

Texas Christian Advocate.

Mission Talk.

An objective Christianity requires first of all the birth into a new life which it presupposes, and then the discipline and growth provided for in the good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

The extension of Christianity is conditioned upon its genuineness and thoroughness. Systems of mere social excellency have never shown any permanent reproductive power. They rest upon prudential considerations, and cannot outlast the conditions under which they take their rise.

A genuine and thorough Christian life goes far beyond and beneath all such limited and temporary conditions. It is founded upon a right conception of God and the relations between God and man. It is based upon the knowledge of the affections normally resulting from this conception and the faithful expression of these in the plan and working of life.

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From the Galveston Weekly Journal. The Concord school of philosophy is the subject of a good deal of unfavorable criticism and ridicule because it assumes to teach "how to think" and to clothe the staid platitudes in the most inopportune language.

Mothers! Mothers! Mothers!! Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth?

One of those rough clad, big-hearted men who come into Santa Fe occasionally to lay in a supply of grub, stepped into the postoffice of that town recently, and seeing in the window three letters held for postage picked up one, and looking at the address said in a tone of great astonishment: "Why, this letter is for a lady in Denver."

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SCHOLASTIC CENSUS OF TEXAS TOWNS.

The Journal has taken the pains to compile from the reports of the scholastic population of the state figures showing the number of children of scholastic age, both white and colored, in the thirty-five principal cities and towns in Texas, together with the amount of money apportioned each place for the support of public free schools during the year ending August 31, 1882.

Table with columns: City, White, Colored, Total, and Apportionment. Lists cities like Austin, Brownsville, Bryan, El Paso, Galveston, Houston, etc.

Itching Piles—Symptoms and Cure.

The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, and if allowed to continue very serious results may follow.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Georgia state senate on the 17th August passed a bill which is known as the Morrison bill in Georgia. It is as follows: Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia, That from and after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful for any person in this state, in any address to a public or private assembly of persons, to counsel, advise or encourage in any way the violation of the laws of this state forbidding polygamy and bigamy.

Virginia, which paid no attention to cotton culture until recently, is now turning to it on a considerable scale. It is with pronounced success. Cotton plantations now exist in all the southern counties of the state, and thousands of bales were produced last year.

Here is a genuine "good saying" of the late Bishop Wilberforce which is not generally known. When the present bishop of Peterborough made his grand speech at this act, on Oct. 1829 he was sitting next to Wilberforce.

In the St. Louis postoffice is a man with an extraordinary memory. This wonder is in the mailing department. It is customary for the examiner to name the postoffices in a certain extent, and the man in question is able to give the location. This particular employee was examined on the postoffices of Missouri, of which there are 1700. Without prompting or questioning, he named every postoffice in the state and the county in which it was situated. This he did in thirty minutes and with no mistakes.

A writer in Land and Water says there are from one to two thousand English landholders in Virginia, with farms from 100 to 1500 acres, and they are remarkably happy. He especially commends the rights for the most enterprising and large families.

The invention for easing the strain on horses in starting horse cars, which has been in six months' successful service in Boston, is put in operation by a little pedal which is touched by the driver's foot. It connects the tongue of the car with a lever, which operates a ratchet, taking hold of the cogwheel in the axle, thus easing the dead pull nearly one-half.

Three eminent scientific men say, in reporting on the water supplied to London: "Judged by our daily examinations, the water supplied to London is, in our opinion, whether considered as to its efficient filtration or its purity, the best in the world."

A table of official statistics shows that the wages of thirty-six different trades in France in 1877 averaged 52 per cent. higher than in 1853.

Worms have considerably damaged the cotton crop in North Louisiana.

John A. C. Cuthbert, of Mobile, now ninety-three years old, is probably the oldest and severest relative of the deceased whose profession of the law. He still practices his profession of the law. He is in congress sixty-two years ago.

James Edwin Harold Rogers, a liberal member of parliament, has sailed for the United States.

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Weatherford District. The friends of the Master are always glad to hear of the prosperity of his church. We have nothing of vital importance to write; but withal, perhaps it is necessary to state a few facts. I am just closing my third round, and have missed a few appointments in consequence of bad health. This district appears to be unfortunate with regard to its preachers. Bros. Swofford, Reeves and Clark have failed to do effective work--bad health preventing them. Bro. Reeves is still in charge of his circuit, but his physicians have advised him not to preach any more until fall. He has a disease of the heart and in all probability never will entirely recover. Bro. Swofford also has heart disease, but he hopes to be able to preach again. He has been employed Bro. Dunn to assist Bro. Reeves until conference. I changed Bro. Gilliland from West Fork mission and put him in charge of the Jacksonville circuit. I employed Bro. John Edleman to take charge of Bro. Clark's circuit, and Bro. Gardner to take charge of West Fork mission, so that all the appointments are supplied with pastors. Bro. Clark is in wretched health, and the doctors differ in judgment with regard to his disease. He is almost dead, but still he is hopeful and perfectly resigned to the will of God. Bro. T. W. Hines still lives, and at times his friends think he will get well and at other times they think he will die soon. His health is nearly decayed, and discharging as it was a few months ago; but he has strange paroxysms which cause him to suffer beyond description. Physicians differ with regard to the nature and effects of his disease; some think that his lungs are nearly decayed, and others think that his lungs and liver are involved, and particularly the latter. We have never witnessed stronger faith and more patience in any one. His will is so completely absorbed in the will of God that he seems to wish to live or die. Nothing gives him trouble but thought of leaving his family. Being confined to his room nearly all the time, he appreciates very highly the visitations of his friends, and especially his brethren in the ministry. He is a true and faithful minister, and his skill to raise him; his trust is in God, and firmly believes that if health is restored, God will do it in answer to prayer. We hope that all Christians may learn the facts above mentioned, and will pray for the afflicted preachers of the district.

