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Among our Exchanges. Will Editor Jenkins please bring his

philosopic mind to bear upon the following extract from the Atlanta Constitution and tell us what his saloon logic can make of it:

"Has Atlanta gained or lost business since the prohibition election?"

This question has been discussed heartily for some weeks, and the weight of opinion has been one way to-day and the other way to-morrow. Fortunately, exact, statistics are at hand which settle the matter beyond dispute, and prove that Atlanta has gained largely in business since prohibition went into effect!

There are eight railroads that carry Atlanta's

There are eight railroads that carry Atlanta's freights. Every pound of goods we sell goes over one of these roads. If these roads show a diminution of outward freights from Atlanta, then our business has diminished. If the volume of outgoing freights has increased, then our business has increased.

Let us see what the railroad books show. The East Tennessee carried out of Atlanta, and billed from Atlanta, 7,191,000 pounds of freight in August, 1886, against 3,472,000 in August, 1885. There was the same proportion of increase in June and July. So over the East Tennessee road Atlanta doubled her business this summer over what she did last summer, and the full increase promises to be even greater.

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But,did the East Tennessee gain business at the expense of the other roads? If so, the city's gain is lost. At the Central there was almost a blockade of outgoing trains; the officials reported a heavy gain in business, and the books showed a gain of 70,000 pounds in the first three days of the month. The West Point road reports that the business for the three summer months of 1885 is at least 30 per cent, above the three summer months of 1885. The Georgia Pacific reports that the increase has been so marked as to provoke comcrease has been so marked as to provoke comment from all the depot and railroad officials. The Western and Atlantic road makes up its books on July 1, and presents them to the lessees, but the officials state that the demand lessees, but the officials state that the demand for extra depot accommodations and extra local freight trains has been marked, and is constantly increasing. The Richmond and Danville received from freight billed from Atlanta \$5,691 in July, 1885, and \$6,702 in 1886, an increase of 29 per cent., and the increase for August is even larger. The Georgia Railroad books are kept in Augusta, but the increase of Atlanta tonnage this summer has been so marked that it is been a common topic about the depot.

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This testimony is positive and irrefutable. In spite of freight discriminations, the freightage billed from Atlanta (which means goods manufactured or sold in Atlanta) has increased on every road leading out of the city. This increase runs from 20 per cent. to 100 per cent. The way-bills show that Atlanta freight is constantly reaching new territory. Against these plain and emphatic figures, no amount of opinion or complaint can prevail. Commercially, Atlanta is holding her own, and pushing ahead as rapidly as her best friend could desire.

It is proper to add that Capt. Evan P.

It is proper to add that Capt. Evan P. says no." Howell, the senior editor and chief owner of the Constitution, is an anti-prohibitionist and his figures may be relied on.

ments."

The Christian world is getting rather tired of the cobweb historical antibiblical criticisms spun by the German critics. They are fast being dispelled by the spade and pick-ax. It was apparently proved that Homer was a myth, and ancient Troy a delusion. Yet Dr. Schliemann has disinterred the captured city, found traces of the fire which destroyed it, and proved that the Iliad and ancient tradition were right in designating its site and surtion were right in designating its site and sur-roundings. Genesis and Daniel, both alleged publications of a later age, have been shown to be so minutely in accordance with their professed eras, that the hypothesis of posthu-mous invention becomes incredible. And now Jeremiah is added to the list of accurate nar-rators, for the digging at Tahpanhes has made it evident that he was thoroughly acquainted with the architectural details of Pharaoh's palace. We might greatly extend the list of Seriotural confirmations, but enough has been with the architectural details of Pharaoh's palace. We might greatly extend the list of Scriptural confirmations, but enough has been cited to show that evidence has been dug from the dust which overthrows many a carefully elaborated hypothesis of the skeptical theologians of the Fatherland. A good deal more is to follow, for the work of exploration and disinterment is yet in its early stages. Thus far not a single discovery has shaken the accuracy of Holy Writ, while light has been thrown upon not a few obscure passages, and thrown upon not a few obscure passages, and the complete truthfulness of important state-ments has been demonstated. There was the defenders of the faith. Every rescued monument adds a new stone to the walls about Zion.

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HOME AGAIN. REV. E. B. CHAPPELL.

I am through with my summer's jaunt and fairly settled down to work again. The nicest part of going abroad is getting back home.

On our return from Saltillo, we halted two days in Monterey. It is a historic old city, full of interest to the visitor. I could not ascertain when it was founded; it was erected into a municipality in 1596, at which time it seems already to have been an old and well established town. It is seven thousand feet lower than Saltillo and consequently much warmer. The climate is semi tropical. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 8-14, 1886. In the beautiful parks are to be seen their reaks are often lost in the clouds. These, I suppose, gave name to the city,

Regal Mountain. At night the atmosphere is cool and delicious, and the parks are thronged ing to some of the sweetest of music thousand three hundred and forty-five. by Mr. MacDougall. rendered by a finely-trained, military Quite a large class of young men were

There are many handsome buildings in Monterey. The one which delighted me most is a Catholic Church, known as the withstanding a severe drouth prevails ing extracts: Church of the Oak. Near the altar a woman who has come out in the evening to draw water. Legend says that in this interview, the occurrence of which no good Catholic doubts, the Blessed tension interest. He is a live man. Virgin commanded that a fane be built

ly and beautifully frescoed.

The building of most historic interest reaching that end. now partly in ruins, being occupied by a ond quarter. garrison of soldiers; but the remains

mentoes of the battle. A polite Mexican officer told us that there was a United States flag raised aloft on a certain mountain peak which he pointed out to us several miles away, and that it could be seen from the fortress. We were incredulous; but Bro. Bryce produced his telescope and after a careful search we found what looked like a huge pole with a string dangling from the top. We were informed that it was really our national banner erected there by a patriotic surveying party from the

building, and these triangular pyramids

of cannon balls, together with a number

of disabled pieces of artillery, are me-

United States. The Mexicans speak with pardonable pride of their war with Maximillian. In the state house we were shown a banner captured from the pseudo-Emperor near the city of Mexico and a gun held by one of the few soldiers appointed to execute

The great Indian liberator, Jaurez, is countrymen. He is the Washington of speaking of the day. Mexico. You find his bust in almost every house. They are fond of repeating to you his celebrated reply to the Empress Carlotta when she came to beseech

Rev. P. C. Bryce, who is one of our most earnest and scholarly missionaries, has charge of the school for boys at Mon-The Western Advocate, Cincinnati, has terey. He is doing an important work, this to say of the "Tes:imony of Monu- and doing it well. Bro. Sanchez Ravera, said to be our most eloquent Mexican preacher, is in charge of the church. But our missionaries here, as elsewhere in Northern Mexico, must work against difficulties well nigh insurmountable until we build them houses. We can never succeed here, seems to me, until this hindrance is removed.

Oa my arrival in San Antonio I found storm having just passed over. A part of the roof was taken from our church and the plastering was thoroughly wet; the most beautiful churches in the city, Conference. the Northern Presbyterian, was almost entirely demolished.

Our church has had a year of great prosperity. We have raised a large amount of money to pay off old debts and finish and furnish our building. Better than all, we have had a glorious revival. A large number were converted and many who had grown cold were brought back to their first love. One hundred and ten have been added to the church. We have now one of the most zealous and active congregations in the State; our attendance on Sunday is large, our prayer-meetings are full, our Sabbathschool is alive. We have three or four cottage prayer-meetings and class-meetings each week in different parts of the city. We are working and praying and looking for greater things.

THE MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

Seventieth Session.

presentation of gospel truth.

nection. There was some increase in gents of Victoria University, were prethe amount collected for missions, not- sented, from which are taken the followthroughout the conference territory.

loan fund.

Dr. Fitzgerald made his first visit to faculty, as the table will show. upon the spot where the oak stood. On this conference and won the hearts of The matriculating class for 1886 althe outside the building is a combination all who heard him except one good, old ready numbers fifty-nine, and the election was or- forces of the adversary. He is liable but an acknowledged social position; to be a of all styles and no style of architecture. sister from Georgia, who did not enjoy trar has received notice of several addered. It was forced through with great not likely to make mistakes." It was designed in the beginning for a the anecdote the Doctor told of a woman ditional candidates for the September ex- rapidity. A contest in court would avail convent, according to the instruction of who came from that State to Missouri aminations. the Virgin, but when the government and wrote to her friends that she didn't closed the convents and confiscated the like this country because "she could get the convocation in May last was one hun-

triple arch of solid stone, the center arch and, we trust, the fifty thousand sub- ty-eight, an increase of one hundred and year ago. On last monday we lacked gestion to raise funds in this way?" being much higher and broader than scribers so earnestly asked for by him twenty-six. Of these one hundred and thirty-seven of a majority in the county; those on either side. The whole is rich- may be forthcoming; and surely the Mis- forty-six are students in arts, an increase in the city and township we have a ma- coming from the people. Many churches souri Conference will do her part towards in that faculty of sixteen.

All in all, it was a very pleasant and frescoing within. Remains of the forti- a full list of appointments, but suppose fication are to be seen in front of the you will receive them in due time.

> W. M. WAINRIGHT. OSBORN, MO.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA. The General Conference.

Our Queen City is at the present time in a state of great excitement, as the City Fair has been opened with very great eclat. For several years the Provincial Fair was held in various places in turn, so that Toronto was not the place selected except about once in five years. As the city increased in population, and became a great center of railways, there were a few gentlemen who conceived the idea that a fair should be held annually; and every year it becomes more and more important that the city is a place which thousands are visiting. The day of opening was a red-letter day. The Premier of Canada, Sir J. A. Macdonald, Lieutenant-Governor Robinson, and several of the leading members of the Methodist General Conference, among whom were the question to be discussed. General Superintendent Williams, Senathoroughly enshrined in the hearts of his tor Ferner, were associated with the

The General Conference and the City Fair have drawn several hundreds of the discussion, among whom were some church at Dallas, Texas, sold that prop- tension. No man outside of the almspersons to the city, so that the hotels of the most able ministers and laymen of erty recently for thirty thousand dollars house would be oppressed by such a conand boarding houses are crowded; hence, the Conference. A few of them occupied and is now recuperating at these springs. tribution." those who earn their livelihood by keepband: "My heart says yes, but my head ing such places and men of business are sure to be favorable to such great public gatherings.

The General Conference has been in session two weeks, and there is every probability that it will continue at least two weeks more. During the first week every session-three per day-was occupied with the presentation of memorials, notices of motion, and special resolutions, all of which were referred to committees, who will report on them bye and

At this stage of the proceedings there have been several visitors and fraternal the city almost dismantled, the terrible Rev. Dr. Stephenson, representative from the British Conference; Bishop Galloway, from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. To-morrow evening a but the damage was not serious. One of special session is to be held, at which the fraternal delegates will address the

Among the visitors we have had the Premier of Canada, Sir John Macdonald, who for the first time in his eventful life has had the privilege of addressing a Methodist Conference; Hon. E. Blake, M. P., Chancellor of the Toronto Uniopposition; Wm. Mulock, Esq., M. P., Vice-Chancellor of the Toronto Conference: and Dr. Castle, President of the Baptist College. These honored gentlemen all delivered brief, fraternal addresses, which were cordially received.

An evening was set apart to hear Rev. John MacDougall and the loval Indian chiefs from the Northwest. The Rev. John McDougall is a son of the late Rev. George McDougall, missionary to the Indians of the Northwest, and who perished some years ago in the snow. In settling affairs after the first Riel rebel-

received on trial and seven into full con- quadrennial report of the Board of Re-

The total number of graduates is now gy, being a considerable increase in each

to a citizen of the United States is the The conference asked the Missionary lished in Toronto under the care of the We really carried the election. Frauds tricts have approved. Some conferences old Bishop's palace, situated on a high, Board to increase the assessment to half government of the l'rovince. There alone defeated us. Money, whisky and have adopted it. And in all this good steep hill overlooking the city. Here it a million, or fifty cents per member. have been several denominational uni- fraud were put to their utmost strength that much more good—has been accomwas that Taylor gained his celebrated They also promised to take the collectiversities established in various parts of by the whisky people. less had great pecuniary difficulties to Hot Springs. For forty years whisky ed ladies, whom I had never seen, apcontend with. Having so many univer- and gambling dominated everything, proving, and sympathizing fully. If the show that it was once a s'a'ely edifice. profitable session and clearly showed sities with power to confer degrees has Those who know us know but too well press and the pastorate of our church with the approval of the ministry of the their power is broken. Province, has sketched a plan for the confederation of all the colleges of the that the various denominations refused opening of the canvass we advanced by paralyzing force of seven conferences— University Board has taken a most active regular election we began a petition to crystalized into stony indifference or acpart in the federation question, but the re- County Court against license. This is a tive opposition." erable number who have come to the votes in the coun y, we will now go to with you." conclusion that federation would be an the County Court with an overwhelming "Is there no secret of power in stated, advantage to Victoria University. The majority of "adult inhabitants" within continuous, universal giving? I intenquestion therefore could not but be taken three miles of the center of our city. up and disposed of by the General Con- Our church prospers. The new par- make it practicable to introduce stated, ference. After the report of the Regents sonage is finished and occupied-a hand- universal contributions in small sums, of the Board had been presented, a mo- some cottage. We shall claim a visit not to interfere with voluntary and libertion was introduced to send it to the Ed- from the editor at the approaching con- algifts. The church of Rome piles up ucational Committee previously appoint- ference. Our city is well filled with visit- immense buildings of granite and mared, but an amendment was moved for ors. Rev. Cox, of Alabama, came here ble for schools, brotherhoods, sister-

both ministers and laymen took part in lege property formerly owned by the lars a year for missions, and church exhours in delivering their respective adminutes each. Great interest was felt to settle at Hot Springs. in the discussion of the question, hence the federation scheme.

Some of the laymen who took part in these mountains. the discussion made promises of liberal and George A. Cox, Esqs., \$30,000 each. Those secular editors, some of them, can Other large subscriptions are expected to be made, and no doubt they will be forthcoming, as it is believed that \$450,-000 will be required for the new relationship which has been formed. The amendment and resolution were referred to the Committee on Education, which will duly consider them and report at subsequent sessions of Conference.

In my next letter I hope to send you an account of the reception of Bishop versity, and leader of her Majesty's loyal Galloway. No doubt he will have much to tell you of his visit to these Northern regions, where, though the sun may not shine so brilliantly as with you, we are sure that his cordial reception will tend to bind the church which he represents in closer alliance with ourselves. More to follow. EDWARD BARRASS. TORONTO, CANADA.

ARKANSAS CORRESPONDENCE.

township officers passed off Monday, the a pleasant chat with my neighbor on the 6th inst. Every two years at this general subject suggests to my mind that Bro. election the sheriff is required to make Briggs and Bro. Tucker each is entitled lion he was very useful to the govern- proclamation of an election, calling on the to, and may indeed possess, an eminently ment and the country, on account of the voters to vote "for or against license." better opinion of the other than possibly The seventieth session of the Missouri very great influence he possessed over Liquor license is meant. Two years ago is indicated by the sharp criticism Annual Conference was held in St. the Indian tribes, among whom he had the subject was so little thought of in which seems to have occurred beso long labored. His son, who comes this county the sheriff neglected to make tween them. With this impression and Our beloved senior Bishop presided, here to-night, has been no less active in his proclamation relating to license, good intention toward both, I take the orange trees laden with fruit. Back of He looks some older than when he was quelling the late rebellion. The names About sixty votes in the whole county risk of breach of confidence, should this the city, and almost directly over it, rug- here ten years ago, but age does not ren- of the chiefs were l'akan, the chief of were then cast "against," but the judges meet Judge Tucker's eye, and make myged, lonely mountains tower so high that der him less efficient either as a presid- the Whitefish Lake Indians; Samson, threw them out. Just as they were clos- self responsible for correct statement: ing officer or preacher. His sermon on chief of Bear's Hill, and Jonas, a Mouning the count at one of the precincts a Sunday morning was excellent-a plain tain Stoney. A young Whitefish Lake clerk incidentally remarked to the cir- some morning and found yourself fa-Indian, who has been studying at Victo- cuit judge that a few votes were found mous? I see your name used familiarly The past year has been one of great ria College, sang in English, "Tell it against license, but had been thrown in Galveston, in connection with a disprosperity. More than seven thousand Again." The chiefs were in Indian cos- aside. The judge directed that they cussion of your plan. Are you going to with people. Wife and I lingered in one have been converted, and there has been tume, decked with many feathers. The should be counted. Three more were write again?" of these till bed-time one evening, listen- a net increase in the membership of four addresses of the chiefs were interpreted found after that and were counted. These reached the Secretary of State. It CATE? Well I have struck my colors to On Monday of the second week the turned out that not one vote appeared Bro. Briggs, and while my opinions are "for license," and as the law requires a unchanged, I have concluded to surrenmajority "for," and no such majority ap- | der at discretion." pearing, although only three in the whole county were "against," the county judge had no authority to issue license and achangs a large picture of the Virgin Ma- The church extension assessment, \$2600, nineteen hundred and eighty-one, an in- cordingly refused to do s). This was a troduction. He is a fine-looking gentlery. She is represented as standing in a was paid in full, besides \$150 to com- crease of five hundred and twenty-five. dreadful surprise to the liquor people. man, and would attract attention anyhollow oak engaged in conversation with plete the \$5000 for the Marvin memorial Of these four hundred and ninety-two For three months prohibition prevailed. where by his personal bearing. He is are graduates in arts, thirteen hundred But the liquorites petitioned the legisla- admired and loved by his brethren of the Dr. Morton was with us, brimful and nineteen in medicine, one hundred ture and that body passed a special act Southwest, and is regarded as a charac- little depth or force—a mere masquerade and running over with the church ex- and four in law, and sixty-six in theolo- ordering another election on that ques- ter of high promise. I could wish that tion for the county. This was clearly Western Methodism had a thousand depth .- New Orleans Advocate. unconstitutional, and was so admitted by more such men. He will do faithful Rev. W. W. Royall, Natziang, China: us nothing. I made speeches in the city, lost temper in this discussion." The number of degrees conferred at took the street and made open air speeches under electric lights. Crowds | Earnest discussion and pointed criti- unfortunately, mostly, a herd of lazy vagproperty, it was changed into a church. In the interior it is one of the handis very fortunate in having such a man in in the average attendance during the tinued only three days. We raised the per and Christian affection." gathered around me. The canvass con- cism are not inconsistent with good tem- abonds and vicious cheats. -St. Louis Ad-

There is a Provincial University establa wonderful development of strength. and sent forward the money. Some dis-

a wreck from over-work. He is now hoods, orphanages, churches, hospitals, During four days the discussion has ready to return home, healthy and happy. colleges and palaces, by these continubeen continued, and some days three Mr. Jones, formerly of Pulaski, Tenn., a ing mite collections. Two cents a week sessions were held. A great number of veteran educator, who bought the col- per member will give us a million dol-

Rev. F. D. Vanvolcanburg, who transdresses. On the last day of the discus- ferred to the Louisiana Conference two sion the speakers were limited to fifteen years ago, has returned with his family but the cowardly over-estimate of the

Our gold, silver and lead mines are while in the evenings every inch of space have proven successful. Col. Moflit, of is no plan at all?" was occupied. At the hour of midnight Joplin, Mo., a wealthy and noted lead the vote was taken by the yeas and nays manufacturer, has erected extensive and being taken, which resulted in a majori- costly smelting works in the mines. cation Dr. R. Abbey says: After all, is ty of twenty-five being cast in favor of Others are being erected. Before a year Judge Tucker's plan a plan? It looks

gifts in favor of erecting suitable col- Galveston to the Pan Handle. I greatly rich man. Nothing more simple. Let sixlege buildings in Toronto. John Mac- enjoyed your castigation of the editor of ty thousand pay it. A dollar a piece is delegates received. Of the latter we have donald, E-q., \$25,000; Wm. Gooderham the News in this week's ADVOCATE. nothing. How simple: Let six million not appreciate purity of motives.

