

Christian Advocate

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The Family Circle.

A Slack Husband Punished.

"Mr. Moneton," said my grandmother, "I have no wool to burn today. What shall I do?" "Oh, send Louisa to pick up some," said the good man, making a stride towards the door. "But she has picked up all she can find."

"Then let her break up some old stuff." "But she has broken up everything already." "Oh! well then, do the next best thing—I must be off," said the farmer; and off he was, whistling as he went, and no doubt wondering in his heart what the next best thing would turn out to be.

Noon came, and with it came my grandfather and four hungry laborers. My grandmother stood in the kitchen, spinning on her great wheel and singing a pleasant ditty; Louisa was scouring in the back room, and the cat sat purring on the hearth before a black and fireless chimney, while the table sat in the middle of the room, spread for dinner, with empty dishes.

"Well, wife, here we are," said my grandfather, cheerily.

"So I see," replied she placidly; "have you had a good morning in the corn field?"

"Why, yes, so-so. But where is the dinner?"

"In the pot on the door-step. Won't you see if it is done?"

"And on the door-step, to be sure, sat the great iron pot, nicely covered, but not looking particularly steamy. My grandfather raised the cover, and there lay all the ingredients of a nice boiled dinner—everything prepared in the nicest manner, and the pot filled with the clearest water, and all the vegetables as raw as they had ever been. My grandfather stared, and my grandmother joined another roll to the yarn upon the spindle, and began another verse of her song.

"Why, woman, what does this mean?" began my grandfather indignantly. "This dinner isn't cooked at all!"

"Dear me, is it not? Why, it was set in the sun these four hours."

"Set in the sun?"

"Yes, you told me to try the next best thing to having a fire, and I thought setting my dinner in the sun was about that."

My grandfather stood doubtful for a moment, but finally his sense of humor overcame his sense of injury and he laughed aloud. Then picking up his hat, he said:

"Come, boys, we may as well start for the woods. We shall have no dinner until we have earned it, I perceive."

"Won't you have some bread and cheese before you go?" asked my grandmother, generous in her victory, as women almost always are. And so she won the day.

The cellar stairs in the old farmhouse had been broken, and so unsafe that my grandmother besieged her husband, early and late, to repair them, lest some accident should happen. He always promised to do so, and always forgot to fulfill his promises. At last, one day my grandmother fell in going down, and spilled the milk she was carrying.

"Are you hurt?" asked grandfather, smoking his pipe by the fire.

"No matter whether I am or not!" returned the angry housewife, reappearing with her empty pan. "That is the last time I carry milk down those stairs until they are mended."

"Please yourself, and find the next best way to get down," said her husband, a little vexed at her tone.

"I will," said my grandmother; and she was as good as her word. The next evening my grandfather went down to the cellar to draw some cider.

"What is the matter down here? Why, woman, your milk is all over the cellar bottom!"

"It is!" replied my grandmother, tranquilly. "Well I think that is likely enough, falling so far."

"Falling so far? What do you mean?"

"Why, you know, I said I should not carry milk over those broken stairs again and you told me to try the next best way of getting it down, and so I took up a board in the floor, threw open the pans, and then strained the milk down into them."

The cellar stairs were mended next day.

THE Courier Journal says: "This year we shall have the Centennial celebration, the presidential election, 366 days, 53 Sundays, and all the girls making love to us. It is all glorious enough, but give us the love-making, and you may have them all rest."

What a Boy Can Do.

About two hundred and sixty years ago a poor lad of seventeen was seen traveling on foot in the South of England. He carried over his shoulder, at the end of a stick, all the clothing he had in the world, and had in his pocket an old purse with a few pieces of money given him by his mother, when, with a throbbing, prayerful heart, she took her leave of him on the road, a short distance from their own cottage.

And who was John? for that was his name. He was the son of poor but honest and pious people, and had six brothers and five sisters, all of whom had to labor hard for a living. He was a goodly lad, and at fourteen was disappointed in getting a place as parish clerk, and with his parents' consent set out to get employment.

At the city of Exeter, where he first went, he met with no success; but as he looked on the beautiful cathedral, and in the booksellers' window, a strong desire sprung up in his mind to become a scholar, and at once he set out for the University of Oxford, some two hundred miles off, walking the whole way. At night he sometimes slept in barns, or on the shelter side of a hay-stack, and often met with strange companions. He lived chiefly on bread and water, with occasionally a draught of milk as a luxury.

Arrived at the splendid city of Oxford, his clothing nearly worn out and very dusty, his feet sore, and his spirits depressed, he knew not what to do.

He had heard of Exeter College in Oxford, and thither he went, and to his great delight was engaged to carry fuel into the kitchen, to clean pans and kettles, and that kind of work.

Here while scouring his pans, he might often be seen reading a book. His studious habits soon attracted the attention of the authorities, who admitted him into the college as a poor scholar, providing for all his wants.

He studied hard, and was soon at the head of the class. He rose to great eminence as a scholar, was very successful as a minister of Christ, and many years before his death, which took place when he was seventy-two, he visited his father and mother, who were delighted to see their son not only a great scholar, but a pious bishop. Such was the history of Dr. John Prideaux, who used to say, "If I had been parish clerk of Ugborough, I should never have been Bishop of Worcester." He left many works as fruits of his industry and learning.

"WHAT IS FOR JESUS' SAKE?"—Willie joined the infant class. There were twenty-three little boys and girls in it. And what a nice teacher they had! She was so good, and loved them so much. Willie was a little bashful at first, but he soon got over it.

When his teacher asked him if he knew a verse, he stood up just as the others had done; and though he trembled a little, he said it so that they all could hear him. This is the verse:

"Jesus loves me; this I know; For the Bible tells me so, Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong."

A few weeks after this, when Willie had gone to bed, and said his "Now I lay me down to sleep," ending with the line, "And this I beg for Jesus' sake," he asked his mother:

"What is for Jesus' sake?"

His mother said, "Suppose I should ask papa to do something for your sake, what would I mean?"

"Would it be to do it to please me?"

"Yes, Papa loves you, and loves to make you happy; and even things that he likes to do, he likes better to do when he knows you will be happy. If I ask papa to do something for me, he loves to do it; but I can see how his face brightens, if I say it will please Willie too."

"Yes, mamma."

"Now, God loves you, and loves to do you good. He loves Jesus, who spent His life in trying to make everybody know about Him, and was crucified that he might draw people to Him, and save them from doing wrong, and being unhappy. Jesus loves you now just as He loved the little children when He was on the earth, and loves to have the Heavenly Father bless you; and the Heavenly Father loves to bless you, and loves to bless you, too, for dear Jesus' sake."

While Baltimore was raising the money for a monument to Poe, his sister was the inmate of the Epiphany Church Home, died a pauper, and was buried by the charity of the church. She had known want and suffering for many years before she entered the asylum.

The Rev. Dr. Milman, in his History of Christianity, book 3, chapter 2, says: "It is the surest sign of a government when the higher classes shrink from posts of honor and of trust."

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To the Preachers of the M. E. Church, South.

The "Familienfreund," the German official organ of our church, has entered on its eighth volume, is published bi-weekly and costs but \$1 00 per annum.

A little effort on your part in this direction may be fruitful of incalculable good results. No religious influences being brought to bear on them, the Germans—vast numbers of them—are being rapidly materialized; yea, even brutalized. Come to their rescue! Win them for Jesus!

COLUMBIA, JAN. 19: Mr. Editor.—The arrival of Dr. Young, the well known temperance lecturer, in our little town has made quite a stir here. He delivered several lectures, and formed a Band of Hope and a Council of Temperance.

THE great masters of business have no mysteries, no cunning tricks. They simply serve the public with great skill and systematic fidelity. That is all their cunning.

Mr. A. T. Stewart once held language something like this in conversation with a friend: "People come to me and ask me what is the secret of my business? Why, I have no secret. I tell them my business has been a matter of principle from the start.

Mr. Editor.—Having been transferred to the N. W. Conference and appointed by Bishop Pierce to Fairfield circuit, I left Greenwood, La. fifteen miles west of Shreveport, La., Dec. 22d, for my new work.

A FOOT LAMP.—One of the most interesting things in the Holy Land is the fact that one meets everywhere, in daily life, the things that illustrate the Word of the Lord. The streets of Jerusalem are very narrow, and no one is allowed to go out at night without a light.

At a recent meeting of foreign missionaries, engaged on the city mission work in London, grace was said in fourteen different languages.

Obituaries.

CHILDERS.—Corine E. Childers, wife of Dr. J. V. Childers, and daughter of Dr. L. and F. Elliot, died in the city of Dallas on the 23d of Dec., 1875, aged twenty-one years. While yet a child sweet and gentle in spirit and sympathy; intelligent, winning in her manners, gifted with personal beauty, she was the idol of father and mother.

NATIONAL debts paying interest are simply the purchase, by the rich, of power to tax the poor.—John Ruskin.

ANDREW FEMALE COLLEGE.—Mr. Editor.—Permit me to announce through the ADVOCATE that the spring term of the above named institution has opened under favorable auspices. We are laboring earnestly to build up the fortunes of this college, and will not consider our work completed until it is felt throughout Eastern Texas that the daughters of our land can in this home-school be educated as thoroughly, and fitted as well to act their part in life as in any other.

DECATUR, JAN. 14: Mr. Editor.—After moving a distance of two hundred and fifty miles since conference, I arrived here about the first of December. Found that there had been abundant crops made throughout this section of country during the past year, and the people abundantly supplied with everything necessary to the comfortable enjoyment of life—except the ADVOCATE and true holy ghost religion, which converts the pocket as well as other parts of a man.

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YARBROUGH.—The subject of this notice, Elizabeth L. Yarbro, was born on Dec. 10th, 1874, and passed to the cold and unfriendly world into a mansion of glory on Dec. 10th, 1875, aged two years and eleven months, and twenty-one days.

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GALLAWAY.—Mrs. Alice C. Gallaway was born in the State of Alabama, 1835. Was married to R. V. Gallaway of Boss county, Texas, May 10th, 1872. She departed this life Dec. 20th, 1875, near Jonesboro, Coryell county, Texas. She joined the M. E. Church, South, with her husband shortly after they were married, and amid the many afflictions and sore trials through which she was called to pass, lived a consistent Christian until death.

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A WONDERFUL CURE!

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 13, 1874. R. V. FINE, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.: Dear Sir—I have suffered from Catarrh in its aggravated form for about twelve years, and for several years from Bronchial trouble.

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A RIGHT MOVE.

The grand jury of the Louisville city court recently indicted several parties for betting on the elections: It is determined to prosecute vigorously all who are guilty of either betting or buying votes.

When a man stakes his money on an election he will be apt to use indirect means to elect his man and win his bet. This custom should have placed on it the deep brand of public disapprobation.

