The Texas Christian Advocate.

SUBSCEIPTION, PER ANNUM, \$2.00.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE FIVE TEXAS CONFERENCES OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,

TO PREACHERS, \$1.00.

VOL. XXXVI.

DALLAS, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1890.

NO. 17.

ident of the "Confederate States of Amer-ica," has this day a nobler funeral than had the Macedonian, Alexander the Great. For he who loved us with all his heart, served us with all his strength and suffered for us as few men have ever suffered, is carried to his burial with the honor and love of his whole people. Wealth and power can buy or command costly and magnificent pageantry; only love can win the tributes paid this day to a poor, defeated and powerless old man. It is a spectacle never witnessed before. There was never such an occasion, and it can never occur again. The burial of Jefferson Davis, in a true and important sense, terminates an epoch in the history of a great

God grant that the concluding words of an editorial in a great newspaper, as far removed from Mr. Davis and the cause he stood for as is the New York Tribune, may find response in every heart that loved the Union or the Confederacy in

Mr. Davis, closes with these words:
"The North long ago acknowledged that the magnanimous offices of Horace Greeley were a just expression of Northern senti-ment, and it now listens without pain or antipathy to Southern eulogies leader on whom it once invoked retribu-tion. The last vestige of a deplorable past ought to be buried next Wednesday, and from that grave should spring the perfect

flower of national unity. If the Southern people did not this day do honor to the memory of him who, for nearly five momentous years, was their chosen leader, they would be base indeed. We have at this time absolutely nothing we have at this time absolutely nothing and woman who did that answer. to do with what his critics have said, or may yet say, as to his conduct of the revolution committed to his hands, or as to olution committed to his hands, or as to

denied, praised or blamed, this abides:
We of the States that made up the Confederacy called him to be our leader. We placed this great burden upon him. He accepted it reluctantly, not because he lacked devotion to the cause upon which lacked dev accepted evotion to the cause upon which lacked devotion to the cause upon which nearly all the best people in the South had staked their all, but because he had prevision of the magnitude of the task we had undertaken. But he did enter upon the work to which we called him with absolute patriotism and absolute conscientiousness. To that work he conscientiousness. To the first took the oath of office till the bitter end, he faltered not one hour. He poured out his soul in doing what to him was the supreme duty to tood and man. When it was all over, the world said: "He failed." If not to-day, then to-morrow, just history will say: "He failed, indeed, but with stainless honor," If he had been a bad man; if he had beer a constant to love the cause upon the construction. As the historian dailed in duty to the people who trusted himself; if he had ever sought private advantage at the expense of the

private advantage at the expense of the trust committed to him; if he had, in any trust committed to him; if he had, in any way, deceived or betrayed us; or, in the least degree, been false to the cause we of the South called him to lead, then, indeed, we might be humiliated when narrow or bitter men denounce him, now row or bitter men denounce him, now that he is dead. But bitter words and unjust words need not now concern us. Those who can, in such an age and such a religious liberty.

Of one injustice done Mr. Davis, and whose opinion a self-respecting friend of Jefferson Davis will care. There may indeed be a considerable company of such writers and speakers, but, among more than sixty millions of people, they count for little. It is a common misfortune that the press is aptest to give widest circula- of the fearful struggle?" tion to the ugliest words spoken or written, but it would be a calamity if the Southern people should conclude that such utterances fairly express the sentiments of the best people of those States that triumphed with the cause of the

Union. They no more represent the best Northern feeling than the insanity of an occasional Southern utterance antagonistie to the Union really express the controlling thought of the South to-day. But if all the world, outside the States that made the Confederacy, united in denouncing and traducing Mr. Davis, we would be mean if we did not honor his memory. At last it is not a question as to what others may think of him-it is what we know of him. Of him we know that he did his best for us, that he never failed us in purpose or effort and that, with dauntless courage, he bore up under our appalling misfortunes—suffering for us in the end as few men have been called to suffer for any cause or for any People.

It is strange to me that not a few have

been relentless towards Mr. Davis—and are even now that he is dead relentless— while gracious enough to thousands who followed his leadership. If it be answered, Because he was leader," the reply is, We made him leader."

In what was he more guilty than the millions who made him their representative? It is not sufficient to retort: never asked the removal of the political disabilities that decitizenized him." He had reasons for silence that no other had. What other Confederates, prominent enough to need political pardon, might most properly seek, he might not. Such a man was not silent in sullen defiance; of so small and paltry a motive, he was incapable. Just how he would have put his reasons for silence into words we do not know; but we do know they were reasons worthy a great and true man. We know that he had no censure for his comrades who sought political rehabilitation, and that he re-joiced when they could again serve their country and contribute to the restoration of peace and national unity. A man so conscientious in all other things had motives of conscience, stronger than a mere feeling of pride, for accepting in silence the issues the break-down of the Confed-

was best that he preferred no petition for

them I would say: The Southern people know that the Confederacy failed; they will trust our sincere devotion to the Union, demand a condition that can unveiling of the Hillstatue. I only speak never be met. To make such a confession would be a crime, for it would be false. the bitter days of war. In Sunday's Tribune an editorial, concerning the death of We did not believe that we were doing soul or canker his heart. His hands we were doing right.

I am not speaking of the obscurities of a constitution of compromises that made possible and inevitable the different constructions that were the substance of political debate for seventy years and more. abashed the boldest bribe-givers. we know now that it was not wise-but a

the variant views of men, North or South, whether he has always been ideally wise lieved in their inmost souls that they were whether he has always occur like in their inmost souls that they were cither in his speech or his silence, since doing their duty to stand by the Confedantillo, sible for both his debts and his family, and in a way so honorable that it could eracy, and that to have failed in loyalty to that cause would have been a crime. So not shame even him. did not, does not concern us a such is idle now to inquire concerning such matters. After all is said, affirmed or denied, praised or blamed, this abides: denied, praised or blamed, this abides: ern man should trust or respect any man should trust or res

civilized world that knows how the Lord Protector wrought mightily for civil and

country as ours, be intolerant and vindictive towards our dead leader nearly a lifetime after Appomattox, are not men for speak briefly. I confess that sometimes, for a passing moment, I have indulged the ill-judgment to which I refer. It has been asked: "Why did Mr. Davis continue the war so long? Why did he not treat for peace in 1863 or 1864, and save the country from the last eighteen months

> Looking backward is easy, and looking backward, some say, "Mr. Davis must have known what the end must be."

People grown up since the war, or brought up elsewhere before the war, cannot understand what I am going to say; some who were in the swirl of that tremendous movement will understand me. How could Mr. Davis know? Who else knew? Call it lunacy, fatuity, judicial blindness, destiny; call it whatever one may call it, this is true: Our people did not believe they were going to fail till they were absolutely falling into the abyss. Their perfect confidence was bottomed on their absolute conviction of the righteousness of their cause and the per-fect assurance that Almighty God would vindicate them. Their heroism was matched only by their religion, for when their cause went down in black night and the Confederacy was dead, they accepted the providence that crushed their hope and shocked their faith, and utter failure did not breed unbelief among Southern

A weather-wise man there may have n here and there who knew what the end would be, and that the war ought to stop in 1863; as a rule a man feathering his nest and making money while his people were bleeding to death and cool ough to foresee events because he was oo selfish to feel the throb of the break-

g heart of the Confederacy. The overwhelming mass of our people did not believe that the war should stop short of absolute independence. Mr. Davis could not in 1863 have stopped the war. It would have cost him his head had he tried to do it, and would have

war should be pushed to the bitter end, or to independence, so did we all. If not all, yet the most and the best Southern to be honest, Roberts and I once thought we could. We crossed the Rio Grande as the sun was setting. What is in a name? all, yet the most and the best Southern men and women that there were. The night that Atlanta fell and lurid fires lit the very sky, between midnight and day, I walked through this old town; my home behind me, my family scattered, but I did not believe we would fail. the issues the break-down of the Confederacy brought to him.

Besides, I have often asked myself the question: "At just what period since the final surrender and from what administion could Mr. Davis have asked for the restoration of his citizenship with propriety or profit?" Who is wise enough to answer? The application would have cost over-much. His petition denied, would

heart of a whole people.

These things I have said because they for saving the human race

Not at this time would I enter upon any know that secession was not their remedy; they know that secession was not their remedy; they know that slavery is done with. What Senator Benjamin H. Hill said on these subjects the South says and means. The Southern people are a part of an indissoluble Union, and rejoice in it. But those people of the North who require confession of crime, in the matter of our adherence to the Confederacy, before they will trust our sincere devotion to the

of what the country knows:

1. The greed of gold did not dwarf his wrong in entering into the Confederacy, were clean. His worst enemy cannot or fighting its battles. We believed that think of Jefferson Davis as lending his influence to corrupt practices. The most brazen lobbyists who buy votes could never have approached him. Had he been in the Senate a hundred years the white light of his honest soul would have I am speaking of a simpler thing. I am cannot so much as conceive the thing not considering the wisdom of secession—possible that this clean and kingly man could have sold himself.

could have sold himself.

2. We honor his self-respecting independence. Pressed down with debts that were without dishonor, he toiled on until he died, and would not accept charity from a loving people, who would have made him rich. He did not want cash for patriotism. Now that he is gone the Southern people will honor themselves in paying a debt of gratitude so far as money can pay. They will be responas money can pay. They will be responsible for both his debts and his family,

3. Let our young men remember and emulate his knightly courtesy towards women. Hitherto this grace has charac-

the little children cried in the streets." PROM ARIZONA.

Our trip from Dallas to this place, Phonix, Arizona, occupied fifty-six hours. Thanks be unto Him whose watchful eye and gracious care gave to us both a speedy and pleasant journey. The scenery along our route has been so often described that to write of it would possibly be monotonous. It is principally sagebrush, mesquite bushes, cactus of all sizes, shapes and varieties, sand-hills, barren mountains, with here and there, on favored spots, a human habitation. Most of the latter are adobe—that is, houses made of sun-dried brick. Between Dallas and El Paso, however, are two points where the scenery ascends toward the sublime. At the crossing of the Brazos river one is reminded of the scenery along the M. & C. road as you approach Chattanooga, Tenn. The river lies several feet below distance, then starts for a 200 feet rise in thirteen miles. In making this rise the Texas Canyon is crossed several times, I believe. At one place you are far enough above ground to suggest total calamity in case of a fall. Upon reaching the top of the hill quite a change of temperature is perceptible. Hence on, Ernest and other children were delighted by what seemed a succession of prarie-dog towns. We saw but little after leaving Abilene. But in-cluding that city back to Dallas, if the towns be an index to the country, then the drouth-stricken region of Texas is quite recovered from its scourge. With the light of morning came to view Sierra Blanco. Our train halted for breakfast at what seemed to be its base. Don't know how far it was. Was so badly deceived I could not be persuaded to guess. This I do know: there were large icicles hanging upon the water tank, but the weather did not seem cold, so pure was the air. Leaving this point our train seemed in pursuit of a black smoke. It made for every point of the compass. Three times in rapid succession the car changed shady sides. Two or three times the engine appeared to have turned around and started on a chase after the rear car of our train. Down, down we went, until finally we were in the valley, and henceforth moved in tolerable direct line to El Paso. Here we lingered for several hours, leaving about sundown. The coatless Mexicans stopping a cyclone of incantations.

Let us be just to our heroic dead. He did just what we put him at the head of the Confederacy to do. It he thought the war should be pushed to the bitter end, or to independence, so did we all. If not all was the confederacy to do the bitter end, or to independence, so did we all. If not all was the confederacy to do the bitter end, or to independence, so did we all. If not all was the confederacy to do. Nothing. What was in the Rio Grande? Nothing. A river without water. Dur-

have exasperated the South; granted, it would have increased passion, where, for the Memorial Services, December 11, 1889.]

Lefferson Davis, the first and only President of the "Confederate States of Americal" to be silent. For himself and for us it was best that he preferred no petition for the state of a whole people.

have exasperated the South; granted, it would have increased passion, where, for the Memorial Services, December 11, 1889.]

Lefferson Davis, the first and only President of the "Confederate States of Americal" to be silent. For himself and for us it was best that he preferred no petition for was best it could be procured. The water is drawn late of evening, put in large, unglazed, earthen vessels, and exposed to the air during the night. It becomes quite cool, and retains its temperature during the greater portion of the day. Around here is the same dreary scene—caetus, barren Thornton circuits and Corsicana station. The four are Bosqueville, Wortham and The four are Bosqueville, Wortham and The four are Bosqueville, Wortham and The four are Bosqueville waters. His talk to the class for admissible to the course Many times, before this day, both North and South, in speech and in writing, I have sought, as well as a private citizen might, to foster a true national spirit, which, at last, is but another name for brotherhood. Some things I wish to repeat to-day.

If any in the North would hear me, I would say: The Southern neonle years ago was true to the facts when rep resenting the red man's abode. They were of various shapes and varying size provided you do not understand me to say And now, suddenly, without a moment's

warning, comes a change. Here are large green alfalfa pastures, bordered with cotton-woods yet full of green foliage, and herds of fat cattle lying in the shade or feeding upon the alfalfa. Also grain fields, homes, orchards, vineyards, etc. And now comes the town of Tempe, just at the foot of a lofty hill. It contains a

ground. But I am wandering.
We bade Bro. and Sister Roberts adieu midst of a company of strangers, whose hearts seemed extremely warm toward us. We recognized Dr. Hughes, and were

pleasant to our eyes.
Our first week in Phenix was a week women. Hitherto this grace has characterized our best men. Let us cherish this feeling. There is no highest manhood to Genesis ii:6, only it came down. Up

of radishes a few mornings since. I think he gave me a full quart. For a dime we got turnips enough for three days. are enjoying a sack of raisins raised by one of the brethren, and sent in to us by him a few days ago. But my letter is long enough for this time. Brethren, pray for us. The blessing of heaven upon PHENIX, ARIZONA

WACO DISTRICT.

If the report made by Waco district at the recent session of the Northwest Texas Conference were due in any considerable measure to the zeal and efforts of the present presiding elder, this sketch would not be written. But due as it is to the liberality of the people, up to which they have been brought by years of prayerful education, and to the pastors' untiring efforts, which were not relaxed until the sound of the whistle of the train which you upon one side, while the hills frown upon you from the other. Crossing the river the road clings to its banks for some imposed in him did he not give briefly some account of the admirable manner in which preachers and people have done

This was not a year at the Northwest Texas Conference when a poor report would have been in order. All the dis-tricts did well—some excellently—but Waco excelled them all, if consideration be had to the work required, and to another fact, which can scarcely be stressed unduly, to-wit: the large loss to the district from removals of excellent members. who, during the past year, have sought homes in the Northwest.

First, because most important, there have been more than twelve hundred conversions. The pastors, all of whom were present at the district conference, return-ed to their homes inspired, by their few days' association with each other, with new arder for souls. Let it be said just here that the district conference, if used mainly, if not wholly, as a means of grace to those who attend, without casting about in any way to find its legitimate sphere, becomes at once a peculiarly fit-ting part of our Methodist itinerancy. Just the thing to oil up the machinery and see that everything is in working trim. If held in May or June, soon every evangelistic engine is to be let upon the revival track, and what place so good as a district conference, and what exercise so good as the communion of saints to put

a district in proper running shape? Secondly. There were more than a thousand additions to the church, and a net gain of six hundred and seventy-six. Thirdly, as to the finances of the district. There have been two crop failures

in this part of the conference, with the past year by no means a glowing success. Much of the district grows grain largely, which the past year was well nigh a total failure. Thousands of bushels of wheat are in granaries on this, the 17th day of December, being eaten by the rats, be-cause it is entirely unsaleable at any price. Oats weighed about twenty-six pounds to the bushel, produced about thirty bushels per acre, and commanded only twenty-two cents per bushel. Of course this crop barely paid for harvesting and marketing. Cotton has borne a good yield and commanded a fair price. But in nearly half of Waco district not much cotton has heretofore been grown. Notwithstanding all this, the salaries for

presiding elder and preachers were as- nent, like the majestic Mississippi river. sessed at \$12,035, upon which account which they lie along side of, they move \$12,065, or \$30 in excess were paid. Five

paid in full. The Church Extension Board world, and even in giving his own son to assessed \$355, which was paid in full. The die, was peculiarly felicitous. "God de-Joint Board of Finance assessed the district for conference claimants \$1000; for and suffering, but to show the universe oishops, \$1.5; for education, \$180. Upon how near a man could be deified." these funds were raised, respectively, our hearts swelled as we *55k in the \$995.40, \$112.50 and \$157.00. Or, upon the six collections, taken in the aggregate, mon Sunday, at 11 a. m., I failed to hear. the law of the church) an excess of a few dollars over assessments was reported at the Secretary's table. How chagrined world, both along spiritual and providenthe preachers in the district will be when tial lines-overruling secular governmentgoodly number of people, has tasty churches, a large flowering mill run by water, and so on. That kind faced old the whole \$1000 asked, lacking only \$4.60, enthronement of Jesus as Lord of all. ference claimants received at our hands ing church movements, for the ultimate gentleman in the buggy is Dr. Gregg. At and education lacked only \$23, and bishhis house Roberts is to find a home for ops \$2.50! How gladly they would have to forget that he's an "Episcopas" to the present. Finley is here also. He is filled the little void! But, brethren, this capture the hearts, as he has the heads. has used it for the glory of God, in pushing forward the Master's cause. During the past year he and Bro, Allbright have built two nice, tasty churches, (one at Tempe) and at this writing a nice parsonings annoying us like grains of sand in age for Phoenix circuit is going up. In addition, valuable changes have been made, both in church and parsonage, of thule. No, it has all the year been far Phenix, and a committee are now at above this, as all thoughtful readers will work to locate the Salt River Camp-conclude.

Shakespeare makes Dogberry We bade Bro, and Sister Roberts adieu "Comparisons are odorous," and so they and in a short time found ourselves in the are, but their odor is not always and nec-

essarily unpleasant.
One does not disparage Washington Monument if he announces that Eiffle soon driving down the shady streets of Phenix to his home. The canals and ditches flowing with water were new and with complacency the 555 feet of the former until the 984 of the latter overtops it? Isn't it a mark of heathenish selfishness not to glory in the triumphs of another, if they are the triumphs of the right?

nor noblest womanhood without it.

4. I do not know enough to speak minutely of his religious character. It is common enough to make up verdicts about men's relations to God. I do not.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it will get colder.

Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it which has equalled the report made above, let him give its record to this Apvocate, should irrail man be vain, "especially an Irrain arrival. They say it which has equalled the report made above, let him give its record to this Apvocate, should irrail man be vain," especially an Irrain arrival. They say it which has equalled the report made above, let him give its record to this Apvocate, and the Peripatetic Book
Two Sabbaths have passed since our arrival. They say it which has equalled the report made above, let him give its record to this Apvocate, and the Portro by some, and the Peripatetic Book
Two Sabbat Now, if anybody, anywhere, knows of a that we may rejoice with those who con-tributed under God to its success. This is requested because this writer's sources of (1889) of the "Old Jerusalem," and has goes to Monroe. Fraternally, examined its statistics with some care. examined its statistics with some care. SAM'L P. WRIGHT.

RESULT OF THE YEAR'S LABORS.

Our Texas Annual Conferences are all over, and as far as figures can indicate the greeting. They have from the outset results, they have been given to the pub- shown me the most delicate attentions, lie. Perhaps the readers of the ADVOCATE and since the arrival of my family, on the would like to see a condensed summary of 5th inst., the delicate and thoughtful ex-

CONFERENCES,	No. members	Increase.	Amount paid preachers.	Average sal- ary of preachers.	Amount con- tributed per member.
East Texas. North Nexas. Northwest Texas Texas. West Texas.	20,702 38,669 38,956 13,905 11,648	575 2,692	\$29,677 66,702 76,948 40,093 31,840	\$430 529 546 577 482	\$1 45 1 72 1 98 2 88 2 82
Total.	123,980	3,415	\$ 245,260	\$ 2,564	10 83

*Texas Conference decrease, 332.

The following table shows the amounts contributed in the several conferences for missions, foreign and domestic, and for conference claimants, and the amounts contributed per member for each:

CONTERENCES.	Missionary contribution.	Contributed per member.	Conference claimants.	Contributed per member.
East Texas North Texas Northwest Texas. Texas West Texas	\$3,343 10,000 12,802 5,488 5,100	22ets 24ets 33ets 42ets 40ets	4.000 5.744 2.878	6 cents 6 cents 10 cents 20 cents
Total	\$36,633	1 6lets	\$17,357	72 cents

The above figures are for the con-

sideration of the considerate. In the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the average contribution to the mission cause per member is about thirty cents; in the Methodist Episcopal Church it is forty-four cents. In the Methodist Epis-copal Church there is contributed for con-ference claimants a little less than ten cents per member; in the Church, South, it is a little over ten cents. Not counting the mission conferences, whose pastors are supported from the missionary treasury, the largest contribution is in the Pacific Conference, sixty-three cents per member for missions; next comes the Baltimore Conference, forty-nine cents, and the Louisiana, forty-two cents; Tennessee and Alabama pay forty cents each. West Texas pays more to its conference claimants than any other annual conference in either church. One good lady with a large family of helpless children received at our last conference four hundred dollars. Both the father and grandfather of her children spent their lives in the itinerancy, and died in Texas. The conferences for next year will meet

as follows: West Texas at San Antonio; Northwest Texas at Abilene; North Texas at Texarkana; Texas at Caldwell; East minutes to the secretaries of other conferences, and would be glad to receive theirs in return.

H. S. THRALL. theirs in return.

FROM OUR LOUISIANA CORRESPOND-

I haven't seen your face since I left the North Texas Conference at Greenville!

I promised to write-undertake it now. The - session of the Louisiana Conference has just closed at Baton Rouge. Brethren generally on hand. A more faithful body-working hard fields, on small pay, and amid much to discourage— it were hard to find. Lacking the numbers, it also lacks some of the rough and

(in which way they were evidently not (having to preach elsewhere), but those lifted by the preachers, but according to competent to judge pronounced it a they learn from this report that the con- al and financial agencies, as well as direct-

The Bishop grows on us, and only needs She took the hearts of the conference and congregation by storm, and their pocket books followed to the amount of \$1,237 50. Her address was replete with informa-tion—sparkled with wit, glowed with fervor, and was delivered with a modest dig-gnity well befitting and highly honoring the memory of the sainted, learned, court-ly and beloved bishop who has gone on before her to glory. She will ever find a warm welcome from this conference in the future.

A Holiness Association was formed, with Dr. Carradene as leader, and bids fair to make something of a stir. May the Master direct the grand old ship through the breakers and to the harbor.

The book business grows apace. Some changes were made in the appointments, but no one seriously afflicted, I think. Your correspondent is still called the Cold

C. W. Carter, J. T. Sawyer and J. B. Walker were elected elerical delegates to information are so meagre that he cannot the General Conference, and S. B. Memake his comparisons very widely. He has, however, before him the last journal Goodale, lay delegates. Next conference

BATON ROUGE, LA., Dec. 16, 1889.

ABILENE NOTES.

I am delighted with my people, to whom pressions of love and sympathy have le us all feel perfectly at ease in their

We are greatly pleased also with the ap-pearance of the "Abilene country," and the intelligence, morals and business energy, manifested by the people of the town of

And moreover the enemy that drove me from the Western Virginia Conference.

bronchitis, has not even threatened me in this delightful climate. I have not seen a drunken man since I

came to Abilene, and in all respects it appears to me the most orderly and moral ommunity of the size with which I am acquainted. They are a church-going people, atten-

ive and appreciative hearers of the gospe! In fact, I can say for the State of Texas. so far as I have seen it—and you are aware that I traveled considerably in the State before receiving this appointment at the Belton Conference—that I regard its condition morally and spiritually better than any of the older States with which I am acquainted: the population of adults exceeding them in intelligence in the ag-gregate; and the provision made for edugregate; and the provision made for edu-cating the rising generation more than equal with any of the Southern and border States. Now your Texas readers will say I am a "tender foot;" be it so. These few sentences may fall under the eyes of some others falsely impressed as o the character of this great State, and add a mite toward revealing the truth.

Our new church is progressing nicely. The chairman of the building committee, Bro. Rollins, thinks we will get into it by the middle of January, though it will not be completed until about the 1st of March. Our present place of worship, while it is the best we can do for the present, does not accommodate our congregation, and is so incapable of ventilation that no one

can be comfortable.

I now invite you for a week's visit, say about the 1st of March, next; and while you are writing up this beautiful country, and items upon our growing Methodism in the Abilene district, after consultation with our wide-awake presiding elder, J. A. Wallace, during the day, you can spend your evenings in preaching to appreciative congregations in the new church. 'Tis just across the street from the parsonage, where wife would be pleased to entertain you, thereby hoping to make recompense for your having re-produced Bro. Mecks' nice compliment in the Central through the TEXAS ADVOCATE,

as an introduction to the new and wide While you walk vigorously for a corpulent man, I am sure the distance from the parsonage to the church would be an inducement. To my immediate predecessor, Bro. McCarver, most of this people were strongly attached. In most points he left the church in fine condition. His work toward the erection of the new church was well done and much appreciated. And now I am about to enjoy the fruits of his toil, without the labor of collecting the subscription, a work he had partially completed. He had also solicited most of the subscription. The officers of the church thought that a stranger ought not to be put to the test of collecting, and appointed a court from their own number to attend to this. I suppose that it is better for the church and the brethren engaged that they should attend to the temporalities, but there are occasions

tumble boisterous qualities of the North-west and North Texas Conferences. But while the rush and roar is not so promi-

Gentiles. Accordingly he traveled extensively, both by sea and land, and preached the gospel with great success throughout Asia Minor, Greece, the Isles of the Sea, and Italy, and at Imperial Rome, under the edict of the monster Nero, sealed his faith with his blood.

When John Wesley adopted the itinerant plan of sending men out to preach, he but adopted the divine pattern. Every church that carries on evangelistic and missionary work is under the necessity of adopting the itineracy to a greater or less extent. Under the great commission, "Go ye, therefore, and disciple all naall foreign missions are authorized and inspired. The Christian Church is not merely a fortified camp, but a grand invading army, with Jesus Christ as the great Captain of her salvation, marching forward, with sword in hand and banners flying, to the subjugation of the world, to the King of kings and Lord of lords. And thank God prophecy assures us that the time will come, however distant, when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ.

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Does his successive journey run; His kingdom spread from shore to shore 'Till moon shall wax and wane no more. Let me now say some things in particular with reference to the Methodist system. And 1st. As might be expected, there is more or less friction resulting from the appointing power, lodged in the hands of the bishop and his cabinet. Where so many interests are involved it cannot be otherwise. Though the very best is done to subserve the cause of God, owing to human frailty, mistakes are made, and the wonder is that they are so few. Years of experience and observation have convinced the writer that such mistakes are attributable, for the most part, either to a want of sound judgment or to prejudice on the part of the presiding elders. A mis-conception of the preacher's ability and usefulness, or a prejudice, formed from listening to certain complaining brethren, who are to be found in every charge, leads the presiding elder into error, so that even-handed justice is not dealt out to the preacher by his representative in the cabinet. Here there is just ground for complaint. Again, there are members of the church who are fond of new things, and they request a new preacher at the close of every year. In their judgment the interests of the church require a grant of the church require a grant of the church require as a grant of the church require as a grant of the church require as a grant of the church results of the church require as a grant of the church results of the church require as a grant of the church require as a grant of the church require as a grant of the church require as a church require change. These are the people, as a general rule, who are foremost to advise the presiding elder. The best people are the easiest pleased, and wish the peacher returned, unless he has shown himself unfit for the work. Some men improve by ac-quaintance, and would do better work the second year than the first, and so on to the fourth. The frequent removals of men of families work a great hardship. They are always attended with cost and more or less 2. Refers to John's baptism. But not e and exposure to the inclemency of to discuss it. the weather. This evil is greatly mitigated where comfortable parsonages have been built and provided with all necessary furniture. In my judgment, if it were deviced as a rule, by the bishes and his expectation of the first of discuss it.

3. Speaks of his suffering and ours.

4. His commission, "Go teach," and when men have repented and believed on me to eternal life, initiate them into the conference.

