

ing brethren in both these churches are zealous for the truth, and well read in the Bible, but they cannot in their circumstances go much from home, nor exert the influence in society that is desirable in order to extend the boundaries of the church of Christ, but they are very willing to co-operate with those who visit them as Evangelists, to the full extent of their ability.

I visited Walkerton, and preached twice in the Orange Hall, kindly granted for the purpose. There are a few brethren and sisters between Walkerton and Hanover, who cannot feel at home along with any of the sects, and who pray for the prosperity of the Apostolic Christianity, but they feel isolated and lonely without the preaching of the Gospel and church privileges. The Baptists have organizations on each side of them, and some Disciples have united with them without intending to compromise any of their principles but yet stating that after due consideration they could *feel at home* with them, and my impression is that the Baptists calculate upon *having them*.

When traveling on this tour, I learnt that a Baptist Minister in arguing that Disciples did not believe in a change of heart before baptism, referred to me as one who taught so. The same circulates *Jeter's Review of Campbellism*, and I presume if a Disciple who professes to *feel at home* with them would circulate along with it *Lard's Review of Jeter*, he would be encouraging and abetting heresy.

JAMES BLACK.

Meetings were continued in Stouffville. The interest did not diminish. The truth as it is in Jesus is still welcome to many in and about that place. Some are opposed (conscientiously I presume) to the plain teaching of Jesus. Eight persons were immersed in the name of the Lord; and two who had been previously immersed, resolved to work with us in promoting the cause of Christ. O, for the time when all who love Jesus and his word would be ostensibly one fold under one shepherd. Spoke once in Altonia, at the funeral of Mrs. Joseph Brown. We met in the Mennonite Meeting House. One immersed in Stouffville was Bro. John Yake, who lives in a hotel. He resolved, before being baptized, to leave the tavern. His own views upon that subject I was glad to hear from himself. The brethren and all the friends around have full confidence in Bro. Yake's word. We regard him as an honest and generous hearted man. May the Lord direct us.

Toronto, May 8, 1863.

L.

ITEMS.

THE JUNE MEETING.

To be held (the Lord willing,) in Pickering, commencing 3rd Friday; Brother Franklin, of Cincinnati, is to be the Chief Speaker. I believe the Committee have decided to invite but *one speaker*, from a distance, and request him to speak as much as his strength will allow. Our Brethren Black, Anderson, Kilgour, Sheppard, Parkinson and others, will most likely be there, who will assist more or less, as circumstances may demand; any of them would be very acceptable in Pickering, but Bro. Franklin is to be *the speaker* for the meeting. We hope the Lord will raise up Bro. Sheppard, so that he may be with us at the meeting. An effort will be made to get the Railway Company to allow friends to come to the meeting at half fare, with what success, we venture not to predict.

The Frenchman's Bay Station on the Grand Trunk, is between one and two miles west, and the Duffin's Creek Station, on the same road, is between one and two miles east of the probable place of meeting. The Committee will give a notice in the next number of the *Adviser*, which will have a more business form than this. They are trying to make arrangements so that there will be no collections during the meeting.

Toronto, 8th May, 1863.

BOWMANVILLE.

A gentleman by the name of Grant has been some two weeks in this place trying to enlighten the people. Formerly he was an Episcopalian Clergyman, but is now connected with "the Brethren." The friends highly esteem him: but consider his views touching the "influence of the spirit" not as clear as they could wish. He spoke once in our house. He has done good, and if we are *all* disposed to learn more perfectly the way of the Lord, we shall be blessed.

L.

BIG MEETING.

In a communication received from Bro. Laws, of Jordan, we learn that the brethren in that section of the country, will hold a "big" meeting, in Taylor's Grove, St. Ann's, township of Gainsboro'. The meeting will commence on Friday, the 5th of June next, at 10 o'clock A. M., and will continue until Monday, the 8th. We regret that previous appointments render it impossible for us to attend.

JAS. KILGOUR.