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#### HOME CONFERENCES.

Weatherford District.

method because I cannot get around before May: Springtown and Goshen, \$3.50; East Weatherford mission, \$2.25; Weath \$2.75; Garvin, \$3.25.

I hop every preacher will take up these small collections and send to the Book Agent at Nashville.

service last night.

Sam'l P. Wright, April 12: A very interesting meeting is in progress at Morrow Street Church, W. H. Terry, pastor. Six young persons came forward last night and all were converted. Some were so joyous and bright—like old-time pro-We are looking for a deep and extended work of grace.

Stephenville.

E. M. Sweet: A good meeting is now in progress, conducted by Bro. Collard, of Cleburne, with assistance from Bro. Nelms, P. E. Eleven have been received so far, with a larger number of conversions not counted. District conference delegates: Willis Dunn, Dr. W. W. Mc-Neill, C. F. Carmack, E. E. Withers; alternates, Dr. J. S. Turner, J. H. Rob-

Wills Point.

G. F. Boyd, April 11: Our second quarterly conference has just been held. Bro. Chiton, our presiding elder, preached us three excellent sermons. We paid us three excellent sermons. We paid him in full. Only a small amount due the preacher in charge. Have bought a new bell of first-class metal at a cost of \$100. It is the best bell in our little city. We have our church well supplied with our standard hymn-books. We

children of the Sunday-school had an Easter-mission concert, which consisted of mission songs, recitations and dialogues; also the opening of hollow wooden eggs, which had been given to the children some weeks previous with the request to put in them for missions money made by their own efforts. When the eggs were opened it was found that \$13 had been contributed. We announced that in a few days we would put into the children's hands wooden barrels, which we hoped would be filled with money, with which we intend to buy singing books.

T. J. Minnis, April 10: If one were to judge from some of the articles in the ADVOCATE, he might conclude that Sam ones had horns, and that he just nodded his horns and shook his head at the peo-ple, none of which I believe. Sam Jones s a faithful, earnest and devout Methodist preacher, who goes straight to the consciences of his hearers; a man true to himself and true to his convictions. I heard him at Fort Worth. He told me of my sins, quickened my pulse, and gave to my soul a mighty uplifting. We are having a pleasant year on the Alvord circuit. We have built a parsonage, and are building a church, and raising money to build another one. We have Sundayschools, prayer-meeting and class-meet-ing. I believe that I am well received on this work. Everything is as cheerful as

the sky is beautifully bright. Jacksonville Mission.

J. B. Luker, April 5: Our first quarterly conference convened at Providence, March 22. Our presiding elder (U. B. Philips) was on hand, looking closely after the interests of the church. He preached us two excellent sermons-one on the destuff that is flooding our country. When will our people learn the great importance of feeding the minds of their children on things chaste, pure and good? Until that time comes, we may expect prodigal sons and wayward daughters bringing the gray hairs of parents down to their graves in make it a power in the land for good.

W. D. Long, April 3: Our first quar-terly conference for Hemphill mission is ber his people. We thankfully report just over. Our highly esteemed presiding elder was with us, looking after all the interests of the church. At the close of for more than a month, with increasing

The Weatherford district's proportion is \$50. For the convenience of the different charges I here prorate it on the basis of the preachers' salaries. I adopt this method because I cannot get around before method because I cannot get around before This is a western appointment and the people for the most part in ordinary cir-cumstances, but in taking these collecerford station, \$7; Weatherford circuit, \$2.75; Lipan circuit, \$3; Gordon and Strawn station, \$3.00; Eastland circuit, amount asked for at each collection, and \$2.75; Breckenridge circuit, \$3.00; Barton's creek mission, \$1.50; Whitt and Jacksboro, \$3.50; Boonesville circuit, \$3; Vineyard City mission, \$1.75; Finis, \$2.75; Graham station, \$3.50; Crystal Fals mission, \$1.75; Palo Pinto Mineral Wells, \$2.75; Grayin, \$3.25 often a handsome margin over. This is W. N. Bonner, April 7: Bro. Timmons baptized fourteen last night and received sixteen into the church. He has received something over one hundred into the church this year. We had a good religious exercise last night. they could afford to pay that much for missions. Upon the whole, we think we are getting along moderately well. Our people are not only liberal but apprecia-tive. Our congregations have been good. and we are planning for and expecting some gracious revivals of religion. Paster and people are praying for it, and we do not expect to rest satisfied till this work of soul-saving begins. May the blessed Spirit stir us to further diligence in the Master's work.

Rockdale. M. B. D., April 7: Yesterday was Easter Sunday and missionary day—a fortun-ate coincident. The church was very prettily decorated, notwithstanding the difficulty of obtaining an abundance of flowers. How appropriate to brighten and make beautiful on this joyous Easter-day! "The Lord is risen indeed." A large congregation was in attendance, Bro. Hammond preached a good sermon. We consider our church fortunate that we have him for a pastor. At night the Ju-venile Missionary Society had an enter-tainment under the management of Sister Allen, our presiding elder's wife. The children reflected credit upon themselves and their teacher. Sister Allen certainly has talent in drilling and training children. She has accomplished what no one

siding elder, was with us, looking after the interests of the church; preached three good and instructive sermons. The weather was fine and the conference was well attended. The love feast on Sunday morning was well attended, and a good meeting it was. The Lord was with us; next three quarters, the decks will be

He has moved into the new parsonage bles are growing nicely. We now have a pleasant home. So the preacher is the hammer and the people the anvil—so say some of the people. Perhaps they will reverse the work and use the hammer

Lawndale. J. M. C. Burgamy, April 8: I have been very sick; am still very feeble; unable to the church and sinners are graciously venture out yet. I have been confined to aroused. We give God the glory. Three my room four days. That common enemy, la grippe, has at last seized upon me. I have been almost sold for the church last night. Oh, give thanks unto the Lord have been almost sick for the last month, but have kept up, until last Friday I was compelled to surrender. I have almost had the pneumonia. I was unable to

Albany.

des, we may expect prodigal sons ward daughters bringing the gray parents down to their graves in God bless the Advocate and gray and some other points familiar to us. Having lived and labored with a people our cause and sympathies are always one thereafter, and the good news of their blessings makes us to rejoice

many disadvantages in this charge that the church in other parts cannot realize, but we are overcoming them one by one by one determined to hold prayer services this week and next, that we may have our own by us, and I verily believe his sermon in-B. M. Stephens, Presiding Elder: I have just received a statement from the committee of arrangements for the delegates to the General Conference, with the name of our Book Agent, stating that the agent west Texas Conference her proportionable part to defray said expenses.

This committee at St. Louis and our Elocation all the districts in said conference to collect their pro rata.

The Weatherford district's proportion is \$50. For the convenience of the different charges I here prorate it on the basis of the service of the story of this committee at the convenience of the different charges I here prorate it on the basis of the service and next, that we may have our own and hope by the end of this year to have in the church, or Methodism, on a solid the church, or Methodism, on a solid that we can minister his creased the respect of others for Methods the penitent to make a solid that we can minister his creased the respect of others for Methods the penitent to the sail, and hope by the end of this year to have to have a solid that we can minister his creased the respect of others for Methods to the penitent to the penitent to the penitent to a town. That night the deligrate to others and lead the penitent to the penitent to make a mistake in assessing the North-songe has been cleared. The clouds that has been hanging over the particular about them erspect of others for Methods to the penitent to make a mistake in a statement from the committee at St. Louis and our should up waters. God has given us the healing waters. God has given us the penitent to material prosperity of this charge. Our material prosperity of the exercises, and when the animate to the penite to the penit little girls, his preacher's wife and daughter—a very exclusive society, it seems to me, but surely a very efficient one. Our Sunday-school is smaller than it ought to be, but well organized and prepared, through the most faithful teachers, to reach out and do good work. For all this we thank God and take courage. we thank God and take courage.

send more during the year. We have a children missionary band of fifty-five members, and expect it to reach seventy-five before the year is out. We hope by the help of the Lord to do something for him this year; there is much to be done here. We ask an interest in the prayers of all of God's people. of all of God's people.

Dallas,

Dallas preachers met Monday morning in the parsonag of First Church. Present: Allen, president: Blackburn, Ciark and Brown. Prayer by Bro. Allen. Mission-Bro. Blackburn preached in

South Dallas on missions, and raised \$85. Church conference held.

Usual service at night in East Dallas. Five members received on work. The Ladies' Aid Society of East Dallas gave plied with our standard hymn-books. We are working, praying, and looking for a gracious revival of religion.

else has in our Sunday-school. A large attendance again at night; collection the pastor a liberal pounding on Friday night, which was much appreciated. Bro.

pastor. Twenty-six additions. ditions in the above reports include the

past three weeks.

Jno. J. Switzer, April 10: Our meeting, which commenced on the 30th of March, still continues, and is growing in thanks be to his name. The officials interest. We have no evangelist or made a good report. If we do as well the preacher from abroad, but we have our beloved pastor, Bro. J. R. Nelson, who cleared. We now have in cash \$50 for has influence with the Lord, and we have foreign missions—the whole amount ex-cept \$5, and that is promised by good praying and working for the salvation of This preacher has had no pounding.

When the second into the new parsonage of the second into the new parsonage of the second into the new parsonage of the second into the se and he has done the pounding. He pounded and pounded, until he now has a stable, crib and smoke house and a large work?" Bro. Nelson said, "We expect garden; a yard and some ground cleared, and the Christian people will help and the garden planted, and the vegetaable to Zien, blessing us abundantly. Monday night was the first altar exercise and we rejoice to say seven persons have been constrained to turn away from their sins and look and live. Twelve accessions to the church so far. Bro. Nelson is doing a great work, and we pray he may live to gather much fruit for the Master.

tion! Great was the victory last night.

White Oaks, N. M.

S. W. Thomas, April 7: Our second had the pneumonia. I was unable to meet my appointments on last Saturday and Sunday; this I regret exceedingly. On last Thursday night I held services in this town; had a very good meeting. The Christians came forward and gave me billity. His sermons on "Infidelity and Christianity" deserves special notice, we trust the truth so earnestly uttered will bring forth much good fruit. The outlook on our little work is more hopeful. Our stewards (nine in number) were prayers of the Christians to come and give well up. Sunday, the 5th inst., we took all present on Saturday, paying a little over one-fourth of their assessment. The meeting throughout was one of those sweet, precious times that elevates the mind, increases good desires and strengthens one's faith in God. I am trying to put the Advocate in every family on my work. Oh, for the time when pure, chaste literature will supersede the pernicious will get some subscribers in that neight the Christians to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came their hands to come and give me their hands to come and give me their hands. Two young ladies came the cash, more than half our assessment. Western people do not believe in reporting deficits on this line. So we expect to have a clean sheet at the end of the year. On the evening of the 25th ult., our sanctum was the scene of a most pleasant surprise. As the evening will get some subscribers in that he can half our assessment. sanctum was the scene of a most pleasant surprise. As the evening winds were singing the requiem of departed day, in came the young and the old, laden with everything necessary to make this scribe feel that his people have a very high appreciation of his services and the gospel of Christ. Our larder was literally filled with "good things"—canned fruits and vegetables, jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, butter, eggs, and, among other butter, eggs, and, among other things, they brought the young bachelor a nice pair of aprons. For all of which we desire to extend our heartfelt thanks. We sincerely hope and pray that He who is able to give exceedingly more than we can ask, will give to the people of White Oaks that peace which passeth all under-

bought also by the "Little Workers,"
which society consists of Bro. A. J. Center and his Sunday-school class of six tra organ at a cost of \$115, and has on de-

work. Have part of my last year's work; in regard to his duty, which was highly have organized one church and three Sabbath-schools—making five schools—and for thirteen years, and I know he never have organized one church and three Sabbath-schools—making five schools—and many organizations. Had four prayer-meetings. Have received into the church thirty-one. We are making arrangements to build two church houses.

Supplied the schools—and it is a serming in his life than at our quarterly meeting. His serming on Sunday was clear and forcible; not surpassed by anything I ever heard. Raised a collection of \$12.75. I might say be preached four sermings, for this scribe Fannin Circuit.

J. P. Rogers, April 10: Our second quarterly conference convened at New Hope the 5th and 6th. Presiding elder present. Had a good meeting. Paid for the support of the ministry \$49.65. The circuit has decided that she wants a boy preacher. has decided that she wants a boy preacher | ment, and more than enough in cash and all the time, so I suppose she has ordered the parsonage sold. The work is looking up on several lines. We have five Sundayschools now, and have taken on the work fifty Texas Advocates, and expect to The only thing that bothers me much with

R. L. Hall, April 8: The first time our pastor preached at this place after con-ference, he preached on the subject of consecration, Romans xii: 1, 2. At the services every one present gave their hand that they would live more consecrated to God and the church; and they seem to be more earnest, and the prespects for future good grows brighter. You would really think they were paying their vows to the most high if you were to happen in Blossom.

E. C. DeJernett, April 10: Last Sunday was Easter, and a very interesting and, I hope, profitable day for our church at Blossom. In the morning, after an Easter serm on, we obtained, in cash and subter serm on, we obtained, in cash and subter serm of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable. J. W. Johnson of the Sunday-school had an profitable of the pastor a liberal pounding on Friday night, which was much appreciated. Bro. Clark reports preaching in East Dallas at morning service by Bro. Pierce, presiding the was much appreciated. Bro. Clark reports preaching in East Dallas in the morning service by Bro. Clark preached in at one of our meetings. We have had almost one ceaseless revival during the was much appreciated. Bro. Clark preached in at one of our meetings. We have had at one of our meetings. We have had almost one ceaseless revival during the was much appreciated. Bro. Clark preached in South Dallas at night.

Trinity—Usual services yesterday by the pastor. Thirteen members received.

First Church Dallas is at one of our meetings. We are not might, which was much appreciated. Bro. Clark preached in at one of our meetings. We have had almost one ceaseless revival during the two profits at the pastor. Th the Spirit. The young, the old, the middle aged, seemed to know that God was pres-It was then that, being by the right hand of God exalted, having received the promise of the Holy Ghost, that he did hear. It seemed that the gateway of heaven had opened and the inhabitants thereof had joined us in praises to him who giveth us rest. If these precious seasons of grace are only a foretaste of that pleasure in heaven, what will it be when we cross the Jordan of death to o meet Jesus in the skies, with the nighty throng of the redeemed who have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb?

Marshall Mention.

J. W. Lively: Our presiding elder came over the other day to hold our second quarterly meeting. He held it. Ours is a circuit; they call it the "old Harrison circuit." Well, it is old in years, but young in pluck and vim. We had a good time—a real good time; but got our religion so mixed up with our business that we had to protract. A protracted meeting just in cotton planting is an "eye-opener," but we had it. Sinners wept and saints got blessed. I was really proud of my old circuit. My presiding elder was, too. He joined in—a regular field hand, like any other Methodist

We like our presiding elder. His name is Smith—Bro. Tom Smith. He and I grew up together. He is a Texan and I was born in Arkansas; but we came up together in the old county of Smith. He is my bishop now, but he is just as simple, just as gentle, just as big-hearted, as when we used to cypher our sums, play ull-pen, and go in a swimming. Tom is my presiding elder now, but he don't go on stilts.

Our presiding elder didn't leave on sunday. That's right, and that's good. I wish all our preachers would quit this way of bouncing these Sunday trains and striking out home. Some of them won't hardly wait for dinner. A presiding elder beating about over his district on a Sunday train is an ecclesiastical calamity. He ain't worth much in a meeting. They don't carry much real power. I notice they generally carry the Dallas News in one pocket and their "tobacker" in the

You never heard one of these Sunday traveling preachers preach from the text, Remember the Sabbath day and keep it That text rather cramps the It don't allow them latitude enough. They expand mightily, however, on our antediluvian brethren, and dwell with great liberty upon the "religosity of the anthropoid quadrumina." As Bishop Pierce would say, they have "preaching liberty" here. This old Harrison circuit s the only one I ever saw that paid up its preacher to start in on. They are about to pay me off before I get ready to go; in fact, before I get clearly started out. I don't brag on my people in the papers, but the man that has got a better

Church in this town are going to keep these rules. Well, two things happened —we got into hot water, and we did not get any more pounds or packages. The fact is, we had liked to have starved out. That pars mage got mighty lonesome. We got hungry sure enough. That fall I had to sell my horse to get us away. As I rolled out of that town I think I felt a little like Dr. Tanner in one respect, but I was full of the general rules.

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No; we don't make much stir about pounding now-a-days. I recken they are good things. I don't mind them at all, provided my folks mind the general rules, but between the two, I always take the general rules.

We are all quiet down here at Marshall. We have got one of the best old towns in Texas. I go around a right smart and see other places, and, take it up one side and down the other, Marshall is as good as any. We would all be delighted to see any. We would all be delighted our beloved editor down this way.

EPISCOPAL DECISIONS.

REV. H. V. PHILPOTT, D. D.