7. A Methodist conference. adopted as a rule by the bishop and his church, i. ϵ ., baptize them in the name of cabinet, except for substantial reasons or by limitation no man should be changed, by limitation no man should be changed, by limitation no man should be changed, by limitation no man should be changed. both preachers and people would be pleased, and the cause of God would be advanced. If the paster should know his people, the people should know the paster. In large circuits such acquaint the time of Christ and his apostles, and ance cannot be obtained in one year. While a term of four years may be long enough for most men, and too long for some, yet as a rule, men of experience should be allowed to remain a full term. That would greatly lessen the hardships of the itineracy, and, consequently, any just ground of complaint. Another ground of complaint I have observed, has resulted from the continuance of the same men in the presiding eldership for a series of years, say from ten to twenty-five years. Such old stagers are apt to become imperious, and to feel that they have a lifetime estate in the office, together with all the honors the church has to bestow. the honors the church has to bestow. Should they be appointed to a circuit or a mission, they feel let down, and, in fact, ten to one, if they can get down to such work. The writer knew a presiding elder in a certain conference, who had been twenty-five consecutive years on districts, till he had worn the effice threadbare. His stock of sermons had been taken from His stock of sermons had been taken from the British Sketches. One of his sugar sticks was on the text: "Remember Lot's wife," and he had repeated it so often that he was known by the unenviable sobriquet of Lot's wife. When Bishop Pierce told him that he would have to remove him from the district, the old gentleman thought it was a high-handed assumption of episcopal authority. The genius of Methodism requires the general distribution of talents throughout the work; therefore, no set of men should be continued for a series of years, either on out facts.

"HEADWATERS" AND "FORKS."

REV. E. D. CAMERON.

Duly located above the "forks," with buly located above the "forks," with that energy which fits a North Texas preacher as a garment, I am holding down the "headwaters." This question of forks is a forked question even when looked at from the dim distance of an annual conference room; but when you arrive on the grounds and "view the landscape o'er" it gets "forkeder and forkeder." There are forks to the right of you, forks to the left of you, while all in a valley of forks rides the poor preacher. I would say to the General Conference.

where he cannot be baptized; for instance, on a desert alone; no water; he can't baptize himself, and has no one to baptize himself, and has no no to baptize himself, and has no no to baptize himself, and has no no to to baptize himself, and has no no to baptize himself, and has no no to baptize himself, and has no no to baptize himself, and has no valley of forks rides the poor preacher. I would say to the General Conference.

the conference line. To our brothers of the Northwest Texas Conference I would say: "Give us this territory and we will try to occupy it to the glory of God and the upbuilding of his kingdom." ARCHER CITY, TEXAS.

ARE WE NOT GETTING MODISH ?

REV. J. T. H. MILLER.

On the floor of one of the Texas conferences a man in authority, for years chairman of the committee for examination of the fourth year, said: "The class are all well up except in 'Neander's Planting and Training of the Christian Church.' I am glad they are not up. I do not wish of study, for it teaches immersion from

around the water. I read of but one case of immersion, and that was poor Peter sinking for lack of faith, crying, "Lord, save." If Jesus Christ ever discussed baptism two minutes his followers and histories failed to give him credit for so doing. There is this record, when Christ came to John Baptist at the Jordan to be initiated into the priesthood: "John forbade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? and Jesus, answering, said, suffer it to be so now, for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness." When questioned by the chief priests and elders about his authority, he said: "The baptism of John, whence was it, of heaven or of men?" This he did to catch them

in their own net.

James and John came to him for promotion in his cabinet. Jesus asked if they could drink of the cup and be baptized of the baptism through which he must pass. Their answer and all has reference to his suffering, and in Luke xii:50, he maks reference to the same in his commission to his disciples to "Go," "Teach," and "Baptize," Four times he mentions bap-

1. To John: It's needful to fulfill the

later, was exclusively by affusion. mersion was a later innovation. I find on the other side so large a number who make just the opposite statement, and by Bible allusions, history, etc., show conclusively allusions, history, etc., show conclusively that immersion was the only mode. What am I to do? I hear some one say take a stand, brother; take some decided stand. But, pray sir, tell me how am I to know who to stand with when equal authority is found on each side? And I hear the answer again: "Take a stand; don't be vacillating; fix yourself and remain there." I will tell you how much this means. It

I will tell you how much this means. It means to act a lie. It means to set up my tenet and work and twist every fact in earth or sky, and drown reason—hush it up forever. It means to hide your eyes from the light. It means more than that to the minister of the carrel. He is lead to the minister of the carrel. from the light. It means more than that to the minister of the gospel. He is leading others. It means to put Neander out of the course of study because, from the very best light that he can get on the subject he believes immersion to be the mode practiced in the time of Christ, and so states the facts. It means to put John Wesley out, for in his notes on the New Testament, written in his extreme old age, he makes the same statement. Farther than this when he statement. Farther than this when he statement. Farther than this, when he came to Georgia he would not baptize an infant except by immersion. Summing up, it means that every ray of light that may dawn from these and other learned men should be suppressed, that my opin-ion should be law and gospel with or with-

'Let us hear the conclusion:" 1. Baptism is an essential, and it is not an essential. It is a part of our known duty, and sins of omission are as great as those of commission. But a man may be placed where he cannot be baptized; for instance,

would say to the General Conference.

Fork, fork, fork with care,
Fork me a circuit the present year.

But to be serious and come to business.

There is a slight technical discrepancy in the Discipline in regard to the line between the two conferences up here. The North the Discipline in regard to the line between the two conferences up here. The North Texas Conference boundary calls for the source of the west fork tributary of Trinity river, and the Northwest Texas Conference boundary calls for the head of the rest were implied, for there was no six months probation in those days. No creeds a conference boundary calls for the head of the rest were implied, for there was no six months probation in those days. No creeds

munion because our pastors refused to do "dirty work." I hear some one say why trouble the past? I tell you, brethren, sin lieth at the door, and such men as the fourth year's committeeman for examination are planting these seeds in the young men's hearts that must are long. young men's hearts that must ere long work untold evil, unless we come close up to the truth on this line. LLANO, TEXAS.

THE UNIFICATION OF METHODISM. LE ROY.

The unification of Methodism is desirable, in order to Christian fraternity; but it is important, if not positively essential, on account of the foreign missionary operations of the church. The prayer of Jesus Christ for his disciples, and for to take issue with the Bishops, but I think them which should believe on him this book should be left out of the course through their word, teaches us, "That they all may be one."

of study, for it teaches immersion from beginning to end."

What is said on the conference floor is public property. To the thinking mind these words meant something. I propose to handle this question with gloves off. There is a tendency on the part of Methodist preachers to become modish. Our church and ministry know no mode.

Christ taught as no other man ever taught on all great moral subjects. Three years men went about with him being taught. He taught them on sea and land, in ships and houses, on the water—around the water. I read of but one case of immersion, and that was poor Peter sinking for lack of faith, crying, "Lord, save," If Jesus Christ, ever the study of the faith on the household above, they will be one, whether from the M. E. Church, North or South; but it is momentous now, in the conversion of the world, in its subjugation to Christ, or in the success of the gospel, teaching the world to "know that the Father hath sent him." The successful promulgation of the gospel is, no doubt, the one desire of the church, North and South; therefore, there should be a correspondent oneness in the work. respondent oneness in the work. Methodism should be not only a unit in faith, but also in work. Then the question to consider is, how can Methodists unite together in the work of the gospel? We answer, by the formation of a Methodist Conference.

> something better:
> 1. A Methodist Conference shall superintendall the interests of foreign missions;

make equitable assessments on General Conferences; and appropriations only beyond the boundary of the United States.

2. It shall have the power to create, readjust, or prescribe territorial boundaries of General Conferences, providing for not less than five in the United States, to be recognized according to geographical be recognized according to geographical location, as a part of the Methodist Epis-copal Church.

3. Let it be composed of seven clerical, one of whom shall be a bishop, and seven lay members of each General Conference, all of whom shall be elected for a term of the conference action. With love for all.

four years.

4. Bishops only shall be eligible to the superintency of a Methodist Conference.

5. It shall meet annually at such a time and place as may be decided by the conference.

Conference. South, propose the formation of A METHODIST CONFERENCE.

If rejected by the M. E. Church, then let our recourse be to "go forward." Let our General Conference agree to the formation of a Methodist Conference. In order thereto, let it divide our territory order thereto, let it divide our territory by forming a Southern General Conference and a Western General Conference. Let these conferences meet, organize and elect delegates for the formation of a Methodist Conference. Let our church drop two words in the name—Episcopal and South—and let it be the Methodist Church, to be distinguished by location: In China, as the China Methodist Church, etc. Church, etc.

ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD TO THEM THAT LOVE GOD." Romans viii:28. REV. JAMES N. SNOW

to every form of good and evil as possessing a like moral character, the soul is filled with horrible misgivings. The opinion that the existence of evil is necessary for the propagation or continuation of good, which seems to be dominant in the minds of some of our learned men, is not supported by the Bible nor any part of the doctrine of the Methodist Church.

The good that accrues to man from the

firming a positive purpose of good. When moral good is the result of the action of evil, it is not in cause and effect a design of God, nor is the good result the expecta-tion of the devil, but the evil is overruled dered abortive and his purposes thwarted.
"He that is for us is greater than he that is against us." The Spirit, when given a chance, will overrule all the actions of evil. Suppose a man by honest labor has secured a comfortable home for his de-Conference boundary calls for the head of the west fork of Trinity river. (See Discipline). It is contended that the head of the west fork of Trinity and the source of the west tributary are two different places. This deponent knoweth not. This much is certain, however, that Archer City and the county west of Archer City for ten miles is in the North Texas Conference, and this will take in Iowa Park. But there is some territory unsettled. For the good of all, the line must

THE METHODIST ITINERACY.

NINTOL

Our itineracy is clearly in harmony with the practice of Christ and his apostles, as well as with the genius of Christanity. Jesus Christ himself was a great itinerant preacher. "And Jesus went about all gaille, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and heating all manner of disease among the people."

So, also, the twelve apostles and the seventy were sent out to preach through and is so crowded that he only are that ever lived. He was specially called to be are the glad it dings of salvation to the fentiles. Accordingly he traveled extensively, both by seen and land, and preached the gospel with great success through and six how to the fentiles. Accordingly he traveled extensively, both by seen and land, and preached the gospel with great success through and six have been successively, both by seen and land, and preached the gospel of the great in american and let the contribute of the Northwest Texas Conference. With the principle of the contribute of the serventy were sent out to preach through and severally were sent out to preach through and preached the contribute of the serventy were sent out to preach through and preached the properties of the serventy were sent out to preach through and the great preachers through and the great preachers through and the great preachers through and the great preacher that ever lived. He was specially called to give up that it holds to give them a fail for more 'than a year; during that appointment and could give them a fail to give the preacher of that the cries of widows and orphans were pleasing to God and the diffusion of blood pleasing to God and the diffusion of blood a better way to settle the difficulty than by arbitration. The civil war was not necessary that we might secure the pres-ent good which we enjoy, though it seemed inevitable. I believe that good does in some cases follow an absolute evil, but some cases follow an absolute evil, but not in the order of cause and effect. When we are shielded by the love of God we are safe. We are, so far as the things of the world are concerned, invulnerable. The missles of evil may fly thick about us, but cannot penetrate the shield of love. Death may stare us in the face at the most inopportune time, but even that cannot work evil to us if we love God. cannot work evil to us if we love God.

If evil is essential for the success of good, why so much ado about pessimism? How can a minister of God have the face to denounce evil if he believes it is necessary to good? No, evil is a fatal misfortune, and the world would be better off without it. We regard this in our fight against it. God does not need the devil to assist him in running his business. Read James,

THAT EXPLANATION AGAIN.

Bro. S. P. Wright pities me for attempt ng to notice the good name of Bro. C. H. Ellis. "Tis true, 'tis pity: and pity 'tis, 'tis true" that we do not always guard the reputation of our brother as we should.

The explanation was made because of surmises as to the cause of Bro. Ellis' location, and was needed for two reasons: 1. The world is not presumed to know the grounds upon which we locate preachers The necessity is apparent; therefore, we make the following suggestions, which may contribute to the inauguration of more causes than one for locating a against their will, and they take occasion preacher, even when his moral character is not involved, such as involvement in secular business, inefficiency, and failure to go to the work assigned him. It is due a brother that the cause be stated.

Bro. Ellis had labored efficiently in

Georgia, Arkansas and Texas, and he felt it was simple justice to him that his brethren and the world should know the grounds of his location. Like Bro. Wright, I think he endured an ordeal severe nough, and my explanation was a sim-le statement that reflected on no one,

THE WITNESS OF THE SPIRIT.

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God." Rom.viii:16.

The doctrine of the witness of the Spirit 7. A Methodist conference shall not is plainly taught in the scriptures of difurther limit the powers of a General vine truth. By laying aside all objections that may be brought against it, and by ad-REMARKS.—Let the M. E. Church, hering strictly to the teaching of the Bible, we will be taught right on the subject. Avoid all glossy interpretations of scripture and be led by "The Spirit," and "He will guide you into all truth."-John xvi: 13 The witness of the Spirit is the doctrine of adoption. By it we are re-ceived into the family of God and become "heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ."—Rom. viii:17.

We should not run to an extreme and

claim too much for this consoling doctrine, and thus be led into wild enthusiasm. We should also avoid the opposite ex-We should also avoid the opposite extreme of dead formality and not be of those who, "having a form of godliness, deny the power thereof."—II Timothy, iii: 5.

It is the privilege of every child of God to enjoy the witness of the Spirit. God does not give this blessing to a few because they are his favored ones, but "because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the spirit of his Son into your hearts"—Gal. iv: 6.

And again, "he that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself.—I John. v: 10. The Comforter is to "reprove the world of sin."—John. xvi: 3, and if: we turn at the reproof we will receive the we turn at the reproof we will receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. "Turn you at my reproof; behold, I will pour

of the doctrine of the Methodist Church.

The good that accrues to man from the action of evil is negative. It does not come direct, nor does it come indirect, affirming a positive purpose of good. When (Rom. vi:18). He may lower the Bible standard of Christianity; he may exalt his own morality, and "think more high-ly of himself than he ought to think" (Rom. xii:3); and then he may come to wrong conclusions in comparing himself as he is with what the Bible requires of him to entitle him to the inheritance of heaven. Besides, the Bible does not say to any one: "You are a Christian." It only says that certain moral qualifica-tions are necessary to form a Christian character, and the Spirit makes known to each one when he is a possessor of those qualifications. The tree first, then the fruit. We have the Spirit, then the fruits of the Spirit. First "justified by faith," and then "have peace with God."

(Rom. v:1).

Satan works upon the minds and hearts of men to lead them into sin. The evil spirit does not have more power or au-thority than God. Therefore the Spirit ple to incline them to good, comfort them in tribulations, remove all doubts and "bear witness with their spirit that they are children of God." Christ says: "Lo, of God moves upon the hearts of his

R. DRUMM & CO. ssors to DRUMM & BAKER BROS.) FLORISTS AND SEED MERCHANTS

BULK SEED A SPECIALTY.

We by His Spirit prove, And know the things of God, The things which freely of his love He hath on us bestowed.

His Spirit us he gave, Who dwells in us, we know; The witness in ourselves we have, And all its fruits we show.

Our natures turned, our mind Transformed in all its powers; And both the witnesses are joined, The Spirit of God with ours.

ELIAS ROBERTSON BOERNE, TEXAS.

OF LATE.

With what rapidity the past year brought us up to conference! Since saying farewell to the kind people of Haskell, my experience of a year's work there has been hung away in memory's halls as the period of a day. While true in the ideal sense, in reality this assumes greater proportions. A visit to one's parents at the close of a year's pastorate, gradually dawns on the young preacher's mind as his heart | CHOICE SACRED SOLOS, 34 fine songs ... yearns for the approaching event. Such CHOICE SACRED SOLOS, for Low Voice, 40 sgs. \$ an occasion is a pleasure. Spending the song CLASSICS, Soprano and Tenor, 50 songs. greater part of November at Waco, I resong CLASSICS, Low Voice, 47 songs...... verted to many events of ecclesiastical nature. First allow me to make mention of the spiritual atmosphere in and about Fifth Street Church. The services alone EVERESTS ALBUM of SONGS, good attended there repaid me for the stay. Bro. Bourland's religious sermons, the growing Sunday-school, the refreshing

class-meeting, gave a Sabbath feast not everywhere enjoyed. With due deference to whatever the past may have been, it is safe to say that during my acquaintance of more than a decade with this congregation, I have not known it so spiritual as now. This is evinced partly from the fact that past blessings and experiences have been placed to good account, and otherwise because of a spiritual pastor and preacher. A mem-ber of that congregation said to me: "Bro. Bourland preaches every Sunday as

if in a camp-meeting."

The kindness and grandeur with which the doctor explained to the choir how he appreciated and cherished the "old-fashioned" hymns because they rhymed with his experience, inspired his soul and thrilled his being, intensified religious fervor fully one degree in every hearer's

This church has a remarkable history. Within a brief period three of its minis-ters, denying the faith, crossed to the enemy's ranks and have energized their efforts with those who are found to war against God. Notwithstanding the dark hours of intidel departure, God can and does raise up spiritual ministers. Amidst scenes of such victory, how significant that expression, "The refiner's fire but consumes the dross and purifies the gold."

Sunday following conference was a day of peculiar interest to me. I preached at what might be termed the lowest and the highest places in Waco. At 11 o'clock I delivered a prison sermon to the inmates of the county jail—a new, yet profitable, experience for me. Eighteen whites, most all of whom were young, able bodied men, listened attentively to the account of the midnight prayer-meeting held by Paul and Silas.

After services, when they gathered round to receive some religious papers and literature, I recognized the familiar face of a young man whom I had known when a little boy. A difficulty while under the influence of spiritous liquor ex-

plained his presence; and such is the case with most all the others; as well the two score blacks in a separate cell.

At night the singular pleasure which I had in occupying Bro. Bourland's pulpit can be appreciated best by those who may recall the presentations. recall the memorable event when first honored with the privilege of preaching in their mother church. When the brethren licensed me to preach and saw that lack of advancement would not warrant lack of advancement would not warrant any trial efforts at pulpit oratory, my heart fully concurred; for really, in my boyish simplicity, I looked up to the Fifth Street pulpit as a position too high ever to be attained except in youthful hopes.

On November 26th the scene was changed as I bade adieu to these pleasant associations and boarded the train toward Vanhyilla and Vanderhilt University.

Nashville and Vanderbilt University.

While not in Texas, my heart is there and in sympathy with my brethren in our Zion's Work.

C. V. Bailby. NASHVILLE, TENN.

W. ELLIOTT,

109 and 111 Travis St., Sherman, and 517 and 519 Main St., Denison, Texas. WOLESALE AND RETAIL

FURNITURE.

WALL PAPER, Pianos and Organs.

Buying direct from the factories in carload lots or spot cash, enables us to give better advanta

By permission we refer to Shaw & Blaylock HARTMAN MANUF'G. CO. Really Flexible Steel Wire Mat



OUR NEW MAT ABSOLUTELY PLIABLE and ELASTIC

in every direction.

INTERWOVEN spira wire BORDER.

NO FRAME to twist, NO RIVETS to loosen BUY NO IMITATIONS OR SUBSTITUTES
Ask your Dealer for "THE HARTMAN"
Flexible Steel or Brass Wire Mats.

Bulb Importers. Write for Catalogue.

800 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas.
In Street. Dallas, Texas.

865 A MONTH AND BOARD PAID,
or highest commission and 30 DAYS'
CREDIT to Agents on our NEW BOOK.
P. W. ZIEGLER & Co., 223 Market St., St. Louis, Mo.



Presents in the most elegant form THE LAXATIVE AND NUTRITIOUS JUICE FIGS OF CALIFORNIA,

Combined with the medicinal virtues of plants known to be most beneficial to the human system, forming an agreeable and effective laxative to permanently cure Habitual Constipation, and the many ills depending on a weak or inactive condition of the

KIDNEYS, LIVER AND BOWELS. It is the most excellent remedy known to CLEANSE THE SYSTEM EFFECTUALLY

When one is Bilious or Constipated

PURE BLOOD, REFRESHING SLEEP, HEALTH and STRENGTH NATURALLY FOLLOW.

Every one is using it and all are delighted with it. ASK YOUR DRUGGIST FOR SYRUP OF FIGS

MANUFACTURED ONLY BY CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. SAN FRANCISCO, CAL,

1 The New 8 Year! 9 New Year! C New and true Music Books.

CLASSIC BARITONE & BASS SONGS.

CLASSIC VOCAL DUETS, the very best. EVERESTS ALBUM of SONGS, good selections. MAUD V. WHITE'S ALBUM, tasteful songs \$ SULLIVAN'S VOCAL ALBUM, a master's work. 31 POPULAR SONG COLLECTION, 37 good songs. . \$1 GOOD OLD SONGS we used to sing, 115 songs . . . 5 RHYMES & TUNES; Osgood. Sweet home music.\$1

INSTRUMENTAL. PIANO CLASSICS, Vol. 1, 44 pieces. PIANO CLASSICS, Vol. 2, 31 pieces. CLASSICAL PIANIST, 42 pieces.... POPULAR PIANO COLLECTION, 27 pieces.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLASSICS, 52 easy pieces. The above are all superior books.

Any book mailed for retail price.

OLIVER DITSON COMPANY, Boston. C. H. Ditson & Co., 867 Broadway, New York.

The Character of the

New York Ledger.

The New York Ledger directs its efforts towards crowding out that trashy and injurious literature which is poisoning the minds of American youth. The Ledger appeals to the intelligence of the people, and depends for its support on that taste which prevails for innocent and amusing entertainment and healthful instruction. The Ledger will contain the best Serial and Short Stories, Historical and Biographical Sketches, Travels, Wit and Humor, and everything interesting to the Household.

Subscription money can be sent at our risk by

the Household.

Subscription money can be sent at our risk by Post Office Money Order, Bank Check or Draft, or an Express Money Order. Send \$2 for a Year's Subscription, or 5 cents for Sam, le Copy and Illustrated Calendar Announcement.

ROBERT BONNER'S SONS, 279 WII-

250 most popular Hymns, old and new, with appropriate tunes. Price 20 cents: (postage extra, cents); by 100, 15 cents; 500, 12 cents; by 1000, 11 cents

WORDS TO CHRISTIAN TEACHERS.

cents; by 190, 3 cents; Ministers and Theological CHRIST'S TESTIMONY TO THE SCRIP-TURES. By Rev. ROBERT PATTERSON, D.D., and CHRIST AND THE SCRIPTURES. By Rev. ADOLPH SAPHIR, D.D. 16mo, paper. Price, 5 cents; by the 100, 3 cents. Postage, 1 cent per copy extra. Free to ministers and Theological Students.

RECENT BOOKS. TANGLETOP. By Mary B. Waterman. Cloth. -12mo, 351 pp. \$1.35. THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAN OF THE SOUTH. 12mo, cloth, illustrated. 189pp., 75 cents net. Postage extra, 8 cents per copy.

KORNO SIGA, THE MOUNTAIN CHIEP: or, Life in Assam. By Mrs. Mildred Marston. 12mo., cloth. 200pp. 90 cents.

12mo., cloth. 209pp. 90 cents.

IN SAFE HANDS. By Mary Hubbard Howell.
12mo, cloth. 306pp. \$1.25.

HOME AND WORK BY THE RIVERS OF
EDEN. 12mo, cloth. Illustrated. 197pp. \$1.00.

THE CHRISTIAN UNITY OF CAPITAL
AND LABOR. \$1000 Prize Book. 12mo, cloth.
\$1.00; paper, 50 cents.

The American Sunday - School Union. 1122 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. 10 Bible House, New York.

LADIES' HOME JOURNAL

CURTIS PUBLISHING CO., Philadelphia

months, or \$1.00 for a year.

A handsome Magazine. Circulation over Half Million monthly. Send 25 cents for three

TOLD 200 PLATED LACE PINS



Cold and Silver Watches

-DIAMONDS-Silver and Plated Ware,

OPERA AND FIELD GLASSES, POCKET KNIVES, SCISSORS, ETC. Our Ilkistrated Catalogue will be sent free to any me sending us their address.

IRION & CIRARDET, S. W. Cor. 5th and Market, LOUISVILLE, KY.

FINE Watch Repairing and Engraving done for the Trade. Reference, this Paper. JOSEPH CILLOTTS STEEL PENS GOLD MEDAL PARIS EXPOSITION-1878, THE MOST PERFECT OF PENS

1. The l. 2. 3.

trave
4. I. wa
5. 6
speak
6. 7.
They
8.
thous
9.
Burn
10.

ing o

An a right 12.

him? fell u

not, 14. His v 15. shou 16. He s

turn 18.

spiri 20. peop Lesse

In God were

eoma brihim and give four Codarst Quin Syriin Kon Kin, pher at the large an a Process of the large and large large and large lar

13.

About the Lesson.

LESSON I., SUNDAY, JANUARY 5.

THE FORERUNNER ANNOUNCED. Luke i: 5-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.

"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me."—(Mal. iii: 1.)

MEMORY VERSES, 13-16.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

1. What book are we now studying? The book of Luke. Who was Luke? He was a physician? With which of the apostles did he

CE

be

r.

Vil-

th.

4. What was the time of our lesson? I was in the days of Herod the king.
5. Of what two people does the lesson speak? Zacharias and Elisabeth.

travel? Paul.

6. Who was Zacharias? A priest.7. What is said of him and his wife? They were good people.

8. Did they have any children? No, though quite old.

What was Zacharias now doing? Burning incense. What were the people doing? Pray-

ing outside the temple.

11. What appeared unto Zacharias?
An angel of the Lord, standing on the right side of the altar.

12. How did Zacharias feel when he saw him? He was troubled, and great fear

fell upon him.

13. What did the angel say? "Fear not, Zacharias; for thy prayer is heard."

14. What did he say should happen? His wife should be the mother of a son.

15. What should the son be called? He should be called John.

16. What kind of a child should he be?

He should be good from his birth.

17. What should he do? He should turn many to the Lord their God. 18. Before whom should he go? The 19. In whose spirit and power? In the

spirit and power of Elias.
20. Whom should he make ready? A people prepared for the Lord.—Illustrated Lesson Paper.

LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Intervening Events .- For four centuries God had not spoken to men. The Jews were scattered abroad; the Greek lan-guage had become the organ of civiliza-tion and international intercourse; the Roman Empire had covered the civilized world. "The fulness of the time" had come. Luke prefaces his narrative with a brief address to "Theophilus," telling him how he was prepared for his work, and why he writes. The lesson itself gives the earliest incident recorded in the

our Gospels. Contemporary Events .- Augustus Cæsar, airst Roman emperor, ruling; Cyrenius, the Quirinius of Tacitus, probably governor of Syria under Roman appointment; Egypt, a Roman province; Arabia Petrea, ruled by King Aretas. Strabo the Greek geographer, Ovid, Livy, and Seneca, were living at this time. General peace prevailed, and the Roman Empire held sway over the larger part of the known world. It was an age of remarkable intellectual activity. Place. — Jerusalem, in the temple. Verses 5-7, however, refer to the home of Zacharias and Elisabeth, the position of

which will be discussed later.

Time.—As in previous years, the chronology followed accepts the year of Rome
749 as the year of our Lord's birth; that 749 as the year of our Lord's birth; that is, B. C. 5. For convenience, December 25 may be regarded as the time of year, but it may have been earlier. The events in the lesson occurred about fifteen months before the birth of our Lord; according to Andrews and others, in October, 748 (B. C. 6). The margin of our Lordisch Bibles attempts to give the year English Bibles attempts to give the year correctly in the earlier chapters of Mathew and Luke, but to the accounts of the ministry joins the number corresponding to the actual age of our Lord,, and not that of the year according to the Dionysian era (A. D.).

Persons.—Zacharias and Elisabeth his

wife, the angel Gabriel, the assembled sraelites worshiping in the temple. Incidents. — Description of the aged priest and his wife; the assembly at the hour of incense; Zacharias enters the

holy place; an angel appears to him; the fear of Zacharias; the message of the angel, full of comfort to the priest, as a man, a Jew, and a priest.

LESSON SUMMARY.