H. R. WITHERS,

reading your excellent journal, and only

TELLING TALES OUT OF SCHOOL Not having enjoyed the benefit of

happening to see your issues of Aug. 26th and Sept. 2ad, I am perusing these with interest. Among other noticeable articles are to be observed several references to Judge Tucker, and to his suggestion of a method of raising a fund to pay our missionary debt by a small per ipita contribution. Having been a financial officer in our church for a long time and acquired some experience in the matter of raising church funds, Bro. Tucker's suggestion impressed me as both wise and practicable; and I published a brief paper in the Wesleyan Advocate to recommend it. It is not my The election for State, county and purpose now to discuss that matter. But

"Well, Judge, have you waked up

"No sir. Is that the TEXAS ADVO-

"What do you know of this editor?" "I saw him at the late General Conference, but had not the pleasure of an in-

"I observe he thinks you may have "Well I regret such an impression.

somest I ever saw. The ceiling is a charge of our great connectional organ, quadrennium is four hundred and seven- vote to seven hundred. That was one "What success has attended your sug-

"I have never heard any objection jority against license of seven. This is have fallen in with the scheme at once, plished. I have received letters from victory during the Mexican war. It is tion for missions by the close of the sec- the country, but they have all more or Prohibition was not deemed possible in distinguished laymen, and highly cultur-The front is elaborately ornamented and that our church in this border conference not been regarded as an unmitigated ad- what a powerful hold those vicious things, had only smiled a friendly approval, the the mammoth dome still holds its bright is neither "dead nor dying." I have not vantage. The Minister of Education, whisky and gambling, had on us. But debt would have been paid to-day, with a balance to credit, and all our Zion would While I write the saloon men are in a have become more interested in mis-"meeting," considering the situation. sions. Nothing in my whole church excountry, and leave the Provincial Uni- This afternoon they resolved to keep perience of exactly fifty years has ever versity alone to confer degrees. Various shut doors on Sundays, sell no more to surprised me more than that any good meetings of the heads of the different minors, forbid knots of drinking roughs Methodist should have opposed a meascolleges were held, but, after repeated to assemble about their doors, etc. It is ure that seemed to promise only good. meetings had been held, it was manifest too late. Their fate is sealed. At the In the very beginning we encountered the to join the federation. The Methodist two lines of battle. In addition to the two Georgia and five Texas, which

fusal of the other denominations to enter cumulative right under our statutes. "Well, it is now accepted or rejected the scheme has shaken the confidence of We have already a majority against as a working hypothesis. What merit many of them. Still there are a consid- whisky. Having failed by thirty-seven do you claim for it? You know I agree

ded to reach the whole church and then

"An it seems practicable too." "Nothing hinders-or will hinderlabor of execution."

"Did you see this paragraph from Dr. the church was crowded at every session, looming up. By every test yet made they Abbey, showing that your so-called plan "Please read it."

"In a note accompanying a communiit is believed mining will be immense in very plain and easy-going, all except the plan; I don't see that. Let a rich man Texas is well represented here-from pay it. Sixty thousand is nothing for a divide and pay it. A cent a piece is nothing. All that is extremely simple;

all it lacks is a plan." The judge smiled audibly, and remarked: "I never called it a plan; that was the term used in the press, but I meant the scheme to reach 300,000 Methodists who now do not pay a cent to missions; many of whom are either ignorant of the whole subject, or are prejudiced against the very name of missions. Who cares for their souls? Do they partake of the holy communion? If properly instructed would they not favor the extension of the kingdom of that Christ through whom they hope for heaven? May be there was more plan in it than Dr. Abbey seemed to perceive."

"Will you set him right?" "What! Measure arms with Dr. Abbey? You do not realize the gravity of your inquiry. Dr. Abbey is one of those profoundly philosophical and methaphysical men, who, if drifting that way, will, in half a column, prove the non-existence of matter; and in a half a column more will demonstrate the non-existence of spirit; and leave you standing dangerously between entity and non-entity. with the chances in favor of the latter. Don't wake him up, I beg of you!"

Now, Mr. Editor, perhaps if you knew our distinguished fellow citizen, Judge Tucker, as we know him, you would not regard him an enthusiast with a hobby, but level-headed and sober as the moving years; and this conversation clearly reveals his high esteem for you.

A. E. PHILIPS.

SOUTHERN METHODIST OPINION.

Rev. D. C. Kelley, D. D., Nashville, Tenn.:

Few, very few men-only those of a specially heroic type-can keep the zeal for missions alive in their churches when the stewards have estimated less than a comfortable support for their families .-Advocate of Missions.

Rev. J. B. Walker, D. D., New Orleans, La.:

Speakers sometimes affect great gravity, and speak in a solemn oracular manner intended to seem profound, and be impressive; but this may be done with and stage assumption of greatness and

To be a teacher (sien-sang), is to have preacher of the Gospel of Christ, is to be in a position as yet unrecognized and unknown in China. The nearest to it, are the Buddhist and Taoist priests, who are

vocate.

Jerns Ohristian Advocate.

REVIVAL AND OTHER NEWS.

From Five Conferences. J. T. Stanley, Kaufman, Sept. 8:
 The third quarterly meeting for Kemp mission was held at Kemp, Aug. 13
 Bro. Hughes, presiding elder, was with us. His sermon Sunday morning on the subject of "Infant Baptism" was peculiarly interesting, and positively unan-swerable. Bro. D. P. Haggard was also with us-in the interes of prohibition and his paper, the Texas Prohibition Advocate. He made a good impression with our people. His paper, it is hoped, will make a better. But the best of all will be when prohibition shall reign in our county. An election, I understand, will be ordered very soon, and even now the whisky men are apparently growing uneasy.

-W. H. Ardis, Edom circuit, Sept. 3: Our camp-meeting at Ashburn camp-ground began Aug. 20, and closed on the 26th, at night. The meeting was a suc-Visible results: fifty five professions, thirty-two accessions to the church and as glorious revival as I ever witnessed. Sure the Lord was in the midst of his people. Good work was done by our local preachers. Rev. J. W. Fields was with us part of the time. On Saturday after the camp-meeting we commenced at Prairie Springs, and closed on Wednesday night, with twelve accessions to our church. We have received this quarter eighty-two in our church. We have baptized thirty-one adults and seventeen

-C. H. Maloy, Williamsburgh, Sept. held at Boxville, July 24-25. Bro. J. S. Gillett was with us and we had a profitable and pleasant conference: had a campmeeting in connection with the conference which continued ten days. Bro. Gillett remained with me until Wednesday morning and rendered valuable service. The Lord was with us in convicting and converting power, seventythree souls found peace by believing in Jesus; many of them were heads of families; thirty-four joined the M. E. Church, South. The church was greatly revived; many who had been members of the church for years and had never prayed in public are now praying members. Several family altars have been erected. The young converts prayed when called upon in the evening grove prayer-meeting. Bros. Nolen, Grace and Stockton were with us.

- W. M. Shockley, Hallettsville circuit, West Texas Conference: We have some good news to report, and some not so good. We give the good first. The Lord | circuit the next, sixty-six. has blessed Hallettsville circuit with a revival of religion. At our third quarterly conference, which was held at county line, the Lord blest the Word preached and there were over fifty conversions and forty-five additions to the church and the membership revived. The presiding ing. The bishop said while the conferelder was with us, full of the Holy Ghost ence continued to carry them they would and faith. Four years ago he was my presiding elder. We are glad to see he has advanced in all those qualifications requisite to the office. May God long spare his useful life. I must not fail to The Committ to state that his eyes have somewhat improved since conference. The eye of his faith is strong and clear, and his zeal for left in statue quo. the Master keeps pace with his knowl-edge. This circuit has been much benefited by the revival on the Boxville circuit, Bro. Majoy preacher in charge. We H. A. Bourland, financial agent of South-rejoice in his success—the more so be-western University, and Rev. E. W. Tarcause we were two years on the same rant, A. M., president of Chappell Hill work. Financially we are somewhat be- Female College hind, but have faith enough, if our works sented each school as entering upon the are commensura'e therewith, to report all right at conference in November. We expect to hold one or two more protracted meetings before conference. Hallettsville has been called an "old, brokendown circuit." That may be true; but
we hope at the next conference to report it on rising ground. The news not so good: Well, we are so much better off than many others are that I will say but little. One-third of the open cotton was shaken out by the wind, a few houses and many trees and fences were blown down, and one woman killed by light-ning. to predict that the people of Texas will love him wherever he goes. His preach-

-C. J. Sherwood, Gilmer, Sept. 11: I began my meetings for the current year at Gilmer. My assistance has mainly been Bros. Sanders and Sanfield; occasionally I had other help. God has won-derfully blessed the labors of his ser-ence. A half hour was spent each morn-Fifty-one souls, through our instrumentality, have professed faith in Christ. Glory to God! This part of the vineyard has received spiritual droppings. On the 9th day of July of this year I laid the corner stone of Marvin's chapel. And on Aug. 29 I preached the dedication sermon. The house is out of debt and is a beautiful edifice. Leon Sonfield is not with me now; he has joined Bro. L. L. Pickett in his Arkansas trip; will return in November and join the regular itinerancy. Lee San-ders is with me still; will remain my stu lent and helper till the approaching session of the North Texas Conference. The forests here are rather lovely. By day the sweet songsters warble their notes above our heads. The midnight hour is less appalling when we hear the song of the distant night-bird; but melancholy indeed the hours when the birds are so provokingly timid as to hasten away to some undisturbed solitude and no sound salutes our ears save that of the moaning trees that affords a mossy covering to the little streamlet flowing beneath them. Happy were we in this timbered clime, but the path of Death led this way. Crape was fastened on our door. The bell tolled. Deep down in our hearts is an inexpressible grief. A voice is hushed. A little chair is va-We buried our sweet little Pierce in the deep, tangled wildwood, and the birds sing over his grave. Our home is chantment to the view," and the rule is not now so happy. My Ella, and yet to forget all that was unpleasant in the youthful bride, is still, like the sad dove past and expect too much of the future. from whose nest her young had been cast by a ruthless hand. May the Lord lead sorrow from our door.

—J. E. Vinson, Pottsboro, Aug. 27: My protracted meetings for this year have closed. I have three societies and have had a glorious revival at all of these places. My camp-meeting commenced on the night of July 16, and continued eleven days and nights, resulting in thirty or thirty-five conversions. Bros. judge wisely concerning this matter."
W. M. Leatherwood, late of Memphis Conference, and D. F. Fuller, of ling to be the custodians of all wisdom, Whitesboro station, did us faithful work. Bro. A. G. Noble, local preacher, was with us part of the time, and preached two sermons. The night following the close of the camp-meeting, Bro. Leatherwood came with me and we opened up

and commenced my pro racted meeting stitutions of their country and those of there. And on Sunday morning Bro. foreign nations. Goldsmith says: Leatherwood came in somewhat refreshed, and we continued eleven days and nights, resulting in about twelve conversions and the church revived. Bro. T. E. Sherwood, of Denison station, assisted me both at Pottsboro and Coffee Chapel, doing good work and winning many warm hearts to him. Bro. Fuller helped me, also, at Coffee Chapel, where, sixteen years ago, he labored as a local ore cher. Here he met with loved ones of former years; but in the pulpit he told us that the most of the older ones had crossed over the river. That people love him, and listened with comfort to his messages of love. Bro. Leatherwood is resting this year, as he expresses it, while acclimating his wife and children to our Texas climate. But his zeal for the Master is so great that he rests but little. My association with him this year has been sweet. In our boyhood days we used to romp together; were classmates in school. And when our once proud Union was under cloud and bleeding at every pore, while yet boys and in the same command, at times with his regiment tented on one hill and my own on an adjoining one, we would often sound the same bugle-call for our regiments. And now, after a separation of ten years, he comes to me fresh from a more glorious deld, and side by side we are permitted to sound a sweeter call; not the bugle-call of battle to carnage and death, but the gospel-call of souls to the grand conquest over sin. It is hoped that another year will find him in rank with us in this conference. We need such men. We received sixty-five persons into the church during these meetngs-thirty-eight by baptism and twenty-seven by ritual, and several others yet My third quarterly conference was to be received. "The Lora hath done great things for us, whereof we are

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT CONFER-

ENCE. The Huntsville district conference the Methodist Church, at Navasota, at 9 pertaining to a district conference was church tolerably good. About three hundred and sixty accessions during the cur-

Finances very much behind. A careful inquiry into this question revealed the fact that even our poorest circuits could do much better than they are now doing. It is thought that nearly all of our domestic missions ought to be self-sustainence continued to carry them they would never try to work. The Committee on Missions thought that the foreign popu-lation now settling among us ought not

The Committee on Sunday-schools mention Bro. A. G. Nolan. We are glad thought there was a great deal of slackness among our people in this respect.
The question was discussed freely and

The Committee on Education strongly recommended our own church schools as worthy the patronage of our people. Dr. scholastic year under most favorable auspices. The following were elected delegates

Bryan was selected as the place for holding the next conference.

Bishop Key, by his sweet, lovable disposition, urbane manner, and above all, by his deep piety and consecration, won all hearts. It requires no prophetic ken ing made an impression on our conference and his congregations that will not soon be forgotten. In the strictest sense of the term "prominence" was given to ing in a prayer and testimony meeting; also a sun-rise prayer-meeting was held each morning. Bishop Key's visit to Texas is not merely in the capacity of a presiding officer, but to preach, pray, exhort and strive to get the church up on a higher plane of religious life.

J. L. LEMONS, Sec. THE OLD DAYS AND THE NEW.

We often hear such phrases as "old time religion" and "good old days," and saws my wood, and the poor sinner for the "whole counsel of God," and this

cised by any man at any time.

The truth it, we never rightly appreciate the present. We are so occupied with reflection and anticipation that observation often goes begging. "Distance," whether fore or aft, "lends enchantment to the view," and the rule is past and expect too much of the future. This tendency is fundamental in human nature, and is, when properly balanced and rightly modified, the mainspring of progress and the secret of conservation. The golden mean is found in the eclectic system: Take all that is good from every source whatsoever. The Lord complained of the children of Israel because they said that "the old days were better than these," and they were told, "ye do not judge wisely concerning this matter." Job charged his comforters with assumthereby ignoring the past altogether. Here are the two extremes: One says, "The old days were better than these;" the other says, "Nay, but our fathers were fogies; we are the knowing ones."

