

Reports from the Field.

Bro. S. C. Espy writes under date Jan. 14th:—The cause is still prospering in Clark county, W. T.

Bro. C. M. Ely writes from Dayton, W. T., Jan. 12th:—Bro. I. N. Muncy and the writer have since the 1st inst., held several meetings here, four miles below Dayton, on the Touchet river. But owing to the inclemency of the weather, and other reasons, attendance was generally small, though attention was good, and considerable interest was manifested by some.

Yesterday, Lord's day, we had the pleasure of addressing good and attentive audiences, morning and evening, on the "Two Covenants," and the "Temperance Question." There are very few of the Christian brethren in this neighborhood.

Our brethren in the vicinity of Dayton are preparing to build a church house this year.

SHERIDAN, OR., Jan. 15, 1880.

Bro. S. M. Hubbard is helping us in a meeting. Will report the result in a few days.

Yours in Christ,
E. W. BARNES.

COVE, UNION CO., OR.,
Jan. 4, 1880.

Bro. Campbell:

I have been promising a long time to write you a few lines touching the interest of the churches in Grand Round valley, and also in Indian valley.

We have three organized churches, two in Grand Round, by Bro. Matheny, and one in Indian, by Bro. Boli. We are now left alone in Grand Round. Bro. Matheny was among us for some three months. His time was up some two months ago; and we are now without anyone to labor with us. The cause of our Master is getting cold in our midst; we are weak and want help. Our wants are great and we desire some of our preaching brethren to come to our valley—one who is willing to make it his home and live and labor among us; and we will sustain him. I say to anyone that is willing to come and help us, we will help him.

We would be glad to hear, by letter, from some brother of talent in the ministry.

Your brother in Christ,
J. C. BARNES.

PORTLAND, OR.,
Jan. 19, 1880.

Editor P. C. Messenger:

It gives me great pleasure to be able to chronicle a hopeful outlook for the cause of Christ at this place. The interest of the disciples in our humble weekly service continues unabated.

Bro. Bruce Wolverton preached at our little hall yesterday at 11 A. M., as well as in the evening to audiences much larger than we have yet had. In fact the room was filled to such an extent as to cause us to feel some apprehension as to its capacity to meet our wants the ensuing year. And we are casting about us to find a larger hall. It is earnestly hoped the little church here can be provided with a house by another year, and from the encouraging reports of the success attending the circulation of the subscription lists for that purpose, one would think the hope well founded.

Feeling the necessity for an energetic and earnest pastor among us and recognizing in our good brother who preached with us yesterday, qualities peculiarly adapted to the wants of our little church, we have unanimously extended a call to Bro. Wolverton to labor with us for the spread of the Gospel in Portland for the year 1880, and he has generously accepted the call and is to preach for the third Lord's day in each month besides giving us a good portion of his time for pastoral work, through

which under God we confidently hope the church will be greatly strengthened and the cause abundantly prospered.

Bro. Wolverton has certainly sacrificed much already in the work of building up the Church of Christ here,—how much, no one not acquainted with all the facts can estimate, and few indeed, *know all*. God alone who searcheth the heart of man, can understand and properly appreciate the heroic acts of his children.

There were two additions yesterday morning. We number 41 members now, but quite a number have removed from among us, leaving our working membership much smaller, yet the regular attendance and the earnestness displayed at the commencement of a new year among us, greatly encourages us, and we all look back over the past year—the first of our existence as a church—with feelings of deepest satisfaction. The results of the past year have certainly exceeded our most sanguine expectations.

We deeply feel gratified at the interest felt in the success of our church by the brethren generally in the State, and while no one can lose sight of the importance which attaches to the successful establishment of a Christian church here, to the whole State, still we who are the direct recipients of the favors of our brethren, can not but be impressed with sentiments of the deepest gratitude when we hear such encouraging reports of their liberality in a matter that appeals only to the finer sentiments of Christian fellowship and brotherly love.

May God bless his people everywhere who are striving to build up His cause in whatever way or manner.

W. H. A.

FARMINGTON, Jan. 5, 1880.

Editor P. C. Messenger:

On the second Lord's day in December we had a good turn out and an attentive audience and two splendid discourses from Bro. J. A. Campbell.

After the forenoon discourse an invitation was extended, and one noble young man came forward and made the good confession. It was very unexpected to all that knew him. His parents had taught him to believe as they had, that there was no God, no devil, no heaven and no hell. Finally they all got to be Spiritists, and professed to doctory by or through the spirits. They have been at this for about 15 years; but as soon as the young man got to hear the Gospel in its simplicity, he at once obeyed and was buried with Christ in baptism. He has been one in our prayer meetings to take a part, and does all he can, and he does well. We have prayer meeting every Lord's day at the church, and we carry on the work the same as it is when we have preaching. And every Thursday night, at some of the neighbors, is held a prayer meeting.

I would like to ask a few questions if you will be so kind as to give an answer.

1. Is the State or county fair a fit place for Christians to go, and go there for the purpose of getting premiums on horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, or shooting, &c. This has been a hard question for me to solve, and I am not yet satisfied.

2. Why is it that our preaching brethren do not give or have not given to the P. C. MESSENGER, for publication, one-tenth of all the good meetings that has been since its first number went to the press?

I think every brother that holds a meeting, and has any additions, should at once set down and let the editor of the MESSENGER know what he has done in the good cause.

OBSERVER.

—Don't imagine that you can correct all the evils in the world. A grain of sand is not prominent in a desert.

Literary Notices.

We have just received from the "Central Book Concern," Cincinnati, Ohio, the following tracts:

The Union Movement, by Benjamin Franklin.

The Bible its own Interpreter, by J. F. Rowe.

The Church of Christ Identified, by A. Burns.

Sabatarianism Refuted, by A. Burns.

Grace and Good Works, by R. Milligan.

Prayer, by R. Milligan.

Christian Experience, by Benjamin Franklin.

Christian Union, by Isaac Errett.

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Editor P. C. Messenger:

Many of our church members are falling into the doctrine of the sleep of the soul.

Now I wish to say a few words on this subject. There is nothing in Scripture plainer to my mind than this truth that there is a living principle in man that lives in either eternal blessedness or eternal misery.

Gen. xi. 7, reads like this: "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul." Then we hear the Savior say in Matt. x. 28: "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."

These passages are sufficient to establish the fact that this fleshly tabernacle is the house or prison of clay in which the real man dwells until death shall separate it from him. And now I affirm that the words destroy, devour, perish, destruction, &c., do not mean annihilation, and that even the wicked shall have a conscious existence after death, and that existence shall be eternal.

Now for the proof. We find the words forever and ever twenty-three times in the New Testament, and always meaning the same, which is to exist eternally; all these applying to the existence of God and to his throne, and to the Lamb, to the felicity of saints, to the torments of the lost, &c.

It is generally conceded that the wicked are enemies to Christ, and Paul tells us in 1 Cor. xv. 26, that the last enemy to be destroyed is death. Then John tells us in Rev. xx. 12: "I saw the dead, both small and great, stand before the bar of God;" and in the 14th verse of the same chapter he says: "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire." This is the second death; here he saw death and the grave cast into the fire; here he saw the distinction of death, and the last enemy to be destroyed is death. After this, 15th verse, he saw all those whose names were not found written in the Lamb's book of life, cast into the lake of fire.

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The Word "Sozodont,"

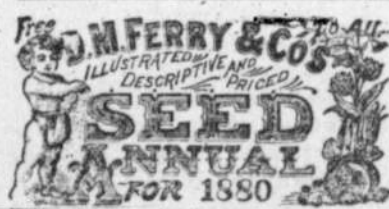
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