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Woodward District.

To the Advocate. The third session of the Woodward district conference, was held fifteen miles north of Brownwood, Aug. 6, to 9. J. K. Lane presided...

Reports were read and adopted. The spiritual state of the church was reported as only tolerably good. There have been several revivals of religion on the district, at which sinners have been converted...

Some good things were said in favor of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and the following resolution offered and adopted. Resolved, That we do hereby heartily endorse Dr. J. G. John as its editor...

Visitors present: Rev. R. H. H. Burnett, of Lampasas station, and Rev. Geo. F. Fair, of Rising Star mission. Pronouncement was given to religious services...

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE. I was requested to furnish a copy of the report on temperance, by the district conference, for publication, and I send it with the minutes. It is as follows: To the Presiding Elder and Members of the Brownwood District Conference:

Dear Brethren: We, your committee, regard this as being an opportune time for us to speak out and urge upon every father, mother, old man, middle-aged man, boy and girl, in addition to the classes named, all of the importance of a grand temperance movement.

A failure at this point, and we sustain great loss. Our influence as a church will be curtailed; our numbers diminished; our ranks thinned out; while hell's hosts shall be augmented by loved ones being torn from our kind embrace. Whereas it is the province of our church to take care of its members; and whereas the use of ardent spirits is expressly forbidden by the law of our church, except in cases of necessity; and whereas it is expected that those who have the oversight of the church will see that her laws are faithfully executed, therefore be it

Revival News

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5 Conversions. C. S. Mc CARVER, Brandon, Aug. 30: We have just closed a good meeting at Cross Roads that lasted only four days for want of help. It resulted in five conversions and a revival of the church.

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10 Conversions-9 Accessions. C. H. SMITH, Tyler, Aug. 19: At Pleasant Grove, on Starville circuit, we held a six days' meeting, with happy results. The church much revived; 8 accessions, about 10 professions. Local preachers—Bros. Tunnell, Ogburn and Spruce—did good service.

13 Conversions-10 Accessions. H. A. BOURLAND, Hearne, Aug. 27: Glorious meeting at Iremont. It began on Saturday last. I left Bro. Dimmitt, preacher in charge, last night, 16 conversions and accessions, and 40 seekers at the altar.

92 Conversions-60 Accessions. W. F. CLARK, Sherman, Aug. 27: I have just closed my second protracted meeting. Results: 92 conversions, and 60 additions to the church. Collected for missionary and conference claims in money and subscriptions \$147. I have three more meetings to hold before conference. The revival field seems to be burning all over the district.

6 Conversions-9 Accessions. LACY BOONE, Tennessee Colony, Aug. 31: I have held a six days' meeting at Concord, assisted by Rev. W. A. Moore, which resulted in 6 conversions and 9 additions to the church. The church was much revived. Concord has not had such a meeting for several years.

9 Conversions-5 Accessions. A. E. BUTTERFIELD, Senterfitt, Aug. 27: Bro. Bittick's meeting at Ivey closed the fourth Sunday night. The church was revived. 9 conversions and 5 accessions. I received a present of \$8.55, which I needed very badly.

15 Conversions-11 Accessions. B. F. JOHNSON, Fields' Store, Aug. 25: Still the Lord pours out his Holy Spirit and our meeting continues. 15 conversions to date, 11 accessions; 20 penitents at the altar for prayer last night. Oh! the amazing power of religion. Men who had not spoken for more than a year met at the altar, clasped each other's hands and resolved to be friends in the future.

113 Conversions-111 Accessions. A. T. CULBERTSON, Vineyard City, Aug. 27: Vineyard City camp-meeting closed last night, with 15 conversions and 11 accessions. The Lord has been with us and blessed us as indicated above. Thanks to the local preachers for their assistance. Brethren, pray for us. We have two protracted meetings yet to hold.

57 Conversions-20 Accessions. C. H. SMITH, Tyler, August 30: Camp-meeting at Winona over. Lasted six days, with the following visible results: The church much revived. Twelve or fifteen reclamation, thirty-seven professions, or more, twenty-six accessions to our church. Dr. Finley, J. S. Mathis, Brothers Blocker, Turner and local brethren did in the noble work.

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49 Conversions-51 Accessions. J. FRED COX, Waxahachie, Aug. 25: We closed a ten days' camp-meeting last night on Grove creek, about four miles from this city. 49 clear conversions and 51 additions to our church. The church was greatly revived.

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4 Conversions-6 Accessions. W. R. MANNING, Brookston, Aug. 30: We closed our meeting at Brookston Sunday night, the 24th inst. After 8 days and nights hard work. Results: about 4 conversions and six accessions, 2 infants baptized and the membership much revived.

65 Conversions-35 Accessions. J. H. BOND, Antell, Aug. 25: Our camp-meeting at Brushy Fork closed yesterday, resulting in 65 conversions and 35 accessions. This, a wonderful outpouring, was the greatest revival I have witnessed for five years.

31 Conversions-20 Accessions. S. W. JOHNSON, Oak Dale, Aug. 29: Our annual meeting commenced the 21st and closed last night. The congregations were large and serious, and gave close attention to the Word preached. The following are the visible results: 31 conversions, 20 accessions, 3 by letter.

42 Conversions-10 Accessions. W. H. ANDIS, Athens, Aug. 22: Our district conference at Athens closed Aug. 7; but we protracted the meeting seven days, resulting in 8 accessions and 9 conversions. New York camp-meeting closed Aug. 10. Results: 41 accessions and 9 conversions.

8 Accessions. D. W. TOWN'S, Harmony Hill, Aug. 20: Our third quarterly meeting for Church Hill circuit met at Harmony Hill, Aug. 19, Bro. Adams inquired into the interests of the work, and preached four scattering sermons.

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Drs. Philpott and Mitchell on Depravity.

To the Advocate. One at a time, brethren; two at a time is a little weighty upon an old man in bed sick of fevers. If my good Brother Mitchell has a theory of his own, I have nothing to say in regard to it just now.

We have known Dr. Philpott from early youth, and for his long experience, learning and ability in theological questions, we cherish the most earnest respect, but we seriously doubt the biblical accuracy of some of his predicates on natural depravity, in his late communication in the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. We may not fully understand those predicates. We have read and re-read them carefully. The harmony and unity of his theory we do not clearly see, and if we fall into error in regard to it, we shall avoid corrections.

The word "fatal" in the Doctor's article must have been an error of the type, as it misrepresents my views in the connection in which it stands—fatal meaning destructive. Had the Doctor said that natural depravity was "vital"—not fatal—to any true system of theology, he would have expressed my views. [Dr. P. has explained that the word he wrote was "basal."—Ed.]

When the Doctor says that he sees a reconciling medium between the old orthodox Arminians and the late class of "advanced thinkers," we naturally suppose that middle line to be Semi-Pelagianism. We did not see what else could cover that central domain; but upon a second reading we have rather concluded that it is nearer a pure Pelagianism than any thing else. But what of that, if it is true? Names cannot vitiate truth. But, then, the church in all former ages, in her official actions, has repudiated as heterodox both a pure and a Semi-Pelagian theory. Has the church been in error? Dr. Philpott takes the liberty to teach that our church is in error. He says that the Bible does not teach that Adam transmitted his "sinful image" to his posterity, and that original sin is not "naturally engendered" in the "offspring of Adam"; that our moral nature is not "very far gone from original righteousness"; that we are not naturally inclined to only evil continually, of our own free will, etc. The creed says we are so inclined. Who is in the right? An impression is upon our memory that in time past we have read a sermon or a newspaper article from Dr. Philpott inculcating the doctrine that Adam was not created in the moral image of God, and that regeneration does not restore that lost moral image to him. Are we correct in our recollection? It is plain that the Doctor does regard depravity as being a "natural non-moral" something in human nature—a mere natural inclination toward evil; and he classifies it with the providential benefits to men, giving them an opportunity to aspire after great and noble things, as the grand eagle swoops upward from his aerial depressions to greater heights in the pure ether dome. Pretty rhetoric, but what of the theory?

The orthodox have always taught that depravity is natural only in a secondary sense; that it is an *attractio* to nature, not in its original elements; that man was made in the moral as well as the natural image of God; that he was good, very good—no inclination to evil was in him; but when he sinned, all moral goodness departed from him, and he became an enemy to God, and by tradition, engendered that enmity to God in the moral nature of his posterity. Dr. Philpott denies that being the teachings of the Scriptures, but he does not affirm. Which has the foundation? Now, let us see if we really do understand the Doctor as to his strict meaning of the phrase—depravity—as to *depravity being natural, non-moral, providential, etc.* The truth or error of his views are couched in those words. His theory is based upon the definite meaning he attaches to them. In one place it seems that he regards his natural, non-moral depravity as having, in some way, become connected with the moral nature of man. But then, again, we are led to think that the Doctor believes it to have been an element in man's created or primal nature, and for that reason we arrange his views in the class of a pure Pelagianism. Pelagius taught that the fall of man did not taint his race; that all men sin by following Adam's example. Our creed says that original sin does not consist in the following of Adam—as the Pelagians so vainly talk, but is that which is naturally engendered of the offspring of Adam, etc. The Doctor says depravity is natural, non-moral. If so, it was in unfallen Adam as in us—*not* in man's created nature; a help to higher planes of greatness and goodness. But, alas! for us, Adam's ruined children, that little helpful germ of natural, non-moral depravity has, in fourteen hundred millions and ninety cases, developed into the world's great harvest of sin and woe—a hell to a *diabolus* no aid to the upward flight of the wings of progress.—H. A. GRAVES.

