

gregation was organized and a number added to the fold. We feel that his departure to us will be a great loss and to you a great gain as minister, member and neighbor. Done by order of the church, Sunday, Aug. 5, 1883.

WM. A. SANDERS, } Elders.
F. A. DASHIELL, }

To the brethren of the Church of Christ, we send greeting:

This is to certify that our Sister Hannah Wright is a member of this church at this place, and is in good standing both as a member and neighbor; and as such we take pleasure in recommending her to the Disciples wherever she may cast her lot. Done by order of the church at Spangle, Spokan county, W. T., Aug. 5, 1883.

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We now number 79 and meet the first day of every week for worship, have a good Sunday-school and good social meetings when we have no preaching. Our evangelist, Bro. C. J. Wright, still preaches for us as often as he can; but his field of labor is so large that he seldom gets around, although he is traveling and preaching all the time.

Brethren, pray for us that we may continue faithful to the end and receive a crown of life. More anon.

G. Z. ICKES.

Letter from Copenhagen.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 8, 1883.

DEAR BRETHREN IN AMERICA:— It is not very often that you find my name nor the Danish mission in your papers. The reason of this is, that of late we have had nothing strange to report. I have not had any additions to the church to encourage you nor my own heart, still I am glad to say that the little band here is living in peace and harmony and in hopes of better times, hoping the time may come when many shall inquire for the salvation of their souls. What a pleasure for a missionary to be permitted every month to report of souls that have come into the kingdom of Christ, and how sad do we feel when our labor for a time seems to be in vain, when God tries our faith and patience, not alone the preachers', but the church and the brethren that support them in their labors of love; then we missionaries that live thousands of miles away from our great brotherhood get a longing in our hearts after those that can whisper courage in our ears and keep up our hands;

but, thanks to God, once in awhile comes a letter from over the great waters, from Bro. McLean and others, with words of praise to our sad souls that give strength to our faith, bringing the Lord's sayings to our remembrance.

A little over a week ago I had the pleasure of shaking hands with some gentlemen belonging to a large excursion company of Americans traveling through Europe. Among the company were two of our brethren— young Bro. Irwin, from Columbus, Ind., and Bro. Goodpasture. Bros. Sweeney and Errett had kindly advised me of the coming of Bro. Irwin, and so I met him at the boat coming from Norway. The stop at Copenhagen was only two days, and as he did not stay over Sunday, he was not at our church, which I know would have been a

pleasure for him and all of us. He said he was longing to get to church. As these lines will reach America before him, and probably Bro. Irwin's father will read them, I can inform him that his son looks very healthy, and will likely gain fifty pounds in weight before he reaches Columbus.

As far as time allowed, I went with them to see the sights, which seemed to please them very much. As we could not be at church, they went with me to the office for my weekly paper, and although they could not read the Danish, they got a paper apiece to take home with them as a souvenir from Copenhagen. My weekly paper gives me great pleasure. It has over 3,000 subscribers; so in one sense I am preaching to more than 5,000 people every week, and now when fall comes I hope for an increase. I hope, brethren, you will not forget the Danish mission in your prayers. May our good Lord bless you all, and may your interest in foreign missions increase, and as a fruit of your love, bring many souls to heaven.

A. HOLCK.

It is said that to live well we must pray well. All true. The reverse is true also, that to pray well we must live well. When life is correct; when the walk is thoroughly conscientious and upright; when the speech savoreth of the things that profit and elevate, then it is not difficult to pray. Unbecoming conduct makes a sluggish heart, and words unfitly spoken are a weight upon the pinions of the soul. No preparation for a prayer-meeting is so good as work done for the Master.—Sel.

Sunday School Report.

ALBANY, OR.,

Sept. 5, 1883.

Bro. Floyd:

You will please find herein a report of the Oak Creek Christian Sunday-school, for the six months beginning Feb. 11, 1883, and ending Aug. 12th.

Out of 27 Sundays we have had Sunday school 19 times; there being preaching on the other Sundays. Average attendance of pupils during the six months, 20; average attendance of teachers, 2; aggregate attendance, 22. Bro. John Huston, Superintendent, has been present every Sunday; Bro. James Churchill, teacher of class No. 1, has been absent two Sundays; Sister Hendrickson, teacher of class No. 2, absent three Sundays; Bro. Hays, teacher of class No. 3, absent ten Sundays. The following are the number of verses committed by class No. 3, and the names of those memorizing verses: Bert Courter, 406; Ida Huston, 326; Addie Huston, 273; Fred Churchill, 137; Annie Churchill, 100; Anderson Cannon, 77; Charlie Huston, 5. Total, 1,324.

JOHN HUSTON, Supt.
MRS. S. W. CHURCHILL,
Secretary.

Current Religious News.

In Germany, where there is no restriction of the sale of liquor on Sunday, statistics show that thirty-two per cent. of the murders and crimes are committed on Sunday, and fifty-three per cent. between Saturday and Monday morning. And this is the German Sabbath, for the introduction of which in this country so many are clamorous.

Four Congregational ministers have recently left London for stations in China. Rev. J. Gilmour, Peking; Dr. J. K. Mackenzie, Tientsin; Rev. W. H. Reese, Peking; and Rev. G. H. Bondfield, Amoy.

Mr. Moody will begin a series of evangelistic meetings in Baltimore about the middle of September.

A Christian Policemen's Association has been organized among the policemen of London. What we need in New York is the organization of an association to labor among our policemen and endeavor to Christianize them.

Germany possesses the oldest priest living in the world. He is

108 years old, and has been 84 years in sacerdotal orders. He lives at Lupel, enjoys excellent health, and fulfills all his religious duties with the most scrupulous exactitude.

Colored Episcopal ministers are to hold a conference in September, to consider the needs of their people at the South. The authorities of the Southern Episcopal dioceses give the contemplated convention their entire approval.

A missionary of the American Sunday-school Union in Kansas writes of a township Sunday-school convention, in which of the eight schools represented, five were organized and three were aided by him five years ago. From four of these evangelical churches have grown up from these Sunday-school efforts.

The number of members of Baptist churches in the Indian Territory, according to a statement prepared by Rev. Daniel Rogers, General Missionary, is 6,419, distributed as follows: Cherokees (including 206 Delawares and 596 colored), 1,800; Creeks, 2,500; Choctaws and Chickasaws, 1,600; Seminoles (including 123 colored), 365; Wichita Agency, (Towakomis, Delawares, Wichitas, etc.) 65; Ottawas, 45; Sac and Fox, 19; Peorias, 25. There are some colored members among the Creeks and Choctaws and Chicasaws, but Mr. Rogers was unable to give the number of them. The work among these aboriginal people is a hopeful and interesting one; but here, as in every other missionary field, there is a serious lack of means and of men to carry it on.

Mrs. Adeline M. Smith, of Oak Park, Ill., offers to give ten thousand dollars to found a Methodist medical mission at Nanking, China.

A Norwegian Methodist Church has been organized in Salt Lake City, with a membership of 25 members. A Norwegian pastor has been obtained from Chicago, and a lady as a teacher. It is supposed that there are 7,000 Scandinavians in Salt Lake City, and 30,000 in Uta.

The daily papers are publishing a sensational account of the organization of a new sect in Schuyler Co.; Ill., under the guidance of one Caleb A. Obenshain, which has revelations, performs miracles, and is charged with running into free love doctrines. They are said to