This action of the Louisville grand jury suggests another thought. Has a gambler the right to act as a grand juror? He is violating the law; he sees it violated every day and night. It is his interest to protect his business, and to shield his customers. To allure men into the trap is bad enough, but to betray them by reporting their guilt to the grand jury has a mean look about it, and the gambler thus justifies his action in dodging the responsibility. There no man is compelled to criminate himself. All these guards the law provides are very comfortable, and the gambler on the grand jury can watch his interests, and who can blame him. He has no business in that position; his place is not on—but before the jury.

We invite the special attention of all concerned to this point. Will the honorable court of Galveston county, and all other courts and counties in the State, look to it, that the right men are in the right place when grand juries are made up; and the wrong doer is in the place where the law and the awakening moral sense of the land is placing him.

VERY FUNNY.

The London Letter, speaking of the escape of Tweed, says: "The idea of a man serving out a penal offense, being allowed to go out to take an airing and visit his family, and then go up stairs by himself, is so supremely absurd that it tickles us amazingly." The citizens of Galveston and many other towns and cities do not have to go to New York for a supply of such fun. There are houses in our midst which have been built for the special purpose of carrying on a business which is a well known violation of the city ordinances. The proprietors of these establishments do not deny their business—nor dispute the fact that it is both unlawful and damaging to society. The doors leading to the gambler's haunts are open night and day, and are so brilliantly lighted that no one who wishes to find them need blunder. We have a city government with the best legal counsel to advise the officials in the discharge of their duties. We have a police force who from the ex-officio chief down to the officer who in his blue uniform and with his heavy club strut around our street corners or lounge into the gambling dens to see that nobody disturbs the peace or interrupts the games, are fully cognizant of the existence of these dens; and yet with all this parade of city laws—legal lore—sage aldermen—and vigilant mayor—the laws are violated, and the gamblers are "tickled" immensely.

Can anybody tell whose fault opened the way to Tweed's escape? Can anyone tell why the gambling hells of Galveston are not suppressed?

REV. JAS. G. WALKER's address is Prairie Lea, Texas. So announced by request.

VERY often we receive articles discussing questions of church polity respecting which there is a difference of opinion among both preachers and members of the church. They do not always accord with the views of the editor or the well known position of the ADVOCATE. Each writer represents himself. We shall expect, hereafter, all who write on questions of this character to append their names to their articles.

NATURAL AND SUPERNATURAL SELECTION.

In the modern conception of the word, as held by a large number of scientific savans, the theory obtains that all development is by evolution, and that evolution is guided by "natural selection," and natural selection proceeds upon "the principle of survival of the fittest." In the great "struggle for existence," the strong survive the weak; the healthy, the unhealthy; in a word, the "fittest" succeed and live while the "unfittest" fail and perish. Now, if we look at this theory in reference to human beings, we see it confronted by a stubborn and unyielding objection in the lazaretto and hospitals of all countries. If the "fittest" survive and unfittest die, why do our hospitals continue full of these unnatural selections? The answer they offer to this objection is that the care, and attention, and nursing, and physicking, of the hospitals constitute a defeasance of the law of natural selection. Suppose we grant this answer true. Yet whence arises the power to defeat this natural law? If the Creator of nature intended progress by the "survival of the fittest," why did he endow nature with properties and agencies to defeat His own ends? Is that an evil spirit out of which is born the idea of hospitals for the unfittest? Is it a malevolent spirit that prompts the strong to assist the weak, and thereby prolong their useless lives? It certainly is inimical to the law of natural selection as maintained by many scientific men? but it is in perfect accordance with the conception of nature's God. May it not be that scientific men err in the failure to recognize the fact that over the great principle of natural selection there is the greater principle of supernatural selection? While on the low plane of physical consideration, the real law may be that the strong crush the weak in the struggle for existence; yet, on the higher plane of morality, there is another law in which the strong are sacrificed to the weak; as God, who is all-sufficient, sacrificed himself for man, who is perfectly helpless. In a purely physical sense, it might be best for the human race to throw away all remedial agencies; and let the unfittest die while the fittest live; and thus in the oncoming ages, we might have an actual race of perfectly sound and healthy beings. But would the realization be worth the price? In the absolute stoppage of all relief to the "unfittest," would there not be necessarily the absolute stoppage of all exercise of sympathy and benevolence; and the curdling of all the "Milk of human kindness?" Is not the world infinitely better off by the existence of those nobler feelings of the soul, developed by sympathy with the suffering, than it would be if deprived both of suffering and human benevolence? We think so. It is plainly the teaching of the word of God, and illustrated in the life of Christ, who elevated and filled others by humbling and emptying himself. In this way we see that the law of natural selection is held subordinate to the law of supernatural selection; or nature's laws are held in abeyance to nature's God.

This is but another form of stating the thought that the ultimate end of all creation is moral. What God aims at, to our mind, is not so much the physical well-being as the moral well-being of the human family. While, of course, it would be better to have both, yet if one is to be sacrificed, it must be the physical; and if scientific men growl and grumble at benevolent society for relieving the unfittest, and doing all in its power to prolong the lives of imbeciles and consumptives, and thereby counteract the great law of natural selection, yet they ought to remember that if society did not do it, it would violate the higher law of supernatural selection, or the selection of the spirit of benevolence in relieving the suffering rather than in exterminating them. It has been well said by a sensible writer: "Christ tells us—not to help extinguish poor, and maimed, and blighted forms of life lest they spoil the breed; but to have faith that every

act of wise self-sacrifice—that is, every transfer of blessings from the strong, happy, or wealthy who can spare them, to the weak, miserable, or poor, who might otherwise dwindle and perish—is a vindication of that higher law of supernatural selection by virtue of which the "weak things of the world confound the mighty, and the things which are not bring to naught the things which are."

MAY LOSE THEIR PORK.

A gentleman speaking of the effort to close up sinks of sin in our city intimated to us the other day that success in that direction might result in the damage of its material interests. "If," said he, "every gambling hell, large and small, were closed; if all the drinking saloons were treated in the same way, with every dance-house and other dens of deeper and darker sin, with all kindred nuisances, were abated, it would very seriously affect the rents in this city of Galveston." Very likely he was right. We never counted them up, but we are sure that open traffic in iniquity constitutes a large per cent. of the business of the place. The income derived by the owners of these buildings amounts to a handsome sum—and it does seem a pity they should lose it.

Somehow this reminds us of the conduct of the Gadarenes. Christ crossed the Lake in order to cure the unhappy men "possessed of devils." He had to sail through a storm to find them. At his bidding the devils left them and these objects of terror to their fellow men, who had fled from society to the tombs seeking amid moldering skeletons suitable companionship for the horrid fancies which tormented their brains, were found "sitting at the feet of Jesus clothed and in their right mind." Souls were saved. No deed ever wrought by human arm could compare with this. Two immortal spirits redeemed from fiendish thralldom and their way to immortal blessedness made clear. And yet when the Gadarenes beheld this proof of the Savior's Divine power they thought only of their hogs, and besought Him to depart out of their coasts. Two souls redeemed and two thousand swine choked in the sea. Angels were celebrating one event in heaven, and the citizens of Gadara were bewailing the loss of their pork. He left them with their swine. They ate pork the balance of their days, and lived and died without the Savior.

The loss not only of the rent, but the destruction of the houses themselves is a small matter in comparison with the ruin of homes and the perdition of souls. When men begin to weigh dollars against morality, and material values against man's immortal interests, they are degrading the discussion to so low a level that men who measure humanity by the Christian standard cannot follow them. If the property of our city is so linked with iniquity that the two cannot be divorced, then its thronging streets had better be turned into sand hills once more, and people who love their race seek a spot where a man is of more value than money, and virtue more precious than the dowry of kings.

We are happy to believe our friend who cares only for the rents does not represent the moral sense of our community. A growing conviction respecting these evils will demand their abatement.

Nor is our friend a wise man. The material prosperity of a community is always promoted by healthy moral growth. But the horde of men now batten on the labors of other men, and not adding a dollar to the wealth of the land by honest employments, will give place to others who will soon make up the loss occasioned by their retirement from these evil pursuits.

THE *Congregationalist* has published tables showing that during the past year 190 ministers have been ordained, 101 dismissed, 60 have died, and 85 churches have been organized. Of those who died, the average age was sixty-four years and six months. Eight were eighty years of age, and six were under forty.

CAN A CHRISTIAN ATTEND THE THEATRE?

This question is asked daily by those who would find an excuse for indulgence in dramatic representations. It is a question upon which the ADVOCATE has more than once written its record—and we answer again that the *Christian has no business within the walls of a play-house.* We can almost hear the discord of clamorous voices demanding to know whether this or the other sentiment of Shakespeare is immoral? whether we condemn this, that or the other play for impropriety? what fault we find in this, and what censure we bestow on that? It has never been alleged that there are no moral sentiments to be heard in some plays; but we do allege that the whole tendency of the play-house is in the direction of sin. Take for instance the plays in Galveston recently; their character is a matter of common notoriety. It is a well known fact that the first we notice—the "Angel of Midnight"—is a lackadaisical teacher of one of the worst forms of German infidelity. It teaches—so far as it teaches anything at all—that which the religion of Jesus nowhere inculcates. It is mawkish in its sentiments—it is false in its philosophy—it is infidel in its tendency. This is enough to cause every Christian to turn his back upon it.

But what shall we say of the second play—"The French Spy." Its biography is historic: All well read men know that it was devised by an infamous Paris woman for the purpose of exhibiting her form to the gaze of the public; and dramatic critics tell us that she dared not—that, even in her infancy, she could not—so disregard the pretensions of decency as was done in this good city of Galveston some days since. There is a law, if we mistake not, against immoral exhibitions. Do our city magnates in the simplicity of their souls know what immoral exhibitions are? Lately the ADVOCATE called their attention to the immoralities of the variety show, as practiced on Market street. Now we call their attention to an immorality and to a violation of the law of the same kind, and even of a more dangerous character. Can it be pretended that in this city, or in any city of the country, it is lawful for a woman to exhibit herself in the costume—or rather without costume—as represented in the play bills that have disgraced the dead walls of our city for weeks past? We tell our authorities that if there is any meaning in English words—any sense in the construction of English sentences—the play-bills with which our walls have been covered are obscene pictures—disgusting to the sense of decency, and offensive to the law. It will be answered that such pictures are on the walls of New York, and perhaps of Boston; that Mademoiselle, the Nude, is permitted to cut her antics and demoralize the youth of those cities. What care we for that? Because the officers of those cities do not enforce their laws, does that excuse ours for neglect? If they do wrong, shall ours, therefore, not do right? Every man knows that tons of publications more decent than these play-bills have been burned by the officers of the law; and that pictures far less sinful are prohibited from passing through the mails. We thank God that New York has a society for the suppression of vice and immorality; and we are grateful that the officers of the law in larger cities are being taught to enforce statutes they thought obsolete; and hope that the day will soon come when public sentiment will forbid such infamous pictures as those which in Galveston have been put under the eyes of decent people; and that people who present such performances as those mentioned, and many others, will be sent to the common jail, where many better people have been sent for less repulsive conduct. If any Christian man or woman asks: "Is the theatre a lawful place for a follower of the pure religion of Jesus?" we point him or her to the fences and dead walls of our city for a pictorial answer!

