H. Colquett of Georgia.

At the recent session of the Australian Church Congress, Dr. Moorhouse, the Bishop of Melbourne, advocated an occasional change of pulpits with ministers of other denominations. Dr. Bromby soon after invited Rev. Charles Strong, pastor of the Scotch Church, to exchange pulpits with him and preach in St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne. The invitation was accepted and the exchange took place.