

it, and that we ought to revise and correct it, and immense sums of money have been raised to do this with.—The thing is as they say, being accomplished, that is, they have revised and corrected the Bible and much improved it. What is the nature and effect of this? Its nature is so monstrous as this, that the men who pretend that the Bible is wrong in Spirit and letter, (for they object to both) set themselves up as judges to dictate what sort of a Bible the Lord ought to give us, with a serious reflection on Providence for not taking better care of his word. They have suited themselves with a Bible which they now offer to the public. The tendency of this is to weaken the reverence that men should have for the word of God, for if the Bible is so full of errors as they state, how does one know it is a Bible at all? Can the word of God be full of error? *Is anything that is full of errors the word of God? Could it be?* When the public mind becomes saturated with this notion that the Bible is full of errors it will be a dead book to them, and will lie down naked and despised and dead in the streets of this great City of spiritual wickedness called Sodom (false religion) and men will regard themselves as free from the restraints of the word of God, and will send presents to each other in token of their great joy at the death of the Bible or the witnesses. Then also those who preach the Gospel of Christ, who contend for the genuine Bible, must be slain. Even now the public mind is so corrupted, and so hates the teaching of the Bible that the faithful preacher often preaches in sackcloth now, but when the Bible shall be slain or declared to be no Bible, because it is so full of errors, and a new pretended bible shall supplant it, while the genuine word of God shall lie even slain and trampled on in the streets of Sodom and Egypt, then the faithful servants of God must also be slain, for as the Bible fares so will they because they preach what is in it. All witnesses must be slain then. Many are the efforts now actually being made to revise the Bible. One edition we have been told is published that has not the name of Christ in it. When the minds of the masses are so educated as to receive and believe all of this then the witnesses are to be slain.—Just now, in this month, an Evangelical Alliance, (as it is called,) is in session in New York, composed of all the leading protestant denominations of the world (the second beast) for the expressed purpose of uniting them all together. When they unite it will be against the truth and to kill the witnesses. When they obtain the power of the sword they will proclaim a Bible of their liking, a religion of their choice to be received, with death-penalties on non-conformists, a slaying of the witnesses. It will then be a penalty of death perhaps to worship in any way but the one they prescribe.

But the Spirit of God shall again

enter into the witnesses and they shall stand upright, and be caught up to God, and a great earthquake shall visit the ungodly.

We should be faithful, contending earnestly for the old landmarks, the faith once delivered to the saints.

This issue ends the sixth volume of ZION'S LANDMARKS. We feel thankful, or desirous to do so, for the multiplied blessings of our heavenly Father, and Giver of every good and perfect gift, for his merciful kindness to us all. Also we thank our brethren and friends for their kind, indulgent manner towards us, while we confess to many weaknesses, and to the blunders we commit, even while endeavoring to do the best we can. It is not an easy matter however to publish a paper just as we could wish.—There is much reason for thankfulness that our brethren generally are in unity and evince in a remarkable manner a heavenly union of views and feelings. We trust this medium of communication develops and makes manifest in some degree that fellowship already existing, and cheers many a Saint by the way.

With much delight in my brethren, with a warm fellowship for them, and a strong approbation of their course, I close this volume, wishing the blessings of heaven may still rest on them.

P. D. GOLD.

We have within four weeks attended four Associations: the Little River, Kehukee, Contentnea, and White Oak. These twin sisters evince the same spirit and fellowship. Any observer can see the same people whether in the thrifty fields of Edgecombe, or the low-lands of our coast, whether in the learned or ignorant—united in the same bonds. We have never found a kinder, more affectionate, and christian-like set of people than those of the White Oak Association. Though all of these Associations and all others I have ever visited are of the same kind, accommodating, hospitable in spirit and manner. There is a considerable number of additions to the membership in many of the Churches. A very large number of Ministering brethren was in attendance at the Kehukee and Contentnea Associations, and in some of them a very goodly number of the brethren profess to have impressions to preach and exhort men to repentance. We suppose that the gift of exhortation is as much needed now as it was in the days of old." Let him that exhorteth wait on (or serve) in his exhortation now, and we hope that there may be more exhorters, and that our preaching brethren will not neglect the gift of exhortation. Men should be exhorted to repentance and to maintain good works.

The life of Elder Wilson Thompson, is a very attractive book, richly setting forth the characteristics of the author who is yet much spoken of by our brethren who remember his unusual gift as a preacher of the gospel.

McMINNVILLE,  
WARREN COUNTY, TENN.,  
August 17th, 1873.

Elder P. D. Gold:—

DEAR BROTHER IN CHRIST—(if I should use the expression). As I have been taking your excellent sheet the LANDMARKS, for nearly one year, and seeing so many precious pieces from the dear brethren and sisters, I have concluded to write a few lines, but when I consider my unworthiness and incompetency I almost shrink back.