Some we find, in every nation, over es-

"Such is the patriot's boast where ere we

His first, best country ever is at home." Now over against this home-loving citizen we place the theory and practice of the prodigal son. His father, he no doubt thought, was an old moss-back, and the old house was "so stupid, you know!" So he "took his journey into a far country." Poor dude! As Bret Harte would say, "the end didn't justify the perceedins." This, then, seems to be the tendency: the old men live in the past-hold to the old formsmagnify the "old days;" the young men live in the future, reject the past and the ways and means of other days, and propose to clear away the debris of the "old days" and build after a modern, an advanced style, upon a new and better foun-dation. Both are wrong and both are right, but neither can succeed alone. There is no event that does not cast its shadow on before; there is no institution of any given time whose roots are not found located in the soil of some former time. There are no abrupt beginnings and endings in any department of nature or the affairs of men. There is one connected chain of causes and effects-of sowing and reaping, of dying and rising from the dead. And while the forthcoming body be different from that which was sown, it nevertheless comes forth from the grave of its progenitor-the plant contains the strength and vigor of the seed. This is the law; there is no exception to it. How foolish, then, the views of those

who can see nothing good in the past on one hand, and on the other hand, cease not to berate and minify the present. I of the week—the Lord's day—in the repeat, the golden mean is found in tak- town in which I then hved, [but which whens. The past was the seed of the present; the future will come forth from the grave of the present. How, then, shall this mean be reached? How shall the gloomy atmosphere of age be illuminated and the reckless effervescence of youth be held in wise and healthy subconvened in its ninth annual session in jection? I answer, read up. This may seem presumptious upon my part, but I o'clock a. m., Sept. 2, 1886, Bishop J. S. do not claim to "have apprehended;" I Key presiding. Every charge in the district was represented by its pastor. J. Lemons was elected secretary; J. C. progressive and hopeful. They add to the Mickle, assistant. Every item of business vivacity and freshness of youth the observation, experience and judgment of age. Reading men do not superannuatecarefully considered. The report of the in mind. The outward man may perish, pastors showed the spiritual state of the but the inward man, both mentally and morally, is renewed day by day. I read some time since an article from a sharp, shrewd observer of men and things wh rent year-Madisonville circuit reporting asked this significant question: "The older the largest number, ninety-eight; Bryan | the lawyer and the doctor are, the more are they sought and employed. Why is it that old age seems to be, as a rule, a barrier to acceptability in the ministry?" He did not pretend to answer the question, and I may not solve it to the satisfaction of all, but I do believe that so long as a man continues to learn he may continue to teach. Paralysis always supervenes upon inactivity. Toe mind, unless it is fed by living streams of inaltogether dry. A young old man is the on the Lord's day: 'Aint this Sunday? ripest, sweetest and richest fruit of our redeemed and sactified humanity. With his beautiful hoar head, filled with being collected at Jerome Park to witknowledge, intelligence blazing from his ness and take part in the first Suneagle eye, his cultivated heart overflowing with sunshine and love—what a sand people out on the Lord's day picture is this! Painters cannot paint to witness the horse-racing and hear the it, poets cannot describe it. It is God's profanity of all manner of foul-mouth picture—it is Christ's image. Who does not admire it? Read up, brother. But In the same paper and for the same day what about the other extreme? How can the young man mend his way? He says gusto, of a very large collection of people the fathers were fogies, and that the pres-ent must dispense with the past alto-Central Park to have a concert. Perhaps gether. What is the matter with him? Let Pope answer:

"A little learning is a dangerous thing, Drink deep or touch not the pierian spring; For shallow draughts intoxicate the brain, But drinking deeply sobers it again."

My young brethren may think this a bold step upon my part, to make ignorance the basis of what some of them believe to be a progressive spirit. Well, it is a fact, nevertheless, and in less than ten years, if they are studious, they will agree with me. Yes, you are not sufficiently read up on the past, my brother; you do not know what you owe to it. And again I say, read up.

GULLIVER. GREENVILLE, TEXAS.

SUNDAY AS A WORK DAY.

The ten commandments, as found in the twentieth chapter of Exodus, teach the human family their whole duty to God, to themselves and to their fellow creatures, and, according to my observation and experience, all real Christians, humble, true followers of the Lord Jesus. love and reverence God as the Father of all, and Christ as his Son and heir of all things, and they love and reverence his teachings, wherein he recapitulated all all that kind of thing. Now to my mind God's moral laws in substance in his there is but one kind of true and genuine ever memorable sermon on the Mount, religion; and that kind is the same in all and Christians love and reverence the ages and among all people. The expe- Bible as God's Word, and the teachrience of grace in the heart is the same ing and practices of the apostles as with St. Paul, John Wesley, Old Bro. God's inspired pensmen. This is Fong, over in China; Uncle Pete, who the characteristic life and teaching of all truly converted people, and while they whom he saws it. Repentance towards day, as set forth in the decalogue, bedo not keep and observe the seventh God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ," cause that was under the law or Jewish Paul tells the Ephesian elders, constitute dispensation, yet all persons truly born of God, born from above and born of the faith and this repentance may be exer- holy the first day of the week—the Lord's Spirit, love, reverence and wish to keep

First, Because it is the day that commemorates the resurrection of our glorious Redeemer from the dead, who, in his resurrection brought life and immortality to light, and who, during the forty days he dwelt with his disciples after his resurrection, observed and kept it as he met with this little band, and breathed biessings upon it three several times, but never again met with the people or taught

them in the temple on the seventh day, or Jewish Sabbath. Second, All true Christians love to keep holy the Lord's day—the first day of the week—because God's purposes were all fulfilled in Jesus as the Messiah, for in his death and burial he, the Christ the Son of God, swept away and abolished the Jewish Sabbath. He, being Lord of the Sabbath day, was locked in the embrace of death, in the tomb bewn out of rock throughout that day, but burst asunder all the bars of death, hell and the grave and came forth to victory on the morning of the first day of the week-the Jewish eighth day-the Lord's day-and permanently established it as a day of at this place, resulting in twenty-nine conversions; and, after seventeen days' and nights' service, we closed. And the next morning I went to Coffee Chapel invidious distinctions between the in-

Levit. xxiii:39 Not only so; but before the first fruits in the mind of God, must this time this eighth day had been cirbe a better day even than the seventh

and setting apart unto God.

Third, Christians who do truly love and try to follow in the foo steps of the fit to lock the gates of Jerusalem to pre-S m of God, the heir of heaven, wish to vent its desecration. keep holy the Lord's day-the first day of the week-because John, the aged of the seventeenth chapter of the prophe-evangelist, while on the ilse of Patmos, cy of Jeremiah the grandeur, the glory was in the Spirit on the Lord's day.

Fourth, Christians love, reverence and wish to keep holy the first day of the week because it was Pentecost day, when three thousand souls were added to the church and the Holy Ghost was poured day, the holy convocation day, circum-cision day, the Jewish eighth day.

Seven Sabbaths had been complete from Passover day, and Pentecost was the morrow after, and counting the day of the resurrection as the first Christian Sabbath or Lord's day, this fiftieth or Pentecost day was the eighth Lord's

But notwithstanding all this array of facts and the pious Christian's love of the day, there seems to be a disposition on the part of the skeptic, the infidelin fact, most worldly-minded people, and many so-called Christians, to make this first day of the week a gala day, a pleasure-seeking day, or a working day, or a day of profanity and wickedness, and in that far to abolish it as a sacred or holy day, to be kept as such unto the Lord.

About thirty-one years ago, as I was going from my boarding house to the place of worship on the morning of the first day ing all the good from all wheres and all has now become a beautiful and prosperous city] I met a stranger in the road near the schoolhouse (for, be it remem-bered, the town did not then boast a church edifice) who accosted me thus: "Aint this Sunday ?" I told him it was and invited him to go to church with me, when he replied: "I have been moving. and stopped in your town to rest myself and my team, as it was Sunday, but only a little way back there I passed a man building a feuce, and I came to the conclusion I had made a mistake, and that is why I asked you about it.'

To-day, in our town, it would be diffi cult for a stranger to know which was Sunday, or the first day of the week About the only way to tell is the fact that most of the business houses are closed, the steam mills are still at d the church bells call to worship. Outside of these the cars are running, professing Christians and worldlings a are being borne along on the iron rail ; hundred or more miles on the Lord's day; the omnibuses and baggage wagons are all the while on the move, lumber and moving wagons are on the go, and scores of idle boys and young men are strolling about, and Sabbath breakers and pleasure-seekers drive fast teams, the postoffice is crowded with visitors and oft-times the streets are made hid eous with the noise of the rabble, and the stranger's question of more than telligence, will become stagnant if not thirty years ago can be appropriately put at the two places more people were col-lected together for levity and wickedness

on the Lord's day than were at all the churches and Sunday-schools of the city. I fully recognize the importance of the Lord's day, a day of holy rest both for man and beast, and I further recognize never repeated or abrogated, and believe ing of the day should be written as wit the finger of God on every heart, ye would is not be more honoring to God, more beneficial to man and more civilizing and Chri tianizing in its effect to have it made a work-day by law than to have such a farce of a Sabbath or Lord's day as it now is?

If we cannot have a Sabbath day freed from such secularization as the running of railroad trains and all other public and private conveyances, the holding of public concerts, buying and seiling, keeping open barber-shops, liquor stores, fishing, gunning, and a hundred and one other things disgracing to our Christian character as a pation, we had about as well throw our Bibles to the motes and the bats, and live as do the heathen, without God and without hope in the world; and as a matter of pecuniary profit to the State and nation make our present so called Sabbath day a day for labor and honest toil, for surely God is not glorified in the Sunday play in the opera house, the public concert in the pers. gambling in the dance hall or on the race track, nor are the morals of the nation improved.

Paul tells us that those things taught and practiced under the law w re shadows of better things to come. Then this first day of the week, this Sabbath under grace, which was shadowed forth by circumcision, by the holy convocation on the eighth day, and by the off ring of

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cumcision day, a day for circumcising day or Jewish Sabbath; therefore is i not more important that it be kept holy than that day in which Nehemiah saw

From the nineteenth verse to the close and the real benefit of the Jewish Sab bath to that people as a nation is clearly and fully set forth, but if not remembered and kept holy as indicated in the fourth commandment, the consequences of out on the disciples and brethren in great power, for it was the fiftieth day after punishment may we as a nation expect punishment may we are not pu its desecration and defilement are shown shameful desecrations of that better, more holy and sacred first day of the week which commemorates the resurrection of the Lord of the Sabbath day from the dead, and which shadows forth that heavenly rest which remaineth for the people of God? Chas. B. Martin. WEATHERFORD, TEXAS.

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Feeling that your many readers would like to know how their conference schools are progressing, and their prospects for the ensuing school year, I will attempt to satisfy them as to both, as can be done at present.

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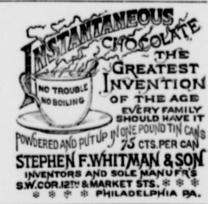
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OLD AND YOUNG.

"I MEANT TO." "I did not rise at the breakfast bell, But was so sleepy-I can't tell-

'The wood's not carried in, I know; But there's the school bell, I must go. I meant to.

'My lesson I forgot to write, But nuts and apples were so nice. I meant to.

'I forgot to walk on tiptoe O how the baby cries, O!O! I meant to.

'There, I forgot to shut the gate, And put away my book and slate.

"The cattle trampled down the corn, My slate is broken, book is torn. Thus drawls poor idle Jimmy Hite,

From morn till noon, from noon till night: "I meant to." And when he grows to be a man

He'll heedlessly mar every plan

With that poor plea, "I meant to."

A PLEA FOR THE CHILDREN.

A little boy, who was a member of a Sunday-school remarkable for its vigorous life, to see her; sets too high a value on their time had returned from a long vacation, and was perience to an interested listener.

are the hungry, for they shall be filled.' Now, mission. People who have never taken the you see, the morning service lasted until one pains to think twice of this view of the subject day-school; so that no matter how hungry we when I can see more of you-have you all to were we not could possibly be filled before two myself; I hate reception days. One must be o'clock, though we were almost nearly starved very sure of his own attractions who thus probefore we could have dinner."

need is the means to break the shell which sometimes seals and hides vital truth from one to assume that he can never be unwelcome. them. They need more time. Not time given to their dress, but to their precious souls.

A little more time from papa when the day about its pleasures and pursuits, would encourage them to pour into his patient ear all envelops them. The determination to amuse, their tender confidences.

A little more time from mamma, stolen from her music, her painting, her embroidery, or journ is obvious at every turn. To insist that the last new novel, given to loving companiongrow up to thank their God for every remembrance of her.

to him with indifference, while a little vivacity longs to be alone with his own thoughts for definitely in a story far less attractive.

The habit of a stated time to talk with the torture.

sees his little ones, and who scarcely addresses his say. So far from considering you stupid a word to them from week to week, except in because you sit by, attentive and mute while reproof. Possibly when the mood suits him, he turns his heart and brain inside out, he will thy Creator while in the days of he takes a little romp with them, after which | be likely to commend you as the prince of conthey are sent to the nursery; very much as a versationalists. The definition of bore, "One big dog is turned out of doors when one is who talks so much of himself that he gives you tired of his frolic. And, alas! so far as ex- no chance to talk of yourself," is one of the pressed affection goes, there is little to choose be-t things that has been said in this century. between the behavior to child and dog.

influence of a cheery, happy home. "A child and visitor. left to himself bringeth his mother to shame." What boy ever grew up to be chivalrous and gentle who did not feel that his mother loved his society and was proud of ker son?

profitable alike to parent and child. It is only host, and he was the rallying point in the fray. an emergency which changes our hour for In the beginning of the fight the driver who meals. Is the physical health more important | had just commanded the elephant to halt, was than that of the soul? In the hour before the slain, and fell at the feet of the huge beast, lamps are lighted, where are the children? That faithful creature, true to his training, What are they doing? Some are too young to stood stock-still at the word of command, and Bro. Tisdale is our Sunday-school amuse themselves, and nurse may be tired and after that no one could make him move. The superintendent. I like to read the impatient, while the older ones are perhaps voice for which he listened was not to be ADVOCATE, especially the 'Old getting fretful, and so the twilight hangs heard again. Meanwhile the battle went on, heavily upon them all. This is the wise and and the side to which the elephant belonged loving mother's opportunity.

Busy little heads fall willingly upon her lap, would have won a victory. As it was, he T. U. prison work, Texarkana. and tears are dried on m um n i's bosom. Now | would pay no attention to those who tried to is the time to sow good seed which will spring make him quit the field; seeing their flag still up and bear abundant fruit when the hand at the front, his people rallied around him which scattered it shall be still in death.

Half hidded in the uncertain light, and, perhaps, encouraged by the flickering fire, little move from the spot for three days and nights. hopes and fears and secret imaginings find Indeed, would not have quit the field then had tongues. Gorgeous castles are built for not the soldiers sent a long distance to a vil-"mamma" to dwell in, or confessions of lage and brought thence a little boy, the wrong-doing rise unbidden to the infant lips. driver's son, whose authority the elephant Grown-up sinners know full well that it is recognized. The boy had helped his father easier to seek pardon for a fault from a fellow- to train the elephant, and when the boy spoke man in the hush of twilight than in the glare the elephant moved in quick obedience.

and jostle of noonday. The recollection of a patient mother's touch upon the infant head which nestled in her lap so long ago has kept many a foot from stumbling when that head was frosted by time. The sound of a nursery hymn has more tham once checked a hoary sidner on his road to destruction.

made to the responsibility of instructing the children, not by Sunday-school teachers, but by parents. No proxy is even hinted at. Nowadays no means are spared to make a child's lesson a pleasure rather than a task. This is the glory of modern teaching, both secular and religious. The kindergarten has become an institution among us, even extend- add another to the letter box. I ing to the Sunday-school. But this does not will answer Mollie A. Chancy: lessen the personal responsibility of parents. Rachel was Joab's mother. On the contrary, if outside means for the development of their children are so multiplied, is it not incumbent upon them to render home doubly attractive, and to perform their share of the education in an equally satisfactory

manner? Moral and conscientious elements in charac-Moral and conscientions elements in character can not be inoculated abroad. A high sense of honor, strict inherence to truth, tender pity pronounced incorporate Address J. for the oppressed, and chivalry toward women. for the oppressed, and chivalry toward women, must come with example at home, and daily contact with loving self-sacrifice. A child who hears its native tongue spoken in its purity will never be ungrammatical. Just so

surely will he reflect the temper and manne

Many a mother sits with empty, folded arms when the children's bedtime comes, and vainly longs for the rush and clatter of the little feet which once weared her. She wishes she had not answered, "Not now," "Wait," or "I the second chapter of Ezra conam busy," to the numberless questions which tains children ninety-eight times. her child had asked. Now she remembers his look of disappointment when she hastily denied a request which she might have granted had she taken time to consider it. Now she is never too tired or too busy to think. Gladly would she give up art, music, society, all, for more time with her child. To those mothers whom it is not too late to be entreated. I would commend her experience.

'And if, some night, when you sit down to rest, You miss this elbow from your tired knee, This restless, curling head from off your breast, This lisping tongue, that chatters constantly: If from your own the dimp'e hands had slipped, And nee'r would nestle in your plam again; If the white feet into the grave had slipped-I could not blame you for your heartache then."

"AT HOME" DAYS.