Our good brother, J. H. Chambliss, is somewhat troubled about the supposed effect of episcopal decisions where we have a law covering the case. This case seems to be somewhat like a Supreme Court decision in relation to a statute. The court below has made its decision, dispute between parties who differ about the force and effect of statutory law, but an appeal to the Supreme Court reverses the lower court, and sets forth his rea-When this has been done in any case the statute is law, as understood and decided by the Supreme Court. It is not probable that the law in the case under discussion intended to give any five or ten men temporarily composing the Joint Board of Finance all power over salaries. If they had intended to grant to them such extraordinary power, it seems to me that we should have had some other legislation made to be in accord with this. For instance, that "the district stewards shall estimate the traveling expenses and salary of the presiding elder, subject to the approval of the Joint Board of Finance of the conference of which he is a memof the conference of which he is a member." This, or some equivalent clause, should be added; for if they—the Joint Board of Finance—can say that on B circuit "the assessment was too great," in the same way they could say of C circuit and R station and all the rest; and it would turn out that a thousand delike way, and we enjoyed the view of fields of would turn out that a thousand delike way, and we enjoyed the view of fields of world turn out that a thousand delike way, and we enjoyed the view of fields of waying grain, springing corn, and freshly and R station and all the rest; and it would turn out that a thousand-dollar salary would be reduced to \$500. And if they can practice on the presiding elder's salary in this way, they could similarly interfere with the pastor's support. Along comes a presiding elder on a salary of their hospitable home. Here we met Bro. \$1000, who rents his own house, pays large traveling expenses, and is struggling to rear and educate seven children, and finds a nice young man with, one or two children too young to be very expensive, nicely domiciled in a parsonage with all the comforts of the homes of well-to-do lay people, living on a fifteen hundred or a two thousand dollar salary, helped by the pounding, the presents, the wedding fees, etc., and thereupon he throws the matter before the Joint Board of Finance and prays for a just distribu-tion of money on said station. You will answer that, if he received what was ap-portioned to that charge, of his salary, he has no ground of complaint. Granted:

but the Joint Board of Finance might take on such fine notions of justice between man and fellow man that they would administer on the estate of the well-to-do stationed preacher, and then what? This is enough. It shows that the power of the Joint Board is not absolute. It is only absolute when differences have arisen under the operation of law, and long standing custom is law. back in the memory of the writer: In 1857, Bishop Kavanaugh, presiding, the question was raised, "Have the stewards a right to make any other than a pro rata distribution of money which comes into their hands for the support of the ministry i. e., as between the preacher in charge and the presiding elder." And the Bishop ans rered that they cannot make any other distribution. This decision was published at the time. If it were not law at the time, custom would have made it law long ago. There are abuses and in-equalities which none can fail to see save the blind; but the remedy is not so easy, certainly it is not lodged with the Joint Board of Finance of an annual conference. If Christian men will strive as they should do to love their brother as they love themselves, the greater part of the trouble would be at an end.

GALVESTON, TEXAS. PREACHING LIKE SAM JONES. REV. A. B. TRIMBLE.

Well, I've heard that Sam Jones is a the Fort holding forth. I am glad he is there. A man wanted to know if I was going down. No; I haven't time. He said: "There are at least forty preachers there." Mr. Editor, I would like to hear Jones, but I have something else to do. I am satisfied of one thing—that is, Sam Jones, by the help of the Lord, will carry up his corner; and I am satisfied of another thing-that if I run round after him, that my corner will not be carried up. Stay at home and do all that I can, and then I can't get through the work before the year is out-not Sundays enough in the week, nor weeks enough in the month, nor months enough in the year. The devil laughs when he can get a man to leave the sheep and go watch some other shepherd herd his.

interests of the church. At the close of the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had songregations and twenty-one additions of the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had songregations and twenty-one additions of the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had songregations and twenty-one additions of the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the songregations and twenty-one additions of the sermon Sunday at 11 a. m., we had the sermon Sunday at 12 a. m., we had the sermo

pounding nowadays. In fact, I am a lit- I preached like him than some other men tle suspicious on that line. I never had but one, and I haven't been overly particular about them since.

I ve heard. I've been trying to find out how to preach for nine years, but I have always gone to Christ and the apostles. I have been watching Jones, and I don't see but that he preaches just like they did. In one congregation Christ called them "little children;" in another, "friends;" but when he came before another, he said, "You hypocrites." A man who cannot administer morphine to one and a purgative to another, better go and learn (to the Lord, I mean, not Jones) how to preach.

One man says, "We had a nice time at our meeting;" another, "We got along smoothly." God pity the man whose praching doesn't raise the devil, and set

his forces at bay.

A young doctor went into a little town—
met an old citizen: "Well, they say you

of your practicing or experimenting—we need dectoring.

I was licensed to preach in 1881. For eighteen months I tried to preach nice, smooth little sermons so as to hurt nobody's feetings. While holding a protracted meeting, and kneeling to pray before service, the Lord said, "Preach the truth." I said, "Lord, have I not been preaching the truth?" He said, "the truth hurts." I said, "I see, Lord, I see, I have been fighting with the sword, but I have never taken it out of the scab-I have never taken it out of the scab-bard. Lord I'll take it out." That was seven years ago. I have kept it out ever since, and by God's help, I'll keep it out as long as I live. You may ery "Sam" Jones around me, and anything else, as much as you please, but I'll preach the way God wants me to, in spite of the world, the devil, and faint-hearted Christians.

Brethren, quit bothering about Jones, go home and go to doctoring the people. You needn't preach the funeral of Moses, or give the life of Job, nor the character of David—these are already given. But give the working Christians encouragement, and the half-hearted professor a purgative, and tell the sinner what he knows about his life. You needn't tell him what he don't know, but what he does know. May God help us preachers to do our duty. to do our duty.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY WORK AT

Last week the writer received an invitation from the good Methodist ladies of Bruceville to come over and organize them into a missionary society. Our zeal for the work, together with a desire to see the country in the springtime and get a sniff of pure air, prompted us to accept the a kind Providence sent to Bruceville that day on purpose to "help those women." Every missionary woman in the North-west Texas Conference knows and loves Bro. Morris, for he is a staunch friend to their work. The missionary meeting was announced for 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. At that hour, in company with several friends, we joined the crowd going toward the church, which is quite a large building, occupying a beautiful and commanding situation. On entering we were struck with the neat finish, and especially were we pleased to note the work of the dear girls, in the tasteful decorations of evergreen and flowers, which they had placed there in honor of this particular occasion. We had a large congregation of gentlemen, ladies, and sweet children of the town, and a good number of friends from Lorena, who came over to encourage us with their presence, and to see what more they could learn alout the woman's work. We are all proud of Lorena Auxiliary. It is one of the best posted and wideawake societies in the conference. After some good singing Bro. Morris opened the meeting with devotional exercises-then gave us some words of encouragement and a hearty God-speed in the good work. We explained as well as we could the object of the meeting, and took the names of those who wished to go into the organ-ization. All were invited to join. The children's names were enrolled, and the fathers put the babies' names down and themselves became honorary members. Having secured twenty-two names, with more to follow, we organized with the following splendid set of officers: Mrs. S. T. Smith, president; Mrs. L. H. Moss, first vice president; Mrs. E. T. Boone, second vice-president; Miss Lula Moss, corresponding secretary; Mrs. L. P. Fields, recording secretary; Mrs. G. W. Kinceloe, treasurer. Miss Boone was appointed agent for the Woman's Missionary Advocate.

The auxiliary starts off well, and we expect good work of them. From what we saw, am sure we will not be disap-pointed. It is at Bruceville where the wonderful Methodist camp-meetings are held every summer, in the large taberna-cle, 60 by 100 feet. It is situated in a beautiful grove, and near by are many everlasting springs of pure cold water. Preparations are now making to add a considerable addition to the structure, in anticipation of Rev. Sam Jones being with them at the camp-meeting next Sep tember. I hear he has made a promise

to this effect. The beauty of the town and the kindness and hospitality of the citizens cap-tured us so completely that it was with reluctance we said good bye and returned to the warm, dusty city. We will certainly embrace the next opportunity we

have to visit Bruceville again MRS. S. V. GRIFFIS.

A BLIND FRAUD.

## Texas Christian Advocate

ST. LOUIS METHODISM AND DANCING. "There's Life in the Old Land Yet." REV. J. T. L. ANNIS

Well aware were we that if the subject of dancing among Methodist members was brought to the front, that it would cause a "shaking among the dry bones."
We have been talking and listening too long not to know just how this matter I felt assured that the discussion would develop three classes of pastors in our midst. First—One that would apolo-gize and say "that it was indiscreet, and "if and if;" that it was quite unbecoming a member to dance; that other things might be done by members that was really worse, viz.: to steal, or swear, or murder to keep or rent a house for a saloon.' Second-There are those that will say nothing, quietly awaiting developments; they will desire to know the voice of the majority—vox populi vox dei with them. The third class—and they form a large majority—(of the preachers in Texas) will stand by the eternal truth, that dancers have no place in the church of God. We can deal with but one question at a time. The fence may need repairing in many places, doubtless does—but we are discussng the dance-if we can succeed in driving it from the church, we will have more time and inclination to turn upon the other evils above referred to, which are granted to be greater in character, but relatively insignificant in number. Every anxious, observing pastor knows, must know, that dancing is the alarming evil now in the church, because of its popularity, because of its apologists. We affirm what we have said before, "we are not dealing with methods." We hold that

in they should not remain. We believe with "Saxet" and others that our present law is sufficient, but evidently there are those that do not, and

others that will not, believe it.

The attention of the General Conference is invited to this question by this

We repeat, a crisis is upon us. We give room to the second blessingists and all others who believe in a high Christian experience, to complain that the church is burdened, her influence paralyzed, because of this evil. To review the reviewers, I agree with Bro. Powers that there may be "things more hurtful than dancing," but that does not signify that dancing is not "hurtful," and that it is a thousand, yea, ten thousandfold more prevalent than other evils. We have no war with "Saxet." Theoretically he is right-would to God we could see this theory at work practi-cally all over the church. If the General Conference can devise any method that will effect this, then all I long for is accomplished. There will be no dancing in the church. As for Bro. Sam M. Kennard, of St. Louis, I never said that the dele-gate Cupples had a dance in his house or residence, but "a man in St. Louis, of the identical name;" but it turns out that it was in the house of the delegate. "Is it not strange that a minister whose duty it is to preach the gospel, ect., should hasten to spread such an accusation?" Spread nothing! Spread in-deed! Has the St. Louis Republic no spreading power? Then he is alarmed lost it be "spread over the entire connection."
Well he may be. The St. Louis Republic
looked at it just as every one far and looked at it just as every one far and near looked at it—as the "Cupples ball." No plea of absence, no lack of knowledge, will excuse the man in the eyes of those who know that a master's, an owner's, a father's, authority and influence does not cease as soon as the premises are vacated. Again, he says: "Such things could not believed, or thought of, were it not that the above extract is in evidence of it." And what things, pray? Why that better than others; that some preachers enforce the discipline of the church while others do not; that some laymen ignore the church and violate her laws and are not seeking pastors that will turn them out. I am terribly impious! Does the history of the past furnish nothing that should cause us to be careful; nothing to lead us to believe that there could be a time-serving pastor, or a dancing, worldly church? Was there nothing wrong in the Episcopal Church in the time of the Wesleys? I'm amazed at the brother. Is he real flesh and blood? Has he no wings? The facts are these, and ever have been, that there are impure, designing men in the church, in some more, in others less; there may be to-day, and I believe there is, but a modicum in the M. E. Church South. If there be no such thing as designing, time-serving men in the church, whence all the complaints that we hear far and near? Does this indicate nothing from a prominent pastor, a few issues back: "With such precedents, what pastor will attempt to enforce discipline, when he knows if he does he will be moved at the end of the year? Does he not know the rich brother has a following in the church who condemn their former pastor." "I'll see to it that you are moved," comes from the lips of the rich

and cunning. But I'm suffering myself to be drawn off by this defender of the faithful. The dance is the subject, and the dance is just the thing he least desires to discuss. Will Bro. Sam please tell the public if this is the first ball held in Mr. Cupple's house? Is this the first time Mr. C. has ever been discussed in private and public Methodist circles, in connection with dancing? Will he not please tell us if Mr. C. is not public Methodist property, when he represents her in the general convocation of the church?

layman to the humble pastor trying to do

his duty. No, brother, no; don't imagine

too much purity. Just say a large per-

centum—a ponderous majority—and I will agree with you. As we remain pure

and godly, and enforce the gospel demands

upon our people, we have less of design

It would seem that, notwithstanding Bro. C.'s great devotion to the church, "having spent his time and his money," he has failed to "rule well his own house having his children in subjection." Really, how much was Bro. Cupple's grieved at the conduct of the daughter when "the card of invitation, the same sent to all other guests, reached him by mail." Would an intelligent, loving daughter knowingly grieve an absent and invalid my brother, a man may be negatively good, but he cannot be positively, ag-gressively pious, when he looks with the least degree of allowance upon that sin,

Bishop McIlvane spoke the truth felt to be true by all prous souls, when he said "Christians do not want to dance." Mind you, he did not say church members, but Christians. If we are but true to ourselves, true to our founders and fathers, true to God, we will continue to be blessed of God; but if we run after strange gods, lower the standard of the gospel, "respect men of high estate," and cause Israel to sin, as did Ahab, then God, even our God,

the reveling dance.

the aliens. "Whether, therefore, ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. Give none offense, neither to the Jews nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God."

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS. "REPLY TO BRO. CROCKETT." REV. J. DAVID CROCKETT.

In the Advocate of February 20, Bro. Dixons has an article under the above

caption. He says: "Being born of water, then, is not a third birth, but is that which, if carried through according to our Lord's theory, the water birth worketh regenera-tion, or the new birth. Now it I am "in error," or "absurd," I prefer my position to the teachings of Campbell and his fol-lowers. When Peter preached to Cornelius, and he received the baptism of the Spirit, after which he received that of water, where is the water birth eventuating in the new Spirit, or new birth, when they received that of the Spirit first, as is generally the case in adults? But for fear I will make this article too long I will go back to my text, John iii:3-"Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus knew he

had been born once of the flesh and not derstanding how he could be the second time, said, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born of I say unto thee, except a man be born of water' (meaning the first or fleshly birth) 'and of the Spirit' (this applying to the baptism of the Holy Ghost, regeneration, knife there would be no beauty, no symdancers are in the church, and that thereor the new birth—the important idea that Christ was trying to impress on Nicodemus' mind) "he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Then Christ, explaining fully what he meant, and keeping the two births before Nicodemus' mind, said, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; (If he meant water baptism at first, why does he drop it now, and take up the birth of the flesh? Why did he not say "that which is born of the water is water?" What becomes of the watery birth now?) "and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." The idea He wanted to impress was that the second birth was not a natural birth, but a spiritual birth-the first birth was of the flesh, and the second was of the Spirit, or, as in the margin, "from above." Therefore it was not necessary to enter into the womb to be born again, but into God. "Maevel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again." Still keeping the second birth before the mind—just as the first or fleshly birth is necessary to our existence in this world, so the birth of the Spirit is

sential to our entering heaven. I have studied this subject earlier and prayerfully in the light of inspiration and I can understand it no other way.

There is coming a time when I, as an individual, will wish I had borne fruit. I have studied this subject carefully of Rom. (so often misconstrued) where he says the "old man is crucified," and "buried with Christ by baptism (of the Holy Ghost) into death." Therefore the Holy Ghost in the same act destroys the old nature and produces the new birth. Every one who knows anything of the natural birth knows that it is a watery birth-therefore believing honestly and sincerely that in this third chapter of John the Savior had reference to natural or first birth instead of water baptism, I hope the General Conference will strike ut of the ritual of baptism.

This article has been delayed for two reasons. One was, I have waited to see if others would take issue, so that I would not appear in the columns of the Apvo-CATE more than this time on this subject; wife with lagrippe and pneumonia, which has occupied my time.

## THE BARREN FIG TREE.

REV. E. H. HARMAN,

Our Lord comes to a fig tree, rich with the promise of fruit, but failing to find any fruit, he pronounces upon it his curse of eternal barrenness. This is the history, and it is suggestive of certain im-

In planting fruit trees, men select that soil best adapted to their vigorous growth and development. This is abundantly illustrated in semi-tropical climates, where fruit is the staple product.

So every Christian may be compared to a tree planted by the hand of the Almighty. The soil in which men are thus planted is spiritual in contradistinction from a natural or intellectual soil. The psalmist declares that "the rightcous is like a tree planted by the rivers of water. Man, the microcosm, is the most wonderful being and the greatest mystery in the universe. "He is one in person, but in the unity of his personality he is two-fold, in substance being both material and immaterial, and threefold in nature, having a body, soul, and spirit." The spiritual is the highest link in the chain of his being, and certain laws, inflexible but infinitely merciful, are designed to govern and control and develop it. But I return to the figure. In this process of planting no force is used. Man's necessity is God's opportunity, and God's opportunity is dependent upon man's necessity. "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." The human condition is hunger and the condition is hunger that the condition is the condition that the condition is hunger that the condition is the condition that the condition that the condition is the condition that the c dition is hunger; the divine supply is righteousness. The divine waits upon the human. God has endowed man with absolute freedom of will, and the Creator bows to the laws of life wrought into the creature. Lightning never finds a home except where it is attracted. God's power, like the electric fluid in the fullbosomed cloud, waits to be attracted by man's willingness. This planting, then, is conjointly the act of the Creator and

the willingness of the creature.

The natural does not lead man into the upernatural; the intellectual does not lead kim into the spiritual. He may live in the intellectual, but can thrive only in the spiritual; and this is because the pre-pared soil is best adapted to his growth and development. In God's economy, the spiritual takes precedence of the natural. That which is born of the flesh, is flesh; parent? Did she not know that the father was not pronounced against the ball? No, spirit. "Understandest thou what then

> Men plant fruit trees, not for the shade which they afford, nor for their beauty and symmetery, but in order that they may yield fruit. Hope of fruit is the in-spiration of the earnest toiler. Leaves, which are the clothing of the tree, prom-

ise fruit; just as Christ recognized in the leaves of the fig tree a promise of fruit.

I would emphasize the truth that men are planted in the spiritual soil, not only to demonstrate the mighty power of God, but also that they may yield fruit. As the leaves of the tree promise fruit, so a profession of religion promises the fruit men of high estate," and cause Israel to sin, as did Ahab, then God, even our God, will turn from us, and raise up another in our stead. Brethren, pastors, prophets, evangelists, children of God everywhere, raise your voices against this sin that troubles our Zion more than the armies of

especially as to its inward form, is unspeakably more solemn and binding than the promise of a witness to tell the truth, the promise of a witness to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. One of our sainted chief pastors once declared that a man who would not measure up to a full discharge of his church obligations, voluntarily assumed, was not worthy of belief as a witness in a court of justice. Some professors might find wholesome truth along this line of thought. The world has a right to expect that every outward religionist will be the life that it is all improved yours of discontinuous distributions of the abode of evil spirits—amid such people, who gave him in his own simple, uncolored language "the impression of being in hell," this beautiful life went out, leaving, apparently, that that every outward religionist will be faithful to his self-imposed vows of discipleship.