I have been a member of the Primitive Baptist Church two years in October next, and hope it was by the power of God. Knowing that the works of man shall utterly fail according to the teachings of the Bible. In connection with the LANDMARKS I am taking the *Baptist Watchman* and find that they speak the same thing and see eye to eye. Such papers as these are a great consolation to the people of God. Not that men and women are such, but after they have been made heirs and joint heirs with Christ I say they are of great comfort. We hear from many dear brethren and sisters that we would not hear of otherwise, and they tell our feelings better than we can express them ourselves.

But, as I said in the outset, I am quite a poor writer; but, we find that they who fear the Lord speak often to one another, and if we are so fortunate as to once be considered in the eternal covenant as one of that number, we hope by grace divine to be able to drop a word that will be interesting to some one or other. We are bound to acknowledge that within ourselves there is no good thing, that it is by him we have our being, that all our help must come from the Lord, for without him we can do nothing. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God," 1 John, 3: 1. Then he says it is love, not by anything that has been or can be done, that his eternal purpose might stand, which I believe will. Well, says one—How are we saved? by grace, chosen Christ Jesus before the world began, and in time regenerated, renewed, and born again of the Spirit of God. Then, dear christian friends we have nothing to plead but the merits of our blessed Savior that suffered and died the shameful death on the cross—the just for the unjust. Then he says, "if you love me keep my commandments." Then as he has suffered and died—redeemed us from the curse—certainly we ought to obey him, honor him, pray with and for one another. May the Lord give praying, dutiful minds, and a spirit of love that his great and matchless name might be glorified. May we press forward as good soldiers of the cross, for if in this life only we have hope in Christ we are of all men most miserable. May our affliction be on heaven and the blessed rest and everlasting peace that Christ has in his resurrection for us. And

now, little children, abide in him, that when he shall appear ye may have confidence and not be ashamed before him at his coming," 1 John, 2: 28. We often get down, dark clouds come over us and cause sore trials and troubles, but when the appointed time comes, that he will remove these doubts and fears, then one can mount up as if on eagle's wings, and see him with the eye of faith altogether bright and lovely, and the fairest among ten thousand. My space is getting short and I will have to close. In looking over this if you think it worthy a place in the LANDMARKS you can give it room after correcting mistakes—if not all will be right.

Now, Lord, give us grace divine whilst here below, make us such creatures as thou wouldst have us to be—finally, when we have filled up the measure of our days here below give us a peaceful hour in which to die, and in the morning of the resurrection raise, change and fashion these vile bodies like unto his glorious body—carry us home to heaven where we will be able to sing redeeming glories and to thee shall be the praise forever and forever.

Yours in tribulation.

L. P. PÖTTER.

ASSOCIATIONAL.

The Mt. Enon P. B. Association meets on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in November, 1873, with Empire Church, Sumter Co., Fla., 20 miles South of Okahumka.

The Tosnoit Union expects to meet with the church at Pleasant Hill Meeting house on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in November, Brethren visiting by Rail Road will be met at Sharp's Store.

APPOINTMENTS.

Elder Bryan W. Whitford will preach as follows, the Lord willing:

3rd Sunday and Saturday	North Creek.
of November,	
Monday after,	White Plains.
Tuesday,	Acre Chapel.
Thursday,	Concord.
Friday,	Head of Pungo.
4th Sunday,	Pantego.
	(Funeral of Aaron Wilkerson)

WILSON, N. C., Oct. 7th, 1873.

2nd Saturday & Sunday of Nov.	Clement.
Monday,	Rehoboth.
Tuesday,	Fellowship.
3rd Saturday & Sunday, of Nov.	Sandy Grove.
Monday,	New Hope.
Tuesday,	Neils Creek.
Wednesday,	Harnet Chapel.
4th Saturday & Sunday, of Nov.	Willow Spring.
Tuesday,	Mount Pleasant.
5th Saturday & Sunday, of Nov.	Middle Creek.

Elder Ward requests his brethren and friends to meet him at his various appointments, and convey him around to them, and he returns his thanks.

Q. A. WARD,

Wilson, N. C.

PLYMOUTH N. C. Oct. 22d 1873.

Elder Joseph E. Adams has appointments to preach as follows, the Lord willing:

Tuesday after the 5th	Skewarkey.
Sunday in November at	Spring Green.
Wednesday following	Cross Road.
Thursday,	Tarboro.
Friday,	Falls, Tar River.
Saturday,	Peach Tree.
Sunday,	
Monday,	—Rest—
Tuesday,	Sandy Grove.
Wednesday,	Salem, Johnston Co.
Thursday,	Archer's Lodge.
Friday,	Baptist Centre.