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THE DEATH OF HUME.

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Hume has been styled a "skeptical atheist, one who did not positively deny but doubted the existence of God. However, the trend of his philosophy as well as the influence of his life strongly supported the atheistic creed. If, as has been printed and published again and again, "he justified adultery in his writings," he certainly expunged every idea of God and his authority from domestic and social life. If there be no God and no divine government connected with these sacred relations, humanity need not be much concerned about God any where else. When about to die, I presume there is no doubt that he jested about his death and the fabled ferryman who would carry him across the fabled river. The same authority that gives to the world this information avows that friends looked on with admiration and exclaimed, "What philosophy—divine philosophy!" Doubtless in their judgment, a game of cards was noble work for a great philosopher. Now, whether a man be a philosopher or a clown, is there any very admirable philosophy in his merely making a fool of himself? It cannot be known whether the conduct of David Hume at his death was sheer pretention, or whether his levity was the real expression of his feelings. If the former be true, then his hypocrisy was that of a despairing soul, conscious that all was lost and that nothing could possibly be gained by an honest confession. If the latter version of his conduct be correct, then the effect of his godless life must have obliterated the last vestige of the moral element in his character, and stilled even the most common feelings of humanity in his breast.

Hume acted a prominent and important part in life during his day. His intellect was of the highest order. He was philosopher, historian, metaphysician and essayist, writing freely upon moral and religious subjects. His associations in worldly life were exalted. We are told that while in Paris, royalty, nobility, learning, fashion and wealth all combined to yield him distinguished honor. In his own native Scotland he claimed many intimate and sacred friendships. Besides, he had been living in ease and pleasure for years on a yearly income of upwards of five thousand dollars. And yet, with all these labors, associations, friendships and high enjoyments behind him, and the future a dreary, barren waste before him, five days before his death he writes to a friend: "I see death steadily approach without anxiety or regret." At the age of about sixty-five he sees death steadily approach without anxiety. He is unconcerned, without anxiety, notwithstanding the certainty that he is soon to meet unknown and untried realities beyond the river of death, or else to make the universally dreaded plunge into annihilation. And he can break the bond that would bind a noble soul most tenderly and strongly to the past, to the honorable associations of life, the intimate friendships of life, the high positions of life, and all the achievements of a noble intellect, without regret, without the least assurance or even the profession of the expectation of anything better hereafter. To him death was nothing but the rot and ruin of a worthless carcass. To him life—a life of many years of labor and renown—was but empty nothingness. He throws down body and soul with the indifference with which a boy would idly throw a stone. And this is styled "divine philosophy." What was it but blindly ignoring the entire philosophy of life—physical, intellectual and moral, not to say spiritual? How true the words: "Man that is in honor and understandeth not is like the beasts that perish." It has been said that Hume's mother declared at her death that her son, by his reasoning, had taken her religion from her, but left her nothing in its stead. Nothing, absolutely nothing, do all the forms of disbelief offer to their votaries. They stand upon blank negation and deny and resist. They afford no high joy in life, no comfort and assurance in death, and give no promise for the endless future. Their name is legion, and they confront and contradict each other's creeds as positively as they do the facts and truths of revealed religion. Scattered and distracted, they have never been able really to organize and unite in labors and enterprises for the good of the race. The truth is, the desire and purpose to do good has never been characteristic of the craft. While acts of generosity marked his course, yet what do acts of temporal good amount to when contrasted with the harm growing out of a life-long endeavor to arrest the good in their efforts to bless the world, by casting suspicion and reproach upon their system of doctrine as well as their principles of action. His life was a failure, a miserable abortion. It was worse. Moral sensibility destroyed, all sense of God and consequently of personal responsibility banished, no harmony between him in thought and feeling and action and his great Creator in his eternal purpose in him, perhaps a silly jest was all that was left, all that he had the heart to express.

How different the death scene of a good man! How different his thoughts of death and his estimate of life! His body is a redeemed body and as well as his soul is destined to immortality. His life, however humble, is invested with nobleness because of God's appointing and because in his sphere he has been a co-worker with God in the accomplishment of his eternal purpose, a contributor to the infinite plan of the all-wise Creator. It has been a peaceful and joyous life, no matter what its environments, because its course has been concurrent with the workings of providence, in accord with the promptings of the Spirit. His death is an important change, too important to provoke a jest—a change from a lower to a higher sphere of action. It will ultimate in the glorification of soul and body. But for this he could not break loose from the endearments of life without regret. Look at Hume at his game of cards, in the midst of his friends, surrounded by every comfort, his manhood, his humanity, his capability of apprehending God, all gone, forever gone. How silly his trifling at death—how meager his profession five days before: "I see death steadily approach without anxiety or regret." Why could he not have said, "with joyous heart and triumphant spirit?"

Look at Paul in prison, with nothing of this world to make life pleasant, in the hands of enemies, a bloody death before him in the near future. He does not boast of insensibility like Hume, and for which a broken stone under the stroke of the hammer is entitled to at least as much admiration, but rationally and heartily and nobly says: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day." "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." The skeptic may die in stupid insensibility because the moral forces of his nature have been extirpated, not only by habitual neglect, but by actual abuse, but he cannot die happy, joyous, triumphant. The Christian lays his body down in hope and faith and heavenly assurance of a blissful immortality. The difference in their deaths, physical conditions being alike, is as marked as the difference in their lives.

EVANGELISTS.

A REGULAR FIELD HAND.

This paper is anonymous and impersonal; and let no reader attempt to localize or fix upon the persons referred to in the incidents. The writer is what he professes to be, one of the regular field hands in the pastoral work. He has for many years been watching the movements of the so-called evangelists, and the effect of their labors on the church.

No. 1. A popular Baptist preacher was pastor of a large and influential church in ——. An evangelist of the same denomination appeared, uninvited, as I understood, but was given a respectful hearing for, say, three weeks. Throughs of people filled a spacious church; a few professed conversion, and most of these joined the Baptist Church. Some made fairly good members; and of course in some cases the seed fell upon stony places. After the departure of the evangelist the congregation of the pastor fell off, and in a few months he was so disheartened at the condition of his church that he felt it his duty to resign the pastorate, which he did, and for a considerable time the congregation was without a pastor, and has never been remarkably prosperous since that period. But I do not know that the labors of the evangelist can be charged with this want of prosperity.

No. 2. This was another Baptist evangelist, in another city, but the meeting was not in the Baptist Church. Crowds of people filled the largest Protestant church in the place. A great revival was reported. I occasionally attended, but did not see any remarkable conversions, or convincing evidences of a special work of grace. The two denominations that reaped the largest fruits of this meeting soon afterward found it necessary, or at least expedient, to secure new pastors.

No. 3. This was also a famous Baptist evangelist of national reputation. The place was one in which there was a very large and influential Baptist Church, with, as they supposed, a popular pastor, settled for life. I presume good was done; but the usual result soon followed, and that settled pastor found his situation so unpleasant that he resigned the pastorate. After the lapse of many years that church is not, comparatively, as strong as when the distinguished revivalist commenced his labors among them.

No. 4. Was a Presbyterian evangelist. Personally I do not know what the final result was, though I occasionally attended the services, and saw nothing especially to condemn. I know the congregation did not long retain their beloved pastor after this protracted meeting.

I could mention other instances where the labors of these eccentric gospel laborers have been followed with similar results, in churches having what is called

a settled pastorate. But the above are enough.

I have always thought that in the Methodist Church we did not need these specialists, having, indeed, no place for them. The presiding elder should do evangelical work, and pastors should, by exchange and assisting each other, carry on any extra meetings. But I have witnessed the labors of a few evangelists in our own church. In reference to all I have personally known I believe them to be true men, earnestly seeking to do good; and that they are laboring to bring sinners to repentance and to build up believers in true holiness. But with this endorsement, I must say that most of them have a crank or a hobby, and as a result the whole gospel in all its relations to human experience and a godly life is hardly ever presented.

I may have been unfortunate in the individuals I have met, but they have invariably exhibited a large endowment of self-assurance, and are not slow to let us know what a wonderful work the Lord has accomplished by their labors. The most remarkable conversions related took place at their meetings.

Almost uniformly they begin their labors by berating the church. The members are woefully backslidden, and the pastor is not free from blame. After a few jeremiads on this key the brethren do feel bad enough to surround the altar and make confession, after which a more cheerful gospel is presented, and a better spirit begins to manifest itself, though not invariably followed by conversions.