PEASE RIVER, July 21.--The boys gave me a good supper and breakfast, and then with warm invitations to come and see them at their camp, on the Pease River. There are but few Methodists in the country, but these are Methodist in the core, as the following incident will show: Bro. Hosmer, the preacher in charge of Hardeman mission, while looking for the church, found a young girl, who had never seen Bro. Hosmer, but she had heard that there were Methodist preachers in the country, and was expecting a visit from some of them. She said, "I thought you were one of our preachers." "What kind of a preacher?" asked Jim, "Methodist, sir." "Are you a Methodist?" "Yes, sir." "You believe in sprinkling babies?" "I believe in baptism, but I don't know what I am a Christian preacher, whom you Methodists call Campbellites?" "I don't care what you are, sir, I hope you are a good man, and have experienced a change of heart, and are now thinking it right to pour water on conscious sinners." "Oh, I'm a Methodist, 'tooth and nail.'" The preacher left his gravely, and extended to her the right hand of fellowship. This country is suffering from the drought. There will not be enough raised in the country to bread the people, and many of them are talking of leaving the country on this account. I held a meeting last Saturday night in the country, and had a large attendance. On Sunday the congregation amounted to twenty-three souls, including the preachers and one baby. Bro. Farmer, from Seymour, was with us and preached two excellent sermons. To join a subscription to raise the money to build a school house. This much needed work, when it is accomplished, will add permanency to the place, and also prosperity in every department of business. There is a fine school at Jonesboro, under the presidency of Prof. Sturges, a man of learning and high reputation as a disciplinarian and teacher. The Weatherford high school, under the presidency of Professor Samuel Kagsdale, closed its last session to the satisfaction of all. Preparation is now being made for the opening of the fall session. The Grandbury high school closed its last session with flattering prospects of continued success. The church and friends of the church have contributed liberally in the erection of a magnificent three-story building, which will as I suppose be finished in time for the opening of the next session. The moral tone of this school is hard to exceed, and we look for it a large attendance. Preparation is now being made by the district conference to locate the Weatherford District high school at Veal's station. Capt. W. G. Veal proposes to give land and lots to accomplish the enterprise. There is a good grocery building, which was given us by the Masonic fraternity, which has been heretofore used by the lodge, churches and schools. The Masons propose to sell, and we have agreed to buy; and if the trade is consummated, we will open the first session in September. WEATHERFORD, AUG. 10, 1881.

From the Panhandle. PEASE RIVER, July 20.--There are a few Southern people in Donley county, but the majority are strictly Northern. Brethren, when you go to the General Conference in 1882 don't fail to send a complimentary card, expressing fraternal regards, and sing some good old camp-meeting songs, and wipe eyes, and shake fraternal hands. There it is! I left Clarlington soilizing thus: "Well, every one to their liking, as the old woman said when she kissed the cow, which, fraternally speaking, she had a perfect right to do, especially if the cow belonged to her." All the country over which I traveled back to Vernon is very poor and unimproving to the farmers. None but stockmen inhabit it. All this Panhandle country is divided among the stockmen into what they call stock ranches, each man's ranche usually embracing about twenty-five or thirty miles of territory. They have two lines of this range closely guarded by what is known to the stock-raiser as "line-riders." They have a camp every fifteen or twenty miles, if the water privileges will al-

low. At these camps two men, called cow-boys, are stationed, whose duty it is to ride along the appointed line every day, and keep away from the other west, meeting the line-riders of the other camp half-way between the two camps. The object is to prevent the cattle from drifting down south, and to prevent other stock from getting into their ranges. When the line-riders find the cattle near his line, he drives them back into the range. They have one place which they call headquarters ranche. Here the boys stay, and from here the coordinate camps draw their supplies. The owners of these ranches and cattle reside with their families in some town or city of the interior. Thus, as a general thing, the country is under the influence of the stockmen, who, while they are wild and irreligious, possess warm and generous feelings, and are ready to share with the traveler their bed and "chuck," as they call what they eat. The day I reached Groesbeck creek, twenty-five miles from the last wintering place, and at one of the line-riders' camps, on the north line of the Pease and Worsham's cow range my horse got into the creek and drank so much gypsum water that it made him sick. I drove him in the evening to a fresh water spring, about five miles on my road. He refused to eat, and all night stood or wandered about as if he was seeking for relief. It was twenty miles to Stevens and Worsham's headquarters ranche, so Bro. Hosmer and I rode and walked an hour, time about. When we reached the headquarters, we were very much fatigued, but the sick horse was very much improved, and after getting a drink of fresh water and after feeding with a morbid appetite, "To-day I made my third jump-off from the horse back into the pen of our children," into Hardeman county. While I was resting at headquarters, a cow-boy came into my camp with an attachment which he promptly executed on me. Twenty-three cow-boys, who were sent to the headquarters, had held a council and demanded that I should be in charge of preacher. I had no way of proving myself innocent of the charge but by trying to preach to them, which I did from the text "How shall we escape if we neglect to hear the voice of the Lord?" It was gratifying to see how attentively they listened, sitting upon the floor and benches or reclining on their pallets. Some of them had not heard a sermon for four years. My effort came very near being a success, but I was told that their charge was taken for them, and I was not released before the next morning.