Both Sides of the Shield. BY MARY. Some time ago, while reading the following fable, I was strongly impressed with the lesson it conveyed. We all remember the story which is something like this: Two valiant knights of the olden time were wandering in a wood, when they found another knight, dead, and they paused near the body to do honor to his prowess and to speed his soul on its flight with a prayer. "A marvel," said one, "that so gallant a knight should have borne an iron shield." The shield is golden," said his companion. "Iron," vociferated the other. "Gold!" At this to battle they went, and after a long struggle and they lay on the grass, exhausted, they discovered that the shield was gold on one side, and iron on the other. So both the disputants were right. This and many other fables have become household words, and, when clothed in a "modern dress," are so very expressive in their meaning we cannot fail to observe the lesson or lessons they teach. How differently the world would go and that "wily member," the tongue, would wag, if humanity possessed only one side to their shield—that is, one side to their character. We would then cease to worry and watch over our neighbors and friends.

You have just settled down into a comfortable hatred of your next-door neighbor—indeed he is all iron, and rusty besides—when suddenly someone presents to your view, golden virtue is presented to your view, which forces you to change your opinion, and you very readily begin to find excuses for his "iron side." *Vice versa*. Just across the way is surely the loveliest person in the whole universe, possessing all the noble, and exalted attributes that

mortal man is heir to. What a happy, joyous, and restful feeling you always enjoy in his presence. You are about ready to pronounce him a "veritable saint"; but, lo! next day brings quite a revelation, and you are induced to dub him a scamp of the first water, a swindler trying to hoax humanity as well as his God. These two sides of character are continually being presented for consideration. But, really, there are some persons who seem utterly characterless. They produce no sensation of any kind among their fellows. Mrs. A. is a most exasperating lady, a favorite member of the most "aristocratic church" in the city, and thinks nothing of giving twenty dollars towards having her pet church carpeted with tapestry instead of Brussels, for the latter is "so common," and that odious "some other church" is carpeted with it. She is the very "mother" of the paragon, and always attends the meetings if she is sure she will talk long and loud of what she intends to do for the dear church and the cause of Christianity. And this very amiable Christian woman will think nothing of caviling with her poor washer-woman, who is forced to such hard labor to clothe four little growing children, and to put foot into four little languid mothers, about her pay, and will devise any means in order to put her off and tell any little white lie as an excuse for not having the "change" on hand. The very morning that she bargained for the handsome carpet for her church she sent her sewing girl from her with the sharp, cutting words and biting, stinging tones of "I cannot and will not pay you this week; your charges are exorbitant any how." The poor creature turned from her door weeping bitterly in her disappointment; for she had no food, no wood, no comforts for her aged and invalid mother, who, all alone, lay watching and waiting at home.

Mrs. B. is a charming, lovely, generous neighbor. The "banker's wife," who lives on the other side of town, has been the recipient of so many delicacies from her well-filled table. Her most fragrant flowers, accompanied by the most delicious wines, jetsam, etc., have found their way into her door almost every day while she was ill, only to be set away or disposed of by the servants; for the "banker's wife" had all she desired, all that money could procure. She really must take time to drive out two miles into the country to see Senator D.'s wife, who has just returned from Washington City, in "broken-down health"; for surely nothing can be as bad as her condition, and her position, a darling little one, if she should not recover, and the dear thing enjoys company so much. Just across an alley that runs back of Mrs. B.'s handsome residence lives a poor woman, not able to leave her bed, while her husband is compelled to go out to work in order that he get his daily wages that food and medicine be furnished his sick wife and two helpless little children. That poor, untitled, unaccommodated woman rises from day to day with her babies crying round her, with only coarse, scanty fare, no comforts, no luxuries for her own feeble self and little ones. Oh! how grateful she would have been for one loaf of that white bread, one cup of jelly; one glass of wine. Why, the poor creature would have even relished the fragrance of one of those flowers from the hand of her neighbor.

To her five hundred friends whom she meets once a year, Miss C.—is the most fascinating woman in the wide world; but hear the verdict of those with whom she lives. Sullen, cross, unkind, quarrelsome, selfish, unaccommodating, are the terms they apply to her. Her sisters, her brothers, even her parents are not exempt from her bursts of tongue and temper eloquence. The servants hold her in "holy horror," and flinch at her approach. But just let the doorbell ring and a card be sent in; the sun-browned, distorted features begin to assume a softer expression, and by the time she is dressed she is transformed into a most presentable person. Her words are so courteous, her smile so sweet, and the soft, tender, loving tones with which she speaks of and to the other members of the family, render her so captivating. The visitors think her among the most fortunate ones in the world to have in their midst such an angel. So we find the golden side of a character is the side generally presented to the world, to the passer-by, to the casual observer; while the iron side is reserved for the family and near friends and neighbors—as is shown more plainly to those loved best.

Holiness. To the Advocate. A few weeks since Rev. Geo. G. Smith gave us an interesting letter in the Advocate about the Georgia State Holiness Association. It sounds a little more Wesleyan than the most we read these days on the subject of holiness in our church papers. But unless he can bring a better proof text than Romans v: 1, 2, he will hardly persuade those sons of Wesley to abandon their position that entire sanctification is a distinct blessing subsequent to all that is received at justification.

This scripture most distinctly speaks of two effects or states of experience "by faith through our Lord Jesus Christ." That justification, regeneration, adoption and entire sanctification are all received by faith, no Wesleyan can deny. But that the last state of grace comes at the same time as the three former we must deny till a text differing from the above is adduced. Paul says in the first verse: "Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Clearly denoting a state of grace that means pardon for past sins and reconciliation with God; and all our standard gains regeneration as an instantaneous accompaniment of justification, but *not* one so teaches entire sanctification.

Now, the second verse says: "By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand." Is not an advance movement on the former position herein expressed? The same meritorious and the same instrumental causes are given, but not the same results. One brings us peace—internal and external—with God; the other brings us permanency—internal and external—in grace. One is *with* and the other *in*. The one rectifies our own wrongs, and the other "the corruption of the nature that is naturally engendered of the offspring of Adam." With the former, and yet without the latter, a man goes halting all his days. In the exuberance of his first Christian experience he fondly believes all his enemies have fled. In fact, all those before him and without him have fled; and great, inexpressible, is his victory! Now, N. B.—All his

guiltiness is forgiven, and all his responsibilities up to the present are met. All the stains that his actual transgressions have placed upon his soul are *removed*. All the chains of vice and immorality that his sins (transgressions of the law) have forged for his affections and faculties are broken asunder, and he is made free from them and their dire consequences.

But just as sure as he is faithful to the grace given he will discover (and that perhaps before long) an enemy that lurks deep within—the carnal mind, that is enmity against God, not subject to the law of God, neither in deed can be. And I firmly believe that it is not discoverable at all, in its exceeding sinfulness, until Christ becomes the end of the law for righteousness to him that believeth, and thus our daily and passing sinners, it enters into the citadel of the conquered soul, and there, by the light of pardoning and redeeming grace, this law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus discover, the viper of inbred sin; and if we be not faithful, but believing, will surely make us free from this law of sin and death. The root of bitterness will be sure to spring up and trouble him unless he applies by faith to the cleansing blood of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. This is the process of the carnal mind's utter eradication. This is the doctrinal statement and the final experience that the devil hates with all his powers and persecutes with the most unrelenting cruelty. And, oh, how many pens and preachers and members of the church he subsidizes in this nefarious business—unwittingly, doubtless, to be sure. But the Lord's will is best service. One holiness fighter in the church or ministry can do more against the "spread of holiness over these lands" than most any number of outsiders. But they often reply, we do not fight holiness, but your statement of it. Ah! that is just what the Pope might have said to Luther. I do not fight justification, but your statement of it. The deist might say to the Christian: I do not fight God, but your statement of him. The atheist says, we do not fight virtue, but your statement of it. And yet for all that, the Pope, the deist and the atheist are all wrong, and really opposed to justification, God and virtue, because opposed to the only true statement of the same by Luther and the Christian. So you are certainly opposed to holiness because opposed to the only true statement of it by the standards of our church in their faithful interpretations of Scripture. My brother, my sister, I tremble for you! Are you aware that this is why Zion languishes to-day? As regards power and purity, both of pulp and pew, our Methodism will not compare with the Methodism of our fathers. And we are going from bad to worse. Nor will this downward tendency ever be checked otherwise than by a renewal of this original sound doctrinal statement, and sound doctrinal spirit, which is necessary to a faithful spiritual condition as the pipe to the flow of the water. We well enough know that the pipe is not the water; but oh how closely allied the purity, convenience and benefits of the water with the perfection of the pipe. "This is the will of God, even your sanctification." Sanctify them through thy truth—thy word is truth. "Let us stick to the word of truth." Its very terms are of the spirit's selection, and may not be discarded without discarding the vehicle of the Spirit's operations.

