

and neighbor Eaton have used the pen not far from twenty years, if our arithmetic is not astray. A happy New Year to these editorial laborers !

Then there are editors, whom, ' though not having seen, we love.' The oldest of these, although perhaps not the oldest man, is brother J. M. Mathes, of Indiana ; then brother B. Franklin, next our southern neighbor T. Fanning, and our most southerly friend C. Kendrick, and ex-editor J. T. Johnson of Kentucky, who has used a better instrument than a Kentucky rifle to slay the enemies of the Great King. Side by side with these veterans, stand up J. S. Lamar, A. G. Thomas, R. Milligan, Dr. Walsh, E. O. Orvis, J. A. Butler, B. F. Manire, ex-editor W. Scott, W. Lipscomb, D. Bates, D. P. Henderson, J. Boggs, O. B. Burgess, and J. Challen, who live and labor between Pennsylvania and Texas, and between Georgia and Iowa. Great happiness may each and all of them enjoy, and may their happiness be well mixed with usefulness !

Beyond the wide ocean, in England and Wales, we greet the good brethren J. Wallis and J. B. Rotherham, desiring them a whole load of heaven's rich blessings during 1857.

As helpers and fellow workers with these ranks of editors such correspondents as Walthal, Henshell, Creath, Rowe, Goss, Goodwin, Plattenburg, Joyner, Errett, Jones, Rains, Hall, Shannon, Fall, Carman, Hayden, Munnell, Hartzell, Young, Hoshour, and others are deserving of emphatic notice and worthy of earnest christian greeting. These brethren not only labor in word, preaching and teaching with great constancy, but they feed the Press as they have opportunity, and thus circulate themselves and extend their labors widely and propitiously. Heaven smiles upon such men. The love and grace of the Lord be with them.

Thus, without counting the periodical for these Provinces of Her Majesty, we have saluted full fifty editors and contributing writers, who, as the weeks and the months roll round, work diligently in the vineyard to destroy the roots as well as the upper growth of tradition, and look after the Lord's husbandry according to the life models left by vine-dressers who were entrusted with directions from the Master himself.

Preachers next. And here the grace of charity will permit us to commence the work of salvation within the regions of home. We sometimes, nay, oftentimes, reckon how rich we are in brother preachers ! Every saint, yea, the least of the Lord's little ones, is worth more, in the estimate of the soul of love, than the brightest and richest diamond that ever glistened on the person of a French Queen. A man therefore who is personally acquainted with only a thousand pure brethren, feels himself immensely wealthy in spiritual stock, for every one of them is not only a relative of the Exalted Prince, a chosen heir of the heavenly inheritance, but a divine gem and a spiritual jewel enriching every one encircled in the holy fraternity. But a preacher, a faithful preacher of the good word of God, who has the trials and the labors of others upon him, and whose zeal is stirred up and whose effort is called out to save himself and save others,—he is a religious banker, with a mine of wealth ; and every such workman, whose soul is filled with the fulness of God, is enriched beyond all reckoning as he adds