Our evangelists do not preach for money; but they generally contrive to let it be known that they are poor, have expensive families, and no income except what the brethren choose to give them where they labor; and the result is that not infrequently the evangelist receives as much for a week's or ten days' labor as the regular pastor receives for a month or even for an entire quarter's work.

As the result of my observation and experience, I would say to my Methodist brethren, go slow in coupling on this eccentric fifth evangelistic wheel to the smooth-running itinerant Methodist car.

KEEPING THE CHURCH REGISTER.

REV. C. H. BUCHANAN.

In offering my rejoinder to the discussions provoked by my first paper upon the above subject, let me first thank my brethren, Bro. H. Bishop and Dr. H. V. Philpott, for their very kind criticisms of my immature utterances. Their views have special weight because they both have long years of experience from which to draw their opinions.

The discussion has taken exactly the turn it was desired it should take, and if there is a weak place in our system of book-keeping, as there seems to be, it is best that it should be detected and improved at the right time and place. That such deficiencies should be found only shows that our systems are not dead and fossilized, but living and growing.

At present what we need mostly is a definite plan, readily and universally understood by us all, so that as the books of the church change hands in the change of pastors, there may be no friction in the machinery. Brother H. Bishop's statement that "out of the materials found it is [often] impossible to create a perfect chronological register," shows that a well developed system is much needed among us.

I am glad that the fight is over the faithful old soldier, "dropped." Just there is the weak point, and at this point we need improvements. I still maintain that "dropped" as an entry upon the register in the list of dispossals is not the word; that it is unintelligible, and therefore out of place. It has given me more trouble than any other word in all our nomenclature. I have issued three certificates recently to these "dropped" Methodists, and in each case investigation showed them to be faithful Christians, but out of reach of a church, and still members of my own church. But I found them labeled "dropped." In such cases I have found it satisfactory, and doubtless perfectly intelligible, to dispose of such a name after being "lost sight of for twelve months" by the plain statement, "removed Jan. 11, 18—, without letter." This, be it understood, like all other entries upon the register, is placed there by the secretary, and only by authority of the church conference. A pastor has no more authority to make erasures or to enter dispossals upon the register than he has to mutilate the cash account of any merchant. Then if he has no right to make erasures, why has he the right in himself to make entries at all? This book is in the custody of the church conference, and should be kept strictly by her secretary, who shall present his church register to the third quarterly conference for inspection. I have been attending quarterly conferences for nine years, and have never yet seen a church register presented for inspection, nor inspected at any time by any quarterly conference. [See Discipline, p. 58.]

Let us not forget that the "roll" to be furnished the pastor by the secretary of church conference is a book totally distinct from the "permanent register" mentioned in the discipline. While keeping the names in alphabetical order, each name should be numbered to correspond with the name in the register, and thus the "roll" will furnish a convenient index to the names as they occur upon the register. Without such an index it will be slightly difficult to turn readily to the name desired, since in the register the names are entered without regard to alphabetical order.

Bro. H. Bishop says: "The alphabetical roll * * * seems to be an essential part of the church register." It would have been better had he said book-keeping instead of register. The brother's meaning is evident, but let us not confuse the pastor's "roll" with the "permanent register." The two books are surely essential to order in intelligible book-keeping. I love the machinery of the church because of its beautiful simplicity. Let us "tighten up the taps" and put on a little oil, and let her have her perfect works. *Vale.*

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DUBUAN, TEXAS.

WHISKY MUST DOWN.

From a letter of Dr. Rufus C. Burleson to the Waco Advance we make the following extract:

Whisky is to-day the greatest monopoly on earth. It can control more money and more political tricksters than any other power on this planet. There is no creed it will not profess, there is no party, no university, no church, no state it will not espouse to carry out its hellish purposes of pillaging and plundering and pilfering.

The grand infamously edict of whisky is to "promote all men to office who favor our interests, and put down every man, Democrat, Republican, Greenbacker, Saint or Sinner, Jew or Gentile, who does work for us."

But the day is near at hand when every man who has any respect for decency and himself, or any love for his wife, his sister, his mother or his country, will rise up and scourge this whisky demon, this arch enemy of God and man, from our homes, our churches and altars of liberty. There are scores and hundreds of third and fourth rate politicians culled down in "doubting castles" ready to tear off their collars and assert their manhood. These are no idle words. The little stone of temperance that was cut out of the mountains of Virginia is rolling "a with ever increasing power, and will soon smite the great image of whisky, gold and silver and bones of dead men and tears and grind it to powder and then fill the whole earth.

The amazing progress and power of the temperance cause in the last fifty years may be clearly seen by the first public fight I ever made against whisky, the first crushing defeat I ever received. The fight was not then in 1839—as it was in Texas on the 4th of August, 1857—prohibition in toto, but "is it meet and proper for preachers and deacons to keep distilleries and make and sell whisky and brandy?"

I blush for the names of Baptists and dear old Alabama to record that the Russell's Valley Baptist Church expelled my brother-in-law, Armistead Payne, from the church for being a busybody about other men's matters for ever raising the question. And the only thing that saved me was the discretion of my dear old father, who took me aside and begged and almost commanded me to be silent and not to sacrifice myself to no purpose.

With prophetic wisdom he said the accused evil can not continue. Men are getting their eyes open and only be prudent and ever vigilant and work, and you may yet live to sound the funeral knell of king alcohol and see him bound forever.

And behold, what hath God wrought? Russell's Valley, where they expelled my brother-in-law forty-nine years ago for ever raising the question of personal liberty of preachers and deacons to make and sell whisky, as my dear old student, Alfred M. Eastland writes, has voted local option, and of the thousands of Baptist Churches in America there is not one that would not expel a preacher or deacon for making or selling liquid fire and distilled damnation. The work goes on grandly. And the most pitiable object on this earth is for any man with a spark of manhood in him to think our heaven-born cause is crushed because the whisky power bought up and gulled enough Dutch, Bohemians, negroes and Mexicans to vote down the amendment, and hired a few dirty-mouthed politicians to backguard the women and preachers.

On August 5, I put on two prohibition badges to show that I intended to fight whisky with two fold power, and if there is any prohibition voter ready to surrender because of our Alamo defeat, August 4, 1857, I advise him to go to the graves of Santa Anna, Coss, Filisola and Delgado, and beg pardon for the reckless imprudence of Gen. Houston, Gen. Burleson, Rusk, Lamar and others. If the piety, and intelligence and decency of Texas is to be dominated over by drunken negroes, ignorant Mexicans, larger beer Germans, I move that they appoint the earl of Warwick, Barney Gibbs and the chairman of the rotten egg committee at San Antonio to go to

Coahuila and ask that Texas become a regular Mexican province and apologize for the last fifty years. But such dastard spirits are few. We have had our Alamo and Goliad, and they have prepared us fully for our glorious San Jacinto.

THE NEED OF THE HOUR—A DAILY ADVOCATE.

REV. HORACE BISHOP.

Before we are hardly aware of it, Texas is a great railroad State. Every town we have is now, or expects soon to be, connected with the world by iron bands and wire messengers. Wherever the railroad and telegraph go, the daily paper circulates freely. As the daily paper the weekly loses. The consequence is, in all such places there is a very poor opportunity for the ADVOCATE to do its work. If I live till next November I will close the twentieth year of my ministry. Sixteen years of that time I have lived in railroad towns. I have no doubt that I express the opinions of other preachers who have experience in such places when I say, where the daily paper is circulated, subscriptions to the ADVOCATE are obtained with difficulty, and the paper is read only casually and carelessly. There are exceptions, but this is the case in the majority of instances, and it is getting more so. Church patriotism, importunity of preacher, wife's wish for a Sunday evening's entertainment, prompt many good men to subscribe for it. "Only this and nothing more," so far as interest in the paper is concerned. Why? The great dailies are brought to them morning and evening, and weekly papers are too slow. Now, then, let us see what meat our members feed on. The statement is made by eminent authority that every great daily has a Jesuit on its staff. So far as I know, this has never been disputed. The application is evident. But further, The Forum for March contains a very excellent article on "The Ratio of News," by Mr. Henry R. Elliot. The author has made some analysis of the chemical constituents of the daily dish served up to the people. Behold the result:

Space given to crimes, ten and one-half per cent.
Space given to religion, five per cent.
Space given to sports, four per cent.
Space given to labor, two per cent.
Space given to theatres, three per cent.
Space given to books, two and a-half per cent.
Space given to art, one-half of one per cent.
Space given to markets, eleven per cent.
Space given to editorials, seven and one-half per cent.

Here we see that the papers whose business is not to mould, but to reflect the popular mind, give twice as much space to crimes as to religion. Sports are to labor as four to two. Theatre is to art as six to one. Sports and theatres combined claim much more space than religion.