Marian Harland. The fashion of "At home" days is gaining favor rapidly with those who once condemned it as formal and subversive of genuine friendliness.oThe women who engraves the name of a certain day, afternoon or evening, on her visiting cards as the time when she is ready and glad to receive calls, says, in effect, that she appreciates the desire of her acquaintances and hers to risk the loss of a visit. She, eagerly recounting his adventures and ex- furthermore, marks her recognition of the duty of hospitality by resigning a stated por-Naturally he mentioned the little church tion of the week to the performance of the where he had attended service, and he closed grateful task. Her visitors are never doubthis recital by the empathic declaration that ful as to the chances of inconveniencing her, of "the Sunday-school was starvation!" His finding her within doors. She belongs, by auditor expressed surprise at such an aston- choice, on that day to all who will come, and, like him very much. I joined the Ishing statement, and the child proceeded to being prepared to receive them, with be disappointed if they stay away. Any one, except "Why, you see, auntie, it was all wrong. It was making us break the commandent of the wittingly, of impertinence in presenting him-Sermon on the Mount. That says: 'Blessed self at any other season unless by especial pero'clock, and after that we had to stay to Sun- have a way of saying, "Let me call sometime poses, uninvited, to absorb the entire atten-This was certainly a logical exposition of tion, for even an hour, of an always basy and Scripture to the boy's mind; and I relate it to useful mistress of a family. If she, with show how literally, or with what a queer fullest knowledge of her occupations and detwist, children may a cept the teaching of the sires, chooses to appoint the season for receiv-Bible, unassisted. An uncracked walnut ing the outer world, her wishes will be rewould not be very nourishing. What children spected by well bred acquaintances. It argues presumption and fatuous self-conceit for

The opposite extreme of treating a guest with too little ceremony, is to burden him with to feed, to fill them, body and mind, with entertainment during every hour of their sohe whom you delight to honor shall eat twice | tioned in the Bible? ship with her children each day, and they will as much as he wants, and does not know what he prefers to take on his plate; should see good wishes to the ADVOCATE. tnings he cares nothing for; drive when he But the interest must be real. No one de would rather walk; sail, when he abhors tects a sham so quickly as a child. He soon acquatic sports from the depths of an agonized wearies of an entertaining book if it be read stomach; that he shall be diverted when he on the part of the reader will lead him on in- one precious half-hour of the twenty-four that

in those days may have warped his opinions! self. If he comes to you tired, let him rest. had in our country. There is many a busy father who rarely Should he be loquacious, listen while he has See to it that you are the bored, rather than Boys, especially, need sympathy, and the the bore, when the relations are those of host

FIDELITY.

A special time set apart for the children is his back the standard-bearer of the Poona year than last. I have to set an about got the worst of it; and had he not stood with to the Missionary Society. I am Restless little feet are ready to by quiet. the flug flying above his back, the enemy again, at last carrying the day. What is even more strange, the faithful creature would not

LETTER BOX. Palestine.

I will answer a few of Ernest Arthur Fatheree's questions: In Deuteronomy xxviii:58 you will find "The Lord Thy God," in capi-Throughout the Bible constant allusions are tal letters. In Nehemiah vii the word "Children" is found eightynine times. JOHNNIE C. SMALL,

I have been reading the little letters in the ADVOCATE and will Where is "weeping willow" men-

tioned in the Bible? LUCY CARRIE ROST.

READ THIS!

J. F. POPP, 1332 Friemount Ave., Philadelphia. Pa. Piess mention this paper when writing.

I am always glad when the AD-VOCATE comes. I love to read it. I will answer some questions: Sal-MERONEY BROWN.

Blue Ridge. I will answer Cousin Cora Wamble's question: . Melchizedek king of Salem .- Heb. vii:1-4. Who was it that was spoken of

in the Bible that never spoke but once and spoke the truth? HAYGOOD GROUNDS.

Lively Chapel. I am fourteen years old. I do not go to Sunday-school. I joined

the church three years ago.

Jephtha did offer his daughter as a burnt offering. Enoch and Elijah never tasted death. Joseph died when he was one hundred and ten years old. Twelve men went as spies into the land of Canaan.

Why did not Moses enter the land of Canaan?

This is my first letter. MARY BEAUCHAMP.

Lively Chapel. I am twelve years old. Papa takes the ADVOCATE. I like to read the children's letters, and thought I would write one. Bro. J. W. Horn is our pastor. We all church last year.

I will answer some of the questions: Twelve men went as spies into the land of Canaan. Joseph was one hundred and ten years old when he died. Is there any evidence in the Bi- 40 Cents in Tinted Paper Covers.

ble that Solomon was saved? ANNIE BEAUCHAMP.

San Marcos.

Mamma takes the ADVOCATE, and l love to read the letters from the children. I am a member of the Methodist Church. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday. Our superintendent is Dr. Combs, Our pastor is Bro. Harris. We all like attention. Some kindly folk would seem to him very much, and we hate to is done, spent in asking with real interest imagine that their friends part with individual- give him up. He has been with us four years.

I will answer Billie Midkiff: The father of Boaz was Salmon. How many times is David men-

This is my first letter. Many HATTIE PEGUES.

Red Rock.

I am nine years old. I have two new books, presented by papa and make up his waking day - is benevolent mamma as a birthday present. One is entitled, "Mother, Home and children is invaluable. It becomes a thing to which they look forward with delight. "A wise son heareth his father's instruction," it is true; but what shall be said of the wisdom of the father who fails to teach his child? But, then, Solomon had never heard of steam, or electricity, or speculation in grain, or club-relation to the state of electricity, or speculation in grain, or club- ing him to seek amusement in reading, or a camp-meeting at Red Rock-one houses. The leisurely meditative sort of life solitary ramble in the direction chosen by him- of the best meetings we have ever

> I will answer Minnie May Davenport: God says, "Remember

> What did Christ say for little children to do? ALTA GLOVER.

Dalby Springs.

I will be twelve years old next Thursday, and our quarterly meeting will begin next Saturday. My papa is our pastor. I am a mem-It is about an elephant that once took part in a battle in India. This elephant carried on host, and he was the rallying point in the fray. In the beginning of the fight the driver who have some dolls, a fawn and several nice books. My brothers have some goats and bantam chickers, and Young' department. I belong local superintendent of the W.C. With love to the cousins, I am

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Even the Pere In Whitmen.

From the Rev. Dr. Whippie:

AUSTIN, TEX., Nov. 10, 1888. Drs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin: Dear Sirs—I take pleasure in recommending your great liver medicine. Hepatozone, and from experience, think it would be well for no family to be without it. It is so efficient, mid, and yet certain to accomplish what is proposed by its use. Respectfully, J. W. WHIPPLE

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Gentlemen—I have used your Hepatozone for some time and find it one of the best medicines for Indigestion and Liver Compaint.

J. B. McFarland. From the Rev. Dr. Poindexter:

AUSTIN, TEX., July 15, 1889. Messrs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin: Messrs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin:

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J. W. POINDETTER.

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FRANK RAINEY,
Supt Institution.

From the Rev. Dr. Shapard, Superintendent Deaf and Dumb Asylum:

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W. Shapard.

From our prominent bankers:

AUSTIN, TEX., April, 9, 1883. Drs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin: I have thoroughly tested the merits of your Hepatozone as a remedy for any liver trouble, dyspepsia or constipation. It is indeed a wonderful medicine, and the best remedy for these troubles that ever has been given. I could not do without it. Respectfully.

Frank Hamilton.

AUSTIN, TEX., March 25, 1883. Gentlemen—Your Liver medicine has been thoroughly tried on myself and family during the last year, and it has proved itself to be all and even more than you claim for it. It is beyond a doubt the most valuable medicine now known for any liver trouble, dy spepsia or constipation of the bowels. We use nothing eise. Respectfully, JAS. R. JOHNSON.

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A. W. HOUSTON. Col. Claiborne Tells Wnat he Knows of the Merits of Hepatozone.

Bastrop, March 26, 1884.

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An article which arraigns one political party and defends another, even though the author be a Methodist preacher full of years and honors, is not proper matter for publication in the columns of the church paper; and it is solely on account defining once and for all, and in unmistakable terms, the position of the TEXAS ADVOCATE in the present crisis, that we give place to the following communica-

To the TEXAS ADVOCATE.

J. B. Cranfill, being urged by the friends of prohibition, called a convention, which met in Dallas, Sept. 7, 1886, for the purpose of nominating a State Prohibition ticket. They met and did good work, but the same has been criticized by religionists and political demagogues. The question of temperance prompted many lovers of humanity to meet, and being assembled with the purest motives, they nominated some of the best men in the State for office.

In what light should the question be viewed? I answer that it is a moral question. This being true, is it a political question? I answer yes, just as much so as theft, murder and the Sunday law. These facts considered, I consider it moral and political; and therefore must act accordingly. Every good law in churches, States and kingdoms is based on eternal truth. Prohibition is authorized and commanded by the Almighty. The Babelbuilders, politically, are confused. Who can trace a Democratic or Republican line from its origin without intermixing with the same principles of both parties? There is no unity of principle to be found in any one party, for the same, more or less, are advocated by all. I am not a prophet, but venture the assertion that the unseen hand of God is leading the way for the grandest reformation in the world's history. The leaven of prohibition is at work and will continue, as I believe, until it stops the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage. Every temperance movement is preparing the way for prohibition. Public sentiment to a large extent is favoring the much-needed reformation. It is the main issue, politically and morally, and there will be a concentration of moral influence from all parties, the church and world, insomuch that it will constitute the best party ever known. It is the coming issue, and all speaking, will weigh more and do humanity anti-prohibitionists will prove themselves in this particular enemies to God and man.

Believing as I do, that all God-fearing Christians are in favor of prohibitory laws, I am astonished at Bro. G. W. Briggs' notice of said convention. He says, in the ADVOCATE of Sept. 2, that "this is a move in the wrong direction. There is nothing to be gained by it; there is much to be lost." Are these statements true? They are, in the judgment of Bro. Briggs, and perhaps a few others. My position is they are incorrect. Judging from the able articles published in the ADVOCATE favoring prohibition, by the friends of temperance, and especially by his illustrious predecessor, I am inclined to think that our beloved editor is engaged in a sinking business, With the history of the ADVOCATE before me I cannot see how Bro. Briggs can make his assertions harmonize with the faith of his able correspondents. If he can prove what he says, I will say amen; but on condition of a failure, thousands of Methodists will feel the

effects of his remarkable notice.

In all candor I ask, how can this "move ment" be "in the wrong direction?" If the movement is right, it is certainly in the right direction, from the fact, in the judgment of God and thinking men, a righteous act cannot be wrong. His logic is that the convention at Dallas, (past) was wrong in its movement; if If prohibition is right, the action of the body, verified in its sentiments and direction, is right. The petitions of the people have been continually ignored by our State legislature, hence they have lost all hope of relief from that source. In fact, thousands believe that many so-called Democrats are in sympathy with the rumseller. In the last Democratic convention, at Galveston, its members failed to set forth a word, clause, plank, or anything else, favoring prohibition in their platform. Nothing has been done to give the people a chance to express their sentiments on the subject; but now the Prohibitionists' ticket is before the people, and they can now show where they stand at the ballot box. If the so-called Democratic party prevails, whisky-dealers, dram-drinkers and drunkards may raise the shout, glorious Democracy! On the other hand, if the ministry, church members and all lovers of humanity will vote for prohibition, the Briarean monster, alcohol, will be sunk into oblivion. The "action" of that Prohibition convention was timely and right, and it is the only thing that cess, has from the first stood firmly upon will give Texas voters a chance to relieve this ground. There lies before us his last the liquor-cursed people. If the movement is wrong, I call for the proof. If Bro. Briggs can produce it, I hope he will publish it in the

Our good brother makes another mistake. It is this: "There is nothing to be gained by it; there is much to be lost." I would like to see the proof to sustain these assertions. If the work of that convention is good, the fruit will be good. It may not fully mature this year, but it will in the future-sooner or later. May God speed the happy day. The principles set forth in that platform will never die and will remain as firm in the midst of all opposition as the pillars of heaven; hence good. much good, will be their legitimate result, Prayers will be made, sermons will be preached, lectures will be delivered, newspaper articles will be published; yes, these and such-like good works will be done by purehearted men and women, who frown upon the efforts of liquor-loving advocates who mask

Democracy. Will God disregard such heavenly efforts? I know he cannot, and for this reason I maintain that the temperance move ment by that convention will save many souls from a drunkard's hell; but with all these stubborn truths before Bro. Briggs, he says that nothing will be "gained by it." His position is worse than a mythical farce. I cannot see how his notice of said convention can stand the test of truthful criticism.

prohibition throughout the State will regret, and its worst enemies will rejoice, at this hasty and ill-advised action." This astounding assertion would better befit the lips of those who favor the whisky ring than those of our able editor. I cannot see how Prohibitionists, and especially Methodists, can indorse it. If it is true, all right; but I cannot believe it. Will he furnish the proof? If there are true friends of prohibition lamenting or regretting in consequence of that convention or its actions, I would like to make their acquaintance. On the other hand, if there is anything in the platform calculated to make its 'worst enemies rejoice," I have failed to find it; but to the contrary, the true friends of temperance are rejoicing, and the liquor-lovers are trembling with fear. A square issue is before the people, and they now have it in their power-on false principles of Democracyto worship the "whisky devil." If they are not willing to do this, they should vote for prohibition, and thereby kill and bury the monster, provided, he is worthy of a small spot of ground on this side of the pandemonium regions. This heaven-designed movement is not hasty nor ill-advised, as Bro. Briggs thinks; but it is certain that all lovers of the opportunity which it gives us of of truth, sobriety and religion have wellgrounded reasons to regret that they have slept on their rights so long. They need not wait for the Democratic party for relief, for it has been sufficiently tried. If Prohibitionists wait upon such rulers as Coke, Mills & Co., they will die in despair. The convention has commenced its work at the best time, for it is patent to every thinking man, if the Democrats continue in power they will never be moved on this subject by the petitions and prayers of the people.

Another statement should be noticed. It is this: "Those are not its best friends or its wisest supporters who grow impatient of the slow march of this great social and moral revolution, and seek to hasten its triumph by forcing it before the people as the chief plank of a political platform." The forerunners of this moral revolution are its best friends; and as to their impatience, the charge cannot be proven. For many years Prohibitionists have appealed to those who were in authority, but their appeals were not regarded; hence, by exercising more patience, they would succumb to the groundless pretensions of their enemies. Anti-Prohibitionists, judging the future by their past actions, would befog the minds of temperance men until the judgment, had they the power of doing so. The whiskyites are in power, but in order to dethrone King Alcohol, the worst enemy of God and man in a moral sense, the movement, as made by that convention, is designed to hasten the day when the sale and manufacture of the liquid fire will be unknown in the State. The most, if not a large majority who composed it, are men of brains and piety; therefore they have one supreme object in view, viz.; the salvation of Texas people from the terrible curse of intemperance. The prohibition plank should be in every political platform. It is now in that of the Republican party; but as the convention at Galveston did not have moral courage to put the plank into theirs, I therefore conclude that the friends of prohibition will ignore the Democratic ticket and vote for the nominees of the Prohibitionists' Convention. The prohibition plank, morally more good than the whole Democratic platform. If the voters of Texas will lay down their blinded prejudice, with regard to the truth of my position. It is unkind to insinuate that the noble men of all parties compos ing that convention are hypocritical-in other words, are not true-hearted Prohibitionists,

In conclusion, I beg all intelligent men to do so impartially, they will certainly conclude that every man's name will compare favorably with those on the Democratic ticket, with respect to intelligence and moral worth. The of high standing, and, so far as I know, they are Christian gentlemen of the highest order. o In conclusion, I will say that Bro, Briggs' notice and testimony gave pain to thousands. and unless he makes his statement true by proof-an explanation, or in some other waythe cause of God will suffer; and then the advocates of the "whisky devil" will rejoice over what has been written. W. PRICE.

The article to which our brother objects was not a criticism of the convention, for the convention had not yet assembled. It was not an arraignment of so, the whole work of prohibition is wrong. the Prohibition party, for the Prohibition party in Texas had not yet been organized. There was nothing before us save a request from Dr. Cranfill that all persons interested in the prohibition movement should assemble at Dallas, organize a political party and nominate a State ticket. Convinced from the study of its results in other States that this movement was unwise, it was our duty, as a viction. This we did, but with no intention whatever of interfering with any man's freedom to be his own judge in the fear of God and the love of his country as to what his action should be. Our course was not without precedent. We remember that Bishop Galloway, who has guided the prohibition movement in Mississippi with signal ability and sucaddress before the State Executive Committee. In that address we find the

> Avoid personal and political controversies. We have no enemies to punish. Our mission is to win friends and shield the sorrowing. Let nothing discount the purity of our pur poses, or beguile us from our only and holy mission. We are moral reformers, and not "regulators," or political doctrinaires.

Feeling that the Dallas movement ment should be set on foot, it was our termined to unite with the straightout any other man, and everybody knows price of \$2.

is "the head and front of our offending." And we are in good company.

