

THE UNEASY MAN.

For a number of years J. C. Fisher and others of the same spirit, have been busily engaged in railing out against, and trying to defame the character of God's true ministers, and those who serve the Lord in the purity of the gospel. And especially does he make great efforts against the work here at this place, because we have exposed his life of adultery, by the word of God. He has been continually declaring the saints of God a sect, and Bro. Warner, the founder, and as his declarations have failed to come to pass, he now tries to force the matter, and in his January number of the Gospel (?) Sword, he publishes what he knows is not true in order to deceive souls and turn them from the truth, declaring that we are now, positively organized into a sect, under the laws of the state.

He says:

"We are informed by brethren that live near the Trumpet office, that it is a fact and can be proved, that at the time of their general camp meeting held near Grand Junction, Mich., in June last, they formed a state association by choosing 20 responsible men as founders, and out of the 20 they elected 9 directors to manage the business of the association; E. E. Byrum, office editor, was elected president and W. B. Grover, secretary. They then wrote out articles of association or incorporation which they signed, and had them recorded in the office of Secretary of State, at Lansing, Mich.

This makes them a state organization, and gives them all the rights and privileges under the civil law, of an incorporated sect."

This looks very plausible indeed; very sectish. But we read in the Bible that the devil is the father of lies, and his children are not far behind him in the same kind of work. He says 20 responsible men were chosen as founders. I have failed to ever see a list of 20 men for that purpose. And surely I ought to know whether such took place or not, as he says I did the business for them.

We published the proceedings in

the TRUMPET. His assertions are scarcely worthy of notice, but as he labors so hard to deceive souls we will now copy direct from the papers for the benefit of a few who may desire to know about it. When the campground was procured last spring none of the brethren cared to have full control of it, so a few of them met and took the responsibility upon themselves according to the laws of the land. Was this for the organizing of a sect? No. Their article of agreement reads: "The purpose of this is to lease or purchase suitable grounds in the township of Lee, Allegan Co. and state of Michigan, improve and erect suitable buildings thereon and to aid in the preparing of homes for the homeless."

While I have helped the brethren in the business affairs, yet it was unnecessary for me to sign their article of agreement and I did not do so. It would be very inconsistent for us to organize a sect, and then continue to preach against such, for we have continually faithfully admonished all men every where to join nothing but the Lord, and to keep out of sectism. Shame on any one who will publish such stuff as he has published, in order to mislead souls. In all his wonderful pieces he publishes against the children of God, Fisher never tells about leaving his lawful wife—viz., Allie R. Fisher—and marrying the lawful wife of a Mr. Davis of Pennsylvania, with whom he is living in adultery at the present time. The Bible tells us that no such person shall inherit the kingdom of God. 1 Cor. 6: 9; Gal. 5: 21. Such a class of men or women will resort to almost any thing in order to ensnare souls. The word of God admonishes you to beware of such. And if Bro. Warner, or any one else organizes a sect, we admonish every body to stay out of it. Thank God! we have found a completeness in Christ where we expect to continually abide.

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