But the worst is not yet told. Our author ascertains and boldly says: "I find, reviewing the articles marked religious, that often the subjects deemed of the greatest consequence in a news sense relate to that part of the religious news which is either discreditable to religious professions, or which would be considered trivial and impertinent by religious people. If the papers allude to current religious events at all, it is apt to be in a perfunctory, condescending, whimsical or quizzing spirit." And yet if we call attention to the perils of the times, they fling such words at us as "pessimistic." How can a Christian help being pessimistic when base ball and the theatre are counted of more consequence than Christianity; when the criminal docket is equal in interest to the markets of the country, and both are esteemed of far greater importance than the religion of our Lord Christ? How can we help being pessimistic when these papers declare that the prurient tastes of their patrons demand a daily dish of filth and infamy?

Verily the old preacher's sermon is in order: "Proposition 1st. The world is wrong side up. 2d. It must be turned up side down. 3d. We are the chaps to turn it."

Since the secular press accepts as a principle of action, that a newspaper is a reflector of popular opinion, it is high time for a conscience to enter the department of daily journalism, and give the people the news that is fit to be told or read. What consequence is it to the public what Bill Longley said and how he looked on the gallows? What does it interest the reader, who values his time, taste and talent, what were the scores, innings, etc., at a base-ball contest? The notoriety that is given to trifles, not to say crimes, is misleading and debauching the minds of thousands of people. If we hope to counteract these baneful influences the policy of the prophet must be adopted. Instead of the thorn we must plant the fig tree; instead of the thistle the myrtle tree—that it may be unto the Lord for a name, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. I honestly believe that unless we adopt this policy, it is only a question of a few years when the ADVOCATE, as a moral influence, will be unknown and unfelt in our railroad towns. It is fast getting that way now. On the other

hand, if we will wake up to our necessities and opportunities, and publish a daily paper such as the needs of the people require, it will presently gain a circulation that will astonish the church itself. I have submitted these thoughts to a number of practical men, who take and read the dailies, and who take the ADVOCATE. They, to a man, have given it as their judgment that the paper would be approved and supported by the intelligence and integrity of the church in our railroad towns.

Next week I will place another side-light.
WACO, TEXAS.

THE HOME CONFERENCES.

A Speech for the Advocate.
—John Helpenstell, Mt. Enterprise, March 29: These names were secured yesterday in church conference under question: "Is our religious literature circulated and read?" We made a speech for ADVOCATE and got three subscribers.

Floresville.

—J. C. Russell, March 26: I have built a new church at Floresville since conference. We now have a neat place of worship—Gothic style. I expect to build another before next conference. We have added considerable to the pastorate this year. Floresville is on rising ground. To the Lord be the praise.

Curtisana.

—J. W. Kizzlar, March 25: As no one has accepted my proposition, I hereby withdraw it. I did not want to swap credits, as Bro. A. K. Miller thought. I only wanted to swap preachers. We had a good day Sunday, but it rained again. The people are much behind with their crops, but few have planted corn and the feed is all gone. A great many have lost stock cattle in great numbers.

Rutchtina.

—H. M. Glass, March 25: The rainy weather, with sleet and snow, which began Nov. 22, interspersed only occasionally with sun, and moon and starlight, culminated in the most terrible hailstorm Sunday at eight p. m. in this place, known to the oldest citizens of Dallas county. The hailstones ranged in sizes from buckshot to that of a turkey egg. Fruit trees, gardens, buildings, poultry and animals were severely injured. Fruit in many large and thirty orchards seems entirely destroyed. The scenery of that beautiful spring morning was soon changed into the bleakness of winter, of course all enterprises, secular and religious, are retarded in this region of wealth in the mid.

Bolivar.

—G. S. Brown, March 25: We are now upon the first field of labor appointed us by the Texas Conference. We are among a kind people. Our outlook is hopeful. We have a large work before us. Our appointments range from five to twenty-five miles. Sometimes we take a view of our work and think of ourselves, and our hearts grow faint within us. But when we remember that we are children of the Heavenly King, our spirits are buoyant, and we feel that we are able to go forth to conquer the kingdoms of sin. We are happy to say that our people are interested in schools. We attended a school examination on the 12th. Mr. J. L. Merritt, teacher, was won for himself the praise of both patrons and pupils.

Houston.

—John E. Green, March 25: Very in the midst of a glorious revival. The interest increases every day. We had twenty-one accessions during the past week. Monitors still crowding to the altar. Besides the awakening and conversion of sinners, a great work is being done in the church. Believers are being lifted to a higher plane, some professing perfect love. Bro. J. H. Collins and wife are with us. They are holy people and God is abundantly blessing their labors. They have done good work in Houston. I can heartily recommend them to the preachers of Texas. Will give you a full report at the close of the meeting.

Pensaco, New Mexico.

—J. C. Gage, March 20: Pensaco mission is on the outside row, situated one hundred and fifty miles north of El Paso, in the range of the Sacramento and White mountains. This is a fine country, famous for health, fine water and timber; the land rich and fertile, productive, though very disagreeable in the winter season on account of snow and ice. The country is covered with snow ten or twelve inches deep. Our first quarterly conference is over. Our presiding elder, A. J. Potter, was with us and preached with power and in the demonstration of the Spirit. We believe him to be the right man in the right place. Few men would have visited this distant field of labor at this season of the year. Bro. B. E. Scroggins, preacher in charge of the Penonito mission, was with us and did valuable service. We had four conversions and ten accessions this quarter. Thanks be unto God.

Independence.

—D. D. Watrick, March 24: We are making a run for the ADVOCATE now and do not mean to abate until it goes to every home in this charge. THE ADVOCATE is my best friend. I cannot afford to neglect it. It educates the people in church matters; it brings them to church; it builds up the young school and makes the prayer-meeting to be a place of life and joy. It collects the quarterage as no steward can do. All the storms and poundings that bill the nations, and the new preacher with life and love and give him a new zeal to work; it is but the fruit of a well circulated ADVOCATE and best of all, it bridges over our dry seasons, and like butter and honey to our bread, gives them richness. Praise the Lord for a good church paper. The winter has been a trying one, and much time was it only to be on our knees, if we would work for the Master; but now sunny days come again. Independence circuit, like the flowers, blooms and promises fruit in due season. Already the ripeness have been plucked for the Master. Penitents fill our altars, are converted and join the church. Last year was a fruitful year for the inquiring of souls, and the winter with its cold, and Christmas with its wicked influences, have come and gone and not one of our past year's gatherings have departed from the faith. Our Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings kept moving all winter, and they are not forms, but Holy Ghost meetings. Our young men and women are doing good work. Our church at Independence has on a new dress and is the finest looking building in our town. The church at Rock Island will be completed by the third Sunday in July. We are moving for two new church houses in Burleson county—one near Clay station, and the other on Mound Prairie, near Bro. Calhoun's. We have taken in two new places on this work and have asked our presiding elder, Bro. Philpott, to appoint us an assistant, as ten appointments are too much for one man. We have paid off our domestic assessment and we hope the first week in April will pay off the foreign. Owing to the bad weather our presiding elder did not get to our first quarterly conference, though he did his best to get here and spent as much money trying to reach us as he had. We will begin our protracted meetings the fourth Sunday in June, and continue until ten protracted meetings are held. The camp-meeting at Rock Island will embrace the third and fourth Sundays in July. Brethren, pray for us. "O Lord, help is greatly needed—help can only come from thee."

(See also fourth and fifth pages for Home Conferences.)

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Old and Young.

MAMMA'S KISS.

A kiss when I awake in the morning,
A kiss when I go to bed,
A kiss when I burn my fingers,
A kiss when I bump my head.

MRS. PALMER'S OLD CLOAK.

Kate Sumner Gates.
"Somewhat I don't feel satisfied, I should like for once to really and truly give something myself, John. I keep thinking of that verse: 'Neither will I offer to the Lord that which cost me nothing.' That is just exactly what I do when I give you money."

"All right, little woman," said Mr. Palmer, "do as you please and think best. What is mine is yours fully and freely, but if you aren't contented or quite satisfied to give that, why, as I say, do as you like best. And now here is the money for the new cloak—\$125, I think you said it would be; and I must be off. Good-bye, dear heart."

"I think I'll go down town to-day and get my cloak," she said to herself. "It seems too good to be true, though, that I am really going to have it. I have wanted it so long. Oh, there! while I am out I must go round by Mrs. Hetzel's and see if she can come and sew for me next week. I'll go there first, so as to make sure of it."