We fear, however, that Bro. Price will ination than the communication before paper, he says: us evinces. Take for example the following:

In all candor I ask how can the "move-In addition he says: "The best friends of ment" be "in the wrong direction?" If the movement is right it is certainly in the right direction, from the fact that in the judgment of God and thinking men a righteous act cannot be wrong. His logic is that the convention at Dallas was wrong in its movement. If so, the whole movement of prohibition is

> Now this could only have been written hrough confusion of thought. Our brother needs to remember that a principle is one thing and the method of applying it is another. Hence a principle may be true while the methods by which There are many principles whose truth is so clear as not to admit of doubt, yet | ring." when we come to the question of how best to make them dominant among men, we are at once on ground which adciple of this sort: that only baptized be- nation. lievers are proper subjects of church and thinking men, a righteous act cannot | er. Our correspondent says : be wrong." Now Bro. Price is logician | There are difficulties just ahead for pastors enough to give this fallacy its proper editors and the church itself, and we must be

our brother in an argument. We have a name Democrat, they will see at once the nobler and graver purpose than that. It is not a question of whether Bro. Price nable. And, moreover, it is the position or the writer shall be defeated in this which this paper has occupied from the little tilt, but whether we shall both be first. Bro. Price would seem to doubt alike defeated in our great work of supcompare the Democratic ticket with that sent pressing the liquor traffic, the greatest of the paper as a new departure. He out by the Prohibition Convention. If they will abomination in this or any other land. brings the present and former adminis-And we are sure that there is nothing that we should watch with more careful- to the dismay of the present. He says : ness than this very confusion of thought Prohibitionist candidates are all sober men about which we are writing. It is a fault, alas! only too common among us reformers. It has wrought us more harm than the enemy ever did, for it has, time and time again, divided our ranks. One would think that with so great a work as we have on hand, we should be ment in the wrong direction." Nothing ready to welcome help from any honest of thought we rush into bitter condemnation of men who differ from us only as far better if our correspondent had to methods. Only a few weeks ago the confined himself to that one ques-Voice, of New York City, in many re- tion. Of course our "predecessor" is spects the ablest prohibition paper in the Advocate, because he refused to ally himself, in his official capacity as editor of a church newspaper, with the politifriend of prohibition and a Christian favor it is desirable to gain. We most and so destroy us. But our predecesjournalist, to give expression to that conreason as that we have just mentioned, whisky devil to rejoice," he has allowed But we do write with our predecessor's to confound what at furthest can only be ADVOCATE, now lying upon our table.

pandering to a gross and open sin. To show how differently men may

News says is composed of 'good men.' " In this he stands side by side with Bro. not be able to understand our position Price. Yet when he comes to discuss given it a record of unbroken consist- by himself, and with has'e, under the unless he shall think with more discrim- the position taken by the editor of this ency for more than thirty years. But pressure of other exacting duties. But

In his position upon the question of prohi-

bition he voices sentiments of the one hundred thousand members of his church, who have selected him for his high position, and his editorial utterances are in harmony with all his confreres upon Methodist tripods. Yet, because he is a prohibitionist, the News brands nim as a "partisan editor," and insinuates that he is hankering after the position of party leader. Mr. Briggs has consistently opposed the formation of a new party, or bringing prohibition into the party fight at all, and has simply contended for the right of prohibition as a moral principle. That is the "head

and front of his offending.' Here we find "a straightout prohibitionist" who does not confuse principles with methods, and hence is able to see men seek to advance it may be wrong. clearly the bottomless gulf that separates our position from that of the "whisky

Moreover this "straightout prohibi tionist" is also a Methodist and is not content to see his church paper the organ mits of much honest diversity of opinion. of any political party. This brings us For example, we have all now come to to where it is proper to define just what believe that slavery was not a very good is and must be the position of the AD thing, yet many earnest advocates of abo- VOCATE in relation to this new movelition did not endorse John Brown's raid ment. This paper is the organ of no po into Virginia. Many Northern abolition- litical party. It is published and conists said, "It is a movement in the wrong | trolled by the five Texas Conferences of direction." Yet, through confusion of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, thought, some enthusiastic anti-slavery and circulates among people of all politiman might have replied in Bro. Price's cal beliefs. Holding the church to be own words: "How can the movement greater than any party, it will use be in the wrong direction? If the move- whatever wisdom, courage and common ment is right it is in the right direction, sense its editorial corps may possess to from the fact that in the judgment of set forth the necessity for prohibiting a God and thinking men a righteous act social, physical, financial and moral cannot be wrong." Let us use an illustra- curse that is equally the enemy of the tion more familiar to Bro. Price. Our gospel and of the homes and the souls of brother is familiar with the whole field men. But it will do this without uttering of the immersion controversy, and many a partisan word and without interfering are the doughty Baptist knights that have with the freedom of all men to judge how gone down beneath his bow and spear. best and most wisely to exhibit their just Now our Baptist neighbors have a prin- condemnation of this gigantic abomi-

In this position we will undoubtedly membership. That principle is true. be sustained by the whole church. Pub-But when our Baptist brethren come to lic opinion may be disturbed for a time. the application of it they declare that but of those who oppose us, it may be Baptism can only be adminis'ered in one said, we think, that "the flowing tide is way-by immersion. Bro. Price, of all with us; the ebbing tide is with them." men, would call that "a movement in the There lies on our table a letter which ilwrong direction." And yet some Bap- lustrates our meaning. It is a private tist, through confusion of thought, might | letter or we should give the name of the reply: "How can this movement be in author. Suffice it to say that he occupies the wrong direction? If the movement a place in the ranks of the Methodist is right it is certanly in the right direction, army which he has won by hard and disfrom the fact that in the judgment of God | tinguished service as a Methodist preach-

name. He would know at once that it wise as serpents and harmless as doves. As was a clear case of petitio principii: a man, henceforth I am for the Prohibition that it was taking for granted the very cate that party than I can the Democratic point at issue; but we think he would be party. Your paper is your pulpit, and I feel apt to ignore the high sounding Latin, and satisfied you agree with me as to the proper with a short, sharp stroke go straight attitude. The News is doing its best to force to the point and say : "This is sheer non- you into a false position, either to advocate or sense." And Bro. Price would be right. oppose the Cranfill movement. You demoished Jenkins, now avoid the trap and you Now, in all this we are not seeking the are safe. Of course any position you take poor satisfaction of getting the better of will be attacked, but this I think impreg-

Our brother is right. It is impregthis. He looks upon the present position trations into contrast, and, as he thinks,

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We are sorry our beloved Bro. Price wrote that paragraph. It was a "moveright; and, hence, it would have been

much loved among those for whom he country, made a coarse and brutal attack labored for eighteen long and busy upon Dr. Buckley, of the New York years, and if it should be found that his opinions and practices as an editor condemn ours, the presumption would, of course, be in favor of him and against cal party which the Voice claims to rep- us. The Galveston News knows that resent. Such action is alike foolish and fact as well as Bro. Price. Indeed, on wicked. Fanaticism and unreason could one occasion, and on the other extreme hardly go further. Its only tendency is of this very question, the News sought to alienate the very men whose help and to make use of it. It sought to divide indeed, as he signs himself in the note stantly to our side, and the indignant reaccompanying his communication, our buke that rose to the lips of the best and "devoted friend and brother," but for strongest men in the State, defeated the this very reason we are the more ready unhallowed business. Surely Bro. Price to say to him in all candor that while does not want to be found in such comhe is free from such fanaticism and un- pany. But if he insists on the question, the same reply that discomfited the News yet in suggesting that, in the article to shall also discomfit him, namely—our which he objects, we set ourself against predecessor's singularly able and distin-"all God-fearing Christians," used words guished record. "With the history which "would better befit the lips of of the ADVOCATE before me," writes those who favor the whisky-ring," and Bro. Price; but it was only his recolwhich are calculated to hurt "the cause lection of the history, and in this of God" and lead "the advocates of the case his memory has served him poorly. himself, through confusion of thought, record before us-the open files of the an error of judgment with a heedless But before we quote one line this must be said: We do not conduct this paper according to the policy of our predecesthink upon the same question, we must sor any more than our predecessor conwould "discount the purity of our pur- be allowed to quote from an article ducted it according to somebody else's

"gladly vote for the ticket which the the very same thing. It is indeed grati- the editor claims the indulgence of his fying, however, when we find that the readers on the ground that the whole of successive editors of this paper have how stands the record:

As early as 1872 we find our predeces the issue of June 12:

We are endeavoring to meet this call, but shall advocate the claims of no political platform or candidate.

In the issue of May 27, 1876, we find an editorial on "Preacher Politicians" resolutions declaring that the Indians could never receive justice from the dominant party in congress. The editorial regrets that our Northern brethren "cannot realize the fact that they are not running the United States Government," trast—"or even as this publican." and declares of the preachers who "forsake their calling and go into politics" success. In politics they are not only fail- something much better. ures but frauds!"

In the issue of April 21, 1877, our predecessor discusses the resolutions offered by Dr. Mallalieu, in the New England Conference, protesting against the course of the adminstration in its management of Southern affairs, and speaks his mind as follows:

Let us hope that in a few years this will en tirely disappear, and that such political zealots as Dr. Mallalieu will not be found even in a New England Conference; and that the preachers composing that body will emulate the example of their Master who avoided all efforts to entangle him and his cause with the exciting political issues of the day, while he kept himself continually about "his father's from Rev. A. H. Sutherland.

In the issue of Nov. 2, 1878, in an editorial on the "Citizen and the Suffrage," our predecessor said : "The ADVOCATE must do as a sentinel on the walls of morals and religion." In the same issue we find the following:

The candidacy of so many preachers in the North and West is arousing the church in that section. It is well the Church (North) is waking up in this matter. One of these days they will acknowledge the wisdom of their

grets the attitude the two great national parties have assumed respecting this moveent, yet holds itself aloof from all political complications, and appeals to men of all parties to confront and suppress this gigantic evil.

Hence we conclude that, judging by what has been written in the ADVOCATE "and especially by his illustrious predecessor," all who assail the present policy of the editor of the ADVOCATE are engaged in "a sinking business."

Of course we may be mistaken. It is possible that many may desire the term of office of the present editor exwhich these lines are written. There is no reason why he should be re-elected unless he correctly represents the sentiment of the church. All who may desire a different editorial management can make their wishes known to the Joint man, this editor can retire gracefully. our "predecessor" has done or did not He is a Methodist preacher and knows quarter. But too often by this confusion do can be authoritative unless it is also all about going from one appointment to another.

BISHOP DUNCAN'S APPEAL.

We trust many hearts in Texas will be open to the following urgent appeal in behalf of our suffering brethren in Charleston:

To the Members of the M. E. Church, South: DEAR BRETHREN-I have visited the city of Charleston, S. C., and have seen the fearful wreckage, by the recent earthquake, of the Methodist Church buildings and parsonages. I have had free and full conference with the pastors and official members, with reference to the rebuilding and repairing absolutely necessary. Our people are not equal to the work of restoration. Their individual losses by the cyclone of last year, and now by this terrible calmity, have been so heavy, and and so pressing are the demands upon them from neighbors and friends, that they are able to do comparatively little in rebuilding their houses of worship and their parsonages. They must have prompt and generous assistance from their brethren and friends, not only within, but beyond the limits of the State. I feel assured they will not ask in vain, but in the hour of helplessness they will receive a liberal response to their call. I join my brethren, smitten and suffering as they are, in their earnest appeal, beseeching you, brethren and friends, by the mercies of a gracious providence, that you send at once the needed relief. Do not delay. Act now. To wait will b almost fatal, as the damage must be repaired before winter. Let each one of us send a contribution to H. Cogswell, Treasurer of Methodist Building Fund, Charleston, S. C. W. W. DUNCAN, Bishop of the M. E. Church, South.

SOUTHERN METHODIST REVIEW.

The September number of this periodical is on our table. This is the first number under the new editorial manageposes, or beguile us from our only and which recently appeared in the Dallas policy. We do what we think best, just ment. Dr. Hinton did his work well holy mission," we advised the friends of News from the pen of Rev. John R. Al- as our predecessor did what he thought and Dr. Harrison needs only the subprohibition in Texas to be "moral re- len of the North Texas Conference. Bro. best. We hew to the line just as our stantial incouragement of the reading formers," and not "regulators" or "po- Allen is in favor of the new party and predecessor hewed to the line. On a public to keep the Review up to its litical doctrinaires," at the same time does not hesitate to say so. He announces question of right we would take issue standard. It is henceforth to be issued fully convinced that if the new move- himself as "one who has already de- with our predecessor as readily as with six times a year at the very moderate

their false principles by the name or cloak of duty to remain neutral thereafter. This prohibitionists" and says that he will that our predecessor was not slow to do For any lack of merit in this number whisky-bottle. The men were rough-looking

its matter, save one article, was prepared we submit that the time has passed for referring, even in "hastily prepared matsor, in response to a demand for a fuller | ter" to a "move to Texas" in such terms discussion of secular affairs, saying in as these: "To give up civilized life and move to the frontier among savages and strangers, away from markets, away the Advocate is identified with no party and from the friends of his youth, away from churches and schools, and away from everything that makes life dear to a man."-p. 92. The author of "The which condemns severely the action of Mayor of Trebizond" is too well informthe New England Conference in passing ed to believe this; but as he evidently makes his hero the exponent of his own views on other questions, he must be held responsible for this little fling at Texas. It is human to seek a background upon which to project ourselves in con-

Baiting this "fly in the pot of ointment," the number before us is good and that "not one case in a score proves a has in it the "promise and potency" of

EDITORIAL BREVITIES.

To the list of charges that have paid their assessment for foreign missions we add this week Big Springs circuit, B. J. H. Thomas, pastor.; De Leon Mission, O. M. Addison, pastor. Are there not others?

ALL reports of church work sent to the ADVOCATE are published as fast as they can be crowded into the columns. No matter of this kind is ever rejected. If your report does not appear in a reasonable time send another or write to the editor.

WE have received this week, \$29.50 for our preachers in the West-\$25 sent by Rev. W. W. Pinson, for Central Church, Austin: \$4.50

WE were glad to meet in our office this week, Rev. W. McKendree Darwood, pastor, Washington Heights M. E. Chursh, New York city, who is spending some days in our takes no part in politics beyond what it city. He will find among us a Southern Methodist welcome.

As will be seen from an article on the first page, Judge Tucker gets the best of us at last. It is we who "surrender at discretion." We are the "captive of his bow and spear."

IMPORTANT revival and other news will be found on the second page of this issue.

waking up in this matter. One of these days they will acknowledge the wisdom of their Southren brethern, who have consistently resisted every effort to involve the church in political complications.

In the number of Oct. 4, 1884, the Houston Post having endeavored to fasten upon the Advocate an indorsement of St. John as the candidate of the Prohibition party for the presidency, our predecessor replies:

The Advocate is not the representative of any political party. It regards the suppression of the liquor traffic as a question involving the moral and social life of the nation, and one in which good men of every political faith should be concerned. It profoundly regrets the attitude the two great national five years .- Western Advocate, Cincinnat

Dear confrere, the reason why your people who move South flock en masse into that church" is because we do not meet them with "social ostracism" and "Southern shot-guns," but with warm Southern hearts and true Christian love. They come into our churches, teach our Bible classes, superintend our Sunday-schools, make good stewards and trusteesand we all live together in peace and harmony as good Methodists should. Try the same tacties in your colder regions and you will "absorb" every Southern Methodist who "moves-North." But, dear Brother Bayliss, if it betrue that "God has put the seal of his approvchurch newspaper to pursue a different alupon the history of your church, never anycourse. If so, there is a remedy. The where nor at any time, more clearly than upon your work in the South," how is it that you pires just two weeks from the day on are called to mourn the loss of nearly-by your own calculation-four hundred thousand members?

In a note just at hand Prof. S. G. Sanders says: "Southwestern University has opened with a larger number of students than ever before. The first week has closed with a matriculation of two hundred and eighty-Board of Publication, which convenes eight against one hundred and ninety-two for week after next in the city of Waco. If the corresponding time last session, an increase that body finds it best to elect another of ninety-six. Others are arriving every day. Should the usual additions be received during the session the number will amount to more than four hundred for the year. With gratitude for the continued prosperity attending this enterprise of Texas Methodism, and with a sense of the increased responsibility which enlarged patronage imposes, the faculty have entered earnestly and hopefully upon the duties of the session."

> A SECOND letter from Dr. Barrass, too late for this issue, gives the following result of the election for General Conference officers of the Methodist Church in Canada: Dr. Carman, General Superintendent for eight years: Dr. Williams, General Superintendent for four years; Dr. Wm. Briggs, Book Steward for the Western House; S. F. Hester, Book Steward for the Eastern Provinces; Dr. Dewart, Editor of the Christian Guardian; Dr. Withrow. Editor of the Magazine and Sunday-school publications; Dr. Lathern, Editor of the Wesleyan; Dr. Sutherland, Missionary Secretary; John McDonald, Missionary Treasurer.

> Or the recent session of the Kentucky Conference, at Winchester, Dr. McFerrin writes: "The members of the conference seemed to be in good spirits, and displayed a large liberality in support of church enterprises and the relief of several indigent cases. Bishop Hendrix presided. This being his first annual conference of course some special interest was manifested as to his manner of conducting the business of the conference. I am happy to say he gave more than general satisfaction, and up to the time of my departure had made a profound impression on the body and on the large audience witnessing the proceedings. He presides with ease and dignity, and, above all, he gives evidence of deep spirituality, and emphasizes the work of the Holy Ghost in the maintenance of Christian life as well as the successful performance of ministerial duty.'

> THE Herald and Presbyter thus describes the great beer parade in Cincinnati: "Upon the top of one great hogshead sat a repulsivelooking creature, with horns, which readily suggested to the thoughtful beholder the Satanic influence at the bottom of the whole business. Immediately after a brewery wagon came a large wagon loaded with little girls, the significance of which very naturally seemed to be that they were the orphans of those who drank the beer made by the brew ery advertised by the preceding wagon. Upon a platform on a distiller's wagon was a party of four men drinking, and brandishing pistols and knives-the customary concomitants of the

customers, and passed as fair representatives other on the Athens circuit, to embrace PAUL'S VALLEY DISTRICT-INDIAN of saloon habitues. Another brewery rep re- the second Sabbath in October. sented its business by a tall paper fort, fortified by paper guns, which, with the constant tottering of the structure as the wagon jolted along the street, m'ght be taken as prophecy of the truth. We can only work and pray for the time when such business shall have no place in an exhibition of the industries of our country."

In the last number of the Nashville Advocate Dr. P. A. Peterson says: "Hymn No. 632, beginning, 'Jesus, I my cross have taken.' about the authorship of which inquiry was among them Miss Grant, whose name it bears in the earlier editions of the Southern Method ist Hymn-book. It is now generally believed to have been composed by Rev. Henry F. Lyte, a clergyman of the Church of England, who died in November, 1847, at Nice, whither he had gone in search of health. The date usually as cribed to the hymn is 1833, because (as Dr. Belcher has pointed out) it appeared in a volume of Lyte's Poems published that year; but Rev. C. S. Nutter, in his 'Hymn Studies,' states that it was printed anonymously in Montgomery' 'Christian Psalmist' as early as 1825.'