Thomas was the philosopher among the disciples. He was not a disbeliever, nor where the brother got the scripture for this idea? He was careful not to give it. He certainly must have found it in the teachings of the followers of Alexander Campbell: for according to the scripture for the obtained. Now, religion, as the term denotes, rebinds the creature to the Crea-tor, and this rebinding involves the creature's crucifixion to everything antagonistic to God's moral government. "If ye then be risen with Christ," implies crucifixion. Many souls are near the kingdom of God's rich grace, but do not enter it, because a multitude of professors offer no proofs of their crucifixion to sin and resurrection to holiness. The grandest possible argument in favor of religion is shown in the print of the nails of personal crucifixion to sin. Many have a name to live, but are dead. They will learn, perhaps too late, that an outward profession of religion involves a tremendous responsibility. Fruit is the result of the tree's life, the

proof, the overflow of its vitality. The fruitful man has his secret springs in Christ, and his good works are the overflows of the water of life.

An intelligent fruit-grower appreciates the necessity of the pruning-knife. He metry and no harvest. The pruning-knife in the hands of an allwise and merciful God, means death to all hindrances of the soul's fruitfulness. The cutting away loved ones, or fortune, or worldly prospects, or health of body may sometimes incite rebellion in the soul, but divine grace is designed to quell rebellion, and under its mighty influence the soul bears fruit. It needs storm as well as sunshin to mature the graces of the Spirit. If you would have hyacinths flourish, you must that which is born of the The idea He wanted to Christian life often begins to develop in the thickest gloom. There must be either advancement or retrogression-and retrogression is death.

After a sufficient time has elapsed, and the tree upon which so much labor has been bestowed yields no fruit, the owner either cuts it down or leaves it alone in its barrenness. So God sometimes cuts the fruitless professor down, and substitutes for him another who will bear fruit. But in this case before us, the tree was cursed with barrenness. Christ did not make it barren, He simply scaled it in its barrenness. Every man who bears not fruit is in danger of being let alone for-I stand face to face with death-the past and rises before me—my soul's darkness is of the peopled with the ghosts of murdered opportunities. But too late-"nothing but eaves, nothing but leaves." BRENHAM, TEXAS.

"THE NEEDS OF OUR WORK."

[Paper read before the W. M. S., in session with Terrell District Conference at Kaufman, Mrs. W. B. Dashiell, of Terrell.] I have been requested to present on this occasion thoughts on the following

"The Needs of Our Work." The theme is a grand one, and opens to the mental vision a field inviting, but at the same time so extensive and embrac-ing such vast possibilities as to be welloverwh ing to one conscious of her inability, from various causes, to do justice to the same.

We will first take a cursory view of the work to be done, and then seek to learn what are our special needs as a society of working Christians and individual missionaries, as every true Christian must essentially be, being a follower of Christ. The latter half of the present century

has been a period of marked missionary enterprise and of phenomenal results. While continents have opened to the rapid march of commerce and Western civiliza-tion, religion has been the pioneer, and her Livingstones have mapped out its ter-ritory, traced its great highways and laid deep the foundations for the speedy evan-

gelization of its races.

The early apostles to the natives endured years of affliction, suffering and persecution while they gave the Bible, in the original tongues, to the heathen whom they taught. Judson's life-work was translating the Scriptures into the Burmese language; Morrison spent years of perilous toil in rendering the entire Bible into Chinese; Martyn translated the New Tes-tament into the Persian, and Moffat both Old and New Testaments into the Bechuana tongue. Leader of all, as a star of the first magnitude, is Carey, with his invincible spirit and versatile talent, compiling his own lexicon into the difficult Sanscrit before translating the entire Scriptures, which were followed by por-tions of the Bible in fifteen other dialects. On this roll of worthies are many others whose labor was to prepare the way for those who should come after. Their work was done once for all, and well done; we build upon their foundations.

In those early years the prayer of the

church was, "Open, Lord, the doors of the nations, that the gospel may find entrance." Now the cry from every quarter in foreign lands is, "Pray no longer for open doors, but for willing, loving hearts to enter that will do the Lord's work, for the field is ready—even now white for the harvest—and the laborers are few." "Pray ye therefore the Lord that he would thrust forth laborers into his harvest." Listen to this call, first given to us by our dear Lord himself, and now echoing back to us from every mission field.

In the far north, from the frozen regions of Alaska—our own country—to the tropic isles of the southern seas; from Japan, the Empire of the Rising Sun, westward to the "dark continent," comes the uni-versal cry, "Come over and help us!" this universal wail of helpless, perishing humanity, which first reached the ears of our blessed Christ and brought him to our rescue. The same loving, helpful spirit finds ever a response in the hearts of his followers. This, then, is our first

great need to hear the Savior's call.

Providence has in a wonderful manner opened up the way for the gospel. It is the Captain of the hosts of Israel leading far in advance of his followers.

Science and civilization, which are the direct outgrowth of Christianity and are everywhere acknowled to be the handmaids of the gospel, rapid as has been their progress during the last few decades, have not outstripped the heralds of the cross.

Trace the steps of Livingstone through

him, after resisting for the fortieth time

the malignant African fever.

There in the heart of the Black Contilife went out, leaving, apparently, that benighted land enveloped in hopeless, midnight darkness. Not so. God works in a mysterious way, and thus while the designs, eventuates in the new birth, or being born of the Spirit." I wonder where the brother got the scripture for this idea? He was careful not to give it. He certainly must have found it in the teachings of the followers of Alexander Campbell; for, according to Bro. D's theory, the vertex high worketh regenerations. He was not a respellever, nor even an unbeliever. He carly wanted the even an unbeliever. He carly wanted the even an unbeliever and this resurrection that were possessed by the other disciples. He was not a respellever, nor even an unbeliever. He carly wanted the even an unbeliever. He carly wanted the even of the world were upon Livingstone and the land of his adoption and many prayers, "princes," in the language of Scripture, became "nursing fathers and mothers." Leopold II, King of Belgium, at this eventful time, lost his only son. Turning mournfully away from the grave, the water high worketh regeneration that were possessed by the other disciples. He was not a respellever, nor even an unbeliever. He carly wanted the even of the world were upon Livingstone and the land of his adoption and many prayers, "princes," in the language of Scripture, became "nursing fathers and mothers." Leopold II, King of Belgium, at this eventful time, lost his only son. Turning mournfully away from the grave, the said: "Now, I have nothing more to be a supplied to the carly wanted the even an unbeliever. He said: "Now, I have nothing more to live for on earth!" but ere long he heard call from heaven and responded: will henceforth live for Africa," and now as President of "The Congo Free State," and patron of missions, he has not only given, during the last decade, two and one half million dollars from his own private treasury, but is in various ways advancing the work to which Livingstone sacrificed the more sacred treasures of home, family and life itself.

Thus, in the language of our own loved

Wesley, "The workman dies, but God carries on his work." Immortal words, and worthy of being engraved as his epitaph in Westminster Abbey.

The impenetrable walls of China, which

for centuries stood an opposing barrier to the gospel, are as naught, while the once sealed gates of her harbors are now everywhere thrown wide open, and Christian missions find protection in her most re-mote inland provinces. Look at the good accomplished there within the short time of eleven years by the noble, Chris-tian women sent out by our own Woman's Missionary Society, not to mention what has been done through the regular misionary work of the church.

Japan and Siam have already, with outstretched arms, invited the science and civilization of the West, together with its new religion—the religion of Christ.

Nearer home, almost in a day, a nation has been born, so speedily and completely was Brazil revolutionized; changing from a monarchal government, under the fos-tering care of Papacy, to a republic, with its universally avowed principles of civil and religious liberty. The nations invite. Ethiopia stretches out her hands, and the isles of the sea are waiting for the gospel. All things are now ready, and the great need of the church is to hear the command, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature"—
this imperative command, which the
"Hero of Waterloo" once very appropriately termed "the marching orders of
the church." The present age is not only
a period of marked progress and quickened zeal in missionary enterprise, but it is also the time of golden opportunity to the church of God; so much so, that ex-perienced workers, long in the field of loreign missions, have called these times "the crisis of missions"—a crisis such as the poet describes:

"There is a tide in the affairs of men, Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; Omitted, all the voyage of their life Is bound in shallows and in miseries."

This is equally true in regard to affairs pertaining to the kingdom of God. To suffer this flood-tide of golden opportunity to pass unimproved is to delay long centuries, perhaps, the evangelization of the world. China, India, Burmah and Japan are fast losing confidence in their ancient, ancestral gods. Their idol temples, de serted, are crumbling; their worship declining, and the question before the present generation of Christians is: Shall and thus allow the Prince of Darkness to enter with renewed diligence, bringing deep shadows of the dell, the various infidelity and every foe to God? We are tokens of man's handiwork, these only are

A crusade for missions has been called, and from every quarter of the globe we hear the stirring call, and the army of the cross is waking to a realizing sense much quickened and accelerated by that wonderful council of missionaries, gathered from all lands and representing all sects, nationalities and races—the World's Conference of Missions-which met in London, 1888. This was the first of a series of similar meetings, the object of which was to arose the church.

A series of evangelistic meetings in the interest of missions was held in Scotland during the month of December last, and was extended to England through January and February, in which one or more meetings was held each day in all the large cities. In these great centers of church and state the most eminent Christian ministers of all denominations, including a delegation all denominations, including a delegation of prominent missionary leaders from America, met vast assemblies of Christians in truly Christ-like love and harmony, and talked of the things pertaining to his coming kingdom and how they may best advance the same. No wonder pentecostal fires are being kindled as glowing hearts meet all of one accord and pray till the divine fire descends upon each, and the divine fire descends upon each, and their burning eloquence impresses all who hear their wondrous words. Heart touches heart, and heaven's electric circuit is complete along which love's potent influences uninterrupted flow till each feels its quickening impulse and is ready to impart it to others. So rapidly did Christianity spread in the first century, and so persistently did the early disciples adhere to their religious faith, in the face of most violent persecution, that the Roman Emperor (Trajan) spoke of it as the "contagious superstition." He was not far wrong in pronouncing the principles of our holy religion contagious, for our Lord himself compared it to leaven hid in a measure of meal, which should represent the whole pages till all years. permeate the whole mass till all was learned.

We need only to come in contact with this living principle to feel its vevifying influence and power. Many a missionary has been made by reading in Christian biography of the heroic lives and deeds of others. Let then the literature of missions its beddet biographics. sions, its leaflets, biographies and Woman's Missionary Advocate be scat-

and man throughout all our churches

"The day is breaking everywhere, and God Deliver us from dawdling at the dawn of such day."

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Materialistic as the age may be, it is not the less a fact that the unseen constitutes the larger part of nature, and is a most potent factor in human life. In comparison with it, how mean and insignificant is that which we may see and hear. The mightiest force in nature is known to us only by the workings of its invisible hands. By its power, worlds move in majestic order through the infinite realms of space; it touches the atom and endows it with an energy that is felt throughout the universe. We call it gravitation, and the name itself is a confession of our ignorance. We study its operations in the world around us, and feel every hour its magic touch; but what its real nature is, in what mysterious realms is established its throne of power, whence come its imperial mandates, we do not know and doubtless shall never know. We look out upon the sun as he passes in splendor across the sky; we rejoice in his beauty and speculate in a thousand ways upon his nature, but who can trace the channels by which he draws up into clouds the reluctant waters of the deep? Who can hear the voice with which he calls the zephyrs from the distant caves and bids them bear the sparkling drops across the continents and scatter them upon the grateful earth? Or what human eye has ever seen the myriad artists he employs to pencil the lily and to paint the rose? "His going forth is from the ends of the earth, and his circuit unto the ends of it, and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof." Again, a landscape lies around us with which we have been familiar from childhood. Every feature of it, we think, is clearly stamped upon mind and memory, and yet how limited is the impression we have received. A wooded hill, a grand old oak here and there, standing out sentinelwe, after weakening or destroying their ancient faith, give them the religion of Christ? Or, shall we withhold the gospel, and thus allow the Prince of Darkness to deep shadows of the dell, the various taught to pray, "Thy kingdom come, thy the things we see. A thousand forms of But what mockery to pray for what we do not wish and do not desire so earnestly as to labor for its accomplishment! We are to be co-workers together with Him. might engage the naturalist for years, while at our feet are varieties of vegetation wholly beyond our ability to name or their long inglorious sleep and sluggish describe. But granting that all these inactivity. This great awakening was could be comprehended (in our view) could be comprehended (in our view),

what is such a landscape to the great world in which we live? And what is the earth itself to the countless worlds that people immensity, stretching in systems grander than anything the telescope discovers to the utmost bounds of space? But the subject is suggestive of a less speculative train of thought. Not alone in nature does the invisible so far transeend that which we may see and understand. From our earliest years the unseen presses upon our consciousness with irresistible power, and all along through life, no matter how we may be given to pleasure, or immersed in business, occasions arise when we realize that our thoughts are read, our words heard and our acts witnessed by "larger, other eyes than ours." Angel hands lift the veil, and we look for a moment upon the in-

visible. We come on "That which is, and catch the deep pulsations of the world,"
"It is the ideal only which exists,"

says M. Renan, while a greater than he declares that "the things which are seen are temporal, but those which are unseen are eternal." The power of the invisible on human destiny, who can tell? Aside from the operation of divine grace in the heart of man, how strange and full of interest are those influences that move us in our daily life. The grandest thoughts cannot be expressed in acts, but must lie appreciable by God alone, like the silent melodies in a great musician's heart, never to roll forth from harp or organ, and like the sea that never casts its brightest gems upon the beach, nor do its waves whisper of the secrets of its hidden cares. The soul of man is a mystery within its silent palaces. There are carnivals of joy and bloodless tragedies no eye can discover, combinations of thoughts grander than any ever expressed by Milton, more awful than the visions of Dante, sweeter far than the sighs of Juliet, and sadder than the plaints of Hamlet. No eye can see the plaints of Hamlet. No eye can see, no words portray, the fathomless depths of the remorse of a sin-stained soul. What fearful phantoms that "will not down" rise unbidden! The guilty Macbeth, looking at his hand, that was fair to tered broadcast till every woman, child all others, saw in it the blood of the mur-

dered king and in horror exclaims: "Will and man throughout all our churches have been brought under the influence of this divine contagion. Finally, each disciple must feel the command of Christ to be a personal one. "Let him that heareth say come." What Christian can evade this duty? Rather, who that is truly a follower of our blessed Lord can refrain from extending this glorious gospel invitation? Will not the constraining love of Christ make this seeming duty our chief delight? If so, our labors, as individual heralds of our coming King, is the measure of our love.

Let the sentiment of every heart be that expressed in the latest words of Longfellow:

dered king and in horror exclaims: "Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this blood clean from my hand? No! this, my hand, will rather the multitudinous sea incarnadine, making the green one red!" There are battles fought greater than those marked by carnage, when all the powers of darkness are marshalled against the towers of the soul, when no banners of victory are hung, no inspiring strains of evil o'ten win, and unseen and unheard the agonized soul cries out, "Me miserable! which way shall I fly, infinite wrath, and infinite despair?" Taere are also victories unseen by all but God—victories when temptation is overthrown—tempta when temptation is overthrown-temptation which comes in the guise of an angel, or in the God-like form of ambition. The uncrowned heroes who win these battles are in our midst. They live in scorn for miserable aims that end with self, in thoughts sublime that pierce the night lik stars, and with their mild persistence urge man's search "to vaster issues." Since then so much of our thoughts are given to the ideal, and so large a part of our life is concerned with that with which we do not see, it is the part of wisdom to make the inner thought correspond in beauty and purity with that outer life which our neighbors see. The Psalmists say: "In the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom." That only is real culture which is thorough, i. e., through and through. By this only may we be worthy of the lavish beneficence of the poet, and lift our human nature nearer kinship with the crowning race of them that, "eye to eye, shall look on knowledge."



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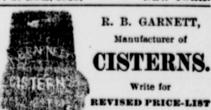
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## DR. HARTMAN.

LECTURE ON MEDICINE—CONTINUED

Man-a-lin and La-cu-pi-a.

A REMARKABLE CASE OF CONSTIPA-TION.

A Violent Case of Scrofula Mistaken for

Cancer.

Triumphs of the Healing Art.

The doctor, who, by the way, is a most engaging and instructive talker, whether at his Institute at Columbus, O., or busily engaged with his patients at other cities, went on to say: I am thinking some day to publish a book containing a simple and concise description of the more unusual cures that I have made since I have been using the three remedies, Pe-ru-na, Mana-lin and La-cu-pi-a. I am positive it would be the most remarkable book of the kind ever contributed to medical litera-ture, and would, no doubt, be the means of saving thousands from distressing disease or untimely death who otherwise will not hear of these great remedies.

Now, here is a case on my record that ought to be known to everybody who is ought to be known to everybody who is similarly affected, and would be the means of saving many. It is one of those cases for which Man-a-lin is, by far, the best remedy ever known. While constipation is a very common trouble, causing untold misery, and a prolific source of a great variety of ills, yet it is not common where constipation alone is of such severity as to produce complete disability or endanger life. But sometimes a physician is called upon to treat a case of uncomplicated constipation that resists every kind of treatment, and in defiance of all medicine the clogged bowels and torpid liver allow the effete poisons to accumulate in the blood until a lingering death is the result. Even in cases where death is avoidable, the suffering from the inevitable effects of constipation, viz., indiges-tion, piles, sick headache, makes this a very formidable disease, as I frequently found in my early practice.

