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PASSING EVENTS.

A company of Tennesseans, among them Gen. Forrest, are said to be enroute to Los Angeles county, California. . . . California papers state that since April 1, 1874, 34,200 immigrants have reached the Pacific coast by the overland route. . . . A Western horticulturist announces the discovery that geraniums will drive away snakes. . . . A message sent from the observatory of Harvard College to San Francisco and back, by way of Canada, occupied two-thirds of a second. After a while people will complain that that is slow time. . . . A monument is to be erected in honor of Prof. Agassiz formed from a block of granite taken from the lower glacier of the Aar, in the Alps, near the spot where he pursued his scientific explorations. The stone has reached Cambridge. . . . As Congress would not recognize Brooks as Governor of Arkansas, he has compromised on the postmastership of Little Rock. . . . The colored preachers of Washington City have been consulting the Board of Health and members of the Relief Committee as to the best means of diminishing the present great mortality among the colored people. . . . King Kalakau has reached Honolulu. . . . The telegraph wires of Utah have been demolished by the heavy snows. . . . The Maine Legislature has passed a bill providing that women, when otherwise eligible, may be appointed to solemn marriages, acknowledge deeds, and administer oaths; but without judicial power. . . . Thirty-four Yale students have been arrested and fined for stealing signs. . . . It is stated that after the first of April mutilated currency will be redeemed by a reduction made in proportion to the portion missing. . . . Last year there were 487 divorces decreed in Maine. . . . A recent decision of the Patent Office would indicate that no more patents for medicinal compounds will be granted. . . . The present Indian policy requires that all able-bodied Indians shall perform service on the reservation at reasonable rates—to be fixed by the agents—and to an amount equal to the supplies delivered; the allowance to be given only on condition that the Indian works. . . . An industrial association has been formed in Boston to furnish work to poor persons out of employment. . . . A novel sensation was lately turned loose on a Chicago mob in the shape of a half-dozen streams of cold water. They left in disgust. . . . The Cuban insurgents are active in their raids. . . . An Illinois Granger is about to lease 8500 acres of land in Monroe county, Mississippi, on which to settle fifty Illinois families. . . . Russia has adopted a school law compelling the attendance at school of all children between seven and eleven.

NEW YORK LETTER.

Down-Town Churches and Hotels
—The Fulton Street, John Street
and an Alive New Pastor—Mr.
Beecher's Best Lawyer.

(From our Special Correspondent.)
NEW YORK, March 20, 1875.
The substitution of the chapel on
Fulton street for the old "North
Dutch Church," as the place of
worship pending alterations in the
latter building, has given rise to an
erroneous statement that regular
church services had been suspended
in that famous religious centre.
On the contrary, the importance of
this ancient post—once an outpost,
and now so long left in the rear—
was never more profoundly realized
by those who hold it than at present.
It is believed by many to be a
second in vital importance as a
church to no other in the city; and
the manifest destiny of the locality
is to grow more populous and valuable
as a religious centre in the future.
As evidence of the peculiar
usefulness of the church, it is re-
marked that besides the ancient
John street Methodist Episcopal
Church, in the next street, it is the
only christian fold convenient for
the denizens of this lower part of
the city, who are constantly becoming
converted in attendance upon
the daily noon and other prayer-
meetings that have been sustained
here with persistent spirit and
power these eighteen years, and
bid fair to continue the same for
indefinite years to come. Further,
the veteran missionary, Lamphie,
who still labors here with unabated
energy and fervor, tells me that no
communion occasion passes without
the addition of new converts to the
church in numbers that would be
regarded with thankfulness and joy
in the most successful of the up-
town churches—the number on the
last occasion being fifteen. This,
however, represents but a small
fraction of the results of the work;
as a majority of the attendants and
of the subjects of conversion are
transient sojourners, who carry
their new lives, their names and
their christian usefulness, to other
spheres, all over the world.

So far, then, from suspending the
church services, the consistory have,
this winter, given them an impulse
without precedent by obtaining one
of the most effective pulpits and
platform speakers of the day—Rev.
George J. Mingins—as pastor and
preacher. The hard times of the
New York City Mission and Tract
Society, of whose operations Mr.
Mingins has been for years the enter-
prising and able superintendent,
gave the Old North Church its
opportunity, which it was not slow
to seize. Mingins is of the same
forceful and fiery North Irish or
Scotch breed that has given us
Orniston, Hall and Geo. Stuart, to
all of whom he shows points of
kindred. Best of all, he is a thor-
oughly uncompromising, radical
christian, without a streak of weak-
ness for the shams and conventional-
ities of fashionable piety.

The destruction of the old church
is still under advisement, and
parties are talking of leasing the
ground for business purposes. But
the praying people in the chapel
believe that "the Lord hath need
of it," and will heed their request
to maintain His right to it. They
have no doubt about this, although
there is some difference of opinion
whether it is best to enclose it with
stones on the church-yard lots each
side, and light it through a glass
roof, or to let it stand alone, and
renovate it as a distinct and con-
spicuous building for sacred pur-
poses. The great arguments for en-
closing are: The economy of uti-
lizing the vacant churchyard lots,
and the guarantee this improvement

would afford of a permanent church,
when thus flanked and fortified.

MR. BEECHER'S SIDE.
I am convinced, would make their
case a sure thing, if they could
devise any means to secure to their
antagonist, Mr. Morris, the promi-
nence in the prosecution to which
he considers that his abilities en-
title him. If the case were on
trial before a crowd of rowdies,
Mr. Morris's peculiar vein of oppo-
sition would not do Mr. Beecher
much good. But as he has a re-
spectable jury, and the respectable
part of the public are the only part
whose opinion is of any conse-
quence to him, his friends should
encourage Mr. Morris to the ut-
most. Like the jury in the case of
the baby that was left asleep in a
rocking chair, and afterward found
flattened under a 250-pound woman,
I thought he (that is, Morris)
had died a natural death, for this
case, when the judge sat on him in
his pert attempt to shut up Mr.
Everts. I was mistaken. He took,
one day this week, the cross-exam-
ination of one of the most respect-
able witnesses who has been called
to the stand—the Rev. Mr. Gay, an
Episcopal clergyman of Indiana.
You get no hint of the true charac-
ter of that cross-examination from
the verbal report. Mr. Morris' natural
tone is extremely vulgar, even to the
flat and "brassy" tone of his voice.
Into this he threw, besides all the
insolence and ribaldry with which
you can imagine a minister of the
gospel assailed by the lowliest of
antagonists on his own dunghill. It
was a most disgusting scene. For a
sample, imagine an insulting question
levelled at such a gentleman as Mr.
Gay closing with "Reverend Mr. Gay,"
drawled forth with sneering em-
phasis as an epithet of contempt;
would you not think Mr. Beecher's
managers could afford to fee Mr.
Morris enormously to repeat the
sickening he gave to every respect-
able man in the court-room? And
yet, such is the natural reluctance
of local papers to give offence
to local personages, that but for a
correspondent this disgrace to the
legal profession would never be
heard of as it is. "Mr. Morris was
very aggressive and zealous"—that
is all. You want something besides
local papers to get things in New
York as they are. TEXAS.

BUT few comparatively of the
millions who die every year perish
in earthquakes or storms, or fall
amid the smoke and carnage of
the battle-field. The miasma that
poisons the air and sends multitudes
every year to their graves is in-
visible as it floats through the sun-
light or loads the refreshing even-
ing breeze. Just so, flagrant dam-
ning sins, murder, theft and the
grosser crimes which blot the his-
tory of our race are confined to a
small proportion. While thousands
do not lie nor blaspheme the name
of God, yet an indifference as
deadly to the soul as any malaria
ever sent out from marsh or river
bottom sends many a soul unpre-
pared into the eternal world.

BISHOP WILEY, who has just re-
turned from the South, gives it as
his opinion that such speeches as
were heard at the Boston preachers'
meeting are a pretty bad business,
as they furnish Southern papers oc-
casion for asserting that the Meth-
odist Church, North, is a political
machine. On the other hand, Bishop
Haven was delighted. His nostrils
dilate as he listens to such warlike
notes, and insists that the words of
Wendell Phillips should be echoed
by the representatives of advanced
thought, who are always born, as he
evidently thinks, in a certain city
in the vicinity of Cape Cod.

The Outlook.

EPISCOPAL.
THE English bishops have re-
sponded to the appeal of a large
number of Anglican clergymen.
That is the meaning, we suppose, of
the dispatch which says that the
Archbishops of Canterbury and
York, and all the other bishops,
with the exception of two, have issued
a charge to the clergy condemn-
ing ritualistic practices.

THE P. E. Bishop of Texas has
summoned the Primary Convoca-
tion of Northern Texas to meet in
St. Mathew's cathedral, Dallas, on
Ascension Day, May 6.

A MONTH ago it was announced
that Dean Stanley, Rev. Mr. Frem-
antle, and other ministers of the
Church of England, would take part
in a service at the church of Dr.
Parker (Congregationalist), of Lon-
don. At the appointed time several
Anglican clergymen appeared, but
Mr. Fremantle arose and stated the
Bishop of London had informed him
that his proposed action was illegal,
and that if he persisted in it, action
would be taken against him. This
unhappy disagreement will undoubt-
edly be deplored by many Church-
men as well as Dissenters; but who
will undo the harm inflicted upon
such sinners as were present?

PRESBYTERIAN.
TO DATE, twenty-nine Presby-
teries have voted for and twelve
against the proposed plan of rotary
eldership in the Northern Presby-
terian church.

IT is feared that a troublesome
controversy will spring up in the
Presbyterian churches of Scotland
and Ireland, because the converts of
the great revivals there sing hymns,
and the old psalm singers insist upon
Rouses' versions.—Breaker ahead!

A JOINT Committee appointed by
the Presbyterian and Cumberland
Presbyterian and Pacific recently
met in San Francisco to draw up a
basis of union for the two bodies.
The details of the plan adopted are
not to be made public until the next
meeting of the two Synods.

IN 1808 the number of Presby-
terian communicants in the whole
United States (three small presby-
teries not reporting) was 21,270.
The population of the country was
then nearly 7,000,000. Philadelphia
with a population of 700,000, now
has 22,035 communicants, more
than the whole country had at the
former date.

THE newly-united Presbyterian
Church of British America will con-
tain 606 ministers, 1,093 congrega-
tions, and 82,266 communicants.
Its ministers enjoy an average salary
of \$840 a year each.

SINCE the organization, in Oct.,
1870, of the Woman's Foreign Mis-
sionary Society of the Presbyterian
church, its receipts have amounted to
\$167,850. There has been a falling
off of nearly one-half in the
receipts of the current year as com-
pared with those of last year. For
the year ending April, 1874, they
were \$60,050; to February, 1875,
only \$32,784.

HAVING a large proportion of
women in its membership, Rev. S.
L. Conde's Presbyterian church at
Troy, Pa., has chosen three ladies
as deaconesses for the congrega-
tion; to exercise, with the advice of
the pastor and session, a general
supervision over the "Woman's
Work" of the church; to see to the
appointment and sustenance of
female prayer-meetings; to stran-
gers, and the gathering of the chil-
dren and young people into the
Sunday-school; also to advise with
and assist the deacons in the care
of the poor, and the distressed need-
ing help, and secure a proper dis-
tribution of the charities of the con-
gregation.

