





Texas Christian Advocate.

BENEFIT FLOWING FROM METHODISM.

Methodism spring from reading the Holy Scriptures. Its mission was, and is, "to spread scriptural holiness over this land."

Hence, the first benefit flowing from Methodism was the "Bible Society." The first Bible society of which we have any account was the "Naval and Military Bible Society," formed at the Westport, N. Y., in 1773.

The second benefit flowing from Methodism is the Sunday-school organization. John Wesley had his Sunday-school in Savannah, Ga., forty-four years before the school organized by Robert Raikes.

The third benefit flowing from Methodism is the "missionary societies" of modern times, which has the "world for its parish."

The fourth benefit flowing from Methodism is that of the "tract society." This society was first exemplified by Wesley and organized at the suggestion of Burder by the co-operation of Rowland Hill, Matthew Wilkes and others.

The fifth benefit flowing from Methodism is that of the "Christian," or "Religious Periodical" in the English language. Among the first of these religious publications may be mentioned: Christian, Spiritual Magazine, Gospel Magazine, Arminian Magazine, Evangelical Magazine, and Christian Observer.

The sixth benefit flowing from Methodism is that of the "lay preachers." Lay preachers are, in fact, the most numerous and most efficient of all the agencies of the church.

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WHY DO CHRISTIANS OPPOSE FOREIGN MISSIONS?

Certainly this is a strange question for one to ask, but equally strange are all the excuses offered by those who bear the name of Christian.

Why all know why, the answer is not anxious for the extension of Christ's kingdom to all nations and people.

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men in their church. Such a conception of Christian duty is not born of God, neither is it taught in the Word.

POVERTY OF PREACHERS.

A secular paper says poverty of the ministry is one of the causes of success of Methodism. We have never known a rich preacher to amount to much.

There are his words, after enumerating several changes of the Discipline at different times. But the most objectionable change was made at the last General Conference.

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SENSATIONAL PREACHING.

I read with much interest an editorial on the above named subject in the Nashville Advocate of January 24. The immediate text of this editorial was an article from the pen of Dr. Jas. H. Carlisle in the Southern Christian Advocate.

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Under the head of serious vices, Rev. D. P. Kidder, D. D., in his book on homiletics, says, "Under the present head it is proper to notice and condemn every species of extravagance, bombast and rant which are sometimes resorted to in the pulpit."

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the gate of heaven, and the ministry, men consecrated to convert the heathen, to lift up the Word.

THE "OBNOXIOUS CHANGE." In your issue of the 19th instant is a thoughtful communication from the facile pen of Dr. G. G. Smith, of Georgia.

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on Christ and the sinner, will arouse to such earnestness as to at once conceal his face and send the message home to the heart of the hearer.

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A MISSIONARY IN A STORM.

I have just witnessed a storm in La Paz. It differed from any that had come under my observation, or of which I had read.

It was a storm of which I have written in some respects from all of these. It is called by various names, only one of which I'll mention now.

Its most expressive name is *havana* (avena), that name being the Spanish word for flour.

For three hours these boys, in large numbers, accompanied by a few small girls, have besieged the town.

All business has called a halt until the storm is over. The old people are on the housetops for safe seeing.

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Table listing district conferences: Tarrant District, Rockwall District, San Augustine District, Galveston District, Tarrant District, Fort Worth District, etc., with dates from May 14 to July 9.

IS MORALITY THE RESULT OF ENVIRONMENT?

A writer in the April number of the Arena discusses at some length the relation of morality to environment, and arrives at the following conclusion and corollaries:

The success of popular government depends upon the character of those exercising the duties of citizenship; character depends upon morality, and morality is the result of environment.

The word result in the conclusion defined by the whole course of the argument has the full force of the mechanical meaning—of an effect produced by an adequate cause. That this is the meaning of the word as used by the writer, will be seen from the following:

It is a fact, of which Mr. Vinton is not aware, perhaps, that just such characters do reform—or rather are reformed—sometimes. We admit, however, that the reformation is the result of a miracle—a regeneration—therefore the day of miracles has not passed.

