

With the Churches

Baptist Church.

By J. K. P. CARSON

Sunday morning a good congregation greeted the pastor, as he discussed the subject: "The Empty House." Text: Matt. XII: 44. The demon goes out and finding no rest takes "Seven other spirits more wicked than himself" and returns to the empty house; the "Last state of that man is worse than the first."

First, the child comes as an empty house; it grows and is in-filled, either with the good or the evil. Oh, how important that right impressions be given.

Second, the evil man resolves to reform and succeeds in casting out, for the time being, the evil that possesses him. Reformation may empty the house of the evil demon that has been in control. The drunkard may resolve to quit drinking and succeed for a time, but unless the vacuum is filled by Jesus Christ, the Mighty One coming in and taking possession, he will utterly fail.

Third, one can't keep life's house empty. Fill up the life with good things, and the evil demon can't get in. The devil always fills empty lives. If you have idle moments fill them with the thoughts of the great; the poets, the great writers; you will get GEMS to fill you.

Fourth, open the heart and Jesus Christ will fill you; read the Bible; it is "Given by inspiration of God. Fill your lives by devotion and prayer; get into some Christian work; be too busy to have evil suggestions or doubts. If we slip the great God does not fall. Just when we need Him Jesus is near and will be our helper.

The choir did nobly. In the morning Miss Hershey sang a solo and in the evening Miss Davis and Miss Hershey sang a duet. The violin in the hands of Miss Fety mingled its melody with sacred song. It was a glorious day.

The subject for next Sunday at 11 a. m. will be: "Daily Guidance," and at 7:30 p. m.: "So—There is No Hell." Sunday school at 10 a. m. Miss Ruby Fream was recently installed as superintendent and judging from the spirit she puts into her work success will crown her efforts.

By an oversight we failed, last week, to say that the members and friends of the Baptist church gave Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Chase a farewell reception in the parlors of A. B. Morlan, Saturday evening, the 12 inst. Music and good cheer abounded. Our best wishes and prayers follow them to their new home at Lake, Ore.

Everybody is invited to all the services. Come and hear a preacher with a "message."

Christian Church.

By J. M. ORRICK

"Hasn't he as good right to his opinion as you?" Yes, but Christianity is not a matter of opinion. "Has he not the same right to his interpretation of the scriptures as you?" Yes, but the gospel is not a principle of interpretation. "He proves his position by the Bible." Possibly, but the Bible is not a book of proofs. We should know what the Bible teaches, believe its message and live the life it demands. It teaches one thing, has only one message. Divisions are not in harmony with God's word.

The church feels the loss of Mrs. J. H. Hawley, who left for Stayton last Monday to make her home with one of her daughters

who lives there. We hope to see her visit Monmouth many times.

On last Monday evening, after several weeks careful consideration, the board of elders and deacons unanimously voted to recommend to the church that certain improvements be made on the church building. These improvements will consist in materially enlarging the building with Sunday school rooms, kitchen and social room, new pews, a heating system, etc. At the morning service of the first Sunday in May the church will decide whether the proposed improvements will be made.

The local lodge of I. O. O. F. will worship with us next Sunday morning. Rev. K. H. Sickafosse will deliver the annual sermon.

The men's local Brotherhood will meet this (Friday) evening. All the men of Monmouth are cordially invited. A good time and pleasant evening is scheduled. Yes, we are all coming. You'll never forget that "Brotherhood hand shake." We'll have the best time ever.

A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend all church services.

Evangelical Church.

By W. A. GUEFFROY

We were not at all disappointed in our expectation for last Sunday, and even more than we had expected came to pass. The attendance at Sunday school was 106, and it was a manifestation of what can be accomplished if the people have a mind to work. The spirit of co-operation is an essential part in the up-building of Christ's kingdom, and many have expressed themselves as willing to continue in the good work that has begun. Shall we not all continue? This is no time to relax and we cannot afford to go back. If we cannot move forward, then let us hold the fort until we shall be re-inforced by a consciousness that all things are in Him, through Him, and for Him. We appreciated the presence of a large number of Normal students and they all have a standing invitation to come again.