DEATH OF REV. J. C. HUCKABEE.

Rev. J. C. Huckabee, of the East Texas Conference, died Sept 17th, 1886, at the residence of Bro. Barksdale, ten miles east of this place, and was buried in the cemetery here to-day. He was very sick from the beginning and suffered intensely, but he endured it all patiently and died in great peace and triumph. A good man has fallen and we ask the prayers of the church for his bereaved wife and children. A suitable obituary well be forwarded for publication. T. P. SMITH. HENDERSON, TEXAS.

DEATH OF SISTER EVANS.

As we go to press the following sad message is received:

My precious wife died this evening at 5:30 o'clock in the full triumphs of faith, and left me with five little boys. Pray for us, brethren.

C. A. EVANS. SAN FELIPE, TEXAS, Sept. 20. May God comfort our brother and his children in their sudden and deep bereave-

TEXAS PERSONALS.

-Rev. Leonidas Lautz, formerly of the Northwest Texas Conference, conducted the morning service at St. James Church, Galveston, last Sunday. The sermon was earnest and timely and will

-We regret to learn that Rev. F. W. McCurdy, of Pleasant Grove Mission, Texas Conference, is very ill and that there is very little hope of his recovery. Rev. I. Z. T. Morris adds this cheering word: "But his future is clear. He suffers much, but waits with patience for the Master's call."

-At the third quarterly conference of St. Johns Church, Galveston, Rev. F. E. Hammond was licensed to preach, and will be recommended to the Texas Annual Conference for admission on trial. Bro. Hammond is well educated, and has not only talent but consecration. We predict for him a useful career as a Meth-

-Rev. C. F. Moore, of the Texas Conference, writing from his home, Dunmore, West Va., says: "I shall leave for the University of Virginia in a few days, where I shall take a course in law.' Bro. Moore, it will be remembered, was compelled, early in the year, to give up the pastorate of St. James Church, Galveston, owing to ill health. His many Texas friends will be glad to learn of his success in his new vocation.

TYLER DISTRICT.

This district was formed three years

ago and the writer appointed to it.

The practicability of its formation was by many doubted, but its history for three years, and its present status, demonstrate the wisdom that formed it. It had only nine charges at first; it now has ten, and will have eleven at conference. It is compact, with nine camp-grounds and good board arbors, well sus-

not state the precise number. It may be more ; it certainly can't be less than fifteen hundred. Many of these converts have gone to other communions, mainly to the Baptists. This we regret, purely in the interests of the converts, as the belief of the truth must exercise a powerful influence over the life; while the reverse, the belief of the false, may be fatal to the life.

Still, we will indulge the fond hope of meeting many of these, our spiritual children, in the better country by and

It is true that in all this great work not one has professed entire sanctifica-tion. Nevertheless, there is reason to believe that Lundreds enjoy the blessing of perfect love. Their testimony in lovefeasts and at their firesides has the ring praised. of perfect love. Following the example of their preachers, they do not sound a trumpet to call attention to their great goodness over and above other Christians, but they rely upon their lives for the logic of "Christianity in earnest."

Profession is light; example is weighty. I have just returned from a camp-meeting where one of these entire sanctifica-tion ones held forth at nine o'clock. In his lengthy harangue he charged tobacco users with flail in hand; he belabored them with great severity—in substance, saying that he had no respect for the morality of any one who used tobacco; doubted any of them getting to heaven; had no respect for preachers who used the filthy stuff; respected them as men, and for their talents, but not for their morality. This local preacher has one morality. This local preacher has one idea—sauctification. How much selfglorification there is in the noise he makes over sanctification, I may not

It is sad—a shame—that the glorious doctrine should be so poorly unders ood, and so maltreated in the house of its friends.

It has been made the stepping stone to fanaticism and the ear-mark of a first-class crank. "Let not your good be evil spoken of." Let us, beloved brethren in Klyce, a the ministry, aim at marked simplicity and clearness in the presentation of this glorious doctrine, avoiding any and every feature of it which may be misconstrued and tend to the evils herein alluded to. We all believe the doctrine of perfect

love. We may differ in pronouncing the Shibboleth of it, but that does not in anywise lessen or mar the faith that grasps and holds it. I may add that there are yet two camp-

meetings to hold on the district—one on the Malakoff circuit, next week, and the

A thousand blessings on the readers of the ADVOCATE and its editors.

R. S. FINLEY.

THE DROUTH BROKEN-LOCAL OPTION

The fifteen months' drouth prevailing in this county is at last broken by a rain, beginning here on the 12th inst., and continuing at intervals up to the present. The grass already shows its good effects: made, has been credited to various writers, and the cotton crop will be benefited, and the ground prepared for the wheat sowing

Another item of good news is that local option has carried in the county. Official returns not yet rendered, but the majority is said to be about seventy-five.

DELEON, Comanche County, Texas.

REVIVAL AND OTHER NEWS.

From Five Conferences.

-F. M. Winburne, Grandview, Sept. 17: I am again on wheels. Since the death of lar work in the bounds of the district. "Charley" the friends and brethren have

thankful, with renewed consecration to

my Heavenly Father. -II. M. Haynie, Manchaca, Sept. 12: We have just closed a meeting at Pleasant Hill, with gracious results. Sixteen conversions-all grown people but two. We had twenty-one accessions, and the church is greatly revived. The

Lord be praised for his goodness to the

accessions and a glorious revival in the church, the best that had been at that the old members. To God be all the

-R. M. Leaton, Mason, Mason county, Sept. 14: Our last quarterly meeting over. It was held at Brown's school house on Sept. 4, 5. Had two accessions—one by ritual and one by certifi- is from one-third to one-half crop raised; Christian reader, if you have never had cate. It was a good meeting. District in a few localities it is better than conference, at Latham's shed, was a suctified to one-half crop raised; cess. Bishop Key was present in the Spirit. He is a Holy Ghost preacher of the gospel of Christ. Several conversion, and three accessions before I left.

-Sam J. Franks, Arlington, Sept. 13: Last Friday night our good people as-saulted us with a "donation party." It was very nice, and came at the right time. Who ever knew one to come at the wrong time? We were just home from a two weeks' trip. The people of Arlington know how to do a good thing as well as any people we have ever served. It was the second favor of the kind they have done for us this year. May God re-

-Felix A. Knox, Lavernia circuit Meeting at Union school house resulted in thirty-three conversions and fourteen accessions. Mr. Proselyter (old red Virginta fox) was on hand is the reason of no more accessions. Thirteen accessions to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Bro. A. C. Biggs, my presiding elder, was present for several days, and effectually wielded the sword of the Spirit. Also Bro. Stanfield Gardner, local preacher, helped us one day. To God all the

—E. F. Boone, Jacksonville, Sept. 16 Bros. Burnett and Mulkey closed their they captured nearly everybody. They had about a hundred conversions and reclamations, and thirty-five accessions to the churches—twenty-eight to the Methodist Church. Bro. Burnett's sermon to Tuesday evening.

-J. S. Mathis, Palestine, Sept. 12: This morning our Sabbath-school was large, beautiful and interesting. Several new additions. At the close of the eleven tained by campers and a goodly number o'clock sermon six new members were received into full fellowship with the The pastors are a noble band of zeal-ous workers. Full fifteen hundred pro-fessed conversions have been reported to me within the last few months. I can-Church in this city, to continue for ten days or longer. May the good work con-tinue. Let all fall into line, and sing. Praise God from whom all blessings

> —J. B. Sears, Navasota, Sept. 15: 1 am sorry you could not be at our district am sorry you could not be at our district conference. It was a complete success in the best sense. Bishop Key won all hearts, and excited all the preachers and people to greater spirituality. We pro-tracted the meeting more than a week after the conference adjourned. We are indebted to Bros. J. C. Mickle and J. E. Stovall for assistance through the week Stovall for assistance through the week. The meeting was good throughout. We have received thirteen into the church as

-C. H. Smith, Tyler, Smith county. cuit, East Texas Conference, two more meetings—one at Lindale, that lasted a week-union meeting with Missionary Baptist; results, sixteen professions and fourteen accessions—seven to Baptist and seven to Methodist; then one at Harris church, my third quarterly meet-ing. Results: Twenty-two professions and thirteen accessions to our church. Dr. Finley, presiding elder, Bros. Turner, Vinson and Fountain assisted at this meeting. Let God be praised for his goodness.

-"Occasional," Belton circuit: The first Sunday in September was a day of real rejoicing on the part of the church at Cedar Creek, as it was the first Sab-bath spent in worshiping in the new church. This edifice is an ornament and credit to any community. It is a beautiful structure, and of ample dimensions, being fifty-five feet in length and the proportion in width good-have forgotten the exact number of feet; ceiling high, and the windows and doors in excellent proportion to the building gen-erally. Too much cannot be said in praise of our beloved pastor, Rev. W. H. Klyce, and his building committee. This lovely temple of God will stand as a monument to the untiring efforts of the one and the fidelity of the other. Uncle Johnny Carpenter preached the sermon on this occasion, to the edification of all. Preached the "whole gospel," as he says "the Methodists always do." The campmeeting for this circuit closed some weeks since, and as we saw no mention of the glorious results in the ADVOCATE, we will do so now. Eternity alone can bring to light all the good done by that

MISSION CONFERENCE.

Allow me to give the readers of the

the Master's vineyard. This district has only been established three years. Previous to its establishment as a district there were but three pastoral charges within its limits. We now have nine, and next year there will have to be eleven.

The country is all new and the inhabitants mostly white, who are renting from the Indians—some of whom have from one thousand to six thousand acres in their farms, and a great many smaller farmers, of course.

The class of citizens now moving into years. Society is rapidly increasing; schools are being better patronized, and churches are being established almost everywhere. The most of the work done is preaching the gospel is being done by this country is better than of former never marched into the vineyard of the Lord than the preachers of this district. They have all been enlisted in the regu-

The Lord is wonderfully blessing us. presented me with a fine young horse, our district conference was held at Burcosting \$115, for which I feel humble and neyville, July 1-5. "It was the most re-Our district conference was held at Burligious conference I ever attended." said all that attended. Every coming together was marked by the divine pres-

We had a "Pentecost" which pre pared us for the summer's campaign. The good news reached us from every charge of glorious revivals, such as have never before been witnessed in this counchildren of men.

—M. D. Long, Burkeville, Sept. 9: I have just closed a meeting at Fear's Chapel. The meeting began Saturday, and the work has just fairly begun. In the two meetings held on Lebanon and Mill Creek circuits there were one hundred additions to the church. Oh, may four hundred accessions to the church; preacher: "I have determined to double the good work move grandly on until serves a charge well able to pay fourfold church, the best that had been at that place for many years—so said some of the old mambers. To God be all the glory be ascribed to our God.

The drouth that has been so prevalent in some parts of Texas has prevailed mands. In the most of the country there in earnest about the world's conversion.

this year than ever before, and the other worldly substance you have. If, in this

through the heart of the country, which gin to feel the burden of the world's conwill make it one of the best poor man's version upon its heart. country I ever saw.

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THORNTON'S LITTLE WORKERS.

This scribe had the pleasure of visiting Thornton some time ago. It was during ADVOCATE a few items from this art of the fourth quarterly meeting for that charge, Rev. I. N. Reeves, pastor. Thornton circuit has been considered heretofore a weak, struggling charge, having never paid its full assessments. Bro. Reeves, soon after taking charge of it last winter. organized the children into a "missionary band,"and called them "Little Workers for Jesus." This was done at every appointment. He has held special services for the children, preaching directly and specially to them each round. Each child whose name was enrolled is required to pay monthly one nickel for foreign missions, which has been done plan to other pastors, and consider it far preferable to Judge Tucker's plan. We have 100.000 Methodists in Texas and about 1,000,000 in the M. E. Church, South. If all the above number will contribute one nickel per month it will give us \$600,000-amounting to nearly \$377,000 more than was paid last year by the whole church. It can be done, for there are but few places in Southern Methodism where more discouragements exist than on the above named work. A PREACHER.

SHALL HE DO IT?

In response to our appeal ir last week's ADVOCATE to "double the assessments' we have received the following from a our assessments to missions; and if I cannot get the money, I have determined to put my watch in the hands of the Missionary Treasurer." That preacher the assessment and not touch the limit of gospel liberality. Will they let their pastor carry out this self-sacrificing resolution? "Well, he ought not to do itvoted a fanatic; and so has been every one since St. Paul who has gotten really the enthusiasm of self-sacrifice for the conversion of the world, your life has Our preachers are better supported been a poor one, it matters not what collections are fuller than they have ever emergency, every charge would double been. emergency, every charge would double its assessment it would be the earnest of We are having a railroad now built a better day, when the church shall be-

FULL AND RUNNING OVER-WILL THE CONFERENCE HELPS

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Third. The gross misrepresentations that have been made by interested parties of our work, our motives, and our plans of living and business.

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HOW TO TELL WHEN A PER-SON IS DEAD.

While we are decidedly in favor of cremation, we do not admit that the fear of being buried alive should be a reason to cause us to reject burial and to adopt cremation. There are two simple tests by which we can always convince our-elves whether a person is really dead or not. One test is the same that has been crowned with a prize by the French Government, which had for years offered a large reward for the discovery of any method, always applicable, always reliable, and one that may be practiced by the most ignorant. The method of determining actual death which was considered by the French Government as being worthy of the reward is the following:

ment as being worthy of the reward is the following:

When the fingers of a person who is supposed to be dead are fully extended, but kept near together, and if placed in front of a candle light in a dark room, a peculiar bright color, due to the capilliary circulation, will be visible where the fingers touch each other, if there is any life left.

The other is based upon the well-known fact that the muscles of a human being will never respond for a longer time to the strongest electrical current than for one hour and a half after death; while, as long as life lasts, may its evidence be ever so little, the contractility of the muscles, if not affected by some forms of paralysis—and in cases thus effected, when death seems to occur, it always is real—redeath seems to occur, it always is real-remains.—Medical and Surgical Reporter.

BILL ARP AT HOME.

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The love of home is not an art nor an accomplishment. It does not come from early training or education. It is the instinct of humanity. It is the gift of God. It is a pure emotion and brings joy and comfort to the humble and the great. "Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home." No wonder that the simple song of John Howard Payne endeared him to the world. The world felt its touching, tender truth and wept a sympathetic tear. It is the want of a home that makes tramps and vagabonds and desperate men. Sometimes I think the nation could well afford to give to every father and mother a home. Besides the love of those who are dear to us there is something in the locality that affects us—something in the familiar scenes, the trees, the fields, the branches, the running spring, or the generous well. We love the trees and vines that have borne us fruit or given us shade; the open fireplace that gives us welcome on a winter night; the bed that gives us rest and sleep, and the ever pleasing prospect of the distant hills and mountains that seem as if reaching up to God. Even the beasts and birds are conscious of this love of home. "The lowing herd winds alowly o'er the lea," as they seek their accustomed place. The faithful, loving dog will travel miles and leagues to reach it, and the cat cannot be easily weaned from the chimney corner. Man has made use of this neverfailing, never-ceasing love of the carrier pigeon, and it commands our respect and admiration when we see it released from its unwilling prison in a distant land and watch it ascend and circle and take its bearings and then with swift and tireless wing make for its home by the nearest line.—Atlanta Constitution.

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Defrauding the Revenue.

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Sanctioning fraud of any kind is destructive to all sound civil government. The evasion of payment by some increases the burthen of taxation on others, and is therefore ex parte, unjust and criminal on the part of the defaulters in a necessary revenue. Now what must be thought of that man who violates and passively encourages the defection of any member or function of the system to its eventual and total disruption of the revenue of health necessary to the well being of the whole? And yet thousands neglect a cold that frequently entails bronchitis, pneumonia and death, which would have been prevented by the timely use of that valuable compound tonic, the Home Sanative Cordial.

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BURNED TO DEATH AND RESTORED TO LIFE.

I know of a man near Maxey's, Ga, who for

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He looks just like a man who had been burned to death, and then restored to life. The best men of the county know of the case, and several doctors and merchants have spoken of it as a most wonderful case. JOHN CRAWFORD, Druggist, Athens, Ga.

We saw a farmer caught in a barbed wire fence, the other day, confined by two prongs so that he could not stir either way. As we saw the same farmer putting up the nuisance in the spring, we simply wept and passed by.

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Flowers from Scotland The following verse was written on the outside of an envelope containing a collection of dried flowers from the grave of Robert Burns, that were sent from Scotland to John Boyle O'Reilly:

This case has nothing contraband,
Only pressed flowers from Burns' land;
His gowans, blue bells, ferns and hollies,
A poet's and a lover's follies,
Let case and seal arrive unbroken!
Receive, oh friend, a heartfelt token!

Hay Fever.

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This malady is an index of a condition of the system which should be thoroughly changed. That this is possible is shown by many letters from patients. The following is an example:
From Rev. T. J. Taylor, warrenion, N. C., Cot. 21, 1885.—'Some time in August I ordered a Treatment of Oxygen for my aunt. She had suffered with hay fever regularly every year for fitteen years. When I ordered the Compound Oxygen her annual artack of hay fever had already commenced, and as you did not promise relief after the commencement of the attack, we were not very hopeful. But to our astonishment and joy the Oxygen releved her at once, and only on one evering after she commenced the Treatment, and then only for a few hours, did she have any considerable trouble with her hay fever. Though she really had hay fever, it was so slight after she commenced using the Oxygen, that she was scarcely conscious of it I do not know what Compound Oxygen will do for hay fever in general, but this case of fitten years standing usa mastered by it. You are at liberty to use this in any way you may see proper, for the good of hay fever victims. I believe it will cure hay fever. It did it in this case, at any rate."