Brethren, you who believe the doctrine, stand by the old ship! Never cast away the chart of Scripture, the compass of faith, nor the anchor of hope. Hold on to the helm of eternal vigilance, for it is the price of liberty. A clear conception of this truth; a certain experience of this blessing; a faithful testimony given to Christ's power to save from all sin; a life that contradicts not this testimony; and a ministry that leads always to it, are the ballast that will keep the ship steady in the most fearful storms that ever swept the oceans or strewn the shore with the wrecks of every other craft of man's device.

Above everything, remember that your ship is laden with immortal souls, who, without holiness shall never see the Lord.—A. H. STURTELLAND. SAN ANTONIO, AUGUST 21.

Leaving Our Dead. To the Advocate. When the matchless queen, Dranpali, and the good brother, Gaudishisa, the wise and sinless king of an ancient poem of India, fell dead by the wayside as they journeyed toward heaven, he never passed— "Though Dranpali lay dead— Striding straight on, heartful Of his two brothers of feet and firm." One by one his brothers fell dead, but he passed not, never looked back, "walking with his face set for the mount, only a bound following him." When he arrived at the gate of heaven all honor and welcome was given him, but he pleaded on entering that the faithful bound ought go in with him. To this the god objected, and questioned why he cared so for a beast when he had never turned even a look at his dead brothers and his beloved queen, to which he replied, that it was well known that none could "help or change the dead," else he had stayed by them; but it was unworthy to forsake any living thing that could be benefited. From this heathen myth comes a reproach, as we sink down by the graves of our beloved, stunned, loth to leave them, even to press forward to the mount; even to help others thither. We jealously guard all that is left of our beloved—their place, memory, and to sad regret give hours, days, months, that might yield rich blessings to the living. It seems a "tender sin," and yet it is a sin to refuse the sacrifice of laying our dead out of sight when the living claim our attention, and they ever do. Such a sweet, sad pleasure it is to yield ourselves to retrospection and live back in their past and ours. A cruel letter brought the news, "mother is dead," and nothing seemed so sweet as going back, again, to the place of memory, and recalling her gentle ministrations and companionship through the rosy hours of childhood and womanhood, till the last cruel hours of separation, and then to read over and over the loving words, sent across the intervening space, and the last message penned by another when her hands were too weak, or another: yes, worthy of all dear recollection was she; faithful and true; a servant of God and of his church; for over half a century, holding it ever her chief desire that her children might all walk in God's ways; holding such a walk ever before our eyes far above all worldly honor and pleasure, dying in triumphant faith, as might be expected. And then another memory, too precious and tender for words—our baby gone with the angels. Gone! In every lapse

of close thought and active duty come these tender memories with such a saddening weight that every power would be crushed did we not persistently turn our face "toward the mount" and refuse to look back. Those tender days and months of motherhood, the opening bud that lay in our arms, the hope and pride and joy of future years, and then the dark day when we took it in ours arms no more, but went again and again to the little crib lifting up the white covering and gazing on the beautiful clay, striving to stamp the picture of peace on our troubled heart and brain. No human words could enter our numbed faculties that day; but as it wore away a "ministering spirit" whispered, "Thy angels do always behold the face of my Father." Blessed words—Jesus uttered them, methinks—for us mothers that have lost the tiny, tender darlings who have sheltered from every breath away alone, beneath the clouds, in the darkness and under the storms. Beholding the Father's face— "We know the angels fold them close Beneath their glittering wings, And soothe them with a song— That Broodles of heaven's divinest things."

But this sweet secret, revealed to us by the loving Christ, helps us to lay our dead out of our sight; for, as our troubled hearts are hushed to rest by the assurance, how our desires are quickened that all may hear of it, and we are drawn out in renewed effort to spread the tidings of salvation. So may we leave thee, sweet dead, and living, working for others, press on to the "mount," heartful of the things of heaven.—MRS. H. W. ARMSTRONG.

H. G. Horton vs. Temperance. To the Advocate. In your issue of August 2nd appeared an article, part of which I was sorry to see in the columns of the ADVOCATE. The writer says: "It looks as though much of the so-called temperance work of the State was in the hands of professional bummers, who dash from place to place, organize a little squad, get what money they can, and really do little else than fill the air with gas and the pockets with dollars. From his innuendo one would readily infer that he does not think any real temperance work has been done in Texas. As Dr. James Younge has been for years prominently before the people of the State as a temperance lecturer, I presume Bro. H. is striking at him. What is the result of his fifteen years' work? He has organized over one thousand temperance councils, enrolling tens of thousands of members, when it was estimated the recent session of the Grand Council at least 50,000 remain true to their pledge. Can Bro. H. point to that many converts under his ministry? I assert without fear of successful contradiction, that Dr. Younge has done more for the cause of temperance in Texas than any other fifty men in the State. As to filling his pockets with money: I have the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with him and his family; his dependence for a support is upon his own labors, and he is now over three-score years old. With an invalid wife, widowed daughter and her children dependent upon him, there is no holiday, no rest season for him, and yet his pockets are not full of money.

I have the honor of a personal acquaintance with A. H. Laimner, of Paris, State lecturer for the I. O. G. T., and Mrs. Jenny Bland Beauchamp, of Denton, State President of the W. C. T. U., who are working hard in the temperance cause in Texas on a very small compensation. Bro. H.'s liver was certainly out of order, or he never would have written such an article for the ADVOCATE: the first I ever saw in it which saloon men would read, pass around and chuckle over. I feel humiliated that one of our brethren should make a thrust at the temperance cause and those engaged in it through the columns of our church paper, which for better or worse could not have been excelled by any saloon-keeper in the State.—J. L. LEMONS.

Did He Kill the Bird? To the Advocate. Once upon a time a man, a lawyer, advertised for a boy to serve in his office, and of whom he proposed to make a lawyer also. On the day appointed, in came a whole lot of boys to apply for the position. That wise man said, (for he was a smart man); Boys, let me tell you a little story first, and then we will proceed to business. There was a man who saw a bird upon his hay-stack, and he took his gun and shot at it. Well the walking of the gun caught fire and fell in some loose hay near the stack and set it on fire. That set the hay-stack on fire, and this stack of hay set all the other on fire, and they set the barn afire, and the barn burned up all the horses and farm tools, and then set the dwelling house on fire, that burned up some of the folks in it. So there was a terrible destruction that day!

When he got through telling how much harm the fire did, he waited to hear the remarks of the boys. Many were the comments and exclamations on that dreadful fire by all save one little fellow off in the corner. He was silent and thoughtful. When they all got through, he piped in, "Did he kill the bird?" Now I am like that little boy. The "city pastor" tells of a member of his church who sold whisky, but excused himself by saying that he kept it to supply his brethren from the country. Now battling the fire and smoke of his disastrous shot, will he please tell us whether he killed the bird? Will he tell us what he did with that whisky selling member?

We know that evils sometimes exist, but must be passed without the direct and formal application of discipline because of the difficulty of locating or proving the same. But the interesting feature of this case is, that the preacher found the man and found his sin (perhaps he has it advertised in the city press), and he did not present himself in proving it? So some of us would like to know what he did to the bird on which he could draw such a fine bead? Did he kill it, or does it still sit there pecking away at the vitals of the church? That's the question! DID HE KILL THE BIRD?—A. H. S. SAN ANTONIO.

Huntsville District. To the Advocate. As we approach the close of the third round on the district revival process of the district we hope to exceed the centennial motto of Dr. Hendrix and the centenary committee—a revival in every charge—and write it, a revival at every appointment. Already the work is glorious in some of the charges. Huntsville station and Bedias circuit were rather in advance in point of time. A little later came Bryan station, so that Bro. Mitchell was able to report at district conference, 2d July, nearly the

number of forty accessions. At the district conference Willis got a blessing, and increased her membership roll by about six. Bryan circuit has had good meetings at two different points where a number were converted and added to the church. Huntsville circuit has had revival meetings with gratifying results, and there is abundant good in sight on that work. Zion circuit has had two splendid revivals, which increased the membership about thirty. Waverly mission, at Dodge, has enjoyed a season of refreshing. Where things were almost nominal, quite a number professed faith in Christ, and about fifteen united with the church. Plantersville, at Hughey's chapel, has had a line meeting, with a large number of professions and accessions. Madisonville circuit, at Elwood, has been blessed, and the roll has been increased by about thirteen recruits. And then comes Bedias circuit again; this time Alexander camp-ground was the place. There was a coming together of the brethren, and a sort of centenary day was observed, under the name of a mass-meeting. Here the fire commenced to burn very slowly at first, and the children of the wicked one gave trouble for a time—nothing serious, however. On the evening of Wednesday, centenary day, one happy soul found the pearl of great price, and praised God loud and long. The church was thrilled, and some helped in the matter of shouting, and helped with a will. Next day was on the programme as a mass-meeting day also, but we disregarded the plan and had plain gospel preaching, designed to tell them and there in the conviction and conversion of sinners. At the evening hour quite a number professed faith, and six gave their hand to unite with the church. It was a blessed night, and the influence of the meeting pervaded for good all classes. Friday the elder left for his next appointment, feeling that success was assured. And when the pastor, or some one who stayed and worked with him, sends a card to the ADVOCATE, the figures will startle and thrill the church. It may not result in a hundred conversions in that rather sparsely peopled neighborhood, or it may; there is no telling. I do not think there was any great preaching done on this occasion. Some right good preaching there certainly was, done by the preachers of the district exclusively, up to the time of my leaving. Bro. Tarrant, of the Chappell Hill district, had arrived, and, doubtless, he had his part of the pulp work to do. He was the only visiting brother on the ground up to the seventh day of the meeting.