It was the lady herself who answered Mrs. Palmer's knock, and cordially invited her in, but the visitor's kind heart was touched by the unmistakable signs of distress in her hostess's face. She did her errand, and then lingered hesitatingly.

"Pardon me, Mrs. Hetzel," she said kindly, "don't think me inquisitive, but are you not in trouble? Could I help you in any way? I should be so glad if I could."

of you, Annie, under any circumstances. But what is it? Is my little wife going to offer to the Lord that which costs her much?"

"It's Roddie Hetzel. He's a cripple, and his mother wants to send him to the hospital for treatment, but she can't afford it; and, O John, I was dreadfully selfish at first, and I'm so ashamed of myself! If you're willing, I do want to give it to them now."

A GOOD WORD FOR THE BOYS.

Susan Sunshine.
I was at a home not very long since, in a family of which there are three children, two bright, lovely daughters, and one young son, full of sturdy life, joyous of spirit, and naturally of steady purpose. The parents are well-to-do, not of great wealth, yet have enough to live elegantly, and indulge in some of the luxuries of life.

When I dropped in, mother and daughters were sitting together, and were engaged in finishing up some beautiful embroidery. One had a table-scarf of the softest silk, covered with budding roses and trailing vines. The older daughter was just putting the finishing touches upon a beautiful panel for a tea-gown. It was of elegant stuff, bordered with life-like sprays of delicate tints and shade, a costly work of art, but very charming in effect. It would make a robe fit for a duchess, when combined with the material for which it was intended. Mamma was at work on a piano cover, which she intended as a gift for a friend.

While they were sitting there, busy with their pretty work, papa sat near, reading his Times. Suddenly the door burst open, and son Johnny came bounding in, his face aglow, like a rosy morning.

"Oh, mother," said he, "I want a box of tools. George Henriez has just had such an elegant set given him by his father, and he has got a work-shop all fitted up, and is going to try his hand at cabinet and such light work, out of school hours, and he says I may have a bench in one corner, if you'll only give me a set of tools, and we can have lots of fun together, and make a heap of pretty things besides. Won't you get me a set, papa?"

Papa looked up from his paper and glanced at mamma, who said: "John, a set of tools would be very expensive. I do not think we can afford them right now. You don't need them anyway. So do not think any more about them. It would be almost like throwing so much money away."

John had been taught to accept his mother's decision as final, so he made no further appeal, but went out with such a look of disappointment and genuine grief on his face I felt sorry for the boy. But his Uncle John was there, for whom he was named. He was his mother's brother, a man of large observation, and one who always spoke his mind freely if he thought occasion required.

"Mary," said he to the mother, "do you think you are quite doing justice to John? Here are you and my nieces spending money for the beautiful trifles which you are embroidering. The work is very beautiful, but it is costly; yet you never deny yourselves anything in this line, and I do not want to blame you for it. These productions of your fingers are really fine works of art, and I admire them as I would a beautiful picture. But while you gratify yourselves, ought you not to do something to gratify John also? It will keep him out of bad company if he can work with George at his bench. It will enable him to learn how to handle tools. Get him a set and I will pay a skilled mechanic to give him three lessons a week for six months, and we will see what he will accomplish."

The result was John was called back, and his father told him that he would go with him that evening and select as fine a set of tools as could be purchased for the work-bench.

My moral is, parents, don't forget the wants of the boys. While the daughters have their love for finery work and such like things gratified, let the boys have all the tools needed, if they show an inclination toward becoming skilled artisans.

HOME COURTESY.

No one can read the Scriptures without getting an exalted idea of the Divine estimate of the home. "God setteth the solitary in families;" or as it is in the margin of the New Version: "God maketh the solitary to dwell in a house." The family organization is primal and sacred. The relations of husband and wife, parents and children, of brothers and sisters, are not only intimate, but they are designed to be in the highest degree helpful and blessed.

But how often all the sweet possibilities of the home are left undeveloped, or are turned about and made to work mischievously, for the lack of the gentle consideration one for another which the world has agreed to call courtesy. Not untruly it is as though the family hearthstone was dedicated to strife, and the frescoed ceilings and walls hung with most beautiful pictures were meant to echo taunt and irritation instead of love, and the brilliant chandeliers were

set a flame to reveal frowns rather than smiles. There are home circles whose members would deem it an unpardonable offense to be rude to stranger, but they do not hesitate to snap and snarl at each other as though they were so many mismatched animals thoughtlessly thrown into the same cage. There is no tender patience with each other's peculiarities and infirmities. Questions are answered gruffly or not at all. Harsh criticisms are indulged. Temper is held under no restraint, but on the least provocation sparks fly right and left. If there is a nerve known to bare it is rasped. If there is a compromising fact in the past to lay hold of, it is recalled to humiliate and madden.

It is needless to say that such a home is not a Christian home. The whole idea of the home is not only missed, but perverted. The opportunity of the home is not realized. It is not realized because, first, there is not love enough; and then it is not realized because such loves as there is not permitted to work itself out in sweet and gentle acts of mutual regard. Loving hearts make beautiful homes, for the reason that loving hearts are full of the spirit of forbearance and of thoughtful consideration for the welfare and comfort of others.

WHAT A VASSAR GIRL DID.

Boston Advertiser.
A Vassar girl tells, in the New York Morning Journal, of the curious ways in which some of the poorer students at that institution earn their pocket-money. "Some of the girls who come up to Vassar," she says, "are as helpless as babes. They are the daughters of millionaires, and never brush their own hair, or sew a button on their boots in their lives. They are only too glad to have some one do those things for them, and that is how the poorer girls make pocket-money. Last year a pretty blue-eyed girl came to the college, and stated during the first week that her tuition and board were paid by a kind relative, but every penny for dress, car-fare, and the thousand and one little incidentals she must earn herself."

Soon after her arrival the following announcement appeared on her door: "Gloves and shoes neatly mended for 10 cents each. Breakfast brought up for 10 cents. Hair brushed each night for 25 cents a week. Beds made up at 10 cents a week." "That little Freshman made just \$150 the first year," continues the account, "and that paid all of her expenses and a good part of her tuition fees."

HOW BOYS CAN MAKE MONEY.

Russell Sage's advice is: (1) by getting a position; (2) keeping his mouth shut; (3) observing; (4) being faithful; (5) making his employer think he would be lost in a fog without him; (6) and to be polite. That is a good way to begin after he gets there. If he lives up to these rules he will not want a friend at court for any length of time—in fact not at all.

Jay Gould's policy: "Keep out of bad company and go to work with a will. The boy who does that is bound to get on in the world."

FINISH WHAT YOU BEGIN.

Christian Observer.
My old great-grandmother Knox had a way of making her children finish their work. If they began a thing, they must complete it. If they undertook to build a cob-house, they must not leave it till it was done; and nothing of the work or play to which they set their hands would she allow them to abandon incomplete. I sometimes wish I had been trained in this way. Many a man uses up his time in splendid beginnings. The labor devoted to commence ten things and leave them useless would finish five of them. Finish your work. Stop beginning forty things, and go back and finish four.

What a sense of delight comes over one who chances to be a guest in a home where everything moves forward in a temper of delicate courtesy. How beautiful it is to see husband and wife, and parents and children, and brothers and sisters carrying on all the intercourse of the house circle on the terms of an unvarying courtesy. Young men and maidens who are known to be interested in each other, attract us partly because of a fine consideration which characterizes their treatment of each other. Shakespeare makes the garrulous old nurse tell Juliet that Romeo is "as gentle as a lamb," but that "he is not the flower of courtesy." But it is possible to be gentle as a lamb, and yet be courteous; as it is possible to be strong and bold as a lion, and yet be courteous.

The home is the best place in the world for illustrating Christian courtesy. This is a sphere in which all may do something. Few services would be of higher value than to take the homes which are nominally Christian and make them really Christian by advancing them into the atmosphere and habit of a sweet and beautiful Christian courtesy.

BEING A BOY ON A FARM.