Del Rio, August 11.--Of the four Sabbath-schools on my work but one has ceased to be. This one was a country school, and at the people would not stay. One soul has professed conversion, hence I can not say my labor has been in vain. Del Rio is a local town; peace reigns. Bro. Sutherland was not able to spend much time with us on his first trip. Hope to have him with me in September. Railroad the top of the hour. Contracts let to Devil's river for grading. The work has begun in earnest. There will be a depot established at Del Rio, where merchants have commenced to build. The prospects for this to be quite a place are flattering. A part of our country has been established here. The Mexican preachers speak encouragingly of their work.--S. G. KILGORE.

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Weatherford District Conference. Weatherford District Conference convened at Springtown, Parker county, Texas, July 25, 1881, Rev. Wm. Price, presiding elder, presiding. There are thirty circuits in this district, two stations, eight circuits, and one mission. All the pastors were present except two, and they were absent on account of sickness. A good number of members were in attendance. We were sorry to learn that Bro. J. A. Clark, J. S. Swofford, and I. N. Reeves were in bad health, and that Bro. J. A. Clark and J. S. Swofford had been compelled to give up their work in consequence. Bro. T. W. Hines was better, and that there was some hope of his recovery. Bro. Hines has the sympathies and prayers of his brethren, and we devoutly pray, if it is the will of our Heavenly Father, that he may be restored to his health, his family and the church. 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THE POPE SPEAKS—LET REPUBLICANS TREMBLE.

On the fourth page of the issue of this journal, August 13, may be found extracts from and comments upon the Pope's encyclical letter. To which the reader is referred. This last deliverance of His Holiness completely unshakes the political status of Romanism in this country. Popular sovereignty is a heresy, and the divine right of kings is asserted with an air of authority and self-complacency which smacks of infallibility.

What will Romanism in this country say to this last postulate of Leo the XIII? Heretofore they have denied that the Pope was an enemy to a republican form of government. Will they deny it longer? Or will they try the experiment of so explaining his words as to harmonize them with their reiterated assertions to the contrary? We shall see. If they can show that the Pope saying a thing in plain words means just the opposite of what he says, then may they claim harmony in their previous assertions and his late deliverance. Let it be borne in mind that the dogma of infallibility is the infallible insignia of a true Romanist, and that the body of Catholics in the United States stands erect in its maintenance, and the political status of the Roman Catholics of this country is clean-cut, well-defined, and does not admit of controversy.

What will the Catholics of this country do in the premises? Will they observe silence and of necessity incur the withering charge of entertaining these sentiments, which place them in hostility to the republican institutions of the country and the very structure of the government? Or will they show themselves worthy of American citizenship by openly disavowing them and throwing off the ponderous yoke of infallibility, which they must know is both a sham and a stupendous fraud? If they will do this they will show themselves patriots; and although nearly all of them are foreigners they may be trusted as worthy citizens of "the land of the free and the home of the brave." Otherwise they lay themselves liable to grave suspicions. And that is putting it in the mildest possible form.

Does the Pope denounce popular sovereignty a heresy and maintain the divine right of kings? See his encyclical letter. Is he infallible? The highest authority in the Roman church has so pronounced him; and that church, as a body—both in Europe and America—has adopted the dogma and maintain it with a pertinacity which has amazed the enlightened world. What follows? The reader can but see that the vassals of the Pope in this country are placed in antagonism to the government until they disavow the doctrines of his holiness. Will they do it? We await an answer. No time should be lost in this matter. Its gravity demands speedy decisive action. Popery is imperiled in Europe. It wanes and weakens in its former strongholds. France and Spain are no longer its strong crutches. Italy has shaken off the papal chains, and the Old World, as she marches to enlightened development and national glory, moves away from Popery. "The man of sin" is like a stranded vessel on an unfriendly shore. His power is broken. He sits amidst the ruins of his throne, holding the broken rod of despotism in his hand, and inquires eagerly for a spot on which to place the sole of his infallible foot and conceal the broken horn of his power. That voice which once shook the thrones of Europe and caused crowned heads to nod in terror now plaintively invokes sympathy in the howling dirge of a prisoner in the Vatican at Rome.

Leo is in trouble—his own children have forsaken him. Kings once stood barefoot at the papal gate, on frosty ground, all night long to appease the infallible wrath of the Pope. Now they treat him much as a fussy old woman whom they would willingly keep in a good humor at a small cost. Leo puts on the faded papal robes and patronizingly invokes royal clemency by tracing the present troubles in Europe to the loss of power on the part of the church—reasserting the divine right of kings and the heresy of popular sovereignty. The right to govern is not in the people, but in the throne, and the head of the throne is the church—Pope—who alone can sit in judgment in all matters of conscience involving the obedience of the subjects. The encyclical is a reassertion of the dogma, "The end justifies the means." It seeks to save popery in Europe at the hazard of its interests in the new world.