Space will not allow anything like a full discussion of this subject here. We have given the extracts above, not merely to show the meaning of their author, but to show how utterly impossible it is to argue from his premises without self-contradiction.

Man's moral nature is not simply an inherited instinct created by the environment of the ancestor, but is as original as the physical nature with its five senses. Man is so conscious of free will and his moral nature that it is impossible for him to speak without manifesting it. Whatever a man may educate himself to believe he cannot rid himself of the consciousness of moral freedom and obligation, the latter necessarily implying the former, of course.

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This consciousness is present to our writer even while he is endeavoring to prove that morality depends upon the shape of the brain. Consequently, after stating that "morality is the result of environment," he says: "Ho who lets vice enter into his daily life, etc."

Our ancestors have been for ages creating the brains we use. They have been forming brain convolutions and tissues that the present generation might reason as it does; and we are carrying on the process of brain development for our and their descendants.

The fact is, moral responsibility is so utterly incompatible with such materialistic views that it seems to be a work of supererogation to reason on the subject. The admission that one may or may not "let vice enter his daily life" is an admission that there is a power in man superior both to the "shape of his brain" and "environment."

But what are the conditions of those to whom Mr. Vinton denies the possibility of reformation? We will let him tell it in his own language:

Take, for example, a boy brought up in the slums around Tomkins Square, in New York city. From his earliest childhood he is of necessity familiar with all manner of wickedness; the best dressed women of his neighborhood are fallen women; the boys who have the most money to spend are those who lead vicious lives; the brightest house is the saloon. New York city is the metropolis of vice as she is of trade, and every vice in the long catalogue of sin has a representative practitioner among the varied nationalities that swarm her slums.

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THE COLLECTION.

Another Northern editor rides through the South in a palace car and writes up (down) the country. The heading over these articles in the Michigan Advocate is "Short Studies In the South." No heading could have been more appropriate.

Two men in Alabama the other day quarreled over a pig. To settle the dispute they stepped off a few paces, leveled Winchester rifles and shot each other dead. Another case: Several white miners failed to agree with several colored miners. To get satisfaction the white miners at night surrounded the shanty of the colored miners, shot three dead, fatally wounded two more and injured the other three.

Admitting the truth of the cases cited, is it right and brotherly to teach the people of the North that these are fair samples of the Southern spirit? Who knows but that the very parties used to illustrate "the Southern spirit" were imported into the South from the North.

We certainly claim that the facts prove that the negro's existence in America is due to slavery. We have never read nor heard of any organized philanthropy among our Northern friends going to Africa and bringing them over, just in order to Christianize and educate them.

It would be said if the culture of the intellect should be coincident with, even if not the cause of, the hardening of the heart. It would be said if the college which was established to train men as ministers should train men away from the ministry.

Dr. Hoes and Bounds are making a most excellent general organ. After subscribing for THE TEXAS, every Methodist in the State ought to subscribe for the Nashville Advocate.

The following special to the St. Louis Republic is from Dallas, under date of March 25: The committee which escorted the late Senator Hearst's remains to California paid through Dallas this morning on their return home.

As one of the sovereigns of this great republic we vote that not one cent be paid by the government on the disgraceful account. We vote also that an apology be made the family of the deceased for the appointment of the dishonoring funeral committee.

Prof. Francis G. Peabody, of Harvard, in a lecture on the temperance question before the Lowell Institute, of Boston, the other day, said in substance: "There are two aspects of the liquor question, the economic and the moral. There are at present in the liquor traffic throughout the country some 200,000 persons—163,000 in the retail and the rest wholesale. These figures represent only the dealers."

The number of persons employed are upward of 1,000,000. The worst of these horrible figures is that they mean the withdrawal of just so many persons from the right kind of employment. In their present occupations they contribute little or nothing to the wealth of the country.