ARE THEY WISE?

Of the four hundred and eighty-eight students at Heidelberg, Germany, this year, thirty-nine are from the United States. We will guarantee that these same thirty-nine will not be a whit better qualified for the positions to which they aspire than the same number of students who will graduate, not in our first-class, but in our average American colleges. If there were superior advantages abroad, there would be some plea for this diversion of patronage from American to foreign institutions. In our estimation, their isolation from American ideas and associations, their withdrawal from personal contact with places and movements connected with the growth of the land at the period that their ideas and characteristics are being shaped, will more than counterbalance all the assumed advantages they will secure.

We will go further, and say the activity of American life, with one-half the scholastic advantages, will better prepare a young man for the station he expects to fill in this part of the world, than the learned professors, the ancient buildings, and the drowsy atmosphere of many of those venerable institutions.

With men of equal culture filling the different chairs, with the same apparatus in the scientific department, with text-books issued from the same houses and prepared by the same authors, there is the advantage of actual association with the minds they must encounter in the coming conflicts of life, and familiarity with the thoughts, the plans, the spirit of the people where their lots in life will be cast.

We do not depreciate the advantages which may be derived by those who propose to devote their lives to certain departments, either in literature or science, by months or years spent in supplemental studies in these foreign schools and would not indiscriminately condemn all; but we regard the disposition of a certain class to send their sons abroad under the impression that there is nothing in this country worthy of their position in life or rare intellectual endowments as an expression of that snobbery which often makes Americans abroad objects of ridicule among sensible men.

If there are not actual advantages abroad, there is a positive obligation resting on every man to sustain home institutions. By sending their patronage away, they impair the efficiency of the institutions at home and lessen their ability to render assistance to the less favored young men of the land. A man who looks at the interests of his own child, regardless of the condition of his neighbors, is as essentially selfish as another who seeks personal interest or gratification, regardless of the rights of his fellows.

With certain modifications, all this will apply to those who neglect the schools now in operation in Texas in favor of those in other States.

TAKE NOTICE.—The Columbia, S. C., Register tells of a man on a plantation between Winnsboro and Chester, of that State, who while under the influence of liquor crept into a baling press partially filled with cotton to take a nap. The other hands had been called off to drive a cow from an adjoining field missed their companion on their return, and proceeded to fill up the press and put on the power of the screw. The sensations of the poor fellow inside are not recorded, but those of the men at the press can be imagined, when on rolling the bale from the press they found a coat tail sticking out, and on further examination found the body of their fellow workman crushed to a jelly. We derive two lessons from this incident. The first is, don't get drunk and then go into a half filled cotton press to sleep the drunk off. The second is, don't get drunk.

In addition to the work at the Depot, Philadelphia, under Moody and Sankey, a revival work is going on in many of the Presbyterian churches in that city.

Y. M. C. A. OF HOUSTON.

We see by the Houston papers that the Young Men's Christian Association of that city have leased for fifteen years the vacant lot next to Shearn chapel, on Texas Avenue, and intend placing a building on it for the use of the Association. We commend this zeal on the part of the young men of our sister city to all the Christians of our State. They are taking the lead in this important department of Christian enterprise. We trust their activity will stimulate the working Christians of all our cities and towns to increased activity in the work of the Master. All the churches in Houston should unite in promoting this laudable undertaking. We hope soon to report the Y. M. C. A. of that place comfortably domiciled, and that vacant lot on Texas Avenue occupied by a well appointed building where books and papers, bright lights gleaming on the side walks, kind hands to greet the stranger, and warm hearts to sympathize with the returning prodigal, will make it one of those centres of social, moral and religious influence which will gather around the paths of all the young and old of that city such gracious agencies that none may have cause to say that vice is more active than virtue, or sin more attractive than the religion of Christ.

DEATH OF A TEXAS JOURNALIST.—The death of Mr. Frederick Dietzel, of Galveston, was announced during the week past. Mr. D. was born in Saxony, Theiningen, Germany. He came to Texas in 1856; and in 1858 engaged in the newspaper business—with which he was intimately associated, until 1871; at that time declining health forced his retirement from the editorial chair of the *Texas Post*—(German.)—one of the leading papers of the State. He was known as one possessing many praiseworthy qualities, both as a journalist and in the social circle. His two eldest sons, still proprietors of the *Post*, are worthy successors of their talented father.

ABOUT three years ago, as we learn from the *Watchman and Reflector*, a neat Protestant chapel, with sittings for 350, was built by the Indians of the village Oka, Canada, where there was a large Catholic church. The Indians all became Protestants, leaving the Catholic church nearly empty. The priest representing the seminary of St. Sulpice, a wealthy institution, hunted up an old claim on the ground where the chapel stood, got judgment in its favor, and while the Indians were away hunting, or at work, hired some French Canadians to pull down the chapel and haul it to the premises of the priest for firewood. A telegram from Montreal states that the Protestant Defense Association have employed counsel to prosecute the parties concerned in this affair.

The California Senate by the casting vote of the President adopted a resolution abolishing the office of a chaplain for economical reasons and on the ground that the appointment was not absolutely necessary for the public good, and because it involved the preferment as to religious creeds and fostered a spirit of rivalry and contention between them, lowering the dignity of the ministry to the arena of party politics, destroying the solemnity of prayer by reducing it to a mere formula, and tending to unite church and State.

MAJ. C. H. MALAN held a position in the Allied army, and fought gallantly through the Crimea war. He resigned his commission in the British army to devote himself fully to the work of Christ. He has recently started a new mission among the Kafirs, in South Africa. He has raised about \$6,000 for the new mission, procured the services of two Scotch evangelists, and transferred the work to the United Presbyterians.

REV. ALFONSO A. DUFOUR, formerly a priest of the Catholic Church, was admitted to orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church by Bishop Huntington, of the Diocese of Central New York.

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To the Brethren of the Northwest Texas Conference. This is to say that the Committee to procure advertisements to publish our minutes, have not reported; and the amount of means in hand is not sufficient to secure a first-class job, as Bro. Young informs me. The Committee will please report without delay to Bro. W. C. Young, at Dallas, who has kindly consented to edit the minutes.

NOTICE

To the Preachers of the West Texas Conference. DEAR BROTHERS:—I find that the other conferences in Texas have resolved that each preacher shall raise Ten Currency Dollars for the Southwestern University. The West Texas Conference did not pass such resolutions, because the subject was not presented in that shape. I hope, however, that we shall not be behind in any good work. And I therefore earnestly request you, my brethren, each to raise ten dollars for our university. We are trying to build a house for our regent and it is important that we have money soon. Will you collect this amount as soon as possible, and remit it to me at San Antonio, Texas, either by Postoffice Money Order, or Registered Letter. JOHN W. DEVELLIS, Agent, Southwestern University.

NOTICE

To the Preachers of the East Texas Conference. DEAR BROTHERS:—Please give notice of the following appointments: Augusta, Feb. 2, Grape Land, Feb. 3, Crockett, Feb. 6. I will be pleased to meet the Pastors at any and all of these appointments, especially the officers, teachers, pupils and friends of Sabbath-schools. Expect to have books on hand to supply demands; but should persons wish books I have not, please have your orders made out. I have arrangements with Dr. Redford to furnish all the books needed. D. M. STOVALL, Sunday-school agent, East Texas Conference.

For an Irritated Throat, Cough, or Cold, "Brewer's Bronchial Troches" are offered with the fullest confidence in their efficacy. They maintain the good reputation they have justly acquired.

Passing Events.

AUSTRIA is putting her army in marching order.

THE Mardi Gras Carnival at Memphis comes off Feb. 28. Last year it did no credit to that city.

LACK of provision at the Red Cloud Agency occasions trouble. The Indian needs a full stomach if he is kept quiet.

GOV. HARTMAN in his message to the Pennsylvania Legislature says something must be done to suppress outbreaks in the mining regions.

BISMARCK sent congratulations to Carlyle on his recent birthday. Power pays homage to brains.

THE right to sell pop corn at the Centennial Exposition has been sold for \$3,000.

By consolidation of the revenue collection districts the number is reduced from 209 to 163 and \$250,000 saved the government.

THE former cashier of Babbitt the soap manufacturer has been arrested for embezzling from his employer the sum of \$600,000.

RECENT gold discoveries in Australia rival those of 1851. A gold bearing quartz reef has been found at the unprecedented depth of 1681 feet.

A GUN has been manufactured at Woolwich, England, having a revolving chamber, and designed to use gun cotton. It weighs thirty-five hundred pounds.

A LITTLE girl in Chicago was poisoned recently by wearing striped stockings. An examination showed they were colored with picric acid, a compound of carbonic and nitric acid—extremely poisonous.

A CENSUS was taken of Germany Dec 1. One day was consumed by the slow Germans in performing the job. It shows in Berlin 961,859 inhabitants; Hamburg has 385,859; Breslau 237,398; Leipzig 126,412. In each one a decided increase since 1871.

THE papers do not mention the Prince of Wales' tour through the East in terms of approbation. His vulgar tastes crop out at every point to the disgust of right thinking people.

MRS. JOHNSON widow of the late President Johnson is dead.

THIS year will have three hundred and sixty-six days, fifty-three Sundays and four eclipses.

A GENERAL CONVENTION of the Fenian Brotherhood of the United States is to meet in New York the 27th of this month.

MR. WALKER the Statistician of the Produce Exchange, New York, reports the grain business has decreased one-fourth the past year.

THE actual reduction determined on in the expenses of the National government for the coming fiscal year amounts to \$33,166,000.

MOODY AND SANKEY are expected to begin their work in New York in February.

AN ordinance has been adopted in New York city authorizing the police justices to kill every dog that barks or fine the owner five dollars. Dogs that do not bark are in demand.

GOV. RICE of Massachusetts in his message declared the prohibiting law a failure in every respect.

SEVERAL members of the Texas Delegation called on President Grant to urge protection of the Rio Grande frontier against Mexican raiders. He said that the army was too small to afford it.

JULES DE MOHL the Oriental scholar and member of the French Institute is dead.

SOUTHERN Russia is looking for a market for her wheat, and there is great stagnation in the grain trade in that quarter. At the same time an advance in the European bread-stuff market is expected.

KING ALFONSO has ordered the Spanish Cortes to meet the 15th of February.

THE Pope is to confer the cross of St. Gregory the Great on the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

THE Ashantees are again giving Great Britain trouble. A large body of troops has been sent from Cape Coast to the interior.

ON the peace footing Germany is maintaining an army of 401,659 men, exclusive of seventeen battalions of military train.

A BELIEF that the end of the world is near at hand has seized the Cossacks of the Don. Many, especially among the old people, have given up their worldly affairs, are wearing shrouds and are ordering their coffins. On every road men are met repairing to Moscow to be consecrated priests, that the smallest village when the last day comes may be found with its priest and church.