BAPTIST.
THE Treasurer of the Baptist
Home for the Aged in Philadelphia,
received not long since, the follow-
ing:—"As I learn that the sum of
\$1,000 is needed to relieve the Home
of debt, I take pleasure in inclosing
a check for that amount. No name
need be given to the public."

IN 1793, a house of worship was
built for the Baptist church at
Pennypack, a suburb of Philadel-
phia. The Rev. Abel Morgan, one
of the most learned and celebrated
ministers of his day, was the pastor
of this church. The Rev. W. E.
Cornwell is the present pastor.—
The Pennypack church is the oldest
Baptist church in the country, south
of the State of Rhode Island.

THE Baptist Church of the United
States shows a total Sunday-school
membership of 9,233 schools, 80,495
teachers and officers, and 636,152
scholars. The Presbyterian Church,
North and South, with the United
Presbyterians in the United States,
have a total Sunday-school mem-
bership of 625,434 scholars. Accord-
ing to official summaries for 1874,
the Sunday-school membership of
the Methodist Episcopal Church is
18,958 schools, 203,409 officers and
teachers, and 1,383,227 scholars.
Number of superintendents, care-
fully estimated, is 25,278.—S. S.
Times.

THE N. Y. Examiner reckons the
membership of the Baptist churches
at seventeen hundred thousand per-
sons, and then goes on to inquire
why they have not accomplished
more. The reasons given are lack
of discipline in the churches, lack
of personal enthusiasm and lack of
unity or concentration of denomina-
tional effort. "Among the things
we want to give a new and grander
impetus to our denominational pro-
gress are the wise exercise of dis-
cipline, more personal enthusiasm,
and heartier co-operation in push-
ing on the triumphs of the Gospel."

REFORMED DUTCH.
THE great church of Flatbush,
Long Island, is the Dutch Reformed.
It has held the ground for a century.
It is one of the richest parishes in
the State out of New York. The
parish is really a millionaire. Its
fortune was secured by donations of
land in other days. It has, probably,
the most costly and convenient Sun-
day-school rooms in the world.

THE Lebanon Classis of the
German Reformed Church has
found out that candidates for the
ministry, educated at the expense
of the congregations, with the ex-
pectation that they afterwards labor
in the Reformed Church, either
choose another avocation or enter
another denomination. The Classis
declared this course to be in the
highest degree dishonest, and re-
solved to require receipts for the
sums advanced.

MORAVIAN.
THE Moravians in the United
States, according to their latest
statistics (1874), number altogether
15,300. They have 75 churches
and 8,705 communicants—an in-
crease of 400 during the year.

LUTHERAN.
How the English Lutheran
church of Chicago was helped in
the building of its church is thus
told: "One of our members frescoed
the ceiling and walls, as his contri-
bution to the good work, and he did
it very beautifully. His example
was followed by another, who painted
and grained the woodwork in
striking imitation of black walnut
and oak. Another member presented
us with two large stained-glass win-
dows, which had fallen into his
hands in a business transaction."

UNIVERSALIST.
A series of state mass meetings
is being held by the Universalists in
the states of Michigan, Iowa, Ohio,
Indiana, and Illinois under the care
of the Universalists General Con-
vention.

THE Universalists Register for
1875 shows 674 ministers—an in-
crease of 17; 622 churches—an in-
crease of 16; 30,903 church-mem-
bers—3,104 more than 1874; 617
Sabbath schools—a decrease of 14;
and 57,738 Sunday-school scholars
—an increase of several thousand.
—The amount of church property is
about \$8,000,000.

JEWISH.
THE statement is made in a Euro-
pean journal, that the number of
Jews, who have become Christians,
in Prussia, is about 5,000, in Am-
sterdam, Holland, 3,400, and in
England, at least 3,000. More than
100 of these converted Jews have
become ministers in the Established
Church of England.

IT is reported that Russia has
given the London Society for Pro-
moting Christianity among the Jews,
permission to re-open its missions in
that empire, which have been closed
since the Crimean war.

CATHOLIC.
BISMARCK has fined and impris-
oned 1,400 Catholic priests.

WE have important news from
Rome.—The Catholic papers in-
form us that, for the first time for
four years, the Pope has paid a visit
to St. Peter's Church—that he prayed
there—that he admired the new
alterations—that he permitted the
body of cathedral clergymen to kiss

his foot—and that then he went
back to the Vatican.

A TELEGRAM from Toronto says
that Father Chisiqui, the priest who
has recently embraced Protestant-
ism, and who has been holding
meetings and delivering lectures in
defense of his religious views and
opinions, has received a number of
threatening letters, one of them
warning him, at the peril of his life
to desist from ministerial labors in
Montreal within eight days.

A ST. PETERSBURG letter states
that forty-five Roman Catholic
parishes in Poland have gone over
bodily with their priests to the Greek
Church.

FROM the Catholic Directory for
1875 we learn that the Roman
Catholics have in the United States
and its territories 7 archbishops, 53
bishops, 4,873 priests, 6,920 church-
es, chapels, and stations, and what
is termed a "Catholic population"
of about 6,000,000. In the five dioc-
eses of the state of New York the
same denomination has 791 priests
and a population of 1,250,000.

IT was recently decided by an
Austrian court of law that marriage
services performed by Old Catholic
priests are not valid. A bill has
been drawn up for the relief of Old
Catholics, placing them on the same
footing before the law as other
Catholics. The Minister of Worship
has refused to give the bill any
assistance.

A Papal brief in answer to the
address of the German Episcopate
is published. It declares that the
Vatican decrees contains nothing
which alters the relations of the
Pope and Roman Catholics, or which
can afford a pretext for further op-
pressing the church, and interfering
with the statement made by the
bishops that judgment as to the
validity of a Papal election apper-
tains to the church alone, and con-
cludes by urging the bishops to con-
tinue to resist and expose the error.

THE Catholic Standard gives
some report of the Catholic mission
among the colored people of the
South. In Baltimore the congrega-
tion of St. Xavier's numbers 3,000.
The mission in Louisville, Ky., is
very successful, and missions will be
started in Augusta, Ga., as well as
in other places.

Perhaps the most priest-ridden
country on the face of the earth is
poor Spain, and the secret of it is
that its people are among the most
ignorant of any in the civilized
world. Out of a home population of
less than fifteen millions only three
millions can read, and less than a
million and a quarter can read and
write. On the necks of this ignorant
population are fastened 9 arch-
bishops, 53 bishops, 100,000 eccle-
siastics, 14,000 monks, and 19,000
nuns. There are now 600 convents
for women in Spain, but before the
suppression of the monasteries for
men, there were 1,940 monasteries
and convents, containing 30,905
monks and 24,700 nuns.

A letter to the New York Obser-
ver states: "Nests of them are col-
lecting in almost every neighborhood
throughout the South. They are
getting possession of large tracts of
land, and having laws passed ex-
empting them from taxation. Right
here in my community where such
a thing as a native Catholic is un-
known, they have a large tract of
land exempt from taxation, on
which they have built what they
call a college, a church, and a
nunnery. The head of the concern
seems to be in Baltimore, Md. They
call themselves the Society of the
Redemptorists. They claim to have
branches all over the South."

MISCELLANEOUS.
AT a church fair in Boston one of
the articles offered for sale is a calf,
six months old. He is a fine fellow,
of a valued breed, and the young
ladies have decorated him profusely
with flowers and ribbons.

In the hymn-book of the United
Presbyterian church in Great
Britain, in Montgomery's "Hail to
the Lord's Anointed," was phrased,
"the mountain dew," which was
changed to "heavenly dew," "mountain dew"
in Scotland signifying a glass of
whisky! Even the severest stickler
will not object to this alteration.—
Christian Union.

AT the request of the Evangelical
Alliance of New-Brunswick,
the Common Council of St. John has
appointed a committee of its mem-
bers to confer with a committee
from the Alliance upon the best
methods of checking intemperance
in that city.

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CALVESTON, TEXAS, APRIL 3, '75.

THE TEXAS VETERANS.

The following poem is the production of our gifted Texan poetess, Miss NETTIE POWER HOUSTON, and was read at the Anniversary Celebration of Texan Independence at San Antonio on the second of this month.

A band of patriots tried and true, Whose locks are turning gray, Among those old historic scenes Gather themselves to-day.

My fancy steals into my midst With step so hushed and low I seem to hear their speaking hearts Beside the Alamo.

The tide of years sweeps by unheeded, With all life's cares and pain; Texas belongs to Mexico, And they are boys again.

The proud desires—the dreams of youth, Stir all their veins once more, As memory proudly points her hand To valiant deeds of yore.

Again they see a mighty host From out the distance loom; 'Tis Santa Anna and his men, And nearer still they come.

They watch the sun still lower sink, The field all dyed in blood,— They plant their proud victorious feet Where late their foes had stood.

That was a day worth living, boys: 'Twas April, let me see: Yes, 'twas the glorious TWENTY-FIRST That made our country free.

We fought, half fed; we fought, half-clothed, But, oh, we fought like men, And comrades, it was something grand To be a soldier then.

The San Jacinto river told The story to the sea, And Europe, listening from afar, Proclaimed young Texas free.

And over sea and over land, Her beauty shone afar, And Louis and Princes came to view The young Republic's star.

And now it is so long ago, And after all our scars, The star we placed upon her brow Is one of many stars.

Our boys themselves are bearded men— The dream all fades away, And yet but yesterday, it seems, We were as young as they.

Texas is now a mother State, Her sons are statesmen, too; No fields are half so fair as hers, No skies are half so blue.

Yet still I see a softened shade Upon their features spread; They lower their heads, for now they feel The hallowed ground they tread.

They pause above their sleeping dead, Our heroes lying low— The men who fought and bled and died To save the Alamo.

I do not call one deathless name Of all that gallant band, Each one a hero proudly died, Fearless in heart and hand.

I feel their proud fire in my veins, My heart thrills fierce and high, My pulses thrill like those of men Who do not fear to die.

I learn to yearn, as they have yearned For dreams that cannot last; I almost feel, as they have felt, The glory of the past.

Texas! My own, my native State! Would I could see the now In all thy prime-time beauty bright, The lone star on thy brow.

A hand of heroes on whose brows Time's touch has turned to snow— God bless them all—are met to-day Beside the Alamo.

NETTIE POWER HOUSTON, Austin, Texas.

Correspondence.

Very Kind.

ED. ADVOCATE.—At a meeting called the "Semi-centennial meeting of the Baptist Bible and Publication Society"—held in the City of Washington in May, 1874, there was an address delivered by Rev. R. S. McArthur, of New York, called "The Society as an Exponent of Baptist Principles," in which he says "Pedo-baptist ministers, as a class, are uninformed as to our beliefs, and the ground of those beliefs."

If the good brother is correct in that, we are surely a very dull set. In most of the sermons I ever heard from Baptist preachers, something was said about their peculiar faith and practices. And I have scarcely ever read a Baptist paper without finding an article in it somewhere setting forth and defending their faith.

Then he says: "A neighborly regard for the best interests of our Pedo-baptist brethren would lead us to instruct them." That is very kind; is it not? It would certainly be a sight sublime if ridiculous—to see Drs. Summers, Ralston, Ditzler or Fisher sitting at the feet of some kind-hearted Baptist brother receiving gratuitous instruction in regard to that term which always means to immerse and nothing else. Again he says: "They often set up, vigorously attack, and gloriously defeat men of straw. They refute arguments which we have never urged, and leave unanswered arguments which are disturbing the most thoughtful of their people."