Even in the darkest day God is making preparation for a bright future. The best things to God's people are always before them, never behind. The hope of what is to be ought to cheer and inspire those who walk by faith, when sight gives no ground of encouragement. These are the teachings of this opening lesson of the new

It was a dark day to God's people. The Jewish nation was under the Roman yoke. The Jewish Church was in a low state spiritually. Formalism prevailed in its religious ceremonials. For four centuries the voice of prophecy had been hushed in silence. Only here and there was there a loving, longing heart looking with confident hope for the speedy fulfilment of God's promises of good to Israel. A shadow rested over the childless home of shadow rested over the childless home of the godly Zacharias. He and his wife Elisabeth were nearing the close of life without the prospect of any son to bear their name and continue their work, as they had hoped, in the long ago, would be

Then it was that God's angel came to the heavy-hearted priest, and said, "Fear not." Then it was that God's angel gave assurance that there were brighter days for that lonely home than had ever been dreamed of there, and that the brightness should extend beyond that home into the whole realm of the people of God. Then it was that there was a new beginning of good news to all the world—good news that is fresh to us all to-day, and that shall

that is fresh to us all to-day, and that shall be fresh to a thousand generations.

No home of a child of God is ever forgotten or neglected by the loving Father of all. Whatever shadow is on it to-day, there is brightness for it yet to be revealed. However gloomy may be the present state of the church of God, its best days are in the future. And even the best things that God now gives, in the home or in the church, to those who are home or in the church, to those who are dear to him, are but an earnest of still dear to him, are but an earnest of stin-better things to come to others hereafter. There is comfort in this thought—com-fort in dark days and comfort in bright days. It is good to have hope for our-selves. It is good to have hope for those who come after us. It is good to be the

receiver of blessings. It is good to be the messenger and forerunner of blessings.

The words of cheer to Zachrias are words to us, each and all: "Fear not;"
"Thy prayer is heard;" "Thou shalt have joy and gladness and many in the state of the state of

Every one of us ought so to live as to give cause of gratitude to those who follow us, generations hence, in the service of Christ.

God may seem to delay his best blessings to his loved ones; but those blessings will come at just the best time—as God sees the true need of those who are dear to him.

A home without a child cannot be a home at its happiest. Those who have children in their home have reason to be very grateful to God for this possession. Those who have no children ought to feel that they are called of God to make other

homes the happier for their childlessness.

The best loved child of God has his regular daily duties to attend to; and no child of God is more likely to receive a special message from God than while he is attending to his regular daily duties.—

Sunday School Times.

Old and Voung.

WINTER APPLES.

What cheer is there that is half so good, In the snowy waste of a winter night, As a dancing fire of hickory wood, And an easy chair in its mellow light, And a pearmain apple, ruddy and sleek Or a jenneting with a freckled cheek?

A russet apple is fair to view, With a tawny tint like an autumn leaf, The warmth of a ripened corn-field's hue, Or golden hint of a harvest sheaf; And the wholesome breath of the finished

year Is held in a winesap's blooming sphere.

They bring you a thought of the orchard trees
In blossomy April and leafy June.
And the sleepy droning of bumble-bees
In the lazy light of the afternoon.
And tangled clover, and bobolink,
Tiger lilies and garden pinks.

If you've somewhere left, with its gables wide,
A farm-house set in an orchard old,
You'll see it all in the winter-tide
At the sight of a pippin's green-and-gold,
Or a pearmain apple, ruddy and sleek,
Or a jenneting with a freckled cheek.

-Hattie Whitney, in St. Nicholas.

IMPRISONED IN A CLOCK-FACE.

One of the glories of the ancient church of St. Martin's was in its fine clock. It was the boast of old Hans Scheller that during the whole forty years in which he had been custodian of the church, the clock had never stopped or gone wrong, and nothing could convince him that it was not the finest clock in the

The only thing which troubled Hans was the fear lest his inquisitive little son Kaspar, who was always in some mischief Kaspar, who was always in some inscrinction of other, should, in one of his boyish pranks, injure the mechanism of this wonderful timepiece. No wonder, therework that when one morning he was "When we stop and think, the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" "No!" they all answered. "So we cannot see the sun, even with a telescope," I said. "We can see a litting to the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" at the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" "So we cannot see the sun, even with a telescope," I said. "We can see a litting to the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" "No!" they all answered. "So we cannot see the sun, even with a telescope," I said. "We can see a litting to the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" at the sun does almost everything; doesn't he?" "No!" they all answered. "So we cannot see the sun, even with a telescope," I said. "We can see a litting to the sun does almost everything the sun does almost everyth keting, Hans took care first of all to lock the door of the church tower and put the key in his pocket.

"No harm can happen now," he mut-tered; "and, in any case, I shall be back before he gets out of school." But, as ill-luck would have it, the teach-

er was called away by some business that afternoon, and the boys got out of school more than an hour earlier than usual.

Kasper, finding his father gone, went straight to the door of the clock tower, and looked rather blank on discovering that the telescope. Tom tried to find the nest of a robin that flew from a maple tree. Ralph had gotten into mud, and was cleaning his shoes. Elizabeth was that it was locked. But he was not one to be easily stopped when he had once made up his mind. Getting out upon the roof, and crawling along a cornice, where only a cat or a school-boy could have found footing, he crept through an air-

hole right into the clock-room.

For some time he was as happy as a down upon the market-place, through the face of the clo k itself. But, when he tried to withdraw his head again it would "Now, what are we going to study?" tried to withdraw his head again it would

not come. It was a queer scrape to be in, and Kaspar was more inclined to laugh than be irightened; but suddenly a thought struck him, which scared him in earnest; his neck was in the track of the minute-hand, which, when it reached him, must inevitably tear his head off!

Poor Kaspar! It was too late now to wish that he had left the clock alone. He tried to scream for help; but, with his neck in that cramped position, the cry that he gave was scarcely louder than the chirp of a sparrow. He struggled desperately to writhe himself back through the hole, but a piece of the woodwork had slipped down the back of his neck and held him like a vice.

On came the destroyer, nearer and nearer still, marking off with its measured

tick his few remaining moments of life. And all the while the sun was shining gayly, the tiny flags were fluttering on the booths of the market place, and the merry voices of his school-fellows who were playing in the market-place came faintly to his ears, while he hung there helpless, with death stealing upon him

His head grew dizzy, the measured beat of the ticking sounded like the roll of a muffled drum, while the coming hand of the clock looked like a monstrous arm outstretched to seize him, and the carved faces on the spouts seemed to grin and gibber at him in mockery. And still the terrible hand crept onward, nearer, nearer,

What can that thing in the clock-face

be?" said a tourist below, pointing his spyglass upward. "Why, I declare it looks like a boy's head!"
"A boy's head!" cried a gray-headed watchmaker beside him, one of Hans Scheller's especial friends snatching hast-like at the class as he spoke. "Why, ground ily at the glass as he spoke. "Why, good gracious! it's little Kaspar. He'll be killed—he'll be killed!" And he rushed toward the church shouting like a madman.

The alarm spread like wildfire; and before Klugmann, the watchmaker, had got half way up the stairs leading to the tower more than a score of excited men were scampering at his heels. But at the top

scampering at his heels. But at the top stairs they were suddenly brought to a standstill by the locked door.
"It is locked!" cried Klugmann, in tones of horror; "and Hans must have taken the key with him, for it isn't here."
"Never mind the key!" roared a brawny smith behind him. "Pick up that beam, countains and run it against the lock. comrades, and run it against the lock.

All together, now!' h went the door; in rushed the crowd; and Kaspar, now senseless from sheer fright, was dragged out of his strange prison just as the huge bar of the minute hand actually touched his neck.

And so it fell out that poor old Scheller, coming home for a quiet afternoon nap, found the door of the tower smashed in, his con lying in a sweep and his little.

his son lying in a swoon, and his little room filled with strange men, all talking at once. But from that day forth Kaspar Scheller never meddled with the church clock again.—Selected.

ing in a "I-see-something-that-you-don't-see" kind of a way.

"Well, boys, you know God says 'I am a sun,' and I wish to-day we might find out what it means. Let's stop and think, and see what we know about the sun. All of you try and tell me something about the sun while we are walking over to that cool, shady hill."

"The sun gives light," said Tom.

"What else gives light?" I asked.

"The moon!" cried Alice.

"Oh, but that's the sun's light!" cried Tom.

"The moon's only a looking-glass

Tom. "The moon's only a looking-glass reflecting the sunlight—the way I did in school the other day."

"Yes, but what else giveslight?"
"Gas and lamps," said Tom.
"But gas is made from coal," I said; and coal was once wood that grew by the light of the sun, and so gas-light is sunlight of bygone years preserved in the earth. But does the sun do anything be-side give light?"

side give light?"

"Heat!" cried several.

"Well, I should say so!" said Bess.

"Why did I bring this sack?"

"I'll carry it, Bess," said John.

John comes from Philadelphia. He's visiting here; and the boys didn't know what to think of this politeness. But we all liked him. He is so manly.

"Yes," I said, "the sun gives us heat. Now, boys and girls, I want you to think. Stop laughing and talking and fooling, and think. If you can't think for a few minutes, I don't want you to go along. We're a thinking society to-

to go along. We're a thinking society to-day. Tell me what the sun does."
"The sun makes the flowers grow,"
said Bess, timidly.
"Den de sun made dis daisy," said darling Elizabeth.

Elizabeth.
"Why," cried Alice, "if the sun does all this, he does almost everything! Think of the light, and how much we need it to see, and of the heat, that makes the flow-ers and plants and trees blossom, and of volving around it, it would only be a lit-

child in a toy-shop, running from one marvel to another, till at length he discovered another hole, and, thrusting his head through it, found himself looking down upon the market-place, through the

asked. And all answered: "The sun!" "Not exactly," I said.

After a few minutes, while I was adjusting the telescope, Tom said, as if he were

'That's it!" I said. "God." "Which would you rather know-God or the sun?" I asked.

No one answered; and I went on: "Now, I want you all to turn your eyes right at the sun, and tell me how it looks. None of them could do it.

'It hurts!" they cried. "My eyes are too weak. How can we see the sun?" I asked. "Through the telescope!" "Can you see God?" I asked.

Who is the telescope that shows us r Father in heaven? Ralph said, "Jesus."
"Ah, yes. We cannot see God; but
Jesus has revealed him to us, his great

love for us, and his will that we should be saved. And Jesus is more attractive and more useful and necessary than this And I went on fixing the eye-piece.

"Loot out, sweetheart!" I said to Eliz-eth. "Don't let the light shining through the telescope strike you. It will

Elizabeth opened her great brown eyes, and stood back in the grass; and Nell asked: "How can we look through the tele-

scope, then?"
"We cannot," I answered. "The light is too strong. We look in the side of the telescope, and see the light fall upon a little glass running slanting across the

telescope."
Tom said, "I'll look through the end!"
And he blustered up to the instrument. "It will put out your eyes!" I said.
"And that's the way we see God. No man can see God and live. You notice, a whole flood of light goes through the telescope; and we can only look at a faint telescope; and we can only look at a faint little reflection of the sun off here on the side. And so Jesus could have told us great truths about God that we were not able to bear; but he only told us one simple and sweet gospel—about the love of God for us and his own loving death for the county have a county here.

us. Come here, Elizabeth!"

And I picked up the curly darling, and let her look at the sun first. We all stood still, and, after a few minutes she

asked:
"Is that God?"
"No, sweetheart. That's the sun; but
God is as bright and lovely and good."
"Now, Tom!" I said, as I fixed the tele-

"The telescope is moving!" said Tom.
"Oh, no!" I said. "You are mistaken." Tom looked again.
"Indeed sir, the telescope is moving."

And I told them that the whole earth

was "it" in another; and we all walked out to see the sun. You may be sure that my eye was resting upon my own sweet friend, Elizabeth, who is so timid. She walked alone out in the field, gathered odd little flowers, and was always looking in a "I-see-something-that-you-don't-see" kind of a way.

"Well, boys, you know God says 'I am a sun,' and I wish to-day we might find out what it means. Let's stop and think, "It's is adved like the leave of Basey's look of the sun looked as flame bordering it.

"It's is adved like the leave of Basey's look of the roof of my own house. "Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!" sounded in my ears, and to my surprise I was once more in my chair by the fire, holding the book of Mother Goose Melodies. I arose and walked to the window. There shone the moon, clear and bright, while the moving—little tiny spots of rice, rising and falling, coming and going. The edge of the sun had a flame bordering it.

"It's is adved like the leave on Basey's look and the was always looking in a surface. They saw in these spots a black space in the middle, called the umbra, and a lighter edge around it, called the penumbra; the book of Mother Goose Melodies. I arose and walked to the window. There shone the moon, clear and bright, while the "Man in the moon" seemed to wink at me. Looking again I fancied I saw Santa and his reindeer flying over the house tops. A fancy, did I say? No, I was sure of it; for look and the middle, called the unbra, and a like to all a good night!" lighter edge around it, called the penumbra; and they enjoyed watching the flakes of flame, the fringes and sprays, playing about the edge of the spot. They saw the surface of the sun looked as if it were moving—little tiny spots of rice, rising and falling, coming and going. The edge of the sun had a flame bordering it.

"It is edged like the lace on Bessy's collar—isn't it?" said Alice.

away."
"I think I can," said Ralph. "Do you see the blue mountains over there

"Where?" several asked. "Over there! They are thirty miles At last some of us thought we could see

the mountains.

"Now, do you think you can see the sun, which is ninety-one million miles away?" They all looked thoughtful.
"Well, I think we can," said Tom.
"But you cannot," I said.
Then they all rolled over in the grass

and laughed.

"Excuse me, sir," said John very politely; "but I think I can see the sun."

"Oh! well," I said. "Of course, you see what you call the sun; but that is not much like the real sun."

ink for a few minutes, I don't want you go along. We're a thinking society toay. Tell me what the sun does."
"The sun makes the flowers grow,"
id Bess, timidly.
"Den de sun made dis daisy," said
urling Elizabeth.
"The sun makes the clouds rise out of the sun makes the clouds rise out of the sun, and is easily large enough
to let our earth pass into it without touch. the ocean down South, and sends them to give us water," said Nell.

"The sun makes the snow by holding to College, tells of one that was large back his heat," said Ralph.
"I wish it would snow," said innocent
Elizabeth.

enough to let eighteen earths like ours
enter it side by side. You know the
moon is a long distance from the earth moon is a long distance from the earth two hundred and forty thousand miles). But you can imagine how large the sun is when I tell you that, if the earth were at the center of the sun, and the moon revolving around it, it would only be a little over halfway between the earth and the outside surface of the sun. You know the Himalayas are the highest mountains in the earth. Now, try and think of forty-five Himalayas piled upon the another, rising and falling through thousands of miles. That is the kind of a surface the sun has."

"We do not see all that—do we?" asked Nell.

"No!" they all answered.

"So we cannot see the sun, even with the lepicture of it; but the real, great, powerful sun we cannot see. And that's the way it is with God. Oh, how great he is! How glorious! We should always speak of him very reverently, for he is so mighty, as infinitely eventual. (two hundred and forty thousand miles). But you can imagine how large the sun is ers and plants and trees blossom, and of the water and the beautiful clouds, the brooks and waterfalls and springs and everything!"

"Yes," I said; "we must take everything and put it at the feet of the sun. It belongs to him."

"De sun has no seet," said Elizabeth. And we all laughed. But then I heard Lohn say:

"We do not see all that do we?" asked

do you know that's just the way with God? When we stop and think, we are erful sun we cannot see. And that's the surprised that we can forget him who way it is with God. Oh, how great he is! made us and the sun and the world. Now, let us remember that God wants us all to of him very reverently, for he is so mighty, 'stop and think.' We know a great deal so infinitely exalted! He made the sun about him, and we must not treat him the and the heavens full of suns. And oh! way we do the sun—forget all that he is my boys and girls, we should fear and loing."

Here we reached the hill, and I began to adjust the telescope. Tom tried to find "It has spots on it,"

"Yes, Tom; so it has. And you will find that there are blemishes that seem to mar our God. But those spots on the was cleaning his shoes. Elizabeth was singing:

"God make my life a little light, Within the world to glow,"

and gathering a bunch of dandelions and daisies. John was holding Bessy's sack, and, with others, was watching me intently.

Birds and flowers made the air fragrant and melodious, and it was a bright and happy day. Bow, our great Newfound-is not good. But those spots on the sun are not black. They look so; but, if I had the instruments, I could show you that they are a deep cherry-red, the rich-lemishes, although they look as if they were. And that's the way it is with God. People think there are blemishes on his character; they say that sickness and death and sin and misery show that God happy day. Bow, our great Newfound-is not good. But some time we will see

> his soul with fear and adoration .- Rev. Edson A. Lowe, in Sundy School Times.

I followed her through a land that seemed

I followed her through a land that seemed to be full of Christmas trees loaded with pretty things. Soon I heard a merry jingle of bells, a patter of hoofs, and lo! there was old Santa himself. No doubt now as to his reality, for there he was, big fur coat, cap, boots, and mittens. His long, white beard was full of icicles, and his cheeks were as red as if some one had rubbed them with snow.

His merry steeds pawed the snowy ground

and shouted:
"Gee lang! So, Dunder! Softly, Prancer!" and away we flew.

By this time the other eye was out, soon my whole head followed, and I sat erect,

my whole head followed, and I sat erect, ready to see everything, for there was lots to be seen. As we sped along I saw "Little Bo-Peep" lamenting over a short woolly tail which she held in her hand; the mouse that ran up the clock; "Little Jack Horner" con tentedly eating an immense plum, and other characters familiar to me from childhood's earliest days.

of the sun had a flame bordering it.

"It is edged like the lace on Bessy's collar—isn't it?" said Alice.

"What a pretty little thing it is!" said Nell.

"I see cute little banners and streams, puffs and sprays and arms," said Alice.

"See any hands?" asked Elizabeth.

"Now, boys and girls, can you see Anille?" I asked. "It is five miles away."

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not been in that same sleigh five minutes ago?

had I not be no had been to the same ago a firm believer in Santa Claus, and

ELI WHITNEY AND THE COTTON-GIN.

Eli Whitney was one of those bright, pre-Eil Whitney was one of those origin, pre-cocious Yankee boys who in early years re-veal a great fondness for making things, and who show ingenuity in doing whatever they turn their hands to. His father was a plain Massachusetts farmer, who tilled his acres turn their hands to. His father was a plain Massachusetts farmer, who tilled his acres near Westborough, in that State. Eli, from the first, disliked farming. He avoided farm work whenever he could, and instead spent much of his time in his father's workshop. The good farmer was in the habit of repairing his own wheels and chairs and mending his fences, so that he had a small collection of tools. These tools were Eli's delight. Whenever he had the chance he would slip away into the workshop and try to fashion some article which his already ingenious mind had designed.

article which his already ingenious mind designed.
On one occasion, when Eli was twelve years old, his father, on his return from a journey, asked what his boys had been doing during his absence. The reply was that the other boys had been steadily at work in the fields, but that Eli had spent his time in the workshon.

but that Eli had spent his time in the workshop.

"And what has he been doing there?"

"He has been making a fiddle."

"Ah." sighed the worthy farmer, "I fear Eli will have to take his portion in fiddles!"

Nevertheless, the fiddle proved to be a very good one, and served its purpose quite well at the country dances in the neighborhood.

Another time the farmer, on going to church one Sunday morning, chanced to leave his watch—a big, old-fashioned silver "turnip"—at home. As soon as his father was out of his house Eli seized the watch, and eagerly took it to pieces, hit by bit. When

which he invented many striking and graceful

As Eli approached manhood he began to As Eli approached manhood he began to feel sorely the need of a better education than the country schools afforded. He had studied much by himself in the intervals between work, and knew more about mathematics and mechanics than most lads of his age. But he was not satisfied with this. He wanted to go to college. His father was resolutely opposed to this, and refused to give him the means. So Eli set hard to work, and managed by working on various articles and teaching school, to save enough articles and teaching school, to save enough money to enter college. He went to Yale when he was twenty-three years old, and graduated four years later. While in college

graduated four years later. While in college young Whitney gave many proofs of his mechanical ingenuity. On one occasion he repaired the apparatus of one of the professors, who was about to send it to Europe for the purpose, as he supposed that no one in this country had the skill to do it.

Eli Whitney at first intended to adopt teaching as his profession. His heart was wrapped up in mechanics, but he was poor, and could see no way in which he could follow his natural bent. Not long after graduating therefore he recently of his meaning so per cent. In the stands of the Nose, Throat and Chest. Catarrhai Deafness and ophthslmia (granulated lids) 5000 treatments given in this office. New process. Paintends, Remedies and appliances sent on receipt of \$10.00.

PIANOS!

ORGANS! We then started home. Bess asked a ating, therefore, he accepted an engagement we then started home. Bess asked a number of questions. She did not know the sun really is so large. I found they nearly all enjoyed studying about the sun, but their interest in God was harder to arouse. John was the only one who thought God was more interesting than the sun. He asked honest questions about the God of heaven and earth, and he said God had never before so entirely filled his soul with fear and adoration.—Rev. tleman who had engaged him had selected another tutor. Mrs. Greene kindly cheered him, and told him to make her house his

another tutor. Mrs. Greene kindly cheered him, and told him to make her house his home.

It was the night before Christmas. I was sitting by the fire, looking over a book of Mother Goose Melodies, and also wondering if there really were any "Santa Claus," As I was alone I began talking to myself, and before I knew it I said alond: "I wonder if there really is any 'Santa Claus,' or whether he is only a myth;" when, to my surprise, I heard a high, squeaky voice reply:

"Course there is! And if you don't believe it just come up to the moon with me and I'll show you."

Before I had time to reply or collect my thoughts I was seized and pulled up the chimney in a manner more emphatic than comfortable. Then away I went up into the clouds before I could say "Jack Robinson."

Bump! bump! rumpety thump! up and up we went, and I tried to see who my queer companion was.

I nearly fell off my queer steed in astonishment when I discovered that she was the same old woman who tried to sweep cobwebs of of the sky, and that she was taking me to the moon on her famous broomstick.

But before I had time to take a second look she squeaked out:

"Come, get off! Don't you see that we are at the moon?"

I looked around in amazement, for sure enough I was in the moon. at the moon?"

I looked around in amazement, for sure enough I was in the moon.

"Now just be spry and follow me, and I'll show you Santa Claus," piped my queer guide.

"Whitney is the production of cotton would become an enormously paying industry. "Gentlemen," said Mrs. Greene, who was listening intently to the talk, "tell this to my young friend, Mr. Whitney. I verily believe he can make anything." anything."

Now Whitney had never seen a piece of

I followed her through a land that seemed to be full of Christmas trees loaded with pretty things. Soon I heard a merry jingle of bells, a patter of hoofs, and lo! there was old Santa himself. No doubt now as to his reality, for there he was, big fur coat, cap, boots, and mittens. His long, white beard was full of icicles, and his cheeks were as red as if some one had rubbed them with snow.

His merry steeds pawed the snowy ground impatiently as he paused to look at me.

"So you're the girl who didn't believe in me, are you?" he asked.

"But I do now!" I exclaimed.

"O. I suppose so," he laughed, patting a large bag of toys. "But you ought to be in bed by this time, so just jump in here and I'll take you home."

I had no time to bid my guide farewell, for Santa popped me into the sleigh, pulled the fur role over my head so tightly that only one eye and the tip of my nose was visible, and shouted:

"Ge lang! So, Dunder! Softly, Prane." months. The immense utility of the cotton-gin was at once recognized throughout the South; and now Whitney suffered, as so many inventors had suffered before him, from the dishonesty of greedy money-makers. The building in which his cotton-gin was kept was broken into, and the cotton-gin taken away. It was at once copied, and put into use in various places before he could get his patent.

into use in various places before he could get his patent.

The fruits of his great invention were thus stolen from him. Although he got several patents, he never grew rich, as so many Southern planters did by the use of his machine. In vain he petitioned Congress for redress and compensation. The inventor of the cotton-gin, by which he undoubtedly created the wealth and power of nearly every Southern State, lived and died almost in a state of poverty. But his was a patient and heroic spirit. He bore the injustice of men and the ingratitude of his country with cheerful serenity, and died assured at least of a deathless fame, with his name enrolled high up on the list of America's greatest inventors.—Harper's Young People. The words of cheer to Zachrias are words to us, each and all: "Fear not;" from filled with strange men, all talking at once. But from that day forth Kaspar "Thou shalt have joy and gladness, and many shall recoice." There is good news to others.

ADDED POINTS.

The past and the present are closely inked. Aaron and John the Baptist are in the same line of God's loving purposes for inked. Aaron and John the Baptist are in the same line of God's loving purposes for the world. Every one of us has cause for gratitude to those who prepared the way for our best work in Christ's service.

And I told them that the whole earth is moving, and we cannot see it until we see how as to us. It is is moving, and we cannot see it until we show and then we see how as the sun, and then we see how as the sun, and then we see how he we see how as to others.

The past and the present are closely in the same line of God's loving purposes for in the same line of God's loving purposes for the same line of God's loving purposes for the same line of God's loving purposes for ished brass—to the juveniles, you should have seen the way they forgot that Ralph for our best work in Christ's service.

And I told them that the whole earth the sun, and then we see in the sun, and then we see how as to deat God in Jesus Christ. We chire. In vain he petitioned Congress for the church of the sun, and then we see how the see in the sun, and then we see how he see how ear non into eternity. Both the same the sun, and then we see how the same the sun, and then we see how expenditude to the sun, and then we see how for the sun, and then we see how expenditude to into the current days.

On both sides of the road grew lovely Christians trees; while bush had lovely blos-stomeths, fruits, and cake filled every niche. One immense white bush had lovely blos-stomeths and larger ones for busis and larger ones

People Wonder

WHEN they find how rapidly health is restored by taking Ayer's sar-saparilla. The reason is that this preparation contains only the purest and most powerful alteratives and tonics. To thousands yearly it proves a veritable elixir of nie.

Mrs. Jos. Lake, Brockway Centre, Mich., writes: "Liver complaint and indigestion made my life a burden and came near ending my existence. For more than four years I suffered un-For more than four years I suffered un-told agony. I was reduced almost to a skeleton, and hardly had strength to drag myself about. All kinds of food distressed me, and only the most deli-cate could be digested at all. Within the time mentioned several physicians treated me without giving relief. Nothing that I took seemed to do any permanent good until I began the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which has produced wonderful results. Soon after commencing to take the Sarsaparilla I

Improvement

in my condition, my appetite began to return and with it came the ability to digest all the food taken, my strength improved each day, and after a few months of faithful attention to your directions. I found myself a well woman, able to attend to all household duties. The medicine has given me a new lease of life, and I cannot thank you too much."

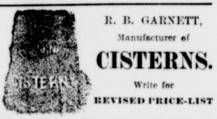
"We, the undersigned, citizens of Brockway Centre, Mich., hereby certify that the above statement, made by Mrs. Lake, is true in every particular and entitled to full credence."—O. P. Chamberlain, G. W. Waring, C. A. Wells, Druggist.

"My brother, in England, was, for a long time, unable to attend to his occupation, by reason of sores on his foot. I sent him Ayer's Almana, and the testimonials it contained induced him to try Aver's Sarganarilla. After raing it

timonials it contained induced him to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla. After using it a little while, he was cured, and is now a well man, working in a sugar mill at Brisbane, Queensland, Australia."— A. Attewell, Sharbot Lake, Ontarie.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla, PREPARED BY

Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass Price \$1; six bottles, vó. Worth \$5 a bettle.



R. B. GARNETT.

CISTERNS.

Each eistern is first set up at the shop, and any one can set them up. They are then taken down and packed in bundles for shipment to any setting them up accompany each eistern

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, is a paper for THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, is a par every person, to be read by all ages, both and every class. Send for Complete Hustrates pectus for 1830. The subscription price is \$1, year, paid in advance, to The Youth's Co 10N, 41 Temple Place, Boston, Mass.

Address: R. B. GARNETT, 106 and 109 Church Street, Galveston.

FOR SALE. Holstein Jersey Cattle and Berkshire Pigs : Ruther-Office: 807 Main street, Dallas, Texas.

SUCCESSFUL in curing 90 per cent. of

ALCOTT & MAYNOR

ALCOTT & MAYNOR 730 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas. CHAS. I. EVANS. & GOOCH.