Popery is an imported religion; it is not indigenous in this country. It has no adaptation to a republican form of government or a free people. It was born of national convulsions and strife. It is the fungus growth of the lust of power. It is rocked and nurtured in the dark ages. It is the woman of prophecy on the scarlet beast nibbling the nations with the wine of her fornication. It is a misnomer. Her name is not Christianity, but anti-Christian. Drunk with the blood of the saints, it is the same to-day it has ever been, minus the power.

It proposes to educate the sons and daughters of American citizens! Its gloomy convents, white-bonneted sisters and doleful nuns are the inviting bean ideals of refinement, elegance, taste and culture, after which your daughters—the coming mothers of

American freemen—are solicited to model and fashion themselves for the realities and responsibilities of life. Reader, note these things and keep wide awake to the coming future.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The approach of the Iron Mountain road to St. Louis furnishes a fine view of the Mississippi for miles, but we saw but one steamboat plowing its waters as we passed. Only a few years ago and the Mississippi river was one of the grand thoroughfares of the nation; but the railroad has superseded the steamboat with many who traveled the Mississippi a generation ago. It will be a question whether the rush and racket that attends travel even in a palace car can replace the solid comfort and abundant luxuries which attended travel on a Mississippi steamer of the olden time. "Twenty minutes for dinner," and the uncertain, ill-prepared dishes on which railroad travelers of the present day are compelled to feed, are very different affairs from the magnificent tables spread before the passengers of first-class Mississippi boats. What has been gained in speed has been lost in comfort.

We were behind time and were barely able to change cars at St. Louis when we were off for Chicago, and in a few moments rushed through the tunnel, over the bridge, and were soon rolling up the valley with the waters of the Mississippi on our left. Southern Illinois has suffered far more from the drought than even Texas. As corn is their chief staple the failure must be severely felt by the farmers. Our route leading us through Alton and Springfield was over a fertile and densely populated country. The country is slightly undulating, reminding us of many of the rich prairie regions of Texas. The farms, pastures, orchards and sleek stock indicate a thrifty and prosperous population. Coming from our sunny state where the corn had matured, the green fodder on the stalks of corn reminded us that we had in three days passed into a different climate. As we advanced north the corn appeared to be more stunted in size than even in the southern part of the state. At every point we observed the bois d'arc hedges inclosing the farms and pastures. They are kept in admirable order and answer all the purposes for which they are cultivated. This tree is a native of Texas, and with proper attention could be used to fence in all the prairie lands of our state. We caught a glimpse of the state-house in Springfield as we passed through the city. It is a massive building of stone. The portion of the city we could see was solidly rather than handsomely built of brick. The houses in this region are built with special reference to comfort in cold weather. While the Southerner aims in building to secure all the air possible in summer, the Northerner seeks to exclude it in winter. One builds for warmth—the other for ventilation.

Judging by the immense size of the penitentiary located at Joliet we inferred that Illinois has her full proportion of scamps. It covers many acres, and its high walls ensure their safe-keeping when the law fastens its clutches upon them. Near this town are immense quarries, which have supplied the rock out of which the chief part of Chicago has been built. The rock is transported to the city by the canal, which connects Lake Michigan with the Mississippi. The ice houses—some of very large proportions—which line the banks of the canal constitute its chief business since the railroads were built. We could see from the cars the barge-like boats, propelled by steam instead of being drawn by horses as in former days.

We spent one day in Chicago. We first visited Lincoln park, which we were told is the largest in the city. It was originally a stretch of level hills and low flats bordering the lake. Upwards of 150,000 cubic yards of black earth and clay have been placed upon it, and the grounds, under the hands of skilled landscape gardeners, have been made a most attractive resort. It is amply supplied with water from the water works and from two artesian wells, one 1150 and the other 1500 feet in depth, by which its verdure is kept green and fresh; beautiful fountains send up their spray in the sunlight, and miniature lakes delight the visitors as they wander along its beautifully shaded walks. Including the drive along the lake shore, the park contains 295 acres, seven miles of drives and seven miles of walks. The lakes and lawns embrace twelve acres, the lawns 120 acres and the rest is still unimproved. The floral department is a delightful spot. Some of the beds are laid off in the form of large letters, and one was in the form of a butterfly with outstretched wings some fifteen feet from tip to tip, with the colors beautifully represented by the variously tinted flowers. The zoological department presents but little besides the two sea lions which would attract a Texan as bears, wolves, coons, squirrels, and even the buffalo are some that familiar objects in our former land. At the north pier is a floating hospital for invalid children. The hospital association furnishes fresh milk and medical attendance to the little ones, and many a mother's heart has been made happy by the relief thus secured for her child.

