

L. F. Luse, of San Francisco, read a splendid paper on "The relation of the Sunday school to the church." These contributions were free-will offerings on the part of their authors, to the success of the convention, for which they received the hearty thanks of the convention. The President and Secretary called a meeting of the society and made a report of the progress of its work, which was highly satisfactory and encouraging. We propose to notice this more at length in a future paper. There was a spirited contest over the location of the next convention, resulting in the selection of Santa Rosa. There were a number of applications, which indicated the popularity of the convention.

Yours respectfully,
E. B. WARE.

Report of the Third Quarterly Meeting of Whitman County, W. T., and Nes-Perse County, I. T., which was held at Paradise Valley, commencing on Thursday, at 2 p. m., May 15th.

EDEN VALLEY, WHITMAN CO., W. T.,
May 20, 1879.

Meeting called to order by the President.

After reading and prayer the Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved; after which the Committee on Programme reported that the same subject which was discussed at the last quarterly meeting would be taken up for discussion at this meeting, viz., "The duty of church officers, and the Lord's Supper." This was discussed with interest. The discussions occupied two days.

On Saturday, May 17th, at 2 p. m., the members of the Missionary Board convened to transact such business as might come before the Board. Delegates present: Paradise congregation—Bros. Russell, Ellis and Frye; Farmington congregation—Bros. Price, Hammers and Propst; Eden congregation—Bros. Fisher and Callison; Deep Creek congregation—Bro. Wright. The delegates reported all congregations in the bounds of this missionary organization in good working order, and a general interest manifested in the cause of our Master.

REPORT OF ELDER C. J. WRIGHT, EVANGELIST.

Since the last quarterly meeting I was sick for one month, and unable to preach; at the end of which time I began a meeting at Palouse City, W. T., which continued eleven days, resulting in eight additions by confession and baptism, and six from the sects which had been immersed, four of whom were United Brethren, and two from the Methodists. Twenty-five Disciples enrolled their names for an organization, which gives us a membership of 39 at that place. A very general interest is manifested in the town and country. The brethren and friends are building a house of worship at Palouse City, size 30 x 50, and 18 ft. between floors. Have also immersed six others, and have taken two into the church who had been immersed. Total number of additions during the quarter 39, of which there were thirteen by confession and baptism, eight from the sects and eight reclaimed. Have preached at my regular appointments once a month, which are at Colfax, Eden Valley, Paradise and Farmington. There seems to be a general interest manifested and the church of Christ is commanding respect in this country. There is a great need of laborers in this part of God's vineyard. The churches are all in peace and harmony so far as I know, and may God still prosper us in my prayer.

C. J. WRIGHT, Evangelist.

The treasurer, F. M. Davis, reported that he had collected \$111.66 during the quarter, for the support of an evangelist.

On motion it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting of the

missionary society near Eden Valley (midway between Colfax and Palouse City), at a camp ground selected for that purpose, beginning on Thursday, at 2 o'clock p. m., before the first Lord's day in August.

On motion it was decided that the President appoint three brethren as a committee on programme, whereupon Bros. Frye, Davis and Callison were appointed, and the following programme was selected:

Programme of the Preachers' Institute and of the Missionary Society of Whitman County, W. T., and Nesperse County, I. T., to be held near Eden Valley, midway between Colfax and Palouse City, commencing at 2 p. m., on Thursday before the first Lord's day, in August, 1879.

The subject to be discussed on first day is "Prayer," commencing at 2 p. m., to be opened by Bro. F. M. Davis, of Farmington.

Preaching at candle lighting. Second day, subject for discussion at 9 a. m., "What are the duties and privileges of the Sisters in the Church," to be opened by Bro. L. F. Bell, of Palouse City.

At 2 p. m., subject for discussion, "Who are the proper persons to administer the ordinance of Baptism," to be opened by Bro. Gillilan, of Eden Valley.

Preaching at candle lighting. Third day, subject for discussion, at 9 a. m., "Is it right to have Sunday schools, and if so, how should they be conducted," to be opened by Bro. H. V. Grubb, of Deep Creek.

At 2 p. m., business meeting of the Board.

Preaching at candle lighting. Lord's day—Preaching at 11 a. m., by Bro. Wright. Subject, "Christian Union."

Brethren of all denominations, that are in good standing, are invited to be present and participate in the discussions.

Committee on programme, Bros. A. F. Frye, F. M. Davis and R. M. Callison.