Attorneys-At-Law. Lamar St., between Main and Commerce (Opposite Merchants' Exchange), DALLAS, TEXAS.

A. F. Kirkpatrick, Late of M'Rosky Hardware Co. R. T. Skiles, Notary Public. KIRKPATRICK & SKILES., REAL ESTATE AGTS. 911 MAIN St., DALLAS, TEXAS.
Solicit Correspondence with parties wishing to
my, sell or speculate in Real Estate.
If you have property for sale, place it with us;
and see our list before you buy.

A. F. HECKLE & CO., Knabe & Estey Pianos,

Estey & Neuman Organs. Money saved, Prices low and Terms easy.

Liddell, Hunter & Co

JOBBERS AND DEALERS IN

Machinery and

Machinery Supplies Engines and Boilers, Gas and Water Pipe, Vitrified Sewer Pipe and Fittings, Brass Goods and Fittings, and Plumbing Goods.

General Agents for Texas Cotton Press Co. MANUPACTURERS OF

"BOSS" PRESS

Office and Salesroom,

407 Main St., - - Dallas, Yexas. ORCE TOWN CLIPPER PLOWS

A RE WARRANTED THE BEST

BLACK LAND PLOWS
IN THE WORLD
IN YOUR
TOWNS
TO

PARLIN & ORENDORFF CO. DALLAS.TEXAS Feed Grinding Mill. Crusher, Grinder & Elevator An entire departure from all other mills. Uses CONICAL Grinders. The lightest running mill out. Has the only successful FEEDER for EAR CORN. The ONLY mill that successfully grinds small grain and ear corn at the SAME TIME. Sold with or without elevator stackment. H. W. HUBBARD, Dailas, Texas.

Texas Christian Advocate.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS. R. S. FINLEY, D. D. East Texas Conference H. S. THRALL, D. D. West Texas Conference .Texas Conference E. S. SMITH HORACE BISHOP.....Northwest Texas Conference JOHN R. ALLEN..... North Texas Conference

SHAW & BLAYLOCK. - - Publishers

OFFICE OF PUBLICATION-COR. MAIN AND SYCA-MORE STREETS, DALLAS, TEXAS.

ENTERED AT THE POSTOFFICE, AT DALLAS, TEXAS,

Joint Board of Publication of the Five Texas Conferences. TEXAS CONFERENCE.-H. V. Philpott, D. D.,

N. F. Law, J. F. Follin. WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE .- J. G. Walker, B. Harris, W. J. Jovee.

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE,-J. Fred Cox. Horace Bishop, Sam'l P. Wright. NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.—W. F. Easterling, J. H. McLean, D. D., R. M. Powers.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.-R. S. Finley, Jno. Adams, D. D., R. W. Thompson. OFFICERS OF THE BOARD. J. H. McLean, D. D. Secretary

sam'l P. Wright

To Correspondents.

..... Treasurer

Address all matter intended for publication Texas Christian Advocate," Dallas, Texas. No notice can be taken of anonymous com of the writer; not necessarily for publication,

but as a guaranty of good faith.

.*. Persons desiring the return of their manu scripts, if not accepted, should send a stamped than light, because their deeds are evil. and directed envelope. We cannot, however, The glory of the gospel is not in its power even in that case, hold ourselves responsible for their return. Authors should preserve a copy.

NEW YEAR AND NEW DRESS.

that none of them have cause to regret the birth of 1890. Let us gather up the The office of the Holy Spirit is not so much joys and strength of the past as so much to demonstrate the truth of Christianity capital for the future, and if there be er- as to convince the world of sin and of rors behind, let them be buried in the sor- righteousness and of judgment. Whenrows of that repentance which is sure to ever any one, therefore, feels that he has bring forth a better future. As time rolls infidel world, let him go study John iii:on let it be to each one a move onward 1-21, and let the pulpit spend the time and upward. To this end the ADVOCATE wasted in answering skeptics preaching offers its services in the future, as in the the gospel, and sinners will be converted. past, only, God helping, we hope to do better service and be a greater help. We come to you, as you will see, in a brand new dress. Some, perhaps, will regret a very difficult duty. They examine carethe absence of the long primer, but the fully the claims of disabled preachers. compensation lies in the absence of min. After ascertaining the physical, and perion, and more reading matter. We have struck the medium between the large and small type and will give all reading mat- work. If not, an appropriation is made ter in the same type, which we trust will for his support. Sometimes there are be large enough to satisfy all, and upon men in middle life, who are unwilling to the whole will give in matter a larger the church. They may be sick. They paper. The change has been made at may suffer much pain. But they prefer considerable expense, but we expect com- to support themselves. In the ministry pensation in a broader circulation and they long ago invested their lives. They the ability to do more good. As we stand wish to remain in the work. It may be now upon the threshold of the New Year that in a year or two they can report for duty. For such preachers the church has and glance backward over the past we are provided a place. It is called the superreminded that we have great cause to be numerary relation. No preacher can be grateful, and wish now to extend our placed in that relation without previous heartfelt thanks to our noble band of con- investigation of his case and recommendatributors, without whose hard toil and generous gifts we could have done but carefully, wisely, justly towards the applilittle. We owe a debt of gratitude also to cant and the church. If an error is comour agents, through whose kindness and mitted, it can be borne with until next untiring efforts our circulation has been conference, when the case will be called largely increased. The greatest reward of saying that a Methodist preacher whose human labor is the joy of having made moral character passes every year will others better and happier, and we trust represent his physical condition to that that in return for the many kind favors committee correctly. If he fails to do so, received the Advocate has been the means his case should be looked after at the bar of bringing to its friends such reward. of the conference, not by tribunal of popular opinion, whose main And for this cause also we tender our witness is current rumor. Now after the

thank God, take courage, and look to the future with brighter prospects and stronger hope. We feel confident of the contipued good will and generous aid of our friends. With these we cannot fail. Our on the church for charity. cause is one. Our reward is the same.

With a strong pull, a long pull and a pull all together, let us make the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE the best and most extensively read paper in the South. A circulation equal to the number of Methodist families in Texas will do it. Will not the readers as well as the agents help in this good work?

JESUS CHRIST WITH NICODEMUS.

That most remarkable conversation of our Savior with Nicodemus is important. not only for the doctrinal statements it contains, but for the method of dealing with unbelievers. There is no labored attempt at argument, but a plain statement are stated, but not explained. The man Christ Jesus was too great a philosopher and teacher to undertake to explain what the human mind cannot understand. No greater waste of time and mental energy was ever made than when the pulpit undertakes to convert the skeptic with argument. No amount of mere reasoning on that such men are entitled to all the imany debatable question can ever remove the possibility of doubt, and so long as doubt is possible there will be doubters. ing itinerants on hard circuits. For our The objections of the skeptic may be answered, but the skeptic may be as far from seeing the answer as from seeing the truth without argument. The intellect voice shall be heard proclaiming: "Thus take the Advocate?" "Well, Bro. and the truth are made for each other, as much so as the eye and the light. No delighteth to honor." amount of explaining or argument will enable the blind to see the light. The fault in the eye must first be removed and then the only thing necessary is to let the a crowded house for the benefit of the and already some fifteen new subscribers light shine upon it. All the argument Baptist Church. Not long since we re- to the ADVOCATE have been received.

knowledge. That was a fact to be stated rather than explained. The statement involved a great mystery and called forth for the impossible, and yet it is the question which skepticism is always asking answer by showing that this is like other eye. Necodemus understood and confessed for naught? .. President | that Jesus Christ was a teacher come from God, but the teaching of the Divine Teacher he was not ready to accept. This the Christ, who knew what was in man, saw and he directed his attention immediately to the heart. He declared the wondrous love of God, and the simple naunications. Whatever is intended for insertion gospel facts of the crucifixtion and salvamust be authenticated by the name and address tion by faith. If the heart is not touched with these gospel facts, the difficulty still remains that men love darkness rather to convince the intellect, but in its power to create in the heart a desire for holiness. An opposing head before a heart hungering for righteousness is like chaff before The ADVOCATE greets each of its read- the wind. The great work of the church ers with a Happy New Year. We trust is not so much to convince the world of the truth of Christianity, but to present the gospel so as to make holiness desired. an argument that will convert the whole

THE SUPERNUMERARY RELATION.

The Committees on Conference Relations at annual conference have on their hands haps the mental condition of parties referred to them, they decide whether the preacher is able to do any remunerative become pensioners upon the charities of tion by the Committee on Conference Relations. As a rule, that committee will act of the conference; not by the exparte thanks to our large circle of subscribers. preacher has been placed on the super-In memory of the past, therefore, we numerary roll, how should be be treated by the church? Mark the facts in his

First-He is a disabled man.

Second-He earns his own support in spite of bodily affliction, rather than call

Third-Prior to his disability he was an active itinerant, and most likely he broke down by over-exertion or exposure for the cause of Christ.

Fourth-Years of pastoral work have, in a great measure, unfitted him for secular life. He enters business circles at great disadvantage-in middle aged, or usual amount of good reading matter. business man, and without capital. Nay, the year. The Review is not for preachers worse than that, with much dead capital; only. All of our laymen who wish to keep for the preacher's capital is the endow- up with the times should take it. \$2.50 ment for ministerial and pastoral work per annum. which can never be inherited, but is accumulated by years of study, toil and trial. On account of his peculiar attitude to society, the financial world shows special favors to the itinerant preacher. Those favors cease the moment he enters their of facts and simple illustration. Mysteries circles as a competitor for the floating cash. This is not wrong; but unless the for him to adjust himself to the new sur-

roundings. In view of all these facts, should not the church deal kindly with these servants of the Lord for Christ's sake? It seems to us munities that the Methodist Church can offer to her most devoted and self-sacrificpart, we will cheerfully lead the King's the ADVOCATE representative asked a mule through streets whenever the super- young preacher in charge of an important numerary preacher mounts him, and our shall be done to the man whom the King I really do not know. I am sure I never

recently played "The Danger Signal," to read another was assigned to that charge,

and reasoning possible would never have ceived from a distant town a large poster there have been none received, however, auditors wept. An address on temperance followed and 330 of the men walked up and signed a pledge not to drink for a year. enabled Nicodemus to understand or advertising a church supper, a feature of from the work to which the first named to see the "kingdom of God." That which was that the privilege to kiss the brother was changed. kingdom could only become known young ladies was to be sold for so much a to him through the door of a new kiss. If such things had happened only birth. He had no faculty for such once they would be, perhaps, scarcely worth the notice, but the frequency with which the Christian sense is shocked with such abominations calls for the most emthe very natural question: "How can phatic rebuke. It is certainly time to call this be?" The question seems to be sim- a halt and investigate the popular methods ple enough, but unanswerable. It was a of raising church money. All money demand for the impossible. The same given to religious enterprises should be as question asked of any subject is a demand offerings to the Lord. The act of giving and fools are always trying to answer. set a part to his service. The obligation to ty, bad taste and unchristliness of intro-The Godman made the only possible sanctify a portion of our means in this ducing into the new hymn-book the tune way is upon all, and the church in colfacts we know in experience, but cannot lecting money for religious purposes along." We don't blame the Judge. It understand how they exist. The great should endeavor to teach in her very may get mellow enough to be sung in For Methodist preachers, therefore, to difficulty with unbelief is not methods that obligation, and certainly church some centuries ahead, but it is altogether with the intellect, it lies should never teach either by precept or altogether with the intellect, it lies should never teach either by precept or deeper down in the moral nature. Example the abominable doctrine that the end justifies the means. When the church as with the heart. When the truth is presented to the intellect undimmed with parties" and "donkey parties" to collect by means the precept or now too green and bitter. Let everybody buy a hymn and tune book (if he ever buy a hymn and tune book (if he ever buy a hymn and tune book), run a pencil mark across the tune—the tune, not the matter, and one striking at the very foundation of the church itself. Just how presented to the intellect undimmed with parties" and "donkey parties" to collect hymn, to which it is set .- Wesleyan Aderror it is irresistible as sunlight to the money, is it a wonder if her preaching goes

POACHING.

THE TEXAS ADVOCATE has previously called attention to the unfair, not to say dishonorable, methods pursued by Mr. Dameron in attempting to poach upon the territory of others. We now give in the following the sentiments of the Southern Advocate, to all of which we say amen, and we do not think any of our preachers can in faifness accept Mr. D.'s proposition:

proposition:

So far as the Southern is concerned, we are quite willing for any of our church papers to seek patronage in our territory, provided they will stand on their own merits, and not attempt to take any undue advantage of the home paper. But when a paper a thousand miles from us sends out circulars and prints advertisements making extraordinary claims and offering extraordinary claims and offering extraordinary claims and offering extraordinary claims and offering extraordinary inducements, in order to build up its own circulation at the expense of that of the home paper, its course can hardly be commended as fair or honorable. And this is just what the St. Louis Advocate has done in the past and is doing to-day.

Some years ago the publisher of that journal sent circulars to Methodist preachers throughout the connection, urging them to take new subscriptions at fifty cents a year, we believe, and offering large commissions. The result was that thousands of new names were added to the subscription list, but with what result? At the end of the time paid for the paper was not discontinued, but continued to come in the absence of an order to the contrary. Many of the subscribers overlooked the matter; others allowed the paper to come on, thinking that they would only have to pay the cut-rate price of the first year. But at the end of the second year bills were sent to these delinquent subscribers charging them two dollars and a half a year?

The St. Louis Advocate now makes another prop-

subscribers charging them two dollars and a half a year?

The St. Louis Advocate now makes another proposition, and it has the check to ask the Southern Methodist press to advertise it in their columns. We have nothing to say now of the extraordinary claims it sets up for itself as the "General Conference reporter," except that the same may be said in behalf of every other connectional paper. They will all contain full and interesting reports of the General Conference proceedings, and in this particular the St. Louis Advocate will not be one whit ahead of its contemporaries. But is it fair to the other religious journals of the Church to enter their territory and seek subscribers on a specious plea and at half the usual rates! We do not think it is, and we do not believe there is another publisher in Southern Methodism that would attempt it. We believe in competition. The St. Louis Advocate offers no such special rates in its own territory and for the benefit of its own people. It throws out this as a bait to secure patronage that belongs legitimately to other church papers. And when our people are induced by these flattering offers to send on their subscriptions, the paper will be continued even after the expiration of their subscriptions, and they will be called upon to pay for the next year at the rate of \$2.50 per annum! This may be "business"—catching subscribers by guile, as it were—but it does not impress us as a very honorable method of conducting the business of a religious newspaper.

The St. Louis Advocate is heartily welcome to

religious newspaper.

The St. Louis Advocate is heartily welcome to all the subscribers it can get in South Carolina at the regular rates. We have no fears of an honorable competition with that or any other church paper. But we do protest against its efforts to build up its circulation in other Conferences at the expense of the home papers.

THE COLLECTION.

Owing to the accumulation of matter we have been compelled to use some small type this week. It will be remembered that we issued only a half sheet last week.

WE learn from a private letter that the Rev. G. W. Briggs is well pleased with his appointment at Florence, Alabama, and we do not hesitate to say that Florence has in Bro. Briggs one of the most brilliant pulpit orators in the South, and if they do not crowd his church every Sunday it will not be for the lack of eloquent

THE editor in route to the late session of the East Texas Conference had the pleasure of stopping two days in Tyler and of worshiping on Sabbath with the congregation of the Rev. D. F. C. Timmons. was quarterly meeting, and Dr. John Adams preached Sunday morning and held the quarterly conference Monday evening. They have a princely way of doing things at Tyler, and we found both preacher and presiding elder popular there.

THE Dallas News enters a defense of Col. R. G. Ingersoll, the infidel. Verbum

THE Quarterly Review of the M. E. Church, South, comes to hand with the declining life-without reputation as a Now is the time to subscribe. Begin with

Holidays in the Country, is the striking title of a charming little book just issued by our Publishing House, at Nashville. Tessie, Beth, Rob and Will are the four characters chosen, and the unknown author handles each one with great skill. The book was written by "Irene," and if guessing were in order, we would say that she was an Alabama woman. This is a delightful little story for children.—Alabama Advocate.

No. Bro. McCov, Irene is a Texan, and frequent contributor to the TEXAS preacher be an unusual man, it is hard CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. In proof of the merits of the book, this editor's two little But as already stated we we forgive him will have a good sale.

> REV. C. S. McCarver knows whereof he speaks. He says: "A man is in his own light when he fails to work for the

At one of the late conference sessions station: "How is it your people do not miss a chance to say a good word for the paper-indorse it fully, and do all I can THE Wills Point Dramatic Company for it." When the appointments were

WE have received a treatise on the "Absolute Particle" in Anglo-Saxon by Morgan Callaway, Jr., Ph. D., Professor of English in Southwestern University. We are certainly safe in saying that the dissertation is learned and conclusive. Dr. Callaway returns to the chair of English with the highest testimonials of scholarship and fitness for the place.

JUDGE STERLING FISHER, a layman of should be an act sanctifying to God—that Texas, lays himself out along two columns which our obligations to him require us to of the Texas Advocate on the improprie-(889) "John Brown's soul goes marching now too green and bitter. Let everybody

HEXRY W. GRADY, the distinguished lanta, Ga., the past week, has attracted port. more national attention in a briefer period than any man of the times. But a study praise or admiration of him has been prohibition: misplaced. Though not attracting so much notice, the earlier years of his life were apparently his only ambition-to do humanity good. A brilliant writer, eloquent orator, a true friend, a noble philanthro-

REV. J. W. VEST, always alive to the interest of his church paper, says: "I send you twelve subscribers—a Christmas since conference. Let others, who have swell to 30,000 this year.

Gov. Goddell, of New Hampshire, has view of the various heinous crimes which of have been committed in our State within the past few weeks, directly traceable to persons engaged in this illegal and deadly traffic to desist therefrom immediately. and I call upon the Attorney-General of the State, solicitors and sheriffs of counties, mayors of cities and selectmen and ville: all other officials throughout the State and upon all good citizens of every party to unite in one supreme effort to close up and suppress every liquor saloon of every description within our borders. Let no of our Supreme Court attest the constitutionality of the prohibitory liquor laws. Let them be vigorously enforced that our people may enjoy the great benefits which are sure to follow, and I cannot refrain from urging all churches, temperance organizations and all persons who desire the best good of our commonwealth to redouble their efforts to promote personal sobriety and temperance amongst our

THE reporter of the East Texas Conference seems to have been mistaken in the statement that Rusk had entertained the conference only twice. In the late session the conference met at that place the fourth time, but he still contends that the last entertainment was the royalist of all, for certainly no people ever manifested more interest in nor entertained more heartily a conference than did the good people of Rusk. The reporter confesses to a strong inclination to use superlatives in this connection, but having exhausted his descriptive powers of hearty hospitality in the first report, he must be content to rest here lest he become guilty of reiteration.

THE editor of the Rusk Herald seems to be one of those erudite and profoundly cultured gentlemen who has rambled among the intellects of the great blue deep so long that he has forgotten the signifi-cance of the common but expressive speech of such terrestrial mortals as we. It is not altogether surprising, then, that this among the intellects of the great blue deep companion of the oyster should be unable to discriminate between good humor and ridicule. This accounts for the fact that the humorous and figurative description of a and thus give practical encouragement, heart running over with appreciation of when it is most needed. the hearty and elegant entertainment of the East Texas Conference by the good people of Rusk was taken by the deeply love of money was called the root of all cultured editor for a piece of ridicule, and evil, when it absorbs all other love. morever for his want of power to discriminate between a real Campbell and an overgrown monkey. But we heartily forgive him all, for we know his fault is of the head and not of the heart. Were it not for the reflection of his mistake upon the good people of Rusk, we should not have noticed it at all. His mistake represents that people to be over sensitive at a point where refined and highly cultured people. like those of Rusk, are never sensitive. girls are charmed with it. We hope it all, and intercede with our good friends at Rusk to do likewise.

at Rusk to do likewise.

At Faneuil Hall, Boston, on Christmas day, there was an unique Christmas dinner. An unconditional invitation to the unemployed and homeless and wayfarers of Boston: the tramps, the crooks, the beggars from the cheap lodging houses and the streets to come and eat a square meal had been sent out by George Parker, the reformed burglar and gambler, who had got together money enough to pay the bills. For thirty-four years Parker has been "on the turf" and his varying fortunes gave him personal knowledge of how dreaty Christmas day ordinarily is to the average member of the class with whom he had associated. The hardest looking lot of men in Boston responded and were fed at the table. Every man had a plate of roast turkey nicely cooked, with a dish of potatoes, another of corn, a cup of coffee, a piece of mince pie and an orange and an apple No Christmas dinner in Boston was more thoroughly enjoyed. After the dinner there was an affecting scene. The Rev. A. P. Gifford read the parable of the prodigal son, with such effect as to draw tears from many eyes. Then he made a speech on the ways of the transgressor, and eighty-three confessed sinners arose and asked the clergyman to pray for them. Then a singer sang "Where is My Boy To-night," so feelingly that half of the 500

If such dinners were given oftener, and such scenes were more common, the Christmas festival would have much better effect upon the world at large.

FEW MINUTES WITH THE PRESS. What the Papers Think and Say.

The Central Methodist has been provoked to make the following utterance:

The first question raised in the above letter is that of supplanting our church periodicals by papers on special lines of work, and would seem to indicate a tendency to throw off church responsibility and obligation and enter upon an inde-pendent line of work. It is the literature in the homes of the people that shapes, more than all other influences, their tastes and lives, and determine their fidelity. supplant with a foreign sheet, however valuable it may be on a certain line of many preachers are engaged in this work we are unable to say, but every one who does it is striking a blow at the organiza-HENRY W. GRADY, the distinguished tion with which he stands identified, and Southerner, who died at his home in At- which he has solemnly promised to sup-

The St. Louis Republic rebukes a common reportorial exaggeration, and states of his life warrants the assertion that no a fact which makes good argument for

The Christmas day "race wars" originated no doubt in an over-supply of whisspent as the later—following what was of the kind can be traced. There is no reason for any one to grow excited over them. They must be taken for granted. As long as the tendency to lawlessness is orator, a true friend, a noble philanthro-pist, a real golden-rule Christian, passed from earth when the soul of Henry Grady winged its flight to heaven. those law-abiding citizens they may call to their help, should restore the peace and punish those who have disturbed it. A great deal of harm is done and a great deal more is made possible by calling such present-making thirty-five since confer- disturbances "race wars" and attaching ence." Only two months have elapsed to them a political significance that does not properly belong to them. They have no proper connection with any question heretofore neglected this important work, except that of arresting and punishing "catch the disease," and the list will those who break the law and disturb the peace. The fact that some negroes are unruly roughs does not make their unruliness a "race question" nor their lawless-Gov. Goddell, of New Hampshire, has issued the following proclamation: "In view of the various heinous crimes which of using such a phrase to designate brawls and disturbances of the peace occurring in the Southern States is directly to their the past few weeks, directly traceable to the use of intoxicating liquors, in the sale of which criminal laws have been flagrantly violated, now, therefore, I warn all stable, and it has the still worse effect of enabling vicious negroes to force well in-clined and peaceable members of their race to their support in lawlessness.

This resolution was adopted at the Methodist preachers' meeting at Nash-

Resolved, That we, the pastors who form this Methodist preachers' meeting, of Nashville, feel it to be our duty to encourage and advise Methodist people to identify themselves with those churches which are most convenient to guilty man escape. Numerous decisions of our Supreme Court attest the constitu-

The Holston Methodist, commenting on

The policy of centralizing or concentrating our means and efforts on a few central churches in a city is fatal to our influence as a church, and a positive hindrance to the cause of Christ. It is strange that we cannot learn that what we need is such a disposition of our forces as will reach and save the most people. We want the gospel faithfully preached in the hearing of all the people. The Methodism of a city ought to be a compact unit in sympathy and purpose and action. When a new plant is made, each existing church ought to feel its full measure of responsibility for its success and act accordingly. In a city where there are three or five aver-The policy of centralizing or concen-In a city where there are three or five aver age Methodist churches there ought to be no difficulty in building one new church every year. And, after Methodism is thus strong, there ought to be no little cheap chapels built, but respectable churches, which will show the communities in which they are planted that you mean to estab-lish a permanent plant.

Here is a timely reminder from the Arkansas Methodist:

In the words of St. Paul (I Thess. v:12, 13), "we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their works' sake." Where pastors are esteemed very highly in love for their works' sake, they will be suitably pro-vided for. For this provision or support all the members of our church should contribference year. Besides furnishing timely relief, those who make early payments to the support of their pastors, show apprethe support of their pastors, show appre-ciation of them as servants of the Lord

The St. Louis Advocate calls attention to a very common evil. No wonder the

There are hundreds and thousands of men laboring and toiling week after week, month after month, and year after year under the specious plea of providing something for their children after themselves shall have passed away, and many, perhaps a majority of them, give so much time and attention to the work of money making that they neglect the moral cul-ture of their children, who consequently grow up mainly in idleness, learn vicious habits and when they come in possession of their hard-earned patrimony, in three cases out of five, it proves to them a curse rather than a blessing. But this is not all. They who urge this plea are often deceived in themselves. It is with them, not so much the love of children as the love of money that prompts their course. But with their children, as a general thing, it is "come easy, go easy," and go it does, and the second or third generation finds itself in the second or third generation finds itself in poverty if not in something

SOUTHERN METHODISM.

News, Views and Personals.

Floriday Advocate: "A severe attack of illness has prostrated the editor for two weeks. He is now recovering, but very slowly, because of extreme weakness. He can hardly walk, and will be unfit for office work for some days to come. Correspondents will please be patient. The paper will be conducted by his daughter, assisted by Bros. Moore and Barnett and

Taylor, as was the case last week. The editor's illness was the result of exposure and overwork for months past, the crisis brought on by the cold taken at Brooks-ville, Dec. 5. He will not be able to make any appointments to preach away from home between now and conference. His health and the accumulation of work will not allow it." We extend our sympathics to Bro. Anderson and pray for his speedy

—Delegates elect to the General Conference: Alabama Conference: Clerical— J. M. Mason, O. R. Blue, A. S. Andrews, J. O. Andrew, A. H. Mitchell; alternates—A. J. Lamar, M. S. Andrews, Lay—S. H. Dent, William J. Samford, Thomas Seay, L. D. Godfrey, W. J. Hearin; alternates—O. D. Smith, S. W. Chadwick

—The North Mississippi Conference: Clerical—J. J. Wheat, D. D., W. T. J. Sullivan, D. D., W. B. Murrah, D. D., J. W. Price, D. D., and T. W. Dye. The alternates are: D. J. Cameron, D. D., and J. S. Oakley. From the laity the delegates are: J. T. Fant, Chancellor Edward Mayes, Judge W. R. Trigg, J. R. Bingham and Gov. G. D. Shands.

-North Carolina Conference : Clerical-J. R. Brooks, J. A. Cuninggian, F. L. Reid, V. A. Sharpe, W. S. Black, H. T. Hudson, J. E. Mann and F. D. Swindell. Alternates: E. A. Yates, W. H. Moore and G. W. Ivey. Lay—D. W. Bain, B. F. Dixon, J. S. Carr, J. A. Odell, C. W. Tillett, W. R. Odell, D. B. Nicholson and J. W. Mauney. Alternates — Walter J. W. Mauney, Alternates — Walter Clark, J. C. Davis and R. R. Crawford.

-South Georgia Conference: Clerical-J. W. Hinton, W. P. Harrison, J. B. McGhee, J. O. Branch, T. T. Christian, Lay-A. S. Giles, J. K. Hines, W. I. Green, T. A. Bush, J. L. Day.

-Louisiana Conference: Clerical-C. W. Carter, J. B. Walker, John T. Sawyer. Alternates—J. A. Parker, S. D. Harper. Lay—S. B. McCutchen, W. T. Blackshear, W. H. Goodale. Alternates—T. C. Stan-defer, A. S. Helmick.

