

TOUCHET CONGREGATION.

The Disciples of Christ, composing the Touchet congregation. To the brethren in Christ, in annual meeting assembled at Waitsburg, sendeth greeting. Dear brethren: We are in working order. Elder S. Hamilton is our pastor. Bros. A. Sailing and R. I. Dashiell are our elders; Bros. A. Reagan, J. Bailey and — Fields, deacons. Our number is 45. We meet regularly once a month. Bros. Dashiell, Sailing and Bailey are our faithful messengers who will deliberate with you in regard to the best plans for the promotion of our Redeemer's cause. As such we commend them to your favorable consideration.

Done by order of the church this Saturday before the first Lord's day in June, 1878.

J. BAILEY, Clerk.

WILD HORSE CONGREGATION.

WESTON, UMATILLA CO., OR.

To the annual convention of the Church of Christ, meeting at Waitsburg, W. T., June, 1878. Greeting: Wild Horse congregation send as delegates, Bros. A. Runell, I. N. Richardson and C. M. Ely, T. Ely, O. Mosier, J. R. Gerking, Elders.

Report of Wild Horse congregation for 1878: Number of members 55; received by baptism, 8; by letter, 3; from other denominations, 1; reclaimed, 2; dismissed by letter 3; deceased, 1; baptized at other places, 4. O. Mosier, P. Ely, J. R. Gerking, elders; A. Russel, J. B. Gerking, deacons. Meet the first Sunday in each month at Alkali school house; on the 2d at the Gerking school house.

BUNDY CONGREGATION.

The Disciples of Christ composing the congregation meeting at the Bundy school house. To the brethren in Christ in annual meeting assembled at Waitsburg, sendeth Greeting. Dear brethren: Last July, 1877, we were called together in a preliminary organization, under the labors of G. W. Richardson, our territorial evangelist. Our present number is about twenty-two. We commend to your favorable consideration our beloved Bros. Hess Brown and Carrol Musgrove as our faithful messengers, who will confer with you as to the best means for the promotion of our Master's kingdom.

Done by order of the church this Saturday before the third Lord's day in May, 1878.

W. F. ANDERSON, Clerk.

WAITSBURG, June 13, 1878.

To the faithful brethren in Christ Jesus, assembled in cooperation. Your reporter being in your midst without any authority from the brethren, wishes to give his judgment as to the amount of means that the good brethren and friends of truth will give for the support of an efficient evangelist to be sent to labor for one year. I am confident that in the vicinity of Idaho Prairie that it is safe to count on one hundred dollars, and perhaps much more, and to this end your brother will labor.

Yours in Christ,

J. T. HASTING.

Is Christianity Decaying.

We discussed last week the question whether Christianity was decaying. While admitting the wide prevalence of Skepticism and the vigorous efforts of certain scientists to eliminate God from the universe, we showed that a century and a half ago Infidelity prevailed much more widely, but that proved the incentive that was needed to arouse the dormant energies of the church and was followed by the greatest revival of religion known for a thousand years. We showed too, that while there is much avowed Skepticism, there never was a time when Christianity was more powerful, or employing mightier agencies than at the present day.

We spoke last week of the Bible societies which, within the Nineteenth Century, had rendered the Bible the cheapest book in the world, of the Religious Tract Societies and Publication Houses, which were pouring forth a stream of religious literature, of the religious press, an institution unknown until within half a century, of the missionary organizations that were sending missionaries to every corner of the earth. There are other facts that show the deep cold which Christianity has taken upon the life of the world, which we would be glad to have our readers note.

1. There has been no time in modern history when the Sunday-school assumed such importance as now. In those of the United States there are over 6,000,000 children gathered. The work is continually extending. The friends of Christ are going to the highways and hedges, and gathering the children in. There will soon be few children not under Sunday-school instruction, except those of Catholics, or avowed Infidels. While the teaching is often defective and there will be some children who will listen to the best teaching with heedless ears, the influence of this work for righteousness, can hardly be overestimated. The Sunday-school, a modern institution, is destined to prove a powerful factor in the regeneration of the world.

2. The Colleges of both the old and new world have, with few exceptions, been reared by religious influences and are designed to extend the influence of the Christian religion. Infidelity has never founded a college. It has shown no power to create. It has aimed to capture some of the Colleges that Christianity had founded, but to day with one or two exceptions, the colleges and universities of the Anglo Saxon race are implanting in the youth educated within their walls a faith in Christ. The higher education, not only of England and America is Christian.

3. Joseph Cook states in a Boston lecture that Infidel books do not issue a second edition. It is certainly true, that the second edition has been called for in very rare instances. We published the statement, that of hundreds of volumes, announced this season by American publishers, not one volume known to us was an Infidel book, while a very large percentage were religious. Not only is this true, but the greatest publishing houses would refuse to put their imprint upon the title-page of a book which was written to attack the Christian religion. The largest publishing house in the world, is that of Harper & Bros., New York. The proprietors are religious men, and a distinctly Christian spirit pervades their publications. The same facts may be stated of the Scribner's the second American house in importance. Neither of these houses would issue a work that would militate against Christianity. The same could be said of most respectable publishing houses, both great and small, in America.