On motion, meeting adjourned.
R. M. CALLISON, Secretary.

Proper Elements for the Lord's Supper.

WINTERS, YOLO CO., CAL.,
May 29, 1876.

Pres. Campbell:

DEAR BROTHER,—In the P. C. MESSENGER of the 9th inst., we saw an article from our esteemed Brother Durham, which contained a number of thought-provoking suggestions in relation to what constitute the proper elements to fitly represent the body and blood of Christ, at the communion of the Lord's Supper, and the proper manner of celebrating it.

For one, we heartily endorse Bro. Durham's position upon this subject, and think it perfectly tenable, the opinions of some learned D.D.'s to the contrary notwithstanding. Fermented wine is not a fit representative of the blood of Christ, for the same reason that fermented bread is not a fit representative of the Lord's body. Fermentation signifies a general, and especially a corrupting, change from the native and primary ingredients of any substance, and suggests corruption, decomposition, and decay; therefore, neither the one nor the other is a suitable representative of the Lord's body and blood which saw no corruption. Fermentation is the intestine motive agent by which alcohol becomes present, to assist in nature's funeral, in liberating the constituent elements or particles of a substance, and therefore signifies corruption, decomposition, and decay. Hence we regard unleavened or unfermented bread, and the unfermented juice of grapes, as the only suitable representatives of the body and blood of Christ.

We have just written this much, to endorse Bro. Durham's position, upon the above subject.

Yours fraternally,
S. B. DUNTON.

Obituary.

Died, in Monmouth, June 11, 1879, of brain fever, Manly, infant son of Bro. and Sister A. S. Powell, aged 3 months and 6 days. "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Mark x. 14.

Died, near Napa City, May 28, 1879, Mary Jane Leonard, daughter of Sister Nathan Porter, aged 40 years.

Sister Leonard was suddenly called away; she ate her supper in the evening as usual, well and hearty, and at eleven o'clock she was cold in death. She died of apoplexy; was called seemingly without a moment's warning. What a blessing it is to know that her Godly life justifies the conclusion that her soul is resting in peace in the "bosom of Abraham."

Sister Leonard was baptized 20 years ago by "Father Thomson" who rests from his labors, but his works do follow him. No doubt but he was among the friends who have gone before her, ready to greet her on the shining shore.

Sister Leonard's husband was absent from home at the time of her death, away in the mountains, seeking relief from the fell destroyer, consumption, and could not be reached by telegraph. Thus five little children are left without a mother's care, and, no doubt, will soon be without a father's protection. How strange are the workings of Providence—Oh, how strange.

E. B. WARE.

It is always sad to chronicle the death of the young; but most sad to record the death of a young wife and mother who leaves a bereaved husband and an infant orphan, with loving parents and kind friends to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Annie Hooper, wife of Frank Hooper, and daughter of David and Lauretta Johnson, was born June 1, 1855, and died at the residence of her parents near Buena Vista, June 3, 1879, aged 24 years and 3 days. No means nor efforts were spared to relieve her sufferings and prolong her life. She retained the full use of her mental powers to the last. A short time before she died she called her cousins to her bedside and requested them to live religiously. She requested that Bro. Campbell should preach her funeral, as he had preached the funeral of her brother, and had baptized her. She had been a member of the Christian church for some six years.

She left her babe with her parents with the request that they train it up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. She gave full and particular directions about the disposition of all her effects, and spoke particularly about her burial. She was one of three young ladies baptized in 1873 or 1874, two of whom are now in the grave. Youth and health are not a sure guarantee against death. All should be prepared for that change which may come soon, and must come at last.

Her bereaved husband and parents have the sympathy of a large number of friends. The funeral services were conducted in the church at Buena Vista, Wednesday, June 4th, by President Campbell, of Monmouth, assisted by B. F. Burch and H. M. Waller.

The remains were deposited in the cemetery below Buena Vista.

The National Complaint.

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An Incident With a Lesson.

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"He That Believeth Shall Not Make Haste."

The aloe grow upon the sand,
The aloe thirst with parching heat,
Year after year they wait and stand,
Lonely and calm, and front the beat
Of desert winds, and still a sweet
And subtle voice thrills all their veins;
"Great patience wins; it still remains
After a century of pains,
For you to bloom and be complete."
"I grow upon a thorny waste,
Hot noontide lies on all the way,
And with its scorching breath make haste
Each freshening dawn to burn and slay;
Yet patiently I bide and stay,
Knowing the secret of my fate.
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