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EDITORIAL.

We hope to get the Advocate out nearer on time and in better appearance in the future than it has been possible to do for some time back. It has been impossible to get our composition done on time, and some times parts of it not at all. It seems as if no one need try to do work of this kind unless he is able to do it all himself. We hope to be in a position to do this as soon as possible.

The cost of operating even a small printing office is much higher than in former years. Type costs twice what it did some years ago, and it is hard to get at any price. It used to cost us 10c. to get our paper cutter sharpened and now it costs $2. These are examples of some of the advances in costs. To make things go we often have to work for less than we did years ago. When we take into consideration these things, we are reminded that greater effort will be necessary to collect overdue subscriptions, and we ask our readers to be as prompt in sending in their renewals as they can. The Advocate is only $1. a year to each one, but fifty renewals means $50. to the publisher.

The Committee in charge of the Forward Movement has begun work. We are ready to help them all we can through the Advocate. We hope the committee will use all the space they need and get the Advocate into every home in our

church. Now let every one be in earnest and help to push the work on to ultimate success. The committee has already held a conference with the ministers and elders in the Philadelphia Presbytery and on Sabbath Sept. 19, presented the matter in the Third and Seventh churches. Rev. W. P. Harriman, visited Duanesburgh, the following week and on Wednesday addressed the missionary prayer-meeting and then went west to address the churches.

IMPORTANT.

On page 62 of the Minutes of General Synod, it is stated that the first resolution offered by the committee on the Forward Movement, that the amount of said budget to be raised within a period of five years, beginning May 1st. 1920, $150,000. was lost. This resolution was carried. The resolution which was lost read, "Resolved, that General Synod adopt a single budget of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, to be raised within a period of five years." &c.

LETTER FROM MRS. TAYLOR.

Mandali, June 2, 1920

Dear Friends:

Dr. Taylor has come to the hills for three weeks for his vacation, and we have decided to take a "hike" through the pine forests from Landour to Simla during this time. Simla is the summer capital of India. The distance from Landour to Simla is about 145 miles. We are in the midst of a Government jungle in a quiet forest rest house, and as everything is so peaceful here I thought that I would write you a few lines.

During the past two weeks especially our thoughts have so often wandered toward our homeland and our prayers have gone to the Throne on High asking Divine guidance in all the deliberations that have been going on in Pittsburgh during these days. We know and feel that you all pray for us, too, and realize that our own strength is as nothing, but when it is backed up by the prayers of those who work and plan at home

who can foretell what may be the result? And especially in times when you meet together for council and prayer as you do when Synod meets, we feel the united prayers of our brethren in America shall open the very windows of heaven and the field that has been entrusted in our care receive showers of blessings.

The Mission now has a Ford car, and we want to take this opportunity to express to you all our heartiest thanks for your part in making this possible. I am sure it will prove a mighty factor in accomplishing our work. I came to the hills the first of May with the children and John Calvin has begun school. He goes to "Noostoch," an American Presbyterian school for missionaries' children and other European and Anglo-Indian children.

As is always the case, a doctor is busy no matter where she is or whether or not she has a "shingle" to put up. And so I am busy in this hill station, treating my fellow missionaries. I feel it a privilege to be able to do this, for if I can help to build up some of these worn-out missionaries who come to the hills, and make them more fit for their work in the plains, then I am indirectly helping to build up God's kingdom in other fields as well as our own. And these co-workers are very appreciative of the work and we often receive little thank offerings from them which is put into our own work in Rurhi.

Margaret has not been well for a long time but the hills are doing wonders for her. She has gained quite a bit since coming to the hills and except for a day of fever now and then is doing very nicely.

After coming to the hills Carl developed a case of very badly infected eyes. You cannot imagine what awful eyes one sees in India and when our children develop anything of the kind is is always a cause of worry. For two weeks I could do nothing but take care of him. He did not open his eyes for three and a half days. I am very thankful, though, that he is all right now and that there is no corneal ulcer, which I very much feared.