Whether that statement is correct, I appeal to every well-in-

formed person of either denomination. If every argument ever produced by the Baptists has not been fairly, squarely and honorably met on the field of controversial strife by the Pedo-Baptists, then I confess I am woefully behind the times. Then he adds: "We might take advantage of this state of things." But with that magnanimity characteristic of the denomination, says: "We do not so desire."

I have always thought that the strongest men and greatest fighters had already been put forward to set forth and defend the Baptist faith, yet our brother tells us they were only men of straw, and admits that they have been "gloriously defeated." But I presume the Pedo triumphs are to be short-lived. When the genuine flesh and blood Baptist man shall make his appearance on the arena of strife he will everlastingly clean up the little Pedo fellows who have been "gloriously vanquishing their men of straw." But after all, Bro. McArthur is certainly a good-meaning man: He says there are in the United States about 40,000 Pedo-baptist preachers and theological students. He proposes (for their enlightenment) sending one dollar's worth of Baptist literature to each preacher annually. Just think of it, \$40,000 expended annually by our kind-hearted Baptist brethren for the enlightenment of their Pedo-Baptist brethren. The good brother did not think there would be any difficulty in raising the necessary amount. All that would be necessary would be to ask their churches in any neighborhood for money enough to supply the Pedo ministers in that vicinity. Then in conclusion he says: "We must either go forward or backward; we have drawn the enemy's fire; we are getting it right and left; to stand still is to confess our weakness and cowardice; to stand still is to perish."

The brother seems to be getting alarmed; perhaps he had better not seek to draw the fire of the Pedo-Baptist batteries any further unless he has something more than men of straw to oppose them with.

In conclusion, I am afraid the Baptists have not responded so liberally to this appeal. Nearly one year has elapsed and I have not heard of a single Pedo preacher getting his literature. May be it will come yet. I do love liberality. I think the liberality of our brother might be expended in a better cause; one which would be more to the glory of God and to the best interest of the Baptist Church.

BURLESON.

Obituaries.

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CARNES.—Sarah J. Carnes was born January 3d, 1836, and died January 19, 1875. She was united in marriage with Pleasant H. Carnes on the 30th of December, 1874, and died in twenty days after her marriage. She was a victim of that fatal but flattering disease, consumption. It is comforting to her bereaved husband and friends to know that she gave her heart to God in the morn of life, and that she died in the exercise of that faith that robs death of its terrors.

G. S. SANDEL.

CLINE.—Sister Sattie J. Cline died February 19, 1875. Sister Cline was born in Williamson county, Tenn., October 8, 1827. At an early day her father, who was a Methodist preacher, moved to Mississippi, where Sister Cline joined the M. E. Church, South. He afterwards moved to Texas where he died. Sister Cline was taken sick on the 12th of February and lingered until the 19th. When the evening sun was sinking in the western sky, the sun of life sank calmly behind the dark bosom of the ocean of death to rise, but set no more in another hemisphere. She talked of Jesus until the last. The writer was personally acquainted with Sister Cline, and a more devout Christian he never knew.

JAS. M. TRUITT.

BLACK.—Died, at the parsonage, in Nuecestown, Nueces county, Texas, February 26, 1875, Mrs. Mary Agnes Black, wife of Rev. John C. Black, of the West Texas Conference, and preacher in charge of Nueces River circuit.

Sister Black was the daughter of John P. and Jane Rozier, and was born in Jackson county, Texas, May 25, 1852; was married to Rev. Bro. Black February 6, 1875; embraced religion in Corpus Christi, June, 1874, during the session of the District Conference; since which time, her husband says, she has lived a changed and consistent christian life. She leaves a little daughter about a year old. May the richest comforts and blessings of the christian religion be upon the bereaved husband and motherless child.

A. H. SUTHERLAND.

McNAIR.—Mrs. Susan M. McNair died in Navasota on the 2d inst., aged 35 years.

The above announcement will carry sadness to many who have enjoyed the cordial and elegant hospitalities of our deceased sister and her now deeply afflicted husband. She was born in St. Francis county, Ark., January, 1837; made a profession of faith in Christ about fifteen years ago, and united with the M. E. Church, South, of which she remained a faithful and consistent member. On the 3d of March, 1863, she was united in marriage with Mr. J. T. McNair, and on the 3d of March, twelve years thereafter, she was borne to the tomb.

Her sickness was brief and severe, precluding much opportunity for conversation, but she gave the clearest evidence that with her all was well; commending her husband and children to God, and anticipating a happy reunion where there is no more death.

J. M. WISSON.

TIPON.—Died, on the 30th of January, 1875, Mrs. Elizabeth Tipon. Her maiden name was Morris, the daughter of pious parents, well known in Cherokee and Rusk counties, Texas, as sterling friends of the Methodist Church. Sister Tipon was born August 27, 1839, in Washington county, Miss.; was happily converted, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1858, and was married in 1872. After her marriage, she moved to Johnson county, Texas, where she died, as she had lived—a christian. Her faith was strong, and her piety deep. She was a zealous and devoted member of her church; of a very sympathetic nature; a warm friend, especially to the friendless; always happy in her religious experience, to which she gave expression in song.

Her death was sudden and unexpected, and caused wide-spread and profound sorrow among her numerous relatives and friends. She was unable to speak in her last hours and left no dying testimony; but we feel that was unnecessary, for those who live right are bound to die right. Farewell, Sister Ezzie, until the close of life's journey, when we shall hear thy sweet voice in the beautiful Land of Rest.

IRA J. SKEAR.

STONE.—Departed this life, on the 21st of February, 1875, in Gainsville, Cooke county, Texas, Sister Sallie S., wife of W. J. Stone. Sister S. was born in Sumner county, Tenn., August 29, 1847, emigrated to Missouri, with her father and family, in early life; removed to Texas with the same during the late war between the States, and settled in Sherman, Grayson county; moved again to Whitesboro, in said county, where she was married to Mr. Stone, some four or five years since. I have been acquainted with her ever since she came to Texas, and I can say that I never knew a better girl. She was so modest, meek and kind. I have watched with her at the altar of prayer, and although she never made a profession of religion until near the end of her short pilgrimage, when nearing the Jordan of death, she saw she had no fears; was so happy that she felt like shouting; and died in hope of a better resurrection. Yes, Sallie is gone! She sleeps near her father and brother, who have passed on before her. May the husband, mother, sister and brother be able to feel as she did when passing up to heaven, and may they all meet there.

"Sister, thou wast mild and lovely, Gentle as the summer breeze, Pleasant as the air of evening, When it floats among the trees."

"Peaceful be thy silent slumber, Peaceful in the grave so low; Thou no more will join our number, Thou no more our songs shall know."

"Yet, again we hope to meet thee, When the day of life is fled; Then in heaven with joy to greet thee, Where no farewell tear is shed."

J. M. BINKLEY.

"Another Pilgrim has Crossed the River."

GRAHAM.—Sister Isabelle Graham, wife of Rev. James Graham, deceased, departed this life February 2, 1875.

Sister Graham was born in Claiborne county, Mississippi, in 1808; was married to James Graham in 1824. Soon after that she professed religion and joined—with her husband—the M. E. Church, and from that time she lived the life of a christian: one that loved the people of God. After the death of her husband, she went to Bro. B. F. Holt's, where she remained the few months that separated her from her husband. There were but five months and twenty-five days between their deaths; that short separation but preceded an everlasting union. We thank God for the evidence that these two old christians gave us; we believe that there is one unbroken family in heaven. As their two infant children went many years ahead of them, they left no one to mourn for them; but they left many friends. All that knew them, loved them.

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We are requested by Rev. A. A. Killough to state that his postoffice address is Rockport, Texas.

A NEW YORK correspondent of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate* gives an account of the appearance of an elegantly dressed young lady on the streets, reeling under the influence of wine, and often falling to the pavement. She had entered with her sister a fashionable restaurant, and drank too freely of the wines or stronger liquors which are kept for lady customers. An elder sister endeavored to support her swaying form, while a crowd gathered around, and laughed and joked over the unseemly sight. Such scenes are rare, we trust, even in Gotham; but the fact that one such scene has been witnessed, bears to every parent and every citizen a startling lesson. It is evident that the temperance reform has only touched, at isolated points, this gigantic evil. It is doing valuable work in arousing public thought, and yet, with all its efforts to educate public opinion, the use of liquor is on the increase, and its victims are becoming bolder in their indulgence and more reckless as to exposure. Public opinion does not heal the evil. Where is the remedy? Christian men or women have here a problem that the wisdom of the wisest has not clearly solved. The religion of Christ alone can arrest the downward career of the drunkard; purify public sentiment so that the sin may be appreciated, the shame of the drunkard proclaimed; and at the same time control man's cupidity so that the vendor will tremble as he thinks of the graves he is helping to dig and the hearts he is breaking.

EASTER AT ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

Easter Sunday at St. James' church this year was the brightest and most joyous of all preceding Sundays. The building was handsomely and profusely decorated with evergreens and flowers of sweetest fragrance, until the whole atmosphere was laden with perfume. Two months ago, Bro. Nabors, the pastor, had organized the school into a missionary society, to have its celebration on Easter Sunday, promising a beautiful chromo to the scholar bringing the largest contribution, and to the class bringing the largest was promised the honor of being the "banner class" of the school for 1875. The order of the exercises consisted first of the main school marching in and handing to the superintendent, Capt. Geo. O. Cherry, offerings of money and flowers. Then came the class of "little people," under the superintendence of Dr. E. P. Angell and Miss Lulu Ritchie, singing as they came—
"Give, give," etc.

The whole amount collected by the school was \$124. This amount had been collected in less than two months by the children. After this, followed an Easter anthem by the choir; then a missionary speech by the pastor, in which he presented the heathen world in its claims upon our sympathies, and urged the congregation to contribute as liberally as possible. The whole congregation then united in singing—
"From Greenland's icy mountains."
The presiding elder then lifted a collection which, in connection with the Sunday-school offering, amounted to \$350. St. James' church had been assessed \$200, which of itself was exceedingly liberal; but the congregation contributed \$150 additional. This makes it at the rate of two dollars per member. Well done for St. James! If some of our young brethren do not bestir themselves, Bro. Nabors will carry off the doubloon promised by Bishop Keener for the best missionary collection for 1875. There are at least fifty congregations in the Texas Conference equal to St. James in wealth. Who will excel it in missionary contributions?

THE "NEWS" AND THE REVIVALISTS.

Our attention has been called by a friend to the following "fling" at the revival movements of the day—found in the *Galveston News* of the 23d March:

"That stentorian pouter, Hammond, the revival preacher, who is now operating in San Francisco, has succeeded in killing one poor, innocent, fifteen-year-old girl, who went up to the shining shore from the terrors of brain fever, brought on by intense religious excitement at the revival meetings. There ought to be a special law enacted against Hammond in every State of the Union."

The alarm some folks manifest lest religious excitement will drive weak-minded people into insanity, is usually only an expression of their peculiar religious proclivities or antipathies. The charge that religion, earnestly preached, is likely to make men mad, is as old as the time when Festus concerned himself about St. Paul's case; and as charges such as the above item contains are so often made on grounds equally baseless, we demand proof before we will admit their justice.