-St. Louis Advocate: Dr. M. B. Chap-man has been transferred to the Little Rock Conference and stationed in Little Rock. The Missouri Conference does not give him up without reluctance. He is one of its most enterprising, industrious, efficient and useful members. The Missouri loses by his transfer. Before leaving he laid the corner-stone of a new church in the suburbs of Hannibal. Little Rock draws heavily on Missouri. We can scarcely afford to lose Drs. Miller and Chapman. Rev. A. McCullen has been transferred from North Carolina Confer-ence to supply the Hannibal Park Street Church. They will give him a cordial welcome

-T. H. B. Anderson (Cal.) in St. Louis Advocate: We need the presence and oversight of a resident bishop. True, we have gone along without one, so far; nevertheless could one be stationed here the effect upon our work would be great. I know the difficulties that lay in the way; but Methodism is a flexible thing adjusts itself admirably to circumstances and in this case should see that something is done. All churches having episcopal forms of government have from one to six or eight bishops stationed on this coast. Why not the M. E. Church, South?

-Dr. E. E. Hoss, in Nashville Advocate: There must be a prompt and per-manent stoppage of the flood of foul talk that in some quarters is streaming from the pulpit. That great plainness of speech is eminently becoming in a minister of the gospel, is not to be denied. That the courageous denunciation of sin in all its forms is one of his highest duties, must be admitted without question. Thus far let us go, but no further. Our Lord him-self has set us the great and perfect example. From no one else do we get so scathing a characterization of the evil doings of wicked men; yet all his words are as chaste as the mountain snow. Among merely human preachers of modern times. John Wesley is the highest type of rugged and unsparing honesty; but in all his ser-mons there is not a passage which could not properly be read aloud in a family not properly be read aloud in a family circle. A message that is too dirty to be delivered to a promiscuous audience should not be delivered at all. I seriously doubt whether the practice of preaching sermons "to men only" is not radically wrong in principle, and pernicious in effect. Certainly there is no warrant for it in the New Testament.

HOME CONFERENCES.

Personals.

-The address of Rev. C. H. Brooks is Chappell —The postoffice of Rev. I. N. Reeves is Carbon, Texas, -The postoffice of Rev. J. Fred Cox is now Port Worth, Texas.

Worth, Texas.

—The Rev. Jno. R. Allen was unable to fill his pulpit on last Sabbath.

—Baird Star: Rev. R. F. Dunn is having a cistern dug at the Methodist parsonage.

—Baird Star: Rev. D. C. and Mrs. Starke were in town one day last week. Brother Starke has just recovered from a severe spell of siekness.

—From the obligary of Brother Starke.

—From the obituary of Bro. Jesse Scruggs which appears in this issue, the signature of the writer. Rev. C. H. Brooks, was inadvertently omitted. —We were glad to greet the Rev. W. H. Hughes again in the Abvocate office this week. He does not look very much the worsted for his long spell of sickness.

—Clarendon Traveler: Rev. Isaac Mills is having a handsome residence constructed in the South part of town. Even the ministers get rich in Clarendon.

—Gov. Hineman, of Kentucky, and a delegate to the General Conference, made us a pleasant visit this week. The Governor comes to Texas often enough to become somewhat Texanized. -Bastrop Advertiser: Rev. S. C. Littlepage and family left Monday for Bremond, his new field of labor. He carries to his new home the best wishes of his church at Bastrop and our community

generally.

—Rusk Herald: Rev. B. R. Bolton is the preacher
for this station. We welcome him to the work,
and bespeak for him that Christian courtesy are
aid which is necessary, and which is usually given

-Cooke County Signal: Rev. W. M. Leather wood, who has charge of Gainesville circuit, harmoved his family to the city and occupies a residence on Truelove street, second door east from Taylor street, south side.

—Beaumont Journal: The reappointment of Rev. Dr. Ridley to the pastorate of the Methodist Church of this city is a matter of gratification to not only the members of that denomination, but to all classes. His pulpit is ably filled and all his duties discharged with Christian zeal.

duties discharged with Christian zeal.

—Beaumont Enterprise: The Methodist District Conference has returned the Rev. G. V. Ridley to the pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal Church in our city for the next year. We congratulate the congregation of this church on the continuance of so able and learned a gentleman to the Methodist pulpit.

—A. E. Rector: For the information of many who will rejoice to hear it, please let me state that Rev. A. J. Potter's health is improving. He is able to drive or walk out nearly every day. He can not be propounced convalescent, but the

Prayerful remembrance.

—We are invited to be at the wedding of Rev Thales B. Reams, of Paris, and Miss Ora L. Moss, of San Antonio, Thursday, Jan. 9, 1890, at 7 p. m., at San Antonio. Bishop Key will perform the ceremony. It would be a great pleasure to be there, but cannot. The ADVOCATE hopes there will be no slip twixt the cup and the lip, and much happiness thereafter.

—Pittshurch Capatter. Benefit of the parish that the lip, and much happiness thereafter.

will be no silp twixt the cup and the lip, and much happiness thereafter.

—Pittsburgh Gazette: Rev. T. J. Milam pastor of the Methodist Church utilized the time well last Sunday. He married a couple about nine o'clock two miles in the country and returned to Sunday-school: preached at 11 o'clock; visited the sick in the afternoon, preached again at night and at the close of the service made another couple happy. He began the day by marrying a couple and ended as he began.

—Rusk Herald: Rev. J. T. Smith, who has been pastor of the M. E. Church, has spent his full time (four years) in Rusk and now goes away to try another field. He has been an untiring, diligent laborer for his Master. He has met sin fearlessly and sinners tenderly. He does not compromise his religion or duty, and while it may be said by some that at times he was harsh, it can be truly said of him that he was never harsh toward the sinner,

but pleadingly met and earnestly begged him to desist. Whatever errors he may have committed in the discharge of his duties here are so overshadowed by his zeal, energy and good work, accompanied by the manifestation of a friendly. Christian spirit and feeling toward all, that the errors, if any, are too feeble to rise. To say: farewell, does not cover all.

errors, if any, are too feeble to rise. To say: farewell, does not cover all.

—Ladonia News: Rev. A. C. Benson, of the Daingerfield circuit, filled the Methodist pulpit at this place last Sunday at 11 a. m. and preached a splendid sermon. On Tuesday following he was married, in Honey Grove, to Miss Mollie Pope, daughter of Rev. T. J. Pope. Rev. Mr. Benson is a fine young preacher, and Miss Pope is an accomplished and charming young lady, and would make anyman a good wife. We extend congratulations.

—LaGrange Journal: Mr. Follin is an able minister of the gospel. He has few, if any, superiors in the Texas Conference, and the Journal regrets that it becomes necessary for him to leave LaGrange. The few sermons he preached at this place were strong, logical and convincing. No one heard him who did not feel in their hearts that they had been benefited. The citizens of Bryan are to be congratulated on having so good and able a minister in their midst.

—Orange Tribune: Rev. L. A. Burk, who has

and able a minister in their midst.

—Orange Tribune: Rev. L. A. Burk, who has been pastor of the Methodist Church at this place for the past three years, was assigned work at Augusta by the recent conference, and Rev. W. A. Sampey sent to this place. Bro. Burk made many friends during his work here, who regret the decree that calls him to another field of labor. His snecessor, Rev. W. A. Sampey, is a fine preacher, and is spoken of in the highest terms by the people among whom he has labored the past year.

—This is from Rev. John F. Neal: "Please announce that my postoffice address continues to be Coperas Cove, Texas. The recent Advocate announcement of transfer to the East Texas Conference I suppose to be a mistake. I know nothing at all about it, only what the Advocate of the 19th contains. Having received an appointment in one conference I take it that the Bishop would not give me an appointment in another without notification." There seems to be a mistake somewhere. Perhaps the Advocate confounded two men of same name, or else two names.—Southwestern Methodist: Bishop Granbery —Southwestern Methodist: Bishop Granbery reached home Tuesday last week, on his return from Texas, in attendance on the Texas Conference, which he expected to hold for Bishop Key, who was called to Georgia by the illness of his wife. Her speedy recovery enabled him to return in time for his conference. Bishop Granbery expresses great delight with this, his first visit to Texas. His Sundays were spent at San Antonio and at Austin. At the latter place he met Rev. E. B. Chapell, the pastor, who was once professor in our Bellevue Collegiate Institute. The Bishop reports him in great favor with the people, and doing a Successful work.

Whitney.

J. M. Bond, Dec. 23: At our regular appointment yesterday there were nine additions to the church; one conversion. We think we will own a parsonage in another week or two at least. The Christmas turkey has come, and \$25 cash, as a Christmas present. Wonder what next?

Calvert.

J. W. Horn, Dec. 23: The people of Calvert have given us a warm welcome. We have now been here over two Sundays, and the congregation has increased at every service. The outlook is hopeful. We received the heaviest "pounding" last Friday that we have ever had. The articles are too numerous to mention. May the Lord bless the donors, and help us to renew our vow of consecration.

Goldthwalte.

M. B. Johnston, Dec. 16: Our first quarterly conference is over. Attendance good. Bro. Melugin was with us, as always, in the Spirit of the Master, and preached to the edification of all. Congregations large and attentive. The assessment for preacher in charge good, especially with such donations as have been coming in since our arrival. My people know just how to make the preacher and his family feel at home. Not satisfied with edibles of a substantial kind and dainties not a few, they also presented this scribe with a good amount of cash, which we highly appreciated. The Lord help us prove worthy, and give us an abundant harvest of souls among this noble people.

Chappell Hill.

Chappell Hill.

C. H. Brooks, Dec. 24: I am just home from the church, where we had that modern invention. a Christmas Tree. Although Solomon knew and wrote more about trees than any one in ancient or modern times, he knew and wrote nothing about Christmas Trees. Solomon said, also, that "there was nothing new under the sun." Now, what would he have said if he had been in Chappell Hill to-night and have seen Old Santa striping that tree of its wonderful fruit? One of the newest things under the sun is, that that tree produced money, or its equivalent, and the pastor and presiding elder gathered it. And all this after pounding the pastor with all sorts of good things, and the presiding elder with a comfortable home for the year. Just think of it: a whole year's rent paid, and then the presiding elder goes gathering money from a tree! But, Mr. Editor, this occurred at Chappell Hill.

Harwood Circuit.

Harwood Circuit.

J. W. Vest, Dec 25: I served this good people thirteen years ago. Many changes have taken place during these years, both in church and country. Some of the faithful ones that I knew and loved have passed to their reward, and others have stepped forward to take their places. Thus the battle continues for victory. Many of the old veterans are still at their posts, toiling for the Master, anxious to see the good work prosper. There has been some advancement in the way of building churches; but much remains to be done. The country is in better condition than for many years past. Almost everyone is making some improvement in the way of home comforts. This is a good sign, it looks like the people are here to stay. I pray that this spirit of enterprise may continue until the church shall get out of school houses into good houses, set apart for God's service alone. God ought to have the best house in every community, and he would have if we would only give him his own. Your most excellent prper is growing in favor with my people. I send you twelve subscribers—a Christmas present—making thirty-five since conference. May you and the Abvocate continue to grow.

Montague. Harwood Circuit.

Montague.

W. W. Horner, Dec. 25: As soon after conference as I well could we packed up and started, and we arrived here in time to preach the second sunday after conference. On our way we had to stop over at Sherman and wait a whole night and until 1:37 the next day. Of course while there we visited the North Texas Female College (as every Methodist preacher should do when he has the time) and accepted the kind invitation of the genial Mrs Kidd to dine with her. We were carried all through the mammoth buildings being sitted up for the young ladies there, and to say that we were perfectly delighted would not begin to express our feelings on that occasion. It was a levely sight to see about 140 girls, bright, beantiful and lovely, marching into the dining-room and quietly take their seats around the tables, and behave with such lady-like deportment. This is one of the finest schools in the State, and it has but few, if any, superiors in the South. There are fourteen teachers, two hundred pupils, one hundred and twenty-five of whom are boarders, with ample room for more, and the curriculum is of a higher grade than Price's celebrated school at Nashville, Tenn. With all these facilities right here st home there is no necessity in the world for sending young ladies out of the State to edu-

cate them. Parents, send your daughters to Mrs. Kidd's school and you will have no cause to regret it. But I took up my pen to write about my work. I am perfectly delighted with it, and my people have given me a warm reception. We are snugly enseonced in the cosy little parsonage, and although we are crowded, we expect to have plenty of room, as the money is made up to add two more good rooms to the house, and work is to begin on it in a few days. We had a nice Christmas ladder at the Methodist Church last night, and the young people were made happy by the reception of many handsome presents.

Allen.

Allen.

L. F. Palmer, Dec. 24: We arrived at the parsonage in Allen, Dec. 5. Have been at all the appointments and preached save one. The stewards met Dec. 21 at Wylie and proposed to pay the preacher in charge \$600 and presiding elder, \$75; foreign missions, \$53; domestic missions, \$12; conference claimants, \$29; church extension, \$16; education, \$10; Bishops, \$5; Paine Institute, \$2. The hope is that all will be in hand next fall. The Texas Christian Advocate will be looked after.

T. L. Adams, Dec, 21: My first round on St. Jo circuit is completed. Found a good, elever people; met a warm reception; had good congregations, good interest; a number have asked for prayers of the Christians; six penitents at the altar, others interested for a higher life—for full salvation—while two babies and thireen adults have been received into the church, and a well filled purse on the Christians tree to-night indicates that temporalities are not forgotten. We have organized a Sunday-school in our new church in St. Jo with large attendance and splendid outlook. But the best of all God is with us. O his precious, saving, keeping, cleansing power! You may have the world, but give me Jesus. God bless the Advocate.

Z. Parker, Dec. 20: It is now in order for me to mention the kind welcome given this pastor. On my arrival, on December 11, I learned that I was expected on Friday, the day before. I found at the parsonage the table loaded with needed supplies. The variety was complete, from a sack of flour to a box of pepper, and out doors, potatoes, turnips, live chickens, etc. The company was lead by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and Bros. Benton and Evans, from Bentonville, and was joined by friends at Ector. I regret that myself and family were not here to enjoy the splendid dinner with the kind friends who prepared and brought it to the parsonage. A thousand thanks for these expressions of kindness. Come again, friends; we are at home now.

Crawford and Valley Mills.

J. J. Davis: We arrived here (Crawford) on the 20th November, after three hard days drive through the mud and cold, and found a kind, good people waiting for us. I have made one round on my circuit, and can say, if they are as well pleased with their preacher as he is with them, there are no grounds for complaint. Our first quarterly conference convened the 11th. The attendance was good, and the services were enjoyed by all. Our indefatigable presiding elder (Bro. Bailey) was in his place, and, as usual, in the Spirit of the Master. He preached three excellent sermons, which I trust were appreciated by all. The stewards made a liberal assessment for the preacher in charge, and paid about one-fourth of it. A new parsonage has been purchased, and the preacher in charge and his family are comfortably domiciled in it. It is a good house with four rooms, good horse lot, corn crib, cow shed, etc., with a fine well of water in the yard. We feel that we are among a generous hearted people, who will take care of their pastor and his family, and we are determined (God helping us) to do all we can for them, spiritually. The country is fine. The crops this year were splendid; but 0, the rats, the rats! Crawford and Valley Mills.

San Angelo.

A. E. Rector, Dec. 24: I had firmely resolved to keep our big pounding to our ownselves and larder, but the recent editorial exhortation in the Abvocate impels me to divulge. So, eachewing all worn-out wit and sparing the editorial mouth its watering at the long list of "good things," I proceed: About 8 p. m., December 4th, a quiet "halloo" was heard at the gate, and the open door disclosed a formidable array—pedestrians, buggies, delivery wagons, and a big "doat" carrying twenty-four passengers, all arranged around the gate in the bright moonlight and waiting in ominus silence. There was no chance to run; so, followed by his courageous wife and sister, this bare-headed preacher went out and caught hold of the gate-post. The overwhelming odds were turned somewhat in our favor when my good friend and brother, Rev. J. J. Williamson, pastor of the Christian Church at this place, stood up in a delivery wagon and delivered himself of a speech. In his usual spicy, hearty style he assured us that they came peace-ably. And so it turned out to be not a sheriff's posse, but a very elaborate, old-fashioned and liberal "pounding." By the help of the gate-post your scribe stammered out some disjointed thanks, when about one hundred people crammed themselves into the house, and made us happy with good cheer. Two hours after, both the preachers offered prayer, though one prayer was mostly thanksgiving. Then the good people all went home, leaving behind them the fullest larder, and the happiest social event of our ministerial experience.

est membership is at this place. We have no church house here yet, but we have the walls of one up and the roof on, and with a little more money we can complete it. For the present we have to use the court house to worship in. We have a small sabbath-school at this place, using our own literature, sowing for the reaping by and by. But. oh! I wonder what will the harvest be? This is surely a healthy country; its altitude is very high; its atmosphere is pure. This is a beautiful little town, situated in a valley entirely surrounded by mountains, five or six hundred inhabitants, two large stores, one saloon and beer shop, fine brick court house and jail, very good school house, with a good school, at present presided over by Prof. dillett, of Lockhart, Texas. Remember us in your prayers.

mention the kind welcome given this paster. On my arrival, on becoming the table loaded with needed supplies. The variety was complete, from a sack of four to a box of pepper, and out doors, potatoes, turnips. Hive chickens, etc. The company was lead by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and Bros. Benediction of four to a box of pepper, and out doors, potatoes, turnips. Hive chickens, etc. The company was lead by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and Bros. Benediction of four to a box of pepper, and out doors, potatoes, turnips. Hive chickens, etc. The company was lead by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and Bros. Benediction of four to a box of pepper, and out doors, potatoes, turnips. Hive chickens, etc. The company was leaded by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and Bros. Benediction of the custom of this charge to receive cheering and binding the pepper of the power metal the depot by Bro. John Morgan, who distributed a feet of the company was leaded by Bro. Cox, from Randolph, and bro. Benediction of this charge to receive cheering and benediction of this charge to receive cheers fully whoever the authorities send; also like their habit to fill the larder with food it is their habit to fill the larder with food it is their habit to fill the larder with food it is their habit to fill the larder with food it is their habit to fill the larder with food sufficient to run his family many days. No one need, unless there is a great for these expressions of kindness. Come again.

H. C. Rogers, Dec. 18: The little workers on the Rosson circuit to the passion of kindness of the people and the sufficient to run his family many days. No one neced, unless there is a great charge that the people do not ask for this people do not ask for

and contage to do more of him and his cause in the control in Section in Methodican, how bright the prospect, and the section of the section in Methodican how the part of the consecution.

For the consecution of the section of the

tomo, stopping over there a tew days, visiting the Alaimo, Saun Pedros Springs. West End Lake, Government Hill, San Fernando Cathedral, and several other places of interest, among which was the San Antonio Fair. You see by coming by San Antonio I could get reduced rates. On Monday, Nov. 11, I boarded the west-bound Southern Pacific for Sierra Blanca. During the night we came to the famous roughs along the Rio Grande. I had long wanted to see that roud at that point. When we came to the river the moon was shining brightly, so we could see almost like day. One place was surely dangerous looking. You can look almost straight down for several hundred feet (it seems), then look up and the rock seemed to have almost passed the train, at the same time the road was making a sharp curve. I am sure the rails were within 4 or 5 feet of the edge of the elff. Several miles of this road is worth seeing. I had rather look at it from the top of the cliff, however, than ride over it. Sierra Blanca is a desolate looking place, and is nine miles east of the peak of the same name—one of the highest, if not the highest, peak in the State. Here I took the east-bound Texas and Pacific train for Pecco City. I stayed there two nights and one day and a half waiting for a chance to come on to Eddy. Pecco river is rather a curiosity. It is just simply a gulley in the open prairie with water running in it. On Thursday, Nov. II, I made arrangements with a freighter to come with him. We left at noon. At night we were cight miles from Peccos We struck camp, and, after feeding the horses, proceeded to dig our wood. In this country, the only wood we have is roots of mesquite. He cooked us a stew, as he called it—onions, Irish potatoes and bacon sliced and all boiled together. This, with "black coffee" and cold breat, was our supper, and I was hungry enough to repeat of the refer of the with frost and even our pillows had frost on the outer ends. We were four days and a half contang from Pecco City to Eddy, a distance of ningty-five miles. Every

If you don't wont to disgust everybody with your offensive breath, cure your Catarrh upon which it depends. \$500 reward is offered by the proprietors of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy for a case of Catarrh which they cannot cure. It is sold by druggists; 50 cents.

She Scared Him—I couldn't sleep last night for thinking of that burglary down the block. I'm going to get a revolver and learn how to shoot. Husband—Don't please. Then I couldn't sleep.

Neuralgic Persons
And those troubled with nervousness resulting from care or overwork will be relieved by taking
Brown's Iron Bitters. Genuine has trade mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

est membership is at this place. We have no church house here yet, but we have the walls of one up and the roof on, and with a little more money we can complete it. For the present we have to use the court house to worship in. We have a small subbath-school at this place, using our own literature, sowing for the reaping by and by. But. oil: I wonder what will the harvest be? This is sheating it is stanosphere is pure. This is a beautiful little town, situated in a valley entirely surrounded by mountains, five or six hundred inhabitants two large stores, one saloon and beer shop, fine brick court house and jail, very good school, at present presides over by Prof. Gillert, of Lockhart, Texas. Extended the profession of the p

as a Christmas offering. Prospects are good for a prosperous year.

Marysville.

8. Nelson, Dec. 23: The first quarterly conference for this circuit convened in the school-house at this place on the 21st inst. Our meeting was harmonious and profitable. The stewards raised my salary \$33 above last year. Rev. C. L. Ballard, our new presiding elder, was on hand and by his urbanity and ability won all hearts. He is, in my humble opinion, a worthy successor of a grand and noble man; able and willing to foster and develop the interests of our district. He preaches prac-tical Methodism (which is a synonym for practical Bibleism), and is not only a good reasoner, but a fine orator.

Pontotoe Circuit.

R. M. Leaton, Dec. 18: Have just closed my first round. With very few exceptions have met a kind reception. The friends of Jesus has rented me a house to live in, of Jesus has rented me a house to live in, and wife, baby and I are comfortably in it. Our real wants have been reasonably well supplied. Found some old friends here, and have made some new ones. Congregations have been good, and the attention to the preaching of the word of God generally good. Held a class-meeting at every appointment and they were all good. God was present to bless his people. Held a church conference at every place but one, and they were to some extent encouraging. encouraging.

R. N. Brown, Dec. 16: We preached two sermons yesterday in this place to large and attentive audiences. The outlook for the present year is encourag-ing. The good people of Brookston and White Cut know how to receive their preacher. The substantial tokens of ap-preciation that have been received by his scribe and his family would be called by some a "big pounding;" but we pre-fer to say a hearty welcome in a substantial way. The old parsonage has been exchanged for a new one by paying the difference of \$350. We hope to do the best year's work of our itinerant life this year. I shall try to put the Texas Christian Advocate in the home of every Methodist family in my charge. [That is right, brother.—Ed.]

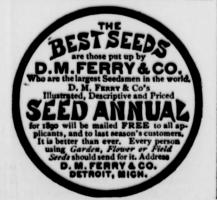
R. M. Leaton, Dec. 24: Our first quarterly meeting is just over. Our presiding elder, Bro. M. A. Black, was on hand in good time, as he always is, and better than all he was in the Spirit, not only on the Lord's day, but on Saturday also. He preached us three sermons which did my soul good, and they were all listened to with marked attention by the congregations. We hope good was done to others in the name of Christ. The attendance of official members was pretty good, and the usual interests of the church were looked after carefully and prayerfully. The stewards estimated the pastor's salary at twenty-five dollars per month, with a house to live in besides. They also bargained for the same for a parsonage, on conditions, which we think an excellent conditions, which we think an excellent move, and we hope the conditions in due time will be complied with, and the house become the property of the church. The meeting was held at Valley Springs, and was well entertained by the hospitable, clever people of that community. May God bless them. We are working, hoping, looking for, and praying for better times spiritually on this work. times spiritually on this work.

Sick headache is readily cured by Hood's Sar aparilla, which tones and regulates the diges tion, and creates an appetite.

TEXAS CONFERENCE MINUTES.

The minutes of the Texas Conference will be delayed on account of the failure of some of the Boards to furnish me a copy of their reports. And the Confer-ence Record being full Dr. Philpott could not furnish me with these as early as if he had had a record book at conference. If any of the brethren have any special direction about mailing their minutes please let me know at once.

1. Z. T. Morris.



The Ladonia New says: At last the Methodists have gotten a man at work on Methodists have gotten a man at work by DEWITT C. HARRY, Thos. W. President. A. G. Wills, Cashier. their church spire that was struck by lightning last summer. They are also figuring on having the lot around the church enclosed with a nice paling fence.

President.

A. G. WILLS, Cashier.

The National Bank of Commerce

Ladonia.

WHAT IS

SCROFULA

It is that impurity in the blood, which, accumulating in the glands of the neck, produces unsightly lumps or swellings; which causes painful running sores on the arms, legs, or feet; which developes ulcers in the eyes, ears, or nose, often causing blindness or deafness; which is the origin of pimples, cancerous growths, or the many other manifesta-tions usually ascribed to "humors;" which, fastening upon the lungs, causes consumption and death. Being the most ancient, it is the most general of all diseases or affections, for very few persons are entirely free from it.

How Can CURED

By taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which, by the remarkable cures it has accomplished, often when other medicines have failed, has proven itself to be a potent and peculiar medicine for this disease. Some of these cures are really wonderful. If you suffer from

scrofula, be sure to try Hood's Sarsaparilla.
"My daughter Mary was afflicted with scrofulous sore neck from the time she was 22 months old till she became six years of age. Lumps formed in her neck, and one of them after growing to the size of a pigeon's egg, became a running sore for over three years. We gave her Hood's Sarsaparilla, when the lump and all indications of scrofula entirely disappeared, and now she seems to be a healthy child." J. S. CARLILE, Nauright, N. J. N. B. Be sure to get only

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass. 100 Doses One Dollar

BANKS.

THOS. W. GRIFFITHS. Vice-President.

DALLAS, TEXAS. CAPITAL PAID IN. - \$100,000.

DIRECTORS—J. M. Harry, Thos. W. Griffiths John N. Wharton, A. C. Petri, Oliver Thomas, F. G. Moore, D. W. C. Harry and A. G. Wills.

Correspondence and business solicited.

Tom Padoitt. Vice-President. M. A. SCLLIVAN.

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK

WILLIAM CAMERON, President. N. B. SLIGH. Cashier.

With ample capital and large facilities we extend reasonable accommodations (consistent with conservative banking. We mytte'; correspondence. With direct intercourse with every banking town in the State, we are prepared to make collections promptly and satisfactority.

The Fourth National Bank,

733 ELM STREET.

CAPITAL PAID IN..... CAPITAL ON JAN. 1.. 600,000

12,000 SURPLUS We solicit the accounts of banks, bankers, merchants, mechanics, farmers and individuals, Living rates of interest and exchange charged

on good accounts.

W. H. PRATHER, S. B. HOPKINS,
President. Cashle

Patents THOMAS P. SIMPSON, Washington, No att'ys fee until patent obtained. Write for Inventor's Guide.

The Texas Christian Advocate—\$2 per annum. Subscribe.

URPEE'S FARM ANNUAL (A)
handsomely illustrated with colored plates painted from nature, tells all about the plates painted from nature, tells all about the plates painted from nature, tells all about the which cannot be obtained elsewhere. It is mailed FREE to all who want really first-class Warranted Seeds. W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., Philadelphia, Pa.

VICK'S SEEDS

JAMES VICK, SEEDSMAN, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

The Dingee & Conard Co's ROSES, HARDY PLANTS, Largest Rose Growers in America. BULBS and SEEDS.



OUR NEW GUIDE, 116 pp., elegantly illustrated, is sent FREE to ALL who write for it. It describes and tells HOW TO GROW over TWO THOUSAND FINEST varieties of ROSES, HARDY PLANTS, BULBS and SEEDS. 49 NEW ROSES, NEW SHRUBBERY, NEW CLEMATIS and Climbing Vines, NEW SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS, JAPAN LILIES, GLADIOLUS, TUBEROSES, CARNATIONS, New JAPAN CHRYSANTHEMUMS, New MOON FLOWERS, and the choicest

RARE FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS Goods sent everywhere by mail or express. Safe arrival guanteed. If you wish Roses, Plants, or Seeds of any kind, it wou to see our New Guide before buying. Send for it—free. Address



TWO PASSENGER CART, \$25.00 \$12.50 Agents we sell at OPEN BUGGY with FULL LAZY BACK: 65.00 OAK TAN LEATHER HARNESS, 9.50 Wholesale Prices to the consumer to the consumer to introduce our work. You now have a chance to buy a \$50.00 Leather '; Top Buggy, with Leather Triuming. Hickory Which, Steel Axles and Tire for \$45.50. All goods warranted and tested before it leaves the Factory. We sell for Cash only, and have no losses, therefore undersell all our comleaves the Factory. We sell for Cash only, and have no losses, therefore undersell all our competitors. Will ship to your station, with privilege to examine before paying. Write at once to the U.S. BUGGY & CART COMPANY, CINCINNATI, O. & W. G. THOMAS. Wetumka, Ala., writes: "The \$32.50 Buggy received is worth here \$61.00. The \$3.25 Barness could not be bought for \$12.50. BUGGNOWN, Borne, Texas, writes, Dec. 0, 1889: "Well pleased with Buggy. It's a Daisy all over. Caps snything in town." We have hundreds such letters from every State.