After I perfected the remedy which I named Man-a-lin, I had no further trouble with this class of disorders, and it would be impossible to estimate properly the suffering I have prevented by the use of this remedy. I will cite a case of consti-pation of this dangerous variety as an illustration, and although I was entirely familiar with the treatment of such cases according to the common treatment, had I not already been in possession of Man-a-lin I fear that it would have fared ill

with my patient. John F. Money for many years had been a victim of constipation. For a number of years he was treated by various physicians, who, without a shadow of a doubt, gave him the benefit of the most approved treatment of the books. He went from doctor to doctor, but received only temporary relief from the best treat-ment they could devise. Each failure left him worse than before. His case was of an aggravated type, in which no evacuation would occur unless physic was taken. He had much pain and bloating after eat-ing, belching of wind, coated tongue, suffering daily the most excruciating pain from piles and frequent paroxysms of severe sick headache, which were growing oftener each year. In short, he was sick in bed most of the time and as great a sufferer as a doctor would find in a life-time of practice. He was up and down, finding transient respite in some prescrip-tion from the doctors, which would soon wear out and leave him even worse than

The various cathartic and laxative pills of standard dispensatories were used, one after another, with no farther effect than producing active purgation, which would invariably be followed by a return of the constipation with all of its attendant miseries. A sallow, blotched countenance, bellow are supply to the part of both patient and relatives. Her improvement at first was very slow, but slowly the ulcers began to assume a healthier look. hollow eyes, yellow with jaundice, fetid breath, staggering gait, a loathing of food of all kinds, despondent and hypochondriac, pain and heaviness in the right side, his life a burden to himself and a constant anxiety to his friends. Add to this his other sufferings from headache

take Man-a-lin.

The fame of my cures in consumption reached him somehow, and it had already become an open secret that I was using Man-a-lin, and he finally concluded to try it. Unlike any other medicine he had taken, Man-a lin produced a natural evacuation. The relief of the sick headache and piles was immediate. He had been so many years a constant sufferer that he could not believe that it would ast any longer than he continued the use of the medicine. His appetite returned, complexion became clear, but he continued to take the medicine, fearing a re-lapse, but at last gradually left it off, when, to his surprise and joy, he remained perfectly well, and has remained so ever since. No one can fully realize without a to various cities, which are necessarily at our invitation. similar experience what a complete transformation the world undergoes to one who has been for years the victim of the above dreary list of symptoms and then find perfect relief from them. Man-a-lin is a natural laxative. Taken in doses suited to the severity of each case, it will posi-tively cure any case of constipation.

The following I guarantee to be an un-failing cure of this common and vexatious disorder: Get a bottle of Man-a-lin and begin with the dose according to the printed directions. If the dose produces more than one evacuation in a day, take less; but if the dose is not sufficient to cause one free movement every day, take more. Find exactly the dose required to move your bowels once or twice a day. At exactly the same hour each day go to stool, and continue both the Man-a-lin and the regular hour of stool until the habit becomes thoroughly established. After a few months gradually decrease the dose. Do not diminish the dose by more than Do not diminish the dose by more than two or three drops each day, and you will be able to discontinue it altogether. This will not fail in a single case if it is vigorously followed. The biliousness, or sick headache, or piles, or dyspepsia that was caused by constipation will disappear as soon as regularity of the bowels becomes a habit. This remedy has been of untold value to me in my practice, and the suc-cess I have met with, directly due to its virtues, amply repays me for the long effort it cost me to perfect it.

I will also give you the facts as I have them concerning the use of La-cu-pi-a in a single case of scrofula, hundreds of which might be cited: Mrs. Milo In-

out avail a short time, he summoned a council of physicians. The frequency of cancer of the breast, together with the fact that the enlarged breast by this time had become extremely painful, led them to decide that it was a cancer of creditor who had two debtors.

the breast. The doctors, greatly touched with the terrible affliction of the unfor-tunate lady, proceeded tenderly to in-form her that her trouble was cancer of the breast, and the almost certainty of its fatal termination. They continued to treat her for a time, but, as they could give her no encouragement whatever, she became discouraged, and began to treat with a cancer doctor at Kittaning, under whose treatment she remained six months. The enlargement has steadily increased during her treatment, but by this time it had ulcerated and become an extensive running sore.

Weakening in body by the drain upon her strength of the discharging ulcer, distracted in mind by her protracted and severe suffering, she finally sought aid of the well-known cancer specialist, Dr. Kingsley, of Rome, N. Y., who immediately pronounced it a Rose Cancer. The doctor was able to somewhat relieve her intense suffering, and partially healed the ulcer, but utterly failed to cure her. After two years of continuous treatment he pronounced her case incurable and she, in complete despair and excruciating torture that well-nigh destroyed her reason, was brought back to her home to await the end. The horrible, eating ul-cer had laid bare the ribs of the right side and part of the breast bone. The remaining part of the breast was entireloosened from the bones and hung only by the skin above. Shortly after returning home ulcers began to make their appearance on both legs and her face and head. The disfigurement of her face was so great as to make recognition impossible. She had been slowly but steadily losing strength from the beginning, but in consequence of the additional ulcers she now began to sink rapidly. The doctor who had been called after her return, with the hope that he would be able to mitigate her frightful suffering, pronounced her at "death's door." Everything that promised any relief to the agony of what was thought to be her last days was tried, but doctors, relatives and friends seemed alike impotent to bring any respite.

It was at this dark hour in the history of this afflicted family that some of the sympathizing friends suggested that I be sent for, not exactly because they believed I could do anything for her, but the sight of such continued and unremitting suffering always produces in attendants a frantic desire to do something to relieve. I had long been accustomed to being called to treat patients after every other means had failed, and consequently it was a very common thing with me to see very sick people, after others had pronounced them incurable, but I confessed I was hardly prepared for the sight that she presented upon examination. Deep, suppurating, sloughing ul-cers, fringed with edges of ragged and bleeding proud flesh, covering chest, legs, head and face; the haggard face, sunken eyes and shrunken form betokened the fearful history of suffering through which she had passed. The repeated failures to get any relief had given her an expression of mingled despair and resignation that

was pitiful to see. A few whispered answers to my ques tions and a close inspection of the ulcers convinced me that her disease, from first to last, had been scrofula of a very aggravated variety, and while in some par-ticulars the ulcers resembled cancerous tissue, I was confident I was not mistaken. This view of the case led me, in spite of the dangerous extremity to which she was reduced, to express a faint hope of being able to help her. I had known La-cu-pi-a so many times to effect cures in cases of scrofula that seemed as hope-less as this one, that I had come to have easily be shaken. At all events, it was our only hope; every other source of help had been sought in vain. I at once or-dered La-cu-pi-a for her which was used place a healthy, granulating surface appeared. In a few weeks her improvement was such that La-cu-pi-a had won the confidence of all her relatives, who were almost hysterical in their delight at and piles, and an utter skepticism as to the prospect of her recovery. Without any cure for his trouble, and you have a faint idea of the case when he began to provement proceeded until her cure was

Nothing whatever was given her or done for her except La-cu-pi-a taken in-ternally. She had to take many bottles before her cure was perfected, but in four-months the last ulcer was healed, leaving numerous scars, which are unmistak-able reminders of her past sufferings. Such experiences with La-cu-pi-a in the treatment of scrofula has so thoroughly dem-onstrated the unfailing power to cure every case that I feel justified in declar-ing it to be a well-nigh infallible cure. In my long and extensive practice I have never yet met a case of scrofula, chronic rheumatism, chronic catarrh, skin short, much depends on making at once unusual cures of cases like the above, and of course it is imperative that I use the most efficacious remedies obtainable, and with the multitude of well-stocked drug stores at my command, I invariably prescribe La-cu-pi-a, and my success and rep-utation in these diseases depend on the virtue of this wonderful remedy.

## About the Lesson.

LESSON III., SUNDAY, APRIL 20.

FORGIVENESS AND LOVE. Luke 7:36-50.

GOLDEN TEXT. "We love him, because he first loved us."

(f John iv:19.)

(MEMORY VERSES 47-50.)

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

1. What is the subject of this lesson? Forgiveness and love. 2. What is the Golden Text? "We love him because he first loved us."
3. Where did the incident occur of which we have record here? We do not

know for certain-probably at Nain. 4. Who invited Jesus home with him? "One of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him."

5. Did Jesus go with him? Yes, and sat down to meat. 6. Who came into the house? A woman

of the city, who was a sinner.
7. What did she bring? An alabaster

11. What did Jesus say? "Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee."

12. What did Simon say? "Master,

14. What did they owe him? "One owed him five hundred pence, and the

15. Could they pay the debt? No, they had nothing to pay.

16. What did the creditor do? He forgave them both.

17. Which loved him most? The one

who had most forgiven. 18. What did Jesus say to the woman? Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace." How did she feel toward him? She

loved much.
20. Why? Because she had much forgiven .- Illustrated Lesson Paper.

## LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Intervening Events.—The tidings about Jesus which were brought to John the Baptist led the latter to send messengers "to the Lord." The message which they bore implied some doubt in the mind of John, and it was not until after miracles were wrought in the presence of his mes-Cheer up, my lad! quick the bumpe sengers that Christ replied to John's question (Luke vii:19-23). A discourse to the multitudes about John followed the departure of his messengers, accompanied by a rebuke of the men of that generation the factor their criticism of the three teachers. for their criticism of the two teachers, John and himself (vs. 24-35). In the account of Matthew there follows an upbraiding of the cities of Galilee for impenitence, and a prayer of thanksgiving, ending with the tender words, "Come unto me, all ye that labor," etc. (Matt. xi:20-30). While some of the language of this passage occurs later in Luke on two different occasions (Luke x:13-16, 21, Though his heart beat fast and his eyes grew 22), it is probable that the incidents belong immediately before the present lesson. The invitation, "Come unto me," etc., may have led the woman to venture so close to Jesus.

Place.—Some city in Galilee, possibly

Nain, though some think it was Capernaum. Magdala is named by others, who, on the strength of tradition, would identify the woman with Mary Magdalene.
Others, again, would fain identify this It cher Simon the Pharisee with Simon the leper, It day and would therefore locate this feast at

Bethany.

Time.—In the late summer or early autumn of A. U. C. 781; that is, A. D. 28.

Persons.—Simon, a Pharisee (not "Simon the leper"); a woman who was "a sinner" (not Mary Magdalene, nor Mary the sister of Lazarus); our Lord and other guests at the table.

guests at the table. Incidents .- Our Lord is at table in the house of a Pharisee, named Simon; a bad never had a package of fire-crackers woman, a sinner, comes in, and, weeping over his feet, anoints them. Simon in on more idea of a birthday party than of his heart not only doubts the propriety of a comb this, but thinks our Lord fails, as a prophet, in not perceiving the character of the woman. Jesus answers him with a parable, which he applies to the case of Jesus answers him with a that his the woman; he then pronounces her for- for mu given, answering the secret objections of those present by dismissing her in peace. This incident is peculiar to Luke.

### LESSON SUMMARY.

Only one who sees that he is lost without a Savior, can appreciate a Savior's worth. Only one who is conscious of being saved, can give such love to a Savior as a Savior deserves. And in proportion to the magnitude of the recognized salva-tion, is the depth and heartiness of grateful love by a saved one toward him who has wrought the salvation. These are the main teachings of the lesson before

He who has no sense of peril, has no personal interest in any means of rescue. Not until one is himself in danger, can be realize the full value of agencies of safety. The man who is in his comfortable home, beyond the reach of breakers on a lee shore, cannot have any such appreciation of the life-boat and its heroic crew as fills the heart of him who waits the lifeboat's coming while he clings with desperation to the slowly sinking wreck toward which it is directed. Nor can gratitude ever sway the mind of him who has had small need of favors, as of him who looks into the face of him from death at the risk of his own

A sense of the peril of sin is essential to a recognition of the power of the Savior; and he who feels that he has no need, or small need, of forgiveness, will never have such love for the Savior as is possible to him who has greatly needed forgiveness, and has received it freely. Not even an angel who never sinned can know such love for the Savior of sinners as will forever fill the heart of the greatly forgiven sinner.

It is not that sinning is essential to love, but it is that forgiveness of sin can never be appreciated at its fullest and best except by one who has had his sins forgiven. If we do not need forgiveness, it matters little to us personally whether or not there is a Savior who forgives; but if we have much to be forgiven, we have the possibility of loving much through being forgiven much.

ADDED POINTS.

What a privilege it is to have Jesus at our home table! He is ready to be there

It is well to go where we may hope to find Jesus. Even though we are sinners, we may be sure that he will not spurn us

on that account.

How easy it is to see what seem to us faults, or lack, in one whom we view critically! Yet the very thing which we criticise may be that which, if understood by us, would command our admiration. A measure of sympathy is essential to a right judgment of another. His action

must be looked at from his standpoint in order to be understood. Our Lord deals gently even while he deals firmly. When he would speak to us of our very faults, he speaks in tender-ness. Well would it be if we were always to be like-minded with him so far, as we point out their errors to those whom we seek to counsel aright.

Jesus can make the truth so clear that we are compelled to admit its correctness even while our admission condemns our own action. "I suppose that that is so," is the answer that in many a case dis-closes our recognition of a truth which we are unwilling to act upon as the guide of our course.

Loving trust in the Savior is salvation. "Thy faith hath saved thee;" not "Thy faith will save thee." Salvation is in the eternal present.—Sunday School Times.

## Old and Young.

THE HORSE'S NAME.

One day my brother was out driving a single case of scrofula, hundreds of which might be cited: Mrs. Milo Ingram, of Pittsburg, Pa., some time in 1874 met with an accident producing a slight braise on the right breast. The usual remedies were applied, but instead of growing better it continued to grow worse. At last she was obliged to consult a physician.

A prominent physician of Alleghany City was employed, who at once recognized that there was something peculiar about the case; and after treating it without avail a short time, he summoned a council of physicians. The frequency the horse's right hoof for the man to take.
"Now give us the other hand, Nelly," and she mised her left fore-foot. "There, 13. Of whom did Jesus tell? Of a said the smiling man, "d'ye suppose that wasn't my horse?"—Golden Hours.

THE DRUNKARD'S DREAM.

The drunkard dreamed of his old retreat, The drunkard dreamed of his old retreat, of his cosy place in the tap-room seat; And the fiquor gleamed in his gloated eye. Till his lips to the sparkling glass drew nigh. He lifted it up with an eager glance, And samp as he saw the bubbles dance: "Aha! I am myself again! Here's a truce to care, an adieu to pain. Welcome the cup, with its creamy foam! Farewell to work and a mopy home! With a joily crew and a flowing bowl, In bar-room pleasures I love to roam!"

Like a tlash there came to the drunkard's

His angel child, who that night had died,
With look so gentle and sweet and fond;
She touched his glass with her little wand,
And oft as he raised it up to drink,
She silently tapped on its trembling brink,
Till the drunkard shook from foot to crown,
And sat the untasted goblet down.

"Hey, man!" cried the host, "what meaneth my lad! quick the bumper quaff," glanced around with a fiendish

ard raised his glass once more, and russed his glass once more d at its depth as oft before; d to see on its pictured form of his dead little child at home! in the landlord at him sneered, swaggering crowd of drunkards s he tried that glass to drink

of his dead one tapped the brink The landlord gasped, "I swear my man, It take every drop of this flowing

wand struck harder than before-The glass was slung on the bar-room floor.
All around the ring the fragments lay.
And the poisonous current rolled away.

The drunkard awoke. His dream was gone His bed was bathed in the light of morn; But he saw, as he shook with pale, cold fear, A beautiful angel hovering near. and that seraph was near hin

his passion; it swayed his will; from his lips the maddening bowl, ry gave to his ransomed soul! that midnight hour he dreamed, has been a man redeemed: is the prayer that he prays alway, s the prayer let us help him pray,

He had never had any Christmas. He

All the same, none of these things bothered him. It was because he was deafthat his friends called him Bothered Johnny. They did not think he was good for much. As he could not hear well, he Johnny. the use he could of his eyes, and liked nothing better than to study the pictures on posters.

One cold March afternoon he stood be-

warm, her cloak was thick.

When she had left Bothered Johnny, and climbed with great care the chapel

steps, she turned and looked at him again, took off her mittens, and drew from her pocket a little bundle of Sunday-school tickets. She chose the biggest and bright-

who should keep the gay card. Johnny got the better of them, and escaped with it safe on the top of his head under his hat, which he had firmly tied down with a string of knotted rags from his clothing. He lay that night in a dark, cold alley,

his hat still tied tightly under his chin. His last thought, before he went to sleep, his hat still tied tightly under his chin. His last thought, before he went to sleep, was of the ticket with its picture of three men walking through fire, and its text, "When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned."

Ossorned Is end of the last through the seaside residence.

Many years ago when the Prince of Wales was a lad, he was one day playing on the beach when he spied a basket of tish. Thirsting for fun he overturned the hou shalt not be burned."

amp in a room across the court. The owner had risen early, and built her fire. She stepped quickly about her daily tasks is Johnny watched her. A child of four five rise five resolutions and the stepped stepped quickly about her daily tasks is Johnny watched her. A child of four five rise rise resolutions are five resolutions. The light came from a vigorous beating; whereupon his Royal Highness flew angrily to the castle.

"Know ye, lad, who ye've been laying hands on?" asked a fisherman, approaching "it's page other than the light came from a vigorous control of the castle. five was playing on the floor.

Moved by a sudden impulse, the mother icked the little one up from the floor, set er on the table, and began clapping her hands and singing, the child doing like-

Johnny expressed his pleasure by those trange sounds peculiar to the very deaf, out they ended in a cry of fright. The hild had begun to dance upon the table, and, in an evil moment, touched the lamp. Over and down, down into her

brighter light, that the child in danger was the little giver of the ticket. Like a cat he climbed and flew across the fence, and was in the burning room in too short a time to count. He caught the child as she swayed above the burning oil, dragged her from the table, through the door, and down the stairs to the outer air. They passed an open door, through which he saw the poor struggling mother, rolled in lankets on the floor; but he did not stop. Holding fast to his half fainting little

charge, he ran against a policeman at the street corner. His small power of speech had quite left him, but he bethought him of his precious ticket. He pulled it from under his hat, pointed to the pulled it from the pulled the picture of fire and back to the alley had left. In a moment the alarm was

As the engine and fire wagons thundered through the street, Bothered Johnny sat upon a doorstep, a strange figure, his arm around a sobbing little girl. She held in her hand his valued but now dirty Sunday school card. He did not hear her

"I dave 'oo a tlean one, and 'oo didn't say sank 'oo."