GEORGE BANCROFT the historian takes his morning ride daily in fine weather in Washington, notwithstanding his advanced age.

THE health of Hon. Alexander H. Stephens was not improved at last accounts.

Texas Matters.

DENISON is soon to have one mile of gas mains.

PORK sold for eight cents per pound in Bee county.

A GENTLEMAN near Weatherford killed five shoats, which were only eight months and thirteen days old, which averaged 250 pounds each.

THE scarlet fever is reported at Brenham.

THE contractors, to build the bridge over the Guadalupe, have reached Kingsbury with the material for the bridge which will soon be put in position.

IN Camp and Upshur counties there is cotton yet unpicked and a great deal in the gin houses yet unginned.

ONLY three deaths were reported in the beautiful city of Marshall, in the month of December, out of a population of nearly 5000.

A THIRTY acre farm, one mile from Sherman, was sold the other day for \$2000.

LARGE droves of hogs are on the way from Northeastern Texas to the St. Louis slaughter houses.

THE Corpus Christi Times urges the establishment of tanneries in Western Texas. The mesquit, it claims, provides the best material for tanning leather known. There is an abundance of it in Western Texas.

TWENTY families from Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, have decided to settle in Bell county. Such immigrants are welcome. They bring thrift and industry.

THE Dallas corn mills are manufacturing hominy flour, and Graham flour and propose to compete with St. Louis. Encourage home manufactories.

A HOG, of the Chester variety, killed by Mr. Baty, in Freestone county, measured, in length, six feet one inch, girth the same; and weighed, when dressed, five hundred and twenty pounds.

A GENTLEMAN, in Grayson, recently killed a cow which he took the body of a dead calf with two distinct heads, two tails, and two viscera.

IT snowed in the region of Jacksboro last week.

CORN fed pork, in Rusk county, sold for eight cents per pound.

IN the same (Wood) county, another farmer made fourteen bales of cotton, of upwards of 500 each, on eight acres of land.

ONE night last week two masked men, and another with a blackened face, entered the store of Mr. Clark, of Belknap, and with pistols presented, demanded his money. He threw them what he had, about \$200, and while they were securing it, Mr. C. blew out the light, run out of the house, gave the alarm, and crowded the robbers so closely that they escaped with only about \$30, which they grabbed up in the dark before they took to their heels.

THERE are vexatious delays, and irregularities in the mails at certain points on leading routes. They are often damaging to business men, and a constant annoyance to subscribers and publishers.

DALLAS Waterworks Company has been organized, will get supplies from the river, and lay down large mains in the populous portions of the city, and extend as demand increases.

PROSPECTS of a good wheat crop in Ellis county makes the people of that section feel comfortable.

CLAY county, according to a sketch furnished by the Cambridge Northwest, is a prosperous section of our growing frontier. This county has been organized two years and has now a firm and growing population, good society, churches, Sunday-schools, etc. The soil is a deep rich red sandy loam, health good, water plenty; though a prairie country, there is enough timber to meet the wants of farmers. Good prairie land can be bought from \$1 to \$5 per acre.

IN DeWitt county good Guadalupe bottom land can be bought from \$5 to \$10 per acre, and prairie land from \$1 to \$1 50 per acre. Lumber is abundant, and the country well watered. The land produces cotton and corn abundantly, and is well adapted to the stock business. Schools and churches are numerous in the towns and large neighborhoods.

THE Expositor says radishes and lettuce are on the table daily in many houses in Hill county. Wheat looks splendid.

MISS CHARLOTTE MARIA TUCKER, the A. L. O. E., of Sunday-school literature, is going out to India as a Zenana laborer. She will be employed by the Indian Female Normal Society. It has lessons among the women of India as attractive as her books for young people, she will reap another harvest before her life closes.

THERE are about 100,000 colored Baptists in Georgia.

Scientific.

THE hydraulic ram is especially useful where there is a small stream of water and only a slight fall. A fall of two feet, and a flow of one and a half cubic feet of water—92 3/4 lbs.—per minute, will deliver .01 of a cubic foot of water per minute at a height of 38 feet.

HERR R. WEBER has been making experiments on the effects of colored lights on germination and on growing plants. He found that germination took place the soonest under the darkest glasses, while the amount of mineral substances the plants contained was found to depend on the color of the light. Calcium, for instance, was most freely absorbed under the influence of the rays transmitted by the blue and violet glasses; the absorption of phosphorus, on the contrary, was greatest under the yellow and red glasses.

MR. D. P. Penhollow, of Amherst College, gives in The Scientific Farmer some account of the growth of a squash. The squash grew in a box placed on a platform scale, and the weight taken morning, noon and night. It was found that the growth occurred mostly at night, unless the atmosphere of the day time was moist. Three-fourths of the growth was at night. The Rev. L. J. Templin, of Union City, Indiana, has recently contributed a set of similar facts to the Gardener's Monthly in connection with Indian Corn. The growth here was mainly at night.

MAGNETIZATION OF STEEL.—The magnetic strata are limited to a certain thickness, which they can never exceed. This limit varies in different steels. It is very great in those which are soft, and diminishes as the proportion of carbon augments and as the temper is harder. For certain bars which the author has studied it is .0m 4; but he has specimens where it is below 1-10 m.m. The latter only received what might be called a superficial magnetic coating, the thickness of which it is not possible to augment by increasing the intensity of the current. But if the depth of the magnetization diminishes along with the magnetic-conductibility, the intensity of the magnetism increases. It follows that the quantity of magnetism is subject to two causes of inverse variation—the depth which increases, and the intensity which lessens, as the conductivity increases.

THE SAND BLAST.—As the age of invention and improvement moves on we are occasionally surprised by the simplicity of the means contrived for producing wonderful results. Such was our feeling when our attention was first called to the beautiful and delicate engraving on glass, done simply by throwing sand against it. We copy from an exchange this statement of its workings: The practical value of that wonderful invention, the sand-blast, has now been demonstrated in such a variety of methods and applications as to admit of no doubt in regard to its permanent place in operative mechanics. It produces on glass the finest steel engravings, it carves the most delicate designs on cut glass, it engraves cameos, and it does in five minutes work which takes the most industrious stone-cutter hours to accomplish—solid granite and marble dissolving before it quicker than snow melts in a hot sun. And all this the result of the simple principle that sand will act on the surface of glass and other minerals, but not upon any vegetable or animal substance; so when a surface of glass or stone is partly covered with paper, cloth, leather, grease or ink, the sand will fall harmlessly away from the paper, etc., but will eat into the mineral as certain acids eat into steel.

EMORY COLLEGE.—This institution is located at Oxford, Georgia. It is safe to assert that it is unsurpassed in its educational facilities. There are many of our citizens who will send their sons abroad for education—despite all we can say in favor of home institutions. Of such we call attention to the merits of Emory College. Being situated upon the granite ridge, pestilence and epidemics are impossible, and it gives assurance of the physical strength so necessary to proper mental training. No bar-rooms or gambling dens allowed. Oxford being "elegant but plain," there are no inducements for outside extravagances. The faculty is full and composed of experienced teachers. Of Dr. Haygood, the president, it is unnecessary to speak in terms of praise, as he is too well known to need our indorsement. Send for catalogue, etc., to Oxford.

LAST year 50,000 copies of the Bible were sold in Spain. In Portugal the sales have amounted to 8000 copies.

FOUR thousand Cubans have found a refuge at Key West. The Southern Methodist Church has established a mission among them which promises to be a great success.

WE MUST ALL DIE!

This is a sad fact, and it behoves us to be prepared to die right when the time comes. Few of us expect it until old age overtakes us and admonishes us with grey hairs that the time has arrived when we must die. Then we look around to find out the best way. We will tell you. Use no other dye than Dr. Tuttt's, and you will dye right. Your grey hairs will disappear like magic, and in their place you will have glossy, black whiskers, moustache and hair—a perfect imitation of nature, so natural that it can not be detected, and your dyeing expenses will be but one dollar.

CISTERN.—All parties desiring cisterns should bear three things in view, to-wit: cheapness in price, substantial workmanship, and good quality of the material out of which the cistern is constructed. The advertisement of R. B. Garnett Esq., cistern builder, was presented to our readers last week—and will be found elsewhere in this issue. We speak from personal experience when we say Mr. G's cisterns comprehend the above three leading features. Write to him at Galveston.

AN agent of the British and Foreign Bible Society is stationed at Tiflis, a city in that portion of Russia, South of the Caucasian Mountains, and bordering on Asiatic, Turkey and Persia. He is selling Bibles at the rate of 9,000 per year. In one town, of their works he sold 700 copies. The people are eager for the Word of Life.

THE receipts of the American Bible Society during the past year have been nearly \$600,000, and it has issued nearly 1,000,000 copies of the Scriptures. During the fifty-nine years of its existence it has scattered over 32,000,000 Bibles.

REV. WM. E. McLAREN was consecrated Bishop of Illinois, December 8th.

THE American Tract Society since 1830 has distributed over 40,000,000 tracts.

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GOOD NEWS! It will be cheering news to many of our gentlemen readers to hear that the Island City can justly boast of a second Moody in the person of Mr. J. B. George, the well known dealer in men's furnishing goods, 65 Market street. Mr. George is fully conversant with the wants of patrons in the shirt line. He is manufacturing all the various styles of shirts, and is thus enabled to guarantee perfect satisfaction. We have examined the various styles of shirts made by Mr. George, and cheerfully pronounce them equal to shirts manufactured in any Eastern or Northern city. Shirts made by Mr. George are elegant in cut and finish, and manufactured of the finest material. We take pleasure in stating that Mr. G. keeps constantly on hand a full assortment of all the latest novelties in men's furnishing goods. Orders from the interior promptly and carefully filled, and forwarded by express to any portion of the State.

WATER FASHIONS. Our lady readers should immediately avail themselves of this favorable opportunity for procuring the celebrated Butterick's fashions for the winter of 1875-76. By addressing Ira Godfrey, Jr., 153 Market street, Galveston, you will receive by return mail an illustrated catalogue containing hundreds of the latest patterns, comprising every kind of garment worn by ladies, misses, girls, little children and infants. We commend this little book to our lady friends, as it will prove both invaluable and instructive. Every dressmaker, and all those who prefer making their own garments, should immediately apply to Mr. G. for one of these books.

MESSES. J. E. LANDEGREN & Co., late of Jasper, Jasper county, Texas, have purchased the well known and elegantly stocked drug store, lately presided over by T. E. Gilbert, known as the Girardin House Drug Store, corner of Market and 24th streets. These gentlemen will be sure to maintain the reliability and good standing this store has enjoyed during past years. This pharmacy is supplied with one of the largest and most complete stocks of drugs, patent medicines, imported perfumery, soaps, toilet articles, etc., to be found in the city. The well known prescription clerk, Mr. J. S. McElwee, is retained by the present firm; this gentleman is always on hand to attend to the wants of patrons.