Drs Stanker & Palen, 1529 Arch St. Phila, Pa., publish a monograph on Hay Fever which is sent free to all interested. Numerous cures are reported.

A young man was to speak in response to

A young man was to speak in response to the toast, "The Ladies." He got the lines of Pope on vice mixed with those of Scott on woman, and delivered himself as follows: "I rise to say that I have no doubt but I voice the sentiment of every gentleman here when I say in the familiar lines:

"O, woman, in our hours of ease,
Uncertain, coy, and hard to please;
But when too oft familiar with thy face,
We first endure, then pity, then embrace."

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the stomach, the Regulator is an active purge;
after the removal of the bile it wid regulate the
bowels and impart vigor and health to the
whole system.

The small boy, with complacent mien, At twilight eats the apple green;
The doctor pours at midnight dim,
Jamalca gloger into him.
He vows, while in the colic's power,
No more green apples he'll devour.
Next day, recovered from his pain,
He hankers for the fruit again.

Horsford's Acid Phosphate In Seasickness.

Prof. Abouth Off. New York, says: "I used for seasickness, during an ocean passage. In st of the cases the violent symptoms which aracterize that disease yielded, and gave way a healthful action of the functions import

Lawyer (to timid young woman): "Have you ever appeared as witness in a suit before?" Young Woman (blushing); "Y-yes, sir, of course." Lawyer: "Please state to the jury just what suit it was." Young Woman (with more confidence): "It was a nun's veiling, shirred down the front and trimmed with a lovely blue, with hat to match—" Judge (rapping violently): "Order in the court!"

A leading citizen of Hagerstown, Md., Mr. George W. Harris, had suffered for some time with facial neuralgia and toothathe, when he tried St. Jacobs Oil. He says: "It gave me instantaneous relief, and I consider it a wonderful remedy."

Sing a song o' six pence
A pocket full of gold;
All the little boys have gone
A shootin', I am told;
When the spring is opened
No bi'ds begin to sing,
But every lady's hat is trimmed
With many a little wing.

Boston girl: "Let me see, they have bears and such animals up in the Arctic region, don't they, Mr. Higgins!" Returned Artic Ex-plorer; "Oh, yes. I went out one day and followed an immense bear, and finally shot and cached it." Boston Girl: "Catched it? I suppose you mean caught, don't you, Mr. Hig-

To those who till the soil on low lands we especially recommend using Home Sanative Cordial as an excellent corrective to mias-

Rosy little Dimplecheeks Come panting in from play, Tired out and sleepy too, "Twas such a scorching day.

On my knee she dozed awhile, Then said, as up she looked, "Folks called winter weather raw; I think this must be cooked."

Pike's Toothache Drops cure in one minute, German Corn Remover kills Corns & Bunions,

A private who was minus one arm remarked: 'One day a boat opened on us with can-ister, and the boys were sorter rattled, until a big fellow shouted: 'Stick to 'em, boys; their ammunition's gin out, and they're shooting dinner buckets at us?"

CHURCH NOTICES.

Plan of Episcopal Visitations for '86-87. Japan Mission.

2D DISTRICT-BISHOP GRANBERY. from head to foot.

For three years, his appearance being so horizibly repulsive, he refused to let any one see him. The disease after earing his flesh companion.

Brazil Mission.

Virginia Confince—Nov. 17—Norfolk, Va.

N. Carolina — —Dec. 1—Reidsville, N. C.

S. Carolina — —Dec. 15—Urangeburg, S. C.

3D DISTRICT-BISHOP KEENER. Columbia "Sept. 15—We ton, Oregon.
Pacific "Oct. 13—San Jose, Cal.
Los Angeles "Oct. 27—Las Nictos, Cal.
N. W. Texas "Nov. 21—Lampasas, Tex.
Baltimore "Ann. 9—Leesburg, Va. 4TH DISTRICT-BISHOP M'TYEIRE. St. Louis "—Sept. 15—Pied aont, Mo., S. W. Mo. "—Sept. 29—Kansas City, M. Wes ern "—Oet. 7—Atchison, Kan. N. Georgia "—Nov. 24—Augu-ta Ga. 5TH DISTRICT-BISHOP HARGROVE.

Western Va. Conf-Oct. 13-Charleston, W. Va Holston - Oct. 27-Kroxville, 'enn. N. Alabama - Dec. 1- Florence, Ala. Alabama - Dec. 15-Montgomery, Ala. C'l Mex M'n - Feb. 24-Toluca, Mex. 6TH DISTRICT-BISHOP HENDRIX. Louisville "—Sept. 22—Russelville, Ky
Ten essee "—Oct. 6—Clar sville, Tenn.
S. Georgia "—Dec. 15—Tallaba-see, Fla.

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MORRIS MITCHEL.

An eating-house keeper advertised for "a boy to open oysters about fifteen years old."
An oyster ought to be able to open itself long before it reaches its fifteenth year.

M'x. B'r. Mis. Co.f.—Nov. 3—Monterey, Mex. West Texas "—Nov. 11—fuero Texas, German Mis. "—Nov. 18—Houston, Tex. —Dec. 15—Palestane, Tex. Bast Texas "—Dec. 15—Palestane, Tex. R. K. HARGROVE, Secretary.

CHAPPELL HILL DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.

Burton Sept 25, 28
Giddings, at Ledbetter Oct 2, 3
Caldweii Oct 9, 10
Lexington, at Lawrence Oct 16, 17
Deanville Oct 23, 24
Milano Oct 30, 31
Rockdale Nov 6, 7
Davilla Nov 13, 14
Cameron sta Nov 16, 17
Cameron cir Nov 20, 21
Mavsfield cir Nov 27, 28
Bellville cir Nov 27, 28
Birenham sta Nov 18, 10
F. P. S.—I trust that I am right in supposing an exhortation to duty, on the part of preachers or people, is unnecessary. The conference will hold its session in the bounds of Chappell Hill district; and the fine d'strict of country embrace di ntne district, together wich the known character of the preachers on the several charges, entitle the church to expect that she w.ll show that she is the banner district of the conference. CHAPPELL HILL DIST .- FOURTH ROUND.

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CALVERT DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND.

TERRELL DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. | Forney cir. | Sept 25, 2 |
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Foster cir	Oct 2,
Farmersville	Oct 3,
Able Spring	Oct 9,
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Oct 23, 24
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Oct 23, 31
We hope the local preachers and trustees of church property will have written reports as the law requires, and that every steward will see that the preachers are paid in full.
W. H. HUGHES, P. E.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT-FOURTH BOUND.

Nov if No MARSHALL DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.
Centennial mis, at Harmony Sept 25, 26
Harrison cir, at Kock Springs. Oct 2, 4
Hailvilie cir, at Lagrone's Chapci Oct 19, 10
Henderson cir, at Cak Grove. Oct 16, 17
Troupe and Overton cir, at Troupe Oct 23, 24
Henderson siz, at Henderson Nov 3, 7
Chur h Hill cir, at Milville. Nov 13, 14
DeBerry cir, at M. Zion Nov 2, 21
Longview sta, at Longview Nov 27, 28
Marshall sta, at Marshall Dec 4, 5

M. W. Thompson, P. E.

CORPUS CHRISTI DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.
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GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND. GEORGETOWN DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

Salado cir, at Salado.

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Burnet mis and Spring Creek.

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Burnet sta

Oct 9, 10

Bettram cir at Sunny Lane.

Oct 16, 17

Liberty Hill.

Ocnavile cir, at Troy.

R und Rock cir, st Taylor.

Oct 23, 21

Bunnet sta

Ocnavile cir, at Julie Eim.

Nov 4, 5

Temple cir, at Troy.

Nov 6, 7

Killeen cir, at Kileen.

Nov 17, 18

Lampasas mis, at Beans.

Nov 17, 18

Lampasas mis, at Beans.

Nov 20

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Nov 21, 22

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Halbetsville mis, at Shiloh.

2d Sun in Oct Bovitown (r., at Forest Home.

4th Sun in Oct Cuero sta

Liberty Holl.

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J. T. GILLETT, P. E.

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White House, at Union Springs. ... Oct 2, 3
Athens cir, at New York camp-ground, a campmeeting, Oct 9, 10
Larissa, at Larissa. ... Oct 23, 24
Mineola cir, at Mineola. ... Oct 30, 31
Canton cir. ... Nov 6, 7
Edom cir. ... Nov 13, 14
Lindale cir. ... Nov 27, 28
Tyler sta. Nov 27, 28
R. S. FINLEY, P. E. Athens cir. at New York camp-ground, a camp-meeting, Oct 9, 10
Larissa, at Larissa. Oct 16, 17
Tyler cir, at Starrville. Oct 23, 24
Mineola cir, at Mineola Oct 30, 31
Canton cir Nov 8, 7
Edom cir Nov 8, 7
Edom cir Nov 8, 7
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Tyler sta. Nov 20, 22
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W. L. CLIPTON, P. E. PALESTINE DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND.

SHERMAN DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND.

Oct 9, 10
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JAMES MACKEY, P. E. SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND.

San Antonio mis, at Saiado Sept 25
Bandera Oct 2
Kerrville, at Brownsboro Oct 9 BEAUMONT DISTRICT-FOURTH ROUND.

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DEVOTIONAL.

IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS. Perhaps there is no command in the Bible that puts the Christian more to the test than this. Life at best has much work and many burdens. By far the ma-jority in the world, whether in the pulpit or the pew, the shop or the home, la bor early and late with little compensation. For the mother it is the old round of daily care, the turning dresses inside

out, planning, hoping, working after the constant work at the bench, on the farm, or over the counter, and the wearing competition of business, till the brain whirls and he longs for a place where thing he looked out upon when he was a boy. He hardly finds time to look at a paper to see what the great busy world is doing around him. He is trying to do his duty. But is he giving God thanks? Is life a psalm of praise to him? Is he thankful for each day with its dark hours and struggles?

der,

My soul would lie

All the night long; and when the morning splendor Flashed o'er the sky

I think that I could smile, could calmly say

It is life day!

Perhaps we are in work that is thoroughly uncongenial as well as confining; and yet do we carry a merry heart that doub good like. that doeth good like a medicine? Perhaps we are with those who fail to appreciate our ability or effort. We find the world grasping, and each one living for himself. Others step in to fill the places we hoped to obtain. Sickness, death even, comes to those who are dear to us; yet do we take all as from One who knows the end from the beginning, and do we in everything give

We are perhaps conscious of having made a failure on some public cccasion where we had hoped to do ourselves great credit. Are we content to leave this with God if we have done our best? It is easy to be thankful for the successes of life, but it is poor Christian living that is not thankful amid its ills.

What a world this would be if Christians lived up to this high privilege, command even, to be constantly thankful. In such a state of mind there is no gloom, no fault-fluding with the place where God puts us; no irritability, no envy that another has succeeded, no distrust, but sunshine, and peace, and hope. Let us take this for our motto for one week at least: "In every thing give thanks." It will be a short, blessed week, and God will be honored .- Congre

THOUGHTS BY THE WAY. Truth may be defined as the shortest

possible distance from one point to an-

very heart.

Every life should be a Garden of Eden, if proper care is given to its cultivation. We find that good and bad seed can germinate in good soil. It is the duty of the gardener to keep down the weeds of evil and not let them absorb the good plants. In the human heart the tiny flower of modesty is often shaded by the towering sunflower of arrogance—against every desire for good there exists the capacity for evil. We are placed in charge of this garden—it is the human heart—our heart. We are told to keep it with all

with its brightness for the last time. The moon will hang out its soft light and touch our cheeks for the last time. The stars will flash with their myriad eyes into our eyes for the last time. We will go upon the streets and see and talk to our friends for the last time. Unseen fingers are loosing the cords that bind us to earth and to time. The anchor will soon be lifted, and our barks will soon be cutting the waters of the ocean of eternity. Ab! whither, my brother, and for what port do you steer? Have you a pilot on board who is acquainted with the ocean upon which you are about to with its brightness for the last time. The ocean upon which you are about to launch! If so, happy are you; for with the rusty Pilot of our salvation to hold the rusty Pilot of our salvation to hold the helmn every storm will be outridden and our bark will safely anchor in the port of eternal peace.

Sherwood.—Died, at Gilmer, Texas, June 20, 1886, Grammer Pierce Sherwood, son of Rev. C. J. and Mrs. Ella Sherwood. Bro. S. is a member of the North Texas Conference and eternal prace.

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All the fight fought, and all the short journey through, What should I do?

Beheld unroll

To a long century's end its mystic clew, What should I do? What could 1 do, O, blessed Guide and Master, Other than this,— Still to go on as now, not slower, faster; Nor fear to miss

The road, although so very long it be, While led by Thee?

Step by step, feeling Thee close beside me,
Although unseen;
Through thorns, through flowers, whether the
tempest hide Thee,
Or heavens serene;
Assured Thy faithfulness cannot betray,
Thy love decay.

Let me keep on, abiding and unfearing
Thy will always;
Through a long century's ripening fruition,
Or a sh rt day's;
Thou canst not come too soon, and 1 can wait

OBITUARIES.

Go on in the strength of the Lord, and put Christ's love to the trial; put upon it burdens, and then it will appear love indeed; we have not recourse to his love, and therefore we know it not.

The soul that cannot entirely trust God, whether man be pleased or displeased, can never long be true to him; for while you are eyeing man you are losing God and stabbing religion at the very heart.

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this garden—it is the human heart—our heart. We are told to keep it with all diligence—to uproot the bad, and to preserve and nourish the good. God visits every garden that is honestly tended; talks with the gardener, who grows wiser and more faithful each day that he lives. His garden is watered from the wells of salvation and vegetates it with the sunlight of God's law.

There is a time coming when we shall look for the last time into the deep blue sky above us. The sun will dazzle us sky above us sky ab BURKEVILLE, TEXAS.

is a member of the North Texas Conference and paster of our church at Gilmer. Their little boy was born at Black Jack Grove, Sept. 17, 1884. Thus this family circle has been broken by death—one is absent, and yet this bud is not withered, but transplanted to bloom on some fairer shore. These parents have submissively bowed before God as he took this jewell to place it in his crown to shine with undimned splendor forever. He gave, he took, he will restore; he doeth all things well.

F. A. ROSSER.

LATHAM.—Little Raymond, infant son of V. G. and ida Latham, was born in Llano county, Texas, March 9, 1885, and died Ang. 18, 1886, in Burnet county, Texas. Another tie to bind us to heaven. Little Raymond was only called to suffer a few days, and then the angels took the sweet spirit home. We see the love of God in his dealings. Even in death He is loving and tender. The beautiful bright flower has been blighted—suddenly cut down, like a rose in June. Such is life; such is death; such is God's way. The blessed Word tells us that the flower shall rise again and with luster brighter far shall shine. So weep not, dear parents, for Little Raymond has gone home to God. He is only waiting for mamma and papa to come home, where parting is no more.

HIS AUNT ROSA.

SANDY MOUNTAIN, TEXAS. SANDY MOUNTAIN, TEXAS.

ADAMS.—William Spencer, son of John I. and Enza Adams, was born Nov. 27, 1869, in Mississippi, and died June 25, 1886. He was baptized in infancy, taught the principles of religion and ever observed this teaching. Wildie was a promising youth in the church and community. He was confined to his bed about twelve days, all the time being submissive to the will of God. His death was victorious. Just before he died he called every member of the family and several friends to

his bedside and asked them all to be quiet; he nis bedside and asked them all to be quiet; ne wanted to pray for them. They began weeping; he told them not to weep, he was never happier in his life—an evidence that he was going to his brothers and sisters in heaven—and requested them all to meet him there. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord."

A. J. FRICK.

CENTRALIA, TEXAS.

What should I do?

I do not think that I should shrink or falter,
But just go on
Doing my work, nor change nor seek to alter
Aught that is gone:
But rise, and move, and love, and smile, and
pray,
For one more day.

And lying down at night, for a last sleeping,
Say in that ear
Which harkens ever: "Lord, within thy keeping
How should I fear?
And when to-morrow brings Thee nearer still,
Do Thou Thy will."

I might not sleep for awe; but peaceful, tender,
My soul would lie
All the night long; and when the morning splendor
Slashed o'er the sky
I think that I could smile, could calmly say

DEAN.—Sister Mary Eilen Dean was born in Polk county, Texas, Sept. 4, 1853; professed rin Polk county, Texas, Sept. 4, 1852; professed rin Polk county, Texas, Sept. 4, 1852; professed rin Polk county, Texas, Sept. 4, 1852; professed rin Nother advants in the day of her death, which took place relations to the day of her death, which took place relations to the day of her dea HENRY B. WATTS.

Beason.—Sister Sophia E. Beason was born in Hall county, Georgia, March 9, 1826. Her maiden name was Dunegan, her father being Ezekiel Dunegan. She professed religion at the age of twelve and joined the Methodist Church, and in 1844 became a member of the M. E. Church, South. She was married to Alexander Thompson, Sept. 15, 1842. He died May 14, 1863, leaving her a widow. She was married the second time to Curtis J. Beason May 24, 1866, and hedied May 3, 1867. She then moved to Texas, where she spent the remainder of her life, which was well spent for the Master. She lived to see all of her children happily converted and members of the church. Her death took place at Mineral Wells, Texas, July 21, 1886, just five days before her youngest son died, both having gone there for their health. She leaves many sons and daughters, both in Texas and in Alabama, to mourn their loss, and a host of friends. We mourn not as those who have no hope, for while we mourn our loss she has gained heaven. Her class-mate, H. S. Anglin. DELEON, TEXAS.