Mr. Hammond is not altogether a stranger in Texas. He spent some weeks in Galveston, last year; and was engaged while in our midst in the same work which the *News* considers so detrimental to the public good that it calls for the Legislature to abate the nuisance by a special law. While in this city, three of the Protestant churches, with their pastors, were in cordial sympathy with his work. How would those churches and their pastors be pleased with a law which would not only silence Mr. Hammond's preaching, but might infringe with equal severity on their own religious connections? In the different cities where Mr. Hammond has labored, the evangelical churches with possibly the exception of the Episcopalian, have united with him in his work, and all, we believe, without exception, have very willingly received into their fold persons who were converted under his preaching. How do our Baptist, Presbyterian, Congregational and Methodist brethren appreciate this expression of an antipathy to religious principles, usages and rights as dear to them as life itself?

We are aware that some people do not like that earnest style of religious faith and practice which many of our revival preachers exhibit, but we were not prepared for the display of a spirit which might have suited those days when priestly intolerance could call on the terrors of the secular arm to crush out a religion which it hated; it will hardly find a response in this country where people have so long been accustomed to regard freedom of conscience as one of man's most sacred rights.

Another article appears in the *News*, of the 28th ultimo, under a title that renders it equally offensive to many sincere christians. It is copied from the *Philadelphia Times*. Respecting the article itself we have no comment to make. It relates to the Beecher-Tilton scandal. It gives the writer's estimate of the theology of the Plymouth pulpit. With that we are not specially concerned. Admitting Mr. Beecher's ability, we are not an apologist for his peculiar modes of thought. It traces the phases of the advanced social movement and the war made on the marriage relation until Victoria Woodhull appears on the scene with her free-love ideas openly avowed and practiced. It is not our purpose to present the theory advanced about this trial—for it opens a history so indelicate that any allusion to it is offensive to decency; it is the title under which this article appears to which we object. This history, so shameful that the *News* apologizes for any reference to it in its columns, is presented to its readers as the "Fruits of an Emotional Religion." We do not profess to know what the writer of that article, nor what the *Galveston News*, understands by an "Emotional Religion;" but most

people will understand it to be that expression of religious faith which, in opposition to ritualism, asserts that religion is not a mere form, but a living power; and, in opposition to ritualism, claims that as man is endowed with an emotional nature, religion not only addresses itself to his reason, but seeks to arouse and control all the powerful sensibilities of his soul. It is that religion which recognizes that man has a heart as well as a head; and which, while it exalts his intellectual faculties by the evidences of its truth and the grandeur and wisdom of its doctrines, at the same time appeals to his fears by pointing out his peril; excites his affections by revealing a present Savior; and arouses his hopes by promises of eternal salvation. Such is the faith of a large proportion of the evangelical christian world. To assert that this travesty of the gospel which this writer exhibits as the style of Mr. Beecher's preaching, together with the vortex of scandal into which he is dragged by his unfortunate contact with Theodore Tilton and the Woodhull crew, are the "fruits of an emotional religion" is a reflection on the religious convictions and ideas of hundreds and thousands of the most pious people in christendom. Whether Mr. Beecher is guilty of the charge or is the victim of a base conspiracy, every revelation this trial unfolds is simply an illustration of the weakness or wickedness of the human heart, and all its details are offensive to every feeling or impulse emotional religion ever awakened in the heart of its possessor. There is nothing in any appeal that religion makes to man's fears, nothing by which it would inspire his imagination, not a joy it excites, nor an affection it kindles, that tends to the development of the base desires which make this unhappy trial so attractive to thousands who gloat over its minutest details.

In the use of that title in such a loathsome connection, the *News* may not have realized that it was casting such a reflection on the religious faith of a large proportion of the christian world; yet, if we interpret that article and its significant title by its avowed antipathy to the revival movements of the day, we must accept it as its real position. In the name of those whose religion teaches them to fear, love and to hope—as well as reason—with reference to their relations to God, to man and to eternity, we protest against all attempts to hold religion responsible for principles it abhors and lives it condemns.

CONFIRMATION.

This is one of the seven sacraments of the Church of Rome.

It is also practiced in the Greek Church, the Church of England and its offshoot—the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. In all these religious bodies except the first mentioned, it is not allowed to be a sacrament in their avowals of faith, but in their practice the importance attached to it gives it all the dignity of a sacrament, since it is urged as a direct means through which the strengthening influences of the Holy Spirit are communicated to the souls of men. Now, we believe this view of the subject is of exceedingly mischievous and dangerous tendency, and liable even to lead to the most unfortunate consequences, if not to the final overthrow of its adherents; and shall give a few reasons why:

First, if the assumption be true that through this instrumentality either the strengthening influence of the Holy Spirit or any of His graces are derived to any degree whatsoever, then, as it is through the Episcopacy alone it is conferred, the channel of communicating such graces is narrowed down to a class of men which is comparatively small, and therefore the subjects must be deprived of all the benefits of the rite till such time as may be suitable in their estimation to confer it; and as none are to be allowed to participate in the holy communion at our Lord's table until they receive this rite, it becomes

a barrier, or may become so, to the exercise of a free conscience in the matter after having been duly qualified otherwise by the holy sacrament of baptism.

But as a pretense for scriptural support for this "fond thing, this vain invention," reference is made to such passages as 8th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles and 12-17th verses, where Phillip preached concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, and baptized both men and women; and the apostles who were at Jerusalem, having heard that they of Samaria had "received the word of God," went down and laid their hands upon those who had received the word, and they received the Holy Ghost." But it is perfectly clear that this divine gift of the Holy Ghost by the laying on of the hands of the apostles was a miraculous power, and we have not the least evidence that such power was continued in the church after the apostolic age—no, not even by the laying on of the hands of these self-assumed "Prelatical successors." And it is worthy of notice that the apostles administered the severest rebuke to one Simon who thought to buy the same power, and declared him to be in the "gall of bitterness and the bonds of iniquity." Paul laid his hands upon the believers at Ephesus and the Holy Ghost came upon them, and they spake with tongues, but it was all a miracle; and if these "regular successors" will just show us such signs as those following the laying on of their hands, we shall then lay down our pen and forever hereafter hold our peace. But until they do, we shall utterly condemn the whole procedure.

It affords no relief to refer to Acts xiv, 22: where it is said Paul and Barnabas "confirmed the souls of the saints." For no man in his senses will say that this was done by the laying on of the hands of the apostles—no; not even the wildest dreamers will have the hardihood to say so. The confirmation here is the teaching them and "exhorting them to continue in the faith" of the gospel and doctrines of Jesus Christ.

There is no reference here to any outward form or ceremonial observance or action of any kind; and those who refer to this passage in support of any such ceremony or form, betray a weakness and ignorance worthy of the deepest commiseration, and confirm the impartial and earnest inquirer after the truth in the conviction that their idol is indeed a "fond thing vainly invented" and without any authority from the word of God. There are one or two other passages referred to for the support of this peculiar institution, but they afford no countenance for the practice whatever, and hence we feel fully justified in asserting it as exceeding dangerous. And we would therefore warn the young, and all others, not to be entangled by it or led into the vain belief that you will derive any spiritual benefit therefrom. Do not build your hopes of the eternal world upon any such sandy foundation. If you are saved at all, it is by the abounding grace of God; and not by long any slow processes of any kind. Simple trust in Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation, and all the forms that men can devise are worth nothing without this. And the forgiveness of sins is something of which you will be perfectly conscious. It is a consciousness which is just as real as yours would be if you were restored from the very brink of death to perfect and sound health.

Do not therefore rest upon any system of human device, however beautiful and attractive, however popular in the eyes of the world. It will deceive you, and in the dying hour when you will most need a sure stay and support it will be found empty and insufficient.

Two revivalists, by the name of Bliss and Whittle, are meeting with great success in Louisville, Ky. The churches are said to be uniting in the effort. The *Daily Press* styles them "gospel guerillas." Epithets are missiles of straw. The work goes on in spite of harsh words.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

WASHINGTON.—On the 24th, the nomination of Don A. Pardee for the United States District Judge of Louisiana, vice Durell resigned, was laid on the table. This plain legislation in Louisiana in an awkward shape, as the District Judge alone has jurisdiction in bankruptcy and admiralty cases. There is now in the hands of the Registrar of the District Court \$72,000 for distribution and suits in bankruptcy pending to the amount of \$200,000. The best legal opinion is that neither the President, Justice Bradley of the Supreme Court nor Circuit Judge Woods can designate a successor to District Judge Durell. The bench must remain vacant until Congress meets. . . . The steamer Dispatch will carry the Senatorial visitors to Mexico. The government vessel carries them, but it is understood that Senator Cameron pays expenses.

POLITICAL.—Governor Kellogg, on the 24th of March, issued a call for an extra session of the Legislature, to convene at New Orleans, April 14th. The subjects for legislation are limited to the following: 1. Adjustment of political difficulties. 2. Revenues of the State and mode of collection and disbursement. 3. Amendment of the funding bill so as to change the constitution of the Funding Board and prevent the funding of illegal obligations. 4. The financial condition of the government of the city of New Orleans. 5. Relief of the commerce of New Orleans from excessive port charges and fees. 6. By request of a delegation of merchants to incorporate a board of trade. . . . Gen. Badger has been appointed Fiscal Agent of the Board of Police Commissioners. . . . The Democrats of Rhode Island have nominated Chas. R. Cutler for Governor. The convention was the largest held by the Democrats for years.

TEXAS.—On the morning of March 27th, Capt. Robb, an old citizen of Rockport, was out with some companions on a camp hunt, when he was mistaken for a turkey in the dawn and shot and instantly killed. . . . Three convicts (negroes), who belonged to the crowd who murdered the guard on Capt. Duncan's plantation, were arrested by Mr. Bayne and a party of five men near Carthage, and brought to the Houston jail. One of them is under sentence for burglary, the others for murder. . . . A mad dog was killed in Texarkana last week. . . . The Harrisburg and San Antonio road is graded fifteen miles west of Luling. It is expected at Seguin by the first of August. . . . The Indians killed a cattle herder near Graham City, Young county, on the 13th of March, and stole about seventy-five head of horses. . . . On the 29th, at Smokyville, three miles west of Houston, a negro boy named Harris was shot by another negro boy named Connor and instantly killed. . . . An Englishman was murdered last week in the Trinity bottom, between Liberty and West Liberty. He had \$50 on his person. Two suspected parties have fled. . . . The iron and turntables for the street railroad extension to the freight depot at Austin have been received. . . . A colored boy at Austin had his foot crushed by the ears while playing on the track. . . . A meeting of the stockholders of the International railroad was held at the office of the company, Houston, March 29th. The vote of 42,000 shares, being the amount represented out of 55,000 shares, was unanimously given in favor of accepting the terms of settlement offered by the Legislature. The extension of the road is determined on.