He did not want to give her up when friends found her, and he followed the ambulance that took away her mother till be was left for behind

he was left far behind.

The next day, he did not know whether to be pleased or frightened when he was taken to the hospital, and down a long ward of white cots, to the mother's bed-He felt more at home when he ound his little friend Nanny sitting there. he put up her face to kiss him, and gave

Her mother could not understand his thick speech, nor could be hear how she hanked him for saving her darling. put up his hand with a sharred face to his ear, and shook his head. The mother's eyes filled with tears. As she stroked the lonely orphan boy's hand, she spoke of

him to the doctor and nurse standing by

In the mission chapel, next Sunday, the infant class teacher printed on the black-board the text, "She hath done what she could," and told the story of Nanny's rescue by Bothered Johnny. She showed how Nanny's one little deed of kindness had saved her life, and she added:

"Not only that. A houseful of people was saved by the alarm of that little ticket. And that is not the end of its mission, either. The hospital doctors will cure Johnny's deafness. It will soon be hard to find him by his old name of Bothered Johnny. And his courage has raised for him kind and helpful friends. Don't forget he, too, did what he could."—Sunday School Times.

#### BIGHAM'S "JOE."

Years ago, when working in our church Sunday-school department, I saw a young studay-school department, I saw a young type-setter crying over "Vinny Leal;" so did I while reading the "proof." After a time came "Wine and Blood; or, Uncle Viv's Story," and afterward, "Goldfield Scenes." This time comes "Joe"—Bigham's "Joe." For readers they come too far apart; there should follow more like these four.

I have just finished "Joe"—thanking to make her well? And, dear deather well." And, deather deather well." And, deather

I have just finished "Joe"—thanking write very well." the heart whence he came. It broke me up, time and again—wife looking overher shoulder to see what the matter was, and with the letter in her hand; as she folded shoulder to see what the matter was, and Paul, our blue-eyed baby, slipping up with questions on his face, and his low, soft "Da-da?"

It is a little war story, in Bigham's own style—a style unique, poetic, tender, and manly as he himself. I gave a lad at Cedartown fifty cents for it—for which the publishing house, or Burke & Co., or the author, Rev. R. W. Bigham, Dalton, Georgia, would doubtless mail it to anywhere. where.

Some weeks ago a father wrote me, asking me to name some good reading for his boys. I answered as best I could—adding ten dollar bill. As soon as the box left now: "Get all of Bigham's books"-good for girls as boys, and their parents as well. The four are treasures—pure, ten-der, brave, manly, womanly; also relig-ious, without cant or posing.

This little "Joe" of "The War Times" does true teaching work now. A Southern man, like Bigham, born and bred whose whole heart was with his people in the most heroic struggle of modern timeswho can write a simple war story like this —just and charitable to Southern men who "wore the blue," and yet in perfect balance of right thought and sentimen toward his own "brothers in gray," does good service to us all. The Unionist, who knows that the war is over, and who respects the people who died for what they elieved to be right, will find in little "Joe" an answering spirit to what is no-blest in himself. The Confederate patriot, who knows that the war is over, and re-

"Joe;" no Southern man who once followed Lee, and was ever since ashamed to pieces.—New York Star. that he did, is worthy to know "Joe's" father and mother - knightly Captain Donal and his brave wife "Reeney

Our young people will better learn what we went through in the bitter days est, toiled down the steps, and thrust it by reading little "Joe" than pouring over into Bothered Johnny's hands.

by reading little "Joe" than pouring over some ponderous things called histories, into Bothered Johnny's hands.

Five minutes later, he was the center of a group of street gamins, who, at the top of their lungs, bawled the ticket's text into his ears, and then fought as to -Dr. A. G. Haygood, in Wesleyan Advo

Osborne, Isle of Wight, is Queen Victo-

When he awoke, the sun had not risen, but a faint light shone across his face. The picture on the card came at once to his mind, and he sprang to his feet, thinking of fire. The light came from a hump in a room across the court. The basket and sent the fish sprawling into the perpetrator, giving him a vigorous beating; whereupon his Royal Highness

ing, "it's nane other than the heir to the throne?

Consternation filled the mind of the boy and all his family, still more when in the evening a summons came from the Queen to that youth, to present himself

at Osborne castle.

The little fellow started with trembling, thinking over all the fireside tales that his child-ears had heard, of chains and dungeon-keeps," tortures and the axcheerful musing to accompany his slow reluctant steps up the avenue to the casmother's lap it fell. In scarcely another moment the woman had dashed it to the moment the woman had dashed it to the ground, and rushed from the room in a sheet of flame.

Bothered Johnny had seen, in the brighter light, that the child in danger.

"Are you the boy that dared whip my son, the Prince of Wales?" asked the

queen sternly.
"I be, y'r Maj'sty," he replied, trembling in every limb, "and I beg y'r pardon, "You don't even try to evade the truth," said the queen; "what provoked you to

"They—they" the boy hesitated, still trembling, "they was my father's fish, y'r Maj'sty. Didn't know 'twas his Royal

Highness "Ah, I begin to understand." Then turning to the prince she asked, "What did you do to his fish?"

'Wanted to see if they'd swim," said the heir apparent, examining the figures on the carpet; "so I tipped the basket a

The queen turned to the fisher boy and "You are a brave lad for defending

your father's possessions. Of such mettle may my army be made! Here is a guinea for your fish; and next time the prince in his eagerness for knowledge overturns your basket, give him another whipping and you shall have two guineas from his A lighter-hearted boy never went out of

castle gates; and a light-hearted father was ever after loyal to England's justiceloving queen .- Treasure-Trove.

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### THE FAITH OF LITTLE HANS

The following touching story, told by & writer in Harper's Young People, is about a letter found by one of the clerks, a young German girl, in the Dead Letter

Office at Washington.
The young clerk had worked her way down through a large heap, and was beginning to think of lunch, when she came upon a peculiar little envelope addressed in German to "Jesus in Heaven;" she tore it open hastily, and found a soiled sheet, written all over in a child's cramped hand. Some of the words seemed blurred with tears, and she could scarcely make them out. Here is the translation:

"DEAR JESUS: I have prayed so hard to you, but I guess you could not hear me so far off, so I am going to write you a letter. We came over a big ocean when it was summer time. My mamma has been sick all the time. Can't you send her something to make her well? And, dear

it, she resolved to do something to make the little boy happy. She said; ever his parents may be this child-faith must not be destroyed." That evening, after dinner, she told several of her friends about the matter, and they were eager to help her make up a box.

It was ready in a few days. There were some flannels for the mother and little Hans, comfortable clothes for the father, and toys enough to make the boy believe that the Christ child did not live in Gerthe house, Katrina wrote a letter to Hans. She told him that his letter had been received, and that Jesus had sent one of his servants on earth to help him, and that a

nice box was on its way out West.

Not long after there came a letter of warm thanks from the father. He explained how they had been in the country but a few months and had not yet found

As the weeks went by, another and another letter came, telling of fairer prospects and brighter days. One thing they assured Katrina—"that they could never forget her kind letter and generous help in their time of saddest need."

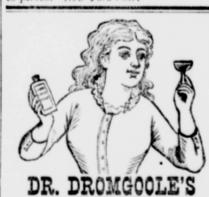
### KEEP COOL AND GO SLOW.

In these days of struggle and competion one needs to be all eyes to see chances. ou see very little when you are always who knows that the war is over, and respects facts in 1889, will not be less South-taking things easy and keep out of flurry pictures on posters.

One cold March afternoon he stood before a great theater placard, absorbed in its gaudy figures. He did not notice that he was near the steps of a mission chapel, and that a small child of four or five, on her way there, stopped behind him. She eyed him from head to foot—his big torn hat, his scant, ragged clothes, and bare feet. Her own cheeks were rosy and fat from good bread and butter, her hood was warm, her cloak was thick.

spects facts in 1889, will not be less Southern at more national, for reading this child's book.

There are deft etchings and line-drawings in this little story that are gems after their kind, but not all will see or care for them. No bitter man, Federal or Confederate, will see good or beauty in it; no man on the Union side, who can now speak harshly or rudely of Jefferson Davis in his coffin, can understand Bigham's "Joe;" no Southern man who once follows.



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## GENERAL CONFERENCE.

THE EXCURSION TO ST. LOUIS

After full investigation I have decided the 5th, in the hands of the M., K. & T.

railroad.

1. The excursion, as a body, will leave Denison at 11 p. m., May 5th, and arrive in St. Louis at 6:40 a. m. 7th.

2. Round trip coupon tickets will be on sale at all coupon offices on the M., K. & T.'s own line, and at smaller offices if desired, and at the following points: El Paso, Colorado, Toyah, Abilene, Baird, Cisco, Weatherford, Laredo, San Antonio, New Braunfels, San Marcos, Austin, Georgetown, Taylor, Tyler, Jacksonville, Troupe, Crockett, Houston, Galveston, Hempstead, Brenham, Bryan, Calvert, Marlin, Corsicana, Ennis, Dallas, McKinmey, Sherman, Uvalde, Goliad, Cuero, Greenville, Sulphur Springs, Pittsburg, Jefferson, Mineola. One fare for round trip, tickets good for thirty days.

3. Elegant chair or recining cars will be furnished all who prefer them, without additional cost. As many Pullman Palace eleeping cars as may be necessary will be furnished at Fort Worth and Denison. Five dollars for berth, or ten dollars per section from Fort Worth, and one and two dollars less from Denison. These
prices are for one way. No round trip on
the sleepers.

4. The management assures me that

arrangements have been undertaken to secure meals at all eating stations at re-duced rates—say half price. Otherwis, and anywise, any travel-wise person knows that a well-equipped lunch-basket will be an economic and health giving, not to say pleasure-enhancing part of the not to say pleasure-enhancing part of the

impedimenta.
5. One or more chair cars will leave
Austin at 8:55 a. m., and Taylor at 11 a. May 5 h.
 No hing has yet been learned about

board in St. Louis. The committee has promised this information, and will doubt-less give it; but it may be too late for the ADVOCATE of 24th instant.

7. If it is more convenient for any to go another route, and they think that I can assist in any way, I hope they will not hesitate to call upon me.

8. An I last, but not least. Be sure to

write me the moment your eye has reached the end of this notice, what you want whether y u want a sleeper or reclining chair; it the former, how many berths or sections. No matter if several letters have passed between us, write one mue, in order that we may be sure to have just the kind of transportation we want, and as much as is necessary. If our excursion is large enough to warrant it, it will go as

a separa'e train from Denison.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas management ask me to assure the excursion ists that nothing they can do will be left undone, to secure the safest and most pleasant journey possible. Their Mr. W. D. Lawson, General Traveling Passenger Agent, will accompany the party in person. Secretary of Delegation, etc.

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THE MOST HONORABLE.

There is no more honorable nor re sponsible place in the church than the pastorate. We make this statement deliberately and after careful consideration. Neither is there any place which requires more ability and devotion to duty.

We speak not of honor in the popular but in the Scriptural sense. In the human eye, the place of honor is the place of authority, but in the eye of Christ the place of honor is the place of service. Authority itself is only honorable as it is made a means of service. Whosoever among you would be great, let him be your minister-the man who serves at the table while the guests eat, but whosoever would be chief, let him be your servantthe bond-slave who stands at the door and washes the feet of the guests as they enter the house.

Not the highest place among men is always the most responsible, but often the lowest is the more responsible. When the Christ-God came into the world to save men, he did not go to kings and potentates, doctors and priests, and work through them down to the people, but he went immediately and directly to the people. And until this day, if one place is more responsible than another it is the one nearest to the people.

There are offices in the church to be filled of course, and it may be that peculiar and rare qualities are required to fill them, but that does not make them the more important on that account. Men generally set the highest value on those things which are rarest, but not so with God who has made the most useful things the more abundant. Men place much greater value upon the diamond that sparkles on the finger of the society dude or dudine than upon the base metals in common use. The small jewel upon the breast of the society butterfly would buy many tone of the common iron of which our cook-stoves are made, but mankind can far better afford to dispense with the jewel and the wearer than with the iron and the user. God has in his wisdom and portant metal the more common. It may mission to conquer the world for Christ. require men of rare and peculiar qualities It should be regarded strictly as the to make a good bishop, but the bishop is Lord's work. The question is how and not more important, but rather less important on that account. The church could possibly get along without bishops, but the pastor is indispensable. The office of a bishop is a good thing, but the office of the pastor is better.

Talk about the responsibilities of a bishop! What are they, compared to those of the pastor? The care of all the churches is a great responsibility, no doubt, but the responsibility of the immediate care of souls is greater. Are not all the responsibilities of the bishop's office shared with him by the presiding elders and the ministers in general? The man who teaches those of equal mentality with himself, divides his responsibility with his disciples, for they can judge for themselves; but whoever teaches children not capable of judging as to the correctness of the things taught. must bear the whole responsibility of his teaching. The preacher, therefore, who preaches to the most ignorant congregation, bears the greatest responsibility. pastoral charges. A dozen sermons may preaches to a new congregation every time, but when one has to preach to the same congregation twice fifty-two times in the year, he must make new sermons. There is quite a difference between new sermons and new congregations.

It still remains true, however, that among men, as among things, God has made the most important and useful qualities the most common.

On this account, then, place and officehunting in the church is all the more in- lege and Clarksville, Red River county. excusable. It is nothing more than seek- That year (1855) he built a large church ing honor of men, and that which is in Clarksville, with Masonic lodge over highly esteemed (exalted) among men, is it. The church was 40x60 and cost about abomination in the signt of God. It is \$2000, without ceiling. There were about the humble servant, whether in the high- thirty conversions that year. November, est (?) office or the poorest, who is great 1855, he was sent to Starrville, Smith counand honored in the sight of God. Let tv. to take charge of the Starrville Female those who are in the high (?) offices be High School, under the patronage of careful, therefore, lest the great strain East Texas Conference. There he taught upon them be the strain of sustaining the until the fall of 1858, when he was put on fame which the world has foolishly at Tyler circuit. That was a presperous

of a due sense of responsibility. Above all, let's have done with that circuit, and had about thirty additions to tomfoo'ery which makes every connec- the church; 1861 was returned to Caldtional office more important and more well circuit, but little was done that year, honorable than the pastorate. Nothing as the war excitement almost paralyzed

these connectional officers than to re- 1868, on Lexington circuit, he had about turn them to the pastorate. It sixty accessions; 1869 and 1870 on Caldshould be considered an honor to any well circuit, and had about forty accesman to be esteemed a better preacher and sions; 1871 on Austin district, and had a pastor than he is a financier. Other prosperous year; 1872 stationed at Basthings may be honorable, but nothing is trop; 1873 he was granted a location; on a par with preaching the gospel of 1875 was on the Giddings circuit, and had our Lord Jesus Christ, which is the power | twenty accessions; 1876 was on the Burof God unto salvation to every one that leson mission; 1877 was on Caldwell cir-

#### LOCALISM.

form of selfishness by which men seek a personal benefit while they persuade themselves that they are doing works of benevolence. For example, a member of the Methodist Church contributes a small amount of money to supply the Sundayschool with literature, then he persuades himself that he has given that amount to the church, when, in fact, he has only paid for the literature used by his own children. He talks about giving so much in fact, he is only paying for privileges to himself and family which he could not afford to be without. He had as well imagine he performs a pure act of Christian benevolence when he gives his wife money to buy sugar to sweeten his own coffee. He only pays for what he receives, and gives because he expects to receive

The church and all the interests o Christianity suffer most from this form of selfishness in the support of those institutions which seek to extend their benefits to a larger portion of mankind than a particular community.

There is no greater hindrance to Christian education as undertagen by the church than localism. Let the church undertake to build a college or endow a university, and beyond the amount given to secure location, she appeals almost in vain for help. Members of the church who subscribe liberally to get the school located in their town, withdraw all financial support so soon as they fail to get it, and those who succeed in capturing the prize persuade themselves that they have exercised a large amount of Christian liberality, when in fact they have only made an investment from which they expect to receive large profits, financially and otherwise. It would not be difficult to multiply schools almost indefinitely if brick and mortar were all that is necessary, or if the price for location was sufficient for endowment; but, alas! such is not the case.

All this goes to show that a great deal of what passes for Christian liberality does not rise above selfish localism. That can hardly be called Christian liberality which does not extend beyond personal benefits in the motives of the giver. Christian liberality is like the master who gave himself not for the Jew only, but the Greek also.

where can I best serve the Lord in this matter, and not how much am I to get in question, "What reward have ye? do useful pastors we have." not even the publicans the same?" Keither can the church fulfill her mission to Christianize the education of the young until her members regard it as a duty they owe to God, and not simply as a means of gain to themselves.

It is a burning shame and disgrace to Texas Methodists that now, after seventeen years of existence, the Southwestern University has not a single endowed chair.

REV. M. H. PORTER.

Rev. M. H. Porter, a member of the Texas Conference, and preacher in charge of Fairfield circuit, died at Fairfield Sunday morning, the 13th.

He was born in Maury county, Tennessee, March 7, 1830. He was converted It is also true that no greater nor rarer at a camp-meeting held by Robert Alexgifts are required to fill any office in the ander, at the Waugh camp-ground, in church than is required to fill some of our Burleson county, Texas, in 1842, and joined the M. E. Church, South, same be an ample supply for a preacher who year, at Caldwell, being baptized and received into the church by R. Crawford; was licensed to exhort May 7, 1850, and to preach Feb. 15, 1851; was admitted on trial into the East Texas Conference, at Tyler, in the fall of 1854, Bishop Early presiding; was ordained deacon at same conference by Bishop Early; was ordained elder, at Palestine, Nov. 14, 1858, by Bishop Pierce; was transferred to the Texas Conference, November, 1859. The first charge he served was McKenzie Col-

That year (1855) he built a large church in Clarkswille, with Masonic lodge over it. The church was 40x60 and cost about the Christian Advocate, and answer the purposes of a general organ better than a weekly paper.

