

CHURCH NEWS.

(Gleaned from our Exchanges.)

WEST VIRGINIA.

Brethren Quick and Stephenson gained one at Little Sandy.

One addition at Kanawha. Three additions at Central Congregation under the labors of brethren Whaley and Montgomery.

S. B. Wilkinson, recently immersed eleven at State prison.

Wm. Powell, Madison, Aug. 2: Nine additions up to date, and the meeting going on. Four from the Baptists, three formerly Methodists who were baptized, and two by baptism. Many others are very near the kingdom. This is a glorious meeting.

OHIO.

E. C. Hanseman, Fowler, Aug. 6: We have had four additions by confession and baptism at our regular meeting, since my last communication—three at the above-named place, and one at Edinburg, Pa.

INDIANA.

W. F. Mason recently baptized twenty-six at Columbus chapel, Madison county.

Evan Thompson reports two at a point in Polk township, in Huntington county.

A. Elmore, Newberry: Closed a meeting at Newberry, July 23, of one week's continuance with three accessions, and church revived. Went from there to Owl Prairie; remained eleven days, resulting in sixty-one additions—forty-seven immersions. Our house was crowded full, and many outside. We closed at the water, and could we have remained another week we no doubt would have had a hundred. Now in a good meeting at Beech Grove, fourteen additions last night. Now have twenty-three. Report at close.

ILLINOIS.

There were recently five additions at Peoria.

J. W. Spriggs reports two baptisms at Williamsville.

Joshua Swallow, Eureka, Aug. 14: In my ramblings I have found a home at bro. John Darst's. Will preach here next Lord's day. I held a meeting in Marion county, Iowa, Aug. 6th, and baptized six persons; also in Monroe county, last of July, and baptized one. There is a good opening in both these places to build up the church.

T. M. Wiles, Mt. Carmel, Aug. 8: The cause is flourishing slowly here. We have just closed a meeting of two weeks at Flora. Quite a good interest prevailed throughout, and six persons confessed Jesus the Christ, and were buried with him in baptism.

D. J. Howe, Bell Plain, Aug. 8: At a meeting of some 10 days, at New Bedford, closing Aug. 3, we had three additions by baptism. Excellent interest till the close. The cause had gone down at that point, and they had sold their house. They now think of building again. The whole community favor it.

Erastus Lathrop, Lawrenceville, Aug. 10: At my regular meeting on the fourth Lord's day of July, at Mt. Zion, this county, there were nine added to the church by immersion, and two reclaimed. I have recently immersed two that were added to the church at Pleasant Ridge. On last night I closed a meeting at Centerville, with thirty additions—twenty by immersion, one from the Tunkers, one from the Baptist, two from the Methodists, three by relation and three reclaimed, in all thirty. This meeting continued eleven days. These are my regular places of preaching.

MISSOURI.

Jas. M. Tension, California, Aug. 14: On Friday night before the fifth Lord's day in July, I began a meeting in Buffalo, which lasted eleven days, and resulted in adding forty-four to the church—twenty-seven of this number we immersed, two by letter, some reclaimed, some from the Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and "New Lights."

J. G. Conover, Phelps, July 14: We are in the midst of a good meeting, three miles from this place, at the Weedy congregation. Five baptized yesterday. We will continue the meeting another week.

J. W. Monser, Warrensburg, Aug. 14: We have just closed a remarkable meeting out south eight miles, with 27 additions. The church was wholly inactive when the meeting commenced, but bro. Birge, Clark, and myself agreed on our plan, and the result was that some 20 of the members were reading,

praying, and exhorting in less than twenty-four hours from the time when we began the meeting. The people have been coming from ten miles around. Four accessions here yesterday.

KENTUCKY.

K. C. Dewees, recently immersed seven at Unity, Harrison county.

R. M. Gano gained three at Pleasant Grove, Garrard Co.

B. T. Matthews gained one at Walton. This is a young and weak church, struggling for existence.

S. W. Crutcher, Eminence, Aug. 9: Have just closed a meeting at Tale's Creek church, Madison Co., resulting in eighteen baptisms. My great-grandmother's name is found on the rolls of this band of disciples, as also my grandparents.

This point is only a few miles from the place of my birth. Here I baptized the first persons thirteen years ago, a number of whom are still holding fast their profession.

Have baptized sixteen at Eminence within the last few weeks, most of whom obeyed the gospel at the regular meetings. I was much pleased to have a visit from bro. B. M. Blunt, of Tipton, Ind., who was with us while passing, and gave us some good sermons.

IOWA.

Bro. Athearn, of Central City, Aug. 7th, writes: Yesterday I preached at Nugent's drove. At the close of the sermon four persons came forward and "confessed the Savior before men." We then went to the water, when I had the pleasure of immersing six into Christ, two of whom had confessed Christ during bro. Guthrie's meeting. Five were heads of families. In the last two weeks sixteen have been immersed at Nugent's Grove. We expect others soon. "Praise the Lord for his goodness to the children of men."

Bro. E. S. Stanley, Allentown, Aug. 14: Seven united at our regular meeting here Lord's day, six confessed the Savior, and one reclaimed. The church is in a prosperous condition. Prospects good.

S. A. Hoover, New York: One added to the Confidence congregation, by obedience, at our last meeting there. Bro. Stanley was with us.

TEXAS.

E. J. D., Eureka, Ill., Aug. 11: A letter received from Bro. J. J. Williamson, of San Marcos, Texas, states that he has just closed a meeting in Purgatory Valley, where he found ten brethren, preached twelve discourses, had twenty immersions, received one from the Methodists who had been immersed, and reclaimed four. He was just commencing a meeting at Blanco, of which we hope to hear a good report in due time.

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