

strive for it, and which while its several competitors are absurdly commending their peculiar notions and usages, and assailing those of others, should unsparingly examine its own, and apply bodily the remedies which good sense and spiritual principles suggest; a religious body thus acting would quickly outstrip its rivals, would command the respect of the people at large, would draw to itself men of sense and talent from all parties, and soon would imbibe all, and embrace all."—*Spiritual Despotism*, 312.

PROGRESS OF REFORM.

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The congregation of disciples in this place are progressing in the knowledge of the Master's will, and are gradually increasing in numbers. We meet regularly every Lord's day to break the loaf and to edify and admonish one another. Brother O'Kane resides here, but is seldom with us on Lord's day; his duties as an evangelist call him away. The ancient gospel found its first advocates in this country among the Baptists, and a great majority of the first churches were Baptist churches, remodelled by a majority; always containing, however, a dissenting minority. These churches met monthly, and some of them semi-monthly, and perhaps broke the loaf as often. The brethren generally see the mistake in this policy. The old fabrics are falling to ruin every where, and churches on the ancient model are springing from their ashes like the Phenix in the fable. We think it important that we restore not only the Apostles' doctrine, but the *apostolic order*. The cause is now prospering throughout our region.

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SUCCESS OF THE GOSPEL.

Although I have tried the experiment of preaching the original gospel on both sides of the mountains, and have witnessed the entire success of the enterprise in many of our cities and villages, I know of no greater triumph awarded to our efforts than in the little town *Warsaw*, Gallatin county, Ky., between the 20th and 28th April. Brother J. T. Johnson about the first of the month visited some of his old friends of that place and vicinity, and preached for several days. Some brethren who were originally of the Baptist community, and "waited for the consolation of Israel," were now joined by some Methodists, and some sinners in their determination to submit to the institutions of Messiah. These numbered in the town and surrounding country, seventeen in all. Brother J. proposed to return April 20th, and in the mean time I was sent for. I waited to meet my fellow laborer at the time appointed, and the good providence of God brought us together. *One hundred and three persons obeyed the Lord.* Brother J. was the *baptist* during the meeting. We