Returning, we visited the water works which constitute one of the marked features of this enterprising city. The engineer not only showed us the engines but kindly gave us a sectional view of the water system of the city. A tunnel extends into Lake Erie to a crib, as it is termed. It is of solid masonry work and so arranged that water is obtained from the bottom of the lake. The length of the old tunnel from the crib in the lake to the north side water works which we visited is two miles. This work was commenced in 1864, and completed at a cost of \$600,000. In 1872 the new tunnel was commenced, and completed in 1874. It cost \$1,000,000, and extends six miles from the crib to the new west side pumping works. The water at the remaining works is elevated by six powerful en-

gines, which send out on their mission 77,000,000 gallons of fresh and clear water every day. The largest engine has the capacity of 24,000,000 gallons every twenty-four hours. The ascent of the tower was rather a formidable undertaking after our ramble through the park, but we made it. It is 175 feet in height. The stairs wind around an iron cylinder, which extends up with a few feet of the top of the tower, and the water is forced to this height by the engines below. It is brought above the roofs of the largest hotels and business houses of seven and eight stories in the city. The view from the tower will amply repay the visitor for the toil of the ascent. The lake spreading out to the north, with its surface unbroken by the course of the canal, and the Chicago river, which intersects this portion of the city, the hotels, church steeples, the custom house, the new court house, and other prominent localities, could all be traced from this lofty outlook. The city is the Stock Exchange. We were conducted up the Board of Trade, or visitors bearing a ticket from a member, are admitted into the main hall. We were well excited over the arrangement, as from the gallery we could look down on what to us was a most extraordinary scene. Two rings or circular platforms, with steps within and without, occupied part of the floor beneath. One of these is the corn, and the other is the wheat market. The floor of the hall are tables on which commission merchants exhibit their samples of corn, flour, wheat or other grains. The two rings were packed from the top down to the center with men, and from the center to the outer edge of the floor is a narrow aisle. All entered to be laboring under the most extraordinary excitement. Each seemed to have a note book, and now and then would make a hurried entry. In the center were two or three men who, we presume, were auctioneers. They would say something, which in the babel of sounds we could not distinguish from Dutch, and then a dozen or score of hands would go up, and men would gesture as though they were about to seal one another at the same time shouting at the top of their voices, and then entries in the note-books would be made, and then the same process would be repeated. At both the rings this operation was going on at the same time, and it continued each day from 9:30 a. m. to 1 p. m. It is the battleground of the bulls and bears. These transactions on margins in corn, wheat and flour, for this is a line of business corresponding to cotton operations in futures, often make or mar a man's fortune in a single day. There was a few sharpened look on the faces of the men, which told that the gambler's passion had taken possession of their hearts. The gong sounded at 1 p. m. for the business of the day to close; but upon the close of the ring remained, and the bids from voices hoarse with continued howling or intense excitement still followed every offer. In about five minutes it sounded again, but the excited crowd held their ground. Sometimes, so a gentleman seated by us said, the police are compelled to clear the hall. Five minutes passed and again the gong rang out its clear sharp strokes. "It is," said the gentleman, "they will have to go," and the ring was broken and the crowd began to disperse in a laughing and laughing, and others pale, with compressed lips, and their hats drawn tightly over their brows. We joined the crowd passing down the stairs and noted many young men as well as gray heads in the throng. Their flushed faces, anxious looks and nervous movements satisfied us that the bidding on margins in corn, wheat or cotton furnishes an excitement as intense and opens a path as perilous as any other form of gambling. We are assured that though the transactions of the Chicago stock market, which reach millions of dollars, neither buyer nor seller ever see a sack of corn or inspect a barrel of flour. Must close, as in a few moments we leave for Niagara.

The New Orleans Advocate speaks in no way in season as to the election of delegates to the General Conference which will take place at the ensuing annual conference. It pleases especially to read some kind expressions of sympathy sent from various parts of the country. "Crete," said he, "such a people are worth living for." The spontaneous utterance of a brave, patriotic and unselfish heart. His patriotism and heroism are giving him a warm place in the heart of the great American people. In Australian Methodism the time-limit in the itinerary is gradually giving away. The late general conference adopted the following resolution: "Resolved, That no minister in our law relating to appointments extending over six years in a city, the annual conferences shall be empowered to consider special cases on their merits, and to appoint a minister for seven, eight or ten years to city churches, in their judgment, the interests of our circuits and our work require such an extension."

When very much pressed for space the Advocate is often compelled to materially condense correspondence, or delay publication of *deo* intelligence until it becomes *dead*. In condensation, effort is made to cut out what is least important. Much is thus sacrificed that would really be good reading. Correspondents will understand, therefore, that want of space in the paper rather than lack of merit in a contribution may often determine its disposition. ABRAHAM FLAVELL, who died in Newark August 10, was noted as a Meville prophet—being conspicuous in the agitations of 1844, 1851, 1859 and 1865. Expecting the end, he gave away all his possessions in 1844; in the same manner he disbursed a second liberal fortune in 1854. Being a baker, and a little dubious perhaps this time, he only gave away bread the day before the expected end in 1859, and also placed a large amount on the roof of his house, handy for the angels to eat.

A FAINTLY pleasant fraternal act was that of Bishop Kavanagh, of the Church, South, when at Corvallis, Oregon, he heard of the death of Bishop Haven. He hurried to Salem to participate in the funeral solemnities, and paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of the deceased bishop. Bishop Haven was buried in Salem. This is right. Bury the laborers in the fields where their last labors were performed. Out of ten chaplains recently appointed to the United States navy, nine are of the Protestant Episcopal church. We commend this fact to those who are so much concerned about the union of church and state. Why is it that nearly all the chaplains in the army and navy are selected from one of the smallest Christian denominations in the land?

The Salvation army, an association of English people who have been street-preaching and exhorting in many of the larger cities of the country, has been almost broken up. It was caused by the discovery that its leader, one Amos Shirley, was simply an unscrupulous adventurer.