4. We present another fact that shows, at least that this age takes an interest in religion. A generation ago if a city preacher got a report of his Sunday sermon into a daily paper, its insertion was paid for. None of the papers published religious news. Now, a great newspaper makes it a part of its business, to report a half dozen sermons in every Monday issue, and to gather up all the important religious news of the day. The New York Herald, published on Monday, is said to contain more religious news than any religious paper published in the United States. The managing editors study the popular taste. They publish what the people demand. Unless their readers had a liking for religious reading it would never enter their columns.

Mr. Froude, has counted too hopefully upon the death of Christianity. With 6,000,000 children in the Sunday-schools of a single nation, and

the number constantly increasing, with the great publishing houses laboring in the interests of the Christian faith; with all the agencies in action that we have before enumerated, Christianity must constantly take a deeper hold of the life of the civilized world.—Record and Evangelist.

Sunstroke—Its Prevention and Treatment.

As the heated term approaches, the rules for the prevention and treatment of sunstroke gain new interest. The Board of Health has collected some information upon this subject in the form of a circular. Copies have been printed in English and German, and are to be circulated through the city very soon, especially among the laboring classes. The following is the principal part of the report:

Sunstroke is caused by excessive heat, and especially if the weather is "muggy." It is more apt to occur on the second, third and fourth days of a heated term than on the first. Loss of sleep, worry, excitement, close sleeping room, debility, abuse of stimulants, predispose to it. It is more apt to attack those working in the sun, and especially between the hours of 11 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. On hot days wear thin clothing. Have as cool sleeping rooms as possible. Avoid loss of sleep and all unnecessary fatigue. If working indoors, and where there is artificial heat—laundries, etc.—see that the room is well ventilated.

If working in the sun, wear a light hat (not black, as it absorbs the heat), straw, etc., and put inside of it on the head a wet cloth or a green leaf; frequently lift the hat from the head and see that the cloth is wet. Do not check perspiration, but drink what water you need to keep it up, as perspiration prevents the body from being overheated. Have, whenever possible, an additional shade, as a thin umbrella, when walking, a canvas or board cover when working in the sun. When much fatigued do not go to work, especially after 11 o'clock in the morning on very hot days if the work is in the sun. If a feeling of fatigue, dizziness, headache or exhaustion occurs, cease work immediately, lie down in a shady cool place; apply cool cloths to, and pour cold water over head and neck. If any one is overcome by the heat send immediately for the nearest good physician. While waiting for the physician give the person cool drinks of water or cold black tea, or cold coffee, if able to swallow. If the skin is hot and dry, sponge with, or pour cold water over the body and limbs, and apply to the head pounded ice wrapped in a towel or other cloth. If there is no ice at hand keep a cold cloth on the head, and pour cold water on it as on the body. If the person is pale, very faint and pulse feeble, let him inhale ammonia for a few seconds, or give him a teaspoonful of aromatic spirits of ammonia in two tablespoonfuls of water with a little sugar.—Ex.

The death of Catherine Beecher is the first breach made by death in that remarkable family, which graced the union of Lyman Beecher and Roxanne Foote. How surprising that all of this circle six in number, should have escaped the arrows of death until the youngest was sixty-five. Their ages are as follows: Catherine, (just dead) 78, Edward, 74, William, 72, Mrs. Stowe, 66, Henry, Ward, 65. The same remark may be made concerning the second family of sons, which has been equally exempt from mortality. Lyman Beecher lived to be a very old man, being 88 at the time of his death. These facts show that the family is marked by longevity.

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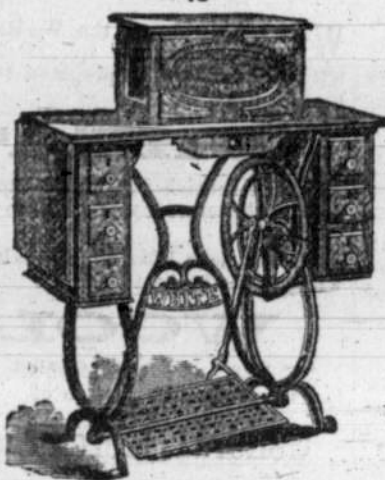
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From Nature, we learn the principles which minister to the wants of the body, giving food to eat and raiment to wear. From Revelation, we receive those principles by which the spirit is fed, and clothed with truth and righteousness. Any system of education, which neglects either of these volumes is incomplete. To train the intellect in physical science and neglect the moral nature, is dangerous to society; for it imparts power which, without moral principle to guide, may be destructive to the peace and happiness both of the individual and society.

TO THE FRIENDS AND PATRONS OF CHRISTIAN COLLEGE.

The prospects of Christian College are most flattering. The institution is increasing in reputation, and its influence and popularity are rapidly extending. Its friends may anticipate a career of still greater usefulness. The patrons of the school will do well to begin now to shape their business so as to send their sons and daughters at the opening of next session. One full term, taking the classes in order, is worth more than double the time scattered over several sessions. We hope to welcome to the halls of Christian College on the third Monday in September next, a larger number of students, and to inaugurate a more successful and prosperous session than the one just closed.