The 11th of May our compounder, Evelyn Dayal, was married to Theodore Fish, brother of our Padri Sahib, Edwin

Fish. This necessitated a new compounder, so we have called Maggie Rankin, one of our orphan girls, home from Bareilly School. We have been informed by the Methodist missionary in charge of Bareilly School that after this they will not take any children who are not of their own mission, as they are so very crowded they cannot take care of them. We had one other girl, Monica Boyce, in the same school, so have brought her to Rurhi, too, and both are in the hospital for this summer learning compounding. When the new term begins we may send these girls to Ambala Girls' School, as they are hardly old enough to leave school altogether.

Yours in the Master's service,

ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

LETTER FROM DR. TAYLOR

Rurki, India, July 26, 1920.

Dear friends:

We have just come back from our summer school in Saharanpur and most of our men did well in their examinations. Mihi Lal, who is doing especially good work in this village, Vanserheri, came out first in his class. We are expecting a number of baptisms in the next few months in Mihi Lal's district.

The women's work in the summer school suffered somewhat this year from the lack of teachers, I believe, but they no doubt got a great deal of good from the three and a half weeks spent in Saharanpur.

We have taken on two or more new workers on trial. One, Piyana Lingh, a low-grade worker, will probably be located near Rurki in Itr Lingh's district, which is too big for him. The other, H. S. Sampson, is to be sent to the place where we had our evangelistic campaign last winter, namely, Buynola. He is in the licentiate grade and is energetic, so I hope he will be able to conserve some of the good done during the campaign, and bring it to fruitage with the help of the Holy Spirit.

I have not had opportunity to use the new Ford since

the time mentioned in my last letter, for the reason that I was away in Saharanpur, and delay in getting the car license and number from the Government. I am planning a trip to Li Chaudi tomorrow evening, and the next evening to Saharanpur. I don't feel that I have time to go by train as that would require all day to go and come, while by the macadamized road it is 28 miles and I can go after it gets cooled in the evenings about 4.30 and get back after doing my business between 7 and 8 o'clock.

The building is going on slowly on account of a suspicious neighbors, an English medical officer, who has no sympathy for missions and says we are encroaching on his ground. We have therefore been hindered in the building of the rooms that were to have been used for dormitories. We hope to begin on them again in the near future. The other line of six rooms, 9x12 each, with an 8 foot veranda, are almost ready for the roofing and flooring now. These buildings are of brick, with brick arched roofs and brick floors. The eleven boarding boys are at present living in the old tile-roofed buildings in front of the church and are using the church for a study room.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN C. TAYLOR.

July 31, 1920.

Dear Dr. Chesnut:

The first quarterly statement for this year has just gone out, a month late, but it was impossible to get it out while at the summer school. I am so anxious to put on two or three more workers in the most needy places, i. e., where they have asked for teachers most persistently. I have the men in sight for seminary. With this all in view, and feeling that the Evangelistic work should come first above all other work, and also not being altogether satisfied with the Zenana work as we were able to do it. Mrs. Taylor being away from Rurki about 8 months of the year, either in the district with me, or else in the hills with the children in the summer, we have given Dr. Dajal notice that she will have to take work elsewhere as we are closing down the hospital in the city.

We have taken on a man assistant and he is going to dis-

pense medicine from the bungalow veranda till such a time as we are able to arrange suitable rooms over by the compound gate in front of the church. The Methodist Mission has taken over one-half his salary, and he is to see to the treatment of the Leper Asylum inmates which are in their hands. Thus we hope to cut the expenses of Class V. (medical work) to about half what was budgeted.

The greatest drawback about the Zenana Hospital was the fact that we were not able to do any follow-up work in the Zenanas. Besides, I have had to leave off almost all medical work for want of time. The business and bookkeeping seems to have come first, or you would all lose confidence in us and stop sending anything. Then comes Evangelism, encouraging, reproving and helping the preachers, etc., till I am not able to do much else. We have to listen to the unburdening of their woes, although unable to help them.

