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EDITORIAL NOTES.

We have on hand a good supply of Popular Hymns at publishers' prices. Also the Higbee Card Tracts. Send on your money and get them.

Renew! Renew! Will those whose time is up and these who are behind on the HERALD please renew and pay up at once? We are greatly in need of the money.

We are still waiting patiently the reply of the *Pacific Christian Advocate* to our question, Did Christ command immersion in his commission as reported by Matthew? Will our neighbor answer, yes, or no?

Brethren will please remember not to send us any more three cent stamps in payment for the HERALD, for the new postal law requiring but two cents postage on letters goes into effect on the first of October, after which time we can make no good use of so many three cent stamps. Brethren will please remember this, and be governed accordingly.

We are now at home again and hard at work in our office as usual. The felon on our thumb is about

well, and we feel much improved otherwise. We feel that we accomplished some good on our trip, both to ourselves, and to the brethren among whom we went. Let us now take hold of the work before us with a renewed energy, and vigorously push it on to completion.

The *Southern Herald*, a very neat and well-edited paper, published in Louisville, Ky., in the interest of temperance, comes to our office as an exchange. We are glad to know that in our native State the temperance cause is making reasonably good headway; but in view of the pride we take in our birth place, we confess that we do feel somewhat humiliated when we notice signs stuck up way out here in the Oregon cities, "Kentucky Whisky." Brethren, when you cut down that evil tree, please don't let any more of the lap come this way. Of the work in that State the *Herald* says: "Local Option prevails in some entire counties in Kentucky, and in hundreds of towns and precincts, and is more effective and successful than the laws against stealing, killing, adultery, etc."

We are sorry to learn, through the *Arkansas Sentinel*, of the death of our fatherly friend and brother in Christ, Elijah Davidson, of Fayetteville, Arkansas. A good portion of our time during the two years we lived in Fayetteville and preached for the church there was spent in the family of Bro. Davidson, and a better Christian man and a more pleasant family it has never been our pleasure to meet. Well do we remember our departure from Fayetteville a little over three years ago, and how with sadness we parted with "father Davidson," as he stood taking his last look after us as our vehicle passed over the hill out of view. Bro. Davidson has many relatives and friends in Monmouth and vicinity who will read of his death with sorrow. He died at the age of 79 years, and the greater part of this time was spent as an active member and officer in

the church of Christ. He has always been regarded not only as a faithful, but a leading member of the church and community in which he has lived. For many years he lived in Monmouth Illinois, and before the war, and about the time a number of his near relatives removed from that place to Oregon, Bro. Davidson and family removed to Fayetteville where they have since resided. He leaves in that city, two sons with families, an aged wife and a host of warm friends to mourn their loss. While we reluctantly give up such noble men of God, yet it rejoices us to know that all who live faithful to their calling in Christ Jesus will meet him in a better world than this.

The *Rescue*, of San Francisco, has at last succumbed. Our statements backed up by undeniable facts were too much for its editor. It will be remembered that we had occasion to state some time ago that the temperance work in California was about at a standstill, and that the whisky element being in the ascendancy, were really to a great extent controlling the State. The *Rescue* fairly breathed out threatening and slaughter against us for our ignorance and perversion of what it called the facts, but gave us nothing to the contrary except its own assertions. We then clipped statements from the ablest and most reliable religious papers of that city and state which confirmed our statement with stronger terms than we had used, and offered to furnish more evidence to the same effect, whereupon the editor, instead of attempting a reply, cut our exchange. In this act he showed a spirit and degree of intemperance in perfect keeping with the general cause of that paper. It is a species of arguments in which a true journalist can never consent to indulge, much less one who professes to be a Christian and a defender of the temperance cause. We have seen private letters from the *Rescue* editor to Christian men published in the leading papers of that city which would almost make the hair stand

erect on the head of a temperance man to read them. We love the temperance cause and have done what we could for it on this coast, and shall still continue to give it our influence. But as strong as is our desire to see it succeed, we do not propose to pervert and suppress facts and deal in other unlawful means to carry our points. If the temperance cause can not stand the whole truth it is not worth advocating, and the paper that cannot bear the light of facts is unworthy to defend any good work. It is to be regretted that the temperance cause is called on to suffer from the influence of a few men whose everyday course contradicts the noble principles for which they plead, and who manifest more zeal than knowledge in the work they have undertaken; and we long to see the day when the temperance cause shall be lifted from its present state and placed on a par with Christianity and thus become an inseparable element of every man's religion, where the Bible has placed it. Then, and not till then, may we hope to see it a success. We wish the *Rescue* a safe journey.

The following special notice from Bro. A. McLean, reached us after the time appointed for the general collection had passed. But as a collection and remittance for this good work is *always* in order, we take pleasure in calling special attention to it at this late hour: "The first Lord's day in September was the time suggested for a collection, in all our churches, for Foreign Missions. The preachers were requested to announce the collection once or twice in advance, that the people might become prepared to give. It would be well to explain what the Foreign Society has accomplished during the seven years of its history. This would stimulate giving. It was hoped that the elders or deacons would see to this matter in those churches that have no preacher. Let all take a hearty interest in this work, and we will have such a collection as we have never had. Let us all do what we