VISITORS to the city will see one of the most varied assortments of jewelry and watches to be found in the State, by calling at the establishment of L. Rouvant, No. 113 Market street, next door to the News office. Mr. Rouvant, being a practical watchmaker, warrants every watch sold (or repaired) by him to be as represented.

Quarterly Meeting Appointments.

COLUMBUS DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Columbus and Osage, at Columbus, Feb. 5, 6. Navarro, at Live Oak, Feb. 12, 13. Lagrange sta., Feb. 19, 20. Oso, at Flatonia, Feb. 26, 27. Matagorda, at Calves, March 4, 5. Richmond and Eagle Lake, at Richmond, March 11, 12. A. L. P. GREEN, P. E.

HUNTSVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Huntsville, at Madisonville, Feb. 5, 6. Huntsville, Feb. 12, 13. Huntsville, at Martha Chapel, Feb. 19, 20. Wills, at Wills, Feb. 26, 27. Cold Springs, at Cold Springs, March 4, 5. Prairie Plains, at San Joaquin, March 26, 27. J. M. WELSON, P. E.

PALESTINE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Kickapoo, at Saxon, Feb. 5, 6. Bask and Jacksonville, at Bask, Feb. 12, 13. Athens, at Athens, Feb. 19, 20. Trinity, Feb. 26, 27. Florence, at Abil, March 4, 5. Palestine, at Palestine, March 11, 12. JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Springtown, Feb. 12, 13. Cartersville, Feb. 19, 20. Weatherford sta., Feb. 26, 27. Weatherford, Feb. 26, 27. Cleburne, at Cleburne, March 4, 5. Cleburne, at Cleburne, March 11, 12. Gadsden, at Gadsden, March 26, 27. W. G. YOUNG, P. E.

BEAUMONT DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Beaumont, at Beaumont, Feb. 5, 6. Liberty, at Liberty, Feb. 12, 13. E. L. ALBERTSON, P. E.

MARSHALL DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Marshall, Feb. 5, 6. Marshall, Feb. 12, 13. Harrison, at Wills' Chapel, Feb. 19, 20. Elysian Fields, at Elysian Fields, Feb. 26, 27. Levisa, at Levisa, March 4, 5. R. S. FINLEY, P. E.

WACO DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Mount Vernon, at Waco, Feb. 5, 6. Covert and Beards, at Covert, Feb. 12, 13. Owensville, at Owensville, Feb. 19, 20. Waco, at Waco, Feb. 26, 27. The District Stewards will meet at Beaumont on Friday, Jan. 7. W. G. COCHRAN, P. E.

SHERMAN DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Dexter, at Dexter, Feb. 5, 6. Pilot Point, at Pilot Point, Feb. 12, 13. Galveston, at Galveston, Feb. 19, 20. J. W. CHALK, P. E.

COMANCHE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. San Saba, at San Saba, Feb. 5, 6. Brownwood, at Brownwood, Feb. 12, 13. P. W. GARVIS, P. E.

WAXAHACHIE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Wesley, Feb. 5, 6. Wheatland, Feb. 12, 13. Waxahachie, at Bethel, Feb. 19, 20. Peoria, at Peoria, Feb. 26, 27. Hillsboro and Ash Creek, Feb. 26, 27. A. DAVIS, P. E.

PARIS DISTRICT.—FIRST ROUND. Ladonia, at Mt. Carmel, Feb. 6. Honey Grove, at Lane's Academy, Feb. 13.

JEFFERSON DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Coffeyville, Feb. 5, 6. Glimmer, Feb. 12, 13. Longview, Feb. 19, 20. J. C. SMITH, P. E.

GAINSVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Henrietta, Feb. 6. Maryville, Feb. 13. W. B. MOSS, P. E.

STEPHENSVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Graham, at Graham City, Feb. 5, 6. Jacksboro, at Jacksboro, Feb. 12, 13. Black Springs, at Black Springs, Feb. 19, 20. J. P. MURPHY, P. E.

CHAPPELL HILL DIST.—FIRST ROUND. Bremen, Feb. 5, 6. Burton, at Union Hill, Feb. 12, 13. S. B. Polite, at San Felipe, Feb. 19, 20. Travis, at Summit, Feb. 26, 27. Chappell Hill, Feb. 26, 27. The District Stewards will please meet me at Bremen on the 5th of February, 1876. Their names are Geo. Fletcher, J. C. Eldridge, T. R. Egan, J. D. Giddings, J. C. Moody, S. M. Murray, Wm. Phillips, J. H. Stevens, J. S. Hankins and J. M. Nichols. J. B. BURK, CLERK. P. E.

COCHISE DIST.—FIRST ROUND. The Land, at Jewett, Feb. 6. Commerce, at Commerce, Feb. 13. Fairfield, at Fairfield, Feb. 20. Palestine, Feb. 27. W. B. HINES, P. E.

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Shall I in slumber sleep each weary sense, Weary with longing—shall I flee away?

Shall I for thee lay on my soul the sin Of casting from me God's great gift of time?

Oh! how, or by what means, may I contrive To bring the hour that brings thee back near?

How may I teach my drooping hope to live Until that blessed time, and thou, art here?

I'll tell thee: for thy sake, I will lay hold Of all good aims, and consecrate to thee.

For thee, I will arouse my thoughts, to try All heavenward flights, all high and holy strains.

For thy dear sake I will walk patiently Through these long hours, nor call their minutes pains.

I will up this dreary blank of absence make A noble task-time, and will therein strive To follow excellence, and to overtake

More good than I have won since yet I live, So may this doomed time build up in me A thousand graces which shall thus be thine.

So may my love, and longing inflow'd be, And thy dear thought an influence divine.

Correspondence.

The Centennial Year.

BY E. T. KAVANAUGH.

Number 1.

Mr. Editor.—We are taught to so number our days as to apply our hearts unto wisdom. The introduction of a new year is suggestive of the flight of time and the progress of events.

It is gratifying to an old mariner, who has been drifting on the Sea of Life, in a voyage of more than three score years and ten, to realize the fact that amid all the storms and tempests to which he has been exposed, his trusty bark is still afloat with bright prospects of a safe and quiet entrance into a peaceful haven on the borders of a celestial clime.

But I took my pencil to indulge in a few reflections upon the introduction of the CENTENNIAL YEAR.

Of our National Independence. If other new years call for serious reflection, surely this hundredth birthday of our nation should deeply impress us, and bring up in the memory a careful review of the great events that have marked the history of the century that is about to close.

I was born in Louisville, Ky., in the spring of the year 1805; and of the Independence of the United States the 20th. My life has been a very active one, having been an extensive traveler for more than fifty years.

One hundred years ago the three millions of the people, of what is now the United States, living along the Atlantic coast, scattered from Maine to Georgia, were engaged in a revolutionary war with the most powerful maritime nation on earth.

A hundred years ago this great Western country was scarcely known. A few small French and Spanish settlements had been formed in the midst of the Indian tribes; but none of Anglo-Saxon race had as yet set foot upon the vast region now known as the valley of the Mississippi, except Daniel Boone and a few roving hunters who ventured out in 1775.

At the close of the revolutionary war, bad as was the condition of the country in a civil and national point of view, the moral and religious con-

dition was still worse—for all wars are demoralizing. Infidelity, under the teaching and influence of Thomas Paine, had taken deep root in the minds of a large number of the leading men of the country.

In 1787 the State of Virginia ceded all her western lands North of the Ohio river and east of the Mississippi to the United States, out of which the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin have been formed.

In the Fall of 1800 a very extraordinary revival of religion broke out near the line between Kentucky and Tennessee, under the ministry of two brothers, by the name of McGee, one a Methodist and the other a Presbyterian.

This great revival spread South into Tennessee, and extended North into the Northern part of Kentucky and continued, without abatement, for three years. At Cane Ridge, in Bourbon county, in 1801, one of these meetings was held which lasted thirty days.

This great revival, attended by such extraordinary demonstrations of Divine power, in the judgment of the great men of the Church of that day has been regarded as in a great degree miraculous, and formed the turning point which rescued the country from the prevalence of infidelity and gave to the church a basis upon which its subsequent prosperity greatly depended.

From 1812 to 1815, the whole Western country was greatly disturbed by the war with Great Britain; and until that was over, the church in the United States was not ready to enter upon the great evangelical enterprises which commenced in 1816 in the organization of the American Bible Society, and other like schemes.

HOUSTON, JAN., 1876.

The Scriptures. The unity of design which appears in the dispensations recorded in the Scriptures is a proof of their divinity.

Man is selfish, and had he been left to form his own views of the deity, he must have imagined Him selfish like himself. Man naturally aims at his own interests only, and labors to make all things bend to his own advancement and enjoyment.

Man, when under the influence of kind feelings, is partial. His views are confined to his own family, or to his own friends. If they spread further, they reach only to his town, or class, or country. He has no idea of bringing all mankind under the influence of one system, to the possession of the same character, and the enjoyment of the same blessings.

a plan for bringing all tribes and all classes into one vast brotherhood. There are no traces of such a thought having ever entered into the mind of any of the great men among the Gentiles.

No nation ever entertained the idea of blessing the world. In their commerce, in their attention to literature; in their schemes of conquest and colonization, they had no such object as the improvement and happiness of the world.

No one will suffer from the time that man was created to the period that the Book of Revelation was completed, we have one God before us, and one grand scheme. We see the tenderness of the divine regard in the creation of man.

The distinctions of Jews and Gentiles are done away; the peculiar ordinances of Judaism, which tended to keep the Jews a separate people, are abolished; and one law of universal benevolence and spiritual piety is enjoined upon all men.

Such a system could not originate with man in any age; but that it should have originated in the darkest and rudest ages of the world is still more impossible. The most enlightened men of the present day are only just beginning to understand the excellency of this system, which was first unfolded amidst the barbarous and savage times of a remote antiquity.

Suggestive and Reflective.

HELENA, JAN. 15, 1876. Mr. Editor.—I am now out in my work; and while I am presenting the claims of the Southwestern University I am not forgetting the Advocate.

There are some things that astonish me; and some things which do not. One of the astonishing things is that so few members of our church take the Advocate. I was in one little town recently, where there is a large membership, where a Conference was held a few years ago, and the pastor told me that no Advocate came there, except those sent to preachers.

Well, I was not astonished that some of those members asked me what field of labor I occupied; and when I announced in the audience the object of my visit, they looked scared. Some of them did not know that we had a University at Georgetown at all; and after pressing the claim I was not much astonished to find out that not one nickel could be spared from that people to aid our great enterprise.

Open the paper before the audience, read the column-headings. Such as: The Outlook, Our Magazines, Literary Notes, Sunday-schools, Household, Omnibus, The Correspondence, The Obituary department, Selections, Texas Matters, Passing Events, etc.

Mr. Editor, if you give these thoughts and suggestions a place in your columns, you will hear from me again on matters pertaining to my special work.

JOHN W. D'VILBIS.

