

he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him." Jas. i. 12.

Singing:
"There is a crown, a dazzling crown,
Bedecked with jewels fair,
And priests and kings of high renown
That crown of glory wear."

Pres. M. The word cross in holy writ is intimately connected with the word crown. Neither are literal. In the Christian's life the cross is typical of self-denial, and of suffering. The Christian must deny himself of whatever in passion stands in the way of duty. He must undergo trial and persecution. The term crown I understand to imply riches and glory and honor and power. Not the honor of an hour or a day, but honor that when ages upon ages have passed away, shall still shine forth with resplendent glory. When there shall have been a new heaven and a new earth, we shall then be heirs of this mighty universe by virtue of being joint heirs with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sister M. asked that we sing
"You palaces, scepters, and crowns,
Your pride with disdain I survey,
Your pomps are but shadows and sounds,
And pass in a moment away.
The crown that my Savior bestows
You permanent sun shall outshine;
My joy everlasting flows,
My God, my Redeemer, is mine."

Sister M. B. read: "The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." Rev. iv. 10, 11.

Sister L. E. M. read: "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer; behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. ii. 10.

Eld. J. F. said he once heard a noted divine say he did not think that all who went to heaven would wear a crown. As proof that they should be referred to the eighth verse of the lesson read, where Paul says, "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." I believe, said he, that we shall not all wear crowns of the same glory, but that every man shall be rewarded according to his deeds.

Prayer by Bro. F.
Singing:
"I'll bear the consecrated cross,
Till from the cross I'm free;
And then go home to wear the crown,
For there's a crown for me."

Bro. J. A. said: Brethren, I am glad to be with you once more, I think we shall all wear a crown when we leave this earth for the courts of glory. Some people imagine that there are degrees in heaven, but I do not believe in graduations in Elysium nor in Hades. When I have finished my labors here I hope to wear figuratively the crown of life.

Singing:
"A sweetly solemn thought
Comes to me o'er and o'er;
I'm nearer to my home to-day
Than e'er I've been before.
Nearer the bound of life
Where falls my burden down;
Nearer to where I leave my cross
And where I gain my crown."
Sister H. read Rev. iv. 10, 11.
Singing "Since I can read my title clear."

Bro. Shane closed by saying, John the Revelator said: "Behold I come quickly, hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out." But there are some here to-night who have never professed the religion of Jesus.

O, sinner, where is your hope? 'Tis a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Living God.

E. H. PARNELL.
EUGENE, OR., Aug. 7, 1878.
Bro. Stanley:

At my regular appointment at Trent last Sunday, two were baptized on confession of their faith in Christ. Your brother in Christ,

P. R. BURNETT.
LOCKFORD, CAL., July 28, 1878.

Bro. Porter:
To-day, at eleven, Bro. Briggs was with us, and preached one of those good old fashioned sermons, giving to saint and sinner their portion in due season. He took his text from Mal. xx. 1-16. He also preached at 8 P. M. from the text: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God to salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Rom. i. 16. From this text he preached a short but very powerful discourse, closing with a warm exhortation. We sang the old hymn "Almost persuaded." Three came forward and made the good confession; two young sisters and an elderly lady from the Presbyterians.

At the close of the evening discourse Bro. Briggs was presented with a handsome present, as a compliment on the debate; after which the following article was read before the audience and approved for publication:

Bro. Briggs:
We hereby extend our heartfelt thanks to you, for your services to us in the debate between yourself and Richard Corbley, ending May 31, 1878. And we do pray, that the Lord will bless you, and give you strength and wisdom to wield the sword of the spirit in the future as he has in the past; and when your battles are all ended and the victories all won, that the crown of life prepared for the faithful in Christ may adorn your brow.

Signed and approved by the Lockford church and friends, this Lord's day, July 28, 1878.

Your brother in Christ,
J. H. HALEY.
LOOKING-GLASS, DOUGLAS CO., OR.,
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Bro. Stanley:
In the MESSENGER of July 6th there are queries by Mrs. M. M. Adams that may be so understood as to do injustice both to the elder and church at Yoncalla. From it many would suppose that the church was retaining an elder that is now engaged in selling intoxicating liquors. Such is not the case. The facts are as follows: Many years ago, in California, Bro. Adams, the elder referred to, was chosen as elder of a church in a mining district. In the lapse of time the church went down by removals and otherwise. After this Bro. Adams kept a hotel, and, as was customary, kept liquor for his customers. After this he removed to where there was a church, and of his choice made full acknowledgement, and was received into the church, and remained a member of the church until he came to this State. These are the facts, as they have been told me, as near as I can remember. Eight years ago last fall Bro. Adams united with the church on the Swale, near Oakland, by letter from the church in California. Since that time I have been intimately acquainted with Bro. Adams, and can say he has been a faithful and energetic laborer in the vineyard, willing to teach and be taught. For several years he has been acting as elder of the church at Yoncalla, holding regular meetings on every Lord's day, much of the time (assisted by the members of the church); also has once or twice filled my appointment on the Swale when I was absent. He is always ready to do all he can in

public of private for the cause of Christ. I have never heard any one say a word against his moral character here.

Has such an elder the right to unite persons in the holy bonds of matrimony?

Your brother in Christ,
A. L. TODD.
What I Have Noticed.

A person of undoubted thought and experience in worldly lore gives the following under the above head:

I have noticed that all men speak well of a man's virtues when he is dead, and the tombstones are marked with epitaphs of "good and virtuous." Is there any particular cemetery where the bad are buried?

I have noticed that the prayer of every selfish man is "forgive us our debts; but he makes everybody who owes him pay to the utmost farthing."

I have noticed that death is a merciless judge, though not impartial. Death summons the debtor to lay down the dust in the currency of mortality.

I have noticed that he who thinks every man a rogue is very certain to see one when he shaves himself, and he ought, in mercy to his neighbors, to surrender the rascal to justice.

I have noticed that money is the fool's wisdom, the knave's reputation, the wise man's jewel, the rich man's trouble, the poor man's desire, the covetous man's ambition, and the idol of all.

I have noticed that merit is always measured in this world by its success.

I have noticed that, in order to be a reasonable creature, it is necessary at times to be downright mad.

I have noticed that, as we are always wishing instead of working for fortunes, we are disappointed and call Dame Fortune blind; but it is the very best evidence that the old lady has the most capable eye-sight, and is do "granny" with spectacles.

I have noticed that purses will hold pennies as well as pounds.

I have noticed that tombstones say: "Here he lies," which no doubt is often true. And if men could see the epitaphs their friends sometimes write, they would believe they had got into the wrong grave.—E.C.

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