The Northwestern Christian Advocate is now paying particular attention to Dr. Edwards' bicycle feats and crime in Chicago. For the latter it can find a most suggestive text by reference to the criminal records of Bishop Haven, who murdered in Chicago in the year 1851, and yet no need of an expert in the tying of a hangman's knot. Why not bring the merits of the Advocate before your congregations? Why not apply personally to every member of your church to become a subscriber? If the paper is doing good, are you doing right in not widening its field of usefulness?

Will our friends please write plainly and definitely? We have condensed a number of communications and postals in this issue, and cast aside others, because it was impossible to tell what the writers meant. In reply to the question, is the university building at Tyler what Tyler's advertisement claims? An Advocate deems it proper to answer affirmatively. It is really a magnificent structure, and a credit to the enterprise of the citizens of Tyler. A PERUSAL of the revival notices in this issue of the Advocate should fill all hearts with joy. The blessings of God are upon the people. Let us return thanks unto him for his goodness and wonderful mercies.

For a copy of the annual report of the Woman's Missionary Society apply to Mrs. S. S. Park, Galveston. No charge made.

The Kansas State Methodist camp-meeting convened at Winfield, Cowley county, August 11. Large attendance from both Kansas and Missouri.

For reports as to the results of protracted meetings, that of Rev. E. L. Armstrong, elsewhere printed, will do well as a pattern. They will be construed as a gentle hint, perhaps. A little money now and then will help the editor shove his pen—Holston Methodist. Scissors and paste also conspire to aid the journalistic lyre.

October 16 and 17 are set apart by the committee of the London Sunday-school Union as days of special prayer and services in the interest of the Sunday-school cause.

Is the gentleman a bishop? That altered the case. An unoccupied and well appointed room was found immediately. Moral: If you would escape being thus treated, become a bishop. Don't try it at once, however. The president of the Baptist organization known as the American and Foreign Bible Society has engaged Dr. Thomas J. Conant, who was one of the American committee engaged upon the recent revision of the New Testament, to overhaul the Old Bible. He is to receive \$25,000 for the work, and is to have four years in which to complete it. The reverend gentleman has already worked over the Psalms and the Pentateuch, and will proceed with the mutilation as speedily as possible.—Exchange.

We hear a great deal said about the church of the future. It is the church of the present with which we have to deal; the church we have to mould. Have we the faith, the zeal, the fidelity necessary to constitute our church of this age and generation a true representative of the Christian spirit? Are we personally alive and living commitments of the aggressive, sanctifying spirit of the gospel of Christ? If so, the church of the immediate future will be all right. PRESIDENT GARFIELD has made some brief but telling speeches during his illness. When the surgeon informed him that there was a chance for his recovery, "Well," said he, "we'll take that chance." When Mrs. Garfield read some kind expressions of sympathy sent from various parts of the country, "Crete," said he, "such a people are worth living for." The spontaneous utterance of a brave, patriotic and unselfish heart. His patriotism and heroism are giving him a warm place in the heart of the great American people.

THE temperance fight in Ohio promises one good result. Many of the members of the seceders from the Republican party because of the impurities in its management, are prominent members of the Methodist Episcopal church. If some of these seceders are induced to draw this line so distinctly as to no longer deserve the appellation of a politico-religious organization, the Ohio fight will not have been in vain— even though the whisky influence should elect every officer.

FROM a letter by D. W. Foster, written from Opelousas, La., to the New Orleans Advocate, under date of August 5, is gleaned the following: Truxton Lowell, a bachelor of that parish, died recently. He was a member of the M. E. church. His estate, which has been probated, Rev. W. C. Manly, executor, leaves his estate to foreign missions. His estate consisted of \$100 cash, three notes of \$50 each, an eight-hundred acre tract of land on Bayou Courtable, a one-tenth interest in the sulphur mines of Opelousas, and a mine of black oxide of manganese. The future may show these mines (now undeveloped) to be very valuable, or valueless.

DR. LEONARD BACON does not seem to approve the system too much in vogue in religious business institutions, wherein the managers invest only a limited amount of information with their constituents and realize a return of implicit faith, not only in their honesty but in their capacity. Recently Dr. Bacon has been publishing some stinging criticisms upon the American Bible society. Last week the papers got hold of another of his productions in which he says the American Home-Missionary society is run by a ring—and ought to close out business and reorganize.

A KENTUCKY Campbellite and a Kentucky Baptist recently wrestled in debate, each affirming: "The church in Kentucky to which I belong is the church of the New Testament." Dr. A. H. Redford (Methodist Episcopal church, South) acted as umpire. He now prints the arguments of both in a pamphlet, and adds a chapter of his own to show in what manner the church of the New Testament, Dr. Redford being the umpire, his decision is final, of course.

A REMARKABLE error in the statistics of the various religious denominations of the United States has found its way into several English and American papers. The whole numerical strength of Methodism is given as 1,742,922 and that of the Baptist churches as 2,374,339, while in fact Methodism in America numbers 3,678,022 communicants, thus making it the largest Protestant denomination on the continent by 1,143,581.

