

Reports from the Field.

PLEASANT HILL, OR.

Aug. 11, 1877.

Bro. Stanley:

On last Lord's day morning, we listened to a very interesting discourse from Bro. Peter Burnett, on the duties of an evangelist to the people, and the duty of the church to the evangelist.

At the close of the usual morning services, he ordained Bro. I. N. Mulkey as an evangelist. The audience was large and attentive.

Yours in hope of eternal life,

A. H. BECKWITH.

SPENCER CREEK, OR.

Aug. 6, 1877.

Bro. Stanley:

We had a good meeting at our place of worship yesterday. More than usual out, and better attention than common.

Bro. Mulkey preached one of his plain practical Gospel sermons, at the close of which three precious souls—a young gentleman and two young ladies, made the good confession. Will be immersed on third Lord's day in August, in the waters of Cayota creek, above Conrad's store. Will have preaching and dinner on the grounds.

Fraternally yours,

J. F. A.

WESTON, OR., Aug. 5, 1877.

D. T. STANLEY:

Dear Bro.: I improve this opportunity of writing a word to let the readers of our valuable paper, the P. C. MESSENGER, know how the cause of Christ is prospering in this part of the country.

Since Bro. C. M. Ely's last report there have been four additions by relation, two reclaimed and one by baptism.

This (Wild Horse) congregation numbers 52 members in good standing. It was fully organized in 1875.

The elders are J. R. Gerking, P. Ely and E. Moser; deacons, A. Russel and J. B. Gerking.

These statements are given in part to correct the report of No. 19 of the MESSENGER.

The church is in a prosperous condition, and we hope to be able to do more for the cause in the near future than we have in the past.

Our scattered condition prevents us from getting all together oftener than once a month.

The brethren are generally poor having labored under the disadvantages of a new country and the squirrels. But we have learned how to kill squirrels by the thousand and are now able to raise good crops.

We meet on the first Sunday in each month for preaching. Our audiences are very large considering the newness of the country, and the respect shown religious exercises by the young ladies and gentlemen far exceeds that of any other neighborhood I ever preached in. I trust they will maintain their good reputation.

We have Sunday school at the Gerking school house. Supt., W. E. Junkin.

Query: Is there such an office spoken of in the New Testament, as that of clerk. If not why does the Christian church have the clerks office.

Yours in Christian love,

I. N. RICHARDSON.

What I Saw.

In making a short drive through the country on Lord's day, will relate a few of the sights presented. I will not speak of minor incidents, but of those more shocking to the moral sensibilities of a Christian people in the face of a Sunday law. First, a header crowd collecting with a good deal of noise and parade near the village of Lewisville. Next passing the residence of an orthodox minister, hands preparing their header beds. Passing a short distance, I saw the team of an orthodox brother haul-

ing grain to the grainary. Next were the hands of a Christian brother repairing the roof of their dwelling.

In the town of Independence horses tied about the business corners and saloon, as much as on Monday. Some farmers starting out with grain sacks ready for Monday's work. Just below town an old man whose head is blossoming for the grave, was reaping a small patch of grain, which could have been cut in less than a day in the week. Next met a high officer in the Christian church, making a Lord's day journey, preparatory to doing a big day's work on Monday.

Spinning around through Monmouth, saw a man who claims to be a follower of the meek and lowly Jesus, handing out a package of goods to a farmer of the suburbs.

The next and last I will mention, was a brother with sleeves rolled up, slaughtering a bullock, just to accommodate the people you know. I supposed these occupations were carried on to make money, and not merely to accommodate the people.

As it was in the days of Noah, I suppose it will be when the cry is, "God comes again." They believed not there would be a flood, neither do these people seem to believe that Jesus will come again.

It would seem that the Seventh Day Adventists are more constant when they work on Lord's day, than for us to contend with them that our Sunday is the day to observe and then perform labor.

If Christians would only let their light shine, how great that light would be. It would impel persons to come to that light; but if your light has become darkness, how great the darkness.