Mr. Charles Dudley Warner is, or ought to be, dear to the hearts of every American boy. Few men remember so well their boyhood days, and have so much sympathy with the boyish mistakes and boyish trials. Could any one who had not been a farmer's boy, and done chores until his back was bad and his legs were queer, have written this account of boy life on a New England farm:

"It is my impression that a farm without a boy would very soon come to grief. What a boy does is the life of the farm. He is the factotum, always in demand, and always expected to do the thousand and one things that nobody else will do. Upon him fall the odds and ends, the most difficult things. After everybody else is through, he is to finish up. His

work is like a woman's—perpetually waiting on others. Everybody knows how much easier it is to cook a good dinner than to wash the dishes afterwards. Consider what a boy on a farm is required to do—things that must be done, or life would actually stop. It is understood, in the first place, that he is to do all the errands, to go to the store, to the post-office, and to carry all sorts of messages. If he had as many legs as a centipede, they would tire before night. He is the one who spreads the grass as the men cut it; he stows it away in the barn, he rides the horse to cultivate the corn up and down the hot weary rows; he picks up the potatoes when they are dug; he brings wood and water, and splits kindlings; he gets up the horse and turns out the horse. Whether he is in the house or out of the house there is always something to do. Just before school in the winter he shovels paths; in the summer he turns the grindstone. And yet, with his mind full of schemes of what he would like to do, and his hands full of occupation, he is an idle boy, he has nothing to busy himself with but schools and chores. He would gladly do all the work if somebody else would do all the chores, he thinks; and yet I doubt if any boy even amounted to anything in the world, or was of much use as a man, who did not enjoy the advantages of a liberal education in the way of chores.

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Correspondence.

"THE CONFERENCE TRICKSTER."

In your issue of the 16th ultimo is an article under the above heading and over the signature of W. A. Sampey, which must in its make-up and nature attract the attention of Methodists...

Bro. Sampey is a member of the East Texas Conference, which fact locates the evil complained of. No one, therefore, need go outside of that conference to find his trickster. A good reason for the silence that reigned—so far as the ADVOCATE is the medium of thought—is found in the fact that the delicacy and gravity involved in the premises are such as to appeal to one's love of church and conference, and while he laments the existence of such evils, to smother them in silence is thought to be better than to expose them at the risk of conference reputation...

First—There is a faith which undergirds and gives muscle and bone to itinerant life. This faith is directly and objectively in God as the author of the preacher's commission and call to itinerant life and work. This faith embraces the whole itinerant scheme as divine in its origin, pure and holy in its design, and under the control and management of good men, whose end and aim are the glory of God and the salvation of the greatest number of men possible.

and when he receives it it is as from the Lord. This faith girds him for the battle of hardships as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. Without it he would be weak as other men. Here lies the strength which overcomes the world—that know no failure.

The second thing to note and emphasize is that the office of presiding elder is one of very great responsibility. The nature of the office suggests its demands. Unselfishness, purity and wisdom are its demands. Love of power, self-aggrandizement, with their accompaniments of manipulations, scheming, planning, trickery; self the animus of it all—"from such turn away." Let such presiding elder's "days be few and let another take his place."

Anything the tendency of which would be to break down or in anywise impair the faith of the preachers in a divine influence controlling their appointments in answer to prayer, would be damaging and dangerous, as it would weaken the main spring of the itinerant machinery. After an experience of many years in the office of presiding elder I may safely say that I have never known any serious trouble to grow out of an appointment made by a Bishop in open cabinet council in the presence of all the elders.

Now the point is this: Do we need homes? and is it our duty to provide for them? If so, let us not stop to ask ourselves the question, can we succeed or not? Let us try, and what the results may be of our best efforts. It is our duty to give not only to seven collections, but to the eighth. There is no use to parley and wait until the last of the year, but let us put our hands to the plow and never look back; but persevere until we have nice, neat cottages dotted all over East Texas Conference for our servants who minister unto us in holy things.

The dear Shunamite woman was so thoughtful when she suggested to her husband the necessity of building a room for the Lord's prophet to set in. I can see in that lovely consecrated room a neat little rustic table, and on it a golden candlestick, a golden vase, filled with sweet flowers, sending out their sweet fragrance, that he might enjoy their rich aroma, while God's spirit was filling his heart with sweet influences, and causing his soul to be satisfied.

I went down on Saturday night to fill my regular appointment. Sunday morning I was much troubled in spirit to know what I should preach, but finally concluded to give a running comment on the conversation of Christ with Nicodemus. This I did, laying special stress upon the "necessity of the new birth." At night I chose for my subject the General Judgment. Text—Acts xviii:31. The congregation was unusually large and attentive, and after the sermon I both opened the doors of the church and called for penitents, but not a soul responded. I felt profoundly conscious of having delivered my message in the fear of God; and why I did so I cannot say, but raising my hand toward heaven, I said: "Holy Spirit, seal the decisions of this hour." The language, I admit, is fearful—but it was uttered with reverence and godly fear, and was a spontaneous outburst of a heart burdened with the weight of souls, and yet fully conscious of the divine approval. Fearful indeed must have been the sealing, if that prayer was answered. For this was the last appeal to many of them.

The storm began the following Tuesday and continued until about day the next morning. About seven or eight o'clock that night I left the house I was in, and in a boat with a number of others made my way to Mrs. Porter's hotel, which was considered one of the strongest houses on the Pass, and was also higher on the ridge. An hour later the house was struck by some heavy drift, perhaps another house, and carried off its blocks, while an ell used for the kitchen and dining room was swept away. The water then rose to the depth of some four or five feet in the house, and we were compelled to go up into the roof (for it was a one-story building). We took with us an ax with which we cut holes through the roof sufficient to get out on top should the house go to pieces, and here the remainder of the night was spent watching the mad waves beneath, which we certainly expected would be our grave. About fifty souls were gathered here, and I was the only minister, if not the only member of any church. When the wind was at its highest, I suppose about twelve o'clock, I felt impressed that if I would get a promise of each one to pray for deliverance, that they might serve the Lord better, and that others might receive another opportunity of embracing Christ, resigning themselves, however, entirely to the will of God, we should be saved. This is the condition, as near as I can now remember it. Such a thing as a general prayer was out of the question. So I at once

went to them all and obtained their promises. And was the prayer answered? I believe it with all my heart; for in a half hour, as near as I could judge, the wind had shifted, and was so much subsided that we realized our greatest danger had passed, and found ourselves (strange to say) laughing and talking. The water also soon began to recede.

The morning dawned upon us with a clear sky and beautiful sunrise. But we did not leave the old house until we had humbly bowed together and given thanks to our Great Deliverer for his boundless mercy. Surely the Christian's God will answer the prayers of his people, and never, while the memory of that awful night shall last, will I cease to trust him. And while the suspense was indescribable, still I can now thank God from the great depths of my soul for the experience of that night.

I have endeavored only to state these facts, without comment, thinking they might serve to strengthen the faith of some one; and if this shall be the result, then I will feel that the good Lord has added yet another drop to my cup of blessings.

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MARSHALL, TEXAS, March 26.—"Give a portion to seven, and also to eight, for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth. In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good." Eccl. xxi. It has been wisely appointed by our leaders in Israel that we should provide homes for our ministers who labor for us in his vineyard. We need not argue the question, or the necessity of such a provision, for every preacher keenly feels the need of a parsonage if he should happen to receive an appointment where the church has not made provision for his family.

Now the point is this: Do we need homes? and is it our duty to provide for them? If so, let us not stop to ask ourselves the question, can we succeed or not? Let us try, and what the results may be of our best efforts. It is our duty to give not only to seven collections, but to the eighth. There is no use to parley and wait until the last of the year, but let us put our hands to the plow and never look back; but persevere until we have nice, neat cottages dotted all over East Texas Conference for our servants who minister unto us in holy things.

The stated meeting of the Board of Managers was held at the Bible House, on Thursday, March 1, 1888, Robert Carter, Esq., vice-president, in the chair. The religious exercises were conducted by Secretary Hunt. The Rev. William M. Patterson, D.D., has been appointed agent of the society at Venezuela. The Rev. Joshua T. Evans has been appointed district superintendent of the society for Minnesota and Dakota. Grants of books were made for benevolent distribution, at home and in foreign lands, of the aggregate value of about \$8,800. Appropriations of funds were also made for publishing and distributing the Scriptures in Spanish countries, to the amount of \$25,000. This includes appropriations to the society's agencies in Mexico, in Venezuela, in Cuba, and in the Levant, and also to the Bible Society in France, and to the American Board for Bible colportage in Spain. Among the letters from foreign lands, calling for the action of the Board, were communications from the British and Foreign Bible Society respecting work in Cuba, China, and South Africa; from Rev. H. B. Pratt and others, announcing the action of the Missionary Assembly in Mexico, and its recommendation to the various missionary bodies to form a committee to co-operate with the American Bible Society in preparing a new version of the Bible in Spanish; from Mr. Loomis, of Yokohama, announcing that at last the entire Bible has been printed in Japanese; from Dr. Wm. M. Patterson, of Mexico, accepting an appointment as agent for Venezuela; from Rev. M. E. Caldwell, of Bogota, and Rev. W. E. Dodge, of Valparaiso, respecting work in other parts of South America; from Rev. Dr. Wood, of Monte Video, announcing his readiness to take up Spanish translation work; from Rev. J. Gomer, of the United Brethren's Mission in Africa, with thanks for books sent to him; from Rev. E. Robbins, of Natal, remitting proceeds of sales of books consigned to the Zulu Mission; from Rev. F. Verneil, of Paris, reporting the distribution made by the Bible Society of France in 1887; from Rev. W. H. Gillett, of San Sebastian, with accounts of Bible colportage in the north of Spain; and all the foreign agents of the Society.