Dr. Burder, my Indian assistant, has been working in Government laboratories and feels the lack of a microscope very keenly. I agree with him in the opinion that it is a necessity, especially in leper work. Personally I have never had time to take up only the most gross work, and do rough diagnosis, trust God to guide us to use the right remedy. And although our treatment has been remarkably successful in a great number of cases, yet we have not done what could have been done for others, if we had the time and facilities for a better diagnosis. So it would be a great blessing and thankfully received if some one would send us a microscope. Will not someone inquire of their doctors and see if they cannot get us one? Anyone who has an opportunity to get one should consult with Dr. Chesnut first.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN C. TAYLOR.

LETTER FROM KENTUCKY.

Annath Home, Houston, Ky.
August 5, 1920.

Dear Friends:

Every one who comes to Houston has to work. I had been here only a week till Miss Cunningham and Mr. Elder informed

me that it was my duty to write the next letter to the "Advocate," and my being the youngest of the three could do nothing but obey.

Tomorrow ends four weeks of school. We are quite pleased with the progress that has been made and, of course, expect it to be better next month. There are fifty-one enrolled now. We began with thirty-nine. New ones keep coming in every week. We are glad to have them come, but there will soon be as many as we can accommodate well and, remember, this is only the fall term. In the winter there are more than in the fall. There is no reason whatever that there couldn't be a large school at Houston, if we had the accommodations and could secure the workers. However we are anxiously looking forward to the time when we can accommodate several times as many as we now do. Out of the fifty-one who are in school there are only eight in the dormitory, including the four workers. There are three teachers and the matron. Mrs. John Turner is the matron. We like her very much. She is quite a capable woman.

For the benefit of those who may some time consider coming to Houston to work I might say it will not be altogether a sacrifice on your part. While it is true you will have to sacrifice in some ways, such as good roads, automobiles, etc., in a great many ways it is really a privilege to be able to work here. You have a chance to do so many things that you would not do in other places. That is not all yet—think of the seed you may sow and the good you may do.

When you come to the mountains of Kentucky you will have to learn to ride mules, or walk all the time, climb hills or mountains rather, walk over rocky roads and many other things which I shall not now take time to mention.

Mules in the mountains of Kentucky serve as automobiles here. In spite of the fact that there are many inconveniences in the mountains, some people have lived as long and are just as happy as some do where they have all the conveniences. I have known two sisters, not more than three miles from here, who lived to be, one, a hundred and twenty, and the other a hundred and ten.

There is a great deal of wickedness in the mountains. It

all comes from the fact that the people have not been taught to respect the laws. A good many think if they can commit a crime and get out of it that it is all right. They so often never stop to think how harmful it is. Education and Christianity are the only means that will overcome the situation. Many boys and girls grown into men and women live and die and never know what they could have been or done merely for the lack of opportunity. If some of the children in Houston Academy had the chance some of your children have they could accomplish just as much as yours.

Miss Cunningham will soon be starting on her eleventh year here and in talking over the work the other day she said, "I don't think a cent of money has been wasted or a minute of time lost." Knowing conditions as I do, I don't think many will ever have to overcome more than she has.

Things look quite different around Houston since Mr. Elder has come. He has proven already that he is not afraid of work. He teaches school during the day and works in the mornings and evenings. It is too bad the mission can't have a man like him all the time. Miss Cunningham and I just said if he could be here a year the place would be almost new. There is no end to the work that could and really needs to be done.

The people here were bountifully blessed with fruit this year, such as berries, peaches and apples. If the people here had good roads they would have many advantages over some other places. The roads make the country very inconvenient.

I hope I shall succeed in conveying an idea of the work at Houston.

Yours truly,

CALLA B. TURNER.

LETTER FROM KENTUCKY

Houston, Ky., September 4, 1920.

Dear Friends:

It seems hardly possible that the summer is past and that the first fall month is now with us. The work has kept us so very busy that the time has passed unnoticed.

The work here has gone well this summer. God has added His blessing to our efforts and to Him is due the glory. Owing to the fact that we were unable to obtain lumber some much-needed repair work will not be done. The material was to have been delivered by June fifteenth, but has not been received as yet. We learn here in Kentucky to take things just as they come. We have not, however, been delayed in all our work. The school house has been repainted, the bursh in the yard been cut and various other odd jobs been done. This work, together with the teaching has kept us quite busy.