I have been with my family one day on this visit, and leave in the morning for New Waverly, Oak Grove, Shepherd and Willis. What a country for a convert, with no rain for two months!

The Secret of Happiness. One of my neighbors in town and church, is an old lady whose dress is of a style belonging to no period of fashion. I wonder, sometimes, if, for a century, the cost of it has exceeded a many dollars. Her step is light as a girl's, her nature bright and cheery, and over her otherwise homely face spreads the glow of a heart at peace with God. Her youth was spent in a struggle for daily bread, and scarcely was this pressure removed before she was called upon to mourn the loss of first one and then another loved member of the family, until she has outlived every relative. Her home is plain, almost bare of the luxuries considered as indispensable to comfort; yet there is not one from whom we so much enjoy a visit as this solitary woman, ever so warm in her greeting, so cheerfully companionable.

"There is so much heart-ease about you," I once said to her, "that it refreshes me to meet you. Why, you are the youngest and healthiest person I have ever known." "Oh, yes," she replied, smilingly, "I have stopped growing old; for each day brings me nearer the possession of endless youth, in my better hours. And how can I not be so in this beautiful world, where my Heavenly Father has placed me?" "Still you have had your full share of trials and sorrows," I said.

"Yes, I have surely passed through the Valley of Baca, but by the grace of God I have been able to make it a well. But, my friend," she continued, "I have been happy only since I ceased to strain after what was beyond my reach, and resolved no longer to hie to my bosom my grief and sorrow, but to take them all to God, and leave them with him, content to be what he wishes, and only that."

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Uncle Ike's Department. BREMOND.—Dear Uncle Ike: I am a little girl eleven years old. I am not going to school now. Pa takes my paper. I love to read the children's column. I am going to Sunday-school, Mrs. Houston is my teacher. Bro. Dimmitt is our pastor. We all like him very much.—MATTIE OAKLEY.

Chattanooga. Our congregation at First Church, in this city, are not in their new church building as I supposed; but it is nearing completion under the perseverance and skill of the pastor, Bro. Rankin. It will be an elegant structure, in keeping with the advanced and spirit of this thriving city on the Tennessee. It will be called Centenary, in honor of the first centenary of American Methodism.

Our First Conference in Monterey. To the Advocate. Our first conference in Monterey convened August 25, 1884, in our mission house. Bro. Elias Robertson, presiding elder, was present, and manifested deep interest in the work of our church in these parts. The members of said conference were only the writer and his two assistants, one of whom was appointed secretary, and we proceeded to the business of the occasion.

The Little Lambs. During a revival, the pastor announced that a meeting would be held that evening for the reception of members. On hearing this, little eleven year old Frank went home and asked the permission of his grandmother, under whose charge he was, to present himself for membership. She was astonished, and said: "My dear child, you are too young. You must wait until you are older."

Domingo Acosta; and he having been a Christian for some time, Bro. S. gave him temporary license to preach, and employed him on the mission. With this assistant, I commenced evangelizing work among the Mexicans in the city of Monterey. Since then, the congregations have been ordinarily good. The superintendent and Bishop Parker sent Emeterio Quinones here to increase our forces May 1, and since then we have had services three times a week in the city, and also having preaching in four villages near the city. The results are as follows: Members received by letter, 5; by ritual, 2; baptism—adults, 2, infants, 1. The spiritual general state of the mission is regular. We have need of advancement. However, now all seem to be growing in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and I am very hopeful.

God Says We Mustn't. As a mother sat reading to her three children, she came to a story of a naughty boy, who had stolen apples and pears from an orchard near his father's cottage. After reading part of the story, according to her usual practice, she made a pause to put a few questions. "William," she said, "why ought we not to do as this naughty boy did? Why ought we not to steal apples and pears?" "Oh," replied William, "because they do not belong to us."

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LIPAN, AUG. 30.—I think I will be able to put the ADVOCATE in every Methodist family in my charge before conference.—J. J. DAVIS.

"THERE is no rainbow without a cloud." Let those who are in sorrow think of that. The richest promises of the Word of God are addressed to those who are called to "pass under the rod."

CHRIST crossed the sea of Galilee through a storm and in an open boat to heal the demoniac whose presence all the people shunned. How far will the Master go to help one of his children who is in the midst of sore trial or temptation?

THE Cleveland Leader says there are more saloon-keepers in that Ohio city than all the doctors, lawyers and clergymen combined. About the same thing can be said of all the leading cities and towns of the nation. It would be well if the people would count up the cost.

THE Savior often spent the night alone on the mountain side in prayer. There his humanity gathered strength for his great mission. No man can do the work of Christ who fails to follow him to the mountain side. Were the history of each revival now visiting Texas to be written up, it would tell of power secured by prayer before the victory was won in the congregation.

IN one day last week the papers reported three prize fights in Chicago. One, which is described as unusually brutal, was ended by one of the parties being knocked senseless in the ring. The recitals of these brutalities, which often cover columns in the daily papers, furnish a literature but little better for the family circle than the Police Gazette.

THE Presbyterian Banner mentions, as an encouraging feature of its mission work in China, the fact that the native churches manifest a desire to be self-sustaining. It furnishes evidence that the gospel is taking root among the people. One of these days the mission field in Asia and the islands of the ocean will be the leading agents in sending the gospel to the regions beyond.

AN attempt was made by the Milan branch of the Evangelical Society to establish regular preaching at Lodi, Italy, but it was frustrated by the authorities. The theater was hired, but they were informed that evening meetings could not be held in it. Another room was secured, but disturbances were raised, and the authorities forbid the meetings. That is the liberty the human conscience would enjoy if the church of Rome could command the secular arm.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

RISEING STAR.—Will some reader of the ADVOCATE please tell us where Uncle Jake Mathis is? He has done too much for the church, and fed too many preachers to be forgotten. I hope he is living. God bless him. Let us love and care for our old men.—A. K. MILLER.

CEDAR BAYOU, AUG. 28.—We will have a Sabbath-school convention at this place on Friday, Sep. 26. We would like very much for you and several more of the preachers to put in their appearance at that time and tell the children something new. Come, brethren, all that are interested in the Sabbath-school. We would like for the Vice-President to make his appearance at that time on Cedar Bayou. Pray that God will bless the children.—J. A. SAVAGE.

GROESBECK, AUG. 20.—Our church at Groesbeck will be dedicated the first Sunday night in October, by Rev. E. L. Armstrong, our presiding elder. The new church at Central Institute is done except the pews. They are being made, and the house will be dedicated in October. The Groesbeck church and the one at Central Institute are good, substantial houses, and do credit to the people of each community. There are good, substantial Methodists on the Groesbeck charge. Any man may feel unworthy and honored, too, to serve such a people. Would be pleased to see you at the dedication of our churches.—W. H. LEFFRE.

BISHOP GEORGE F. PIERCE, D. D.

We hold back the ADVOCATE to make room for the following intelligence, which will send sadness throughout our Southern Methodist Israel.

SPARTA, Ga., Aug. 3.—Conscious to the last moment, and in perfect peace, Bishop Pierce died at Sunshine, his home, at 9:15 this morning.—A. G. HAYGOOD.

Bishop Pierce was born in Greene county, Georgia, Feb. 3, 1811. He was the noble son of an illustrious sire. His father, Dr. Lovick Pierce, helped to make a large portion of the history of Southern Methodism. He graduated at Franklin College in 1829, and began to study law. His rare ability had already been recognized by teachers and associates and opened for him a brilliant career, and the struggle was long and painful before he could surrender his earthly aspirations and consecrate himself with his noble endowments to the self-sacrificing life of a Methodist itinerant. When the surrender was made it was made—as he once said—without the slightest reservation. He gave himself fully to the work to which his Master had called him, and from that time his thoughts and purposes, his gifts and time, were all given to his sacred calling. He was admitted into the Georgia Conference in 1830. He was stationed in 1834 in Charleston, South Carolina, and with that exception, he labored in the regular ministry, in fields assigned him in his native State, until 1838-9, when he became the first president of the Wesleyan (then styled the Georgia) Female College, in Macon. This was, we believe, the first female college inaugurated in the Christian world. He ranks as the pioneer of the movement which has filled so large a place in the advancement of woman to the high estate to which Christianity would assign her. While here, with P. Pendleton, edited the "Southern Ladies' Book." In 1848 he was elected President of Emory College, and was largely instrumental in securing for that institution the commanding position it holds among the educational enterprises of the South. He headed the delegation from Georgia in the General Conference of 1844, and took a leading part in the discussion which terminated in the separation of the church. It was during this conference that he delivered, at a Bible meeting, the celebrated address which confirmed his fame for eloquence, and ranked him from that hour among the greatest leaders in the American pulpit. He united with his Southern brethren in the celebrated protest against the action of the General Conference in the case of Bishop Andrew, and shared the fortunes of his church and people after the separation. He was a delegate to the convention which met in May, 1845, which resulted in the organization of the Methodist E. Church, South. In 1854, at the General Conference, held in Columbus, Ga., he was elected bishop, and since then has consecrated his powers fully to the duties of his high office.