BORDER TROUBLES.—The San Antonio *Herald* has information that, on the 19th ult., the Indians who robbed the stage near Laredo attacked the Cochino rancho, near Cariga on the Texas side. They were driven off by the rancheros and overhauled by Capt. Benavides and his volunteer company, and almost entirely cut to pieces. . . . On the 26th of March news reached Corpus Christi that a band of Mexi-

cans came within seven miles of that place, robbed several stores and houses, and took a large number of American prisoners, among them Judge Gilpin, formerly a member of the Legislature, and two women. They compelled the captives to walk in front of them until they were exhausted, and then mounted them on barebacked horses and hurried them off. They robbed the postoffice at Nueces, and captured a mail-rider. A letter from T. J. Noakes, the postmaster at Nueces, says the attack on his store was made the afternoon of the 26th. When they entered his house a Mexican leveled his gun at him, when he fired first and killed the Mexican. He concealed himself but a man named Smith, who ran from the house, was overtaken and murdered. His wife and children were shot at, but they escaped. His house was then sacked and set on fire. The flames drove him from his hiding place, but he escaped under cover of the smoke. He tells of the cruelty of the Mexicans to the prisoners, stripping some and compelling them to go on a trot in advance. One fainted from exhaustion, whom they beat and left by the roadside. One of the robbers was captured, and, after trial by the citizens, was hung. . . . As Congress made no provision for the protection of our Western border, the government will take its own action. The Mexican Government is evidently too weak to prevent these outrages, and the people, thrown on themselves for protection, will take measures which may bring matters to a speedy issue. . . . A dispatch to the *Galveston News*, under date of the 29th ult., from Corpus Christi says a citizen of that place, direct from Monterey and Monclova, reports a rumor that several hundred men had left those points for Texas. At Camargo all the Pelados had disappeared, and bands of from four to six hundred were reported crossing the Rio Grande near Roma and Edinburg. Due allowance must be made these statements, but they indicate the uneasiness felt on our Western border.

FOREIGN.

Disraeli appealed, on the 24th, to the Irish members not to agitate the country by an opposition that must be futile. Notice was given of a motion to invite the Carlists belligerent rights. . . . Two thousand persons attended the funeral of John Mitchell at Newry. . . . The reading of the *Witness*, a paper published at Montreal, Canada, which contains the lectures of Father Chingquay, is forbidden for Catholics by the church authorities at that place. . . . On the 29th, the friends of Tichborne, numbering 100,000, held a meeting at Hyde Park. Horses were taken from carriages of orators, and they drawn by men. Meeting passed resolutions that there would be no rest till the enormous judicial crime was rectified. . . . Moody and Sankey expect to open a regular mission in the East End. They have begun their work in Liverpool. Were stoned in the Irish quarter. . . . The cotton masters in North Lancashire have resolved on a general lockout unless the strikers return to work unconditionally. . . . On the 31st, one hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars in specie were sent to New York.

FRANCE.—The Duke de Montpensier, having applied to Marquis de Motenu, Spanish ambassador at Paris, for a passport to Spain, the Marquis declined to grant it on the ground that ex-Queen Isabella would consider herself equally entitled to one, and her return to Spain was considered by the Madrid government inopportune. . . . American potatoes are prohibited being imported into France, or the sacks or barrels used in packing them. The object is to keep out the Colorado beetle.

GERMANY.—Bismarck will not become Duke of Lowenburg. . . . The Roman Catholic bishops of Prussia are to hold a conference at Fielda, the 30th. . . . It is rumored that the government contemplates an amendment of the law against Jesuits making it operative against other religious orders.

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Letters Unanswered.
March 29.—G. S. Sandel, T. J. Milam, J. M. Wesson, S. J. Franks, Leonard Windson, J. G. Warren, J. E. Vernor, G. H. Phair, J. M. Jones, J. M. Truitt, T. G. Woods, J. A. Miller, J. C. Woolam, E. N. Freshman, (Cinn.), J. C. A. Bridges, D. S. Chandler, J. P. Mussett.
March 30.—H. B. Swafford, W. F. Compton, O. M. Addison, E. H. Holbrook, T. M. Price, J. T. Ross, Sam'l Morris, W. T. Melugin.
March 31.—H. S. Thrall, (2), Jno. F. Neal, J. D. Shaw, T. W. Hines, A. M. Box, E. B. Featherstone.
April 1.—J. B. Denton, T. B. Buckingham, O. M. Addison, (2), J. M. Pugh, J. L. Angel, J. M. Truitt, (2), D. J. Jarnigan, R. N. Brown, J. Burford, C. E. Lamb, P. C. Archer, Annie Logan, Sam'l Morris, J. C. McKinney, J. S. Mathis.
April 2.—W. R. D. Stockton, Jno. F. Neal, J. B. Denton.

To AGENTS.—We are sending to our agents quarterly statements of their accounts. The first this year will be under date of April 1st. This is important, as it prevents the mistakes and oversights which attended the business during a portion of last year. Each agent can compare with his own account, and notify us at once if an error appears. The ADVOCATE is now prospering. A large number of our agents are actively canvassing, and subscribers are coming in handsomely. We desire all the preachers of the five Texas Conferences to have the ADVOCATE. If any do not receive it, we will esteem it a favor if they will send us their address. We, of course, expect them to act as agents. We wish to send out 15,000 copies by fall. With proper effort it can be done. The advertising claims of the ADVOCATE are now being recognized by the mercantile community. The extent and character of our subscription list gives our columns special value. Our agents could render us special service by securing advertisements.

We deem it proper to state that we have received no report as to moneys paid the ADVOCATE at the North Texas Conference. Some errors may appear, from this cause, in the quarter's statements now being sent out. A letter containing a draft for money collected, a list of parties who paid, and other important memoranda, never reached us—and we have not as yet had time to get a duplicate.

BUSINESS NOTICES.
The dissolution notice of the well-known firm of Messrs. Brown & Lang appears in another column.
The wholesale hat house of Messrs. Andrews & Bro. are selling their entire stock at greatly reduced figures.
The undersigned, having purchased the entire hardware business of Brown & Lang, would most respectfully ask a continuance of the valued favors of the former patrons of the firm, which we faithfully promise to protect with mutual interest, to the end that our commercial relations may be advanced prosperously and beneficial to both patrons and principals. The business will be conducted at the old stand, Strand street, Galveston, where, with new goods, we offer to cope, in prices and qualities, with any market on this continent.
Respectfully,
J. S. BROWN & CO.

THE HORSE.
The lovers of that noble animal, the horse, have recently had their attention directed by a highly complimentary article which appeared in the Macon Telegraph to the unequal line order and superior condition of the horses belonging to Col. T. G. Bacon, of Edgefield, S. C. His treatment of horses, etc. are well known throughout the country, and as it will be additionally

G. & C. MERRIAM, Springfield, Mass., call attention by card elsewhere, to their edition of Webster's unabridged dictionary. It contains, besides words defined, an amount of information seldom found in one volume.
We commend to our readers the accommodations offered the traveling public by the Planters' Hotel, Galveston. This house is situated nearer the depot than any other in the city. Fare only \$2 50 per day.

The popular wholesale and retail cigar and tobacco establishment of Messrs. Reinecke & Lossow, Strand, Galveston, is disposing of all the favorite brands of Havana and domestic cigars, smoking and chewing tobacco, at reasonably low figures. We commend this house.
The large stock of lamps, chandeliers, plated, brittania and Japanese ware kept by the Island City Oil and Chandelier Company, on Twenty-second street, has been largely increased by lately purchased supplies. Their assortments comprise full lists of every character of goods in this line, and have been selected with a direct view to suit the demands of this section. Their attention to orders and courtesies to customers cause this house to be deservedly popular.

Messrs. STOWE & WILMERDING are numbered among the most prominent and enterprising business men of Galveston. Their eminent business qualifications and long experience in the cotton storage and commission business give them a solid position, both financially and commercially. They have established throughout the interior a reputation for promptness and attention to all consignments. They give entire satisfaction to patrons.
THE National Publishing Co., Memphis, Tenn., or Atlanta, Ga., give, perhaps, more people remunerative employment than any other institution in the country—having a thoroughly organized agency system for sale of books in all parts of the United States. They advertise elsewhere for agents to sell their new illustrated family Bible, and a book entitled "Cross and Crown," a "sweet and thrilling story of the spirit and power of religion—as shown in the sufferings and triumphs of the followers of Jesus."

THE house of Messrs. Turnley & Co. is extensively and favorably known in the State. Among cotton houses of Galveston, not one stands higher for integrity, business capacity or commercial responsibility. Through knowledge of the cotton business and their promptness has secured for their house the high position it justly merits. These gentlemen give their close personal attention to the business. This fact, in connection with the ample facilities at their command, gives them each season an enlargement of their liberal State patronage. Liberal cash advancements made on all consignments.

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THE SHAKER THRESHER.—Purchased in need of a Separator will do well to send to the BLYMYER MANUFACTURING COMPANY for circular, giving full description and prices of the Shaker Thresher.
MESSRS. JACOB ARTO & SON have succeeded J. W. Dibrell, Esq., in the manufacturing of cigars, corner Market and Twenty-second streets.

AMONG the many well stocked establishments of Galveston, the jobbing jewelry emporium of T. E. Thompson, Esq., holds a conspicuous position. The stock comprises a magnificent assortment of precious stones, jewelry, watches, statuary, silver-ware, paintings, etc.

THE extensive machinery and agricultural implement depot of Mr. H. Scherffius, at Houston, is complete in every department. As Mr. S. is especially attentive to the best interest of the planters, his establishment is always fully provided with articles in this line necessary for farming purposes.

interesting to know the cause assigned by Col. Bacon for this superiority, we publish the following letter:
MACON, Ga., March 8, 1875.
Messrs. J. H. Zelin & Co., Philadelphia and Macon, Ga.
GENTS—I have used and continue to use your very valuable medicine known as "Simons' Liver Regulator" in my family and also administer it to my stock of thorough breeds and to my cows, sheep, chickens. My mode of using your "Simons' Liver Regulator" for horses is as follows: One teaspoonful of the powder in a wash three times a week. For cough, hide bound or pneumonia, it will be found invaluable in such complaints as above named. In using it with my game chickens for cholera, I take a package of the "Regulator," mix it with dough and feed it to them once a day. By this treatment I have never lost a single chicken in the past five years. I make this statement to you as I desire mankind to know that they have at hand in your "Regulator" an invaluable remedy for all the ills of man or beast. If you can let the public know what I have to say by publishing this statement, I hope you will publish it; as I am prepared to repeat what I have said to any one that will call on me.
Yours very respectfully,
T. G. BACON, Edgefield, S. C.

BLOOD DISEASES.
The blood being the source from which our systems are built up and from which we derive our mental as well as physical capabilities, how important that it should be kept pure. If it contains vile, festering poisons, all organic functions are weakened thereby. Settling upon important organs, as the lungs, liver or kidneys, the effect is most disastrous. Hence it behooves every one to keep their blood in a perfectly healthy condition, and more especially does this apply at this particular season of the year than at any other. No matter what the exciting cause may be, the real cause of a large proportion of all diseases is bad blood. Now, Dr. Pierce does not wish to place his Golden Medical Discovery in the catalogue of quack patent nostrums by recommending it to cure every disease, nor does he so recommend it on the contrary, there are hundreds of diseases that he acknowledges it will not cure; but what he does claim is this, that there is but one form of blood disease that it will not cure, and that disease is cancer. He does not recommend his Discovery for that disease, yet he knows it to be the most searching blood cleanser yet discovered, and that it will free the blood and system of all other known blood poisons, be the animal, vegetable or mineral. The Golden Discovery is warranted by him to cure the worst forms of Skin Diseases, as all forms of Itches, Pimples and Eruptions, also all Glandular Swellings, and the worst form of Scrofulous and Ulcerated Sores of Neck, Legs, or other parts, and all Scrofulous Diseases of the Bones, as White Swellings, Fever Sores, Hip Joint and Spinal Diseases, all of which belong to Scrofulous Diseases.
CONFESSED—HIP JOINT DISEASE.
W. GROVE STATION, LA., July 14, 1872.
Dr. PIERCE, Buffalo, N. Y.:
Dear Sir:—My wife first became lame nine years ago. Swellings would appear and disappear on her hip, and she was gradually becoming reduced, and her whole system rotten with disease. In 1871, a swelling broke out on her hip, discharging large quantities, and since that time there are several openings. Have had five doctors at an expense of \$125, who say nothing will do any good but a surgical operation.
July 16th, 1872, he writes thus: "My wife has recently received a great benefit from the use of your Discovery, for she was not able to get off the bed, and was not expected to live a week when she commenced using it, a year ago. She has been doing most of her work for over six months. Has used twenty bottles and still using it. Her recovery is considered as almost a miracle, and we attribute it all to the use of your valuable medicine. I can cheerfully recommend it as a blood purifier and strength restorer." J. M. ROBINSON.
Discovery is sold by druggists.