Our school work is still going smoothly. We have lost two pupils this month. One moved out of the community, the other married. We are sorry to have them leave, but are expecting their places to be filled soon. The enrollment at present is fifty.

The high school work has been dropped owing to the fact that the studies were too heavy for the pupils. They are now reviewing eighth-grade work and expect to take up the high school studies later. The demand for high school work here is growing and if our school is to hold its own we must equip ourselves to give it. To do this it will be necessary to either enlarge our present school building or build a new one; equip it for high school work; hire a faculty capable of teaching it, and build a new dormitory. This may sound like a great deal but nothing less will do for our present buildings will scarcely accommodate the pupils which we now have. Houston Academy has the name of being one of the best schools in Breathitt county. There would be no difficulty in securing students if we had the facilities to care for them. In speaking of this matter the other day, Miss Cunningham remarked that "it must be done within the next five years, but the sooner the better." I am sure that if those who read this could see the good that the school is doing the necessary funds would soon be given. Our new teachers, Miss Blair and Miss Gallagher, both of Pennsylvania, will arrive this week. They take the places of Miss Turner and myself.

We are glad to tell you that enough money has been given to purchase a cow. One has not yet been secured, but will be as soon as possible. It will be a great convenience to have a cow here and we wish to thank the friends who have made it possible for their liberality.

There has been an abundance of everything here this year, and due to the good management of Miss Cunningham and Mrs. Turner, the basement is stocked with canned fruits and vegetables. Mrs. Turner has done a wonderful work here this summer. Beside the work already mentioned she has kept the

dormitory and provided us with three meals a day. You would appreciate what that means more if you could eat one of them, for like most of the women here, she knows how to cook. We often turn to her for counsel. Being a mountaineer herself, she understands conditions almost perfectly and her advice can safely be folowed. Miss Turner has also proved her worth and will be greatly missed when she goes away.

Pray that the success of our work here may be continued and that it may be expanded to meet the needs.

Yours in His needs,

NEWTON C. ELDER.

NEW TESTAMENT MISSIONARY METHODS AND OURS

By a Seeker for a Solution.

1. The Situation.—In the sixth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles an acute situation had arisen over the suspicion that, in the daily distribution of food and funds, race prejudice had influenced things and that the Hallenist widows were not getting their share. There was "a murmuring." They felt that the Jews were careful of the Jewish widows and careless about the Hallenist widows. This brought on trouble. How did the apostles meet this?

2. Some possible solution before the apostles:

(a) They might have answered that the money was almost entirely contributed by the Jews, and that, therefore, the distribution should be made by the Jews in the way they chose. This would have settled nothing, for the suspicion would have continued.

(b) They might have said that, if the Hellenists did not like it, the Jews would cut off the supplies and the Hellenists could look after their own widows. This would have settled nothing. It would have been a Christian solution.

(c) The Apostles might have kept things in their own hands inwardly saying that the money had been contributed by the Jews (the part that the Hellenist themselves contributed would be only small proportion,—about the same proportion that the Indian Church contributes in comparison with the foreign contribution),—and should, therefore, be handled by the Jews; or they might have said, in-

wardly, of course, that the Greeks did not have the moral character of the Jews, and that, therefore, they could not be trusted to handle the finances. The former contention would have ended in the contention and would have been no solution. The trouble would have remained. The latter claim may have been true—the Jews had had a stronger moral grounding than the Greeks. But a new force was making over both Jews and Greeks. Besides, God had shown in the case of Annanias and Sapphira that He would tolerate no dishonesty neither among the Jews nor Greeks. He showed that He was as anxious as the apostles to keep the church pure and honest.

How, then, did the apostles meet the situation?

3. The Apostolic Solution. They decided to trust God and the Hellenists. The apostles decided that the Hellenists were to choose seven men from among their own number and that they should be in charge of this business. In other words, they turned over the matter of the finances to the Hellenists themselves. Those who grumbled must themselves do better. The seven chosen were all Greeks, as their names imply.

