[Orangetown, Rockland Co.]

Visit to Orangetown, N. Y. [abridged]

BR. AUSTIN:—I will give you a brief sketch of my late visit to Orangetown—usually designated as Blauveltville. I preached there twice a few weeks since. Our meetings were very well attended, for so small a place and so warm a day. It was gratifying to find so deep an interest manifested in the cause of truth. There is but a little flock there, yet it has been our Father's good pleasure to give them the kingdom—the kingdom of joy and peace. A spirit of brotherly love pervades all. Truly they are a band of brothers dwelling together in unity. Their faith is not evinced by *words* alone, but by *works*. Few as they are, they would have had a church before this time, had they not been prevented by several removals. They deserve much praise for their long fidelity to the faith of the gospel and their zeal in its promotion. Whoever goes there as an Ambassador of Christ, finds welcome hearts and homes. May they still, like one of old, go on their way rejoicing.

J. G. B. H.

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