1855) he was sent to Starrville, Smih be unity, to take charge of the Starrville Female High School, under the patronage of East Texas Conference. There he taught until the fall of 1858, when he was put on Tyler circuit. That was a presperous year, and some seventy-five were ad led to the church; 1860 was appointed to Cald-well ticrcuit, and had about thirty additions to the church; 1860 was appointed to Cald-well circuit, but little was done that year, as the war excitement almost paralyzed church work; 1861 he was sent to Lexington for circuit; that summer he accepted the offer of chaplain in the Eighth Texas, or Texas Rangers, Regiment, and was discharded at the coffer of chaplain in the Eighth Texas, or Texas Rangers, Regiment, and was discharded at the control of their own choice, making it impossible for any to be lost upon whom such power is exerted, and impossible for any to be control, and again in 1863; 1854 he was on out the dead was an exected to the same that the first in the control of the church work; 1861 he was on the control of their own choice, making it impossible to an output of the church work; 1861 he was ent to Lexington the control of the church work; 1861 he was ent to Lexington the control of the church work; 1861 he was sent to Lexington the control of the church work; 1861 he was ent to Lexington the control of th tached to the office, rather than the strain year, and some seventy-five were ad led to

Trans Continental division of the Texas and Pacific can join party at Texarkana at supper time of May 5th, and go through on same train. Through sleeping cars will be run by I. and G. N. R'y from Laredo, San Antonio, Austin. Taylor, Galveston, Houston, Palestine and Longview; thence via Texas and Pacific and Iron Mountain Railways.

essary to hunt around and find some other connections and first some other less the be degraded. The idea! To take a man out of the office of general book-peddler and put him in the pastorate is to degrade him! Mirabile dictu! Nothing could be more honorable to five were added to the church; 1855 was sent to same circuit, and received 202 into the church; 1855 was sent to same circuit, and received fifty more; Methodism was firmly planted in Milam county during those two years; 1866 he was on Millican circuit; seventy-five were added to the church; 1867 and cuit, and had thirty accessions; 1878 to 1881 was supernumerary; 1882 and 1883 was on Elgin circuit, and during the two By localism we mean that insidious years had about forty accessions; 1884 was on Webberville circuit, and had thirty-two accessions; 1885 and 1886 on Webberville circuit. Then he was supernumerary, and was sent to Fairfield in 1890, where he died as above stated.

It will be remembered that the death of his wife was noticed in the ADVOCATE but a little while since.

Bro. Porter served the church and God in a useful life, and many converted under his ministry will mourn his loss here to the pastor, or to build a church, when, and rejoice when they meet him in heaven. We extend our sympathy to his bereaved brethren and friends.

REV. L. C. CROUSE.

Just as we go to press the following reaches us from Bro. J. A. Smith, of De Berry:

Died, at his home in Panola county April 11, 1890, Rev. L. C. Crouse, a super-annuated preacher of the East Texas Con-ference. A suitable obituary will appear

Bro. Crouse was one of the old and honored members of his conference.

### THE COLLECTION.

THE full particulars of the General Conerence excursion appear elsewhere. Those who prefer the M., K. & T. route should note carefully Bro. Sam. P. Wright's instructions. Believing that it would be more convenient for some to go a different route, and that others would prefer to start earlier, so as to have more time in St. Louis before the General Conference opens, and that such would prefer to go in a company rather than as scattering individuals, we have arranged for an excursion over the T. & P. Railway, through the courtesy of Capt. B. W. McCullough, for the particulars of which see Mr. Mc-Cullough's letter elsewhere. Read the particulars of both excursions and choose the route which suits you best. All who desire to go the T. & P. route should address editor of ADVOCATE at once.

A CORRECTION.—In the article of Bro. Collard published in last issue of Apvo-CATE put predecessors for successors in the following sentence: "It will be well for him to remember also the men sometimes owe a great deal of their success to their successors." The mistake was ours.

Ir the additional assessment for exenses of delegates to the General Conought not to be required .- Raleigh Ad-

REV. R. G. PORTER (Gilderoy) in a private letter says: "The prospect now is return for my contribution. Not until that Bro. E. H. Cacy (now of Mississipprofessed religion extends beyond a mere pi) will move to Texas this fall, and if so local liberality, can it escape the scathing you will have in him a most excellent rebuke of the master administered in the man, a good preacher, and one of the most

> WE have received a copy of the minutes of the North Alabama Conference, Bishop W. W. Duncan, president, and John A. Thompson secretary. We are obliged for the copy.

DEARLY beloved, you should be very careful when you select an arrow, that you do not get a boomerang instead.

WHEN a brother discovers himself to be so sensitive as to allow none to make mistakes where he is personally interested but himself, he should begin to consider how much of the old man remains to be crucified.

ST. PETER said: "Likewise, 'ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel." Some of the modern women-leadership advocates do now move to amend by substituting wives for "husbands," and "husband" for wife, and some of the weakest vessels second the motion.

WE have been not a little amused at the demands some are making through the Advocates for improvements in the Nashville Advocate, the general organ. If the Advocate were lifted to the "literary highness" demanded by some of the oldest members of the church at Macon, died the 29 h. His end was peace. Born in Kentucky, at an early date he moved to Missouri and settled in the Platte Pinchos. From there he moved to Missouri and settled in the Platte Pinchos. From there he moved to Missouri and settled in the Platte Pinchos. From there he moved to Missouri and settled in the Platte Pinchos. these writers, it would be no longer a to Macon county, and located north of church "paper," but a magazine. And there are those who think that a firstclass magazine would very well take the place of both the Quarterly Review and the Christian Advocate, and answer the the Christian Advocate, and answer the South, at Macon.

for the damnation of all who are lost, is no doctrine of grace at all. As Sam Jones says: "If we had an almanac with that in it we'd burn it up." "Doctrine of Grace," indeed! It is the monstrosity of monstrosities. No, no; God is no less good than powerful. Men are not saved by force as machines are operated. God would save the very devil himself if he could. Bro. Hayden ought to study the difference between grace and irresistible

DURING the Morrilton district conference Bishop Key several times empha-sized the fact that no preacher, whose spinality was of the "cotton-string" type, could be equal to the demands and responsibi ities of the itinerancy.—Arkansas Methodist. We are neither a guesser nor the son of

a guesser; but, nevertheless, notwithstanding, we will venture to guess, after reading the above, that Bishop Key attended Sam Jones' meeting at Fort Worth.

An advertisement has been offered to the Christian Union of "Webster's Dic-tionary, Original Edition, Unabridged," which we have declined on the grounds that it might mislead our subscribers. It offers this dictionary for \$4, and the casual reader would, we think, naturally infer, reader would, we think, naturally inter, although not so stated in the advertisement, that he is buying Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, which is sold in the market at \$10 or \$12. The "Original Edition" is a reprint, in cheap form, of the edition of 1847, the copyright of which has expired, and does not contain the extensive additions and improvements which have been made in later editions. If our have been made in later editions. If our subscribers wish a Webster's Dictionary which is within forty-three years of date printed on cheap paper, at \$4, then this is the book for them to buy; if they want the latest edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, handsomely printed and illustrated, they should not accept this offer thinking that they are getting it.—Christian United Inc. tian Union.

We copy the above because the book i advertised in this paper. And we think the dictionary cheap at the price. Of course it is not equal to a \$10 or \$12 book. It will not give the new words coined since the original copy was printed, but this will not detract much from it as an unabridged dictionary for ordinary use.

Some years ago a singularly intelligent Methodist or a Roman Catholic." That may seem to be an extraordinary pair of alternatives; but those who are familiar with the genius of Romanism and the genius of Methodism will not be startled by it. These systems represent the two ultimate Christian alternatives-faith in the living church or faith in the living Christ; confidence in the visible organization or confidence in the invisible experience of the heart. Nothing in modern history is more remarkable than the unparalleled growth of Methodism during the last hundred years. The youngest of all the great Prostestant Churches, it is already the most numerous. It has grown suddenly with the British Empire, and chiefly within the limits of the English-speaking communities. Mr. Stead reminds us that the world is passing into the hands of the English-speaking people. Methodism at this moment commands the allegiance of love and honor him, I appeal to his brethfar better afford to dispense with the land the wearer than with the iron the user. God has in his wisdom and lands made the more useful and im
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Ir we had been present when Sam Jones said the next best thing to religion is fun, we would have joined that bishop in saying, "That's so." The thing farthest removed from religion, except downright sin, is "solomcolics." (Is that slang?) To laugh now and then in meeting, provided there is something to laugh at, does not make us feel one whit less spiritual, or reverent, than if we should groan through the whole service.

SOUTHERN METHODISM. News, Views and Personals

-Friday, May 2, is the day set apart for fasting and prayer in behalf of the inter-ests of the Woman's Missionary Society of our church.

-Mrs. E. E. Brelsford, of Princeton, Ky., has been accepted as a missionary by the Woman's Board, and appointed to work in Picacicaba, Brazil.

-St. Louis Advocate: Rev. J. L. Fut-rell, agent for Galloway College, co-editor of Brother in-Red, preacher in charge of Muskogee station, Indian Territory, has been in the city several days looking among commercial men for aid to his col-lege. He raised something near \$1000, and returns home in good spirits.

-Southwestern Methodist: Rev. H. Shangle, who was appointed to Clinton station, at the last conference, and who has been forced to give up the charge because of ill-health, will spend the summer in the west, traveling as far as Washington Ter-ritory, seeking health with gun and fish-ing tackle.

-St. Louis Advocate: Thomas Hudson Old Bloomington. In 1875 he moved to Macon City. His wife preceded him to the better world about eight years. He

Mow Listen, Please:

A Pullman sleeping car and a free reclining chair car will leave Fort Worth via the Texas and Pacific Railway at 7:25 a. m., Monday, May 5th, running through to St. Louis via Texarkana and Iron Mountain Route. Those living along the

bers, 3,833-decrease, 1,125. Total preachers and members, 1,177,150. Total net increase, 37,053. Infants baptized, 34,733—increase, 3,681. Adults baptized, 57,011—increase, 3,648. Number of Sun-57,011—increase, 3,648. Number of Sunday-schools, 12,589—increase, 374. Number of teachers, 88,842—increase 33,148. Number of scholars, 694,533—increase, 21,637. Number of churches, 11,767—increase, 335. Number of parsonages, 2,561—increase, 203. Value of church property: Church edifices, \$16,878,617—increase, \$48,363. Parsonages, \$2,876,575—increase, \$17,171. Benovulent contributions increase, \$171,171. Benovolent contributions: Church extension, \$56,561.37—increase, \$6,199.38. Conference claimants, \$132.952.90—increase, \$16,239.27. Foreign missions, \$227,127.26—increase, \$1,275.10. Domestic missions, \$193 896.13—increase, \$9,422.82. Total for missions, \$341,023.39. Total increase, \$10,697.92.

#### TEXAS PERSONALS.

We were pleased to receive visits this week from the following brethren: Revs.
 L. L. Naugle, J. F. Saunders, E. W. Alderson, R. W. Thompson, and Bro. T. F.

-The Rev. L. L. Pickett bids adieu to Texas, which has long been his home, and moves to Columbia, S. C., where he will have charge of a new paper, to be called "The Way of Faith and Neglected Themes."

-Bro. F. M. Winburne writes: "Tell the brethren if they have any section where other preachers can't go on account of measles, that me and mine are prepared for the trip. After a siege of about thirty days, we have a clear receipt forever from measles. Thank God for deliverance." And we rejoice with them that do rejoice. -Wolfe City Cronicle: Rev. Joe

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—wone City Cronicle: Rev. Joe Weaver, agent for the North Texas Female College, was assisting in the revival meeting at the M. E. Church Sunday and Monday, and preached two very able sermons. Rev. Weaver has many admirers in Wolfe City, and both nights the house was crowded to its utmost capacity. capacity.

—LaGrange Journal: Easter services at the Methodist church Sunday were very interesting and impressive. The at the Methodist church Sunday were very interesting and impressive. The church chancel and approaches were beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens. Rev. J. T. Browning, resident pastor, preached a sermon on the resurrection of Christ, which was both instructive and edifying, as all his sermons are. The congregation was large and very attentive. and very attentive.

-Bro. Sam'l P. Wright reached George-Some years ago a singularly intelligent and devoted lady said: "I have not yet ment to address one of the societies of made up my mind whether I will be a singular to address one of the societies of the Young Ladies' Annex upon the occasion of its applicance. the Young Ladies' Annex upon the occasion of its anniversary, and found Bro. Bishop, the presiding elder, and Bro. Vaughan, the pastor, in the midst of a gracious revival. He insisted that "the address" be pigeon-holed for the time. So he was put into the pulpit at 3:30 and 8 p. m., and there was an occasion truly. That seems to be a religiously flexible state of things when even unniversaries can be suspended when "times of refreshing" are at hand. The revival, we learn, promises to be sweeping in its character. promises to be sweeping in its character.

-J. T. Tunnell, Comanche, April 12: Our venerable brother, Rev. P. W. Gravis, of the Northwest Texas Confer-ence, and to whom Methodism in this portion of the State is in a great measure indebted for its present advancement and prosperity, is now undergoing great suffering and mental depression from an attack of nervous prostration, in addition to his blindness. He needs, and very much desires, the prayers and sympathies of his brethren. As one who has been in-timately associated with him since 1868, and knowing probably as much about his inner, as well as public life, as any other of conquest, will you take time to send a message of condolence and encouragement to this disabled veteran in the hospital? An expression of your love and sympathy will do him good.

BIRTH.

Montgomery, Texas, April 6, 1890, Mrs. S. H. Morgan, an 8-pound boy—an Easter present. S. H. Morgan.

E. C. DeJernett: On Saturday last we had to perform the painful duty of bury-ing our organist, Miss Mary Bell. She was beloved by all who knew her.

DIXON C. WILLIAMS' MEETING.

This evangelist, assisted by Prof. D. B. Towner and wife, has been conducting a meeting in Dallas for the past fee weeks with marked success. The meeting was held at the old rink on Elm street, which was fitted up with tolerable conveniences. With a few exceptions the churches and pastors of the city united in the meeting

THE EVANGELIST.

Mr. Williams is a medium-sized, light Mr. Williams is a medium-sized, light haired, handsome man, with a frank, open face and winning manners. He is exceedingly nervous, amounting to restlessness, and at times almost to irritability. His preaching is straight-forward, down-right, practical talking to the people about sin, salvation and the Savior. There is not much exiges in it, no reading between the lines of holy writ, but little exposition or throwing light upon the truths of revelation; but he accepts the Bible with its obvious truths, and then preses these truths home to the conthen presses these truths home to the con-science. He has a pleasant, penetrating voice, which, from the habit of addressing large crowds, he uses almost exclusively upon the high keys, rendering it less flexible than it is by nature. But it has wonderful carrying force, and is naturally pathetic and persuasive. He makes the excellent impression of sincerity and earnestness. The crowds kel that he believes every word he says, and his con-suming zeal is contageous. This is his

strong point.
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THE SINGERS. It is difficult not to deal in superlatives in speaking of Prof. and Mrs. Towner. It is a treat to hear them sing. The clearness with which they utter the truth of the song is only equalled by the ravish-ing music which accompanies the words; and the two together sweep you along with them in an irresistible torrent of feeling. The Professor is also unrivalled as a leader and trainer of a choir. Better than all, they are humble, earnest, working Christians.

THE MEETING,

Given such co-operation as we have spoken of, such a consecrated leader, and such singing, the result, of course, was a grand meeting. The method used was to invite penitents into an inquiry room. The Christian workers mingled freely with the audience and urged each to go to the inquiry room. There other wilers were found ready to take a seat by each anxious one, and instruct them, and pray with them. The principle is and pray with them. The principle is about the same as our "mourner's bench." And in our inquiry room here there were scores of sound conversions, so far as we

can judge. It was supposed that there were nearly nine hundred conversions and reclama-tions. The following have joined the churches, as near as could be ascertained:

Methodist, South
Methodist, North
Cumberland Presbyterian.
Presbyterian. North
Congregational.
Baptists
Others.

We hope that there will be no cvil effects to discount the good done, nor do we

Ordinarily I have small sympathy with traveling evangelists. But where they preach the truth, and are friends to church preach the truth, and are friends to church and pastors, they can accomplish a work which cannot be done by the local ministry. But God forbid that we should turn over the whole subject of soul-saving to these experts. My policy shall be, where Providence sends one among us, in whose purity and ability I can confide, to cooperate, but not to depend on them, nor to rest satisfied with this work done on the outside. But I must stop. the outside. But I must stop.

MODERN EVANGELISM-SAM JONES. GULLIVER.

and as with the son of Manoah, so also with many of our congregations, they "wist not that the Lord has departed from

It is wrong in theory. God's plan is seen in the great awakening on the day of Pen-

The people pressed in to see and hear.

They always do that when the Spirit is on

the church.

But modern evangelism, instead of sending the church to its knees, puts it to work fixing up a tent and training a choir! It reverses the order—it gets the crowd first. The whole process of preparation is on the outside. The main things are seats, lights, singers and a subscription. The evangelist comes; he mounts the plat-form. All eyes are on him, and all ears are open to what he is going to say. "God is not in all their thoughts." The pastor is made to take a back seat or play the lackey to the hero of the occasion. That worthy not only orders the pistor about like he belonged to him, but cracks jokes over his poor old bald head. The crowd laughs at this—even the poor old preacher himself grins at his own confusion as he trackles about 10 his own confusion as he truckles about in his awkward, old-fashioned way. The dudines toss their bangs and whisper to their little whip-poor-will escorts: "What a stupid old thing the pastor is, anyhow!"

pastor is, anyhow!"