THE Petaluma (California) Argus gives an account of one of Bishop Kavanagh's trials. The hotel being very much crowded its proprietor proposed to prepare a sleeping place for the bishop on a billiard table. "On a billiard table!" exclaimed Mrs. K., who accompanied the bishop. "On a billiard table!" Such a thing was never heard of as a method of sleeping on a billiard table. "Oh—ah—yes!"

ONE of the proposed amendments to our state constitution relates to the length of legislative sessions. The legislature is prohibited from passing bills for special legislation, and the framers of the constitution thought they could pass all necessary new laws and amend old ones in sixty days, and hence allowed them the full pay of five dollars per day for that length of time. If they delay necessary work and have to remain longer in session, they receive but two dollars a day for the extended time. The proposed amendment allows them to remain in session at full pay for one hundred days. Those who think the sessions might be profitably prolonged will vote for the amendment; those who think sixty days long enough for a regular session will vote against it. Any act limiting the time of this body is an indirect expression of a want of confidence in their wisdom and fidelity. That body ought to know when their work is done, and when they ought to adjourn.

By a very clumsy arrangement, known as the commissioners of errors and arbitration—a kind of fifth wheel appendage to the supreme and appellate courts of our state—business is supposed to be facilitated for those courts by three additional and supernumerary judges. The last legislature passed a bill by the constitutional majority proposing an amendment to the constitution increasing the number of supreme judges to seven—three in justice and six associates; to be organized in two sections—each section alternately presided over by the chief justice, Governors Coke, Hubbard, and Roberts and many of the best legal gentlemen of the state have pronounced the judicial article in our present constitution radically defective, and there is a general expression throughout the state in favor of the proposed amendment; though some few think the number of judges provided for in this bill is too large—larger than the necessities of the state demand. Citizens will vote as their judgment dictates.

MOTHER, HOME AND HEAVEN.—This is a new and elegant publication of that splendid publishing house of St. Louis, A. D. Tompason & Co., the publishers of the pictorial History of Texas. In external appearance this volume is exquisitely beautiful, furnishing an illustration of the perfection of the art of printing and engravings. And then the sentiments are so most inspiring, tender and elevating as its external appearance is attractive. Here we see "apples of gold in pictures of silver." Mother, Home and Heaven! Three of the most tender and endearing words of our language. They are not dissipated by any sentiment or sentence of the book. The volume will be a most appropriate present to parent or child; brother, sister or sweetheart. It will adorn the center table. It contains the choicest sentiments of the best authors, living and dead, upon these most inspiring themes. And being brief and complete will afford instructive reading for a period from a few moments, while waiting for company or a longer period when seeking the cultivation of our finer feelings. Buy it.

We believe the last of those seemingly incongruous educational schools, known as "military institutes," in Texas has been disbanded (to carry out the military figure). It was time. Experience has demonstrated that brass buttons and military drill are not the best means of educating our young boys. They were a very expensive and useless appendage to classical or scientific education. The material used in the "Texas Military Institute" at Austin is now being carted off and used in other buildings. Perhaps the staves of the military institute at Bryan may be dispensed with without serious loss to the pupils. Hypothetically, these pupils are to be agriculturists, mechanics, machinists, etc. Could not the time spent in drill and learning the manual of arms and standing guard be better employed in employed in fatigue duty on the farm or in the machine shop?

Show us a Christian congregation that is well rounded up and complete in all its appointments, satisfied with its status, and making no effort for advancement, and we will show you a church upon which Icabod is already written. A church not moving forward, doing little or nothing for the missionary cause, content with its present position, and satisfied with its status, and making no effort for advancement, and we will show you a church upon which Icabod is already written. A church not moving forward, doing little or nothing for the missionary cause, content with its present position, and satisfied with its status, and making no effort for advancement, and we will show you a church upon which Icabod is already written.

On the first page will be found the speech of Capt. F. D. Wilkes, made on the nineteenth of this month at Houston in behalf of Lampasas as a candidate for the location of the main university of Texas. Captain Wilkes, who is a son of Dr. F. C. Wilkes, the eminent Methodist divine, formerly of Brethun, has been making a very active campaign in behalf of Lampasas. His speech is well worth reading. He makes a strong showing for Lampasas as a suitable location for the university. The people of Lampasas are in earnest in this campaign, and are very sensibly seeking the Advocate as a medium of communication with the people.

Just before Dr. McFerrin's departure for Europe, the employes of the Nashville Publishing House presented him a gold pen, which was a very glowing farewell lines, which welled up from their hearts.

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CHURCH NOTICES.

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EASTLAND DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Eastland circuit, September 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

PALESTINE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Palestine circuit, September 10 and 11. Mt Vernon Mt. Zion, September 17 and 18.

MARSHALL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Marshall circuit, September 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

LAMPASAS DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Lampasas circuit, September 10 and 11. Mt Vernon Mt. Zion, September 17 and 18.

PARIS DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Paris circuit, September 10 and 11. Mt Vernon Mt. Zion, September 17 and 18.

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SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. San Antonio circuit, September 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31.

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continued to her room for nearly four years--most of the time. The writer visited her occasionally during the last three years of her sickness, and always found her cheerful and perfectly resigned to the will of our Heavenly Father. A few days before she died she called her husband and children to her bedside and gave to each her dying charge and requested them to meet her in heaven, and then sang that beautiful chorus, "O, come angel band around me stand." She was perfectly rational almost to her last breath; and when asked by her heart-stricken husband, "If she was ready, her distinct reply was, "Anxious, anxious to be delivered without a struggle or a groan. May her Christian life and happy death be as beacon lights to encourage her children and friends in the way to life eternal."--E. B. ZACHRY.