LIBERTY, LIBERTY COUNTY, TEXAS, JAN. 17: Mr. Editor.—The Advocate has a few warm friends and true-hearted patrons in this section of the country, in whose affections it ever finds a place, and by whom it is read, loved and highly appreciated.

I hope the Lord may throw around you His mighty arm of protection, and hold over you His banner of love while you wield the mighty sword of justice and truth against those soul-destroying evils.

I am glad to see so many of the brethren rallying to your assistance; this is needful under such circumstances, for you know it was only when 'Moses' hands were held up that Israel prevailed, and while you are engaged in this grand and good work I hope it may not stop with you; but that every religious press may take an active part in the overthrow, and entire obliteration of those foul shrines of Baalzebub, or open chasms to the lower courts of hell.

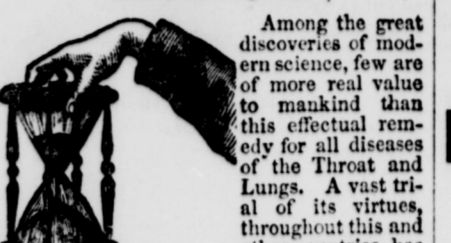
It is an every day occurrence; we don't have to go to Washington City, to New York; nor to the more populous cities of the old world; but it comes right under our own observation, in our towns, villages; and even in the family circle, the cards, dice, and tipping glass are brought forth on all occasions—the visitor is invited to the side table; the vile stuff is poured out; glasses are tipped for luck; and they drink down the venomous poison, exciting the nerves, firing the brain, and chilling the soul; and now, all seated around the table, the cards are brought out—'Come, one and all, lets have a game of poker or seven-up.' What? the children too? Yes, as soon as the little ones can lip the name of mamma and papa they are taught to dance, play cards, etc.

Then let every church paper and preacher denounce this great evil that is bringing such a curse on our fair land—and hurl the anathemas of gospel truth like thunderbolts from press and pulpit, till the vital principles of Christianity are established in every family and country; till love, joy and peace like a sea of glory 'shall roll from pole to pole.' Many friends and admirers of the Advocate taking no other paper desire you to place the weekly review of the cotton market in your paper; they say this is all that is needful to make it the best paper published in the South.

BEAUMONT, TEXAS, JAN. 10: Mr. Editor.—'Owing to unavoidable circumstances, I did not reach my work here until two days ago. I will, to my utmost ability, try to stimulate all to the great importance of reading and circulating the Advocate, and I hope, ere long, to be able to send you quite a list of subscribers. I will do all I can to promote its circulation. I know, as yet, but little about the status of my field of labor.

At Beaumont, the people are eager for preaching, and seem to be interested in the cause of christianity and its promotion. Pray, brother, for us in Jefferson county.—PINCKNEY J. WALDREP.

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The Sunday School

If the figure-head of a vessel were lost in mid ocean, the *Sunday Guest* remarks that the ship would be just as safe and as useful; and then it intimates that some teachers are figure-heads!

The promotion of a class enthusiasm should be a constant aim of the teacher. In many cases such an interest has been begotten and developed that pupils have grown into manhood or womanhood under the same teacher, loving the old class name, the old class motto, and all which ever transpired in its history. A good organization and untiring wisdom and zeal are primal elements in this achievement.

The *Congregationalist* makes the following sensible comment, which we commend to presidents, professors, and educational societies, which to so great an extent determine the character of the ministers we get: "There is room for more 'children's ministers,' if by such are meant ministers who remember that they have children in their parishes and minister accordingly, both in public and private."

It is the opinion of Dr. Crosby that "if children are not pleased with our instruction in the Sabbath-school it is because we are not proper instructors," and that "there must be something wrong in our methods if we cannot represent to the young heart in a delightful manner this grandest of all truths." The Dr. is right. And voluntary and not compelled, attention, is the only real pathway to the heart.

The *Presbyterian at Work* gives a valuable article on normal-class work, from the pen of Rev. R. S. Green. The two questions which follow we repeat, for the sake of emphasis and commendation:

"1. Is the normal class desirable in every school? Yes. We think it important to have skilled teachers to tell our children how to 'do sums' and compute interest. Of how much greater importance is it that they have skilled teachers to tell them how to solve the problem of life and lay up treasures in Heaven!"

"2. Is the normal class practicable in every school? Yes. If your pastor has no interest in the matter, labor with him. If he feels that he cannot do it, get some one else to lead. If other teachers will not come in, be a normal class yourself. 'Search the Scriptures'; then seek to know the best methods of telling a class what you have found."

House and Farm.

To prevent moths in carpets wash the floor before laying them, with spirits of turpentine of benzine.

Equal quantities of pulverized alum and common salt inserted with a little cotton in the hollow aching tooth will give relief.

CASTOR oil applied to corns after peeling, not trimming, off the horny excrescence softens the corn and makes it as the other flesh.

The best way to enjoy things is to use them, and thus get the worth of your money. There is no sense in gorgeous parlors kept in darkness.

SAUSAGE.—Good sausage can be made better by mixing thoroughly one teaspoon of Indian meal to four pounds of sausage. Mix only enough to last four or five days at a time, as it might sour.

To clean carved furniture, use a paint-brush dipped in kerosene oil. It will remove all dust from cracks, and make the furniture look like new. To get rid of the smell of the oil, keep the windows open for an hour or two.

An experienced cook says: Never boil dry codfish; it gets harder by boiling. Soak in cold water until soft; just bring to a boil; pour off the water; add milk and butter. Yellow-cast codfish is better than white.

To make cold tea, take one ounce of fine Oolong tea, one quart of water, draw in a china vessel; after drawing, cool; when cool squeeze in one large lemon, then sweeten to suit the taste. This is a capital beverage to allay thirst.

A GERMAN scientific journal recommends laundresses to use hypsulphite of soda in place of common washing soda. It does not attack the fabric in any way, and at the same time exerts some bleaching actions which greatly improve the appearance of linen and calicoes.

Do not be afraid of sunlight. Florence Nightingale contends that a dark house is always an unhealthy house, always an ill aired house, always a dirty house. Want of light stops growth, and promotes scrofula, rickets, etc., among children. People lose their health in a dark house, and if they get ill, they cannot get well again in it. Light and air cost nothing. We can hardly have too much of either.

Omnibus.

THE footsteps of fortune are slippery.

PROPERTY ill acquired is in general ill expended.

A FLATTERING or seductive speech is honied poison.

MALICE is a mean and deceitful engine of mischief.

THERE is a Latin proverb, that "An evil-speaker differs only from an evil-doer in opportunity."

My enjoyments are abridged, but it is a great consolation not to owe money to others.

HE who swears to obtain credence, does not know how even to counterfeit the man of worth.

GOOD prayers never come weeping home. I am sure I shall receive either what I ask or what I should ask.

We cannot, dare not, ask God to love a saint better than He does—even for one's self it is an ungodly prayer—infinite cannot be added to.

BLESSED is he who learns to profit by his wants and infirmities, and who, in all the privation he endures, is still submissive to the will of God.

A GREAT nature reveals itself less by its escapes than by its recoveries, as sickness shows the native vigor of the constitution.

THE path of the believer is always new. Among the thousands and millions who have gone before, not one treads in the path of another.

DR. ADAM CLARKE, the celebrated commentator, said: "Strong drink is not only the devil's way into a man, but man's way to the devil."

It is an unspeakable mercy when the soul seems to see all those perfections, once a brazen wall to keep him out, now a brazen wall to keep him safe.

THEODORE CYLER well says that the world's worst want today is more Christ-like men and women; the preaching it needs is sermons in shoes.

"My son," said an old man, "be ware of prejudices. They are like rats, and men's minds are like traps; prejudices get in easily, but it is doubtful if they ever get out."

WHENEVER you perceive that you have a disrelish for spiritual food—for prayer, and for reading and pondering God's Word—be alarmed, for your spiritual life is in danger.

"Do you feel that you love Christ?" was asked of an aged and dying Christian. "Better than that," was the reply, "Christ loves me." Rest in Christ's love to you rather than in your love to Him.

In the Christian warfare, to maintain the conflict is to gain the victory. The promise is made to him that endures to the end. The object of our spiritual adversaries is to prevent this. Every day which we are preserved from going back, they sustain a defeat.

Waste Basket.

Two heads are better than one, from a latter's point of view.

A NEW YEAR'S DAY remark: "Happy Centennial! I wish you many of them."

If a man be only true to himself it will be difficult for others to over-reach him.

It is the man with tight boots who talks most violently of the eternal fitness of things.

A GOOD temperance work—removing the bars at the mouth of the Mississippi.

SEEING is not believing. There are many men you see and yet cannot believe.

JOSH BILLINGS says that he will take the stage this winter. Also the railroad cars when they run his way.

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"THE boy at the head of the class will state what were the dark ages of the world." Boy hesitates. "Next, Master Biggs, can you tell me what the dark ages were?" "I guess they were the ages before spectacles were invented."

"WHAT can you say of the second law of thoughts?" Student: "It cannot both be and not be. For example, the door over there must be either shut or open."

"Give another illustration." Student: "Well, take the case of another door."

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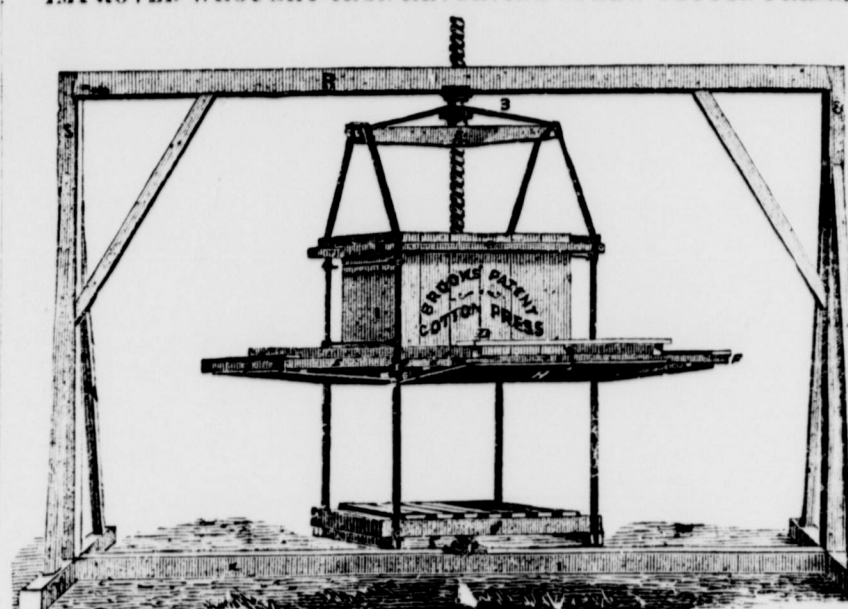
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Jan. 27.—T. W. Hines, M. C. Blackburn, O. Fisher, W. T. Graves, D. S. Watkins, J. W. Brock, J. L. Leslie, W. L. Harris, J. W. Johnson.

