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Editor Messenger:

The next session of Hesperian College will begin August 16th, and continue thirty-six weeks. A full attendance is expected. For catalogues, address

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MINNIE HAU'S FATHER A RESIDENT OF OREGON.

No doubt, many will remember reading last summer, in the various newspapers of the State, an account of an accident that occurred near Cornelius, Washington county, in this State. It was that a German by the name of Hauk had an arm seriously injured by the reaper, while engaged in harvesting his crop. Not one, perhaps, of those who read the account, associated the name of the sufferer with that of the singer, Minnie Hauk, whose impersonation of "Carmen" has rendered her world renowned, although the two are father and daughter. He is middle-aged, honest and industrious, while his education and manners show him to belong by birth to the lower ranks of German society. He is quite satisfied with his own obscurity, and is very proud of his famous child. He told, with great good humor how, when he had visited her last in Philadelphia, she had said in her playful, caressing way, "O, my dear old papa, you speak such bad German I can hardly understand you." She dutifully sends him all the little things the papers say of her, which he reads with great delight. He has dozens of her photographs; but these are not all the gifts she sends, for she sees that his purse is never empty.

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Visit to McMinnville.

On Saturday before the 3rd Lord's day in July, in company with Bros. H. M. Waller and D. T. Stanley, of Monmouth, we set out for McMinnville, some twenty-six miles distant, where an appointment had been made for meeting to commence on Saturday evening to hold over Lord's day. We started about noon, and although the sun was hot and the dust rising from beneath the hoofs of our horses, we had an enjoyable trip, especially for the writer, it being his first visit to this part of Oregon. Who would not enjoy a journey with Bros. Stanley and Waller.

We reached the handsome little town of Amity at 4 P. M., where we left Bro. Waller to preach on the next day (3rd Lord's day) while we pursued our journey toward our destination. We reached McMinnville in due time, and were entertained in the pleasant family of Bro. Todd, father-in-law to Bro. P. R. Burnett, who is now located in Salem. (I forgot to state that in company with Bro. Stanley on Friday we visited Salem, our capital, and were made happy in forming acquaintances with Bro. S. C. Adams and family, and Bro. and Sister Johnson, and desired to call on Bro. P. R. Burnett, but learned that he was away on a preaching tour). We found our appointment for meeting at candle lighting, and had a fair congregation. On Sunday the house was full. At night on Sunday we again addressed the people. The attention was good and the order perfect. We also visited two Sunday schools (one Methodist). The Christian Sunday school is in a flourishing condition, and is largely attended. We formed many pleasant acquaintances.

To-day, in company with Bro. Todd, we visited some brethren living in the country, all of whom seem alive to the interests of the cause. More anon.

T. M. MORGAN.

The Quakers in Great Britain now number, all told, 14,892 members.

Church and Educational Items.

(From the Evangelist.)

—Moses E. Lard's last words: "There's not a cloud between me and my heavenly Father."

—J. B. Bowman, connected formerly with Kentucky University, is a member of the Ute Commission now in Colorado. He has traveled much through Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and California, and is thoroughly informed on the condition of the Indians.

—In a population of only 50,000, Richmond, Va., has a church membership of 23,000. There are 10,000 pupils in the Baptist Sunday schools.

—How fast our preachers are falling. Within a few years, Burnett, Franklin, Challen, Shaw, Baxter, Goodwin and Lard have fallen. On whose shoulders have their mantles fallen?

—Mr. George Merriam, of Springfield, Massachusetts, senior partner in the well-known firm of G. & C. Merriam, publishers of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, died in Springfield, June 22nd. Mr. Merriam had been a Congregational church-member for more than half a century, and had devoted much time to Sunday school labors and other good works.

—One of the Jewish synagogues in New York recently celebrated its 150th anniversary.

A Congregational church in New England has by a vote formally abolished infant baptism.

—Workmen are renewing the foundations of the south tower of the Cologne Cathedral, while others are engaged in putting the finishing touches to its summit.

—The total preaching power of the English Methodist churches amounts to 38,000 preachers, the great majority of whom are laymen.

—It has been decided by the English and American branches of the Bible Revision Committee to print the revised edition in paragraphs according to the sense, rather than in chapters and verses as is now done, and also to print the poetic parts in poetic measure.

—Mrs. Anna Tyson has left Mr. Spurgeon \$200,000. Of this \$75,000 are to be used in training Baptist ministers, and \$125,000 are to go to the Orphanage.

—The appeal made by the expelled Jesuits to the law courts of France has so far been unavailing. The Civil Tribunal at Nancy claims that it has no jurisdiction in the matter.