Through a long century's ripening fruition,
Or a short day's;—
Thou canst not come too soon, and I can wait
If Thou come late.
—N. Y. Advocate.

WHAT WEARS OUT LIFE.

It is the part of an indiscreet and troublesome ambition to care too much about fameabout what the world says of us—to be always looking into the faces of others for approval; to be always anxious for the effect of what we do and say; to be always shoating to hear the echo of our voices. If you look about you, you will see men who are wearing life away in feverish anxiety of fame; and the last we shall ever hear of them will be the funeral-bell that tolls them to their early graves.—
Longfellow.

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DELEON, TEXAS.

THOMPSON.—John Wesley Thompson was born Feb. 29, 1860, in the State of Alabama, and moved to Texas with his widowed mother in his youthful days. Johnnic, as he was called by all that knew him. He suffered very much the last three years of his life. He embraced religion at a protracted meeting held by Bro. R. R. Raymond at Deleon, in Sept. 1885, and joined the M. E. Church, South, and led a pure Christian life from that day until the day of his ceath, which took place July 28, 1886, at Mineral wells, Texas, where he and his mother had gone for their health. Two of his brothers were present at his death. He bade them farewell until they meet again on the other shore. He died happy, and while dying, and his brothers were weeping, he asked them to dry their tears, for he would soon cease to suffer in this world and go home to Jesus to live forever. Johnnic leaves brothers and sisters, and a host of friends; but their loss is his eternal gain.

It. S. Anglin.

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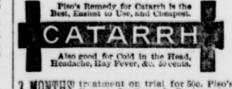
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meeting. There will be many who will put on immortality in the morning of the judgment who will bless the day of op- but is being rebuilt. portunity that brought them to salvation at that meeting. The church was unusually refreshed and built up, and near eighty-five conversions, and at least near eighty-five conversions, and at least two-thirds of this number made memthe Lord, for his mercy endureth for-A Sunday-school was organized in the new church, with a goodly number of scholars.

Emmet Hightower, Benbrook, Sept. ards. Otherwise this work makes a good | moved during the meeting. showing. Rev. W. R. D. Stockton, presiding elder, was with us, and preached with more than usual zeal and effect. The meeting was protracted a week, and resulted in twenty-three conversions and fourteen accessions. We turned it over to a Baptist brother, with interest growing all the time.

 J. D. Hartgraves, Grapeland, Sept.
 3: I will give a partial report of the third quarterly meeting of the Grapeland circuit, which met at Trinity Chapel
 On the 7th inst. there was an election on Sept. 4. The presiding elder was present, preaching with great power. Our meeting was protracted until the contest was warm. The friends of whis-8th, and resulted in many conversions and seventeen accessions to our church, and the church greatly revived and en-couraged. We think others will yet couraged. We think others will yet join. Our local brethren, W. Spence and J. L. Whitescarver, rendered us real estate. The friends of law and orvaluable service, both in preaching and talking for the ADVOCATE.

Felix A. Knox, Lavernia circuit: Meeting at Wesley resulted in seven accessions. The storm broke me up. Lost all the churches I had, viz. : two-at Lavernia and at Wesley. We are not able to rebuild now, and the Lord only knows when we can at Lavernia-only fifteen members, and all, save three, ladies. Shall ask help of Church Extension Board, and also appeal to all who have ware needy. If you possibly can and I know many are able, help us. Take up collections, brethren in the ministry, and send to me at Lavernia.

D. J. Martin, Farmersville, Sept. 14: On Farmer-ville and Bear Creek charge there have been eighty converted during the past summer. About fifty have been the cause. This is a victory because less added to the church. More will yet join. than two years ago an election was held Bro. J. H. White has already given you an account of the meeting at Bear Creek. At this meeting he did efficient service. Take the meeting all through, from service, I am told, that only nine votes were vice to service, it was the best meeting I cast in its favor. Hence we cry victory. was ever connected with. At Farmers- Toe next election will give a large maville we had a good, religious time. jority against the great evil of the day, Some ten were converted to God and for these people are in earnest. The made happy in a Savior's love. Here I "scourge 'em back" doctrine was did good work, for which they have our

a camp-meeting held on Rosston circuit, of which Bro. T. M. Sherwood is pastor. I was the only constant ministerial help er Bro. Sherwood had. It was one of the best meetings I ever attended. If I mistake not, there were fifty conversions. Forty-four united with the M. E. Church, Bro. Sherwood is one of the has the blessed privilege of serving a Our camp-meeting and quarterly conferlive, working people. Rush Creek Sungar at Beaver, near Centerville day-school, which is in the bounds of his Aug. 6, and closed Aug. 10. It was a charge, and which meets every Sunday near where the camp-meeting (it was my good fortune to attend) was held, is one of the best Sunday-schools I ever saw. Many of its pupils have been converted on the 13th, and oh, such a good time as They are active, spiritual workers, too. As some one else may report, I will say Some of the oldest and hardest sinners no more. God bless his great work.

praying a long time that one of my sons said the meeting was unequaled by all Lord would call him to the ministry, but father of seventy-nine years, and all he married, went to California, and enpointed. My second son went to Kansas City. I was uneasy about my boy, away he said: "Sunday evening, with some other young men, I started to the park to witness a game of base ball. We had to pass Dr. Mathew's mission chapel. As we passed the people were singing 'Nearer, my God, to thee'. I went on to the park. I know but little about the game, but I do know that I felt I was a long. park. I know but little about the game, but I do know that I felt I was a long way from God, and that night I surely suffered all the agonies of a lost soul. But joy came. I am happy and I must preach. The call is just as clear and satisfactory as can be. I go to work at once, beginning in the Sabbath-school. Bless the Lord, I am happy." Young man will you stop and think how far you are from God? If you go on in your wayward course till you are old, you will have gone a long long way from God so man will you stop and think how far you are from God? If you go on in your wayward course till you are old, you will have gone a long, long way from God, so ask for mercy. Seek the Lord while he

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-W. E. R-ctor, San Antonio, Sept. 15: We closed a meeting on the Salado last week. Results: two conversions, two accessions and the church wonderfully blessed. I am indebted to my brother, A. E. Rector, and Bro. M. N. Knox for assistance rendered. We had large and attentive congregations, and I am confident that a deep and abiding impression dent that a deep and abiding impression tower. Diligent search was made in hope of a better world. I was compelled was made upon all. We hope yet to see much fruit of our labor and to realize a large ingathering of souls. Collections somewhat behind, but we hope to come up all right on this point. One church on this mission went down in the storm,

membership of the church was much rebers of the M. E. Church, South. "Praise vived. The cotton business prevented many of the church members from at-tending regularly. But all hindrances properly noted, I am glad to say we had a very profitable meeting. I have no doubt if the church had turned out in 14: The fourth quarterly meeting for Fort Worth circuit convened at Trinity Academy, Sept. 4. Finances were bedone. I was not able to get any minishind, a fact due more to a failure of crops terial help. I trust others will come out than to negligence on the part of stew-

—Jas. G. Walker, Uvalde, Sept. 15: We closed a meeting here on the first Sunday in this month of three weeks' duration, which resulted in five or six conversions and five accessions to the church. The first week Bro. J. T. Gillett gave us valuable help; then came Bro. Chap-pell for a few days; for the next week Drs. Thrall and Bourland; then we had W. D. Robinson, Granbury, Sept. Drs. Thrall and Bourland; then we had We have had a gradual growth all Bro. Giddings, of the Trinity M. E the year at this place. Received seventy-one members up to date. About eighty conversions. Our school is doing well, er to large and attentive congregations, of the country is destitute. All of our very great visible results. But we hope money for missions and conference collections is subscribed, but I doubt its collection expeedingly.

and pray that much more good was done than was visible. We are under lasting obligations to all the brethren above named for their earnest efforts in our

> contest was warm. The friends of whisky used every means in their power to turn lose the demon upon the good people. The men that did or tried to do most Prof. Stanfield; some two hundred, or

ministers of Frio have reached, and they tion. I am here to assist my brother, J. R. Scoggins, in a protracted meeting. Outlook good.

- Sam C. Vaughan, Centerville, Leon county: I have not had time to report weekly, and hardly monthly. Never more crowded for time. August was a glorious month on the Centerville circuit. grandest altar-workers I ever knew. He The good Lord presided at our meetings. ence began at Beaver, near Centerville, good time for the church, and ten conversions. Our presiding elder was with us and worked untiringly. I then began a protracted meeting at Pleasant Grove and joined the church the present year. the Lord gave us! Sinners flocked to the altar, and sought and found pardon. in the country were happily converted to -"S." Merkel, Sept. 8: A good lady God and joined the church. The whole said to me the other day: I have been country was stirred. The oldest settlers country was stirred. The oldest settlers might be called to preach-had selected the past. We baptized into the church my eldest-prayed and hoped that the the little girl of nine summers and the gaged in other pursuits. I felt disap- church forty members—only two by letter. Not less than fifty professed religion. The church wonderfully revived. off in that wicked city and not religious. It was an old-fashioned revival; they I received a letter from him the other day, and among many other good things to God, who did the work. We had but many others would have been converted.
But I had promised to begin at Evans
Chapel the next night, and they had
built a large arbor, and so I had to go;
but against their protest. The first service up family prayer. I never knew as many to promise to hold family prayer may be found, call upon him while he is as at these meetings. At the close of near. His mother is still praying for her wayward boy.

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-E. A. Stocking, Bedias, Sept. 4: The other day a small column of what appeared to be smoke was seen in the twilight between sunset and dark issuing very peculiar and uncommon fever made from the extreme top of the belfry of its appearance in our midst about the every place where it possibly could have been, but no trace of any fire, nor of anything else that could have produced even the appearance of smoke, was resulted in thirty-one accessions to the even the appearance of smoke, was found. It was known the main body of the building had been locked up for at least four days, while the entrance to the bell tower (which does not communicate by door with the body of the church) had also been locked up for more than a week. Various were the theories offered a week. Various were the theories offered in explanation of the phenomenon. At last a brother offered this: Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, presiding elder, had preached there eight or ten days before, and that the dust he had whipped out of the coats of unfaithful members, delinquent stewards, lazy Sunday-school folks and antimissionaries, had collected in the bell tower and found a vent through the steeple in smoke.

-F. M. Sellers, Secretary: At the fourth quarterly conference of the Thornton circuit, Waco district, Northwest Texas Conference, E. L. Armstrong presiding elder, the following resolution was read and unanimously passed: "We, the official members of Thornton circuit, having heard our pastor, I. N. Reeves, preach upon the doctrines of the M. E. Church, South, take pleasure in giving our testimony to the able manner in which he has expounded said doctrines and recognize in him one among the most able ministers in the defense of baptism by affusion and the strongest that we have ever heard upon perhaps better than at any previous year, on account of a larger patronage from a distance. Church finances will be badly behind at conference. The early part of the year we did well, but our ground has not been wet for fourteen months. Much members of this pastoral charge in reference to sanctification as taught and expounded by the Free Methodist Church. Our circuit has prospered under his care, and eternity alone will reveal the good accomplished during this conference year on Thornton circuit through this faithful servant of God, our our beloved pastor, I. N. Reeves."

-John Helpenstel, Shelbyville, Sept. 14: We began our camp-meeting at McWilliams' camp-ground, according to announcement, on Friday night before the fifth Sunday in August. Our new shed was ready, and twelve permanent tents, besides many other temporary and cloth tents. Our congregations were large, orderly and attentive. The meet-ing began well and ended better. I der were not asleep while their best interests were at stake, but came in full strength to the ballot box, giving prohibition a majority of about four hundred in the county. We have a fine school at this piace under the superintendency of the power of God in the conviction of sinners and the conversion of mourners. All classes seemed to be moved upon by the first place the superintendency of the first place. Prof. Stanfield; some two hundred, or near that, are in attendance. A local option town and county! So we are prepared to say to our friends and brethren who have children to eduate, here is a good opportunity; no temptations thrown in the way of your son in the shape of saloons and gambling hells. Help us rejoice over our victory. I know you will.

—J. D. Scoggins, Pearsall, Sept. 9: It is with great pleasure that I s'ate the status of prohibition in this (Frio) county. Ou the 6 h the election was held, resulting in a majority of only three against the cause. This is a victory because less than two years ago an election was held giving a large majority for the whisky the Spirit of the Lord. Often when the every discourse. We were assisted by Bros. W. L. Pate, of Carthage; George Hughes, of Hemphill, and a number of local brethren, who did valuable work. Bro. Ellis, of Sexton, was also with us at

—H. L. Taylor, Black Jack Grove, Dodge Mission, Sept. 10: Bro. H. B. Watts held a protracted meeting, embrawas assisted by W. S. McAnally, of Greenville; J. B. Gober, of Merit; Mahew Harless, of this place, and J. R. Allen, of McKinney station. These all both hands. This is the verdict the Rains delayed the work and it was not completed until Saturday, just in time Jesus.

—C. C. Snell, Greenwood, Wise county, for be it published far and of a revival here. Love had waxed cold wide that a decided majority of the business men of Pearsall voted for prohibition. Law here to assist much the for night service. There was great need of a revival here. Love had waxed cold and many were in a backslidden state.

A faithful few had kept up a regular weekly prayer-meeting for several years, without intermission, except in weather. Prayer went up continually at these meetings that God would revive his work. We were left without a shepherd the first quarter of the year. Then Bro. II. B. Watts came to preach the rest of the year as a supply. He found the work in a low spiritual condition. His first effort was to inspire the church with zeal and resolution to come out from the world and work on the Lord's side. By reading and commenting on the discipline and by plain, earnest and positive preaching, he succeeded in bringing some order out of confusion, and the members were pledged (most of them) to pray for a revival on the work. Some became offended and for a time held aloof, but becoming convinced that he was working for their good, fell into line and did what they could. So all things being in readiness we went to work on Saturday night. Bro. Watts preached faithfully for two days, with prayer and testimony meetings at intervals, without any manifest fruit except that Christians were made to rejoice in God's love. The third day of the meeting, at the eleven o'clock service, there seemed to be a settled gloom or burden on the hearts of God's people. At the close of the ser-mon sinners were invited to the altar. Convicting power came down under the exhortation and many hard-hearted sin-ners yielded to the call and came forward for the prayers of the church. The work then went on with power until the close, resulting in eight conversions, ten accessions and seven or eight reclamations, and many seekers at the altar at the close on Friday night. The church was gloriously revived. Some old members, who had never been known to speak or pray in public, at the praise meeting arose and told with joyful accent how God had blessed their souls, prayed in public when called on and consecrated themselves afresh to God. New converts arose and testified of God's love in their souls, and prayed in public. The church rejoiced and glorified God for this answer to their many prayers. Bro. Watts had no help except what the church afforded. Bro. Samuel Elisor, a layman from Cold Spring charge, was with us and did good work. To God be all the praise, and may the good work go on and result in the salvation of many

The Personal Memoirs of Gen. Robert

-J. C. Russell, Rancho, Sept. 11: church. We have received about forty into the church thus far; expecting more yet—two more meetings to hold. The storm of the 20 h ultimo almost broke up this country financially. The crops were left almost a total wreck. However much my people were castdown, they were not destroyed. There is life and soul left in the good people of Rancho. If you could have dropped in at the parsonage last night you would have thought my people had inexhaustible resources to draw from. Such a pounding the preacher's family did get-first fruits of the harvest: flour, coffee, sugar, almost everything good to eat common to this country, in quantities from a pound up to a bushel. Just before they came I was thinking how I should replenish our fast diminishing supply, when suddenly a host of people were seen by the moonlight, wending their way up to the parsonage, where they laid at our feet on the gallery all our hearts could wish. I called the crowd to prayer with a grateful heart. We tried to thank our Heavenly Father for Prof. Chs. Ludwig Von Seeger such a timely providence. May God's richest blessings rest upon the generous people of Rancho, to save them from want, temporally and spiritually, is the prayer of their pastor and friend.

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—J. D. Whitehead, Archer mission:
A few facts from the Northwest border of the North Texas Conference: We have passed and are passing through one of the most severe drouths I ever with messed. Almost every crop is a failure. How the people are to live is a problem yet to be solved. Many families are almost destitute of provisions and without money. Some have emigrated and others don't know what to do. In many Beware of Imitations, N. Y. Benet 38. money. Some have emigrated and others don't know what to do. In many places stock are being watered from wells. Think of fourteen months without a good season. As to the church work on the border, it is paralyzed, and suffering with all other inverests. But we are thankful to report that, in the midst of all the agitation and confusion of the people, we have found some faithful soldiers of the cross, and we have had some good meetings this summer. Yes, I am at my post yet; but don't know how long I can remain without some financial help. I don't want a single remark made by any brother on fat works East, where the church is well organized, about what the Western missionaries might do or what they ought to do. I do think they undergo more privation than any class of preachers we have. But we are not complaining, for if the B shop reads us out to Archer mission in November, we expect to go to work, if possible. A word to our Mis-sionary Board: Dear brethren, look after the West. If you think the people can support a preacher here next year with-out help, you are mistaken. This mis-sionary and his family have lived economically, and yet they are a little in debt. There is not bread nor provender here to near support the people or the stock, and facts are facts. This ground cannot be held without help, and it will not do to give it up; it promises too much in the near future.

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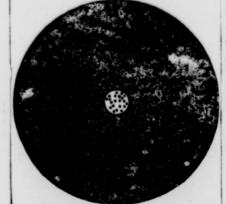


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