The Michigan Advocate having quoted from the TEXAS and Southern Advocate that slavery, under the providence of God, improved rather than degraded the negro's condition, having brought as he was to this country an abject savage, remarks:

You see these men imagine that no existence was possible to the negro in America except in slavery. Therefore slavery was a blessing, not a curse. But we believe slavery was a curse. It was a curse to the white man as well as to the negro.

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Dr. Hoes and Bounds are making a most excellent general organ. After subscribing for THE TEXAS, every Methodist in the State ought to subscribe for the Nashville Advocate.

The following special to the St. Louis Republic is from Dallas, under date of March 25: The committee which escorted the late Senator Hearst's remains to California paid through Dallas this morning on their return home.

As one of the sovereigns of this great republic we vote that not one cent be paid by the government on the disgraceful account. We vote also that an apology be made the family of the deceased for the appointment of the dishonoring funeral committee.

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SOUTHERN METHODISM.

Wesleyan Advocate: Mrs. Dr. Mays, of Cartersville, died Monday, the 25th. She was the daughter of Rev. Sam. P. Jones and wife of Dr. Evans Mays.

Wesleyan Advocate: Rev. W. P. Lovejoy is a live man. The Rome district is flourishing under his splendid superintendency. He preaches the necessity of having a conference paper, and his long list of subscribers, sent in from his quarterly conferences, testifies that he "practices what he preaches."

Wesleyan Advocate: If we may judge from the information coming in various ways to the Wesleyan office, there is an unusual degree of activity in the church in Georgia. Preachers and laymen seem to be studying the institutions, doctrines, economy and interests generally of the church, and manifesting a zeal and enterprise that makes the heart bound with hope.

Richmond Advocate: We deeply regret to announce the loss of another member of our conference. Rev. James W. Compton, supernumerary for a number of years past, but for his health an active and energetic preacher, was seriously injured by being thrown from his horse on Saturday, the 14th, not far from his home in West Bedford Circuit, and died on Friday, the 21st.

W. A. Huckabee, in Wesleyan Advocate: The people of this part of South Georgia have decided to have a college. We are going to build somewhere a college building and two large boarding halls to accommodate one, fifty or seventy-five boys, the other about that many girls.

Wesleyan Advocate: No man is infallible. The greatest and best make mistakes. Sam Jones is no exception. He has done great good, and we hope he will do more in the future than he has in the past, and in order to help him we call attention to a serious mistake in his work—that of referring publicly to Christian ministers in terms of severe censure calculated to draw the contempt of the people upon them.

P. A. Peterson, in Richmond Advocate: The result of the movement at Lynchburg, Va., in behalf of the women, to be conducted by the authorities of Randolph-Macon College, has surprised every one, even the most sanguine friends of the enterprise. The contract between the directors of the Rivermont Land and Improvement Company, of Lynchburg, and the trustees of Randolph-Macon College, has been closed and the college secured. The land company has acted with enlightened liberality. It gives an eligible site near the city, comprising twenty acres of land, and also donates what is designated to be and is considered to be the equivalent of \$100,000 in cash.

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Delta Banner: Rev. C. M. Harless was called to Sulphur Springs this week to see his wife and sweet little girl baby. Girls are always sweeter and nicer than boys, anyway.

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FOUNDINGS.

This heading suggests a change of usage in the church. Until a few years ago, what we now call by that name was unknown. Perhaps there were no poundings ten years ago in the South. Donation parties were sometimes held in the Northern States years ago, but they were not known among us.

But recent years have brought in the ponding. On some appointed night the people visit the home of the pastor, carrying their article of use, one pound or many pounds—a turkey, a chicken, a ham, a package of butter, or rice, or sugar, or coffee and so on.

Of course, to report a ponding too much at length, too minutely, evens of a gushing disposition, but such is better than icy hardness of feeling. The man who sneers at reports of pondings lays himself open to the suspicion that he is envious and doesn't get any himself.—Florida Advocate.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The missionary movement grows. Subscriptions and payments come by nearly every mail. The last report showed: Previously subscribed, \$425.10; added, \$100.00; Johnson Point Sunday-school, \$1.00; Eddy, N. M., Sunday-school, \$2.50.