—The statistics of the Congregational church in Illinois will show for its last year not a gain, but a loss in membership of 753. Fewer were added on profession of faith than in the former years by 317, and by letter 179. The Chicago Association loses 322 from its total membership. In benevolent contributions the amount is not far from \$60,000 as against \$55,000 in the previous year. The home expenditures are less than those of the former year by nearly \$1000,000.

—Francis Newman's history up to a certain point is identical with that of his brother. Both when young men at Oxford were earnest Christians and looked to the Anglican church as the best development of Christianity John Henry Newman diverged toward Rome, and finally entered her gates. Francis moved in another direction. When it became necessary in order to obtain a master's degree to subscribe to the thirty-nine articles, he found himself unable to accept them. He adopted a broader and less dogmatic form of Christianity which gradually developed into skepticism, and he now occupies in the school of "free thought" a position and an influence of the same kind, though not as eminent, as that which his elder brother enjoys in the Roman Catholic church.

—In point of population Chicago outstrips all her would-be competitors, but she cannot boast of the largest church organization or the largest Sunday schools in the land. Mr. Tal-

mage's church in Brooklyn has a membership more than double any church in Chicago. Mr. Wannamaker of Philadelphia, has a Sunday school of 2,500 members, and even the town of St. Louis has a Mission school of 2,000 children. Probably the largest school in Chicago is Mr. Moody's, which has had the past six months an average attendance of 1,337.

The New Mission to Africa.

William H. Sanders, a late graduate of Hartford theological seminary, was ordained at Williamstown, Tuesday, June 8th, as a missionary to Bihe, Central Africa. Rev. Dr. Mark Hopkins preached the sermon, Rev. Dr. J. O. Means, of Boston, gave the charge, and Prof. William Thompson, of Hartford, offered the ordaining prayer. Great interest is felt in the new African mission about to be established at Bihe. The first exploring party will consist of four or five men, including a physician, if the right man can be found, and they will probably start for their new home in the "dark continent" in the course of the present season. Rev. Dr. Means, in the *Missionary Herald*, gives an interesting account of the people to be found in Africa, as follows: "Over the highlands of Abyssinia, down the Nile and along the Mediterranean, the people are swarthy, coarse haired, oval faced, sinewy limbed cousins of the Arab and the Jew. From the Senegal eastward and south of the Sahara, are the tall, robust, straight nosed, thin lipped, curly headed Mandingoes and Foplahs, veritable Apollos as to physical manliness. In parallels south of these congregate the immense herds of thick lipped, profuberant jawed, slack muscled, loose jointed Negroes. Mingling with them, above Victoria Nyanza, are the vigorous, athletic Bantu race, of whom the Zulu Kaffir is a type. They cover Central Africa from the Congo to the vast inland seas, southward almost to the Cape of Good Hope. Distributed among other races are a still stranger people—pigmies; brave, alert, quick-witted little men and women, four to five feet tall, with top-heavy heads and protuberant bodies. And last of all, a race of yellow-wooled, saffron-faced, pink-eyed scared savages. In this wonderful world of Africa," says Dr. Means, "there is scope and a demand for the most abundant labors of all Christians of whatever name."—*Ec.*

California State Meeting.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., July, 1880.

To the Members and Friends of the Christian Church:

You are cordially invited to attend our Annual State Meeting, to be held at Sacramento, commencing September 10, 1880, at the East Park, within two miles of the central part of the city, which has been secured as the camping ground. This place, with its beautiful groves, shady avenues, arbors, shrubs and flowers, and crystal stream of pure water, is especially adapted for the purposes of the meeting. Indeed, in all Central California there could scarcely be found a spot more appropriate. The grounds secured include about thirty-six acres, a portion of which will furnish good pasturage. Good tents with clean straw will be furnished free. Restaurants properly conducted will furnish meals at the lowest rates. The Committee will spare no pains in contributing to the comfort and convenience of all who may desire to attend, and earnestly solicit the presence of brethren and friends from all parts of the State. We invite you to come. Bring your blankets with you, and remain with us during the meeting. Bro. L. B. Wilkes of Missouri, Bro. J. H. McCollough of Indiana, and other able preachers are expected to be present. Let all come who can, and join in worship and songs of praise in the beautiful groves of East Park.

