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Sunset Circuit.

H. C. Rogers: At Sunset twenty-four accessions, one conversion, one sanctification. Membership somewhat refreshed. At Fruitland, twenty-six conversions; five accessions (more to follow); Church wonderfully refreshed and strengthened; two infants baptized. At Spark's Chapel, thirteen conversions, twenty-three accessions; Church greatly refreshed; three children baptized. At Rock Hill, two accessions; Church greatly refreshed; two infants baptized.

Roxton.

J. T. Bludworth, Sept. 26: Yesterday was a great day for Methodism at El Bethel. We worshipped in the new Church. It's a thing of beauty, 48x32. We hope to pay every cent due, and dedicate it within this and conference. Bro. Edwards, of Southwest Missouri Conference, who is visiting relatives here, and expects to transfer to the North Texas Conference, preached two able sermons. We had some old-time shouting, baptized two children, and had one addition to the Church.

Emory.

J. W. Beckham, Sept. 29: We are getting on very well spiritually. We have had some fine revivals this year—about eighty conversions and seventy-five additions. Hope to be able to report everything up at conference, though we are badly behind now with our finance. I am doing all I can to bring up the collection orders by the conference. We have built two churches this year, but have not finished them yet. We are using them. Hope to have them done by conference, and then we can report \$1500 worth of property on the Emory Mission. I am thankful to Bros. Stafford, Clark and Pirtle and the local brethren for help in my meetings.

Dalby Springs.

W. B. Walker, Sept. 28: Since I last wrote to the ADVOCATE I have held my meeting at Cedar Creek (my last on this circuit for this year). It was a most glorious meeting. Bro. H. E. Butterfield, of Sulphur Springs, did all the preaching except one sermon, and he did it well, too. Butterfield is a great revivalist. There were about twelve conversions and some re-animations. The Church was wonderfully revived. Five or six professed perfect love. Nearly every family in the community promised to hold family prayer. There have been about sixty conversions and forty accessions since I've been on the work. Several reanimations. This circuit is in a very good condition spiritually. I've often wondered how a preacher feels when he gets his first pounding, and now at last I've had the experience. It was a grand affair and supplied us with many good things. I am working hard on my conference collections, and, notwithstanding the assessments are heavy, I hope to bring them up by conference.

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

May.

D. C. Stark, Sept. 27: Since my last communication there have been some eight or ten conversions and eight additions to the Church on the May Circuit.

Fort Worth.

W. F. Lloyd: On yesterday the Sunday-school of First Church decided to give \$50 towards the building of the Church at Osaka, Japan, for which Dr. Morton and Bishop Key have been asking for some time past. Perhaps if you were to make a note of it, other schools might do likewise.

Plain View.

B. F. Jackson, Sept. 27: Another victory at Hale City. Held seven days and had thirty conversions. Preached at Wright Sunday night, regular appointment, and had two conversions—both men. Have had more than 150 conversions this year, with two more meetings to hold. Bless the Lord for his goodness.

Grand View.

H. C. Jolly, Sept. 26: The fourth quarterly meeting for Grandview Circuit, is just over. Rev. John S. Davis, our Presiding Elder, preached four

soul-stirring sermons, and organized an Epworth League with twenty-four members. He gets better all the time. Finances coming up. Grand View class \$25 above her assessment.

Crawford and Valley Mills Circuit.

J. J. Davis: We have just closed an eight days' meeting at Crawford. Burnett and Vaughan were with us. Burnett did the preaching, and Vaughan the singing. Notwithstanding the busy season, the congregations were good day and night. We had several professions and eighteen accessions to our Church. It was a good meeting. This is the seventh meeting on this circuit this year. Politics, heavy crops, together with my own bad health, have hindered the work greatly.

Morgan and Walnut Springs.

J. G. Miller, Sept. 26: We have a nice Church at each place. We are building a parsonage at both places. Have a very neat four-room house with pantry and galleries nearly completed at Morgan. Will move in this week. We expect to get the one at Walnut ready by conference. We can then make room for another preacher. I am getting ready for conference. Hope to make a good report.

Ferris.

J. P. Childers, Sept. 28: The tabernacle meeting here is reaching the people. Large crowds; a deep interest; eighteen conversions in the first three nights. Several of the hardest sinners have been saved. We believe we will have a great victory for God here. Some of the neighboring preachers are with us.

J. P. Childers, Sept. 30: The meeting still grows. Many converts. Have had the help for the past few days of S. J. Franks, J. B. Adair, the old pilgrim, and J. R. Padgett. The good work goes on.

