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DISCIPLES IN OREGON.

We are often asked how many members of the Christian Church are in Oregon. To this question we are unable to give an answer satisfactory to ourselves...

Will the elders of every congregation in the State send up to the annual meeting, by their delegates, a report showing the number of members, with other facts and statistics...

We trust, therefore, that the elders will be careful to prepare reports, and in those localities where there are no Christians, but no church organization, some brother in the community, would confer a favor by sending in an accurate statement of numbers as possible for that locality.

Why is it, said a friend to us, the other day, "that there is, at my house, a scramble for the MESSENGER, when the mail is brought in? Other papers from the East are cast aside and all want to hear from their favorite..."

Pay Your Subscription!

We have employed no travelling agent for the Messenger; hence many brethren have had no opportunity to pay in the subscription to the paper.

Some of the donations subscribed nearly a year ago, have not been sent in, principally, no doubt for want of an opportunity to do so. We now ask all those who are delinquent either on subscription or donation, to bring, or send into the Annual Meeting, the amount due.

If we can do this, we have the utmost confidence that it can be made self-sustaining in the future.

CAMPBELL AND WIGLE DEBATE.—The synopsis of this debate, prepared by Bro. J. E. Murphy, and published by mutual consent of the debaters, is attracting some attention, as appears by the demand for the back numbers of this paper containing the debate. To prevent further inquiry in this connection, we state that we have no extra copies of the MESSENGER. Ever new subscriber must be content to commence with the number immediately subsequent to the reception of his name.

REPLY TO BROTHER MELISH.—We publish, on the first page from the Christian, Bro. A. Proctor's review of "The Relation of Baptism to the Forgiveness of Sins." By T. J. Melish, of Cincinnati, Editor of the Journal and Messenger. We regret that the length of the article forbids that we should give it all in the present number.

PERSONAL.—Glen O. Barnett, long and favorably known as a genuine Christian and leading preacher of the gospel, is now at Dallas conducting a meeting of days, with Bro. Whitney of Eugene City. Brother Barnett has recently arrived from California, and he will probably spend the summer in this valley.

Remember the State Meeting!

ROBBERY.—The house of Mr. Levi B. Wells of Yam Hill county, was robbed on May 27th, of \$1800.00 in coin and 180.00 in currency. The house was then set on fire and consumed.

CROPS IN CALIFORNIA.—We heard Bro. Glen O. Barnett, who arrived in the valley a few days ago direct from California, express the opinion that there would not be grain enough raised in the State of California this season to feed it next.

GONE EAST.—Stephen Staats left home Monday the 23d ult. for a visit to his relatives in St. Louis, Mo. Mr. S. has been a resident of Oregon for twenty-six years.

OPENING ADDRESS.—We are requested by Brother Ruble, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, to announce the fact that Bro. L. L. Rowland been secured by that Committee to deliver the opening address at the coming Annual Meeting.

AN APPEAL.

To the brethren of the Christian Church, and friends of Christian College generally I would say, that I am just recovering from an attack of sickness, which has been quite severe for the past three weeks during which time, on account of inflammation, one of my eyes has been measurably blind.

This sickness, as I suppose, was brought on by over exertion, exposure and fatigue. Prompted by my zeal to raise funds for the building of a new College at Monmouth, in order that knowledge and peace may be the more generally abundant, and the peaceful scepter of Immanuel's kingdom be the more generally honored—I have exposed my health very much during the past few months riding through the bleak storms of winter.

I hoped to be able, from the first of May up to the annual meeting, to report, in addition to the amount previously obtained, a handsome sum by soliciting for our College building, but this hope has been blasted by my present illness; yet during my affliction I have often thought of the language of the patriarch Job who stands unprecedented in history, sacred or profane, as a model of patience.

Dear brethren and friends inasmuch as I have been hindered in the prosecution of the work of financial agent for the college, by illness for the above named period, I most earnestly entreat you one and all to come up to the annual meeting with minds fully determined to aid in this great enterprise of disseminating knowledge throughout the length and breadth of our land by contributing your means to the erection of the College building, which is being built for the good of humanity, by the Board of Trustees. You surely will not consider it an unreasonable request, considering my age (sixty-four) and infirmity, to hunt me up at the annual meeting, and thus release me from traveling throughout the length and breadth of the land through wind, rain and storm which will doubtless bring me to a premature grave.

I would further say, that those who have the ready cash can donate as much as they please of the same, and doubtless many can pay this fall who will not be prepared in June. Such, if they wish, can give their obligations for the amount which they wish to donate.

Brethren and friends one and all I need not urge the great necessity of an Institute—College—of this kind upon you. Youths are rising who possess talents which may shake the nations of the earth if cultivated and trained in the arts and sciences of the day.

and faithful servant enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." One and all we most earnestly entreat you to read Exodus xxxv and xxxvi to the 8 verse of the latter once each day until our meeting and meditate most seriously upon the precedent given there and determine to imitate the example of those pious Israelites both men and women.

THE CHURCH.

Churches virtually signify the several bodies or organizations of the Church of Christ at different places, which are, of course, of the same mind and spirit in a religious point of view.

The reason of this sameness is obvious, they accept the terms of God's revealed will according to his word, and reject all others. There are seemingly thousands of honorable and good meaning people, who are very liberal in their views, that have not taken this question into full consideration.

Myrtle Creek, Oregon.

Meeting of the Lane County Churches.

Bro. CAMPBELL: Will you please notice in the Christian Messenger that all the congregations in Lane County are to have a united meeting at Pleasant Hill in this County, commencing the Saturday before the 2d Lord's day in June 1871.

We expect to have present all our Preachers that are living in this County, except Bro. J. Harris who sends word that he will attend at the College exercises in Monmouth about that time, quite sorry that he will not be with us. We would be pleased to see any or all of our brethren at said meeting.

HOLD ON.

Hold on to your tongue when you are just ready to swear, or to speak harshly, or use any improper words. Hold on to your hand when you are about to strike, or do any thing wrong. Hold on to your feet when you are on the point of running away from study, or pursuing the paths of error, shame or crime.

Hold on to your virtue; it is above all price, at all times, and all places. Hold on to your good character, for it is now, and ever will be your best wealth.

Hold on to your good name at all times, for it is much more valuable to you than gold, high place or fashionable attire.

Hold on to the truth, for it will serve you well, and do you good throughout time and eternity.

A YOUNG GIRL'S THOUGHTS.—Perepa Rosa was singing Casta Diva at San Francisco. Folding her white hands on her bosom, and raising her tender eyes, she commenced her Aeolian notes, the melody swelling and breaking into a gush of plaintive, supplicating harmony, that vibrated through every chord of the heart.

"Yes," replied I, quickly, sharing her feeling, "although so glorious, it touches a melancholy chord." "O, nonsense!" she exclaimed, "I don't mean that! You know very well that I don't pretend to appreciate this kind of musical jargon. I mean isn't it sad to see so many young men bald-headed? wonder if it isn't disposition, or the climate, or what? Do you know that I have been picking out bald-heads down in the parquette, and would you believe it, I actually counted twenty-nine."

Just So.—We clip from an exchange the following lucid statement of progressive philosophy. We commend it to the careful consideration of that class who consider the Bible records "fabulous."

"The unbegotten, self-existent Oneness or special spontaneity, involved the infinitude of universal materiality to the extreme verge of the illimitable. This spontaneous act of the concentrated Oneness produced the universal allness or general. The ozone, or soul of the universe, by the odic force, permeated materially, thus diffusing the germs of all things throughout the circumference of infinity.

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