SERVICES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday school at 10 o'clock; preaching services at 11 and 7:30; Y. P. A. at 6:30. Miss Read will have charge of the young people's meeting. All are welcome.

Big Sisterhood Society

Portland has a "Big Sisterhood," an unique society, which invites the interest and co-operation of mothers and daughters and other members of families throughout the state of Oregon. This society is quite informal in its organization, its aim being to give friendly aid and counsel to girls who are alone in Portland or who for any reason are in need of a "Big Sister." The work of the society is not offered as a charity, but is just the friendliness of one woman for another, or a "Big Sister" for a "Little Sister."

So many girls going to the city from the country or small towns have fallen into misfortune through the want of a friend, or in some cases have been utterly lost to their home people, that these Portland women have associated themselves to extend the friendly hand to girls and women who need any kind of help whatever.

If girls, or the parents of girls, who are going to Portland will write to the "Big Sisterhood," care of the People's Institute, ar-

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rangements will be made to give them such attention as they may wish on reaching the city and their welfare will be looked after by "Big Sisters" who will take pleasure in knowing them and helping them. So many sad things happen every day to girls who come to Portland from small towns and the country that the importance of this acquaintance with the "Big Sisters" is urged upon mothers and daughters throughout the state.

A Scot's Strategy.

Sandy MacDougal was a braw lad of twelve. One day he fell off the roof and broke his leg. His parents carried him behind the house and stretch him on the bed, where he groaned and grated while the doctor was sent for. When the doctor came Sandy didn't want him to touch his leg for fear it would hurt. But the doctor explained that it must be done.

"Whilk leg is it, Sandy, lad?" asked the doctor.

"This aye," whined Sandy. The doctor seized the ankle, pit his foot in Sandy's oter and gied the leg sic a verk that the lad was nigh pu'd in twa. He yammert like a bogle. Then the doctor pit on a bit of bandage and went awa.

"Did it hurt, laddie?" asked the auld feyther.

"Nae sae muckle as it micht," answered the lad, grinning. "I wasna sic a fule as to gie him ma sair leg."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Mother of Queens.

When Charles I. was king of England a country girl came to London in search of a situation and applied for the position of "tub woman," or carrier of beer at a brew house. The brewer, struck by her good looks, married her. In a short time he died, leaving her a large fortune. She gave up the brewery and for the proper settlement of her husband's affairs was recommended to Mr. Hyde, a rising young barrister, whom she afterward married. This gentleman ultimately became Earl of Clarendon, and from his marriage with her he had one daughter, who became the wife of James II. and mother of Mary and Anne, both subsequently queens of England.

Wealth and Happiness.

"Wealth doesn't bring happiness."

"You really believe that?"

"I know it. It never brought me any."

"I didn't know that you were wealthy?"

"I'm not."—Houston Post.

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Monmouth Time Table

The following is the schedule time for the arrival and departure of trains at Monmouth.

No. 64.	Independence to Dallas and Portland,	6:35 A. M.
No. 61.	Independence to Airlie,	6:40 A. M.
No. 62.	Airlie to Independence and Salem,	8:00 A. M.
No. 65.	Dallas to Independence and Corvallis,	8:55 A. M.
No. 68.	Independence to Dallas,	11:20 A. M.
No. 69.	Dallas to Independence and Portland,	1:25 P. M.
No. 66.	Independence to Dallas,	2:15 P. M.
No. 125.	Independence to Monmouth and return to Independence and Salem,	3:55 P. M.
No. 73.	Dallas to Airlie,	3:45 P. M.
No. 72.	Airlie to Independence,	5:35 P. M.
No. 70.	Independence to Dallas,	6:40 P. M.
No. 126.	Independence to Monmouth and return to Independence,	7:25 P. M.
No. 71.	Dallas to Independence,	7:45 P. M.