4. The result was three-fold: (i) It killed the race question. (iii) It put the church on its mettle to do better, and get hold of good, honest men who would make good. The church became responsible. (iii) It kept the evangelist emphasis in the early church. If the apostles had decided that they could not trust the Greeks with finances, they would have dwindled ino superintendents and bandobast valas, instead of mighty apostles with a great message and with spiritual power. They kept to first things, and throughout the early church the same spiritual emphasis remained. The rank and file saw that the apostles felt saving men was the big thing, and not handling the bandobast with its consequent sense of temporal power. That emphasis became paramount. It was not the big things to be a superintendent. Thus the crisis was met and things went on with evangelistic fervor. Those who were chosen for this work showed that they themselves felt that evangelistic touch was the big thing: instance, Stephen and Philip the evangelist. The apostles were relieved of an encumbering business, the Greeks made good, and the church kept evangelistic. That was the situation and that was the way it was met by the early church.

Our situation in India is much the same. We, as missionaries, are distributing funds raised by members of our own race, and the distribution is among another people—people

who, for the most part, have not raised the funds. There is the same underground "murmuring" that things are not fairly distributed. He who does not believe this has not listened. How have we met the situation? Like the apostles? For the most part, No. We have kept the funds in our own hands. We have said that foreign funds should be handled by foreigners; that the church should handle only what itself raises; that the moral character of the one is in many cases, not yet equal to the other. So the race question becomes acute, even if polite.

Suppose that, long ago we had done what the early church did? The church in India would have felt itself under obligations to get its very best men to handle funds, so that no slur could be cast upon them. The church does not now feel itself under obligations to give its best men, for it has not been put on its mettle. Thus we have to entrust funds to men of our own choosing; we do the choosing, and the sentiment of the church is not back of the choice, as it would be, if the church were responsible. It does not feel socially responsible for the honesty of those whom we choose, as they would as if it did the choosing and were put on its mettle. The servant or employee will take care of your whole house, when you go away and entrust him with the keys. Nothing will be missing when you return. Take him away from under that trust, and oft-times he will feel that, if he can fleece you, he will.

Another result would have been no foot-hold for race suspicion on either side. It would have been a dead issue.

But the greatest result would have been that the missionary would have remained a missionary—a man with a message and an evangelist touch with the people. The church would be handling the finances. The missionary would be handling—people. The church would thereby feel that saving souls was the greatest thing for the practice of the missionary. It would take his emphasis. Now, between moments of dealing with finances, we tell the people that the big thing is to save others; but this is hard to believe, for they see us hold on to the finances and allow these to absorb most of our time. They hear what we do, not what we say.

The writer realizes the difficulties involved in making this change. Maybe some clearer thinker—a clear thinker with a great heart—will take it up and show us the way out of the present tangle. The Apostolic Church found the way out. They found it out by faith in God and faith in man. And they acted upon their faith. It worked trustworthy men, evangelists and martyrs.—Indian Witness.

A PLEA.

Be a giver.
Every dollar counts.
The work is appreciated,
The need is great.
Everyone can do something,
Remember the words of the Lord Jesus.

Many are looking to us.
Is our church doing all it can?
Something must be done.
Someone must do it.
It is a privilege to help.
Opportunity is presented.
Now is the time to grasp it.

Anonymous.

MEETING OF WESTERN PRESBYTERY.

The semi-annual meeting of the Western Presbytery will be held in Coulterville, Illinois, the second Wednesday 13th. day, of October, 1920, at 10. A. M.

Topic for conference—
EVANGELISM;—Opened by L. A. Benson.
"The Essentials to a successful Campaign."
By R. S. Elder.
Elders to speak on whatever they may select.

W. J. Smiley, Clerk of Presbytery.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

LOS ANGELES.

Mr. John Kerr, of the Los Angeles congregation, celebrated his 84th. birthday September 14, 1920, at his home in Orange Cal. The day was one of real pleasure, when some of his children, and grand children, and others, gathered to congratulate, and rejoice with him. The arrival of his daughter, Mrs. McGill, with her husband and children, only three days before from Egypt, added greatly to the joy of the occasion. Rev. and Mrs. McGill, have been missionaries in connection with the United Presbyterian Church, for 15 years, and are now in this country on their furlough.

Rev. Ramsey and daughter, have been spending several weeks in Sierra Madre Canyon, near Mt, Wilson. The Sabbath School however, did not take a vacation.