Special attention is called to the subscription of two and a half shares by the Sunday-school at Eddy, N. M. Our people there are themselves assisted by missionary money, and are struggling to make some necessary home improvements; but, with a love and zeal that is truly Christ-like, they desire to join the column that is advancing on Japan.

MISSIONARY WORK IN MEXICO.

The present situation in this State is critical from a missionary standpoint. A crisis is upon us. The fight waged here for years by our brave predecessors wrought high expectations. Many of the leading men were our friends open. As indicated in a previous paper, we have rather slackened that tightened our hold on the public confidence.

What shall we do? In the name of the Stephens, the American martyr; in the name a half dozen Mexicans who have stained the soil of their beloved "patria" with their blood, freely shed for the faith of the saints; in the name of a million immortal souls in this State; finally, in His name, who loved us and these Mexicans and died for us and for them, I ask what shall we do? The determination to ask the board for a large appropriation for new work, for enlargement, grew out of my conscientious conviction that the foregoing facts exist, and that, as the watchman upon Zion's frontiers, I was under solemn obligation to sound the alarm.

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A CASE OF CHRONIC CATARRH

In the Third Stage Cured—Ten Years a Victim of Catarrh, and Permanently Cured.

A Treatment That Need Not Fail in Reach of All.

If cases like the following can be cured, certainly there is hope for all. This patient had been growing worse in spite of all treatment for ten years, and had reached that terrible condition known as the third stage of catarrh (atrophic catarrh). The offensive breath, and dry scabs forming in the nose, cracking in the ears, describe a condition which is considered by most physicians as hopeless. The case is given in the words of the patient:

CLINTON, Mich., March 21, 1891. The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio: Gentlemen: I had been troubled ten years with chronic catarrh, gradually growing worse from year to year. I tried all the treatments and remedies I heard of without any relief. My symptoms were dry scabs forming in the nose, dropping from the back part of the nose into the throat, sore throat, nose stopped up, offensive breath, and cracking and roaring in the ears. I began to take your remedy on the first of November, 1889, and in twelve months I was perfectly cured. I used no local treatment, but used only your medicine internally. I have had no return of my catarrh, and consider myself perfectly cured. H. D. WALTERS.

It would be difficult to describe a worse case to cure than the above. The length of time it had run, the fact that it had continually grown worse, and the further fact that it had already developed the symptoms of the dry, or atrophic, stage of catarrh, combine to make this a very remarkable cure, quite impossible to be made with the ordinary treatment. This cure was effected by internal treatment alone, and no spray, gargle or inhalant was used. The case began to improve as soon as the medicine was begun, and in six months every symptom had disappeared, but the medicine was continued a few months longer for fear they would return. This man has been exposed during the past winter to the changeable climate of Michigan, and has not had the slightest return of any catarrhal symptoms. Not a month passes but that hundreds of similar cures are made by the internal use of Per-na, unassisted by other treatment.

The only reason that there are any failures is either because the catarrh is complicated by some organic disease or the patient does not take the medicine long enough. The majority of people expect to be cured in a week or two of catarrh that has run ten or fifteen years. Such people are nearly always disappointed. Per-na will cure a recent case of acute catarrh in a few days or weeks, but when the disease becomes chronic it takes longer.

Colds, winter coughs, bronchitis, sore throat, and pleurisy are all catarrhal affections, and consequently are quickly curable by Per-na. Each bottle of Per-na is accompanied by full directions for use, and is kept by most druggists. Get your druggist to order it for you, if he does not already keep it.

A pamphlet on the causes and cure of all catarrhal diseases and consumption sent free to any address by The Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, O.