Good Words.

FROM Bro. J. S. Mathis, Henderson, Jan. 12: "And still I am at work for you and the precious ADVOCATE. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon and abide with you in your noble and glorious work."

FROM Bro. G. W. Swafford, Fairfield, Jan. 18: "Where the ADVOCATE is read on the Fairfield circuit it seems to be appreciated more and more every number. Hope to be able to send you many subscribers this year."

FROM Bro. J. L. Lemons, Long Point, Jan. 20: "I find but few copies of the ADVOCATE on the Boston circuit. If I do not send you a good list of subscribers before the year is out, it will not be my fault."

FROM Bro. O. M. Addison, Glen rose, Jan. 20: "I have admired and commended your course with regard to the gamblers of Galveston very highly; and from the first I determined to tell you so, but so many have written that, as I had been prevented at first from giving you my encouragement, I thought it might look as if I were only joining in the popular cry; but as I am not given to this style, you will understand me, I hope, and take whatever encouragement the cheering words one humble fellow-laborer can offer."

FROM Bro. M. C. Blackburn, Paris, Texas, Jan. 22: "I am requested; by J. W. Fulton, mayor of our city, to say to you that he endorses all you have said about his namesake and the 'gambling hell' of Galveston; but, at the same time, he is not so much dissatisfied with the name as to desire to have it changed to J. W. Tutton as you have it on your books; so you will please correct the address."

FROM Dr. J. L. Leslie, Van Alstyne, Jan. 25: "Let me congratulate you upon the great improvement of the ADVOCATE during the past few months; and I do hope that our preachers will talk ADVOCATE to our people until it will find its way into every Methodist family in Texas; then we will have much less complaint about meeting the preachers' claims, etc. Did you ever know a subscriber to the ADVOCATE who was not liberal in the support of the ministry and church? The support of the church is always in proportion to our religious enjoyment. I always have been a subscriber to the ADVOCATE, always expect to be and hope my children will always be."

FROM Bro. H. V. Philpott, Austin, Jan. 24: "Your man who signs with a 'dagger' does plain talking; and the author of 'Social Evils' is at the right point. I have preached about just such matters as H. M. Booth has in your last issue until I came near hurting myself in my station; and I have gone on the streets and into parlors insisting that the dance is a licentious revel wholly in violation of modesty and destructive to the finer sensibilities of our natures. * * * I regard Mardi-gras, Queen Mab, Comus and Momus, etc., etc., with all their retinues, as almost unequalled for mischief—because the spirit of dissipation is fostered wholesale; broadcast: everybody goes into it. The theatre even, under tolerable circumstances, is fine in comparison. I am starting out with earnest longings for a fuller redemption—for holiness in all manner of life and conversation."

FROM Bro. E. P. Rogers, Jack sonville, Jan. 16.—"The first quarterly conference of my circuit is over. I have a little money, and such a Methodist appetite, I can't do without the ADVOCATE. I would rather do without eating one day every week during the year. It thriveses sin and exposes and reproves sinners in high places and low, and upholds righteousness. It is the very thing we need and must have. So renew my subscription, and I will try to get you some subscribers on my new work."

THE London city mission employs four missionaries among the German, one among the Dutch, two among the Italians, one among the French, and one among the Orientals, who are always found in numbers in that great city.

News Items.

WASHINGTON.

THE Mexican Border Committee, at its meeting the 19th, voted to address the Secretary of War a letter asking if, with the troops now available, he could detail such forces as the committee deems necessary to protect citizens there. Two regiments of white cavalry, and sufficient infantry to garrison important posts along the line, is what the committee thinks necessary. Capt. McNelly, and prominent citizens of Brownsville, have been before the committee.

MR. REAGAN'S speech on the Centennial bill 19th, is highly commended.

AMONG the eulogies pronounced on the Vice-President, that of Mr. Knott, of Kentucky, was regarded as the most appropriate and eloquent.

RECEIPTS for fiscal year show, from internal revenue, 64½ millions; customs 84½ millions.

IN the House a resolution was adopted calling for correspondence with European nations regarding Cuba.

ON the 24th, Capt. McNelly, Judge McCampbell and Col. Lott were examined by the Special Border Committee respecting the character and extent of the Mexican raid across the Rio Grande, the disposition of the Mexican Government towards the outlaws; and what was necessary to end these outrages. Evidence of citizens of Texas was taken.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ON the 18th, Beck was elected to the United States Senate from Kentucky.

THE State debt of Alabama appears, from the investigation of commissioners, to be \$10,000,000.

A COAL-OIL lamp explosion, at Apollo, Pa., the 20th, caused a fire, destroying forty buildings, valued at \$50,000.

AUTHER P. DEVLEN lectured at Dover, N. H., on Romanism in America, and was assailed by the infuriated Catholics, was chased in to a drug store which was assailed with bricks. The Mayor read the riot act, and the police used pistols and succeeded in rescuing the lecturer.

CHARLES O'CONNOR is considered out of danger.

SEVEN heifers, purchased in Kentucky at a cost of \$35,000, have reached Jersey city. They are of the breed known as the "Rose of Sharon," and are bought for persons in England, to whom they will be shipped.

THE report of Capt. Eads shows progress with his jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi, with encouraging prospects of success.

A MICHIGAN auctioneer, while crying "going, going, gone," dropped dead as he uttered the last word.

THE Roman Catholic Bishop, of Albany, McNiery, has ordered the priests of his diocese, to refuse absolution to all Catholics who indulge in "round" dances.

GEO. H. PENDLETON was serenaded at Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22, and addressed an immense concourse from the Pendleton house.

A FIRE at Nashville, on Market street, Jan. 22d, destroyed property valued at \$75,000.

FOREIGN.

THE police have discovered that Thomassen, author of the dynamite tragedy, on 1861, scuttled a ship on which he had \$24,000 insurance.

ON the 18th, a Turkish battalion was routed between Rugusa and Tribing, with a number of three hundred killed, and many wounded, and the survivors were surrounded.

THE Archbishop of Cologne, has taken refuge in Holland.

IN France the Conservatives have carried fifty of sixty departments.

VICTOR HUGO has issued an address to the Senatorial delegates for Paris and France, asking them to found a democracy which will end foreign wars, by arbitration; civil war, by amnesty; and distress, by education.

IT was reported at Rome, January 22d, that the Porte has unofficially accepted Andrassy's note.

ASIA MINOR complains loudly of heavy taxation.

IN the foreign missionary work the Irish Presbyterians have eighteen missionaries employed, one of whom is a physician. Of these, five are on the Continent of Europe, one is at Damascus, one in India, and two in China.

THE widow of Rev. William Livezy is filling the pulpit in Braintree, made vacant by the death of her husband.

THE Trustees of Princeton College sustain the faculty in their action against secret societies, and refuse to change the law forbidding students to belong to them.

SEEDS soaked in weak camphor water will sprout and grow vigorously, when the same seeds, not thus treated, will refuse to show any signs whatever of vitality.

AN English life insurance company has kept a record of the difference of mortality between teetotalers and moderate drinkers, and ascertained that the mortality of the former class was twenty-six and a half per cent. less than among the latter.

THE Irish Presbyterian Church reports 5 synods, 37 presbyteries, 634 ministers, 550 pastors, 559 congregations, 109,336 members. The average salary of preachers is \$873, and only two or three ministers in the whole church are paid less than \$600 a year.

Commercial.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

THE movements in the cotton market have undergone no changes from those that have characterized them since the beginning of the year. Among buyers there is always a disposition to purchase when a choice lot can be had at ruling rates. The supply still continues to be equal to all demand, but as the planting season advances and the attention of farmers becomes more centered in their field work, thus diminishing the quantity of shipments, there can be no doubt that prices will go up. In financial circles there is no appreciable relief from the heavy pressure that has for months been bearing down upon public and private interests of all kinds.

MONETARY.

GOLD.—Closed in New York this evening at 112½. The rate here closes at 114 buying, and 114½ selling.

SILVER.—Rates at the close are 105@106 buying and selling.

EXCHANGE.—Rates continue firm and generally unchanged.

COMMERCIAL.—Sterling 60 days..... nom New York Sight Currency..... par New York Sight Gold..... 1/2 prem New Orleans Sight Gold..... 1/2 prem

BANKERS.—Sterling, 60 days..... nom New York Sight Currency..... par New York Sight Gold..... nom New Orleans Sight Cur..... par New Orleans Sight Gold..... nom

COTTON.

The following tables show the condition of the Cotton Market:

Closing quotations of the Galveston market. Last Thurs. To-night.

Low Ordinary..... 9 Good Ordinary..... 9 1/2 Low Middling..... 10 1/2 Middling..... 11 1/2 Good Middling..... 12 1/2

	This Week	Last Week	This Week	Last Week
Ordinary.....	nom	nom	nom	nom
Good Ordinary.....	10	10	10	10
Low Middling.....	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Middling.....	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Good Middling.....	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2

	Receipts	Exports to Great Britain	Exports to France	Exports to Continent	Exports to N. O.	Total Exports
Jan. 21, 1875.....	2,354,439	—	—	—	—	2,354,439
Jan. 27, 1875.....	2,833,786	—	—	—	—	2,833,786
Excess for 1875.....	114,653	—	—	—	—	114,653

	This Week	Last Week
Ordinary.....	11 1/2	11 1/2
Good Ordinary.....	12 1/2	12 1/2
Low Middling.....	13 1/2	13 1/2
Middling.....	14 1/2	14 1/2
Good Middling.....	15 1/2	15 1/2

THE GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations not applicable to small orders, but represent cash prices for large lots.

Ar-Handles—per doz., No. 1, 82 1/2 @ 25 No. 2, 81 5/8; No. 3, 81 1/2 @ 65.

Bacon—Supply in first hands ample market weak and demand light. We quote Clear sides, 14 1/2 @ 14 1/2; clear ribs, 14 1/4 @ 14 1/4; shoulders 11 1/4 @ 12 1/4; breakfast bacon 16 @ 17c.

Booping—Quiet and steady.—Domestic heavy, 5 1/2; yard; stock very light prices firm: India, 11c. in bales.

Bran—Is dull \$1 10 @ 12 1/2 per 100 lbs. Job lots. Texas 80 @ 90c. per 100 pounds by the Car load.

Breast—Prices are steady at 2 1/2 @ 2 1/2 for prime yellow, with light receipts and not much inquiry.

Belting—Rubber—Sold according to list, with 30 ¢ cent. off.

Butter—Stock ample and demand better for all grades; prices easy as quoted, choice, 31 @ 32c.; fair 25 @ 30c.; ordinary 24 @ 26c. Western and Kansas City, choice, nominal; Medium 24 @ 26c.; Ordinary 20c. Texas 17 @ 20c.

Brooms—\$2 50 @ 4 50 per dozen.

Candles—Quiet but steady favorite brands 16 1/2 @ 17.

