

The Cause Elsewhere.

MISSOURI.

Says Bro. W. B. Cochran in the *Christian*, writing from Aurora:

"I closed a meeting on Wednesday night last, with the brethren at Wise Hill, baptizing three and one added from the Baptists. A very affecting scene occurred during the meeting. Uncle John Lentz who was 86 years old in last month, came forward and made the good confession, and was baptized. Thirty-five years ago he was a 'mourner,' and has waited patiently during all these years for that mysterious change which modern sectism claims. Last year I baptized his wife, who for thirty years had been a Methodist. May the Lord bless them and enable them to so live that they may at last receive a crown of righteousness."

The cause is prospering in St. Joseph. Three additions 2d Lord's day in Sept.

The cause in Nevada is recovering ground. New church 34x60 feet nearly completed. Two other churches in same county in process of erection. So says Bro. Prewitt.

H. A. Northcutt reports a meeting held by G. M. Goode at Edina. Immediate result, six additions, three by obedience, one restored and two by relation.

MISSISSIPPI.

Bro. Hall held a good meeting at Winona, and thirty were added to the church.

KANSAS.

J. A. Lord just closed a meeting at Garnett, Anderson county, with seven additions.

ARKANSAS.

A meeting at Mountain Home, Baxter county, of two days, resulted in five additions.

Bro. Wood and Hudspeth held a glorious meeting in Faulkner county. There were twenty-one additions to the church, six from the Baptists and fifteen by baptism.

INDIANA.

Four added at Marion and one at Boundary line.

W. W. Wittmer reports a glorious meeting at Anderson, with sixteen additions, mostly by confession.

M. L. Blaney and L. D. Waite conducted a series of meetings midway between Rolling Prairie and New Carlisle, Aug. 19-Sept. 6, in which 20 were added—one 91 years old.

Six confessions at Columbus, under the preaching of W. T. Hacker.

Two accessions at Eaton, at H. A. Harrison's regular appointment in September.

J. M. Canfield reports 29 added under his labors at Brownsburg; 24 by confession and baptism, and five otherwise.

Bro. H. B. Sherman recently closed a debate with a Methodist brother named Brooks, at Butlerville. The encounter lasted three evenings, and is reported in this wise: Number of Methodists present the first evening 76; second evening 6; third evening 0—not including the champion; we presume. Bro. S. was the first of our people to speak publicly in Butlerville, and we learn that a church will be organized there soon.—*Record and Evangelist*.

OHIO.

W. J. & R. L. Howe held a meeting at Summit, Henry county, resulting in 18 additions, mostly by confession and baptism.

A. D. Flagg reports at the end of his second year's labor at Hamilton: "Everything in good working order, good Sunday school, and 45 have been added to the church."

Four by confession and three by letter at Richmond street church, Cincinnati. A. N. Gilbert, preacher.

IOWA.

H. P. Dyer gained three substantial additions to the church at Norwalk. The church is prosperous. There are

at least three hundred members in the county, and the county cooperation is proposed.

J. D. Guthrie held a two week's meeting at Nugets' Grove, resulting in seventeen confessions, and several additions from other sources.

TEXAS.

J. N. Gibson had six accessions at Bandera, nine at Waresville, and 16 at Uvalde.

A meeting at Troy closed Aug. 27th, with 25 additions. C. W. Sewell, preacher.

B. P. Sweeney held a meeting at Hopewell, Anderson county, lasting eight days, and resulting in 10 accessions.

The church at Fort Worth gave their pastor, W. Y. Taylor, one month of his time for missionary work. His first effort under this arrangement was at Mt. Vernon school house, ten miles north of Fort Worth. Here a church of 24 members was organized, ten of whom had been members before. Wherever this plan of missionary work is tried, it seems a success. Let more congregations try the same means.

Bros. C. and A. R. Kendrick held a meeting eight miles north of Bryan and founded a church with 23 new members and some old ones. They will meet every week and promise well. The prospects brighten in that part of Texas.

Bros. J. A. Lincoln and J. C. Mathis held a meeting at Ledbetter, commencing Aug. 18th, and continuing over the fourth Lord's day. Result, 36 additions; 34 by immersion, one from the Baptists and one reclaimed.

J. T. Poe preached four times at Bremond and had three additions by confession and baptism.

ILLINOIS.

Two confessions, at Petersburg 2d Lord's day in September.

G. W. Morrell held the thirty-seventh annual meeting for the church at Ingraham; result: 15 by confession, two from the Baptists, two by letter and one reclaimed—twenty in all.

Peter Warren held a very successful meeting at Ash Grove, Shelby Co., in the month of August. The immediate result was 79 additions; 63 by confession and immersion, some from the sects, some reclaimed and some by letter.

Geo. E. Flower spent the two last weeks in July at Metropolis, and had 20 additions. He held a meeting at Albion, resulting in 66 additions, one a Baptist preacher—Wm. Westlake. At a meeting at Dixon, he had three confessions.

Thirteen added at Rising Sun, Lawrence county.—Ten immersions, one from the Baptists, one from the Methodists, and three by relation, at Rapids City.

By All Means be an Editor.

An editor is the happiest being on earth. He has little or nothing to do, and his pay is all that he could wish. His sanctum, with its Persian rugs and Turkey carpets, its costly rosewood furniture, its magnificent mirrors, its beautiful pictures, its complete library of splendidly bound books, its buffet stocked with the finest of wines, liquors and cigars, which cost him but a puff or two, its silver bell to summon an attendant whenever a julep or a cocktail is wanted, and, in short, with its everything that human ingenuity can devise for his comfort and pleasure, is a perfect little paradise, where he sits or lounges and reigns a young lord, with the world of fashion and pleasure at his feet. And then anybody can be an editor—no study, no preparation, no brains, nothing but a little money to start with; and once started, the money pours in upon you in a steady stream, and the chief labor of your life is to spend it. As for the labor of editing a newspaper, that is mere moonshine. A mere glance at the

columns of a newspaper is enough to convince you that it requires no labor to edit it, and less brains. It is certainly a glorious life, that of an editor: a life of luxurious ease and elegant leisure—a life for the gods, filled, like that of the young lover in his first sweet dream of requited love, with flutes and rose leaves and moonbeams.

While not a wave of trouble rolls
Across his peaceful breast;

and that all men are not editors is one of the strangest things beneath the stars.

True; there must be doctors and lawyers, and merchants, and shoemakers, and peanut dealers and the like, and all these callings must be filled by somebody, but there are enough to fill them, and why they don't become editors and lead the life of opulent princes is a thing that staggers us. But, after all, it may be that it is a mere matter of taste. It may be repugnant to some natures to be clothed in purple and fine linen and fare sumptuously every day, and of course it would never do for such a nature to become an editor; the life of ease, and elegance, and luxury, and exemption from all care, and toil, and debts, and duns would soon become a bore to him, and he would spend his nights in dreaming of ploughs and pitch-forks, and reaping-machines, and squander his days in devising some plan of swapping places with a blacksmith's apprentice or a street cart driver.—*Courier Journal*.

The Future of Farming.

To me, the prospects of American agriculture never were so bright as at the present time. There is plenty of work to be done. The greatest curse that can befall a man or nation is voluntary or involuntary idleness. "Nothing to do" means poverty and misery. The less a man does, the less he is inclined to do. Idleness leads to weakness and inability. Work gives skill and strength, it banishes despondency and brings in hope, and hope leads to continued effort. If we fail one year we try again. We get to have faith in the soil and in ourselves. We have to compete with our brother farmers and with the farmers of the world. We feel that farming is no child's play, and we must try to acquit ourselves like men and be strong.

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