CEDARVILLE.

The work here is taking on new life as the College and Seminary open for another year's work. We have enjoyed the preasure of our young people who return from many different places to spend their vacation at home. Many of these have again returned to their work and take with them our best wishes;and now with the return of the old and the coming of the new students, the social life of the church will be made brighter, while the spiriual life will be greatly quickened.

Socials were held in three of the churches to welcome the students and giving them a place in the work of the church.

The pastor and family enjoyed a delightful vacation, going by automobile to Vermont and Canada, via, Cleveland, Buffalo, Albany, Boston, Quincy, Concord N. H., Barre, Vt., and Sherbrooke, P. Q. spending six weeks altogether and returning for the first Sabbath in September.

We desire to testify to the liberality of the Cedarville congregation, and to thank them publicly for their gifts bestowed upon us which made our vacation possible, and afforded us the pleasure of seeing our loved ones from whom we have been absent for four years. During the two weeks prior to the first of August, we had two visits from Mr. Ramsey, a member of session; on each one he presented us with a substantial purse from the congregation, amounting, together with gifts from individuals to $300. In these days of high prices, such a gift is greatly appreciated. We hope we may be able to measure up to the added obligation which such kindness imposes. Surely God is good to His servants. The Cedarville church is noted for its liberality in all lines of church work and does not forget their pastor.

W. P. Harriman and family.

COULTERVILLE MISSION BAND.

Dear friends and readers of the Advocate.

We have some to tell you about our Mission Band. We held a Union meeting with the Ladies' Missionary Society, on July 7. The first part of the program was given by the ladies, on the subject, "Training a child in the Faith." This followed by a children's program of recitations and a short play, "Mite-box Convention." After our separate business meetings were adjourned, we met again in the basement and had some light refreshments. Thirty children were present and about as many of the ladies. We had such a nice time, we are hoping for a Union meeting every summer,

A letter from Mrs. Taylor tells that we may claim Barn, a boy 7 years old, and Maryam, a girl 6 years old for our own for we are sending the money to keep them in school Barn's father belongs to the Robber Caste, and he has no mother. None of his people are christians, but Maryam's parents are christians and help in the mission, We like work making our own money by raising chickens, running errands or selling garden stuff we raise to make the money we send over there. and the excitement gets high from now to the end of the year, as each of us tells at our business meetings how we are coming on, Miss Nellie McLaughlin has been our leader in raising money. Miss Effie Curry and Mrs. Creswell helped us with our devotional program.

The Presbyterial Missionary Society met in our church last Thursday, Sept 2 and the Mission Band gave a pageant "The Children of the Kingdom, Miss Elizabeth White assisted by our Superintendents helped us prepare for it. The Presbyterial was a big success.

Leon Copeland

Press Supt,

SPARTA ILLINOIS.

On account of the warm weather very little special work was done in our Society, but earlier in the season we did quite a bit of quilting, and still have some to do this fall.

Mrs. Jennie Fulton, who has been with her son William in Kansas, is here visiting friends and relatives and to attend the fall communion,

Mr. James Renwick Fullerton, of Tulsa, Okla, visited for a few weeks with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. C, Fullerton. He was in attendance at his grand mother's funeral, Mrs. Mary Fullerton, of Coulterville.

Quite a number are complaining of not feeling well, but there is no serious sickness.

Miss Mary Smiley, who spent her summer vacation with friends and relatives in Indiana and Ohio, returnsd home the latter part of August.

Miss Helen Smiley, is engaged as teacher in the Cairo High School this year and Miss Margaret Smiley, has returned to Monmouth, to take up her school work.

MEETING OF PRESBYTERIAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Thirty-third Annual meeting of the Woman's Presbyterial Missionary Society met in the Coulterville R.P. Church Sept, 2, 1920. It was a beautiful day and we had a good attendance. Interesting reports were given, and the program was carried out in full. The fact Rev. and Mrs. Waide would be with us and take part on the program, was looked forward to, as a special attraction, Mrs. Waide, gave a good talk on "The Women of India," and Rev. Waide, on "The Children of India." giving us a ' Bird's Eye View," of their work among these people, wonderful to hear. We hope their visit among us will be the means of stirring us up to greater action in the work of soul winning both at home and abroad. Mrs. Robert Copeland opened the morning session with devotion, taking for her subject "Individual Soul Winning," impressing on christian people the importance of awakening to the opportunities of the day.