Candy Good demand; assorted stick 14 @ 15c; fancy 20 @ 25c; rock 23 @ 25c; cream 25 @ 30c; gum-drops 30 @ 35c. maple sugar 25 @ 30c.

Coffee—Stock in importer's hands 8,400 bags. First hand quotations are firm at Fair 19, Good 24 1/2, Prime 20, Choice 20 1/2 @ 22c. Dealers are selling from store about 1c. advance on these figures for ordinary order lots.

Can Goods—Per dozen cans: Peaches, 2 lbs, 82 @ 80 @ 2 25; strawberries, 2 lbs 82 @ 50 @ 2 60; pine apples, 2 lbs, 82 @ 0 @ 2 25; damsons 82 @ 25; oysters, 2 lb full weight, \$1 10 @ 1 25; oysters 1 lb light weight, 82 @ 5; 2 lb, light weight, 1 70 @ 1 90; 2 lb, 82 @ 5 @ 2 50 tomatoe 2 lb, \$1 25 @ 1 40.

Cheese—Western cream 15 @ 15 1/2; English dairy 18 @ 20c.

Corn—Full supply; prices easy, 60c. retail; 75c in car lots; for Texas in round lots; Western 70 @ 80c.

Corn Meal—Weak and dull. Selling at \$3 65 in job lots.

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

CASTINGS—Hollow ware, etc., 5c; sad iron, 5 1/2c.

COPPER—MILLS—Per dozen, Parkers No. 50, 85; No. 60, 80; No. 70, 87.50, with ten per cent. discount.

CHAINSAW—Trace, per pair, 6 1/2, 10 @ 13; 6c; 10, 2, 70c; 6 1/2, 10, 1, 85c; O. 12c ¢ lb.

DRUGS—Acid Citric 21 @ 20c; acetic 16c; tartaric 60c; oxalic 25c; sulphuric in carboys 3 1/2c; C. P. 40c; Aloes cap, 20c; alcohol 82 @ alum 5c ammonia aqua 2 1/2; ammonia spirits ammon. 45c arsenic common powdered 5c Bisnuth, sub nitrate, 82 @. Blue Vitrol 15c. Borax refined 20c. Castile, lunar, pure 51 @. Chloroform \$1 10. Coppas 3c. Calomel, English 82 @ 50 American 1 25; stock \$1 00. Cinnamon bark 35 @ 60c. Cream Tartar, pure, 45 @ 50c; grocery 25 @ 40c. Chloral hydrate 25 @ 28c. Morphine, sulph, \$4 50. Logwood extract 1 5c. Gum assafetida 25c. Gum camphor 25. Gum opium 87 @. Hops (1873) 25 @ 40c. Quinine 82 @ 25.

Eggs—Secure at 15c per doz. packed in patent boxes.

FISH—Mackerel, barrels No. 2, \$15 @ 15 50; half-barrels No 1 \$8 @ 8 50; No. 2 \$7 @ 8 25; kits No. 1 \$1 10 @ 2 10; No. 2, \$1 50 @ 1 60; herrings, Dutch, \$1 75 @ 2 00 per keg; dried No. 1 80 @ 90; No. 2 50 @ 55 per box; codfish, quarter-boxes, \$3 @ 4 00 half-boxes \$3 00 @ 3 25; 100 lb boxes 6 1/2c per pound.

Flour—Sales light with prices steady. Large supply. Double extra 85 @ 95; Good 80 @ 85; Treble extra 75 @ 80; Choice Family extra 75 @ 80.

Fruit—Dried—Raisins: layers per box \$3 00 @ 3 25; figs per lb 15 @ 20c; prunes, 10 @ 11c; currants, Zante, per pound @ 10c; apples per lb, 10 @ 13 @ 10c; Dates 12 @ 15; almonds, soft 22 @ 24c; shell, 23 @ 25c; hard shell 18 @ 20c filberts 15c; pecans 10 @ 10c; Brazil nuts 12c.

Fruit—Fresh—Lemons in fair supply; price, 8c @ 9c; Apples, Western, nominal. Oranges, Louisiana per barrel 80 @ 85; Sicily nominal Havana none in market.

Glass Goods—Per dozen, in cases—Pickles per gallon, 85 @ 95; 50; half-gallon 82 @ 85 @ 75; quarts 82 @ 85 @ 75 pints \$1 40 @ 1 50.

HAMS—Steady. No new. Choice balance sugar cured, 16 1/2 @ 17c; 2 1/4 quality, 15 @ 13c.

Hog—Full supply; local demand weak. Selling at 25 @ 30.

Hides—Latest arrivals quiet. We quote, dry flint, selected 17 @ 18; kips and calves 4 @; as they run, nominal wet salted, selected, 8c; as butcher's green, 6c; dry pickled are sold as dry flint with allowance for salt; gine stock 5 @ 6c.

Hardware—Axes per dozen: Collins Kentucky light \$11 @ 12; medium \$11 50; heavy \$13 50.

Hoes—Per dozen, planter A B No. 0, 87; No. 1, 87 50; No. 2, 88; No. 3, 88 50; H B No. 0, 86 50; No. 1, 87; No. 2, 87 50 No. 3, 88.

Iron—Per pound, common bar, 3 1/2c; band, 6 @ 6 1/2c; hoop, 7 @ 8c; sheet, common, 7c; R. G., 8c; galv., 17c; Russia, 30c; imitation Russia, 22c; plow slabs, 6 1/2c; nail rods, 10c; axes, @ 1c. horse-shoes, Bardeen's, 85 @ 87 1/2; mule-shoes, 85 @ 90.

Leather—Best Louisville and Cincinnati Oak Sole Leather, 4 1/2 @ lb; do second quality 4 25; do, fair saddle shirting 4 1/2; do oak harness leather 11c; do second grade do 3 1/2 @ 3 75; do black bridle do 6 00 @ 6 50; do fair bridle do 7 00 @ 7 50.

Lard—Market quiet and firm Tierces, 14 1/2c; kegs, 16c.

Lumber—The demand is light and stocks ample. Rough yellow pine, 22; second quality, 20; dressed weatherboards, 25 @ 25; surfaced boards 25 @ 28; ceiling, 20 @ 25; flooring, 25 @ 30; cypress lumber by the cargo, 25 @ 30; ash, 140; shingles, 84 @ 5 by small lots; 3 @ 3 50 by cargo lots.

Lime, Cement, Etc.—In limited demand. Austin lime, 2 1/2 @ 3 per barrel; Alabama 2 1/2 @ 3 cement, 2 1/2 @ 2 75; plaster, Paris, \$4 00 @ 55; laths, \$4 @ 4 50 per M.

Meat-Cutters—Per dozen. Woodruff's No. 100, \$15; No. 150, \$18.

Molasses.—Supply large; demand dull, selling 50 @ 60c; prime, 50 for choice per gallon, barrels; half barrels 5c advance, and 10c advance for kegs.

Nails—Quotations are as follows: 10d to 6d, 83 @ 30; 8d, 83 @ 35; 6d, 83 @ 4d, and 5d, 81 5/8. Flooring, casing and boxing, 1.00 advance on above. Finishing 1 00 advance.

Oil—Lard and tallow, 26 @ 30; lard 91; Lard No. 1, \$1 10 W. S. \$1 30; Proctor's Gamble's \$1 31; Turpentine, 50c. Kerosine, 24 @ 27.

Outs—Western, 55 @ 60; Texas, 50 @ 55c. Per car-load.

Onions—Limited supply; demand good and prices have an upward tendency. Western \$3 00 @ 3 50 @ barrel. Bermuda per box nominal.

Potatoes—Stock fair; prices advancing; market active. Western 2 50 @ 3 50 Sweet potatoes 75 per bushel.

Polishes—Deer skins 25; goat skins 20c, per piece; sheep skins, full wool, 50 half-wool 25c. sheeps, 45 @ 50c, each; wolf skins 95 @ 75c, each; dressed deer skins, Indian-tanned, \$1 50 @ 1 75 per pound.

Produce—Receipts fair and prices weak. Chickens 82 @ 43 @ 50 ¢ dozen; Turkey: wet; \$12 @ 14. Ducks 82 @ 75 @ 4 00 ¢ dozen. Geese 86 @ 00. Partridges \$1 00 ¢ dozen.

Starb.—Dealers supply the demand at 5 1/2 @ 5 1/2.

Salt—Stock full; prices firm. Coarse from first hands by car load \$1 15 gold; fine \$1 55 @ 1 60, gold.

Soap.—In full supply. Olive 7 1/2c for large lots. German olive 6c. Ordinary on hand filled at 7 1/2c.

Shives—Per dozen, iron, \$1 75; plated 82 75 brass 81 75.

Sugar—Market steady for Louisiana and Texas, for which there is a fair demand. Fully fair 7 1/2c; prime 8 @ 8 1/2c; choice 9c; coffee C 9 @ 10c; coffee B 10 @ 12c; coffee A 10 @ 12c; crushed and powdered 11 1/2 @ 12 1/2; Demerara Choice 10 1/2 @ 11c.

Tobacco—Supply ample and prices weak, with downward tendency. We quote: 12 inch, extra fine for box, 45c @ 50c; 11 inch, fine, 50 @ 57 1/2c; 11 inch, good common, 47 1/2 @ 55c; twist, all grades, 60 @ 90c; smoking tobacco, 40 @ 65c; snuff, per dozen bottles, \$3 90 @ \$4 00; cigars, domestic, per thousand, \$15 @ 20; cigars, imported, per thousand, 80c @ 2 50.

Tires—Iron cotton baling tires 5 1/2c, per pound for Ayres and for Beard.

Tin—In plates, per box, 18 @ 19; 10 @ 11; 10 @ 12; 11 @ 12; 12 @ 13. In sheet, 11 @ 12; 10 @ 11; 10 @ 12; 11 @ 12.

Tin—In plates, per box, 18 @ 19; 10 @ 11; 10 @ 12; 11 @ 12; 12 @ 13. In sheet, 11 @ 12; 10 @ 11; 10 @ 12; 11 @ 12.

White wine, imported, 50 @ 57 1/2c.

WOODWARE—PAHS—Painted, two hoop, 2 1/2 @ 3 1/2; three hoop 2 00 @ 2 25. Half Buckets—Per dozen, L. S., 80 @ 87 @ 70; extra 89 @ 11 @ 00.

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GALVESTON STATEMENT

	Last Year	This Year	This Week	This Day
Not receipts.....	233,065	336,756	76,729	20,015
Gross receipts.....	257,154	354,376	77,995	20,775
Excess of stock.....	16,392	39,881	4,366	960
Exports to Great Britain.....	2,486	3,277	342	90
Exports to France.....	967	1,067	110	28
Exports to Continent.....	3,186	4,029	452	118
Channel ports.....	182,041	166,629	36,985	10,311
Total foreign exp.....	188,274	174,982	37,862	10,457
Exports to N. O.....	3,214	4,215	442	112
Exports to N. A.....				