

Polk County Annual Meeting.

DALLAS, May 12, 1870.

Bro. T. F. Campbell:

DEAR SIR,—You will please give notice through the P. C. MESSENGER, that the Polk County Annual Meeting will commence at the camp-ground, near Dallas, on Friday, June 13th, at 4 o'clock P. M., and continue over two Lord's days.

Bro. Moss, and we hope Bro. Monroe, of California, with other preaching brethren will be present to address the people from time to time.

By order of the Committee of Arrangements.

T. B. NEWMAN, Sec.

Annual Meeting of the Church of Christ in Eastern Oregon, W. T. and Northern Idaho.

DAYTON, W. T., April 26, 1879.

To the Brethren:

Permit me, through the MESSENGER, to call your attention to our Annual Cooperation Meeting at Waitsburg, beginning on Friday before the second Lord's day in June, at 4 o'clock P. M., and holding over two Lord's days. We trust that every congregation in the bounds of the cooperation will send up messengers; and that all our brethren and sisters in the Lord that can possibly attend, will do so. Come and let us worship together and let us build ourselves up in our Lord Jesus Christ, and by a unity of hearts, minds and means, build up as much as in us lies the cause of our blessed Master.

The camp-grounds are located on the Tonchet, half mile below the village of Waitsburg, in a beautiful grove; and those that desire to camp will find good places to do so.

R. L. DASHIELL, Sec.

Church News.

(From the Record and Evangelist.)

—Bro. Ira J. Chase is a power for good in Peoria, Ill. He is a success anywhere.

—Bro. G. F. Adams is holding meetings in Illinois. His meeting at Chambersburg was a fine success.

—Bro. Drennan of Drennaville, Mo. lost his property by fire, recently. He is said to have baptized thousands of persons. Now let these baptized ones come forward and assist him in his trouble.

—Bro. Rowe, of the Review, has recently held a debate at Danville, Ohio with elder Hanger, of the "New Lights."

—H. S. Earl of Southampton, Eng., accompanies Bro. McGarvey to the Holy Land. They have reached Alexandria, Egypt.

—C. C. Cline moves to Louisville, Ky., and will publish the *Parent's and Teacher's Monthly* from that city.

—There is a movement on foot to establish a paper in Arkansas to meet the wants of the brethren in that State. It would be curious to know how many abortive efforts have been made to establish religious papers.

—The trouble in Butler University continues. If secular papers tell the truth the President of the faculty is on one side and the President of the Board on the other.

—The Ohio and Indiana Inter-State Sunday-School Convention will meet at Lima, Ohio, May 22nd. The Ohio State meeting convenes at the same time.

—J. W. McGarvey visited Bro. DeLaunay in Paris and attended one of his meetings. He said that the work promised better than he had supposed. He is sanguine of the best results.

—The editor of the *A. C. Review*, Bro. J. F. Rowe, is preaching at Petersburg Ky., at the stipulated salary of \$25.00 a trip.—*G. W. Yancey in the Christian Preacher.*

—G. B. Mullis removes from Plattsmouth, Neb., to Harlan, Iowa, where he will labor the coming year.

—We are sorry to learn that John Hamilton has been compelled to re-

sign his work at Salem, Ind., on account of ill health. He was doing a good work.

—Eld. David Walk, now of Kansas, City Mo., will deliver the Annual Address before the students and friends of Oskaloosa College, at the approaching commencement. Many Iowa brethren will be delighted to hear this eloquent speaker.

—A congregation of 125 professed Christians, many of them property holders, asks a preacher to hold them a "protracted meeting," without compensation, because they are poor! That preacher declined, having decided not to all the sacrificing himself. The meeting has not been held. He did right.

—No less than one hundred and fifty-one "May meetings" are announced in the *London Christian*.

—The scandalous law in New Mexico, which gave to the Jesuits the control of the public schools, has at last been abrogated. There is some hope for that territory now.

—A well-attended normal class has been started in connection with the Sunday-school of the Presbyterian Church at Adams, N. Y., conducted by the pastor. At the first session forty-eight members were present.

General Church News.

(From the Sunday Chronicle.)

—The Methodists are to have a new missionary magazine.

—Nearly 6000 were reported for various denominations last week.

—The Catholic priests of Quebec have begun a crusade against fast dancing.

—The Methodist thinks that a great many people who are called successful are stupendous failures.

—The Spurgeon Memorial Bazaar, in London, was very successful, the receipts amounting to \$32,600.

—It is a custom in some German Independent Lutheran churches, to elect pastors once a year, and select or reject the present incumbent.

—The Rev. John K. Karsher, who recently left the communion of the Episcopal Church for that of Rome, has returned to the Episcopal Church again.

—Reporters counted 10,662 persons in Philadelphia on a recent Sunday in twenty-five churches, and 21,726 in four Catholic churches.

—The Rev. Dr. E. T. Baird, who was some time ago suspended from the ministry for mismanaging the funds of the Publication Board of the Presbyterian Church, South, has been restored.

—The *Christian at Work* expresses regret that a number of new recruits for the lay ministry are studying copyists of Moody, and will begin to work. It thinks laymen in the church, and working under pastoral direction, can do great good, but it questions the propriety of independent workers.

—The Bishop of Lincoln, who two or three years ago invited the Wesleyans to return to the Church of England has written a letter advising the Vicar of Louth to refuse the use of the schoolroom for a Wesleyan tea meeting. The request was made by the wife of the Church Warden, both of whom are Wesleyans.

—Boston people are just now debating whether the celebrated Dr. Channing grew more liberal or more orthodox as he advanced in years. At a recent meeting Colonel T. W. Higginson read a letter from Dr. Channing's son, showing that the father inclined more to the humanity of Christ as he grew older, did not believe in a hell, and thought perfect human life was the only sign of true religion.

—In 1818 thirteen men gathered together, thirteen prayers were said and thirteen dollars subscribed for the commencement of a place of learning for those of the Baptist faith, and then the thirteen men all went home. Today Madison University, N. Y., owns all its buildings and 160 acres of land

in a beautiful part of the country. It has a fine library, no debts and between \$400,000 and \$500,000 drawing interest.

Veterans Mexican War to the Front.

Editor P. C. Messenger:

DEAR SIR,—Please say that there will be a meeting of the surviving soldiers of the Mexican War, held at Salem Fair Ground, June 17, 1879, at time and place of meeting of Oregon Pioneer Association, for the purpose of forming a reunion; and take such other steps as may advance their mutual interests. A full attendance is requested.

Respectfully,

J. F. AMIS.

Eugene City, Or., May 21, 1879.

Literary Notices.

The May number of *The Voice*, published at Albany, N. Y., adds still more to the paper's value to all interested in voice culture, and especially to stutters and stammerers. Another chapter of Klencke's famous treatise on stuttering is given. *The Voice*, is of interest to the general reader, and is indispensable to every speech-sufferer. \$1. a year; sample copy, 10 cents.

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