HOW TO OBTAIN FREE

How To Obtain A PAIR OF SHOULDER BRACES FREE
Two Articles: A PAIR OF Stocking Supporters FREE Send us 50 Cents for one year's subscription to our JOURNAL, and 25 Cents additional to pay ostage and packing. 75 Cents in all, and we will mail you these two articles, One Pair of HOULDER BRACES and One Pair of STOCKING SUPPORTERS FIREDE:

When postal note is not procurable, send stamps. Address all communications to
THE DEMOREST FASMION & SEWING MACHINE CO.,
17 EAST 14th STREET, NEW YORK.
This offer should be taken advantage of at once as we will give away no more than 100,000 of each article. SHOW THIS TO YOUR FRIENDS. IT WILL NOT APPEAR AGAIN.
We know the Demorest Fashion and Sewing Machine Co. to be a thoroughly reliable 3rm and advise our readers to accept their offer.—EMYOR.

Texas Christian Advocate.

Gov. Luce, of Michigan, started with much pomp and his wife to attend the National Grange meeting at San Francisco a few days ago. On arriving at Omaha he found an emigrant car waiting to convey them. His Excellency made a big row about it on arriving at the end of the journey and came home in a palace car at his own expense.

MAKE No MISTAKE .- If you have made up you mind to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to take any other. Hood's Sarsaparilla is a peculiar medicine, possessing, by virtue of its pecu-liar combination, proportion and preparation, curative power superior to any other article of the kind before the people. For all affections arising from impure blood or low state of the system it is unequalled. Be sure to get Hood's.

Some Chicago man has lost a big chance of securing a novel show. An Englishman for £6000 has just bought the royal castle of Nuremburg, containing the most complete collection of instruments of torture extant, costing £6000 in all. There is a library of 3000 volumes, giving the history of crime and torture for many centuries. ture for many centuries.

Since the improvement in cooking, man-kind eat about twice as much as nature re-quires; to counteract the bad effect of an overloaded stomach, take Cascarine.

It is figured that to carry the great English iron-clad Benbow, with its two 110-ton guns, through two ordinary engagements it would cost for ammunition and guns \$650,000.

We can truthfully say that in no instance has Morley's T-X-S Ague Tonic failed to cure Chills when taken strictly as directed. We have guaranteed every bottle sold, to cure any case of Chills, however bad they may be, and have never had to refund on a single bottle sold. Yours truly.

W. J. WYAN & SON.

Rell Air Mo.

Bell Air. Mo.

The season has been so mild in England that quantities of violets were at the end of November growing in the open air at Sitting-bourne. Cherry trees were budding in the same locality, while at Bredgar, another village in the vicinity of Sittingbourne, a field of poppies was in full bloom.

A Lady in South Carolina Writes: My labor was shorter and less painful than on two former occasions; physicians aston-ished; I thank you for "Mother's Friend." It is worth its weight in gold. Address The Bradfield Reg. Co., Atlanta, Ga., for partic-ulars. Sold by all druggists.

It is said that the Shah wanted Hadji Hassein Khooly Khan to return to the United States, but Hadji politely declined. The freedom of the American press was too much for

"Into each life some rain must fall, some days be dark and dreary." Yet many a dark day might be avoided if the liver is kept in good condition by the use of

The Pope has received a bequest of £680,000 from Baron Lilienthal. The latter was by extraction a jew, and made money in the Union Generale speculation, and his desire was to render the Pope independent of Peter's pence. The will will very likely be disputed.

Laddes will find relief from their Costiveness, Swimming in the Head, Colie, Sour Stomach, Headache, Kidney troubles, etc., by taking a dose of Simmons Liver Regulator after dinner or supper, so as to move the bowels once a day. Mothers will have better health and the babies will grow more robust by using the Regulator. If an infant shows signs of Colic, nothing like a few drops in water for relief.

Better Left Unsaid: Gertrude (speaking of Beatrice's "fiance"—What will Jack do now that he has inherited all this money? Beatrice—Oh, I shall just make him give up all business and—and live like a gentleman, you know. Gertrude (quietly)—It will be a great change for him.

Two great evils—headache and constipa-tion, afflicting nearly every human being, are relieved by Bailey's Saline Aperient.

A Female who is troubled with cold feet and hands, pains in the side and back, palpitation of the heart, monthly suppression or excesses, will find a prompt and reliable cure in the use of Exclusi Female Bittels. As a female regulator, it acts like a charm.

A man aroused his wife from a sound sleep, the other night, saying that he had seen a ghost in the shape of a donkey, "Oh! let me sleep," the irate dame rejoined, "and don't be frightened at your own shadow."

DEF, ARK., November 30, 1888,
My father had a very bad case of Chills,
and after trying whole bottles of several
kinds of "chill cures" without effect, he
bought a 50 cent bottle of Morley's T-X-8
Ague Tonic, one or two doses of which broke
the chills and before he had used all of one
bottle he was enjoying perfect health.

JORDAN KELSO.

Conductor—What's this? A half-ticket: Why, you're not under twelve are you? Passenger—No, not now; but I was when this train started.

That Bad Taste in your mouth will cease to trouble you if you take Man-a-lin. A Sallow Complexion is neither attractive nor healthful. Take Man-a-lin and get rid of it.

The penny is finding its way West, even into California, and the mints can't half supply the demand. When people have the chance to be stingy they're just as small as anybody. anybody.

The only reliable vegetable substitute for cal-omel, which acts on the liver, blood, kidneys and stomach, and best anti bilious purgative is Ma-guire's Cundarango. Indorsed by Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia: Rev. McAnally, of St. Louis, and a host of prominent people.

Tramp—Will you please give me some breakfast? Bilious—Do you see that wood? Tramp—Yes, I see that wood. Bilious—Well, you'll say I saw that wood before you

A faded and discolored beard is untidy and a misfortune. It may be prevented by using Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers, a never failing

Stranger—Did a pedestrian pass this way a tew minutes ago? Granger—No, sor. I've been onter this tater patch for more'n a nower, an' notter a thing has past cept one solitary man, an' he was trampin' erlong on foot.

CONSUMPTION CURED. An old physician, retired from practice, had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections; also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all nervous complaints. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail, by addressing, with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 820 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

"There is one thing, dear madam, about your charming little boy which pleases me particularly," said the visitor, who had patiently submitted to having his corns trampled and his whiskers pulled out by young hopeful. "And that is?" smiled mamma. "Dear madam, that he is not a twin."

PATTERSON, TEXAS, May 9, 1887.
I handle all kinds of Ague Cures, but Morley's T-X-S Ague Tonic has the lead, because
it never fails to give satisfaction. I sell more
of it than all the rest combined. of it than all the rest combin J. H. FERGUSON.

Inventor—I have just patented a new "nickle-in-the-slot" machine, which I would like you to take hold of. It is an entirely new design, and will never get out of order. Nickle-in-the-slot Capitalist—Never get out of order? Huh! No money in a machine like that.

Effect of Politics—My dearest Laura is the matter? Here you are bat tears and only four weeks after your w Laura—Oh, Clara, my husband is cafor mayor, and I have just found this morning's paper that he is a para all the vices.

"Who breathes must suffer, and who thin mourn, and he alone is blessed" who kno pain and suffering can be cured by Salvat Although we have heard persons remar worth its weight in gold"—still Dr. Bull' Syrup is to be had at all drug stores for 25

A man told of an adventure which horrible that he said it just raised h "Well," said the bald-headed man back corner, "I guess I'll try it."

Columbia, Texas, Jan. 30, I sell Morley's T-X-S Ague Toni guarantee and never had a bottle ret Every purchaser was perfectly satisfi it cured several very stubborn cases, I JOHN S. BARTLI

"A sensible flea will not eat his break-fast on the lip of a liver," neither will a wise man suffer from dyspepsia, a disor-dered liver or constipation, when he can get such a pleasant and certain remedy as Cascarine.

She (suggestively)—Harry, isn't that a grand picture of the 'Angelus?' Those poor peasants bowing for a minute in prayer when they hear the church bell that tells them it is supper-time.

RUPTURE PILES CURED BY

ST DRS. DICKEY & SCOBEY.

No knife used in curing RUPTURE or PILES. No detention from business. NO CURE NO PAY, and no pay until cured. Permanently located in Dallas for the last five years, and have cured more cases of Rupture and various Rectal Troubles than any other physicians in the southwest.

OFFICE: 804 ELM ST., DALLAS, TEX. P. CHEANEY, D. D. S., DALLAS DENTAL PARLORS 709, 711 Elm Street, Dallas, TEX. Specialty—Preservation of the natural Telephone 340.

Church Notices.

1890	Sunday	Monday	Inesday	Wednes.	Thursd.	Friday	Saturd.	1890	Sunday	Monday	Twesday	Wednes	Thursd.	Friday	Catana
Jan.							4	July		***	1	2		4	
	5			8		10			6	.7	15		10	18	1
		20				17						23		25	3
		27			1 1 10					28		30			ĺ.
Feb.							1	Aug.						1	ı
	2	3	4	5		7			3		5		7	8	L
		10							10			13			
		17						1	17			20			
Mar.		24							31		20		20	24	ľ
	2					7		Sept.		1				5	ľ
		10	11						7		9		11	12	h
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22					17		19	
		24										24			
Anr		31				***		0-	58	29	30				ŀ
Apr.	6		8		10	.4	5	Oct.	5					10	l,
							19					15			
		21										22			
		28							26	27	28	29	30	31	ŀ
May	***	***					3	Nov.		***	***	***			ı
		.5	6			.9			2	.3		12			ł,
		12									1	10	- 97		ъ.
							31					26			
						100									
June	1		3	4	5		7		***				4	5	L
	8						14		7			10			
	100						21		14	- 0		17	18	19	ľ
	22	23					28		- 2	55	- 0	-	-5	30	ľ

	PALESTINE	DISTRI	OT Prove	Donn	
	PALESTINE	DISTRI	CI-FIRST	ROUN	D.
Jac	ksonville sta			t Sun	in Jan
	mer cir, at M				
	o cir, at Mt				
	sk sta, at Rus				
Ki	ekapoo eir, at	Pano's f	hanel Is	e Sun	in Fab
	gusta cir. at				
CIT	ockett sta, at	Crockett.		Sun	in Feb
	ockett cir, at				
Tri	nity cir. at T	rinity	1st 8	un in	March
	lestine cir at			un in	March
Jac	eksonville mis	, at Prov			
				un in	
Pa	lestine sta, at	Palestin	e 4th 8	un in	March
Т	he District St	ewards' n	neeting wil	Il be h	eld at
	eksonville, on				
	the stewards i				
	se Rateliff.				
Ste	rne, J. F. Na	sh. J. F.	Scalz. P.	W Vin	co W
63	Bolton, J. S.	Bonner	S P D	arnor.	2 P
2.4	nonton, J. S.	indille.	to De D	miller,	See Fre

8	C. Bolton, J. S. Bonner, S. E. Barnes, S. E.
e	Acker. Dear brethren, I hope each one of you
0	will be present, and that by grace you will
	come with enlarged views, to make apportion-
	ments that will remove the district as a pen- sioner upon the Board of Missions.
	U. B. PHILIPS, P. E.
	C. D. Philare, T. L.
!	
?	HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
n	Navasota sta. Jan 4, 5 Courtney and Plantersville cir, at Plantersville
	Jan 11, 12
	Montgomery cir, at Montgomery Jan 18, 19
e	Willis sta Jan 25, 26
-	Huntsville sta
	Cold Seeds and Shorthard at Cold Seeds Feb 1, 2
_	Cold Springs and Shepherd at Cold Springs

	Jan II,
	Montgomery cir, at Montgomery Jan 18,
ě	
	Huntsville sta Feb 1, Cold Springs and Shepherd at Cold Springs Feb 8,
	Cold Springs and Shepherd at Cold Springs
7	Feb 8,
	Dodge cir, at Black Jack Feb 15,
	Prairie Plains eir, at Mary's Chapel Feb 22,
١	Madisonville cir, at Meh 1.
f	Zion cir, at Mch 8,
	Bedias mis, at Round Prairie Mch 15,
	The district stewards will please meet me
ķ	Montgomery, at 11 o clock, a. m., Jan. 16.
	J. C. MICKLE, P. E.

1	J. C. MICKER, T. E.
	GALVESTON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
	Galveston—St. James Jan 4
ı	Galveston-St. JohnJan 11.
	Houston-Washington Street Jan 18,
	Houston-McKee StreetJan 25,
	Houston-City MissionJan
ď	Galveston-West End Mission Feb 1
,	Bolivar Feb s
	Cedar Bayou Feb 15,
	Alvin Feb. 22, Columbia and Brazoria March 1
L	
	Velasco March 8
	Matagorda March 15, Richmond and Wharton March 22,
	The district stewards will please meet me
	Washington Street Church on Feb. 23, at 7:30 p. H. V. Philpott, P. E

Washington Street Church on Feb. 23, at 7:30 p. m H. V. PRILPOTT, P. E.
TYLER DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Tyler cir, at Center. Jan 11, 1: Mineola, at Mineola Jan 18, 1:
Athens, at AthensJan 25, 26
Larissa, at Larissa Feb 1, : Edom, at Tunnell's Chapel. Feb 8, :
Tyler City mis, at Cedar St. Feb 15. 16 Lindale, at Harris Chapel Feb 15. 16
Grand Saline cir. Feb 22, 25 Canton at Canton March 1, 5
Lawndale mis March 8, 9 New York, at New York March 15, 16
Tyler sta March 22, 2 The district stewards will please meet at Tyler
Jan. 24, at 2 o'clock p. m. Their names are: L. L. Ansley, H. C. Turner, J. W. Ogborne, W. D. Rather
J. H. Sewell, A. J. Gray, R. N. Stafford, P. O. Tun-
nell, J. B. Douglas, M. C. Thomson. JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

		001111 111011	
WACO DIST	RICT-I	FIRST ROPS	n
hornton cir, at Uni	on		Jan 11, 12
hornton eir, at Uni losqueville eir, at B	osquevil	le	Jan 18, 19
enaville cir			Jan 25, 26
Vaco, Fifth Street			Fob 1 9
ast Waco cir, at Ea	. Wann	*********	Est o o
ruceville cir, at Ed			
vaco, Morrow Stree	L	**********	Feb 15, 16
lount Calm cir, at	Dawson.	*********	Feb 22, 23
	SAMUI	EL P. WRIG	нт. Р. Е.
	_		
WEATHERFORD	DISTRI	CT Prove	Danne
arton's Creek mis.			Jan 7. 8
hitt and Jacksboro	cir		Jan 11, 12
ineyard City mis			Jan 14 15
consuille ois	*******		
consvine cir			Inn 10 10
		**********	Jan 18, 19
inis cir			Jan 18, 19
raham sta			Jan 18, 19 Jan 23 Jan 25, 26
raham sta	********		Jan 18, 19 Jan 23 Jan 25, 26 Jan 29, 30
raham sta	********		Jan 18, 19 Jan 23 Jan 25, 26 Jan 29, 30

o Pinto cir	Feb 1, 2	
	B. M. STEPHENS, P. E.	
CLEBURNE DI	STRICT-FIRST ROUND.	
anbury sta Wed	dnesday before 2d Sun in Jan	
phensville cir		
ton cir		
	W. L. NELWS, P. E.	

a, what thed in redding. Indidate out by ragon of	SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.
ks must ows that tion Oil.	Sulphur Springs sta. Feb 11 Sulphur Bluff 3d Sun in Feb Sulphur Springs mis Feb 19 Lone Oak 4th Sun in Feb GEO. T. NICHOLS, P. E.
k—"it is s Cough cents.	BONHAM DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Bonham cir, at Revenna
was so is hair. in the	Fannin cir, at Faris Grove. Jan 18, 19 Brookston and White Cut, at Brookston Jan 25, 26 Petty and White Rock, at Petty Feb 1, 2 Ben Franklin cir, at Ben Franklin Feb 8, 9 Dodd's cir, at Providence Feb 15, 16 Gober cir, at Gober Feb 22, 23
ic on a turned.	Gober cir, at Gober Feb 22, 23 Stephensville cir, at Lone Elm March 1, 2 Maxey mis, at Maxey March 8, 9 J. M. BINKLY, P. E.
ied and I know. ETT.	GAINESVILLE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Rosston cir Jan 11, 12 Gainesville cir Jan 18, 19 Dexter cir Jan 25, 26 Decatur sta Feb 1, 2
there?! What	Feb. 1, 2 Feb. 2, 2
hank	C. L. BALLARD, P. E.

ı	TERRELL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
-	Poetry cir, at Edom
1	Wills Point sta
4	Kemp cir. at Gray's Prairie Jan 25, 26
	Kaufman sta Feb 1.2
	Kaufman sta Feb 1, 2 Rockwall and Royce cir, at Rockwall Feb 8, 9
	Forney cir, at ForneyFeb 15, 16
ì	Mesquite cir, at Farmer's Feb 22, 23
r	Garland and Duck Creek March 1, 2
1	Allen cir. at St. Paul March 8. 9
	Allen cir, at St. Paul March 8, 9 Roberts mis, at Bethel March 15, 16
,	W. L. CLIFTON, P. E.
-	SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
3	Del Rio
1	Montel mis, at MontelJan 14
-	Ingram mis, at IngramJan 16
	Eagle Pass and Brackett3d Sun in Jan
	Amphion cir, at Amphion 4th Sun in Jan
	San Antonio, Travis Park 1st Sun in Feb
1	San Antonio, Tenth Street
ł	Carrizo Springs2d Sun in Feb
1	B. HARRIS, P. E.
1	
	CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
- 1	Lavernia cir. at Sutherland SpringsJan 12
	Wesley cir. at WesleyJan 19
	Lagarto cir, at LagartoJan 26
	Cornus Christi cir at Cornus Christi Fab 9

TERRELL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Corpus Christi ci	r, at Corpus ChristiFel ALANSON BROWN, P. E.
ABILENE	DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Haskell mis, at I Sweetwater cir, a Robey mis, at Ro Stonewall mis, a	Son

SAN SABA	DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Menardville and	Paint Rock Wednesday after 1st Sun in Jar
San Angelo sta	
Sherwood mis	
Liano sta	M. A. BLACK, P. E.
SHERMAN	DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Pilot Point sta	at BellsJan 11, 1:
Gordonville cir, a	t Cedar Mills Jan 25, 26 Iall's Chapel Feb 1, 2
	Marvin at Whitewright Feb 8

	Bells and Savoy, at Bells. Jan 11, 1 Pilot Point sta. Jan 18, 1 Gordonville cir, at Cedar Mills Jan 25, 2 Sherman cir Kendall's Chapel Feb 1,
-	Whitewright and Marvin, at Whitewright. Feb 8, Pottsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro. Feb 15, 1 Denison cir, at Shiloh. Feb 22, 2 Howe cir, at Howe. March 1, Pilot Grove cir, at Cross Roads. March 15, 1 Anna mis, at Melissa. March 15, 1 W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.
1	GATESVILLE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Bee House cir, at Bee House Hall, Wednesday, Sth Ja

GATE	SVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Bee House	cir, at Bee House Hall,
	Wednesday, 8th Jan
Shive cir, a	t Round Valley2d sun in Jan
Hamilton o	ir. at Sardis3d Sun in Jan
Jonesboro e	eir, at Harmony Chapel4th Sun in Jan eek eir, at Henson Creek,
nenson Cr	1st Sun in Feb
	E. A. BAILEY, P. E.
	B. A. DAILET, I. E.
CAN N	LA DOOR DISTRICT PART DOUBLE
	IARCOS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Dripping S	prings cir. at Dripping Springs.

	Kyle cir, at Kyle. 2d Sun in. Blanco sta, at Blanco . 3d Sun in. Blanco mis, at Rock S. H. W. H. H. Bigos, P. F.
	AUSTIN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
	Merrilltown, at Jollyville Jan 11
	Bastrop sta Jan 18
	Webberville, at Webberville Jan 25 Cedar Creek, at Cedar Creek Feb
	Austin, Central ChurchFeb
	Smithville, at Smithville Feb 15
	Winchester, at Winchester. Feb 22 Flatonia sta March
	Flatonia cir. at Ridge Chapel March
ı	Wiemar, at WeimarMarch 15

		٠	-	-	-	-	-	٠	•	-	-	-	-	-	-						
PARIS	D	1	\mathbf{s}	T	R	ı	K	7	r	-	-)	F	u	R	sı	r	1	k	H	ZN	D.
l'attonville cir.							į.														Jan
Milton cir		.,					ï										ï				Jan
Rosalie cir														×							Jan
Woodland cir																					Fe
Clarksville sta.																					
Clarksville mis														ï					٠.		.Feb
Detroit eir																					
Annona cir																					
Darby Springs																					
Boston cir															٤.					м	farch

BEAUMONT DISTRICT FIRST ROUND.
Woodville cir, at Woodville Jan 11, 12
Colmesneil cir, at Wolf Creek Jan 18, 19
Jasper staJan 25, 26
Jasper cir, at Clear CreekFeb 1, 2
Burkville cir, at Burkville Feb 8. 9
Orange cir, at Caney Feb 15, 16
Sunset cir, at KountzFeb 22, 25
Beaumont sta, First Church March 1, 2
Orange sta
Sabine Pass mis, at Sabine Pass March 15, 16
Liberty cir, at Liberty March 22, 23
Livingston cir, at Livingston March 29, 30
Moscow cir, at HollywoodApril 5, 6
District stewards will please meet me at Wood-
ville on Saturday, Jan. 11, 1890. Their names are as follows: J. L. C. White, J. B. Howell, R. J.
Brailsford, A. D. Ford, W. J. Davis, L. G. Adams,
T. H. Sanders, John T. Stark, Jr.; T. R. Jackson.
I II Pinler A I. Stark, Jr.; I. R. Jackson,
T. H. Sanders, John T. Stark, Jr.; T. R. Jackson, J. H. Finley, A. D. Sprote, Jr. F. J. Browning, P. E.
r. J. BROWNING, P. E.

1	
,	SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND
I	San Augustine and Sexton, at Sexton Jan
1	Center cir, at New Prospect
1	Melrose cir, at FairviewJan 25
1	Teneha cir, at Teneha
	Nacogdoches, Lufkin and Garrison, at Nacodoches Feb 15
1	Linn Flat cir, at Twilight Feb 22
1	Center and Timpson, at Timpson March
	Carthage cir. at Clayton. March Sexton cir. at Myrtle Springs March 15
	Beckville cir. at Beckville
١	Hemphill mis, at Center View March 29
	Shelbyville cir, at Shelbyville
	Church in Center Jan 8, at 10 o'clock a. m.
١	J. W. Johnson, P. I

Mrs. Watts—Mr. Watts and I make it a rule never to quarrel before the children. If we have any argument with each other we always send them out of the room. Mrs. Potts—I have wondered why your children were out on the street so much more than other people's.

Alas, how changed! The rosy check is pallid as the dead,
And from the eyes that were so bright the happy light has fled. happy light has fled.

Life has no joy for her to-day; grown old before her prime.

She waits in hopeless suffering for that swift coming time

coming time
When death shall set her free
From poor, sick woman's misery.
But if she knew what wonderful cures Dr.
Pierce's Favorite Prescription has effected in
worse cases than hers, she would clutch at the
chance of recovering lost health as drowning
men catch at straws, and she might be saved.

Excusable: Hostess-Miss Highsee, wont cxcusable: Hostess—Miss Highsee, wont you favor the company with a song? Miss Highsee—Please excuse me, Mrs. Upjohn. You have all been listening to Patti for a week, and I have such a cold this evening I fear the contrast would be quite noticeable.

"When I was a Boy !" is an expression almost every lad has heard his father use as a basis for bombastic self-adulation. But the boy of the last quarter of the nineteenth century may retort, "when you were a boy, and had an attack of greenapple stomach-ache, you had to take calomel and jalap, but I am treated to Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Purgative Pellets, sugar-coated, and just as nice as chocolate caramels; no blue mass and castor oil for me—I'd rather fight it out with the pain!" out with the pain!

"You are not going to stay down-town late to-night, are you, John?" "Not very late, Maria. I have to help to put a man through the third degree at the lodge. I'll come straight home as soon as it is over." (Kindly but firmly.) "If you can repeat the password, 'Six slim slick saplings,' distinctly when you return from the lodge, John, the outside guardian will admit you, and if you can't you needn't ring any alarm at the outer door. You'll stay on the outside all night, my dear." John came home early. VERNON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND Frazier mis ... Mangum mis ... Plainview mis Jan 9 Jan 11, 12 Jan 11, 12 Jan 18, 19 JEROME HARALSON, P. E. BROWNWOOD DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Fort Chadburn, at Sanco Jan 11, 12
Comanche and DeLeon sta, at DeLeon Jan 18, 19
Comanche cir, at Fleming Jan 25, 26
Round Mountain cir, at New Hope Feb 1, 2
Sipe Springs Feb 8, 9
Carbon cir 11 a. m., Feb 12
Cotton Wood cir Feb 15, 16
W. T. MELUGIN, P. E. EL PASO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. ng 2d Sun in Jan ver City 3d Sun in Jan pine 4th Sun in Jan 1st Sun in Feb Jas. M. STEVENSON, P. E. Deming mis, at Deming.
Silver City mis, at Silver City.
Fort Davis mis, at Alpine.
Pecos mis, at Midland.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND Fort Worth cir, at Aledo Mansfield cir, at Mansfield. Marystown cir, at Joshua Itasco cir at Berry's Creek West cir, at Labanon Whitney cir, at Bethel Hillsboro sta

Alvarado sta Wednesday, 7 p. m., Feb 2 J. Fred Cox, P. E.
CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Chappell Hill sta Jan 11, P Burton and Giddings, at Burton Jan 28, P Elgin and Manor, at Elgin Jan 28, P McDade cir, at McDade Feb 1, P Bellville cir, at Bellville Feb 8, P Scaly and San Felipe, at Scaly Feb 15, P Patterson cir, at Asbury Feb 22, P Eagle Lake cir, at Eagle Lake March 18, P Hockley cir, at Hockley March 8, P Hempstead sta, at March 2, P Independence sta, at C. H. Brooks, P. E.

C. H. BROOKS, P. K.
JEFFERSON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Queen City cir, at Queen City
Daingerfield cir. at Daingerfield 2d Sun in Feb Eylau cir, at Red Lick 3d Sun in Feb Mt. Pleasant, at Mt. Pleasant, 4th Sun in Feb
Kildare cir, at Kildare
DALLAS DISTRICT—PURST ROUND

Linden cir, at Li			od dun in March
Landen cir, at La	naen	W.	2d Sun in March
		CHAS. B.	FLADGER, P. E.
		-	
DALLAS	DISTR	ICT-FIRS	T ROUND.
City Mission			24 Sun in Jan
Plano			3d Sun in Jan
McKinney			4th Sun in Jan
Weston cir			lst Sun in Feb
Bethel cir			2d Sun in Feb
Farmers Branch	cir		3d Sun in Feb
Cochran and Car	uth		.4th Sun in Feb
Grapevine cir		*********	st sun in March
Lewisville cir		**********	d Sun in March
Smithfield cir		T D	Preper P F

Smithfield cir	2d Sun in March 3d Sun in March T. R. PIERCE, P. E.
MARSHALL DISTR	CT-FIRST ROUND.
Harrison cir, at Rock Spr Longview sta, at Longvie	wJan 11, 15
Centennial mis, at Harme DeBerry cir, at Mt. Zion	Jan 25, 2
Marshall sta, at Marshall Kilgore cir, at Danville	Feb 8, 9
Marshall mis, at North Si Church Hill cir, at Oaklan	nd Feb 22, 2
Troupe and Overton cir, a Hallville cir, at Summerfi	eld
Henderson cir, at Good S Henderson sta, at Hender	son March 22, 25
The district stewards Longview, Jan. 11, at 2 p.	m. I hope all of them
will be present. They a Ragley, L. P. Griffin, R. W. H. W. Hopkins, A. B. W.	. Hamilton, I. L. Holt,
L. Stone, C. C. Dickard, G. Let all the stewards brin	. A. Turner, J. M. Mays.
first quarter.	T. P. SMITH, P. E.