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Literary Notices.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE for August is a bright summer number. From "the Laverock's song" amid the fields of Ayr, which Longfellow seems to hear as he writes of Barbs in the opening poem, we are taken by Phillip O. Sullivan to the pastoral nooks about Newport, and in his beautiful idyl we hear the "pipes of Arcady." Certainly Miss Oakley must have heard them when she made the exquisite drawings which illustrate the charming pastoral. Then in Rebecca Harding Davis's "By-paths in the Mountains," we catch a more robust strain from the farms of Pennsylvania and the heights of the North Carolina Black Range. Mr. Conaway, with another and older song, lures us across the seas, and in the midst of the beauties of the Touraine—the garden of France—recounts the legends associated with St. Martin. Both Mrs. Davis's and Mr. Conaway's articles are beautifully illustrated. Between them has been placed Nora Perry's poem "Henry of Navarre before Paris," with a masterly illustration by Fredricks. William Black's "Yatching Romance," prolongs the enchanting summer melody, and the short stories—"Mr. Tolman," by Frank Stockton, and "A Boating Adventure," by John Estlin Cooke—are in complete harmony with the scheme of the number, adding a glow of romance to its other varied charms. Emily Huntington Miller's beautiful "Boat Song" is a graceful expression of the same spirit. In the Editor's Easy Chair, Mr. Wilkie Collins's article on International Copyright is discussed. Among the other topics treated are Nominating Conventions, Madame D'Arbly's Dairy, the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Weather Talk, and Henry James, Jr. The Literary Record is a very complete summary of recent books, and the Drawer is unusually entertaining.

THE CALIFORNIAN for August is a particularly strong one. Its contents are more than usually varied and interesting. Prof. H. G. Hanks, the State Mineralogist, opens with an article on "Casa Grande," the celebrated ruin in Arizona. A. W. Havens has a sketchy article on "Modern Archeology," and John A. Wright has a thoughtful and powerfully written contribution on "Probable Changes in American Government." A very readable article by Charles H. Shian on "Future Gardens in California," and a well written and very humorous account of a "Trip into Sonora," by James Wyatt Oates, are among the attractions. Literary articles are furnished by John Vance Cheney and T. H. Barden, while the poetry is contributed by Seddie E. Anderson, Carlotta Perry, and Chas. H. Phelps. The usual departments are added, and the entire magazine is what it claims to be, "the cheapest and best magazine published." It is a credit to the Pacific Coast and any family without it is behind the times. For sale at all book stores and news stands for twenty-five cents. Send yearly subscription \$3 to the *Californian*, 202 Sansome St., San Francisco.

BALLOU'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR AUGUST.—The leading illustrated article in the August number of *Ballou's Monthly Magazine* is "The Water-Mill," a poem that is published by the request of hundreds of people who want to preserve it in some substantial form. This poem has had a wonderful popularity all over the country, and our readers will rejoice to see it in an illustrated form. The next article, handsomely illustrated, is the visit of a yachtman to the coast of Cornwall, England, in an American yacht; and then there is a learned article on Madras, India, with a fine view of the city; and then follows a nice summer story, called "Sie Him," by John A. Peters, a favorite writer. "Tom's Grandfather," "Ruthven's Puzzle-Page," "Editorial Notes," "The Housekeeper," "Curious Matters," "Things Pleasant and Otherwise," "Our Picture Gallery." Published by Thomas & Talbot, 23 Hawley Street, Boston, Mass., at \$1.50 per annum, postpaid, and for sale at all the news depots in the country.

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The First Crow Eater.

The chaff about eating crow—a dish which is just now in great demand—springs from a story in the old Knickerbocker Magazine, more than a quarter of a century ago. It was the story of a summer boarding-house keeper on the Hudson and of an indignant patron. Whenever the latter ventured to suggest that the spring chicken was rather tough, or that the roast beef must have been cut from the cow's hoofs, he was directly told that he was entirely "too partakerly," and that the autocrat of the table and the house could eat anything, even a crow. This settled the matter for the time being, but the boarder, convinced against his will, was of the same opinion still, at all events in regard to the quality of the edibles placed before him. So often was the remark, "I kin eat anything; I kin eat a crow," brought down on his devoted head that he finally resolved to try the old man. He went into the kitchen, and by dint of soft words and filthy lures induced the cook to allow him to prepare that crow for the table. He boiled it nicely and then it wasn't such a bad looking dish. His heart misgave him; the "flinty old cuss" would eat it after all. The cook was a Scotch woman and used snuff. He borrowed all she had and sprinkled it liberally over the crow, gave it another simmer, and then taking it on a salver, brought it before his host, saying as he set it down: "Now, my dear sir, you have said a thousand times, 'If you have said it once, that you can eat crow; here is one very carefully cooked.' It is said the old man turned pale for a moment, but braced himself against the back of his chair, and with 'I kin eat crow' he began, cutting a good mouthful. He swallowed it, and then preparing for a second onslaught, he looked his boarder straight in the eye, while he ejaculated: 'I've eaten crow,' and took his second portion. He lifted his hand mechanically, as if for a third onslaught, but dropped them quickly over the region of his stomach, and, rising hurriedly and unsteadily, retreated for the door, muttering as he went: 'But dang me if I hanker arter it.'—*Harper's Weekly.*

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