MARRIED.
HENDERSON—MURPHY.—On the evening of the 21st of March, 1875, at 4 P. M., in Troop, by the Rev. H. M. Booth, Mr. F. Henderson to Miss E. G. Brinley.
FRANCIS—DAVIS.—On the evening of the 11th of March, 1875, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. H. M. Booth, Mr. Francis to Miss Davis, all of Cherokee county, Texas.
BARTY—GILLILAND.—By Rev. J. D. Whitehead, at the residence of the bride's father, in Freestone county, Texas, March 4, 1875, Mr. W. E. Bartly and Miss T. J. Gilliland.
May the sun of prosperity shine upon this happy couple.
A. D. W.

Quarterly Meeting Appointments.
Waco District Conference.
All the members, members of the Waco District Conference, also visiting brethren who expect to attend, at Brownwood, the District Conference on the 5th of May, please inform me, at Brownwood, if they intend to bring their wives.
W. T. MELUGIN.
COMPTON'S CHRISTIAN DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Caldwell cir., at Giff's school-house, 3d Sunday in April.
Oxleyville cir., 2d Sunday in April.
Hollins cir., 4th Sunday in April.
St. Mary's cir., at St. Mary's, 1st Sunday in May.
Boyleville cir., at Boone's, 2d Sunday in May.
Cypress Church, 4th Sunday in May.
Nacogdoches cir., 5th Sunday in May.
Rockport, 1st Sunday in June.
A. A. KILGORE, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Acton, at George's Creek, 2d Sabbath in April.
Caddo cir., at Woodmont's, 3d Sabbath in April.
Fort Worth sta., 4th Sabbath in April.
Weatherford sta., 1st Sabbath in May.
Weatherford cir., at Spring Creek, 2d Sabbath in May.
Mansfield, at Thomas' school-house, 3d Sunday in May.
Springtown, at Grant's, H., 4th Sabbath in May.
Cibola and Marysville sta., 5th Sabbath in May.
Cibola cir., at Pt. Graham, 1st Sabbath in June.
T. W. HINES, P. E.

WAXAHACHIE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Franklin cir., at Rogers' chapel, April 10, 11.
Lancaster cir., at Liberty, April 17, 18.
Chaffinch cir., at Chaffinch, April 24, 25.
Chamber's creek, May 1, 2.
Milford, at Selton, May 8, 9.
Jacksonville cir., May 15, 16.
Hillsboro, May 22, 23.
A. DAVIS, P. E.

DALLAS DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Dallas mts., 1st Saturday and Sunday in April.
Trinity cir., 2d Saturday and Sunday in April.
Denton, 3d Saturday and Sunday in April.
Jacksonville, 4th Saturday and Sunday in April.
Dexter, 1st Saturday and Sunday in May.
W. F. EASTBURN, P. E.

PALESTINE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Kickapoo cir., at Palestine, April 3, 4.
Tyler cir., at County Line, April 10, 11.
Rusk cir., at Rusk, April 17, 18.
Palestine sta., May 1, 2.
Jacksonville cir., at Burke's chapel, May 8, 9.
Tyler sta., May 15, 16.
Athens cir., May 22, 23.
The following appointments were made by the district stewards:
Conf. Bishops' Claim. Claim.
Kickapoo circuit.....\$25 00 \$5 00
Tyler circuit.....25 00 5 00
Rusk circuit.....40 00 12 75
Palestine station.....50 00 15 00
Jacksonville circuit.....40 00 12 75
Tyler station.....20 00 5 00
Athens circuit.....20 00 5 00
Total.....\$250 00 \$80 00
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COMANCHE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Llano and Ft. Mason mts., 2d Sunday in April.
San Saba cir., 3d Sunday in April.
Brownwood mts., at Burns' schoolhouse, 4th Sunday in April.
Comanche cir., at Comanche, 1st Sunday in May.
Cowhouse mts., at Willow Springs, 3d Sunday in May.
Lampassis mts., at Bethlehem Church, 4th Sunday in May.
Barnet cir., at Barnet, 5th Sunday in May.
P. W. GRAVIS, P. E.

HUNTSVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Prairie Plains cir., at Oak Grove, April 3, 4.
Plantersville, April 10, 11.
Bryan cir., at Wesson Chapel, April 17, 18.
Huntsville station, April 24, 25.
Huntsville cir., at Dean's, H., May 1, 2.
Zion cir., at Zion church, May 8, 9.
Wills cir., May 15, 16.
Navasota, May 22, 23.
Madisonville cir., at Oxford, May 29, 30.
Bryan station, June 5, 6.
Cold Springs cir., at Big Creek, June 12, 13.
April 24, 25.
J. M. WESSON, P. E.

SAN ANTONIO DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Bandera, at Bandera, 2d Sabbath in April.
Kerrville cir., at Kerrville, 4th Sabbath in April.
Medina cir., at Pleasant Hill, 1st Sabbath in May.
Uvalde cir., at Uvalde, 2d Sabbath in May.
San Antonio sta., 3d Sabbath in May.
Sutherland Springs cir., at Sandie's chapel, 4th Sabbath in May.
Cibolo cir., at Wesley chapel, 1st Sabbath in June.
District Conference will embrace the 5th Sabbath in May, and will be held at Selma, of Cibolo circuit. Conference will open on Thursday at 1 o'clock. Brethren, please be prompt. Come prepared to represent your charges. Come praying.
JOHN S. GILLET, P. E.

BEAUMONT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Woodville, April 3, 4.
Wolf and Village Creek cir., at Egypt, April 10, 11.
Newton cir., at Jasper, April 17, 18.
Newton cir., at Orange mts., at the Bend, Liberty, May 1, 2.
Beaumont and Orange, at Beaumont, May 8, 9.
E. M. STOVALL, P. E.

MAIRLAND DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Starrville cir., at Basson Chapel, 3d Sunday in April.
Marshall station, 4th Sunday in April.
Knoxville cir., at Pleasant Grove, 1st Sunday in May.
Harrison circuit, at Blocker's chapel, 2d Sunday in May.
Halvill circuit, at Maple Springs, 3d Sunday in May.
Elystan Fields, at Harmony, 4th Sunday in May.
Henderson and Bellevue circuit, 5th Sunday in May.
DANIEL MORSE, P. E.

CORISCAÑA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Mt. Cuba circuit, second Sunday in April, at Ft. Oak.
Mexico circuit, 3d Sunday in April, at Cedar Island.
Birdston mts., 4th Sunday in April, at Land's school-house.
Fairfield circuit, 1st Sunday in May, at Lake Chapel.
Butler circuit, 2d Sunday in May, at Harrison Chapel.
Contrevelle circuit, 3d Sunday in May, at Beaverland.
Henderson circuit, 4th Sunday in May, at Leona.
Navasota mission, 4th Sunday in May, at Donnellson's school-house.
W. C. YOUNG, P. E.

JEFFERSON DIST.—SECOND ROUND.
Gilmer cir., at Gilmer, 1st Sabbath in April.
Cottonville cir., at Smyrna, 2d Sabbath in April.
Kerrville cir., at Liberty, 3d Sabbath in April.
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Gray Rock, 4th Sabbath in April.
Soda Lake cir., at Moore's chapel, 1st Sabbath in May.
Linden cir., at Douglasville, 2d Sabbath in May.
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DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.
NOTICE! NOTICE!
THE firm of BROWN & LANG is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
The business will be conducted hereafter by the undersigned, at the old stand, Strand Galveston, Texas.
All accounts due the old firm will be settled at the office of
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Ditzler-Sweeny Debate.

ED. ADVOCATE.—Second proposition: Infants are scriptural subjects of baptism. Ditzler affirms.

Mr. Ditzler opened the discussion by stating that this was more a question of fact, and of truth and principles than the former question, and consequently did not involve the necessity of much philological argument. He stated that this subject had never been fairly understood by the great masses of the people. Some persons, perhaps, would expect him to go to work to show some place in the Testament where infants were baptized; but that was not the course of argument that he should adopt. There is a great and living principle involved in this question; it involves the economy of salvation, infant church membership, the principles of the divine government and the true knowledge of the church from a Bible standpoint. It is a question not to be lightly treated; and hence we have taken three days for its discussion. It really involves the foundation principles by which we may successfully resist infidelity. I shall proceed to show that religion is a grand unity, and that religious principles are eternal and unchanging. God's government is one, a grand unity, and out of this position comes infant baptism. I will first show what constitutes God's church: Mr. Carson, a Baptist, on page 281, says that the church of Israel had circumcision of the flesh and that Christians have circumcision of the heart. But some of the leaders in the Christian church contend that the church of Israel consisted only of ordinances of the flesh. A. Campbell takes this position and says that the Jewish church had neither the reality or spirit of religion; "That neither faith nor piety was contemplated in the Jew's religion." "Now," said Mr. D., "If I prove that there was a spiritual church among the Jews—a spiritual church, or designed to be so—and that there were infants in that church, I will have proven infant membership. I propose to prove: 1. That there was a spiritual church. 2. That there were infants in that church. 3. That they were baptized; and, 4. That none of these rights have been abolished, but have existed all through the ages down to the present day. Now, we will take up the church: In our English version of the Old Testament we do not find the word church. In the New Testament we find the word church, and it comes from the same word in the Hebrew and Greek as that used in the original of the Old Testament. This word church is used in both a secular and spiritual sense in both Old and New Testament, and we must determine the sense in which it is used by the context. The meaning of the word must be determined by the circumstances under which it is used. We need go no farther back than the days of Abraham to prove the existence of this spiritual church. Here we find God making a covenant with Abraham, and the word church is used. Here he referred to covenant as recorded in Genesis. Abraham was called of God; he and his posterity were called and separated from the rest of mankind to be God's peculiar people. Now, the word called here is the verbal idea of church; hence they were church members from the world. God gave to this people laws that they might serve Him with a pure heart. He said to Abraham: 'Walk before Me and be thou perfect.' It is said that Abraham was justified by faith, and afterwards he was justified by works when he offered his son Isaac. The covenant made with Abraham embraced Christ, and Paul says in Gallatians that it was confirmed of God in Christ. But we come down to the days of Moses when he leads the people of Israel out of Egypt four hundred years before Christ. God announces Himself to them as the Lord God, abundant in mercy, etc., and announces the same great fundamental principles of religion which were afterward embodied in the ten commandments. In Deuteronomy, God declares these principles to be 'to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and all thy soul.' And then in Mark xii, 28, in answer to the scribe asking 'Which is the first commandment of all?' Jesus answered him: 'The first of all the commandments is: Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one God; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, etc. This was what constituted piety in the days of Moses. How could these com-

mands be obeyed but by the exercise of faith and piety? Yet, my friend's church contends that neither faith nor piety was contemplated in the Jew's religion. The New Testament does not require a higher order of piety than this. Whether they lived up to these requirements in that day or not is another question. It is true that many of the leaders of the Jews, and even ministers, were carnal men; but do we not have some to-day equally as bad? Look, for instance, at the great Brooklyn scandal. But the fact that there were bad men does not effect the argument. Was God's design good and pure and holy? Now, this peculiar people while in the wilderness were called the church: 'This was he that was in the church in the wilderness.' God reveals Himself to them as a just and righteous God and as hating iniquity. Some of them went astray from God. They had as clear conceptions of depravity as those under the New Testament dispensation. God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth." Dr. D. quoted from Romans 2d and 3d chapters where Paul says they had all gone out of the way, etc. A change of heart became necessary. All this backsliding of the Jews was revealed in the Old Testament. Jeremiah iii, 14th-16th verses, God tells the people that he is married to them. That he is warmly attached to them; but that they have forgotten Him. Ezekiel xviii, 30-31: "Cast away from you all your transgressions whereby ye have transgressed and make you a new heart and a new spirit; for why will ye die, oh! house of Israel?" Here God calls on them to repent and turn themselves away from their transgressions and make themselves a new heart in the way that God had ordained. In the 51st Psalm, David says: "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity and cleanse me from my sin." The very essence of the whole sermon on the mount is copied from the Old Testament; and to show still farther that these people back there had just conceptions of religion, the New Testament says: "Christ was as a lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