Three Bible societies were recognized as auxiliaries, namely: one in Arkansas, one in Iowa, and one in Kansas. The next meeting, in February from all sources were \$92,737.51. Issues from the Bible House during the same month, 61,281 volumes; issues since April 1st, 1887, 938,067 volumes.

Why did not Brother Buchanan recommend Mr. Palmer's Register and Church Conference Record from the publishing house? They are so well adapted to his wants. I thank Brother B. for his suggestion about dropping from the roll. However, the Discipline is responsible for it. I do not like "withdrawn." It is too easy a way for a loose member to get relieved from his church obligations, and for a timid pastor to shirk the responsibility of administering the Discipline. I think "withdrawn" should be sparingly used. I am the secretary of

our society. I keep two books—the Church Register and the Church Conference Record—both connective books. In my Register I have a chronological list of membership, never to be rewritten and to stand as the book lasts. A column to the left is ruled for numbering; and to the right are four more, headed, When Received, How Received, By Whom Received, and Date of Death or Disposal. About the middle of the book is the Register of Deaths and Dispositions, ruled for number, name, date, and manner of disposal. When a member joins the church I record the name at the foot of my list, filling out the blanks opposite and numbering. When a member dies, or is otherwise disposed of, I record the name in my list of disposals, and fill out the blanks and number it, simply writing the date in the column in the register of members. When one of my members asks and obtains license to preach, I record his name in my list of disposals, and under the head of "manner," I write, "licensed to preach." So you see I have a history of him as a private member. Now his membership is carried to the quarterly conference, and his name is not counted twice, as many of our local preachers are. Brother Buchanan's and my registers would correspond in the record of marriages of female members. My Church Conference Record contains the minutes of the Church Conference. At the first conference we appoint a committee to assist the stewards in making an assessment of the pastor's salary. The appointment of this committee goes down in the minutes. At the next regular appointment this committee comes before the church with the church membership, (every living member is on it,) alphabetically arranged. To the left is ruled a column containing the register number for reference. To the right are ruled five columns, one for the assessment and one for each quarterly payment. This report is copied in the Record, and the quarterly payments of each member and for the whole society is kept. We now have a committee from our second quarterly conference to report at the third on the Church Conference Registers and Records. We hope by this means to secure uniformity on our circuit.

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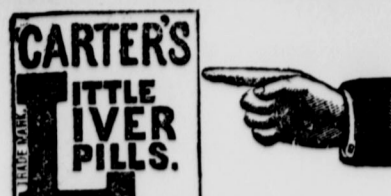
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A CARD

It is with great regret that I announce to the readers of the ADVOCATE that I have asked to be relieved of the duties and responsibilities of the editorship.

With the great army of readers for whom I have labored it is hard to part. What I have tried to do for them has been a labor of love.

When the new editor takes his place let us one and all rally to his support, not only with words of cheer and encouragement, but with five thousand new subscribers.

Referring to the above card, as publishers of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE it is with pleasure we state that during our association as editor and publishers the most pleasant and harmonious relations have ever existed.

As will be seen by the card below, the Joint Board of Publication, whose province it is to select Bro. Briggs' successor, will meet at an early date.

The Board of Publication is hereby called to meet at the ADVOCATE office, in the city of Dallas, at 10 o'clock, a. m., Wednesday, April 25, to consider the resignation of the editor, Rev. G. W. Briggs, and to provide for the editorship of the paper.

TAKING A COLLECTION.

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which have cast into the treasury." They are surely amazed. Many new and strange things have been taught by this wonderful man who is leading them, but nothing so strange as this new method of estimating values.

It is not enough to say that Christ looks at the heart, at the motive which prompts an act when he weighs its moral quality, although this is eminently true, but we must learn also that when the act is a real or apparent act of Christian liberality, he looks not so much at the offering itself as at the "abundance" or the "want" from which it has been brought.

The eye is, so to speak, among the ponderous ledgers in the darkness of the vault, estimating the credits upon the bank account, as well as upon the jeweled and gloved fingers which daintily drop the dull-sounding coin into brightly burnished plates passed among the pews of the sanctuary on the morning of the day of the Lord.

How manifestly righteous is the judgment! For does He who made all things need the benefactions of any? Again, if we are commanded to exercise a liberal spirit for the cultivation of our own hearts, how is such cultivation possible until it reaches the heart? Again, it equalizes opportunities. Indeed, the poor are given the advantage, for

One thought not usually stressed, suggested by this narrative, is presented in the form of a question: how could Christ, the embodiment of sincerity, commend this painful act of self-denial when its proceeds went to enrich the coffers of a pampered and thoroughly selfish priesthood?

Then, during this, the week of prayer and self-denial, let us be sure that we cast into the treasury of the Lord such offerings as will make our gifts acts of genuine self-denial.

On last Sunday Bishop Galloway preached both morning and night to large and interested congregations in the First Methodist Church in this city. The church had been tastefully decorated by the ladies in honor of the occasion.

The result was highly gratifying. While the whole amount needed was not secured, enough was subscribed to tide the enterprise over the bar and put it on the home-stretch. It was a fruitful occasion, realizing over five thousand dollars, stimulating delinquent subscribers to pay their arrears, putting in motion a committee that will render valuable service, and inspiring the congregation.

At a recent meeting of presiding elders of all conferences in Iowa it was determined to establish a State Methodist university, and a large committee to forward the plan was appointed.

First—Be sure your audience is in a good humor. Your need not tell funny anecdotes, nor indulge in witticisms or foolishness. Those things do not fit many of us. Few preachers can afford to attempt such things in the pulpit.

Second—Be sure that some of them are in sympathy with you. There is no difficulty here. Select your men. Talk confidentially with them. Let them know your plans. Tell them you are depending on them to help you.

Third—Appeal to the generosity of the people. Inspire love for the cause. Show them the glory of self-sacrifice for Christ's sake. This is not a good time to tell people how stingy they are.

Fourth—Be sure that they understand the object of the collection. Some would put this first, and we have no objection to that way. It seems to be the more natural, but this writer has succeeded better working in the order mentioned.

Sixth—Do not sing until you get your money. This is counting unheated poultry. Seventh—Do not pass the hat (if at all) until the last thing. It is too suggestive of out-door exercise.

Eleventh—Bear yourself confidently. Emphasize the last words of each sentence just a little harder than the rest. If you go into it without faith, you are a failure yourself, and of course the audience will not help you to get into their pockets whether or no.

Twelfth—When the work is all done, do not exhort. We once knew a presiding elder who would preach an excellent sermon, and then before the benediction spend so much time instructing well-versed Methodist people how to behave during quarterly meeting, that the sermon was forgotten, the vows they were about making were abandoned, and the meeting killed. Do not explain anything, nor make appointments that everybody knows by heart, but tell them you will inform them the exact amount of collection and subscription at the next hour's service.

Zion's Herald stands upon the walls with its mouth to the trumpet and sounds this alarm: "During the last three centuries, to stunt the growth of the human mind has been the chief object of the Church of Rome."

The editor of the Western Watchman, a Catholic paper published at St. Louis, used the following language in an editorial: "PROTESTANTISM.—We would DRAG AND QUARTER IT. We would DRAG AND QUARTER IT UP FOR CROW'S MEAT. We would TEAR IT WITH PINNACLES AND FIRE IT WITH HOT IRONS. It would FILL IT WITH MOLTEN LEAD AND STICK IT IN A HUNDRED FATHOMS OF HELL-FIRE."

EDITORIAL BREVITIES. THE FOLLOWING were visitors at the ADVOCATE office the past week: Bishop C. B. Galloway, Revs. S. C. Riddle, J. M. Bond, C. G. Shult, Julian Woodson, E. L. Armstrong, C. I. McWhirter, and Mr. B. M. Clifton, of Rice.