The afternoon session was opened with devotions by Mrs. Henry Dickey, in which she earnestly emphasized to all the subject of devotion, "Using the power of prayer."

The total receipts for the four societies for the year were $982.74 Two Mission Bands, $75.83

The officers elected were Pres, Miss Mary Smiley, Sparta; V, Pres. Mrs. Henry Dickey, Cutler; Rec. Sec Mrs. Robort Copeland, Coulterville; Cor. Sec, Mrs. Sidney Munford, Coulterville; Trea. Mrs. John White, Coulterville.

Adjourned to meet next year in Sparta.

OUR COLLEGE.

The Twenty-Seventh Year opened September 15, 1920, at 9.30 A. M. in the Chapel of College Hall. The Chapel and adjoining wings were filled with students and visitors.

The devotions were led by President McChesney. Rev. John P. White, read the Scriptures, Rev. McKibben, offered prayer. After devotions Misses Johnson and Oglesby, sang a duett,

Rev. H. C. Foster, D. D., of Cement, Okla, gave the address on "America's Mission."

The President then called upon assignments from the different members of the faculty. He then gave the address of welcome. Rev. Vincent Busler, pronounced the benediction.

All day Tuesday, and most all the following day were spent in registering students. There are 164 students in all departments, or about 120 counting none twice, a gain of 5 over the attendance of last year. There are 72 in the regular College work; 49 in Piano, 12 in Type-writing, 13 in the Theological Seminary, and 18 in Vocal Music. Eight states and one foreign country are represented. This makes the largest attendance in the history of the College.

The music department has become so large that an assistant teacher had to be employed.

The R. P. C. E. gave a splendid welcome social to the new students, and on Friday night Sept. 24, the Epworth League gave a royal reception to the College.

The student body is organizing its various classes and societies and already the activities customary to these organizations are engaging our interest.

We begin the new year thankful to God and grateful to our friends, and confident of your continued interest and support,

OUR SEMINARY.

The present session of our Theological Seminary opened, Monday Sept. 20, with an address by the Rev. Vincent Busler, His theme was, "The Inner Life." and it was treated in a practical engaging manner and left its impress for good upon both faculty and students. The faculty have arranged to have a number of ministers lecture before the seminary students during the year. Thirteen students are in attendance. It is a good attendance of a splendid group of young men.

LOVE'S TRIBUTE

The Women's Missionary Society of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, of Fairview, Pa., desire to offer this tribute of love to the memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Dawson, who was called home April 10, 1920.

While she was not able to attend the meetings, she was a liberal supporter of the Society, both by her prayers and her means. We record our profound sorrow and unspeakable loss. Her work is done. She will be greatly missed in the home, the church and the community, but she leaves behind a blessed memory.

The Women's Missionary Society of our church also wish to offer this tribute of love and appreciation to the memory of our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Marie Hunter, who was called home March 14, 1920.

WHEREAS, God, in His all-wise providence, has called these dear ones unto Himself; therefore be it

RESOLVED (1), That we express our gratitude to God for the years of fellowship that we have had and the lasting influences that have come from their lives to ours. As a Society we miss their smiling faces, the kindly greetings, and that they will not only be missed by our church and Society, but by a large circle of friends.

RESOLVED (2), That in the death of these faithful members we are again admonished of the shortness and uncertainty of our time on earth and of the earnest call it brings us to devote ourselves with renewed consecration and zeal to the Lord's work; that the sudden removal of such members from our Society leave a vacancy and shadow that will be deeply felt by all members.

RESOLVED (3), That we pray earnestly to God to sanctify this

loss to our Society.

Things like these we remember with joy, and so thank God that we sorrow not as those without hope.

MRS. DR. R. B. DAWSON,
MRS. A. HICE WATTERSON,
Committee.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS.