With his rare endowments and rich culture, and while holding the highest office in the gift of his church, Bishop Pierce revealed, the meekness and gentleness of the true follower of his lowly Master. He was firm in the discharge of every duty, unshrinking in the presence of the most weighty responsibilities, and yet he was even tender and sympathetic in the administration of the peculiar duties of his office. The preachers loved Bishop Pierce. His zeal for his Master's work consumed him. It burned as brightly amid the infirmities of age and the pains of protracted sickness, as when, in the maturity of his manhood, his wonderful eloquence and consecrated zeal made the pulpit he filled a throne of power. Wise in council, firm and faithful in action, a prince among his brethren, he died peacefully, for his only trust was in the redeeming blood of Christ.

FIFTY years ago the London Missionary Society began work in the Siamon Islands, in the South Sea. They were savages of the worst description and dreaded by shipwrecked sailors. There are now 5000 of these people members of the Christian church, and an equal number have died in the faith. Under the influence of Christianity the population has increased; they have churches and schools, and the children are being educated as the children of civilized lands. Their imports of clothing and general supplies are of such importance that three resident consuls look after the interests of their respective nationalities. Can infidelity show a corresponding work?

If some friend who reads the daily papers, morning and evening, will send us a copy issued this year of our Lord 1884, which does not contain the record of some crime in which the saloons or liquor play the leading part, we will be obliged to him. Such a paper these days would be a curiosity. The saloons are sending out every day, in the crimes they occasion, sufficient material to supply all the temperance campaign lecturers in the land.

"THEY gave liberally to the endowment fund of Northwestern University." So Dr. Bourland closes the report of a "glorious meeting" going on at Bremond. Religion opens the heart and the hand to all the enterprises of the church. May every revival in the land take that shape. We must lead sinners to the cross, and we must provide Christian education for the children who will compose the coming church. These duties join hands.

MY SIN IS EVER BEFORE ME.

No wonder that solemn truth made the royal sinner tremble. A deed performed remains forever a part of the actor's history. He cannot obliterate it from his life; nor efface it from his memory. No human eye witnessed the act, no human tongue may proclaim his guilt; but that deed remains a portion of his history, and no power can blot it out. David had fancied his sin was hid in the grave of his slaughtered servant. He had so carefully covered up his crime that none would testify against him. Uriah was dead, his fellow-servants would not dare to proclaim their suspicion of their monarch's guilt, and in safety he could share the pleasures he had bought with blood. But when the prophet drew the terrible picture of his transgression, memory called up Uriah from his bloody grave and conscience, which for a time had been bribed by sensual indulgence, echoed the terrible arraignment of the man of God, the confession of guilt was wrung from David's lips and bowing in the dust, he said: "My sin is ever before me." It followed him as relentlessly as the shadow of death.

One of the most successful detectives this land has known, held it as certain that criminals could not keep secret the crimes they had committed. Often a deed is performed under circumstances that furnished the detective no clue that would lead him to the guilty man. The murderer and his victim were alone when the bloody deed was done, the dead man's lips are sealed, and the slayer had left no footprint that could lead to his detection. But he bears with him in all his wanderings a witness of his awful crime. His memory of that dark deed will attend him though he should wander to the ends of the earth, and its awful presence so haunts his conscience that, despite his ceaseless vigilance, some unguarded word will escape his lips, some suspicious act will be performed that will turn the eyes of other men upon him; and when he least expects it, some voice will proclaim, "Thou art the man" and conscience compel a confession that leads him to his doom.

Could man banish at will the memory of every deed, could he "murder conscience" and bury guilt forever in the grave of oblivion, there would be but slight restraint on human wickedness. But there is no escape from sin. Go where man will he bears it with him, and those silent sentinels which guard the portals of every heart stand ready to bear witness of each sin that stains the soul. Paul paints a ghastly picture of this awful truth when he represents our sins as the "body of death" to which our souls are chained, and from which there is no deliverance save through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Here the gospel meets our greatest want. Man has sinned and from that sin the universe can furnish him no hiding place. He needs a Savior and Jesus died for his sin and rose again for his justification.

At the late Confederate reunion at Dallas Gen. L. M. Lewis, who is known from Missouri to the Gulf as an ordained Methodist minister, and therefore authorized to administer the ordinances of the church, baptized the ten months old daughter of Col. and Mrs. C. G. Mitchell. Of this scene the Baptist Herald remarks: "Was it intended as a religious act; then it was solemn mockery. If it was an act of patriotism, then it was an insult to large numbers who were present."

A spirit very similar to that revealed by the Herald was manifested by the disciples who rebuked the mothers when they brought their children to Christ for his blessing. This spirit displeased the Master, who took the little ones in his arms and blessed them. If the Herald presents it as an insult for people to exercise religious convictions that may not be moulded on its pattern, it had better hunt another climate. A free conscience is every man's birth-right in Protestant lands. The spirit it reveals in those words belongs to the dark ages.

BRIEF MENTION.

—Three curates of the church of England have recently joined the Salvation Army.

—Two Moravian missionaries to Alaska have reached Nishigak, and ascended the Kuskokwin river in skin canoes.

—At Berne, Switzerland, all meetings of the Salvation Army have been prohibited.

—The Moody and Sankey Mission in London cost \$75,000, and it is said a million and a half persons heard the gospel preached in the plainest English and expressed in the sweetest song.

—The Catholic Examiner, Brooklyn, says the Pope's encyclical letter against the Masons has resulted, in France, in the formation of an Anti-Masonic League, the members of which pledge themselves to certain religious practices, and never to belong to any secret society. The letter of the Pope has been a large advertisement to Masonry.

REV. S. J. GRAVES.

We are in receipt of the following: BRYAN, AUG. 20: The Rev S. J. Graves, of the Texas Conference, formerly of the Louisiana Conference, and a resident of Bryan for fourteen years, died this morning after a protracted illness, at his home in Bryan. His funeral takes place this evening.—J. W. BILINGTON.

Brother Graves was a brother of Rev. G. W. Graves, of the Northwest Texas Conference. Feeble health for years has prevented his active service to the church, and he waited where the church appointed till the Master called him home.

TO BRENHAM AND BACK.

It was not until Saturday morning that we could leave the editorial table to perform the duty assigned us in the Sunday-school convention which met at Brenham last week. We attended the closing session. An excellent paper on the qualifications and duties of superintendents was read by Bro. Brown, who holds that important relation to our school in Brenham. The next morning, in the large attendance and good order of his school, we had evidence that Bro. Brown was not only a good theorist, but an efficient executive officer. He holds his school well in hand. The teachers respect and the children love him.

There was not the attendance at the convention either of pastors or delegates from the schools that the importance of the occasion demanded. Many of the pastors were engaged in revivals and did not feel that they could leave that work to meet any other call. This fact caused the convention to defer the decision, as to the time when the next convention will be held, to the ensuing conference, when a time may be agreed upon which will not interfere with any department of church work. Much interest was manifested by those in attendance, and the conviction was expressed that the Sunday-school convention will be a most important agency in arousing the church to its duty to the children. There is no interest before the church of greater importance. A report of the proceedings will be furnished by the Secretary.

The children's meeting Sunday afternoon demonstrated the fact that the most direct path to the hearts of parents is the one thronged by their little ones. Bro. Phair, president of the convention, reminded us that the Texas Conference, in the report of the Sunday-school Board which it adopted, made provision for children's meetings. We have ever found them of great value. Christ said a "little child shall lead them," and many parents may be drawn to the house of God, where their children are to be addressed, and where their voices lead in song, who have for years withdrawn themselves from the sanctuary of God. We have known gracious revivals to begin in the children's meetings. Let us look after the little ones.

Washington county was once the center of Methodism in western and central Texas. Its Methodist communities, with their American citizenship, are yielding to the pressure of the foreign population, and large societies and crowded congregations are now reduced to small bands struggling for existence. Within the past two years over one hundred and fifty voters have moved out of the county to the rich uplands of Northwest Texas. While this movement depletes the strength of all the evangelical Protestant churches, it presents before the church a new field which calls for occupation. We must provide for this foreign population. The southern portion of Washington county represents a large portion of the most fertile counties of Southern Texas. One church has its missions in this field; but "what are these among so many?"