BOWERS--Mattie Bowers, wife of Rev. W. J. Bowers, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, and daughter of Rev. T. R. Nunn, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, died at her residence in Washington county, Texas, April 18, 1881. She was born March 30, 1811; professed religion June 15, 1838. Sister Bowers was one of the noble women whose liberal soul, large heart and pleasant manners make all God easy in her presence. Her profession of religion was of that old type in which the individual sensibly passes from death into life. She leaves a husband, four children and many friends to mourn her departure to the promised land. Husband, children and friends expect her at rest on the "ever-green shore."--A. J. ADKINS.

SMILY--My little grandson, Neal Snelly, died on the 31st inst. from meningitis. He fell in the yard and never got up. He was only ten years old. We all loved him but God loved him also and has taken him to Himself, and by His grace we will follow on and join with him in the song of the blessed. I never witnessed such expressions of joy and thanksgiving of any person as was his in the dying moment. He was in rapture; doubtless heaven was open to his view. I felt that it was good to be there.--E. Y. SEALE.

Let Me Pray First. A sweet and intelligent little girl was passing quietly through the streets of a certain town a short time ago, when she came to a spot where several little boys were amusing themselves by the dangerous practice of throwing stones. Not observing her, one of the boys, by accident, threw a stone toward her, and struck her a cruel blow in the eye.

She was carried home in great agony. The doctor was sent for, and a very painful operation was declared necessary. When the time came, and the surgeon had taken out his instruments, she lay in her father's arms, and he asked her if she was ready for the doctor to do what he could to cure her eye.

"No, father, not yet," she replied. "What do you wish us to wait for, my child?"

"I want to kneel in your lap and pray to Jesus first," she answered.

And then kneeling, she prayed a few minutes, and afterward submitted to the operation with all the patience of a strong woman.

Her beautiful little girl appears under these trying circumstances; surely Jesus heard the prayer made in that hour; and he will hear every child that calls upon his name. Even pain can be endured when we ask Jesus to help us bear it.--London Christian.

What It Costs. A gentleman was walking in Regent's Park, in London, and saw a man whose only home was in the poor-house. He had come out to take the air and excited the gentleman's interested attention.

"Well, my friend," said the gentleman, getting into conversation with him, "I am sorry that a man like you should be situated where you are. Now may I ask how old you are?"

"The man said he was eighty years of age."

"Had you any trade before you became poor?"

"Yes, I was a carpenter."

"Did you use intoxicating drink?"

"No, no, I only took my beer; never anything stronger; nothing but my beer."

"How much did your beer come to a day?"

"Oh, sixpence a day, I suppose."

"For how long a time?"

"Well, I suppose for sixty years."

The gentleman had taken out his note-book, and he continued talking with his pen while he went on figuring with the man.

"Now, let me tell you," said he, as he finished his calculations, "how much that beer cost you, my man. You can go over the figures yourself." And the gentleman demonstrated that the money, a sixpence a day for sixty years, expended in beer, would, if it had been saved and placed at interest, have yielded him nearly eight hundred dollars a year, or an income of fifteen hundred a year for self-support.

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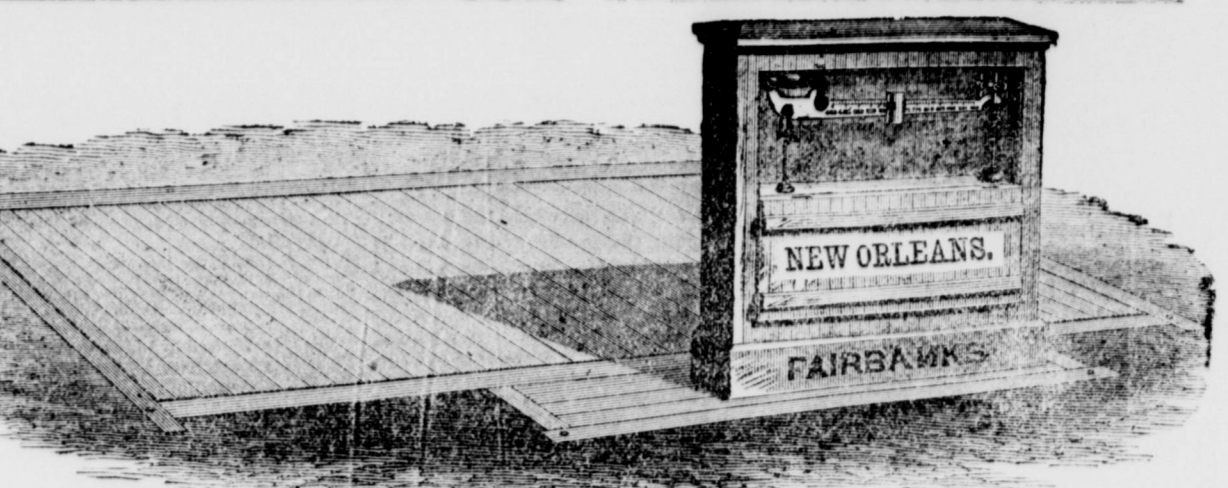
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