Dr. Ditzler dwelt at some length on the 10th and 11th chapters of Hebrews, where Paul brings up a long catalogue of ancient worthies who lived by faith and died in the faith, and these fathers are referred to by Paul as a "cloud of witnesses;" and he exhorts us to lay aside every weight, etc., "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." He showed that the word *our* was italicized and that the proper rendering was *the* faith, and that Jesus was the founder of the faith by which all in all ages are saved. I Corinthians x, 3-4: "And did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the same spiritual drink, for they drank of that spiritual rock that followed them, and that rock was Christ." This refers to a period fourteen hundred years before Christ and shows that Christ was the foundation and spiritual support of the church. Moses, when he was yet young refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, "esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt." It is said: "Abraham saw my day and was glad." In the 53d chapter of Isaiah, eight hundred years before Christ, we have one of the most spiritual sermons ever preached in any age. Isaiah uses the past tense and says, speaking of Christ, "He was bruised for our iniquities, wounded for our transgressions, and by his stripes we are healed." This was the way they preached in the days of Isaiah. The New Testament speaks of the spirituality of these ancient fathers. Paul, in Romans, speaks of those that preach the "gospel of peace;" quoting from the Old Testament. I Peter, 1st chapter, 11th verse: "Searching what or what manner of the spirit of Christ which was in them," the (Old Testament) prophets "did signify when they testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow." So, there can be no doubt from this multitude of witnesses that our fathers from the days of Abraham had the true and living gospel preached to them, and this shows conclusively the spirituality of the church in that age. They had the spirit. God says: "My spirit shall not always strive with man." Ezekiel xxxvi, 27: "I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments and do them." Repentance was preached to these Israelites in all its forms. The new birth was clearly taught among them. John i, 1: "In the beginning was the word and the word was with God," etc. "He came unto His own and His own received Him not," etc. "The word was made flesh and dwelt among us." He was among them; He is among us. In the 16th verse it is said: "The law was given by Moses; but grace and truth came by Jesus

Christ." That is the grace, and truth of the teachings of Moses came through Jesus Christ. Now, as my hour is about out, I shall in my next take up my second proposition: that there were infants in that church. Time expired.

MR. SWEENEY'S FIRST REPLY.

Bro. Ditzler spoke an hour and never said either infant or baptism. He says he will say something about it in two more days. I had just as well stayed in my room until the third day. Mr. Sweeny said that he congratulated the audience that they were now out of philology, out of Syriac, and Hebrew and Chaldee, and will come to a question of fact that all could understand. This is a question of fact, and there are just three ways of proving it. There are three methods of establishing a Christian ordinance: 1. By precept. 2. By example; and, 3. By inference. The two first, he said, were unquestionable; the third exceedingly questionable. The first way of proving it was by precept; that is, if he could refer to scripture and show where it was commanded, that would be proof. But my friend will not pretend that there is any such precept. God never said, baptize infants. If He intended that it should have been, He should have said so. He has commanded that believers should be baptized, but not one word about infants being baptized. The second mode of proving an ordinance is by example. If Dr. Ditzler can show an example of infant baptism as performed by Christ or the apostles, it will be good evidence. But there is no such case in the scriptures. If he will show a single case, I will confine myself to that, and defeat him on it, too. The third method of proving an ordinance is by inference. I will admit that it may be proved by inference if it is a plain and necessary inference; so plain that all can see it and understand it. (Such an inference as Mr. Sweeny here required would have ruined him on the former proposition—for he had to rely upon inference to prove immersion; and so far from being so plain and obvious that everybody could see it, more than half the Christian world have never been able to see it.) "But a doubtful inference," said Mr. S., "where even my learned friend—with all his learning—cannot make it clear, will not do to establish a divine ordinance. Dr. Shurlock, an eminent Pedit-Baptist, says that all institutions must be given in plain and unmistakable terms, and not by inference; and that scriptural consequence is not sufficient proof. Dr. Owen says that all things concerning the worship of God are clearly ordered. Will Dr. Ditzler show the order for infant baptism? Dr. Channy says that Christ has left His church rules to walk by. Where is the rule for infant baptism? Bishop Bennett says there is no express precept given in the New Testament for infant baptism. Dr. Wall says there is no example of infant baptism during the time of the apostles. Martin Luther says it cannot be proven from scripture that infant baptism was instituted by Christ. Dr. S. Palmer says there is no precept or example of infant baptism in the New Testament. Dr. Freeman says that the traditions of the whole Catholic church confirm us in many of our doctrines—such, for instance, as infant baptism, etc. Dr. Fuller confesses that there is no precept in the New Testament, but says, as there are many acts of Jesus that were never written, that this might be one of them. Well, if it be among the unwritten sayings, Bro. Ditzler can find it for there is no greater antiquarian than he is. Here Mr. Sweeny held up a tract which, he said, was published by a committee of the general conference of the Methodist Church, in which it is said that there is neither precept nor example for infant baptism in the New Testament but attempts to prove it because it is not forbidden. Bro. Ditzler will not say when infant baptism came into the church; but, said Mr. Sweeny, I will tell you that it came in for fear that they would be damned if they were not baptized. This was the origin of the practice of infant baptism. Dr. Bledsoe, in his *Southern Review*, says that infant baptism should be retained in the church because it is best, but that he fails to find one word in favor of it in the New Testament. He says that there is a wonderful contrast between Christ and His church on this subject. Christ was silent while His church has filled the world with sound and fury. Dr. Knapp says that there is no example in the scripture of infant baptism. Infant baptism is not a religious principle but a mere ordinance of the church—originating in the monstrous idea that unless they were baptized they would be eternally damned." Here Mr. S. defied Dr. Ditzler to say when the church of Christ was organized. "Why," said he, "Bro. Ditzler, if you will

just say when, you may say it in any tongue you please; in Syriac even." Mr. Ditzler asked him if he could interpret it if he answered in Syriac. "Yes," said Mr. Sweeny. Mr. Ditzler then answered in Syriac. "Now," said Mr. Sweeny, "give us the English of it." (He had promised to give it himself.) Bro. Ditzler says that the people in the days of Abraham, and also the children of Israel, were called a church. I am willing to admit the promise of God to Abraham and that the church is but the development of that promise, but there is nothing in it about infant baptism. Mr. Sweeny then read the covenant as recorded in the 17th chapter of Genesis. God promised land—the land of Canaan. It was a covenant of land, not a spiritual covenant. Circumcision came in with this covenant; every male child being marked just as you would mark stock in order that they might know who was entitled to the inheritance. He referred to Gallatians v, 3d verse to show that the act of circumcision compelled them to do the whole law and was a mere fleshly ordinance. In the 3d chapter of Gallatians it is said: "Wherefore thou servest the law?" It was added: because of transgressions till the seed should come to whom the promise was made. When the seed—which was Christ—came the promise to Abraham was fulfilled and a new covenant made which was spiritual. Jeremiah speaks of this new covenant: "I will put My law in their inward parts, in their hearts; and they shall be My people and I will be their God. They shall all know Me from the least unto the greatest." Will Bro. Ditzler say that they all knew the Lord from the least unto the greatest? Bro. Ditzler wants to bring up the old covenant that was made null and of no effect by the new covenant. Why? Because it was the only one that had infants in it. M. H. N.

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BAKED EGGS.—Beat up six eggs, one tablespoonful of flour, six of sweet milk; melt your butter in a frying pan; when hot, turn the whole in, well beaten, and bake in hot oven.

IX peeling onions put a large needle in the mouth, half in and half out. The needle attracts the oily juices of the bulb, and any number may be peeled without affecting the eyes.

To extract ink from cotton, silk, or woolen goods, saturate the spots with spirits of turpentine, and let it remain several hours; then rub it between the hands. It will crumble away without injuring either the color or the texture of the goods.

Good wood ashes are to be sifted through a fine sieve; to them is to be added an equal quantity of clay, finely pulverized together with a little salt. The mixture is to be moistened with water enough to make a paste, and the crack of the stove filled with it.

Farm and Garden.

TO KEEP EARTH-WORMS FROM POTS.—To keep earth-worms from pots, a correspondent gives the following remedy: Put ten drops of carbolic acid in a pint of water, and poured that on the earth in the pots, and it acted like a charm, killed all the worms, and the plants improved at once.

TRAINING A HORSE TO TROT.—A correspondent of the Turf, Field and Farm tells how he trained an old cavalry horse to trot. He was accustomed to "lope;" and could not be made to understand what was required of him, until a space of some 400 yards was measured off in a field, and he was ridden across this. Whenever he broke he was scolded, at once turned about, and again started from the starting point.

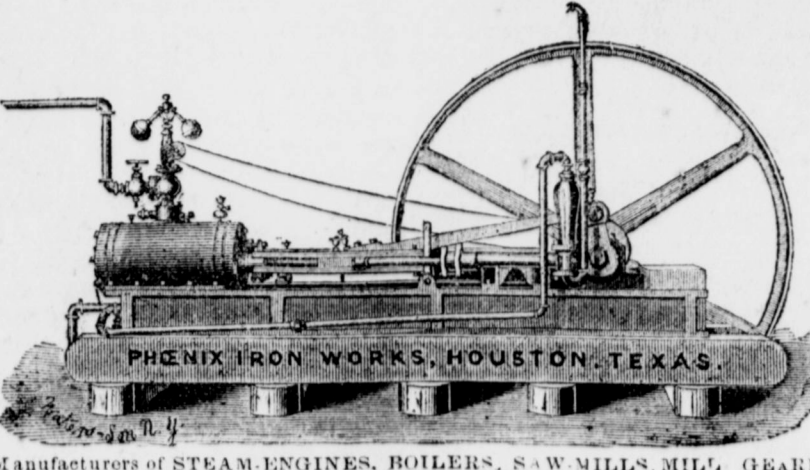
TURNIPS AND CORN.—A Westchester county (N. Y.) farmer is in the habit of sowing yellow abraden turnips among his corn at the last passage of the cultivator.