Not only is this foreign element occupying the country, but it is leaving its impress on the social and religious character and customs of the land. The Bohemians are Catholics, and the beer-garden or the whisky-saloon are as publicly patronized by them on Sunday as their places of worship. They go from mass to the drinking-house, and many families, we are told, close the services of the day in a condition that reflects but little credit on the religion they profess. Evangelical Christianity alone can arrest these evils, and save the American population from the inevitable degeneration that follows in the path of Sunday-desecration and the open saloons.

The First Avenue, To the Advocate.

The revival flame continues to burn. It reminds me of former days. I mean the days you younger preachers read about and the older ones cry about. Glory to God for his gracious power for the last several weeks. I am aided in these meetings by Bros. Reese, Wright, Baker, Manly, Martin, and a host of laymen. I went home last night to rest one night, but after reading the revival notices and your comments and words of encouragement, I felt but little desire to sleep. God bless you.—F. M. W. KANSAS, AUG. 13.

A Church Completed.

To the Advocate.
 We have a beautiful church edifice just completed in Pottsboro, with its steeply pointing heavenward. It is 28x40 feet; 16 feet from floor to ceiling. Well finished in plain, neat style, with a vestibule of six feet. Our people labored faithfully for its erection. Other denominations helped us some with their means. Bro. J. M. Binkley came in and dedicated it for us last Sunday, after preaching us an appropriate sermon. The house was paid out except about \$250.00; but after a short and humorous talk from Bro. B., the amount was soon made up in cash and subscription, and the house was then dedicated to God for his worship. It has cost us about \$1300, and Bro. Binkley complimented us by saying that it was unusual for him to dedicate a church that was fully completed as was ours. May the Great Head of the church bless this good people and honor the house that they have built in their upbuilding in the Christian faith, and in the conversion of their children and the strangers that may come within its sacred walls.—J. E. VIGASOX.

POTTSBORO.
 OUR heart burned within us as we read the report of the wonderful work of God at the Bessemerville camp-meeting. Pentecostal power still abides in the church of Christ. Let each preacher "tarry at Jerusalem" until he is endowed with like "power from on high."

Lynch Law--Causes, Cure.

Synopsis of Sermon preached at St. John's Church, by Rev. W. J. Young, Aug. 31.

Psalm lxxxlii:2. "How long will ye judge unjustly and accept the persons of the wicked?" Our own city, our State, I may say the whole country, has been startled of late by the frequent recurrence of the grossest crimes, and then by the gathering together of mobs, who have taken the law into their own hands, and have inflicted the death penalty. While no one could deprecate this more than I do, it seems to me that back of it all there lie some causes which have given rise to these acts of lawlessness, for lawlessness it is.

I charge it upon the ministers of the law. The people have said the courts are a mere ornament, and the law is a failure. The worst criminals are allowed to go free. It is a common remark now that money can clear even the vilest criminal of any crime. The chief concern of our officials is to keep their offices, and they conduct them in such a way as to accomplish this end. If it be necessary to pander to the whims of the rabble, this they will do; but if at times there is a cry from the moral elements for the enforcement of law, they will at least make the show, for a time, of desiring the same thing. They sit watching the current of public sentiment to see which way it is blowing, and they administer justice or execute the law according to what may be needed for their own popularity. There was a time when justice might indeed be represented as blind-folded, with the scales evenly balanced in her hand; but now, more properly might we picture her with her eyes wide open, with one hand striking down some helpless criminal dressed in rags, while with the other she clasps to her heart a man in broadcloth with a bag of gold in his hand. This sentence has been passed on the officials by the people, and the charge is a terrible one. The bill of charges accuses them of perjury, of connivance at crime, of partaking in the crime, of living upon public funds without rendering proper service. Our officials must take warning. This sentiment is growing. Even the daily press, which never rises above public opinion, but merely reflects it, indicates that the people are being roused. There will very soon be made a lawful demand for the proper administration of the laws, or else the officers will be hurled from their positions of trust, and new and better men will be elected.

I think the present jury system is at fault. Good and intelligent men shirk the responsibility, and pay the fine rather than serve, or in some other way evade their duty. Indeed the absurd rule that no juror shall have formed an opinion has filled the jury-box with men possessed of not even ordinary intelligence, men who have formed no opinion because they either cannot read or have no brains, or because they make their living by serving on juries. Around every courthouse linger professional jurors, men too lazy or too dissipated to make their living in any other way, waiting to be summoned to service, and often anxious to be bought at any price. And these twelve must agree. Thus often one man who has been bribed may thwart the wishes of the eleven, or may do so through ignorance or stubbornness. I recognize in all this the effort to give men justice; to give the criminal every advantage. But it is a prominent member of the legal profession who has reversed the old adage quoted by every new-fledged lawyer, and has said: "Better let one innocent man suffer than let a hundred guilty escape." Surely he is right. The escape of the hundred guilty means the suffering, it may be, of a thousand innocent. But there is no need of allowing either the one innocent to suffer, or the hundred guilty to go free. Let each man have strict justice.

I object to the present system of electing judges. Such an office ought not to be subject to the tricks of politicians, or the impurity and bribery of the ballot-box. The system leads the judge, as is true of other officials, to administer justice with the thought prominent before him, how he may retain his office for another year; thus he have had the mere appearance of justice—enough to quiet the consciences of the good. Let our judges be appointed, and appointed to hold their offices during good behavior. And let them receive better pay, so that we may have not inferior lawyers, but men of first talent, who will then not be unwilling to resign their practice for the bench.

I think, too, that some restraint ought to be placed upon the executive right to pardon. With one stroke of his pen a governor, without it, may be, having properly investigated the matter, may set at liberty a criminal, and prevent the course of justice. This has happened in the history of every State. Being a politician the governor may, for political reasons, to advance his own interests, grant the pardon. Wise, therefore, has been the discussion, in some sections of the country, of the best plans of putting some restriction on this too great power. Some blame is to be attached to the legal profession. There are honest lawyers, and they are speaking plainly and in the strongest language of indignation. In Cincinnati, where the people were so much stirred by the constant failure of the courts to do their duty, the most bitter words were uttered against those lawyers who had resorted to unfair tricks to free the criminal. I know it is a lawyer's duty to do the best he can for his client, but in this effort he dare not forget that he is a citizen, and is under obligation to obey and uphold the law of his country. Nor can he resort to such schemes as will compromise his honor and soil his character. He cannot be a party to the bribery of juries, nor can he use these unfair pleas which are growing more numerous each year that passes, until now but few of the guilty, unless they are poor and unknown, get the punishment they merit.

Much of the trouble is due to the improper discrimination which is being made between the laws of the land. An editorial appeared in the Galveston News of Wednesday, which has the right ring, urging a faithful observance of the law, and contending that the courts must make themselves respectable in order to be respected. And yet those who are the first to utter these sentiments now, this paper and others included, have made light of the violation of laws framed by the legislature under the demand of the people. This is a bad training for the populace. The greatest of all Law-givers has said of a higher law: "He that offends in one point is guilty of all." The disregard of law is lawlessness, whether it be the law against theft, or the law against gambling or Sabbath-breaking. Foreigners are coming to our ports every day in the year, among them those who come because they think they may lay aside the restraints of home and do as they please; and they find upon their arrival that we make laws and then encourage their violation. Already have they, as instruments of vengeance, brought us punishment enough for our past conduct to arouse us to the necessity of demanding the enforcement of every law allowed to remain upon the statute book. When, I ask, did it become the prerogative of the executors of law to decide upon the merits of the laws made by our legislators, and to say which shall not be enforced? And yet even in Galveston our mayor decides that there must and can be no effort to enforce the Sunday and gambling ordinances, and proceeds in the most effective way to prevent their enforcement. And he is not alone; the same course is resting to some extent on other cities and other States. All this has led, on the one hand, to the total disregard of the law; and, on the other, to the belief that in violation of the law the people have a right to take the law into their own hands. In other words, the law has not made itself respectable and is therefore not respected.

In order to counteract one violation of the law we are given another violation of the law; and thus we have two crimes instead of one. Nothing has been accomplished save the satisfaction of the desire for revenge on the part of those immediately interested, and for this the law does not exist. No fear has been brought to the lawless classes; on the contrary, they believe themselves aided and abetted in their lawlessness by citizens before quiet and peaceable. Only the proper administration of law can instill this fear. The most lawless respect the law. If, not by, but on the officer so easily arrest the criminal even when armed to the teeth? Why can two or three men under the law enter some den of wickedness and take the whole company to the prison-house? Let the same daring and sacrifice and labor which are used in the act of lynching be used in the demand for faithful officials and faithful enforcement of law. Let men be willing to sacrifice their personal interests for the good of the State, by serving on juries, by attending primaries, by trying to secure good men for office.

Above all, do we need a Christianized nation; yes, as some one has said, a national religion. Not a national church, but a nation sanctified and governed by the principles of the gospel. The gospel demands faithfulness to one's country, and every true Christian must be, in the highest sense of that word, a true citizen. In this country, where every man is king, we must have every man taught in the principles of divine truth.