OCTOBER 3, 1920

Topic: "Our church privileges and opportunities." Psalm 84;1-12.
Consecration meeting.

BIBLE READINGS

1. Union with Christ. I John 2: 24-29.
2. Church prayer. Matt. 18: 19,20.
3. Church membership. Eph. 5: 23-33.
4. Church fellowship. I John 1: 5-10.
5. Mutual service. 1 Cor. 14: 1-10.
6. Church attendance. Mal. 3: 16-18.

BIBLE TEACHINGS

1. The Church is Christ's body. Col. 1:24.
2. We are to give our service wholly to the Lord. Rom. 12:1.
3. The Church alone stands for God.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Why should we love the Church?
2. Are we loyal to to the Church?
3. Has the Church been a help to us?
4. Have we done our duty toward the Church?

OCTOBER 10, 1920.

Topic: "Bible verses that help." Psalm 119: 33-40.

BIBLE READINGS

1. The Consecration verse. Rom. 12:1.
2. The Love verse. John 3:16.
3. The Shepherd verse. Psalm 23:1.
4. The Decision verse. Joshua, 24:15.
5. The Faith verse. Hebrews, 11:1.
6. The Missionary verse, Matthew, 28;19.

BIBLE TEACHINGS

1. The source of these verses is God. 2 Tim. 3:16.
2. These and all other verses are to be studied. John 5:39.
3. None of these verses may be discarded, nor shall any be added to them, Rev. 22:18,19.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Do we daily read God's Word?
2. Do we try to obey its teachings?
3. Do we believe that it is the inspired Word of God?

OCTOBER 17, 1920

Topic: "Christian Principles in Politics." Luke 22;24-27.

BIBLE READINGS

1. Principles of Justice, Mal. 2; 4-7.
2. " " Freedom, Gal. 5; 1-14.
3. " " Service, Mark 10; 35-45.
4. " " Honesty, Isa. 5; 22-25.
5. " " Integrity, Ezek. 18; 5-9.
6. " " Reform. John 2; 13-22.

BIBLE TEACHINGS

The great Statesmen of Bible times, as Moses, Samuel, David, Daniel and Nehemiah, were all men of integrity and labored for the good of the most humble of those under them. Rulers and law makers are to serve in the fear of the Lord. Rulers are to be able men, and God fearing men.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Do we exercise our right of franchise?
2. Do we vote for godless men, and men who favor the licensing of any thing that is evil?
3. Do we vote for men who favor the liquor traffic?

OCTOBER 24, 1920.

Topic: "Lessons from recent events." Luke 13 1-5; Prov. 25:25

BIBLE READINGS

1. The flood. Gen. chaps, 7 and 8.
2. The pasaage of the Red Sea. Ex. chap, 14.
3. The death of Moses. Deut, chap, 34.
4. The captivity of Judah, 2 Kings, chay, 25.
5. The return home, Book of Nehemiah.
6. The greatest event, Christ crucified.

BIBLE TEACHINGS

God in his providences teaches us that He controls all things for His own glory. We are entirely dependent on Him for life and all we enjoy. God causes even the wrath of man to praise Him, He always keeps covenant with His people.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1, Have we learned that God has sovereign authority over all His creatures?
2, Do we willing bow to this authority?
3, Do we realize that God disposes of all things to His own glory?

OCTOBER 31, 1920.

Topic: " Making Prohibition effective." Matt. 12:43-45. Jer.31,33,34,

BIBLE READINGS

1. The Kind of men to enforce law Ex.18:13-27.
2. Enforcing law. Rom.13:1-5.
3, Punishing evil doers. Ex.21:28-36.
4. Laws that prohibit when enforced. Ezra 7:11-26.
5. The moral influence of the people. 1Sam.14:45.
6 No more curse. Rev.22:1-5.

BIBLE TEACHINGS

All wickedness and every evil thing is an abomination to the Lord. To justify the wicked is wrong. No amount of license money can make it right. The liquor traffic is every where condemmed in God's word.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. Are we in favor of the enforcement of our 18th amendment of the constitution, or are we in favor of nulification?
2. Have we so far done our duty in opposing the liquor traffic?

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