

# THE O. C. DAILY.

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Not long ago I found the old Community register, in which no entry had been made since 1857.

The last, indicated a free discussion of the question of enlargement at Oneida, and the purchase of Parson's farm for the purpose of increasing the dairy, farming facilities, &c. Ten years had produced quite a change—as now we were proposing to diminish land and stock.

This old Journal seemed very instructive so far as it was kept, in its record of Births, Deaths, marriages and the like which have occurred. But ten years was a great gap and many had come and gone—some had been born, several had died, and no visible Record could be found.

Having a passion for statistics, and finding co-operative sympathy in Mr. Abbott, we joined efforts, and by dint of recollection, general inquiry &c., we have succeeded in adding a few leaves to the old Register—giving dates of all the births in the O. C. since its beginning, also all the deaths. Then we have the names of all the seceders, giving as near as we could ascertain, the time when they joined and when they left, and finally we transcribed the record made on the 20th of Feb. 1866 of all persons then, at any place, be-

longing to the O. C. and branches, together with the age, weight and height of each.

The whole number born in all the Communes since the beginning of the O. C., were thirty-eight, average two and one ninth a year.

Whole number of deaths including Mrs. Martha Burt and Mrs. Jones, was sixty, average three and one third per year, allowing it to be eighteen years.

The number seceding in that time was one hundred and fifteen.—On the 20th of Feb. 1866 there were at O. C., two hundred and nine members—at Wallingford, forty-four—at Willimantic Silk-factory, three—at N. Y. Agency, including Miss Nunn, seven—in all two hundred and sixty-three.

Persons wishing to consult these records, can find the book in care of L. A. Thayer.

Counting Mrs. Bushnell, Mr. Leete and Mr. Herrick, twenty-two members have been added the past year, and one born.

M. L. W.

[ We will give the remaining statistics to-morrow. ]

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We received, one day last week, a letter of five or six pages, finely written on foolscap, from a man by the name of Leonard, dated, Oberlin College, Ohio.—We should judge, from what we picked out of the letter, that there was some interesting matter contained in it, and that the writer was intelligent—looking toward us with considerable earnestness, but it was so

long, and so blindly written, that I doubt whether any one here, read the letter clear through. Contrasting in length with the above, we give below, two letters received day before yesterday.

*Cameron, N. Y., March 4, 1867.*

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—I confess Christ in me a bond of union with the Truth and with all who seek to do the will of God "on earth as it is done in Heaven." Yours in Christ, S. E. A. DASCOMB.

*Warwick, Orange Co., N. Y., March 8, 1867.*

TO THE ONEIDA COMMUNITY. FRIENDS:—Will you receive into your family a boy of sixteen years, in order to teach him good morals, and some kind of a trade, to remain till twenty one years of age—then longer if he and yourselves desire it.

Very respectfully yours, ALICE CAPES.

We received a letter yesterday from Mrs. Chesbro, requesting us to take herself and family into our employ. She says that Mr. C. is greatly changed; she believes he has had a genuine conversion, as he expresses confidence in the Community, and a belief in our doctrines. She says, that Mr. C. and their son would be willing to work for half the wages that they get now, if they could only quit dealing with the world.

We have some new shades for the lamps that hang

on each side of the Hall, which are splendid and attract a good deal of admiration. We shall not attempt a description, for we cannot do them justice; but all who saw those that Jane Seymour cut more than two years ago, can form some idea of the way they are made, and of their beauty. They were cut by Portia and Beulah, and have cost them considerable labor.— All lovers of the beautiful will appreciate them we are sure.

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Quite stirring bees have been held the last two days in the room below the Printing Office, for the purpose of papering grape-boxes. There were some less than a thousand to paper at the beginning, and it will take, it is thought, three more bees to complete them.

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**CORRECTION.**—In Thursday's DAILY, March 7th, on the last page, the fourth line from the top, for the word timber, please read boards.

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Yesterday's temperature—

7 A. M., 32. 12 M., 44. 6 P. M., 46. Mean 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