While God rules, I have no fear. He, under whose feet the nations are but as grasshoppers, has guided us thus far; we can trust him to the end. Standing on the beach, the surges as they come in look as though they would overrun the whole land, but they are stopped at the bounds God has set. So though the people rage and the waves of the multitude are now moving in with an angry look, to these also will he say, yea, has said: "Hitherto shalt thou come and no further, and here shall thy proud waves be stayed."

It is reported that the Ordinance Committee of the Galveston City Council will report an ordinance which will authorize the police force to enter gambling establishments without warrants; but that it will encounter opposition. This is expected. All good citizens, however, will indulge the hope that the committee and council will do their work so well that Mayor Fulton and the city police may have no hiding place for their official delinquency. Under the plea that an officer has no right to enter such places without a warrant, the law is openly and defiantly violated. Other cities can enforce the law, and Judge Cook pointed out the path of duty so plainly that every official who desires to perform his duty can reach the offender. It is to be hoped their last excuse will be removed, and that our officers may receive the bracing which their back-bones so much require.

A STEWARD told us not long since that he had but little trouble in raising money to support the preacher among members who were regular readers of the church paper.

San Antonio District Conference.

To the Advocate.
The eighteenth session of the San Antonio district conference was held at Sabinal camp-ground, Uvalde county, Texas, August 14-16, 1884. H. S. Thrall, presiding elder, in the chair.
There were present five of the ten pastors in the district—two absent engaged in revival services—four of the sixteen local preachers, and twelve of the twenty-seven delegates.
The opening sermon was preached by Rev. David Coulson, on the evening of the 14th, after which the conference was organized with Jno. W. Stovall as secretary. Chairmen of the Committees on Spiritual State of the Church, Quarterly Conference Records, Missions, Finance and Sunday-schools were appointed.
The morning of the second day was occupied in hearing reports from the various pastoral charges on the points designated in the discipline. At the afternoon session, the conference resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the subject of missions.
The third day the reports of the committees were read and adopted, and delegates elected to the next annual conference.
The reports show that the district is in a fair condition spiritually. Revival services have been held at several points, and there are evidences of growth throughout. Some of the charges are in arrears with collections for ministerial support. Other collections are coming in, and the pastors hope to make a fair showing at conference. Sunday-school work is improving. The conference recommends the formation of three new missions within the bounds of the district.

Prof. Jno. E. Pritchett, President of Central Institute, San Marcos, was present, and presented the claims of the interests confided to his care. There is no church school in the district, but the people are patronizing those at San Marcos and Georgetown.
This was the occasion of the annual camp-meeting. There was an interesting revival, continuing until the 20th.
The lay delegates to the annual conference, are: G. A. Barker, W. F. Mitchell, G. T. Nunn, and D. Coulson. Alternates: J. Jones and J. L. Harper. Pleasanton was selected as the place for the next session of the conference.
A vote of thanks was returned to the people of Sabinal Canon for the generous hospitality extended to the members of the conference.—Jno. W. STOVALL, Sec.

Dr. Koch having stated that the best protection against cholera is to avoid the use of water, the health officers of Kentucky have declared that no quarantine is necessary.

Notes and Comments from the West.

To the Advocate.
Your suggestion that discussion of duties and work of Board of Publication in ADVOCATE be abated is wise.
The generous people of Luling circuit have lately sent the pastor and family many good things, coming, much of it, from the abundance of their poverty.
A few days' meeting was lately held in the village of Prairie Lea. The church refreshed and revived. Two received by baptism into full communion.
Rev. G. W. Briggs' late sermon on a Friday night in Luling, from the text "Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts," was deeply spiritual and beautiful. The next day, in heat and dust, he crossed the hills of Caldwell county, found a camp-meeting in the woods, ascended the pulpit, and preached a short sermon from "Blessed are they that hunger."
During the past hard and dry year the people of Luling have built a \$9000 college, called Pierce Institute, after P. W. Pierce. Rock, three stories high and mansard roof.
Your defense of the Salvation Army is probably just, but why should people do foolish things in the name of religion, instead of sensible things, and try to make religion responsible for their folly?
In ADVOCATE of August 23, M. Nichols seems to present great pulpit ability as the highest standard of ministerial usefulness. It was not so in the case of Christ and St. Paul. Many times the greatest usefulness lies in another direction. In some towns and communities the greatest pulpit oratory commands but an ordinary hearing. The people will not meet for worship, unless it is at the shrine of the monkey or the clown.
The colored people at Seguin are taking steps to establish a college by the purchase of a \$3000 piece of property in the suburbs of the town.
Country sermons and country methods—did you ever hear of Soule, Asbury, Bascom, Pierce, Kavanaugh, sneering at John the Baptist and the Lord Jesus Christ were country preachers, and their sermons and ways were dreadfully disgusting to some fashionable Jerusalem preachers.
The free-grass question does not seem to trouble the southwest as much as the northwest. Is it not, after all, little else than a hobby in the hands of the politicians?
Far off El Paso, and the surrounding country, are attracting attention of immigrants. Tropical fruits, rich silver and gold mines, abounding health. Five railroads enter this gateway to the golden shores of the Pacific, and thence to China and Japan.
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ed sermon that ought to be in the house of every Methodist family. It is on "Methodism the Church of Prophecy," and shows that Methodism was prophesied of both by Daniel and Revelations. It is doing good where it is read, and will make any Methodist, who will see it as it is, better satisfied with his church, if he is not already satisfied.

127 Conversions—102 Accessions.
L. M. Thompson, Sulphur Springs, Aug. 27. This day ago Rev. William Hay commenced a protracted meeting at Sultillo, Sulphur Springs circuit, and continued it twenty days, resulting in 87 conversions and 68 accessions. Ten days ago he began a camp-meeting at Pleasant Hill, Franklin county, on the same circuit, which resulted in 40 conversions and 32 accessions. Both meetings were attended with great spiritual power. The tender-hearted youth, the middle-aged, and even hard-hearted men of three score years, were alike convicted, and came trembling to the altar of prayer and found forgiveness. Backsliders were reclaimed, and started off afresh to win the prize, and after glory run. During the twenty days at Sultillo never did a day pass without a conversion; one the first night, and four the last; and some nights nine or ten were happily converted. The church as a general thing was in a working condition from the first day till the last; but at times the meeting seemed to drift into a kind of a coldness, which was easily accounted for: "the spirit was willing, but the flesh was weak." This, however, did not in anywise discourage Bro. Hay, knowing that sometimes great work was being accomplished when we were not in the least expecting it. The meeting at Pleasant Hill was a success, but on account of the scarcity of sinners, Bro. Hay closed the meeting. At one time only four irreligious persons appeared in a congregation of over two hundred. The church, however, was in a working condition, and did all it could for the conversion of souls. The behavior was good, though it might have been better, especially during the last night at Pleasant Hill. Rev. C. J. Cook, of Sulphur Springs, Aug. 27. This day ago, Bro. Hay did excellent work; also, Bro. F. M. Rogers, and other lay members. Bro. Hay goes home to rest a few days, having been regularly engaged in meetings for seven weeks, and from thence to Forest Academy, where he will hold another camp-meeting. May the good work go on.

CONDENSED CORRESPONDENCE.
R. M. LEATON, Kyle, Aug. 19: We had a good meeting at Science Hall, last Sunday, and a splendid class-meeting. One brother shouted and every member present seemed to enjoy the class-meeting. Spiritual life of the church is growing stronger. Thank God. Pray for us.
G. R. BRUCE, Bellville, Aug. 21: Strayed from Bellville, Austin county, two ponies. One, a sorrel, was branded. C. I. B.; a spot on the face; 5 years old. The other, a roan, branded on the left hip, but do not know the brand. Would be grateful for information.
R. C. ARMSTRONG, Waxahachie, Aug. 22: The 20th inst., was a red letter day at Ovilla. It was Centenary day at the camp-meeting. We lifted a collection (thank-offerings) to liquidate a debt of a thousand dollars on the church and parsonage at that place, and received in cash and subscription about \$900. The district is in a revival frame—more than 200 conversions to date. Every day brings new victories. Preachers are at their posts, doing faithful work.
J. T. L. ANNIS, Belle Plaine, Aug. 27: We are made to rejoice because of a gracious revival in nearly every pastoral charge in the district—at some points remarkable demonstrations. "Glory to God in the highest."
SAM J. FRANKS, Cleburne, Aug. 25: Dr. Younge lectured to a crowded house in the Methodist church last night at this place; organized a council of over eighty members. The various pastors of the city thought it not unwisely to unite in a joint temperance mass-meeting, even on Sunday night. Long may the Doctor live to fight whisky.
J. D. CROCKETT, Oenaville, Aug. 28: Our 2nd quarterly conference was held last Saturday. Our P. E. failed to reach us on account of the death of his brother. Bro. McLean came and preached us four abounding sermons. According to the law of our church we had to be P. E. and P. C. We licensed one young man to preach. Bro. Wm. H. Matthews. We had a good turn out, both at the conference and preaching. Finances are very far behind, but we trust they will come out right in the end, that the P. E. and P. C. may not be embarrassed. The meeting is still going on and a good work is being done. Pray for us.
S. H. BROWN, Trespacoles, Aug. 15: And still the good work goes on. Bro. W. H. H. Biggs, from West Texas Conference, (the only itinerant minister we could get to come,) has been with us nearly a week, laboring most effectively and acceptably in the Master's cause. Brethren who would not come have missed it badly. At public collection last Sunday we raised \$110.75 for conference collection. So far, at this place, we have raised \$122.75 for conference collection. May the good Lord abundantly bless in every way this noble, generous people, and may many be yet added to his church—such as shall be saved.
PASTOR, Orange, Aug. 26: After proper announcements through our home paper, the Orange Tribune, a large crowd met at the new building of Bro. K. D. Keith, late from Luling, Texas, to enjoy as nice a supper as one would wish to see. The young ladies did their part well, adding more attraction to the scene. We cashed about \$70 net. Thanks to our little girls for their beautiful songs and nice speeches.
To the Texas Conference:
Will the pastors please take and forward their church extension collections to R. J. Price, Bastrop, Texas, at once. We need every cent of the amount assessed now. The preachers who expect to make application to our board for help this winter will please send me for a blank card, and I will forward so they can fill it out correctly. In the meantime get every cent of money you can for this object.—L. Z. T. MORRIS, BUREN, September 2.