CAMERON DISTRICT .- FIRST ROUND.

6	Pleasant Hill cir, at Thompson's Chapel,	
	5th Sun	in De
	Cameron sta	in Ja
	Cameron cir, at Givin's Chapel 2nd Sun	in Ja
	Davilla cir, at Davilla	in Ja
a	Milano cir, at Milano4th Sun	
•	Marlin sta	
	Durango cir. at Durango2nd Sun	
1	Wilderville cir, at Power's Chapel 3d Sun	in Po
1	Maysfield cir. at Maysfield4th Sun	in Fe
	Maysheld cir, at Maysheld	Mare
b	Caldwell cir, at Caldwell	MALC
н	Deanville cir, at Porter's Chapel	
	2nd Sun in	Marc

2nd Sun in March
The district stewards will meet at Milano on
Friday before the fourth Sunday in January, at
2 o'clock p. m. The following is the list of district stewards: W. H. Smith, Jeff Scott, M. N.
Shurfield, T. D. Hart, C. B. Spencer, W. M. Robinson, J. C. Crunk, J. J. Morgan, J. W. Duke, Frank
Walker, C. H. Ruby and J. B. Gillilin.
Free L. Allen, P. E.

2	CALVERT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
9	Kosse cir, at Kosse
29629	Bremond and Reagan, at Bremond Jan 19
2	Calvert staJan 2
9	Jewett and Buffalo cir, at Buffalo Feb
6 3 2 9	Fairfield cirFeb
3	Franklin eir Feb 1
2	Centreville cir Feb 2
9	Boon's Prairie mis
6 8	Millican and WellbornMarch
9	Bryan mis March 19
U	Roger's Prairie mis March 2
	H. M. SEARS, P.

Rogers	H. M. SEARS, P. E.
	HACHIE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Wesleya	da, at Oak Cliff Jan 9 d Rush eir, at Wesley Jan 12, 13 nie sta Jan 15
Reagor e	, at Boise Jan 16 r, at Maloney Jan 17 Glenwood cir, at Bethel Jan 18
Red Oak	ir, at Ovilla Jan 19, 29 nie cir, at Oak Branch Jan 26, 27 E. L. Armstrong, P. E
мо	TAGUE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

E. L. ARMSTRONG, P. E.
MONTAGUE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
St. Jo cir, at St. Jo Jan 11. Burlington cir. at Liberty Chapel Jan 18, Sunset and Crafton, at Sunset Jan 26.
Chico cir. at
Archer City mis, at Archer City Feb 22. Red River mis, at Willow Springs March 1.
Bowie cir, at

Bowie cir, at
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Belton sta, at Belton Jan Temple sta, at Temple Jan 11, 1 HORACE BISHOP, P. E.
CUERO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Waelder eir, at WaelderJan 11, 1
Weesatche, at Middletown Jan 25,
Clear Creek cir. at Rocky Feb 1, DeWitt cir. at Thomaston Feb 8,
Yoakum mis, at ConcreteFeb 15, 1

	ROBT. J. DEETS, P.
Mora.	DILES AY MPTOMS— Hold ure! Imease iteching are in the continuous and in the continuous are in the continuous areas are in the continuous areas are in the continuous areas a
As to th	to great virtues of "Swavne's Ointme

As to the great virtues of "Swayne's Ointment,", we are permitted to refer to the Publishers of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.



DIAMONDS. SILVER AND PLATED WARE. OPERA and FIELD GLASSES. POCKET KNIVES, SCISSORS, &c.

Our Illustrated Catalogue will be sent free to any one sending us their address. IRION & CIRARDET.

LOUISVILLE, KY. S. W. Cor. 5th & Market, FINE Watch Repairing and Engraving done for the Trade. Reference, this Paper. PIOURILE
Breech-Loader
\$6.75.
RIFLES 32.00
PISTOLS 75.

ATTURES, CLOCKS, Erc. Cincinnati, Obje.

ASTHMA DR. TAPT'S ASTEMALENE Address, we will mail tria CUREDnever fails, send us your ball traff bross., EOCHESTER, N.Y.FREE

PIANOS & ORGANS are the best and cheapest because they excel and outwear all others. Sold at low prices on time or for cash. Fully warranted. Send for illustrated catalogue.

> ESTEY & CAMP. 916 & 918 Olive St., . ST. LOUIS. Send for Catalogue of the

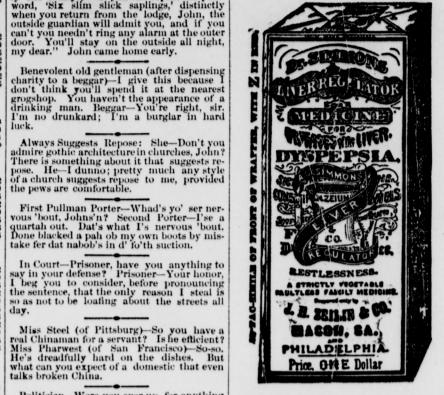
ALAMO CITY sasslo Selemetro SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

BELLS.

CHURCH BELLS. School, Fire Alarm and Farm Bells Warranted Pure Bell Metal. Write for Catalogue. J. W. GARRETT & CO., 2028 Walnut street, St. Louis, Mo. Best quality Bells for Churches, Chime Schools, etc. Fully warranted. Write for Prices. BUCKEYE BELL FOUNDRY VAN BUZEN & TIFT, Cincinnated McSHANE BELL FOUNDRY.
BALTIMORE, MD.
Best quality Copper a Tin BELLS
For Churches, Schools, &c. BELLS
ALSO CHIMES & PEALS.
Price & terms free. Name this paper.

Steel Alloy Church and School Bells. Send for Catalogue. C. S. BELL & Ob. Hillsbore. C.

1828 It Originated!



First Pullman Porter—Whad's yo' ser nervous 'bout, Johns'n? Second Porter—I'se a quartah out. Dat's what I's nervous 'bout, Done blacked a pah ob my own boots by mistake fer dat nabob's in d' fo'th suction.

Politician—Were you ever up for anything out West? Returned Boomer—O, yes; I was up twice. Politician—What for? Returned Boomer—Horse stealing and arson.

A VETERAN.

I was wounded in the leg at the battle of Stone River, Dec. 31st, 1862. My blood was poisoned from the effects of the wound, and the leg swelled to double its natural size, and remained so for many years. The poison extended to my whole system, and I suffered a thousand deaths. Nothing did me any good until I took Swift's Specific, which took the poison out of my system, and enabled me to feel myself a man again. S. S. S. is the remedy for blood poison.

JOHN CONWAY, London, O.

Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed.

Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed

CHILD BIRTH EASY
CHILD BIRTHENS
LESSENS PAIN GER TO LIFE OF

BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO. ATLANTA GA

THE CREAT ENCLISH REME Beecham's Pills

For Billous and Nervous Disorders.

TO STOPPED FREE

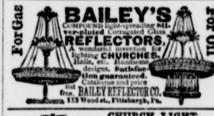
RUPTURE

Double Breech-Loader

ATOFOLKSO

for 25 cents, BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

Remember There is no other genutne Simmons Liver Regulator.







Street Lighting by Contract. Send for

CRAND NATIONAL AWARD of 16,600 francs.



PERUVIAN BARK, IRON AND PURE CATALAN WINE the Great FRENCH REMEDY

Endorsed by the Hospitals for PREVENTION and CURE of DYSPEPSIA, MALARIA, FEVER and AGUE NEURALGIA, loss of APPETITE GASTRALGIA, POORNESS of the BLOOD, and RETARDED CONVALESCENCE

This wonderful invigorating tonic is pow erful in its effects, is easily administered assimilates thoroughly and quickly with the gastric juices, without deranging the action of the stomach.

22 Rue Drougt, Paris.

E. FOUGERA & CO., Agents for U. S., 30 North William Street, N. Y.

THE ADVOCATE should be in the home of every Methodist family in Texas; especially should its weekly visits cheer the households of those who are unable to pay for it. To this end, an account has been opened, and contributions are solicited. All donations will be acknowledged in the Advocate.

RADWAY'S

and all derangements of the Internal Viscera. Purely vegetable, containing no mercury, minerals, or deleterious drugs.

Price 25 cts, per box. Sold by all druggists.

PERFECT DIGESTION will be accomplished by taking Radway's Pills. By so doing SIC'A HEAD-ACHE, Dyspepsia, Foul Stomach, Billiousness will be avoided and the food that is enten contribute its nourishing properties for the support of the natural waste of the body.

DYSPEPSIA.

DR. RADWAY'S PILLS are a cure for this complaint. They restore strength to the stomach and effable it to perform its functions. The symptoms of byspepsia disappear, and with them the liability of the system to contract diseases. Take the medicine according to directions, and observe what we say in "False and True" respecting diet. A few extracts from the many letters we are constantly receiving: Dr. A. C. Middlebrook, Doraville, Georgia: "I sae them in my practice and family in preference to all other pills."

Mrs. Caroline Monteith, Dear Creek, Ind.: "I believe my life has been saved by your medicine.

H. A. Carr, P. M., Escambia, Ala.: "Best Pills e has ever used." Alice E. Ohaver, Mt. Storm, W. Va.: "I positively ay that Radway's are the best Pills I ever had for

sick Headaches by taking two at the first symptoms."

Dr. D. Hughes, Nicholasville, Ky.: Uses them in his practice, and pronounces them without doubt the best in use.

Dr. Thos, J. Jones, Montague Texas: Has used them for over twenty years, and never failed with them in Malaria.

Mrs. Geo. Lohmiller, Santa Fe, Kan., says: "They never failed to give satisfaction," and calls them a "family necessity."

We have received thousands of testimonials, and others are steadily pouring into our office daily, while we have never yet received one dissatisfied letter, which for a business career of nearly half a century, is in itself a

of real worth and lasting per PROOF of real worth and lasting merit.

Send a letter stamp to DR. RADWAY & CO., No.

32 Warren Street, New York, for "False and True."

Three Wonderful SEWING MACHINES.



The NEW SINGER The NEW SINGER

Vibrator. More mod-ern, lighter running and simpler than any other.

Bvery successful machine ever built contains one of these 3 principles. Whichever you prefer you can now obtain the machine of your choice at any of our 1500 American Offices.

6,500,000 Ladies are doing Sewing on

SINGER FAMILY

Waco, Texas,



A System designed to Cultivate the Art of Analyzing and Criticis-ing, and to Assist in the Performance and Understanding of the Works of the Great Composers of Different Epochs.

Endorsed by such Eminent Musicians as

Sherwood, Mills, Foote, Tapper, MacDowell, Liebling, Buck, Pratt, Carreno, Seeboeck, Eddy, Gottschalk,

Hyllested and others THE ONLY WORK AS KIND.

THE JOHN CHURCH CO., CINCINNATI, O. and 19 East 16th Street New York City.



CURE

Headache, yet Carten's Little Liver Pills are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cured

HEAD

ACHE

ane of so many lives that here is when
there do not,
w's Little I

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

HENRY LINDENMEYR, PAPER WARE HOUSE.

NOS. 15 & 17 BEEKMAN ST. BRANCH STORE # BAST HOUSTON ST. P. O. BOX, 2865, - - NEW YORK.

Devotional.

EMMANUEL.

No need we fondly traverse back,
The ancient centuries through,
That with Jerusalem's wondering throng
We may see Jesus too.
O eyes so blind! O ears so deaf!
To this great teaching list—
The wide world echoes endlessly.
With that strange life of Christ!

To all the air is tremulous
With His sweet words of grace,
The rhythmic hints of God-like speech
In the wild winds we trace;
Still in her rocky heart, earth hears
The echo of His tread,
And listens with a mute delight
To all the Master says.

To all the air, so tremulous
With his sweet words of grace,
Still pulsates with the radiance
Of His love-lucent face.
And the vast ether-world that bears The news from sun to sun, Bids all its radiant winged steeds On this new errand run.

O worlds! ye cannot shine too bright,

Nor sing too joyously,
Nor up your infinite highways
March too triumphantly!
And some day God may give me leave
To go where visions shine,
And the sight of Him and all He did
Shall then, my soul, be thine.

ALL NIGHT IN PRAYER.

-From "Reliques of the Christ."

The writer does not refer to the well-

The writer does not refer to the well-known case of our divine Redeemer as recorded by one of the evangelists, but to that of a humble follower of his.

A precious revival had burst, as it were, upon one of her churches, to the surprise of most of the members of it. They were not expecting it, or prepared for it. If they had been praying for it in a cold, formal way, they hardly expected their prayers to be answered. But now the Lord was manifestly among them, reviyed. Lord was manifestly among them, reviving his people and converting the impenitent. How should they account for it? True, He had graciously said: "Ask and and it shall be given you;" but they have not been asking in a way that authorized Automatic. (Single them to expect such a blessing. But some one has been praying, if no more, was the reply. And so it was. It was ascertained that one humble woman had spent a whole night in prayer for the very revival that God was then giving them. How precious the reward! And have we cally and Mechanically perfect of the impenitent, enough for the glory of God, to spend all night in prayer?

One night? We have preaching, and that which is good, and perhaps enough in general of it; but what the church now seems to need especially is praying on the part of the members. May they become so burdened with the worth of souls perishing in sin that they cannot rest by night or by day, but as they cast their burdens upon the Lord, then the win-dows of heaven will be opened, and bless-ings abundant will be showered down upon us .- Presbyterian Journal.

CP, AND BE DOING.

"Up, and be doing!" is the word that comes from God to each of us. Leave some good work behind you that shall not be wholly lost when you have passed away. Do something worth living for perfection of stitch, range of work, case of operation, speed and durability.

Do you expect factory made garments to show that dainty perfection you want to see in Baby's dress. But with either of the three new and elegant Family Sewing Machines and parts for the Singer.

CP, AND BE DOING.

"Up, and be doing!" is the word that shall not be wholly lost when you have some good work behind you that shall not be wholly lost when you have a mind and a heart and a soul within you. Is there no want, no suffering, no sorrow there no want, no suffering, no sorrow that would not can be singer Mg. Co. you can do work good enough even for Baby. We gurantee perfection. Needles for all makes of sewing machines and parts for the Singer.

Send for Catalogue and Price List. elegant Family Sewing Machines just produced by the Singer Mfg. Co. you can do work good enough even for Baby. We gurantee perfection. Needles for all makes of sewing machines and parts for the Singer.

It is there no reconciliation of some ancient quarrel, no payment of some long outstanding debt, no courtesy or love or honor to be rendered to those to whom it has long been due? If there be any such, I beseech you, in God's name, in Christ's name, go and do it.—Dean Stanley.

THE GRACE OF CHRIST.

Laskill.

METCALF—LANGLEV—At the residence of the residence of the bride's nather. Deak, I loss, by Rev. L. C. Ellis, Mr. Stewart Metcalf and Miss Maggie Langley.

MENCALF—LANGLEV—At the residence of the bride's name, in Christ's name, go and do it.—Dean Stanley.

THE GRACE OF CHRIST.

THE GRACE OF CHRIST.

God hath laid up in Christ a rich and full treasure of grace to supply thy wants continually. "It pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell." Fullness, all fullness, all fullness dwelling: not the fullness of a land flood, up and down; not the fullness of a vessel to serve his own turn only, but of a fountain that lends its streams to others without lessening its own store .- Gurnall.

Christ is goodness itself: a good, suitable unto all our wants. If you be poor, he is rich; if you be foolish, he is wise; if you be out of the way, "I am the way," saith he; if you want a director in the way, "I am the truth;" if you be in the dark, "I am the light;" a suitable good, and an universal good. As all the sweetnesses that are in the flowers of the field and of the garden are brought in by the bees into the hive, and are there embodied in one hive; so all the attributes of God and the sweetness of them all are hived in Christ, in whom all the fullness of the Christ is goodness itself: a good, suita-God and the sweetness of them all are hived in Christ, in whom all the fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily. And he is an obtainable good, called the Rose of Sharon—the rose, not of the garden, but of the the rose, not of the garden, but of the field, that every one may come at .-

There is enough in Jesus Christ for to serve us all. If two, or six, or twenty men be athirst, and they go to drink out of a bottle, while one is drinking, the other envies, because he thinks there will not be enough for him, too; but if a hundred be athirst, and go to the river, while one is drinking, the other envies not, because there is enough to serve them all. cause there is enough to serve them all.

When we find that Christ hath by his When we find that Christ hath by his spirit begun to make us know God, and love him, and delight in him, and praise him, it is the easier to make us believe that he will perfect his work in us. He that promises to convey me safely to the antipodes, may easily be believed when he hath brought me past the greatest difficulties of the voyage. He that will teach me to sing artificially, hath merited credit when he hath taught me the gradual tones, the scale of music, the sol-faual tones, the scale of music, the sol-fa-ing, the clefs, the quantity, the moods, the rules of time, etc. He that causeth me to love God on earth, may be believed if he promise me that I shall love him more in heaven. And he that causeth me to desire heaven above earth, before I see it, may be believed when he promiseth, that it shall be my great delight when I am there. It is God's work to love them that love him, and to reward the obedient; and I must needs believe that God will do his work, and will never fail the just expectations of any greature. his work, and will never fail the just expec-tations of any creature. All my doubt is whether I shall do my part and whether I shall be a prepared subject for that fe-licity. And he that resolveth this, re-solveth all; he that will make me fit for heaven, hath overcome the greatest diffi-culty of my belief, and I should the more easily believe that he will do the rest, and that I shall surely come to heaven when I am fit for it.—Baxter.

Reader, stand awhile at the well-head with the poor woman of Samaria, admir-ing the infinite dimensions of those waters of life that are fountained up in Jesus

Christ, "of whose fullness we all receive, even grace for grace."

The saints may be brimful of the Holy Spirit as Stephen was, but it is according to measure, a vessel fullness; but Christ above or without measure, a spring fullness, which is not only repletive, but diffusive, unsearchable, unmeasurable.

The great ocean is too little to shadow out the overflowings of his fullness; for take away a dream transfer or there it.

arist above or without measure, a sp....

Ilness, which is not only repletive, but iffusive, unsearchable, unmeasurable.

The great ocean is too little to shadow at the overflowings of his fullness; for ake away a drop or two from thence, it oresently suffers a diminution; but though this Fountain of salvation should shed abroad his love upon all the world of the elect, as the waters cover the sea, yet it is ever full, running over. There is not the less light or heat in the Sun of Righteousness, though he daily ariseth with healing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his wings unto them that fear his ing in his world.

CHULENBURG, TEXAS.

TRRY.—Bro. J. N. Tery was born June 29, 1826; the was converted in the year 1875. When converted he joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was always ready to do whatever the church got the was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was always ready to do whatever the church got the was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was always ready to do whatever the church got the was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was always ready to do whatever the church got the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. He lived the life of the righteous and lived. ing in his wings unto them that fear his name from east to west. "He is yesterday, to-day, and forever the same." This is no hyperbole, but the language of Canaan. "Nec Christus nec calum patitur Hyperbolum."—(Luther.)

L. Poan; both of Anderson county, Texas.

FORSYTH—DANIEL—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. M. T. Daniel, near, Beckville, Texas, Dec. 19, 1889, by Rev. L. C. Ellis, Mr. Dalia N. Forsyth and Miss Cornelia Daniel.

DEMITZS—GRINAGE—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Grinage, near Lavernia, in Guadalupe county, Texas, Dec. 17, 1889, by Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. C. C. Demitzs and Miss Minnie Grinage; both of Guadalupe county.

MCCALNS—GRINAGE—At the seconds.

BOYD—RICHARDS—In the Methodist Church at Fairfield, Texas, Dec. 11, 1889, by Rev. C. M. Keith, Mr. L. R. Boyd and Miss Mattie Richards; both of Fairfield.

Fairfield.

BUSBY-BOTLEY-In the Methodist Church at Hearne, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., Dec. 11, 1889, by Rev. C. M. Keith, Mr. W. W. Busby and Miss Lucy Botley; both of Hearne, Texas.

HUDGISS-QUAYLE-At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. A. M. Quayle, Dec. 12, 1889, by Rev. W. H. Stephenson, Mr. David C. Hudgins and Miss L. C. Quayle. DRUMMOND—DRUMMOND — At the Methodist Church in Mineola, Texas, at 8 o'clock p. m., Dec. 22, 1889, by Rev. J. C. Calhoun, Mr. James L. Drummond and Mrs. Sallie L. Drummond; both of Mineola.

RICHMOND.—Death has entered the house of our brother and steward. H. E. Richmond, and clasped in his ley embrace his infant daughter, Ora Lee, who was born Dec. 9, and only lived a few short hours. To the family I would say, weep not, for while there is an empty cradle in your house there is another voice in heaven that says, "Come."

JAS. I. LAVENDER, P. C. SMITHPIELD, TEXAS.

SMITH.—Mrs. Mary Jane Smith, relict of the late Rev. A. Smith, departed this life Oct. 24, 1189, in Bell county, after a long and painful illness of seven months' duration. Sister Smith was in her fifty-fifth year; had been in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, over thirty years. She died as all Christians do—well; in the full assurance of faith and a conscious realization of that Scripture, "To live is Christ, but to die is gain."

JOHN R. DUNN.

Woodward.—Mrs. Mary Woodward was born in Lawrence county, Ala., Dec. 22, 1833, and died Nov. 9, 1889, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Mattie Adams, Monkstown, Texas. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church at twenty years of age, and lived a consistent Christian life until the end came. She was a loving mother, a good neighbor, and in her modest way adorned the relations of wife, mother, friend. She bore her afflictions with exemplary patience and in perfect resignation to the Lord's will yielded up her spirit in hope of the resurrection of the dead.

C. O. J.

C.E. Statham, Mr. C. C. Demitzs and Miss Minnie Grinage; both of Guadalupe county.

McCLAIN—Gantage. Rear Lavernia, in Guadalupe county, Dec. 17, 1889, by Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. Joseph McClain and Miss Mattie Grinage; both of Guadalupe county.

COLLIER—BURROWS—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Lavernia, in Wilson county, Dec. 18, 1889, at 6 p. m., by Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. H. S. Collier and Miss J. M. Burrows.

IRVIN—TRAINER—At the residence of Capt. J. M. Trainer, Dec. 18, 1889, at 8 o'clock p. m., by Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. J. W. Irvin and Miss Liflan E. Trainer.

KING—MUCKLEROY—At the residence of Mr. C. B. Muckleroy, near New York, Texas, Dec. 19, 1889, by Rev. Dr. T. H. Hall, Mr. Louis King and Miss Mary Muckleroy.

WHITAKER—BIGGS—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John M. Biggs, near San Sabs, Texas, Dec. 17, 1889, by Rev. Robt. M. Chemnault, Mr. J. H. Whitaker, of East Texas, and Miss Minnie Biggs.

CIMERIE—HILL—At the residence of Mr. L. Legette,—George Legette was born November.

LEGRITH.—George Legette was born November 12, 1873, died November 22, 1879, aged sixteen years and eleven days. Little brother George was, indeed, a bright boy; loved and esteemed by all that knew him. His stay in this world was quite short; his sickness hardly a week. We feel assured that all was well with him, and while we sympathize with the bereaved family, we are so glad to know that the last world of the dying boy was: "Jesus lover of my soul, Let me to thy bosom fly;" and the hymn: "Gathering home," "The Lord hath given and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." By faith in the Lord Jesus Christ we submit to the will of the Lord, knowing that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord. May the God of glory sanctify this affliction to the salvation of the family is the prayer of this, thy servant.

Georgen.—Lula, daughter of H. A. and Mary

Drummond and Mrs. Sallie L. Drummond; both of Mincola.

Obituaries.

Obituaries.

The space allowed obituaries, twenty to twenty-five lines; or about 170 to 180 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written, should remit money to cover excess of space, to-utit at the rate of ONE CENT per word. Money should accompany all orders.

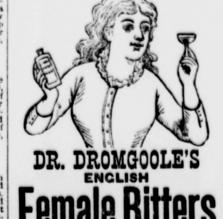
POETRY CAN IN NO CASE BE INSERTED.

Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price five cents per copy.

Obituaries.

of this, thy servant.

Goodwin, mas born Sept. 7, 1876, and died in Snyder, Scurry county, Texas, April 9, 1889. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when only eight varies of age, and two years after professed religion. She lived and died a consistent member of the church. She was beloved by all who knew her. The mantle of mourning fell upon the town when she went away. The sunday-school realized its loss, the family circle was broken, and the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the mantle of mourning fell upon the town when she went away. The sunday-school realized its loss, the family circle was broken, and the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the sunday school realized its loss, the family circle was broken, and the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the small constitution of the church, South, when she went seeleved by all who knew her. The mantle of mourning fell upon the town when she went away. The sunday-school realized its loss, the family circle was broken, and the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the service of the church, South, when she went away. The sunday-school realized its loss, the family circle was broken at the smiles of home departed. It was sad for us to consist the sunday school realized its loss, the family circle was br



WATSON.—Mrs. Matilda Watson, consort of G. W. Watson, died at their residence in Schulenburg, Texas, Dec. 11, 1889. She was forty years old, had professed faith in Christ in her youth, and joined the M. E. Church, South, of which she was a consistent member. Her affliction was protracted, but borne with Christian fidelity. She was patient sufferer and leaves a husband and daughter to mourn her loss. Thos. W. Glass.

Schulenburg, Texas.

Tery.—Bro. J. N. Tery was born June 29, 1836; was converted in the year 1875. When converted was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was a faithful member, and lived an upright life. He was always ready to do whatever the church placed upon him until his death, which occurred to t. 1, 1889. His death was very sudden and unexpected, caused by a runaway team. He leaves no testimony behind, more than the pious life he had lived. He lived the life of the righteous and his end was peace. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn their loss, but their loss is his eternal gain. May the Lord bless and sustain them in their bereavements.

Manning.—Sister M. A. Manning was born in Marietta, Ga., Jan. 3, 1820, embraced religion and Joned the M. E. Church at the ryouth, and professed faith in Christ in Schulenting, and professed freighen and bined the M. E. Church at the specific of the Suphur Springs, where the busband praceder of long standing and great worth. It fley can be a leaves a husband and the sex county, where they lived for eight years, we have to Texas at an early day, and sextled in Cass county, where they lived for eight years, we have the substand praceder of long standing and great worth. It fley can be a leaves on the Suphur Springs, where the busband praceder of long standing and great worth. It fley can be a leaves on the Suphur Springs, where the busband praceder of long standing and great worth. It fley can be a leaves on the Suphur Springs, where the busband praceder of long standing and great worth. It fley can be a leaves on the Suphur Springs, whe

WILHITE.—Joseph Wilhite departed this life in Marysville, Cook county, Texas, Nov. 9, 1889. He was born in Jefferson county, East Tenn., on the 20th of March, 1818. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church in October, 1829, and went with the M. E. Church, South, on the separation, of which he was a consistent and most active member till God called him to rest. Bro. Wilhite moved to Missouri in 1847, thence to California in 1849, and after the late civil war to Texas. He was in the Florida war and in the Confederate army, from both of which he was honorably discharged. His longest enlistment was in the Army of Zion, and from it he received the most honorable of all dismissals. I was with Bro. Wilhite in his last sickness, and can truly say he had no fear of death. God's grace was sufficient for him, and he was shouting happy a few days before his death. He leaves an ared wife and many friends to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss, May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his loss. May God bless and comfort to mourn his

the event full, humilitationers, There is not the long, the fully arised with the property of the property of



His wife can make his finest linen or coarsest overalls as clean and sweet as the linen of a gentleman of leisure.

