

have rejoiced our hearts if many souls had been saved, yet because of the improved conditions at that joint, we feel as though we might be as glad for the seed time as for the harvest. We can not at this time estimate the good done, but that many souls were brought nearer to God, we are sure. On Saturday evening, Feb. 28th, the friends, in and around Cedar Creek, made us a very welcome and timely donation of \$15.00, for which I wish to express my thanks. I have received so far on the circuit \$32 in presents. We are now engaged in revival services at Baltimore church. We trust the Lord fully for results, forgetting not to put ourselves in divine order, and to maintain the spirit of true obedience.

M. J. BUNKER.

AUGLAIZE.

The second round of quarterlies on East district, Auglaize conference, closed Feb. 28th at Elida.

The first quarterly was held on Monticello circuit. The pastor, Bro. Overholtz, was in the midst of a very hopeful revival meeting at Monticello, when the smallpox broke out in the neighborhood and the authorities ordered the meeting closed, very much to the regret of pastor and people. The quarterly meeting was held at Mt. Union, and though the interest was good the attendance was small in consequence of the severe snow storm. Montezuma circuit, Bro. James in charge, was next visited. I found him in a meeting at Bennett's school-house. We closed the quarterly with the Sabbath forenoon service and I went to his assistance and remained until Tuesday. A lot was selected for a new church-house and about a thousand dollars soon secured on subscription. The pastor who is a first class carpenter will proceed to build the house as soon as the weather will permit. On Payne mission, we found Bro. C. Weyer at work, having begun a meeting at the point at which the quarterly was to be held on Thursday evening previous. The attendance and interest were good and the result of the meeting (17 conversions) is only what we anticipated, judging from the brother's labor. I remained until Tuesday and then went home, and on Thursday went to Montezuma circuit to hold a called session of quarterly conference to elect a board of trustees. Because of the unusual activity of the crew of the "local" I had the pleasure of walking sixteen miles, but I "got there," only about twenty minutes late in a good humor, but a little "hot." Without returning home I went to Kenton circuit. The quarterly was good, though rain and mud made congregations small. Bro. Culbertson, the pastor, has not had the success that usually attends his efforts, but on Sunday night a lady bowed at the altar. I have not heard the result of the meeting. I found Bro. Freeman

hard at work in a splendid meeting at Olive Branch, Olive Branch circuit, the next field visited. He had visited thirty-four families in the neighborhood, and the result was manifest in good attendance and respectful attention. Several had been converted, four of whom were heads of families, which we trust will prove valuable acquisitions to the church. Though the meeting had been in progress four weeks it looked as though the interest was deepening and the revival really only begun. Great demonstrations of power were manifested in the day meetings, and many were the shouts by old veterans as well as those recently enlisted. I stayed until Wednesday and went to Miami circuit, Bro. J. M. Sherer in charge. I found him in a meeting at Zion, the place of the quarterly. Some discouragements were met here, the result of a scattered membership and other things over which the pastor has no control. While the attendance was not large the interest was good and the membership realized their only hope was to trust in God. A note from Bro. Sherer later says four have bowed at the altar. Broughton, on Grover Hill circuit, was the place of the next quarterly. Bro. Beaver, the pastor, has been greatly hindered because of affliction in his family. His wife has been rendered nearly helpless from a paralytic stroke, which makes his presence at home part of the time a necessity. Let fervent prayer be offered in her behalf. A meeting was in progress at Broughton which seemed full of promise. In the absence of the pastor Bro. S. L. Beougher of Berne mission had kindly consented to assist in the meeting and had been preaching quite acceptably for several nights. I intended to remain until the close of the week but a telephone message on Tuesday morning notifying me that my wife was sick necessitated my return home. A card from Bro. Beaver tells me later that five have been converted. At Elida the last place on the round we were completely drowned out. The water was two feet deep in the furnace of the church on Saturday morning, and though it abated somewhat during the day, and the river up to the outlet of the basement of the church and still rising, and a funeral at the Liberal U. B. church on Sunday morning, the brethren thought best not to hold any services. We held quarterly conference in a private house and returned home the same evening. The finances on some fields were fully met, some were in arrears, which we trust ere this has been secured. Some things on the district are not as we wish they were. I wonder if the time will ever come when church members will cease to drag all their petty grievances and disagreements into the church. If it does it will then be a pleasure to be a pastor or even a presiding elder. Though the pastors have worked hard very few accessions were reported. Can we hope for great results until quietness reigns at headquarters. "Peace," "Peace," is the sincere desire of every layman and pastor,

Let every minister read section 1, chapter 4, page 54 of Discipline. May peace speedily be ours. W. E. STRETE.

ERIE CONFERENCE.

My second round of quarterlies, as far as they could be reached, showed an increase of interest. On Findley Lake circuit, R. I. Pettitt pastor, there was a large turnout for the place and two asked for prayers. It was claimed to be the best meeting for years. The next Saturday and Sabbath meeting was held on Britton Run circuit, Bro. Blakeslee pastor. Seven had united with the church here up to that date. The weather was unfavorable and the attendance was therefore small. My next quarterly meeting was to have been held on Fairfield circuit, N. Reynolds pastor, but on account of smallpox we had to postpone our quarterly meeting. My next meeting should have been held at Stilson Hill mission, but on account of sickness in Bro. S. Evans' family and other hindrances we will have to wait till warm weather. Bro. Evans is one of our pilgrim fathers, of fourscore years, but he is a true man. My next quarterly meeting was at Great Valley, T. I. Butterfield pastor. There seems to be a willingness at that point to perform christian work. Sister Butterfield was very desirous to attend the meeting but the hand of affliction prevented her, but her zeal for the cause of God is firm and unflinching. My next quarterly meeting was on Degolia circuit, I. Boorum pastor. The people of Degolia look well to their pastor's interest. We hope a better day will soon dawn at all points. I went to the State Line Mills for my next meeting. Our meetings commenced Wednesday night previous to the Sunday meeting. We held eight services with good results. A revival spirit was in all of the meetings. We have a few members at that point but they are somewhat disorganized, yet Bro. Boorum preaches there every two weeks. My next meeting was appointed for Lake Creek mission where as yet we have no place to hold any regular services, but the Wilson Mills schoolhouse was opened to us and we had a good congregation. The church at Lake Creek will be completed as soon as the weather will permit and then we will have a place to hold our services. May God bless all our fields.

WM. H. HODGE, P. E.

EAST ILLINOIS NOTES.

Rev. J. E. Hoskins is visiting in Decatur and supplied our mission pulpit morning and evening Mar. 8. He just closed a meeting held at Riverside.

Rainsville work is doing well. Bro. Ogle has organized at the Mud Lava Springs.

Hoopeston is on the build, they are up and doing.

Mound Quarterly was hindered by high water.

The writer has been in bed sick for several days and is just able to be about the house and could not attend the Powell quarterly, hope to be at the next one.

Bro. Jacob Phillips was elected delegate to annual conference from Powell station.

Rev. A. G. Skinner has been on a protracted visit to his mother who resides in Pennsylvania, his work is doing well and he will feel refreshed from such a visit.

Bro. Allman has the "gripp."

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