The Cost of the United States Department of Agriculture

The following statement showing the appropriations for the United States Department of Agriculture for the fiscal years ending on June 30, 1891 and 1892, respectively, is by the order of the Secretary of Agriculture furnished to the agricultural press, and such other papers as may desire it. Secretary Rusk believes it to be the right and privilege of the people, and especially of the farmers of this country, to have laid before them in plain figures the particulars of the sums devoted from the national treasury to the Department of Agriculture. The fiscal years covered by the statement represent the appropriations for which the present administration is responsible. For purposes of comparison the totals for the two years preceding are also given. This is made the more necessary as garbled figures have been published, conveying an utterly wrong impression by the omission of the appropriations for experimental stations from the two previous years and their insertion in the appropriations made under Secretary Rusk's administration, and furthermore, by the addition to these last of the \$930,000 for the Weather Bureau, which has not yet been transferred to the department, and the expenditures of which, when the transfer shall take place next July, will not be in addition to the expense of the national government, but merely the transfer of certain expenses from the accounts of one department to those of another, inasmuch as members of congress and members coming from agricultural States have not scrupled to resort to this form of misrepresentation, with a view apparently to create a prejudice against the expenditure of the national government on behalf of agriculture, justice to the farmers' interests demands that the facts in the case be widely known. For the benefit of those who desire to carry comparisons a little further the figures of the appropriations made for other departments of the national government are also appended to the statement, for what it will be seen by such comparison that whatever the increase may have been in the annual appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, it would have had to be much greater to bring the department up to its proper place as an executive branch of the government, practically representative of nearly one-half the people of the country.

Under such circumstances Secretary Rusk feels it his duty to make public a full statement of the appropriations for agriculture through such journals as are especially representative of the farmers' interests, or as may desire to use them in the interest of fair play to the farmer.

Table with columns for Department of Agriculture and other departments, listing fiscal years and amounts.

TEXAS INCIDENTS. At Gainesville, March 26, the bakery of F. B. Price was destroyed by fire.

At Linden, March 23, the residence of H. A. Neal was destroyed by fire, together with its contents.

At Houston, March 25, Mr. Wirth was assaulted by a negro, robbed of his gold watch and chain and shot through the shoulder.

Obituary—Texas.

John F. Ferguson, Assessor, Mrs. M. F. Walker, Athens; Mrs. W. V. Holley, Austin; Robert Jenkins, Henry F. Chambers, near Bastrop; John Cordy, Beckville; Mrs. Jane Edison, Beville; Mrs. Thea Spitzer, Boerne; Miss Leila G. Paschall, Brady; Miss Nannie Lamb, Breckenfield; Fayette Robinson, Cameron; Mrs. J. M. Harris, Clarksville; Lloyd Adams, near Collins; Mrs. Elmira Cason, Collinsville; Mrs. Thomas N. Coleman, Corpus Christi; Mrs. Bearcroft, Corselta; Miss Areta Woodward, Dallas; Saul Benson, Delia Plain; M. A. Glass, Daingerfield; Mrs. Henry Klappenbock, Eagle Pass; Geo. Dison, Forestburg; Mrs. Delia Manor, Mrs. Sarah Ragsdale, Wm. G. Crockett, Flatonia; Mrs. M. V. Penny, Forney; Mrs. Baron, Blair Pybas, Billie Mickels, Gainesville; Mrs. Nannie Horner, Gatesville; John Barkley, Groesbeck; Henry Craspy, H. C. Walker, Jefferson; F. W. A. L. Beckwith, Galveston; E. F. Fowle, F. Horton, Greenwood; A. F. Coley, Greenock; Mrs. A. L. Sanford, Hayrick; Mrs. Carry Priddy, Hilleboro; Nicholas Hinkson, Highland Lake; Thos. McDonald, Hubbard City; Mrs. Bettie Larnay, Independence; W. B. Walker, Jefferson; T. B. Eaton, Junction City; Jas. Everett, Longmot; E. T. Graham, Marshall; Mrs. Dorthal McLennan, McGregor; H. E. Smith, G. W. Kerr, McKinney; Mrs. Ella Cneatham, Moody; Gibson Slosson, Merkel; Hugh Ochiltree, Orange; J. F. White, Overton; J. M. Swagden, Palestine; Mrs. M. H. Doring, Paris; Mrs. W. W. Rogers, Paris; Mrs. Liza Durning, Pennington; George W. Thompson, Pilot Point; J. J. Dawson, Quanah; Mrs. D. C. Lyons, Mrs. Capitola Peeler, Range; T. H. Wickers, Mrs. T. H. Wickers, Red Oak; Mrs. S. L. Parke, R. H. Turley, R. H. Walker, Roylans; Mrs. H. B. White, George Staffard, San Antonio; Wm. Martin, Mrs. H. N. Davis, Sherman; Mrs. Eliza Johnson, Simons; Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, Stephenville; J. C. Payne, Sulphur Springs; O. P. Sewell, Springtown; John Fadden, Skidmore; Mrs. W. H. Hodges, Slaters; Mrs. M. M. Cole, Terrell; J. M. Gibbs, Wm. Mermer, Uvalde; Phil P. Pearson, Vernon; E. R. McCurdy, Wilbarger; Mrs. Geneva Newcomb, Willis Point; Thomas Maloney, Wolf City.