THE CHINESE STUDENTS who are making a tour of Texas, it is said, to assist them in securing an education preparatory to their work as missionaries among their own people, have heretofore been discussed in these columns by correspondents. A report is now at hand from Sherman, which, if it be true—and the brother making the report says it is well authenticated—justifies the ADVOCATE in advising Methodists at least to let the students severely alone.

SAM JONES: "If I was going to build a pavement on which a man might walk to the greatest destiny, the first stone I would put down would be integrity."

THE NEWSPAPER is doing great good in many ways, and in none more significant than the following extract from the Southern

Evangelist shows: "It is a significant fact that only five per cent. of the 1300 newspapers published in Italy support Catholicism. As with all of his predecessors, the Pope's constant ambition is to secure temporal sovereignty. He would depose the king and overturn the Parliament if he only had the power of accomplishing his desires. This is the reason of the antagonism of so many journals to Catholicism in the home of its birth. And yet Catholicism is not different in Italy from what it is in other parts of the world. The Pope seeks to establish his temporal dominion everywhere, and everywhere he is an enemy to civil government."

LET NOT the man with only one talent try to use five, Aaron was an excellent orator but he was not an organizer. One day when Moses was gone he undertook to manage the government. In a little while he had all Israel worshipping an image of a calf.

THE BUFFALO Christian Advocate says: "The work of the Christian minister is to preach. He is summoned to deliver a message, and a messenger's virtues is say exactly what he has been told. He is an ambassador from the Prince of Peace to a rebellious race, and his duty is to proclaim the terms of reconciliation. He is not a priest to offer sacrifice, but a herald to point men to Him who is the way, the truth and the life."

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE of the M. E. Church will soon convene. A curious question of constituency is to be settled. Two women will claim seats, Dr. Buckley and others object. It is hard to forecast what the Northern brethren will do, but if it were the Southern General Conference every man, from Bishop McTear down, would jump up and offer one of the ladies his own seat.

OWING to the recent blizzard many funerals were performed in New York City and in consequence there were enough of them accumulated to do credit to a plough. At Calvary Cemetery alone there were no less than 242 interments; at Cypress Hills, 125, and at Greenwood there were 200 in one day, so large a number that over twenty bodies had to be placed in the receiving vaults until another time. The streets were filled with string after string of funerals, which made a spectacle perhaps never seen before in New York.

THE NORTHWESTERN Christian Advocate: The Supreme Court of the United States has decided that the Iowa law forbidding transportation companies to take liquor into that State is not constitutional because it contravenes the Federal provision relating to commerce between the States. The decision is claimed as a victory by the saloons, but it will not do more than make the execution of the prohibitory law the more difficult. Those who seek to make the State sober are used to having men make their labor all the harder. As soon as a railway deposits a barrel of rum in the State it ceases to have any peculiar protection. The barrel is only a part of the rummer's stock in trade, and it is liable to seizure and confiscation, just like any other barrel of contraband liquor. Local officers must see to it that the barrel does not get into the illegal market, that's all. The same court has decided that a State has a right to forbid sales of liquor, and the mere fact of importation does not give the imported liquor any right after it is unloaded. The sum total of the decision will make the people of Iowa all the more determined to enforce the law.

THE LONDON Christian World of March 23 says: The committee appointed by the Synod of 1886 to arrange a Methodist General Conference in America in 1891—the centenary of John Wesley's death—met on Thursday. A full and satisfactory reply to the committee's suggestions has at length been received from the American Methodist Board of Bishops, and the arrangements for the conference will now proceed with all possible speed.

A NORTHERN METHODIST exchange on the vexed question of the eligibility of women to seats in the General Conference, says: "The list of women elected to seats in the next General Conference is a shining one, as next see: Miss Frances E. Willard, Mrs. Argie F. Newman, Mrs. Mary C. Nind, Mrs. Lizzie D. Van Kirk, Mrs. W. D. Rippey. Others are on the list of reserves who may be called on to apply for admission. We are glad that the list comprises such excellent material. Be it understood that the excellency of this material does not constitute a single filament of a reason that these able ladies should be admitted. That point is a legal impertinence. If they were all ladies that fact would not affect the main issue, though that disqualification would have its place in the array of facts that would finally prove the material impediment of their admission."

A METHODIST preacher went to the Moody meeting in Louisville. He says that he found himself placed where on "one side, my elbow touched Dr. Eston, who of course would not let me eat the Lord's Supper, because I had not been immersed; and, on the other, touched Bishop Penick, who would not let me give to anybody else to eat, because I had not been ordained! Queer contact, wasn't it?" The St. Louis Presbyterian further contemplates the matter by adding: "And it is further queer that the Baptist Dr. Eston don't recognize the unimmersed Episcopal Bishop as a member of the church, and the Bishop don't recognize the unordained Baptist preacher as a clergyman."

THAT was a grand triumph of Miriam's on the eastern shore of the Red Sea. The baby brother whom she had watched and protected from the waters of the Nile, and secured him a home in the palace, had now stretched forth his arm and the waters of the sea were parted while Israel passed through; again he had stretched it forth and Pharaoh and his army

were drowned. No wonder she took a tumb and led the daughters of Israel in song and dance. But when this same Miriam aspired to fill Moses' shoes, instead of her name, the result was leprosy. This thought is modestly commended to our brethren up North when they meet in General Conference next month.

TEXAS METHODISTS won't get mad if Bishops Wilson and Duncan abide with us a year or two longer. This is neither a threat nor a prediction, but an item for the college to consider the first week in May.

AN artful dodge is being tried by the saloon men of Iowa to defeat the execution of the law against their unalike "business." The latest wrinkle is question the citizenship of Methodist pastors who have the temerity to make complaints. Iowa law declares that a complainant must be "a citizen," and the saloonists try to show that the Methodist pastor who is liable to be moved by a Bishop is not a citizen by intent, since intent to remain in a given locality is requisite to the acquisition of citizenship in a given township.

FRANCE has set a good example by arresting Sullivan and Mitchell, who recently engaged in a brutal prize-fight on French soil. The men fell from the ring upon being released on bail, but the moral effect of the sentence passed upon them in their absence will be very wholesome. Neither of them can return to France during the next ten years without danger of being arrested.

THE CENTRAL Christian Advocate says: No part of our government does us so little credit as the administration of the Indian service. It is the favorite field of the spoilsmen and improvident rogues, who drive from it as soon as discovered any man who has honest intentions. The men who assure us that the only good Indian is the dead one, pluck the living one so mercilessly that it is almost impossible to believe in the amount of rascality which is allowed to exist in the Indian Commissioner's department. The Indian has true friends, but they fail to protect him. For some years past the Indian Rights Association, with headquarters at Philadelphia, has been active in its efforts to improve the condition of the Indian, and it has done some service which deserves the thanks of the public, but it has failed to secure necessary reforms. The Indian service should be taken out of the hands of the political manager who now administers it.

SOME writers in the Northern Methodist press propose to eject all General Conference officers from that body altogether. The total number of elective officers has been estimated, and the members of the connectional committees have been added so that the aggregate of 292 "General Conference officers" is discovered. The Northwestern Christian Advocate says: "While we have no doubt that the motive is good, we believe the moral of the discovery is not healthy. The analysis has a deceptive show of great solicitude, but the result demoralizes and degrades. If life consists in a perfect system of invulnerable safeguards against all possible abuses, there would not be room for trust of any sort. According to such a theory a system of Russian espionage is the perfection of human government. That 392 office-holders in the General Conference are interested in their mutual incumbrance, as has been suggested by several critics of modern debased Methodism, is a part of the oversensitiveness as to church virtue that betrays evil, and that continually. * * * A sentry on the walls ought to be on the alert, but he ought not to be fussy. It would seem that we are reaping the reward of modern recognition of the Methodist Church as a factor in politics. There once was a day when we were ignored as a person in public matters. The war brought us into public estimation. Next followed the pollable numbering of our unfortunate Israel; then political petting; then self-consciousness, then a train of evils, of which this self estimate is a withering specimen. Better the old kicking aside as unworthy of public political recognition, than the present desert of kicking as a reward for the apples of Sodom that blast our lips."

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Please announce the following services during the week of prayer for Wesley and Wark circuit...

Brownwood District.

To the pastors of circuits and missions on Brownwood district...

DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

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Will preachers and delegates intending to bring their wives please notify me...

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The Galveston District Conference will be held at St. James Church, Galveston, commencing Thursday, April 19th...

San Diego.

—H. T. Harris, March 25: We have had our second quarterly conference...

MISSIONS.

Report of Secretary of Board of Missions, Texas Conference.

