

so certain, however, but the tongue can achieve as much or more than any other of our members,—and if so, may we not employ it in praising and blessing God, yea, and blessing our enemies too, if such we have, should they even be found among our sectarian opponents.

May the Lord help us to perform all incumbent duties with cheerfulness and delight, that we may at last enter through the gates into the city; which is the prayer of your friend and brother in Christ.

JOHN WILLIAMS.

Brewerton, N. Y., May 10th, 1849.

DEAR BROTHER OLIPHANT:—I have the pleasure to announce to you that brother J. M. Shepard has just concluded a series of discourses in this place and Central Square, sixteen in number; the result of which is the addition of seventeen to our number. Ten of these were immersed by brother Shepard, and the remainder were from the Baptists and Methodists.

Yours in the one hope, GEO. WALKUP.

Esquesing 18th May, 1849.

DEAR BROTHER OLIPHANT:—By request I write to inform you, and through you the brethren generally, of the progress of truth in this section.

We have been favored with a visit from brother Stewart, who spoke a series of evening discourses in *his feeling* manner. The result is that four young persons have made the good confession, and were buried with their Lord in baptism, and are now (I hope) like the Eunuch, "going on their way rejoicing."

To the Christian it is always good news to *hear* of the conversion of his fellow beings; but to *witness* the power of truth in our own immediate neighborhood, enkindles in us a *stronger feeling* of rejoicing,—in seeing neighbors and acquaintance turning to the Lord, determining to follow him as the captain of their salvation. The brethren no doubt will rejoice with us that the cause of truth is advancing, although slow.

May the happy period soon arrive when the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth.

Yours in one hope, JAS. MENZIES.

Yes, brother Menzies, we will share your joy largely and thankfully. We learn that some seven or nine have been immersed in other places by the laborer above named. That Christ is preached, and sinners converted, we "therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice." D. O.

NOTICE TO THE ACTIVE.—We can still supply new readers with this work. Those who have benevolence and energy will doubtless co-operate with us in a free distribution. The warmth of zeal, the spirit of energy, and the power of perseverance, happily combined, can accomplish all possible things—everything but perform miracles.

J. Butchard, jun., in our next.

D. O.