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At Texarkana, March 27, Mrs. Mary Branch was found dead in her room. She had been keeping house alone for some time, though aged about sixty years. The condition of the room shows that she had gotten up during the night and while attempting to light a fire in the stove her clothing caught fire and she was burned to death.

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The merchants' bridge across the Mississippi river at St. Louis was opened March 24.

The Norwegian bark Dictator went to pieces four miles south of Cape Henry, Va., and eight lives were lost.

A hotel at Piedmont, W. Va., burned March 23, and had not Miss Annie Mentlar, daughter of the proprietor, burst open the doors of the guests' rooms the loss of life would have been heavy.

There has been a disastrous prairie fire twenty miles east of Arkansas City, Kan. A large number of farms were swept clean out of fences. Horses and barns and a number of cattle and horses perished. It is said five lives were lost.

A special cable from Puerto Cabello says: "The first fight has taken place between the Venezuelans and English on the frontier of British Guinea." The dispute relates to the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guinea.

The workmen's congress, in session at Madrid, Spain, last week, approved of the proposition to declare a general strike throughout Spain should Spain be found necessary to secure the adoption of eight hours for a day's work.

Capt. John A. Grant, of the Texas and Pacific, with a large force of men repaired a fifty-foot crevasse in the levee on the Mississippi river forty miles north of New Orleans last week, thereby saving several hundred thousand dollars worth of property.

The Delaware legislature has passed a tramp-labor law. It provides that all vagrants and vagabonds who come tramping around Delaware may be arrested and put to work for six days breaking stone for mending roads. They are to work eight hours a day, and if refractory may be put in solitary confinement on a bread and water diet.

The British government has accepted President Harrison's invitation to take part in the Columbian World's Fair. Lord Salisbury has also notified President Harrison, through Mr. Blaine, that a royal commission will be appointed to assist British merchants in exhibiting the products of British industry at the Fair and to further British interests here.

If Little Babies Could Write Letters

WHAT a host of grateful testimonials the proprietors of the Cuticura Remedies would receive. How their little hearts would overflow in ink. They know what they have suffered from itching and burning eczema and other itching, scaly, blotchy, and pimply skin and scalp diseases before the Cuticura Remedies were applied. Parents, are you doing right by your little ones to delay a moment longer the use of these great skin cures, blood purifiers, and humor remedies? Everything about the

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Remedies invites the confidence of parents. They are absolutely pure, and may be used on the youngest infants. They are agreeable to the most sensitive. They afford instant relief in the severest forms of agonizing, itching, and burning skin and scalp diseases, and are by far the most economical (because so speedy) of all similar remedies. There can be no doubt that they daily perform more great cures than all other skin and blood remedies combined. Mothers, nurses, and children are among their warmest friends.

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