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DALLAS DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Bethel, at Zion, 1st Sun in Oct.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Spurgeon, at Spurgeon, Sept 13, 14.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Taylor and Temple, at Temple, 1st Sun in Sept.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Hancock, at Con Can, Aug 22.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Central City, at Central City, Sept 6, 7.

PARIS DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Honey Grove, at Honey Grove, 1st Sun in Aug.

MARSHALL DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Harrison, at Rock Spring, Sept 6, 7.

WAXAHACHE DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Honey Grove, at Honey Grove, 1st Sun in Aug.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Buena Vista, at Buena Vista, Sept 6, 7.

TYLER DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Starrville, at Antioch, Sept 27, 28.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Jefferson, at Jefferson, Aug 23, 24.

WACO DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Bosqueville, at Bosqueville, Aug 23, 24.

EASTLAND DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Eastland, at Eastland, Aug 23, 24.

PORT WORTH DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Village Creek, at Cross Roads, 1st Sun in Sept.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Weatherford, at Weatherford, Aug 30, 31.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Chappell Hill, at Chappell Hill, Aug 30, 31.

VICTORIA DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Victoria, at Victoria, 1st Sun in Aug.

CALVERT DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Wheelock, at Owensby, 1st Aug 23, 24.

ABILENE DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Caddo Park, at Caddo Park, 1st Sun in Aug.

STEPHENSVILLE DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Carleton, at Carleton, 1st Sun in Aug.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. San Marcos, at San Marcos, 1st Sun in Aug.

GALVESTON DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. St. James, at St. James, Monday night, Sept 1.

AUSTIN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Bastrop, at Bastrop, Aug 30, 31.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Huntsville, at Huntsville, Aug 30, 31.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Corpus Christi, at Corpus Christi, 1st Sun in Aug.

SHERMAN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Sherman, at Sherman, 1st Sun in Aug.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. Sulphur Springs, at Sulphur Springs, Aug 30, 31.

TERRELL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Terrell, at Terrell, 1st Sun in Aug.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Georgetown, at Georgetown, Aug 30, 31.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Gainesville, at Gainesville, Aug 30, 31.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Beaumont, at Beaumont, Aug 30, 31.

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WALKER.—Little Eva Nutte, daughter of D. N. and H. P. Walker, went to heaven to see mamma who had come before.

BARNES.—Sister Mary A. Barnes, wife of N. G. Barnes and daughter of J. H. and Isabella Walker, died July 18th, 1884.

McLAINE.—Eda O. McLaine, daughter of Wilson and Emma McLaine, was born Aug. 8, 1884.

McLAINE.—Austin McLaine, son of William B. and Melissa A. McLaine, was born April 10, 1884.

BEAUCHAMP.—Rev. W. W. Beauchamp was born in Georgia, Nov. 18, 1845, and died in San Jacinto county, Texas, Aug. 20, 1884.

Fry.—Tribute of respect to the memory of Bro. W. B. Fry, from Galveston Chapel Sunday-school.

McGOWAN.—Dr. W. P. McGowan died at his residence in Beeville, Texas, Aug. 18, 1884.

TUNNELL.—Growth Fisher Tunnell, only son of M. L. and F. A. D. Tunnell, was born March 3, 1856.

GUSMAN.—Mrs. Alzira J. Gusman was born Oct. 15, 1817, in St. Landry parish, La.

WALKER.—David Newton Walker was born in Upper county, Ga., Dec. 31, 1831.

JONES.—At the third quarterly conference of the Austin station, held at Austin, August 11th, 1884.

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Commenting on the census showing that the number of persons in each family is a fraction over five, a cynical old bachelor superlatively said that the husband is the fraction over.—Waterbury American.

"Tommy, my son, what is longitude?" "A clothes-line, papa." "Prove it, my son." "Because it stretches from pole to pole."

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A reporter of a Denver paper, while traveling recently among the Rockies, found the snow on the tops of the ranges as red as if it had been sprinkled with red pepper. Upon digging down a few inches it appeared clean and white. He concluded that the red dust must have been meteoric iron, and in some way connected with the recent protracted red sunsets. Prof. Van Diest, of Denver, disposes of this theory by saying, "because iron would be its specific gravity have sunk beneath the surface of the snow, and in addition this color would not have been red, as it is described to have been, but it would have been more like ochre. I imagine that the red substance found upon the snow was the pollen of some flower which had been carried from a distance by the winds. This has been noticed before, travelers in the Arctie regions having spoken of seeds of some plants upon the snow. Examinations have shown it to be vegetable and not mineral.

Ben Butler accepts more nominations and gets less offices than any man in the business. Facts that are constantly coming to light—March.—New York Journal.

MARRIED.

POWELL—BLOCKER.—At the parsonage, in Garden Valley, Aug. 21, 1884, by Rev. Mr. Blocker, Mr. Z. B. Powell, of Houston county, and Miss. Mollie J. Blocker.

GLASS—HOLBROOK.—At the residence of Mr. L. A. J. Tompkins, July 15, 1884, by Rev. J. R. Glass to Miss M. E. Holbrook, by Rev. E. R. Large—all of Smith county, Texas.

HOLBROOK—VINSON.—At the residence of Mr. J. H. Glass, August 21st, 1884, by Rev. E. R. Large, Mr. R. F. Holbrook and Miss Cora A. Vinson—all of Smith county, Texas.

Publishers' Unanswered Letters.

Aug. 21.—James Wholesale, will have attention. T. F. Dinmitt, sub. I. S. Chamberlain, sub. John R. Dunn, sub. F. M. Winburne, sub. C. G. Shurt, sub. A. A. Allison, sub. J. C. Gallahan, sub.

Aug. 22.—E. A. Bailey, sub. W. F. Clark, sub. I. M. Fowler, sub. Aug. 22.—G. S. Samuel, sub. I. M. Carter, sub. W. R. Manning, sub. E. F. Doune, sub. P. L. Smith, sub. R. J. Deets, sub.

Aug. 23.—J. F. Denton, sub. J. T. Stanley, sub. S. H. Ward, sub. W. Henderson, sub. M. E. Blocker, sub. J. F. Heiton, sub. Aug. 23.—W. H. Ardis, sub. C. R. Wright, sub. J. F. Dinmitt, sub. S. G. Kilgore, sub. J. L. Miller, sub. Lacy Boone, sub.

Aug. 23.—D. P. Haggard, sub. P. B. Sims, paper stopped. J. F. Archer, sub. P. R. Eagle-barger, sub. H. H. Vaughan, sub. R. F. Dunn, sub. C. R. Wright, sub. M. Bond, sub. Geo. H. Phair, change made. Geo. Ward, sub. R. G. Ramey, sub. O. A. Fisher, sub. J. W. Kelley, sub. E. S. Smith, sub. W. J. Lemons, sub. C. B. Flagler, sub. R. F. Dunn, thanks for names; will send each a sample copy.

Sept. 1.—Mrs H. T. Wilson, sub. C. H. Smith, sub. I. Kingsbury, sub. J. H. Douze, sub. J. H. Collins, sub. Jas. H. Dillery, sub. W. S. Taylor, sub. W. Monk, sub. T. W. Morton, sub. M. H. Porter, sub and change; will continue paper to Mrs. S., as you direct, having in my advertisement made an error. J. T. Hosmer sub. Name of J. A. C. was not previously received; we now enter at Vernon. G. Ward, sub. J. H. Wood, sub. B. F. Johnson, sub. F. Dinmitt, sub. C. M. Keith, sub. B. B. Sullivan, sub.

Sept. 2.—W. E. Woodard, sub. J. J. Davis, sub. B. F. Johnson, sub. A. Davis, sub. J. L. Smith, sub.

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