She can keep the home as clean and sweet as any palace; and more besides, it saves her one-half the time required by ordinary soap; and by doing away with most of the rubbing it does away with the worst of the wear and tear on the woman, the clothes-in fact Pearline makes a - paying saving all around; it's econ-

omical no matter how you look at it. Beware Peddlers and some unscrupulous grocers are offering imitations which they claim to be Pearline, or "the same as Pearline." IT'S FALSE—they are not, and besides are dangerous.

JAMES PYLE, New York.



SOLID SILVER STEM-WIND AND SET.

We send this NEW Solid Silver Hunting Lever Stemwinding and Seiting Walca, No. 307 E, named C. P. Barnes & Bro., Louisville, K., Courpound behance, jeweled, natent pinion, dust prost cap, fully warranted as to got lifty and as a correct time-keeper, by mail to any address, at our risk, on receipt of \$14.00 for the watch and 25 cents for postage, or by express, C. D. J., with bill to collect on delivery of the natch, subject to examination if desired, before paving. We send the above watch. No. 7630 E, in best good-filled case, by mail, at our risk, on receipt of \$20.00 for the watch and 25 cents for postage, or by express C. O. D. This watch case is made by routing two putes of gold with a plate of composition between. This rectal is then shaped into a watch-case which is warranted for twenty years. This cut show the size of the watches. These watches weigh about the ounces, the case weighing about three ounces. Money may be sent safely by mail, in a registered letter, or by P. D. money-order. He strated catalogue, showing prices of all our Watches, Spectacles, Badges, Pens. Silverware, Knives, etc., sent to any address. We refer, by permission, to the publishers of this paper, which please mention when witing to us.

C. P. BARRES & BRO., 640 W. Main Street. C. P. BARNES & BRO., 640 W. Main Street.

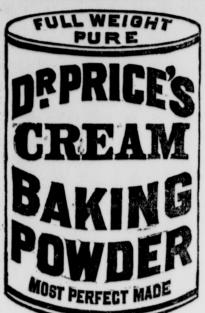
607 Elm Street. 607 Elm Street. DALLAS MEDICAL :- AND :- SURGICAL :- ROOMS WHERE DISEASES OF BOTH SEXES ARE TREATED. SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN DISEASES EYE, EAR, NOSE, THROAT, CATARRH and LUNGS. PILES, FISSURE, FISTULE IN ANO, AND ULCERS

. CURED WITHOUT THE KNIFE HERNIA or RUPTURE cured by late Improved Methods, so the patient will not have to WEAR a TRUSS.

URETHRAL STRICTURE, STONF, CRAVEL, Etc. Dis-ases of Women Special Department. -: 28 Years' Experience.

C. BEAUMONT, M, D., and Associates. lasses Fitted to ALL Conditions of Sight by A. H. PEACOCK, Practical Optician. References 8. B. Hopkins, Fourth National Ban.; A. H. Flippin, Banker; Wm. Gaston, C. C. Slaughter, B. Blankenship, Bankers, Dallas, Texas. LETTERS OF INQUIRY MUST CONTAIN STAMP.

Show the ADVOCATE to your Neighbor and induce him to subscribe. If you do not preserve a file of the paper, use your copy, after reading it, as a "missionary." Sample copies are also sent free from the office. If you have a friend to whom you would like a copy sent, send in the name.



homes for more than a quarter of a century. It is used by the United States Government. Endorsed by the heads of the Great Universities as the Strongest, Purest, and most Healthful. Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder does not contain Ammonia, Lime, or Alum. Sold only in Caus. PRICE BAKING POWDER CO.

Fischer Pianos. OVER 78,000 MANUFACTURED.

Will A. Watkin & Co.,

PIANO FORTES

Tone, Touch, Workmanship and Durability WILLIAM KNABE & CO..

SALTIMORE, 22 and 24 East Baltimore Street. SEW YORK, 148 Fifth Ave. VASHINGTON, 817 Market Space.

We solicit consignments for our firms at GAL VESTON and NEW YORK. Shippers can rely on

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

Dec. 17.—Geo H Phair, sub. L F Palmer, sub. R S Gorsline, sub. U J Morton, subs. J J Canalax, sub. R C Armstrong, change made. J W Sansom, subs. J A Garison, subs. E T Bates, sub. E R Barcus, sub. W K Simpson, subs and changes. B F Badgett, sub. W W Henderson,

cals and change.

Dec. 18.—C. S. Field, sub. E. Statham, sub. J. H. Dec, 18.—C. 8 Field, sub. E Statham, sub. J H. Wisemant, subs. Jere Reese, sub. Jackson B. Cox, sub. J E Walker, sub. M. H. Moody, sub. J. A Lovett, all right. J B Gober, subs. John 8 Gilllett, subs. J M Armstrong, sub. J I. Pierce, sub. Saml Morriss, subs. J W Harman, sub. J W Sims, sub. J W Vest, subs. E B Chappell, sub. G W Graves, subs. T B Graves, sub. W H Moss, ubs. E B Bareus, sub. S A Ashburn, subs. L Gregory, sub. C N X Ferguson, subs. E A Smith, sub.

be. 19.—J V Jordon, sub. J J Davis, subs. R Galloway, subs. W E Rector, sub. E T Bates, ubs. Samuel Weaver, subs. L G Watkins, subs. V Oswait, subs. J A Garison, subs. J H Lambiliss, subs. W F Clark, sub. W H LeFevre, ub; samples, etc., sent. R C Hicks, subs. L C Glis, sent at half price. W B McKeown, subs. H Rogers, subs. W L Pate, sub. J R Jones, sub. Dec. 25.—W H LeFevre, sub. R C Hicks, sub. Webster Full, sub. F S Jackson, subs. J H White, subs. J S Tunnell, sub. E A Smith, sub. Webster Full, sub. F. S. Jackson, subs. J. H. White, subs. J. S. Tunnell, sub. E. A. Smith, sub. W. E. Caperron, will see that all of 'em turns upright. W. B. McKeown, sub. L. L. Naugle, subs. J. M. Bond, sub. J. T. Bindworth, subs on trial. B. F. Badgett, sub. T. J. Hauley, subs. E. J. Maxwell, substantial and the substantial s

THE BEST SHORT STORIES

Submitted in the \$5,000 prize competition will be published in the *Youth's Compunion* during 1890, besides many others by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps, Judge Tourgee, H. H. Boyesen, C. A. Stephens, F. W. Calkins and Rebecca Harding Davis.

wast of energy. Go for the man who is climbing above you.

What gift has Providence bestowed on man, that is so dear to him as his children! Keep them in good health by giving them Cascarine.

Never kick a man when he is down. It's a

Dentist—Do you want to take laughing gas? Visitor—Not till after de toof is out, boss—reckon I'll feel mo' like laughin' den.

A falling drop will at last carve a stone. Just as surely constipation, if not relieved by the use of Cascarine, will work its deadly effect on the system.

The elevator boy does not lose his head the moment he gets up in the world. He knows he must go right down again.

If you are a sufferer from constipation take Cascarine; guaranteed to cure.

Counter Attractions: Minister—How are we going to force store-keepers to keep their places closed on Sunday? Deacon—Might start a ball game or get up a horse race.

Needing a tonic, or children that want building up, should take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. easant to take, cures Malaria, Indiges Biliousness. All dealers keep it.

DIED—Capt. Claudius Buster, an old Texas veteran, at Brenham. Mrs. J. C. O'Neal, at Greenville. A. B. McClakley, at Greenville. Dr. J. M. Lewis, at Mex-ia. W. M. Hamilton, at Woodlawn. The ia. W. M. Hamilton, at Woodlawn. The son of Prof. A. H. McGlothlin, at Marshall. David Craighead, editor of the Review, at Plano. Mrs. Nannie McClure, at Lewisville. Mrs. Amanda Gearheart, at Sherman. Wm. Weatherford, at Sherman. Olive, the daughter of O. M. Peterson, at Corsicana. The wife of E. Hall Clanton, Corsicana. Barry McManis, at Waxahachie. Col. Geo. S. Denton, at Paris. C. M. Russell, of the Fort Worth mail. Little Laura Owens, at Santo. The mail. Little Laura Owens, at Santo. The little daughter of Judge Aldridge, at Dal-las. Mrs. E. G. Lockheart departed this life on the 21st inst. at Stephenville-consort of S. G. Lockhart.

Texas Incidents.

Waco is moving for a free hospital. The city has given a block of ground, and \$2500 was subscribed at a meeting Decem-

The city police of Fort Worth have organized a benevolent association. The Northern Methodists of Fort Worth are to have a new \$40,000 church.

the past week. They were entertained by several of our leading cities.

Morgan, Bosque county, at the junction of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe and Central Railways, (Waco tap) has a complete system of water works, and is pre-paring to use it in extensive manufacturing enterprises. Morgan's artesian well facilities are not surpassed for quality, quantity and cheapness to reach, in the world. A boom is on at Morgan—and it deserves a boom.

Casualties of the Week.

A Syracuse, N. Y. telegram says: A cyclone swept across Onondago lake Dec. 26, and did much damage—unroofing and demolishing houses. One man killed and a number badly hurt.

Robert Dur, son of Conductor Dur, was killed accidentally at Houston by a gun in the hands of a playmate.

Ingalls. The weakest first.

The list of n Ed. Smith, colored, was run over by a train and killed at Grapeland, Texas.

Ben Watkins, switchman, at Gainesille, was run over by a moving train and

Gip Dalton, a Weatherford young man. was accidentally shot through the thigh, but the wound is not serious. The little son of Mrs. S. H. Wallace, Gay Hill, Texas, had part of his foot cut off

by a passing train. Pomp. Pennybecker, a negro, killed near Paris by the accidental dis-charge of a pistol.

Will and Calvin Odel, brothers, and of Burnet county were killed in Edwards county, while resisting arrest. J. E. Brock, a locomotive engineer, was found dead in his bed at San Antonio. Wash Harding, colored, was killed at

Son Antonio, receiving a bullet intended for another negro. Miss Pearl Campbell, of Palestine, Christmas jubilee, by some one not known.

A. H. Jones and John Grimes engaged

Near Trinity, Texas, a Mrs. John G. Stanley was reported by her husband to have been killed by falling from her horse. Medical examination proved injuries that could not have been thus received and the horse.

Commend to public approval the California liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs. It is pleas-ing to the eye, and to the taste, and by gent-ly acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, it cleanses the system effectually, thereby promoting the health and comfort of all who use it.

Miscellaneous News Items. At Plymouth, Mass., December 26, the 269th anniversary of the landing of the Pil-grims on Plymouth Rock was celebrated. It was the 120th observance of that event. The first celebration occurred in 1769 and was conducted by the Old Colony Club, an association formed January 16 of that

year. A great many rumors are circulated with reference to impending revolution in Brazil, but as yet nothing definite. It cannot, however, be expected that a complete change in governmental policy and polity can be effected with an entire absence of friction. The new Brazilian government claims that reports of riots and organizations of opposing forces are the result of only a few adherents of the old empire, but that on the whole the new government is a safe and stable one. The only result of the complications so far is to delay a recognition of the new government by

other powers. Capital is in this day daunted by no obstacle. The recently organized Colombia railway and Navigation Company is in point. Briefly stated, its aims are to construct a line of railroads from some point near the mouth of the Magdalena river, which empties in the Carribean sea in the United States of Colombia, southwardly along the eastern flank of the Andes and headwaters of the Amazon to points in Peru, there to connect with Peru and Argentine system of railways at present in operation or under construction from the

mouth of the Magdalena river. Steam-ships will be run to Southern points of Florida and to New Orleans, from whence distance from Lima, the capital of Peru, to New York in nine days. At Lima he will be but thirty hours by steamer from Valparaiso. At New York he is but seven days from Liverpool. From Chili to Eng-

At St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 27, three new Roman Catholic bishops were consecrated. Three thousand people witnessed the imposing ceremonies. Sixteen bishops and over two hundred priests were in the pro-

land is seventeen days.

The Ways and Means Committee of Congress is receiving arguments on the subject of protection. To read the state-ments of those interested in the protected industries, one would imagine they needed donations to keep them going. The rela-tion of some of their struggles during the ten, twenty, thirty and more years, they have been doing business "at a loss" are touching. The people will certainly suffer untold agonies, they say, unless the tariff is retained (some are modest enough to are to have a new \$40,000 church.

Beaver trappers on the Concho are doing a good business. A ready market at San Antonio for the hides at \$5 each.

Mrs. Sarah Silvey was thrown from a wagon at Milano, Tex., on December 25, and instantly killed.

Solvey was in section of the hides at \$5 each.

Aready market at San Antonio for the hides at \$5 each.

Mrs. Sarah Silvey was thrown from a wagon at Milano, Tex., on December 25, and instantly killed. The schoolmen of the State were in session at Austin the past week. All the interests pertaining to our public schools were discussed, able papers being presented by many of our leading educators. To adopt a worn-out phrase, State Superintendent Cooper seems to be "the right place."

to keep the miggers can be only one semble to keep the miggers of the semble to keep the miggers. The items—as far as the protected barons have been heard from. The items named represent only one session of the committee. Every other interest will, of course, be similarly provocative of lachrymal exercise.

A new flag for the navy consists of a rectangular arrangement of the forty-two

stars.

Two companies of United States cayalry have been sent to Oklahoma to keep the

Mrs. Jefferson Davis can not yet decide where shall be the final resting place of Mr. Davis' remains. Claims are made by Mr. Davis' remains. Claims are made by the State of his birth, Kentucky; that of his adoption, Mississippi; the State where the Confederate flag was first unfurled, Alabama; the State claimed as home by his parents, Georgia; the State where his dead repose, Tennessee; the State which now gives him sepulture, Louisiana. Mrs. Davis pleads for all to have patience with her for a year before she decides.

"La Grippe," the European epidemic (a sort of influenza), has crosssed to this country. It has laid its grip on Senator Ingalls. The doctors say it attacks the

The list of new railway lines constructed during 1889 shows that the total addition to the main track railway mileage of the United States during the year will vary very little from an even 5000 miles. This is the smallest construction record in any one year since 1885, when the total in-crease was but 3588 miles. The construction in the intervening years has been: In 1886, 8471 miles; in 1887, 12,668; in 1888, 7284. The bulk of this year's construction has been done in the South. Over 2000 miles of the new lines reported lie south of the latitude of Cincinnati and east of the Mississippi river. Washington, however, has had the greatest increase in railways of any single State, 353 miles having been built there in 1889. Georgia comes next with 315 miles, and then follow North Carolina with 279 miles, Texas with 270 miles and Mississippi with 212. Sixteen other States report between 22@25c. 100 and 200 miles, and in Vermont, Rhode Island, New Mexico, Arizona and Nevada no new track laying has been reported.

Miss Pearl Campbell, of Palestine, Texas, was shot accidentally during the by his receipt of 200 telegrams and 500 letters as his 80th birthday offerings.

Mrs. Mattie Silvy, near Milano, was thrown from her buggy by a runaway team, and her neck broken.

The ex-Empress of Brazil died at Lisbon December 29. She has not enjoyed good health for a long time, and the change of governments. shocked her. Added to this, the fatigues of travel greatly aggravated her malady, and hastened her death. The Empress, it is claimed by the new Brazilian govern-ment, was the one most responsible for the oppression and irregularities in the Empire which eventually had to a death Empire which eventually led to a change. was an enthusiastic member of the Church of Rome, and completely under its power, and gave her entire powerful influence to the interest of the Pope. Her last and crowning act was to influence Dom Pedro to permit the return of the Jesuits, for which the Pope conferred upon her the Golden Cross, or Cross of the Golden Rose. It was this action that precipitated the revolution which ended the Empire,

of Robert Tyler, son of President Tyler. She presided as "lady of the White House" during the first three years of President Tyler's term, Mrs. President

Tyler being an invalid. In his message to the legislature, the Governor of Kentucky says the charters of several railroads should be revoked because of violation of law, condemns their efforts in the lobby, and asks enlarged powers for the railroad commission.

Six-hundred and thirty-two thousand five hundred and fifty-four silver dollars were coined in the United States last

The World's cable from London, December 30, says: All arrangements have been made for the burial of the poet, Browning, on Thursday noon at Westminster Abbey. The grave will be just below Chancer's tomb, and within a few feet of Spencer's bones. He will be side by side with Abram Cowley, who died in 1667.

M. Rothschild has presented 100,000 francs to the municipality of Paris to be devoted to the relief of the poor of Paris afflicted with influenza.

Mr. Nettles, of Falls county, charged a log with powder, and when it exploded a piece of wood struck his head, causing instant death.

The wife of Gen. Longstreet died at Gainesville, Ga., December 30.



NO PEN CAN DO JUSTICE TO THE ESTEEM IN WHICH the CUTICURA REMEDIES are held by the thousands upon thousands whose lives have been made happy by the cure of agonizing, humiliating, itching, scaly, and pimply diseases of the skin, scalp, and blood, with loss of hair.
CUTICURA, the great skin Care, and CUTICURA SOAP, an exquisite Skin Care, and CUTICURA SOAP, and exquisite Skin Beautifier, prepared from it, externally, and CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the new Blood Purifier, internally, are a positive cure for every form of skin and blood disease, from pimples to scrofula.

Sold everywhere, Pric, CUTICURA, 50c; SOAP, 25c; RESOLVENT, \$1. Prepared by the POTTER DRUG AND CHEMICAL CO., BOSTON, MASS, Send for "How to Cure Skin Diseases."

Pimples, blackheads, chapped and oily skin prevented by CUTICURA SOAP. Rheumatism, Kidney Pains and Weakness speedily cured by CUTICURA ANTI-PAIN PLASTER, the only pain-killing plaster. About Colored People.

J. W. Henderson, a Texas negro, made a speech in Boston wherein he undertook will extend railroad connections to all parts to prove the maltreatment of the Southof this country. The vastness of the enterprise contemplated is thus apparent at a moment's glance. By this means a traveler will be able to make the distance from Lima, the capital of Peru, to New York in nine days. At Lima he tory hands of the North get for their la bor. The statement, if entirely true, would be only making a general fact apply specifically to the negro. However, in the absence of anything better, this will

no doubt be accepted up yonder.
Some of the down-trodden colored men
of Augusta, Ga., filled themselves with
mean whisky Christmas, and when the police attempted their arrest, the latter were disarmed and clubbed fearfully. A large number of whites rallied to the assistance of the officers, and in the melec which followed, one negro was killed and number of whites and blacks badly

A drunken mob of negroes in Clarks ville, Tenn., attacked the police Christ-mas day, and two of the negroes was shot. The negroes of the place were so infuriated that the chief of police was taken to jail for his own safety.

At Jessup, Ga., Marshal Leggett and assistants attempted to arrest Bob Brewer, a notorious negro outlaw and fugitive. Brewer raised his gun to his shoulder and deliberately shot down Assistant Marshal Barnhill, killing him instantly. The chief marshal then fired on Brewer, but missed him. Brewer returned the fire and shot Leggett through both legs. Brewer and his crowd of ten or twelve men then fled to McMillan swamp, only a short distance away. They were follow-ed, and Brewer shot and seriously wounded Wm. Wood, a carpenter, and killed his son, Willie Wood. The mayor took proper steps to organize for defense. Several negroes were killed in resisting arrest. It is a region of turpentine distilleries and saw mills. Thousands of negroes are employed, and the Jessup trouble is apt to disorganize labor for some time to come.

At Houston, Texas, on Tuesday night of last week, two negroes, for sake of rob-bery, so beat Mr. Thomas Phillips that he died, and also severely hurt a Mr. J. D. Freeman.

The body of a negro woman and child were found in a pasture December 30 near Beaumont. They had been murdered and an attempt made to burn the bodies. The woman's name was Henrietta Burks, and she was last seen with an ex-convict (colored) called Fred Jackson.

The Kentucky legislature met December 30. Of \$24,000 going to educate colored children the governor says ninetenths is from taxes on property of whites.

If you suffer from loss of appetite, imperfect di-gestion, insonnia, torpor of the liver, etc., Laxa-dor will relieve and cure you in 24 hours. Price D. G. OWENS, Druggist, Altoona, Pa., writes:— Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup has a wonderful reputation mothers will have no other. It is the best.

The Markets.

COFFEE-At New York, 1914c, Galves-COFFEE—At New York, 19/4c, Gaiveston, 19/2c2c.
COTTON—Liverpool, 5!4@5!4d; New York, 7!410!4c; New Orleans, 8@93ac; St. Louis, 9c; Galveston, 8!4@93ac; Houston, 8@9!4c; Dallas, 9!4c.
Wool—Galveston, spring clip, 16@22c; fall, 16@18c; scoured, spring, 49@59c; fall, 42@50.

fall, 43@50.
WHEAT—Chicago, 78c; New York, 86c;
St. Louis, 78c; Kansas City, 68c.
Corn—Chicago, 28@32c; New York,
38@40c; St. Louis, 25@35d; Kansas City,

Visible supply of grain as follows: Wheat, 33,972,000 bushels: decrease, 304,-000: corn, 8,097,000; increase, 2,242,000: oats, 5,154,000; increase, 301,000; rice, 1,252,000; increase, 1000; barley, 2,426, 000; decrease, 95,000.

READ THIS LETTER.

"For years I have been afflicted with bad Digestion, Constipation and Piles. I have tried all the medicines I could get hold of, but all in vain. Even my physicians could not relieve my costiveness. In the meantime I struggled under great pain. Life was a burden. Two weeks ago I saw the Chicago "Times," and my eye fell on an advertisement of Tutt's Fills. I decided to try them. They have worked wonderfully. They keep me regular, don't make me sick, give me an appetite and are curing my piles. I am strong and can walk any distance. If I had had these pills five years ago they would have saved me \$10,000; but they have saved my life. Let the afflicted everywhere know their value, which is beyond expression." THERALD LUND, Springfield, O.

Tutt's Liver Pills ASSIMILATE THE FOOD.

SCOTT'S



Of Pure Cod Liver Oil and HYPOPHOSPHITES of Lime and Soda

is endorsed and prescribed by leading physicians because both the Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites are the recognized agents in the cure of Consumption. It is as palatable as milk.

Scott's Emulsion is a perfect is a wonderful Flesh Producer. It is the Best Remedy for CONSUMPTION, Scrofula, Bronchitis, Wasting Diseages, Chronic Coughs and Colds.
Ask for Scott's Emulsion and take no other

J. R. MORRIS' SONS, 47, 49, 51 Main Street, Houston, Texas HARDWARE,

Stoves, Mill Supplies, Cane Mills, Evaporators Agents for Zimmerman Paper Refrigerators, Rapid Freezers, Munson's Leather Belting,

This powder never varies. A marvel of purity, trength and wholesomeness. More economical han the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in ompetition with the multitude of low test, short weight alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans. Royal Baking Powder Co., 106 Wall Street New York.

Absolutely Pure.

Always Man-a-lin

On Hand. If your system is worn cut by overwork or too much confinement, and you take PE-RU-NA, the Great Tonic, to tone it up, use a little MAN-A-LIN at the same time, so that all your organs will perform their functions regularly. Do the same thing when you take PE-RU-NA for Consumption, Neuralgia, Dyspepsia, Dysentery, ease, Diph-hold Fever, MAN-A-LIN Kidney Distheria, Ty-hold Fever,

Malaria, Scarlet Fever, Acute Rheumatism, Erysipelas, any Female Disease, or any Acute Skin Affection. It belps PE-RU-NA by keeping the Bowels open, and preventing new complications. All druggists sell both PE-RU-NA and MAN-A-LIN. \$1 a bottle; 6 for \$5.

THE PERUNA MED. CO., Columbus, O. DEPARTMENT OF

North Texas Female College

CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC. [SHERMAN, TEXAS,]

Edited by Members of the Senior Class *************

EDITORS FOR DECEMBER: MARY OGBURN, BESSIE MANGUM

NORTH TEXAS FEMALE COL-LEGE AND CONSERVATORY OF Music, having a Faculty of fifteen experienced and accomplished teachers and a thoroughly organized Conservatory of Music, offers superior educational advantages.

All the teachers are specialists, some having had the best advantages afforded at Cincinnati, Boston, Paris and Leipsic. \$10, originally sold at \$15, \$16, and \$18 The dormitories are carpeted, All Chenille Curtains in mottled design neatly furnished, well ventilated—comfortable. The College campus, containing eight acres, sodded and adorned with trees and flowers, makes an inviting playground for our pupils. New apparatus, sixteen new pianos, one hundred and twenty-six boarding pupils, accommodations for one hundred and seventy-five.

We invite comparison with any female college in the South.

Mrs. L. A. Kidd,

SHERMAN, TEXAS. President. DUM Y DUG

PIANOS and ORGANS. Chickering,

Decker, Wheelock,

Western Cottage, Mathuehek. Bridgeport.

Mason & Hamlin,

DALLAS. TEXAS.

Low Frices. Easy Terms.

Write for Catalogue.

C. H. EDWARDS, 733 and 735 Main Street.

\$60 salary, \$40 EIPERSES IN ADVANCE allowed each month. Steady employment at home or traveling. No soliciting Duties delivering and making collections. No Postal Cords. Address with stamp, HA FER & CO., Piqua, O.

737 Main Street, Dallas, Texas,

TEINWAY & FISCHER

PIANOS.

Oldest and Best Line of Pianos and Organs in Texas. PRICES and TERMS as Low as Can be Obtained Anywhere. WRITE US FOR CATALOGUE AND PRICES.

SANGER BROS. +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ Dallas, Texas.

At the close of a successful year, and just prior to taking stock, we make some

EXTRAORDINARY REDUCTIONS

CARPETS

CURTAINS Monday morning we placed on sale a line

of our best Moquette Carpets at \$1.25......worth \$1.65

These are in lengths suitable for one, and in some cases, two rooms. An assorted lot of Wilton Carpets at

\$1.50 worth \$2, and \$2.25 Odd lengths of Body Brussels Carpets, in some cases just enough for one room, in others plenty for two good sized apartments, price per yard

80c..... reduced from \$1.10

Our best quality Body Brussels Carpets at \$1.....reduced from \$1.25 A quantity of best quality Linoleum at 75c reduced from \$1

Great Mark Down in

RUGS, :-: MATS

Best Wilton Rugs, fringed on two sides. \$5.85.....reduced from \$7.50

Best Moquette Rugs, \$2.95.....reduced from \$3.75 A large quantity of excellent quality Smyr-

na Rugs, size 26x54. \$2.35, reduced from \$3, \$3.50 A price low enough to close out the entire line in two days.

Same quality in size 30x60,

\$2.85....reduced from \$3.75 and \$4.50 Still larger size, 36x72. \$4.25.....reduced from \$5.50 Smyrna Mats, a fine assortment to select

......worth \$1.00

BARGAINS IN

A quantity of Chenille and Tapestry and all Chenille Curtains in high art designs, in

plain and figured top. Choice of lot,

fringed at top and bottom; also Chenille Cur-

tains in all-over designs, that were sold at \$9.65 and \$12.65, choice of the two lines at the uniform price of \$7.50. All Silk Chenille Curtains in newest de-

\$19.85..... reduced from \$27.50 A remnant lot of fancy Velour Curtains,

\$34.65. reduced from \$45 Burmese Fancy Silk Striped Curtains, \$4.90..... reduced from \$7.00 Choice styles in better quality.

\$4.55reduced from \$6.50 Handsome silk striped, snow-flaked Curtains, with silk chenille fringed edges, \$9.35..... reduced from \$11.00

Art silk Damask Curtains in 2, 3 and 4 pair lots, to be closed out at \$12.50 per pair, reduced

from \$16.00 and \$17.50 To parties furnishing new houses, replenishing the home, or where here and there a room, a door or a window needs a renovating touch, this is an opportunity not to be lost

BIC BARGAINS

An apt alliteration that, so far as prices and value are concerned, has never had an

All-wool 10-4 White Blankets, at \$4.25.....reduced from \$5.50 Fine quality all-wool White California

Blankets, 11-4 size, \$5.90always sold for \$7.65 All-wool White Blankets, 11-4 size, \$6.95..... always sold for \$9.00

All-wool, 12-4 White Blankets, \$8.50always sold at \$11.25

The present warm weather cannot continue much longer. These low prices certainly wil: not. Cold weather is bound to come, and Blankets should be bought at warm weather prices NOW.

SANGER BROS

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Please mention Texas Advocate when writing