Pay as You Go.

The credit system is one of the most pernicious evils which afflict a community. It is detrimental alike to the interests of the buyer and the seller. Bad debts have devoured the fortunes of thousands of once prosperous merchants and left them hopelessly in bankruptcy, and large debts have turned thousands from mansions into hovels and clothed with rags backs which have worn broadcloth and camel's hair. A system, which thus impoverishes all classes, must of course result in the general depression of trade and the universal injury of a people. An establishment which has sold goods for uncertain promises until the sheriff can no longer resist the pressing invitation to take what is left, is never reckoned in its insolvency as a part of the wealth of a community, and a store whose shelves are loaded with merchandise, but is among a people whose extravagance, engendered and fostered by the credit system, has plunged them into bankruptcy, will never add much to the prosperity of itself or its neighborhood.

There is never any remarkable business activity in a poor house, and most of people have always considered that this lack of enterprise in such a place is because it is a poor house. Money is a necessary motive-power in trade. But the credit system has a direct tendency to eat up both money and merchandise. It has probably not escaped the notice of the observing that there is in every community a class of merchants who strenuously advocate a credit in preference to a cash system. This at first sight looks remarkably strange; but on second thought it appears in entirely a different light. These men are not generally over conscientious, and they very truthfully argue that a man or woman will buy more, and will pay better prices under the credit system than if they were obliged to pay cash. And here is where the difficulty lies; people contract debts without knowing it, and if they pay them they bankrupt themselves, and when they do not they bankrupt the trader. In any event, the system has a tendency to make everybody poorer.—Ex.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TAXPAYERS ATTENTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the last Monday in August, (Aug. 27th) 1877, the Board of Equalization will attend at the office of the County Clerk, at Dallas, and publicly examine the Assessment Rolls and correct all errors in Valuation, Description of Lands, Lots or other Property. It shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at that time and place.

N. GARWOOD,

ASSESSOR.

Dallas, Polk County Or.,

July 21, 1877.

NOTICE TO STUDENTS.

BY order of the County Court of Polk County, Oregon, applications for Scholarships, entitling the holders to tuition free, in the State University, will be heard in said Court, on Wednesday, the 5th day of September, 1877, at 2 o'clock P. M. of said day.

WARREN TRUITT,

COUNTY JUDGE.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

TAKEN up by Mr. R. M. Laughlin, living one mile north of Buena Vista, Polk County, Oregon, the following described estray property, to wit: One Dark Iron Gray Horse Colt, two years old, and very breechy. Appraised by J. S. Kays, J. P., at \$25.

R. M. LAUGHLIN.

Buena Vista, August 11, 1877.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

NOTICE is hereby given that Joanna Harris, Administratrix of the Estate of J. S. Harris, deceased, having filed her final account and petition for final settlement of said trust.

By order of the County Court of Polk County, State of Oregon, made at the August Term thereof, A. D. 1877. Tuesday, the 4th day of September, A. D. 1877, at the Court House, in the town of Dallas, in the aforesaid County, is fixed for hearing said matter.

All persons are hereby notified to appear at said time and place and make objections to said settlement if any there be.

JOANNA HARRIS,

ADMINISTRATRIX.

N. L. BUTLER,

Attorney.

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ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that Lewis Helmick has been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Henry Helmick, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, at the July Term thereof, A. D. 1877.

All persons having claims or demands against said Estate, are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at his place of residence near the Luckiamute, in said County, within Six Months from the date hereof. And all persons knowing themselves indebted to said Estate, are required and notified to make immediate payment thereof.

Done by order of the aforesaid Court, August 9th, A. D. 1877.

LEWIS HELMICK,

ADMINISTRATOR.

N. L. BUTLER,

Attorney.

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JOHN WAYMIRE.

Dallas, Oregon, June 21, 1877. 1y

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Brooks, Me., Sept 7, 1870.

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CHARLES E. PEACOCK.