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ATTENTION READERS!

All private letters and all other matter demanding the special attention of the editor should be addressed to J. F. Floyd, Albany, Oregon. All subscriptions for the HERALD, all matter intended for publication and letters in reference to the business connected with the paper should be addressed to CHRISTIAN HERALD, Monmouth, Oregon.

Brethren, send in your renewals for 1884. If an agent does not call on you at once, send it direct to us. We are needing the money.

As we will be removing to Albany during the holidays, and our printers will need a vacation at this time, in accordance with our custom, we will issue no paper next week.

President John Taylor, the official head of the Mormon Church, is preparing an elaborate statement of the political and social attitude of the Latter-day Saints, for the

January number of the *North American Review*.

We send out this week to our agents and some others our list of subscribers, and request them to be prompt in looking after back subscriptions and renewals. Should any one find a mistake, instead of becoming offended, let him write us, and we will promptly rectify all such matters.

We have a number of names on our books who have allowed their subscription to run so far behind that we will be compelled to drop them from our list unless they renew promptly. This is a fair warning. But remember, we expect them to pay for the time they have taken the paper.

TRIAL SUBSCRIBERS.—With the first of January the time of a good list of our trial subscribers expires. Will all these let us know at once whether or not they wish their papers continued? Our rule is to send all papers till ordered discontinued, but we do not wish to continue any paper unless satisfactory to the subscriber. Then please let each one notify us that there may be no dissatisfaction.

Just as we expected, some of the denominational papers are making good use of the opportunity afforded them by the contentions in our own ranks to injure us as a people and thus retard our progress of restoration. It is not enough to remind these papers that they have sufficient trouble at home to employ their time and attention without borrowing from their neighbors. This is good so far as it goes, but it does not remedy our trouble. We are thankful that these extreme and contentious elements do not give us much trouble on this coast, and we write on this subject by way of putting the brotherhood here on its guard. Whatever others may foolishly say or do, let us see to it, that we give to the world a practical example of Christian union for which we plead. Let us more than ever heed the Apostle's

injunction, to be perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment.

CLOSE OF VOLUME XIII.

The Christian Herald for 1884.

With this issue the HERALD closes its thirteenth volume and with the next issue will enter upon its work for 1884. Our years work is now before the brethren, and of its merits, our readers are fully able to judge. In our press of business and somewhat straitened circumstances we have not been able to bring the HERALD up to that high standard of excellence we would like; but with the aid of the brethren we hope to make such improvements from time to time as our circumstances and financial ability will admit. With this additional feature the HERALD will be largely in the future what it has been during the past year. The HERALD is set for the advocacy and defense of *Apostolic Christianity* in all its purity and simplicity. It has no compromise to make with sin or sectarianism in any form whether without or within; but it shall be free and independent in fearlessly contending for the whole truth and in firmly and kindly opposing what it conscientiously believes to be injurious to the cause of Christ. We feel certain that these principles will be readily accepted by our readers; and now in order to successfully present them to the people, we must have the *continued moral and financial aid of the brethren*. We expect the paper to be just what the *brethren make it*.

Then let our friends at once set themselves to work for the HERALD as they have never done heretofore. We need several thousand more subscribers the coming year, but if our friends will only add one thousand and new paying subscribers to our present list, they could set down the HERALD as a permanent and financial success. Will you do this?

One word more. It is now time for many of our subscribers to send in their renewals for '84. We hope that our agents and the brethren

generally will be prompt in this matter, for we have a number of accounts against the HERALD which must be settled up at the close of this year, and we are dependent on the promptness of the brethren in thus being able to meet all our engagements. Besides this, we have a considerable number of subscribers who are behind on this year, and this money we are now *needing*. Let this class of our subscribers, please, be prompt in remitting all arrearage and in renewing for the coming year. We call upon all our regular agents, and all others who can render us assistance, to *immediately* make an extra effort in our behalf. Let us have a grand rally all along the line, and begin the new year with renewed energy and as even with the world as possible, and our paper will be greatly improved and the cause of our Savior will be blessed. With this brief statement we submit the case, wishing all our readers a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SHALL WE DIVIDE?

In the *Christian Standard* of Nov. 24th, we were pained to see an editorial under the heading, "Is there a Combination to Create Division Among us?" In this article it is stated that the editor has received letters from "prominent brethren inquiring whether he thinks the leading editorial" in the *A. C. Review* of Nov. 1st, is a "feeler towards the consummation of division in our ranks," and the writer goes on to say that there are "rumors in the air to the following effect:"

That there is already a combination of men engaged in an organized effort to capture as many of our preachers and churches as possible, with a view to such a separation as is implied in the foregoing extracts; that the movement—which has been carefully concealed from public notice, except as it gleams forth in obscure intimations in that paper, and is practically a secret combination—is under the leadership of John F. Rowe, assisted by such men as D. L. Kincaid, J. C. Holloway, and A. Elmore; that those whom they