There were ten men appointed to missionary work in the bounds of the Texas Conference at its last session at Houston...

W. M. S. WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Quarterly report of Treasurer of the W. M. Society, West Texas Conference...

PERSONAL.

Will you be so kind as to do an old lady the favor to publish her inquiry about her relatives who live somewhere in your State?

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

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March 28.—G S Brown, sub for complimentary list, J W Brown, sub, Emmae Highower, sub, G V Nelson, sub, G C Russell, sub, I Miller, sub, H S Thrall, sub, J P Childers, sub, Sam'l Morriss, sub, J F Palmer, sub, T A C Durr, sub, S Nelson, sub.

March 29.—J C Gage, sub, G Powledge, sub, J C Mickle, sub, J P Caldwell, sub, W J Lemons, sub, J C Williams, sub, G W Longley, sub, S B Nettles, sub, 2 cards, W H Crawford, O K U Phillips, sub, Jno Holpenstet, sub, J C Calhoun, sub, S H Month, sub, T P Smith, sub, G S Brown, change made, J W Sanson, sub, E A Smith, sub, T C DeWalt, sub, J A Wyatt, sub, J E Edgebarter, sub, W A Sanger, sub, J W Minn, sub, W W Hopper, sub, W A Atkinson, sub, L D Shaw, sub, P J Bevy, sub, M W Holla Huser, sub, W J Joyce, sub, F J Smith, sub, W K Turner, sub, A P Payne, sub, E M Sweet, sub, J E McLeskey, sub, W G Green, sub, M S Hotchkiss, sub, J W Kizzler, sub, J B Adams, sub, J L Angel, will have attention.

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April 2.—Charles A Hooper, sub, C Willianson, sub, Jas D Oden, sub, F O Faver, sub, C A Evans, sub, Sam Cobb, sub, J E McGee, sub, J W Horn, sub, J E Highower, sub, J B Denton, sub, Jno W Murphy, sub, W V Jones, sub, J T Bludworth, sub, B J Guess, sub, W H Crawford, sub, W J Woodson, sub, W V Ayres, sub, L P Davis, sub, J W Horn, sub, W Story, sub, P E Nicholson, sub, C M Verdel, sub, M P Crowson, sub, L C Ellis, sub, W W Hopper, sub, C R Shaw, sub, W V Murphy, sub, J A Wright, will have attention, P C Archer, sub, John S Mathis, sub, J F Miller, sub.

April 3.—J M Porter, sub, W M Cropper, sub, John S Davis, sub, C L Spencer, sub, R M Morris, sub.

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SAN ANGELO DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Junction City mis. 3d Sun in April...

CHAPPELL HILL—FIRST ROUND. Mayfield. H. V. PHILPOTT, P. E.

ASTIN DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Flotonia sta. C. K. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Lytton Springs, at Centerville. 3d Sun in April...

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. South Belton cir. at Harmony. April 7, 8...

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WEATHERFORD DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Vernon sta. April 14, 15...

GRANDBERRY DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Supt. at Corinth. April 7, 8...

SULPHUR SPRINGS DIST—SECOND ROUND. Sulphur Springs sta. 3d Sat and Sun in April...

GATSBVILLE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Martin Gap mis. at Walnut Springs. April 14, 15...

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CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Corpus and Hookport, Corpus Christi. April 15...

CALVERT DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Frontier cir. at Genoa. April 14, 15...

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TERRELL DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Farmersville sta. April 7, 8...

SHERMAN DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Sherman cir. at Point. April 14, 15...

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SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Mcrose cir. at Trinity. April 7, 8...

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Pecan cir. at Verbena. April 7, 8...

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ATSTIN DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Flotonia sta. 3d Sun in April...

PALESTINE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Trinity cir. at Saron. April 7, 8...

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BOHMAN DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Stephenville cir. at Allen Chapel. April 7, 8...

ABILENE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Colorado sta. April 7, 8...

WACO DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Mexia cir. at Forest Glade. April 7, 8...

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Chappell Hill. April 14, 15...

WHEELOCK DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Austin Dist. Con. at Flotonia. April 5-8...

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Graham sta. April 14, 15...

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3. We need faithful men, full of loyalty and devotion to the one work of saving souls. The cunning ingenuity of the Evil One is manifested in multiplying devices for dividing the efforts of a soul-saving ministry.

4. We need patient men, full of fire and zeal and devotion, and yet calm and patient in the hour of trial. But despite the impetuous assault, the ranks of the enemy present a defiant front.

5. We need trusting men, full of unshaken confidence in the ultimate triumph of the Redeemer's kingdom. The broad field is already sadly marred by shrinking and skeptical laborers.

6. We need holy men, of clean hands and pure hearts, whose lives are blameless and unreproachable in the sight of the King.

With hearts full of love to God, let us devote this day set apart for fasting and prayer, to praying for a manly, earnest, faithful, patient, trusting and holy ministry, wholly consecrated to God, and fully endowed with power from on high.

HOW NOT TO PRAY.

I respect the opinions of all men, but I cannot understand why a man can pray, "Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name"—and go to the ballot-box and vote to deprecate that name.

HISTORY A DEMONSTRATION.

An individual may be a martyr, a whole state never. A single pious man may be compelled to beg his bread, a God-fearing nation never.

sequence that will ensue. History shows it, for the experiment has been tried so frequently that we are amazed at the repetition of such folly.

There is something we may read to our profit in long lines of gaunt faces, hungry eyes, and in the profane language that comes from pinched lips.

The question is seriously put in these days: Is it wrong for a poor man to break the Sabbath day? Look at the community where that day is profaned, and the question answers itself.

OUR LIFE A BOOK.

Our Life is a book. Our years are the chapters. Our months are the paragraphs. Our days are the sentences. Our doubts are the interrogation points.

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES.

Those who search the Scriptures do not always do so to profit, because the motive is not always the best. Not a few regard the Bible as a book full of mysterious sciences, and go to it for refutations of the doctrines advanced by modern scientists.

It is wise at night * * * to read but for a few minutes some book which will compose and soothe the mind; which will bring us face to face with the true facts of life, death and eternity.

Marriages.

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Obituaries.

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BUTTERFIELD.—Anna M. Butterfield, daughter of Rev. R. H. and N. E. Butterfield, was born in England, March 16, 1828.

STALLCUP.—Sister Emily Stallcup was born March 7, 1821, and died Jan. 5, 1888. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church in her seventeenth year, 1838.

BILES.—Little Jennie Beatrice, daughter of sister A. E. Biles, was born Jan. 28, 1886, at Corn Hill, Texas, and died at the same place, Feb. 3, 1888.

WOOD.—Miss Sarah F. Wood, daughter of the late Rev. W. C. and Frances Wood, was born in Hunt county, Texas, Jan. 12, 1839, and died at her residence in Dallas, Texas, February 17, 1888.

EVANS.—Josiah Evans was born in Pulaski county, Ky., January 30, 1818, and died in Harwood, Texas, March 1, 1888, aged seventy-five years, two months and two days.

CARELTON.—And Richard Carelton was born Sep. 11, 1818, in the State of Georgia. At about the age of ten he moved to Alabama. He was married to Miss Annie Ford, Nov. 1848.

CAMPBELL.—Sister Nancy M. Campbell was born in Alabama, December 24, 1820, and died near Bedias, Texas, March 17, 1888. She joined the Methodist church when young.

DAVIS—McCONNELL.—Two sisters gone, Mary A. Davis and Jennie McConnell, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William McLea, of Augusta, and wives of Judge W. A. Davis and W. McConnell, of Crockett, have been called from time into eternity.

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DUNCAN.—Mary Ether Duncan, daughter of J. W. and Amelia T. Duncan, was born in Taylor, Texas, July 29, 1855, and went to heaven from Houston, Texas, Feb. 1, 1888, aged thirty-two years, six months and sixteen days.

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GRAVES.—Rosa Graves, wife of George H. Graves and daughter of Joseph and Fannie Mitchell, was born in Upper Canada near Michipicott, Jan. 18, 1814, and died at Melissa, Collin county, Feb. 1, 1888, aged twenty-four years and eighteen days.

ANDERSON.—B. W. Anderson, of Hamilton county, Texas, is at rest. He died of carbuncle, at his home, February 17, 1888, aged sixty-eight years, less four days.

MINOR.—To the President and Members of the Church Conference, First M. E. Church, South, Cuero, Texas. Whereas, Our Father in heaven hath removed from the vineyard his aged and faithful laborer and our patriarch and beloved brother, Stephen Minor, and hath called him up to receive the crown of the finally faithful;

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