

swept off in one year. Fevers are quite prevalent at the present time, among both natives and Europeans, and many are suffering from rheumatism and dysentery. In the meantime, we are committing our lives to God, and pressing on in our studies and work, meeting with no few trials on the way; but God is faithful and in him we trust.

When my brother John was in the army, I remember how, when he wrote home from the tented field, he was often anxious to know who had enlisted to fill up their depleted ranks. So we, with much anxiety, have awaited the announcement of the names of those who are willing to hear the call for volunteers, and hearing respond, "Here am I, send me, send me." The response has been made for Japan, Panama and India, and we praise God and take new courage. It will be a glad day when we see Bro. and Sister Adams and bid them welcome and good cheer after their very long voyage.

And now that we have prayerfully commended these to God on their way over perilous waters to lands more perilous, may I drop one word to the thousands of noble young men and women whose lives are before them, and who are seeking to know what the Lord would have them to do. I am thinking how every year will call for more missionaries. Such grand gatherings as our General conventions and Island Park Assemblies are preparing fuel and fire for still greater enthusiasm in the suture. Year by year the Macedonian cry will come louder and louder from India, China, Japan and Africa, where missionaries are already at work making a future harvest of souls possible. New fields are constantly opening in all civilized and semi-civilized lands, where preachers of the pure gospel ought to enter. In the midst of this, every heathen mission, both for the good of the missionaries and for the success of the work, requires at least one good physician (man or woman—both if possible), who is willing to follow in the steps of the Good Physician, and go about doing good to both bodies and souls of all.

Are not these loud and specific calls of God to young men and women of the best heart brain and body to come up to the help of the Lord?

This work the Lord commands to be done; and we can all see there is great need that it be done at

once. My exhortation is that young men and women consider these things as they are, and set about preparing to meet the demands of the present hour. It was the fact that God called and that the people needed young men to prepare for preaching the gospel, that induced me to resolve, seven years before I completed my college course, that God being my strength, I would prepare myself for that work. These same factors—the commands of Jesus, and the needs of the heathen—are the reasons why I am in India to-day. We have not exhausted the power of these factors to stir the enthusiasm and stimulate the energies of God's people. They are high as the seat where Christ is enthroned; they are wide as the wants of a perishing world. Let all who hear lift high these factors, fill pulpit and pew with them, and the product, by God's blessing, will be men and means for home and heathen. God commands, the heavens are calling; men are dying, the earth is trembling; the Lord is coming. G. L. WHARTON.

Over the Divide.

Drain is situated on Pass creek on the O. & C. R. R., about fifteen miles south of the Calapooia divide.

It is a nice little town, cozily ensconced among the mountains, with surroundings highly picturesque. There is a congregation here—the only one in Douglas county—of about twenty members. Their new house is nearly enough completed for occupancy, and at their earnest request I am endeavoring to assist them for a few days. Their sacrificing devotion to the cause merits our consideration. A lady took membership with them last night, and others are looked for. Our noble young brother, R. L. Shelley, lives here, and is preaching at other points as well.

Deer, bear and cougar abound in the forests, while in winter the fur trade is considerable. The Payton Mineral Springs are about two miles south of this. They are not now largely visited; and no wonder, for the people of the Great North West go where there is plenty of money to get "heeled."

NEAL CHEETHAM.

The descendants of Luther in the male line became extinct in 1742, but the influential family of Von Saucken, in East Prussia, trace their lineage to his daughter.

Missionary Meeting.

The Missionary Meeting of Union and Baker counties met at Christian Chapel, Union Co., Oregon, on Nov. 15, 1883, and continued for three days. The meeting was called to order by Bro. R. D. Buckman in chair. Meeting opened with reading a chapter and prayer. First in order was to appoint a committee on credentials. Bro. J. A. Childers, Bro. S. Cochran and Bro. J. G. Wagner were appointed, and made the following report that each congregation was entitled to three delegates. The following congregations were represented: Christian Chapel, Elk Flat, and Indian Creek: The Wallow was not represented.

Report of the Indian Creek congregation: Number of members 30, in working order, but not so active as they might be. One beloved sister called hence to rest from her labors, while her works do follow her. Prayer meeting once every two weeks, and preaching once a month by our beloved Bro. J. M. Jones. Amount paid out for preaching in the past six months, \$38.60. Amount subscribed for another year, \$55.00. Brethren, pray for our success. Robert Cummins, M. A. Stevenson and G. J. Wagner, Delegates.

Report of the congregation worshipping at Christian Chapel: No. of officers, 5. No. of members, 51. No. of deaths, 1. Meeting on the third Sunday in each month. All in peace and harmony. Amount paid the Evangelist \$184.40. Amount paid as weekly contributed, \$7.00. Total, \$191.40. T. M. Buckman, Samuel Cochran and John A. Childers, Delegates.

Treasurer report: I beg leave to submit the following report of all the money received and paid out during the past year: Received, Christian Chapel congregation, \$272.00; Indian Creek, \$53.63; Elk Flat, \$24.00; Cove, \$58.00; Liberty School House, \$71.50; Wallow congregation, \$21.00; Total amount received \$500.16. Paid Elder J. M. Jones for services rendered as evangelist, \$500.00. Amount subscribed and not paid, \$36.30. Samuel Cochran, Treasurer.

Evangelist report: I beg permission to make the following report of my labors beginning with the first of the third quarter and continuing to the close of the year. I have preached 63 discourses at eleven points as follows: Cove City 7, Frosty 5, Liberty 9, Christian Chapel 6, Indian Creek 4, Elk Flat

3, at Camp meeting 4, Prairie Creek 10, Baker 4 and Wingville 7. Results 6 additions; 2 by relation, 4 by confession and baptism and also one confession yet to be immersed. In the passed year 174 discourses with 41 accessions and one congregation organized of 31 members. Amount received for my labors for the passed year, \$500.00, which exhausts the stipulated salary. Election of a new Evangelizing Board was declared in order, and the following persons were chosen: J. H. Cowan, President; T. M. Buckman, Vice Pres.; Jesse Ambler, Secretary; J. C. Barnes, Assistant Sec; Samuel Cochran, Treasurer. On motion it was decided to employ J. M. Jones for eight months at the rate of \$700.00 per year.

There being no further business before the meeting, on motion, the meeting adjourned with singing and prayer until Thursday before the third Sunday in June, 1884.

JESSE IMBLER, J. H. COWAN,
Secretary. President.

The Time is at Hand!

What time? The time to close up this year's labor, and make the second annual report of the Christian Sower Tract Fund. To do this I am anxious to pay all of the debts of the Fund, to put all of the tracts to work I now have on hands and to receive money enough to buy a large supply for the beginning of the new year. To do this you must heed the following requests:

1. Pay what you owe the Fund.
2. Send a contribution. How many times you have resolved to do this and have as often neglected it!
3. Buy tracts and put them to work.
4. Enlist the hearts of others in this matter, keeping always before your mind that as faith without works is dead so is a tract fund without money.

5. If you are unable to buy tracts send for all you want; they are free to such. This is the main object of this fund. No matter how many I have sent you in times past they are still free to you if you will use them. I now have 25,000 card tracts on hand; help me to get rid of them.

J. W. HIGBEE.
Madisonville, Ky.

Persons who care the least about pleasing others will always complain the most when others do not please them.