The fight begins. Preachers and the best people catch it, hip and thigh. Oh, how our heroshows up the old moss-back! The crowd—especially those whose errors have been rebuked heretofore by the pastor and the fogies—enjey this flogging hugely. The crowd is then dismissed, and the "after-meeting" is inaugurated. the "anxious" are invited "forward," while "wucksha" descends from the platwhile "wuckahe" descends from the plat-form with Bible in hand, to lead the "erring sheep aright." Presently a "proposition" is made, and all who can trust Christ are requested to hold up their hands. Several go up. These are enrolled as converts—as naving passed the Gethsemane of repentance, the Calvary of death to sin, and the sepulcher wherein the old man is buried with his deeds. There has been much sweat, a good deal of singing, very little, if any, true prayer, and the service for the hour is at an end. The people retire, not walking and leaping and praising God, but bragging on the evangelist and quoting the smart things he said and the good hits he made at certain well-known characters in the com-

Modern evangelism is wrong in results. I have no doubt but that some are sound-I have no doubt but that some are sound-ly converted at the concerning; but they are very few, compared to the number reported, while the positive harm in other directions compels me to think, with Bret Harte, that "the end won't justify the per-

It teaches our people to look to men rather than to God, and to depend on novelties rather than the divinely appointed means of grace. Extensive per-sonal observation along the path of these wild shooters, leads me to the conviction that whatever prosperity the cause of fruth may seem to enjoy during their stay is overbalanced and neutralized by the demonstration that follows their depart-ure. The "converts" know but little, and ure. The "converts" know but little, and care lers, of the pastor whose misfortune it is to look after the ring-streaked and-striped outfit left on his church rolls; while a precedent is established that forever debars him from any aggressive measures without calling in outside help. I speak that I know and testify that I

have seen.

But a brother said to me, "Why, Gulliver, if one soul is saved, is it not worth the labor, and does it not put the stamp of divine approval upon the work of the evangelist?" That looks plausible; but,

of his call to preach. If God has called him, then he ought to ask his church to driven to seek Christ because of the unendorse that call, and to set him apart godly conduct of some one whose wicked-ness disgusted them. Were such means approved of God? When the United Brethren were formulating their creed they came to the article of baptism. Should it be considered essential to salva-tion? One brother said it should, because ne was converted while the ordinance was being administered. A brother answered:
"Then, brethren, I should insist that
climbing a ladder was essential to salvation, since I was converted in the act of
going up a ladder after fodder for my
mule." The creed was settled and baptism was not thought to be essential to
salvation. Not analylogic will not work salvation. No; such logic will not work. Men are converted under various circumstances; but God's plan is fully outlined in the Acts of the Apostles, and is the only right and safe rule, both of our faith

So much for, or rather against, modern evangelism. Now, for Sam Jones and his work. I will consider his work first. It work. I will consider his work first. It is a peculiar work. It is not revival work, though some people, no doubt, are converted in his meetings; but the main results of his preaching are social and material. Stingy men are made to open their purses. Church and individual debts are discharged. New churches are built. The support of the ministry is increased. Church pride is awakened. Cold members and backsliders are stirred up and set in the good way. Society is toned up set in the good way. Society is toned up and the social atmosphere is purified. Vice, however gilded and fashionable, is held up to reluke and made to appear as it really is. Mannood and womanhood are exalted and magnified above caste, class or condition; and people are not ever poor, ignorant or unfortunate, "A man is a man for a' that."

As to Sam Jones himself, one might as well try to describe a "hant" of the old well try to describe a "hant" of the old slave days as to attempt the portrayal of this chameleon like man. Not that Sam is at all ethereal. Nay, verily; he is of the earth and hath flesh and bones as ye see we have; but no photographer has ever caught his face, nor has any reporter succeeded in getting him on paper. His own authorized sermons do not illustrate his matter much less the manner of his his matter much less the manner of his preaching. That half-weary, half-indif-ferent look as he mounts the platform, his cursory glance at his audience, his cool denunciation of some lie that has been started about him or his meeting, his immediate dive right into the bosom of his subject, his pauses, his musings as though he were collecting his though s, his full-souled deliverance of some great truth as though it had just come to him, Modern evangelism, as a means of leading sinners to Christ, is a failure. It sprung up and exists because the church in many places has lost its held on God and, per consequence, on the masses. It is an effort of the some time Samson, now shorn of his strength, to "go out and shake himself as at other times before;" and as with the son of Manoah, so also with many of our congregations, they

cries, listen! These, all these things, must be seen and heard to be appreciated. The average popular speaker impresses his audiences not so much by what he says as the how he says it. Not so with in the great awakening on the day of Pentecost immediately succeeding our Lord's ascension. The people tarried at Jerusalem in prayer preparatory to the coming of the Holy Ghost. "The times and the seasons God had put in his own power;" but there were conditions to be met when the disciples should be indued with power to become "witnesses." These conditions we find to be unity of time, place and purpose. The coming of the Spirit on the church was the first and greatest disideratum.

Modern exangelism is wrong in practice. God's plan sent the church to its knees. The erowd was. small—only about one hundred and twenty. These all continued instant in prayer. I take it that they fasted all this time. They were there ten days. When the conditions were met the Spirit came. Then the growd came. The people seemed to be drunk. They were filled with the Spirit. The people pressed in to see and hear. They always do that when the Spirit is on the series of the unity of his discourses I would say, "fearlessness, earn-stress, dormatism! courses I would say, "fearlessness, earn-estness, dogmatism!

He brooks public opinion as coolly as if he realized the hearty co-operation and sympathy of every man before him, and he runs against the grain of the entire community with as little flourish of cha-

lenge or adventure as if he were saying his beads or paring his finger-nails. There is an idea abroad that Sam Jones There is an idea abroad that Sam Jones is an ignorant and unlearned man. This is a great mistake. He is well-educated, well-read and extensively traveled. He has not only read the books, but he reads the papers and is abreast with what is going forward on all important lines.

His chief excellence lies not in any one direction, but in his many-sidedness.

There are as good thinkers, as slick talkers and many men of better personal appearance. There are as good theologians, scientists, statesmen and philosophers. There are men who possess as much wit and pathos and a much better voice, but my candid opinion is that no living man so harmoniously combines all these elements in his individual make-up as does this same Sam Jones.

PARIS, TEXAS. GOD IN THE BELL. REV. J. W. VEST.

Bro. L. H. Allen, of Wobourn, Mass. Bro. L. H. Allen, of Wobourn, Mass., did a good thing when he gave that bell to our church at Mellin City. And I want to bear testimony to some utterances of his in the ADVOCATE of Jan. 23, 1890. He said: "And I believe also that in addition to the pleasure it affords the Christian, that the sound of the church bell has turned the steps of many an indifferent turned the steps of many an indifferent and wayward one towards the sanctuary. I have forgotten many thing that I saw and heard during the late war between the States, but I never expect to forget the sweet-toned bell at Columbus, Ga., as it rang out, calling sinners to the house of prayer. I had been home and was re-turning to my command, and reached this city Saturday evening, and had to lay over until Monday. So Sunday morning, away from home and loved ones, in company with a fellow-soldier whose acquaintpany with a fellow-soldier whose acquaint-ance I had just formed, we commenced a stroll over the city, and we had not gone far until he said to me: "Let us go down into the lawn, in front of the city, and have some fun," naming a certain place of wickedness. I replied that I had never visited any of those places, but we con-tinued walking in that direction until we came within a short distance of the place came within a short distance of the place that leadeth to destruction; and just as we reached the corner of a certain block the church bell sent out its clear tones, calling the people to the house of God.



word. I believed it was God calling me through this instrument; so we came to a halt instantly, and I said to my companion: "Do you not hear that bell? and would it not be better for us to obey its call than to go where you suggest?" He said: "When at home I am a church going

"When at home I am a church going man. My wife is a member of the church, and if you say for us to go, we will go to church," and to church we went; and a better sermon I never had listened to. It was a funeral sermon of two soldiers, brothers, who had fallen in defense of their country. I think it was preached by W. W. Duncan, now bishop. And I said to my companion, as we left the church, that I would not have gone where we had started for my right arm. I have ever since been a strong advocate for church started for my right arm. I have ever since been a strong advocate for church bells. Some one said, not long since, that the day for church bells had passed; that everybody either had a clock or watch. If this was true, I would still pray for a bell for every church, for I believe they have called many more sinners to Christ than the organ.

than the organ. "God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform. He piants his footsteps in the sea, And rides upon the storm." Le us take heed how we hear, and let

RESOLUTIONS.

him that heareth say, "Come."

MARTINDALE, TEXAS.

Adopted by the Pastors' Conference in Tyler, March 30, 1890. Whereas, Rev. Sam P. Jones held a meeting of ten days' continuance in our

city; and, Whereas, he is assailed as a minister of the gospel by those who did not hear

him, by those unfriendly to the truth who did hear him, and the public prints, we feel called upon by a sense of justice to express our matured convictions with reference to him and his work. Therefore Resolved !. As a man, we regard Rev. Sam P. Jones as an humble, sincere,

Christian gentleman, and worthy of the love and confidence of all men. 2. As a minister, we regard him as an intelligent, fearless and bold expounder of God's word; as independent and original 

lasting good in our city, by putting into operation an influence which has already and will continue to raise the standard of Christian conduct, consecration and personal piety in the hearts, homes and churches of our town.

4. We, therefore, commend him to the kind and fraternal consideration of all

Christian people. Our sympathy, love and prayers shall follow him in his efforts to elevate fallen humanity and to glorify God, which ever seems to be his purpose 5. We request, also, that a copy of these

resolutions be recorded in our minutes, that a copy be forwarded to Bro. Jones, and that the same be published in the city papers.

A. J. FAWCETT,
R. T. PHILLIPS,
E. C. RICE,
Committee.

Adopted, and signed by the following members of the conference: D. F. C. Tim-mons, Pastor First M. E. Church South; mons, Pastor First M. E. Church South;
C. C. Williams, Pastor First Presbyterian
Church; R. T. Phillips, Pastor Cumberland Presbyterian Church; A. J. Fawcett,
D. D., Pastor First Baptist Church; E. C.
Rice, Pastor Second Baptist Church; O. C.
Fontaine, Pastor Cedar Street M. E.

Wife—John, dear, define a philanthropist!
Husband—A philanthropist, my love, is a man who gives away other people's money.
Wife—And what is a philosopher? Husband—A philanthropist is a man who bears with resignation the toothache from which his neighbor is suffering.

This attracted my attention; it called to remembrance other days; I thought of home the Sunday-school and the preached Word. I believed it was God calling me Church, South; John Adams, D. D., Presiding Elder Tyler district; R. S. Finley, D. D., M. E. Church, South.—Democrat and Reporter.

PUBLISHING HOUSE PRODUCE AND CALVIN BEQUEST.

A small proportion only of the Joint Boards of Finance have reported the number of possible claimants on these funds, and it is impossible for the Book Avent to Book Agent to make the proper distribution without accurate informadistribution without accurate informa-tion on this point. Brethren, please respond promptly to this call, and state the number of superannuated preachers and of widows and orphans of deceased preachers, who died in the trav-eling connection. All conference claim-ants are claimants on the produce of the Publishing House, the widows and orphans of deceased traveling preachers only are claimants on the Calvin fund. Numbers, not names, are requested. State the number of superannuated preachers, and the number of widows and preachers, and the number of widows and orphans separately. Will all the church papers please give this notice an insertion? J. D. BARBEE, Book Agent.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT CHURCH EX-

Annual report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1890: Frankford Society. Farmers' Branch. Terreil. Bel's Bel's
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In the above report I have presented a full statement of all funds reported to me since March, 1889. since March, 1889. MRS. VIOLA HUNT, Con. Sec.

"That tired feeling" is entirely overcome by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives a feeling of buoyancy and strength to the whole system.

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scalp; and, in spite of all I could do, with the help water about blo.d heat; used CUTICURA SOAP of the most saillful doctors, it slowly but surely freely; applied CUTICURA morning and evening. extended, until a year ago this winter it covered | Result: returned to my home in just six weeks my entire person in the form of dry scales. For from the time I left, and my skin as smooth as the last three years I have been unable to do any this sheet of paper. labor, and enflering intensely all the time. Eve y morning there coull be nearly a dustpanful of scales taken from the sheet on my bed, some of them half as large as the envelope containing uary, 1880, this letter. In the latter part of winter my skin commenced cracking open. I tried everything. almost, that could be thought of, without any relief. The 12th of June I started West, in hopes I could reach the Hot Springs. I reached Detroit, and was so low I thought I should have to go to the hospital, but finally got as far as Lausing, Mich., where I had a sister living. One Dr .-treated me about two weeks, but did me no good. All thought I had but a short time to live. I earnestly prayed to die. Cracked through the skin all over my back, across my ribs, arms, hands, at-Law, Henderson, N. Y. limbs; feet badly swollen; toe-nails came off; finger-nails dead, and hard as a bone; hair dead,

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In answer to yours of Jan. 21, 1890, I have to say dry, and lifeless as old straw. O my God! how I I am and have been in uniform good health for the several years that have passed since I first the several years that have passed since I first cute styles in appropriate, child-like used your Cuticura Remedies. I believe there is trimmings, but space forbids enumeration, a box of CUTICURA in the house. She wouldn't no remedy or medicine prepared that will comgive up; said, "We will try Cuticuna." Some pare with them for the relief and cure of obstinate Henderson, Jefferson Co., N. Y.

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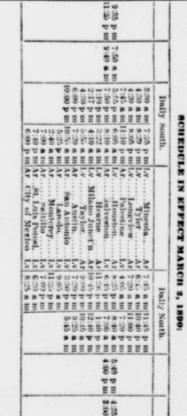
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PALESTINE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

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District conference meets at Jacksonville, June
20th. Belegates to the district conference are to
be elected during this round. I hope to have
Bishop Key with us at the district conference,
U. B. PRILIPS, P. E.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND,
Wesley cir, at Selma ... April 29
Lagarto cir, at Skidmore ... April 27
Corpus Christi sta ... May 4

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J. M. BINKLY, P. E. .Aug 9, 10 District conference will meet at Childress, July 23, and include the following Sunday, the 27th. Bishop Key has promised to be with us then.

JEROME HARALSON, P. E. SAN SABA DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. ound Mountain and Rockvale cir, 1st Sun in May fillow City cir. 2d Sun in May lano mis. 2d Sun in May xford cir. 4th Sun in May 

April 19, 20 April 26, 27 May 3, 4 May 10, 11 May 17, 18 May 24, 25 Denison sa Belis and Savoy, at Savoy
Pilot Point sta Gordonville May 10, 11
Sherman cir, at Pecan May 17, 18
Whitewright May 21, 25
Pottsboro and Preston, at Georgetown
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June 14, 15
June 21, 2 District conference will meet at Brady, Thursday morning before fifth Sunday in June. Sermon Wednesday night before by Rev. J. B. Denton followed with the sacrament. Recording stewrds must have the quarterly conference journa n hand. M. A. Black, P. E. DALLAS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Howe cir.

Pilot Grove cir.

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June 21, 2

Anna mis, at Stiffs Chapel.

W. D. Mountcastle, P. E. 
 City Mission
 3d Sun in April

 Plano
 4th Sun in April

 McKinney
 1st Sun in May

 Farmers' Branch cir
 2d Sun in May

 Grapevine cir
 3d Sun in May
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T. R. Pierce, P. E. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. | BEAUMONT DISTRICT—Second ROUND. | Colmesneil cir. | April 19, 20 | Jasper cir. | April 26, 27 | Orange cir. | May 3, 4 | Burkville cir. | May 10, 11 | Jasper sta. | May 17, 18 | Sunset cir. | May 24, 25 | Orange sta. | May 24, 25 | Orange sta. | May 24, 25 | Orange sta. | May 31, June 1 | Sabine Pass mis. | June 7, 18 | Liberty cir. | June 14, 15 | Livingston cir. | June 21, 22 | Moscow cir. | June 28, 29 | Moscow cir. | June 28, 29 | Remember, brethren, on this round delegates to the district conference will be elected. | F. J. Browning, P. E. WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Graham sta — April 19, 20 Crystial Falls mis. at — April 26, 27 Palo Pinto and Mineral Wells — May 3, 4 Garvin cir, at — May 10, 11 В. М. STЕРНЕNS, Р. Е.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. CUERO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 
 Weesatche cir, at
 April 19, 20

 Clear Creek cir, at
 April 26, 27

 DeWitt cir, at
 May 3, 4

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JNO. A. WALLACE, P. E.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. GATESVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

 
 Bee House cir, at
 3d Sun in April

 Jonesboro cir, at
 4th Sun in April

 Hamilton cir, at
 1st Sun in May

 Shive cir, at Live Oak
 2d Sun in May

 Henson Creek cir, at
 3d Sun in May
 E. A. BAILEY, P. E. CAMERON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

Milano cir, at Gause. April 19, 20
Caldwell, at Lyons April 25, 27
Marlin sta May 3, 4
Durango cir, at Blevin's May 10, 11
Wilderville cir, at Ward Chapel May 17, 18
Maysfield cir, at Port Sullivan. May 24, 25
Deanville, at Purser Chapel May 31, June 1
Davilla cir, at Lebanon. June 7, 8
Rockdale sta June 14, 15
FRED L. ALLEN, P. E. .....3d Sun in April
....4th Sun in April
.....1st Sun in May MARSHALL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 
 Paluxy cir
 .2d Sun in April

 Acton cir
 .3d Sun in April

 Green Creek cir
 .4th Sun in April

 Armstrong cir
 . Tuesday after 4th Sun in April

 W. L. Nelms, P. E.

MARSHALL DISTRICT—SECOND ROUSD.

Kligore cir, at Hickory Grove. April 19, 20
DeBerry cir, at Walnut Springs. April 26, 27
Marshall sta, at Marshall. May 3, 4
Hallville cir, at Hallville. Tuesday, May 6, 11
Church Hill cir, at Black Jack. May 10, 11
Troupe and Overton cir, at Fountain Head.

