

Texas Christian Advocate.

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THE GOVERNOR AND PRAYER.

A communication appeared in the Galveston News of the 24th over the signature of "B.," said to be from the pen of a leading lawyer of Galveston, which attempts a vindication of the refusal of Governor Roberts to issue a proclamation inviting the people of Texas to engage in thanksgiving and prayer.

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These causes are sufficient to cripple any church and embarrass the labors of the preacher. How can they be removed? "A CAUTION. We must utter a word of caution. Controversy between brethren is like quicksand. It is easy to go in; it is hard to get out.

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Texas Methodism.

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Mr. CALM, Limestone county, July 18.—We are in the midst, as yet, of a glorious revival. Many have been reclaimed. About eighteen professed conversions. Thirty-five or forty are at the altar; many more are serious.

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H. B. HENRY, Chairman, Comanche, Texas. W. C. BROWN, Coleman, Texas. J. W. B. ALLEN, Brownwood, Texas. PAUL A. BROWN, Brownwood, Texas.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

BETHEL, Anderson county, July 22.—We are now in the midst of a very interesting meeting at Concord. I have seldom seen a greater interest on the part of the irreligious. We have had as yet but few conversions or accessions, yet much good has been accomplished, and we are laboring on.

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district, and any others who can come. If you doubt whether we have a good people over here pay us a visit and see. Any preacher from a distance, who de- direct to come by Shepard. If they will drop me a card I will have a conveyance there for them.—J. P. CHILDERS.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

SAN MARCOS, July 20.—Our camp meeting closed on Monday morning, July 18. Result: nine accessions to the church and about same number of conversions. Collection and pledges for missions enough to meet our assessments. Preliminary steps for organizing a woman's foreign missionary society; and initiatory subscriptions for purchasing the ground upon which the meeting was held for a permanent camp ground, for which it is admirably adapted.

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UNCLE IKE'S CORRESPONDENCE.

VELASCO, Brazoria county, July 12.—Dear Uncle Ike: Edward Moore has added twenty-five cents to the mission...

MEXIA, July 11.—Dear Uncle Ike: I want to join your Testament class. I have read to Matthew 14. We have Sunday-school and I attend regularly...

LAMPASAS, July 13.—Dear Uncle Ike: I have read nearly through the book called "Apples of Gold," and say my prayers every night. I am trying to live a Christian life...

CAMERON, July 17.—Dear Uncle Ike: We wish to become members of your Bible-class. We do not remember when mamma taught us the prayer...

LELAND, McLennan county, June 22.—Dear Uncle Ike: I go to Sunday-school and love to go. I can read very well, but can read my lesson on my little paper...

ROCKPORT, Adams county, July 16.—Dear Uncle Ike: I thought I would write you a letter as brother Frank and sister Minnie and I want to join your Testament class...

KILGORE, Gregg county, July 18.—Dear Uncle Ike: I was so glad to see your little letter in the Advocate and the good answer you gave us...

SPRING GROVE, Liberty county, July 19.—Dear Uncle Ike: Here comes two more little children who want to claim you as uncle. My sister and I have joined the church last year...

PARIS, July 13.—I send a brief summary of the proceedings of the Paris District Conference, which met at Dodd City, Fannin county, Texas...

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The committee on education reported as follows: It is the natural and divine right of parents to direct the education of their offspring. It is a matter of right, of duty, and of conscience. No human authority ought to interfere with this right, either directly or indirectly.

Uncle Ike's Letter.

Edward and Mattie now belong to the missionary band. Uncle Ike hopes all the boys and girls in Brazoria county will join.

Jessie is one of our Bible readers. Let its teachings be your guide, my child, and it will lead you to a land that is brighter than day.

If Willie wants to meet his pa in heaven he must give his heart to the Savior while on earth. That Savior will help to control all our bad tempers, and enable us to be kind and loving to every one around us.

Uncle Ike is sorry that the missionary society at Lampasas is a bad way. Willie must try and get it up again. We have never abandoned a good work because we find rough places in the way.

If Johnnie and Fannie would rule their spirits and be useful they must try and be like Christ. Always think when tempted, what would Jesus have done in the same situation?

Wallace, being an older sister, must help her brother Jim. A sister who is kind and gentle in temper, in speech, and loving to her brothers, can help them to be good and true almost as much as their mother.

When Nettie gives money to the cause of education let her remember that Jesus gave more than money; he gave his life that sinners in every land may be saved.

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