GUANO NOT AN EXCREMENT.—The long received opinion that guano is the deposits of myriads of sea birds, accumulating through long ages, is rendered untenable by the recent investigation of Dr. Habel.

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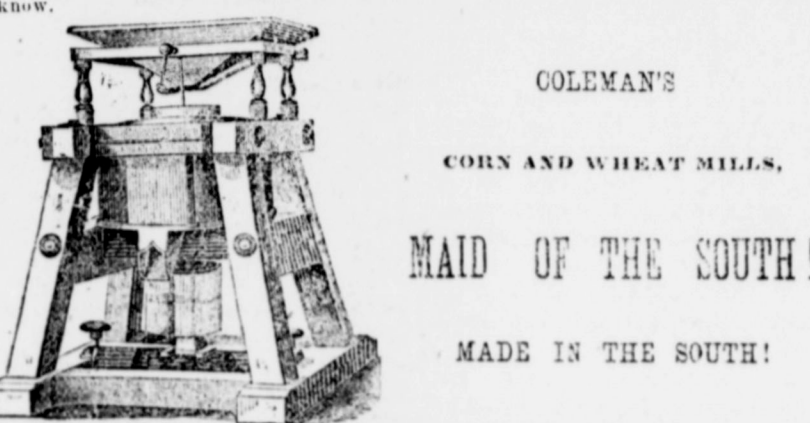
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ADVOCATE OFFICE, Friday Evening, April 2, 1875.

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MONETARY. In local financial circles very little of interest has transpired.

The foreign advices are unimportant. The Bank of England rate remains at 3 1/2 per cent.

The bank has gained £82,000 in bullion for the week; and an additional £76,000 has gone in on balance today.

The proportion of reserve to liabilities is 38 1/2 per cent. this week to 40 1/2 per cent. last week.

The Bank of France loses 1,919,900 francs for the week which it can well afford, too, in the face of its late extraordinary accumulations.

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2 50; damsons \$2 25; oysters, 2 lb full weight, \$1 75@2 00; 1 lb full weight, \$1 10; corn, 2 lb, \$2 25@2 50; tomatoes, 2 lb, \$1 40@1 50.

Cheese—Western factory nominal English dairy 18c.

Corn—Limited supply; prices easy at 35c for Texas in round lots; Western \$1 10@1 15c, from store.

Corn Meal—Fair supply. Selling at \$1 20@25 00.

Crackers—In fair demand. Soda 5 1/2c; cream and ginger 11c.

Drugs—Acid Citric \$1 40; acetic 16c; tartaric 66c; oxalic 25c; sulphuric 10c; carbonyl 42c; U. P. 40c; Alcoh. cap. 10c; alcohol \$2; alum 5c; ammonia aqua 3F; 10c; ammonia spirits aron. 45c arsenic common powdered 7c; Bismuth, subnitrate, \$2 25; Blue Vitrol 5c; Borax refined 25c; Caustic, lunar, pure \$1 15; Chloroform \$1 10; Copperas 3c; Calomel, English, \$2 75; American \$2; Cream Tartar, pure, 45c@50c; glycerine, 25c@40c; Chloral hydrate 25c@28c; Magnesia, sulph, \$6 25; Logwood extract 18c; Gum assafetida 34c; Gum camphor 35c; Gum opium \$10; Gums (1873) 35c@40c; Quinine \$2 60.

HOES—Per dozen, planter A B No. 0, \$7; No. 1, \$7 50; No. 2, \$8; No. 3, \$8 50; H B No. 0, \$6 50; No. 1, \$7; No. 2, \$7 50; No. 3, \$8.

CHAINS—Trace, per pair, 6 1/2, 10, 3, 6c; 6 1/2, 10, 2, 7c; 6 1/2, 10, 1, 5c; Ox, 12c @ 1 lb.

NAILS—Are unchanged. Quotations are as follows: 10d to 60d, \$3 75; 8d, \$4 00; 6d, \$4 25; 4d, \$4 75; 3d, \$5 00; casing and boxing 75c advance on above. Finishing at advance.

Eggs—Dull and drooping. Country 12c@14c; warranted 14c@16c, per dozen.

Fish—Mackerel, barrels No. 2, \$12 50 @13; half-barrels No. 1, \$7 50@8; No. 2, \$6 50@7; kits No. 1, 1-90@2 10; No. 2, \$1 50@1 60; herrings, Dutch, \$2 15 @2 40 per keg; dried No. 1, 80c@90c; No. 2, 75c per box; codfish, quarter-boxes, \$2 2 @ 2 10; half-boxes \$3 50@3 75; 100 lb boxes 7 1/2c per pound.

Flour—Sales have been a trifle larger with prices about steady. Stocks are ample. Treble extra \$6 00@6 50; choice extra 6 00@6 50; choice family \$6 75 @ 7 25; fancy family \$7 75@8 25.

Fruit—Dried—Raisins: layers per box \$3 25@3 50; figs per lb 15c@20c; prunes, French, none; currants, white, per pound 10c@12c; apples, per lb, 9c@10c; Dates 12c@15c; almonds, soft 24c@25c; shell, 23c@25c; hard shell 23c@25c; filberts 15c; pecans none; Brazil nuts 15c.

Fruit—Fresh—Lemons in fair supply. Sicily 6 50@7 00; Apples, supply small. Western, \$6 50@7 00. Northern, nominal. Oranges, Louisiana and Mexican, nominal. Sicily 4 00 @ 4 50 per box. Havana \$9 00 @ 10 00 per barrel. Coconuts, per 100 \$6 50@7 00.

Glass Goods—Per dozen, in cases—Pickles per gallon, \$5 25@5 50; half-gallon \$3 65@3 75; quarts \$2 65@2 75; pints \$1 40@1 50.

Hams—Steady. Choice sugar-cured, 14c; 3d quality, 13c.

Hay—Is in ample supply and fairly active. Western, \$34 00@36 00 per ton, for choice Timothy. Northern \$21@25. Supply ample.

Hides—Firm and higher. We quote, dry flint, selected 17c. kids and calves 1 1/2c as they run, 16c; wet salted, selected, 8c; as they run, 7c; butchers' green, \$2; dry salted are sold as dry flint, with allowance for salt; glue stock 5c.

Hardware—Axes per dozen: Collins Kentucky light \$12; medium \$12 50; heavy \$15 50.

IRON—Per pound, common bar, 4 1/2 @ 5c; band, 6 1/2 @ 7c; hoop, 7 1/2 @ 8c; sheet, common, 7c; R. G., 8c; galv., 17c; Russia, 30c; imitation Russia, 22c; plow steel, 6c; nail rods, 10c; axles, 8 1/2 @ 9c; horse-shoes, Burden's, \$7 25@7 50; mule-shoes, \$8 00.

CASTINGS—Hollow ware, etc., 6c; sad irons, 5c.

COFFEE—MILLS—Per dozen, Parker's No. 50, \$5; No. 60, \$6; No. 70, \$7 50, with ten per cent. discount.

MEAT—CUTTERS—Per dozen. Wood-ruff's, No. 100, \$15; No. 150, \$18.

Leather—Best Louisville and Cincinnati Oak Sole Leather, 42c @ 45c; second quality 40c; do. fair saddle skirting 4c; do. oak harness leather 4 1/2c; do. second grade do. 3c; do. black bridle do. 5c; do. fair bridle do. 5c.

Lard—Market amply supplied, and quiet and steady. Tierces, 15c@15 1/2c; kegs, 16c.

Lumber—The demand is fair, and stocks ample. Rough yellow pine, \$22; second quality, \$20; dressed weatherboards, \$25@28, surfaced boards \$25@28; ceiling, \$20@25; flooring, \$25@30; cypress lumber by the cargo, \$25@30; ash, \$40; shingles, \$4 50 by small lots; \$3 30 by cargo lots.

Lime, Cement, Etc.—In limited demand. Austin lime, \$2 25 per barrel; Alabama \$2 20; cement, \$2 25@2 75; plaster, Paris, \$4 00@5; laths, \$4 25 50 per M.

Molasses—Supply fair; demand good, prices 5c per gallon higher; selling 65c; prime, and 70c for choice per gallon, barrels, half-barrels 5c advance, kegs 10c advance. Job lot 60 @ 65c; for barrels.

Oils—Linsed, raw, 95; boiled, \$1 00. Lard, No. 1, \$1 00. W. S. \$1 15. Proctor & Gamble's, \$1 12 1/2. Turpentine, 45c. Kerosine, 24c@27c.

Butter—Firm and scarce. Western selling from store at 77c@88c per bushel. Texas, nominal. Job lots, Western 82c for prime.

Onions—In light supply prices firm Red Northern \$5 50@6 00 @ 1 barrel.

Potatoes—Stock light; prices steady; market quiet. Western nominal; Northern \$4 00 @ 4 25; according to quality, sweet potatoes 75c; per bushel.

Wool—Best skins 25c@27c; goat skins 20c; per lb; sheep skins, full wool, 50c; half-wool 25c; shewlings 15c@20c; deer; wolf skins 25c@75c; each; dressed, each skins, Indian-tanned, \$1 50@1 75 per pound.

Poultry—Receipts ample and prices easy. Chickens \$4 00@4 50 @ dozen. Turkeys quiet; small \$10@12 00; grown, \$14 00@18 00. Ducks \$4 50@5 00 @ doz. Geese 6 00@6 25 Partridges \$1 25.

Salt—Stock small; prices firm. Coarse from first hands by car load \$1 10 gold; fine \$1 75, gold.

Starch—Dealers supply the demand at 6 1/2@6c.

Sugar—Market steady for Louisiana and Texas, for which there is a fair demand. Fully fair 8c; prime 8 1/2@9c; choice 9 1/2@10c; coffee C 14c; coffee B 11c; coffee A 12c; crushed and powdered 12 1/2@13c; Demerara Choice 11 1/2@12c.

Soap—In full supply. Olive 7c. for large lots. Ordinary orders filled at 7c.

Tobacco—Supply ample and prices firm, with upward tendency. We quote: 12 inch, extra fine for lbs, 70c; \$4 1; 11 inch extra fine, 65c@70c; 11 inch, fine, 60c@65c; 11 inch, fine medium, 55c; 60c; 11 inch, good medium, 50c@55c; 11

inch, good common, 40c@50c; 11 inch, common sound, 44c@46c; twist, all grades, 50c@75c; smoking tobacco, 35c@55c; snuff, per dozen bottles, \$4 00@4 13; cigars, domestic, per thousand, \$12@100; cigars, imported, per thousand, \$85@250.

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Tallow—Receipts light; prices steady; good to prime 6 1/2c; common 5 1/2@5 1/4c.

Twine—Cotton baling twine is in ample supply; selling at 17c. per pound.

Vinegar—Fair supply and steady at 28c@40c, 3/4 gallon for cider and white. White wine imported, 65c.

Woodware—Pails—Painted, two hoop, \$2 50; \$2 10; three hoop \$2 40.

Tubs—Painted, 3 nest, 3 in \$2 25, 8 in \$3 25; white pine, 3 in \$3; 8 in \$4; cedar, 3 in \$3 75; 8 in \$6 50.

WELL BUCKETS—3 dozen, L. S., \$6 75@8 00; extra \$9 50@11 00.

STEVENS—3 dozen, iron, \$1 75; plated \$2 75; brass \$3 75.

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