May 24, 25
Henderson sta, at Henderson. May 31, June 1 CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND, CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT—SECOND ROCND.

McDade cir, at Pieasant Grove. April 19, 20
Elgin and Manor, at Manor. April 26, 27
Bellville cir, at Bellville. May 3, 4
Hockley cir, at New Hope. May 10, 11
Patterson cir, at Patterson. May 17, 18
Sealey and San Felipe, at Wallis. May 24, 25
Eagle Lake cir, at Aleyton. May 31, June 1
Hempstead sta. June 7, 8
Independence cir. June 14, 15
C H. Brooks, P. E. 

VERNON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 
 Seymour sta
 April 19, 20

 Farmer cir
 April 26, 27

 Throckmorton mis
 May 3, 4

 JEROME HARALSON, P. E.
 Comanche and DeLeon sta, Comanche April 19, 20 Comanche cir, Gentry's Mill April 25, 27 Round Mountain cir, Sand Hill May 3, 4



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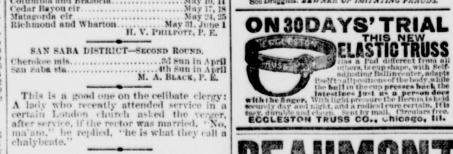
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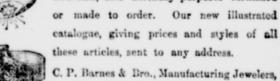
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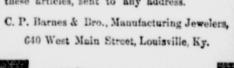
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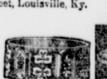


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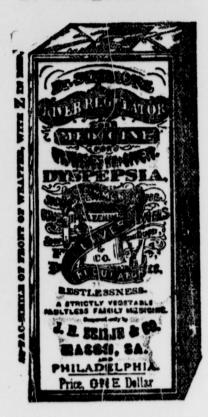
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Not always thus, with outward sign Of fire and voice from heaven, The message of a truth divine, The call of God is given. Awaking in the human heart

Love for the true and right; Zeal for the Christian's better part; Strength for the Christian's fight.

Oh, then, if gleams of truth and light Flash o'er thy waiting mind, Unfolding to thy mental sight The wants of human kind;

The wants of human kind;
If, brooding over human grief,
The earnest wish is known
To soothe and gladden with relief
An anguish not thine own.

Though heralded with naught of fear, Or outward sign or show; Though only to the inward ear

It whispers soft and low; Though dropping, as the manna fell, Unseen, yet from above, Noiseless as dew-fall, heed it well—

—In the course of a long life I have observed that when people are getting religion they are full of self-abasement, and are ever ready to condemn themselves; but when they are losing it, or have lost it, they are often full of self-confidence, and find their pleasure in censuring and condemning other persons.

Thou camest not to thy place by accident, it is the very place God meant for thee; And shouldst thou there small scope for action see,
Do not for this give room for discontent.

will be acknowledged in the Advocate.

—Extract Tables 1.

—There is many a Christian who feels the irksomeness of the duties of life, and feels his spirit revolting from them. To get up every morning with a firm resolve

### Marriages.

COLEMANE—McGILL—At the residence of the bride's father, in Leon county, Texas, March 20, 1890, Mr. Wiley Colemane and Miss Bessie McGill, by Rev. J. W. Kelley.

SCHENCH—TERRILL—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Iredell, Bosque county. Texas, March 13, 1890, Mr. W. D. Schench and Miss Mattie J. Terrill, by the Rev. S. S. Scott.

Mattie J. Terrill, by the Rev. S. S. Scott.

HALL—BLACK—At the home of the bride, April 6, 1890, by Rev. A. C. Benson, Mr. T. F. Hall and Miss Salile Black: all of Cass county.

PLUMMER—BROADENAX—At the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. Broadenax, April 6, 1889, Mr. William Plummer, late of Austin, but now of Rockdale, and Miss M. L. Broadenax, of Rockdale, Texas, Rev. F. E. Hammond officiating.

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ous activity, who takes for his watchword the great apostle's question, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"—Rec. A. P. Peabedy.

—Not a day passes over the earth but men and women of no note do great deeds, speak great words, and suffer noble sorrows. Of these obscure heroes, philosophers and martyrs, the greater part will never be known till that hour when many that were great shall be small, and the small great.—Charles Reade.

—In the course of a long life I have

Chico, Texas.

Chaven.—Little George Arnold Craven. son of R. N. and Mellissa Craven, was born February 16, 1886, and died March 7, 1890. On the morning of the 6th, little George remarked to his pa that he was going to die; also on the day before he had died on the size of the was going to die and go to his laby brother who added not be and died on the saw that he was sick, and sent for the doctor; he came, but said he could do nothing took his little soul to heaven. Weep not, dear care, sa stoose that have no hope. Live fauthful and you can go to him as he went to little brother.

J. L. Yelfon, P. C. Chico, Texas.

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W. R. D. SIOCKTON.

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—Eisabeth Thompson.

—There is many a Christian who feels the irksomeness of the duties of life, and feels his spirit revolting from them. To get up every morning with a firm resolve to find pleasure in those duties, and to do them well, and finish the work which God has given us to do, that is to drink Christ's cup.

—The sweeping tempest and the beating surge teach the mariner to prize the haven where undisturbed repose awaits his arrival. In like manner afflictions, crosses, anxieties, teach us to long for those happy mansions where all tears will be wiped away, and nothing, nothing subsist but the "fullness of joy and pleasures for evermore."—Hervey.

—You may preach the law of God, and remain on the level of Judaism. Moses and David and Isaiah

is more beautiful because she is there around the precious in his eyes for the love's sake that was in them.—Feaelon.

—Regard not much who is for thee, or who against thee; but give all thy thought and care to this, that God be with thee in everything thou doest. For whom God will help, no malice of man shall be able to hurt.—Thomas a Kempis.

—The Christian is he whose life-work glows and grows under his hand, who is conscious of an unceasing call for strenuous activity, who takes for his watchword the great apostle's question, "Lord, what will thou have me to do?"—Rev. A. P. Peabedy.

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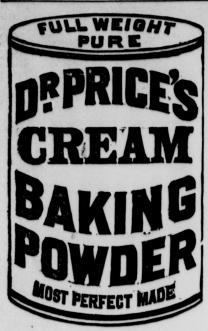
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The mass-meeting called by Alliance and Grange assembled at the Oak Cliff Pavilion, Dallas, 10 a. m. April 12.
E. A. Daniels, of Dallas, was made chairman; J. M. Baird, of Lamar, secretary. W. H. Harris stated the object of the meeting in a pointed speech. The President appointed the following committee on resolutions and address to the people of Texas:
W. H. Harris, of Dallas county; G. W. White, of Freestone; W. A. Shaw, Dallas; M. L. Cowan, Denton; T. H. Henderson, Lamar.

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The convention was then addressed by Col. W. W. Lang. Col. Lang prefaced his remarks by the statement that he was not there to echo popular clamor, but to express honest convictions, and would otherwise deserve the contempt of his fellow-citizens. He presented in the strongest yet most attractive manner the dignity of agriculture, upon which all else depends, and then proceeded to discuss the dirt road question. He said if the amendment to levy an additional tax of 15 cents on the \$100 becomes a law, it will in his opinion "open a wider sluicegate for the waste of the people's money. That the tax will be levied in every county in the State, will scarcely admit of a doubt, and in a very large number of the counties the amount thus raised will be so insignificant that its expenditure will be conducted without that skillful attention which commands good results. If the amount was sufficient to command the proper, judicious direction, with necessary skill and implements, success might be obtained, otherwise such a tax will eventuate in a loss of money."

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On the other hand, he said that "the system of road working now in vogue is a squandering of time. It is so much of the citizen's time taken in obedience to law and the country receives no corresponding benefit. This is owing to want of proper organization, of tools and the experienced skill necessary to make the labor available for practical results. So I think in a vast majority of the counties the revenue derived from a tax of 30 cents on the \$100 assessed property will be so inadequate and so unimportant that it will not justify the emimportant that it will not justify the em-ployment of skillful attention and judi-cious direction, and will consequently be

cious direction, and will consequently be a waste, a loss, though, nevertheless, a burden to the taxpayers."

As neither the present system, nor as amended by the proposed change, was feasible, in his opinion, Col. Lang proceeded to present a system of his own. "So grave a question," he said, "as the enslavement of coming generations by bonds of debt can only be considered in the most extreme cases. The history of nations demonstrates that it is a means which in cases of emergency has been which in cases of emergency has been resorted to in all civilized States, but I would be unalterably opposed to a general law which would allow county commis-sioners' courts to issue ad libitum bonds for road and bridge purposes." \* "We must not be unmindful that the sufferings Scott's Emulsion

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Selves of their credit to protect and support their present growth and progress. It entrusts the final decision to the legis-lature and the governor, and to some extent free the subject from such local influences as may be aroused by personal and pecuniary considerations. The history of State, county and municipal mandangement justifies the reference of the question of issuing bonds to State authorities.

He opposed such a railway commission as he understood was contemplated, to wit: "A commission to make rules to arrange a tariff of rates and punish those who violate them." Such a commission, he said, "will have conferred upon a single powers, and under our government such powers are never conferred upon a single body, but are scruptioned for the provided influences as may be aroused by personal influences as may be aroused by personal and pecuniary commiss

powers are never conterred upon a single body, but are scrupulously separated. A violation of this principle, I fear, may lead to ends more disastrous than evils complained of.

"I believe the best method of protecting the people from the misconduct of the railways would be to repeal the law making maximum rates and submitting all complaints of overcharges, unjust discriminations and extortionate exactions to the courts of the country. You now have upon your statute-books laws prohibiting unjust discriminations, discriminations between persons and places, prohibiting a less charge for a longer than for a shorter distance and to prevent pooling, etc. But so long as the railways keep within the limits of the maximum rates it is held that they do not violate the laws. If you repeal the maximum rate clause of your railroad laws you will have laws then which will come as near securing even and exact justice, both to the people and the railways, as can be found in any country. It relegates to the courts whether rates charged are reasonable or not, and leaves the power in the hands of every shipper to right his own wrongs by application. railroad laws you will have laws then which will come as near securing even and exact justice, both to the people and the railways, as can be found in any country. It relegates to the courts whether rates charged are reasonable or not, and leaves the power in the hands of every shipper to light his own wrongs by appealing to the courts. It would be a counterpart of the English railway laws, except that the English laws provide a court or commission to hear and determine all complain's against the railways. It will complaints against the railways. It will compel the railways to submit to the same tribunal that arbitrates the differences between citizen and citizen and adjudicates their rights. If a shipper feels aggrieved at the rate charged and deems it units sonable, he can at any time, without heir a superpart has a large allowing a higher being estopped by a law allowing a higher rate, appeal to the courts to determine if

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n the afternoon Col. T. J. Brown, of Grayson, addressed the meeting. He is a most forcible speaker, and has this par-ticular subject thoroughly in hand. He attacked Col. Lang's positions. The fol-lowing is a brief synopsis of Col. Brown's remarks:

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He challenged any man to establish a claim of overcharge in freights against a railroad. The trouble, he said, in prosecuting such claims in the courts is not with the law, but with the difficulty of proof. In order to establish such a claim it must be shown that the charge is unreasonable, and the unreasonableness of the charge cannot be shown, because the only competent testimony on the subject is the testimony of railroad experts; the railroads of Texas having a uniform schedule of rates, the rate of one cannot be used as evidence that the rate of another is unreasonable. A commission, it is expected, will fix a maximum rate, which shall be taken as prima facie evidence in the courts as reasonable. The absence of competition makes it impossible to fix a standard of values. He characterized an overcharge in freight rates as a crime against the interests of the community, which it is the business of the State to prevent.

The speaker next handled the subject of railroad bonded indebtedness and said that the roads of Texas, valued at \$100,000,000, were bonded for \$443.000,000, and that freight charges were high enough to pay the interest and sinking fund on these bonds, which are largely given to building up private fortunes." This bonded

ceeds of which are largely given to build-ing up private fortunes." This bonded indebtedness, he argued, is a public debt which every man, woman or child who wears or consumes an article transported

over railroads is taxed to pay.

Col. Brown next answered current objections to the creation of a railroad commission, the first being that it would be an "invasion of personal liberty." He argued that railroads are not private but public property, since private property may be condemned for their uses when ever necessary to construct their lines; that railroads are not persons and have no personal rights, but creatures of the State and by nature subject to the State's regulation as any other servant. He answered the objection that fixing rates by a commission is arbitrary by saying that it could not be as arbitrary as at present under the tariff associations, for from them there was no appeal. In from them there was no appeal. In answer to the objection that a commission will retard railroad building, and consequently the development of the country, he cited statistics to show that railroad building was more active and railroad ware more propercy in com-

lobbyists, subsidized workers and subsidized newspapers
Every honest citizen, whether farmer, lawyer, doctor, wage-worker, merchant, or of whatever class, should therefore put himself in a position of self-defense against our common foe. Every honest citizen should labor not only to post himself upon the issues of the day, but to direct the minds of others into enamels of investigation and education, leading to well-grounded convictions and conscientious endeavors, for the people are of all times now most willing to open the fountains of their own thought and investigation to admit the pure lights of facts, reason and right.

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The necessity for this is doubly emphasized at this time, because the darkest and deepest schemes by the shrewest and most unscrupulous schemers are being laid to entrap the votes of farmers, wage-workers and other burdened class—and all in the name of liberty, under cover of whose mantle so many and great crimes have been perpetrated.

Capital, drawn from its legitimate channels and massed in monopolies, syndicates and trusts, and these, aided by the ablest legal, business and newspaper telent, which, shame to say, prostitutes itself to bribery, is laying plans not only to perpetuate the unequal and unjust burdens oppressing the people, but to engraft yet other and greater evils upon them—all in the name of liberty!

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To do this, it will be attempted to place pliant tools in our State offices, State departments and legislature, many of whom are the vilest of God's creation—men with vigorous and learned minds—which they use in the service of bribe-givers. To this end they will use every fraud, deception and falsehood which cunning can invent or corruption suggest—and all in the name of liberty!

Our political history will prove that there has been few political conventions in Texas and few, if any, legislative sessions in which the power of monopoly has not been of sufficient force to either direct or obstruct its proceedings. In this, monopoly has had the help of the leading daily press, with a few honorable exceptions, these being paid directly or indirectly for their unpartiotic and corrupt work—and all in the name of liberty!

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It is false to charge that farmers and other burdened classes are inimical to rallways. On the contrary, we recognize their great value and utility. But if permitted to exercise their monopolistic powers without check they control the prices of both our products and our lands. Therefore they should be restricted and limited in the exercise of these powers by such legislation as will secure justice to the citizen without injustice to the railroads. We think this can best be accomplished through a commission.

We make no recommendation as to the amendment to the constitution permitting counties to levy an additional tax of 15 cents on the \$100 for road purposes, except to caution voters to investigate thoroughly and form well-matured conclusions before voting for or against said amendment. We recommend that this meeting extend to the late road convention of county judges, etc., in Dallas, its most hearty congratulations in that it did not indorse any bond scheme or take any action calculated to create political strife, and thus divert attention from the railroad commission issue; and we further recommend to county judges, commissioners and all concerned, to accept this action as conclusive until after the next general election.

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We demand of political conventions an indorsement of a railroad commission, as outlined in foregoing recommendations:

Inasmuch as the State undertakes the education of its children, it is its duty to say what the children shall be taught; and, therefore, we demand a uniform system of text books in our public schools, and a method of their publication to issue books at the least cost to patrons.

We demand that the system of hiring out convicts be abolished at the earliest practicable time, and that they be used only on public work—and to this end would recommend a law under which each county may work short time convicts on the public roads.

We are opposed to paternalism, in favor of the maximum of personal liberty consonant with good and substantial government, and unequivocally condemn class legislation—for experience teaches that its ultimate effects are discouraging to the producer, whose wants are simplest and who constitutes the most defenseless class of our population. In conclusion, we appeal to every farmer, every wage worker and every other honest citizen, not only to know what he wants but to adopt the best methods of securing it, by being present at every primary and convention of his party.

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In addition to the foregoing address the committee recommended the adoption of the following resolutions referring to mational issues:

Whereas, Agriculture is the basis of prosperity and the true measure of success in all our industrial pursuit; and

Whereas, All laws, practices and customs which hinder, or obstruct agricultural success, or in anywise discourage agriculture, is a public injury, and an obstruction to public property and universal happin-ss; and

Whereas, Through class legislation many laws ha e been enacted and many customs established which oppress and burden those engaged in agricultural pursuits, therefore.

Resolved, I. Thatas the price of the products of our farms is fixed by the price of the surplus we sell in foreign markets, we believe any unjust tariff restrictions to be unwise and that for the government to take from one industry to support another is inconsistent with the true aims and purposes of its creator; and as tariffs on imports which are established for protective purposes do tais, we demand that the tariff laws be revised so as only to taise a revenue for economical government and that duties should be laid heaviest on luxuries.

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Resolved, 2. That we demand a financial system in the United States which will admit of an expansion to suit the growth and population of the country.

Resolved, 3. That we demand the abolition of the national banking system as opposed to the principles of republican government.

Resolved, 4. That pooling and dealing in futures be made a felony punishable by imprisonment.

Resolved, 5. That United States senators should be elected by a popular vote. Resolved, 6. That we favor the free coinage of silver, and that it be made a legal tender.

Mr. White, of Freestone county, intro-duced a resolution calling on nominating conventions to adopt a majority instead of a two-thirds rule, which after some dis-cussion was adopted.

The convention then adjourned sine

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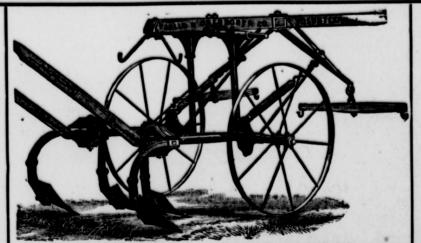
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