Bosqueville.

J. P. Calloway, Sept. 27: My protracted meetings are over for this year. The Bosqueville camp-meeting was a success. Twenty-five conversions, fifteen accessions. The Evergreen Camp-meeting was good; ten conversions, eight accessions. The Rev. M. L. Moody helped me through the Evergreen meeting. In all we have had forty-four conversions on the work this year and about fifty accessions. At Bosqueville the Rev. R. C. Armstrong, E. N. Furgerson, H. A. Bourland and others assisted. The Bosqueville circuit is in good condition. We will be up with our collections. The ADVOCATE is appreciated by all who can be induced to read it.

Rice and Chatfield.

Geo. S. Clark, Sept. 30: Began protracted meetings at Rice on Friday night before the second Sunday in July and closed my fifth meeting at Reynolds' School-house on Sunday, September 11. Everywhere the Church took higher ground, and peace and good will to men reign over the entire work. Visible results: Two hundred and fifty conversions, and so far this year 145 have joined our Church. I here want to thank all the brethren who aided me in the good work. Of these, Dr. Lowery, of Chatfield, and Charlie Huskey, of Corsicana, deserve special mention. Rice and Chatfield will be in line in November with every claim paid in full. To God be all the glory.

Mullin Circuit.

G. W. Ten-pin, Sept. 22: Three more meetings have been held since my last report, with the following results: At Rock Springs had thirteen conversions, ten accessions, three children baptized, a collection for missions, amounting in cash and subscription to \$23, and the Church much revived. Assisted by Rev. N. Kelsey, of Zephyr; Rev. W. C. Hilburn, of Goldthwaite Station, and Rev. J. E. Verno, of Goldthwaite. At Rompy Creek had twelve conversions and ten accessions to our Church, one infant baptized, a collection for missions amounting to \$10, the Church much revived. Assisted by Rev. N. Kelsey, Rev. P. W. Gravis, and Bro. Morris, an exhorter from Zephyr Circuit. Next was my fourth quarterly conference, which convened Saturday before the second Sunday in September at Trigger Mountain. Rev. J. P. Mussett, our faithful Presiding Elder, was at his post. We had a very pleasant conference. Bro. Mussett preached us three good sermons. The meeting continued over the next Sunday with twenty conversions and twenty-six accessions, two children baptized and a collection for missions amounting to \$15.50, and a grand revival in the Church. Assisted by two exhorters from Zephyr—Bro. J. H. Dameron and Bro. Morris. Up to date we have received ninety into the Church; have had eighty-five conversions and baptized ten children. One meeting yet to hold.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Aito.

Geo. W. Riley, Sept. 29: The Ladies' Aid Society have this week put a new carpet and a good set of wauhat chairs, upholstered, and communion table to match in our Church at this place. All honor to the good sisters.

Grapeland.

Joe R. Ritchie, Sept. 27: We finished our round of protracted meetings last Thursday night. At Grapeland we were ably assisted by Bros. J. T. Smith, our beloved Presiding Elder, J. L. Dawson, station preacher of Crockett, and J. L. Whitescarver, local preacher. This meeting resulted in five or six conversions and four accessions. At Antrim, one conversion and two additions. At St. Paul, one accession and three children baptized. We have had up to date about seventy conversions, sixty accessions and twenty-

nine children baptized. We are coming up very well with the conference collections—expect to pay out in full by conference.

Shelbyville.

L. A. Burk, Sept. 30: Our third quarterly conference for the current year was held day before yesterday, the 28th instant. Our highly esteemed Presiding Elder, Rev. A. J. Frick, was present, also Rev. J. D. Burke, of the Center Circuit. Pastors report showed two new Church buildings erected, fifty-three accessions to our Church and about 100 conversions. No "sky blue" (or as far as that is concerned any other color) sanctifications, but solid justifications by faith; and as a certain old Book says that "therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ," we feel to thank the good Lord and take courage. We think this work will pay out this year. Amen.

Athens.

J. C. Calhoun, Sept. 27: The fourth quarterly conference for Athens and Malakoff is past. The statistics to be reported to the Annual Conference show a handsome increase in all lines of Church work, for which we are very thankful. Finances well up to date. Malakoff paid out in full her assessment for pastor and Presiding Elder, which places her the banner Church in the Tyler District. One beautiful feature of the occasion was the report of our "Ladies' Aid," which showed that the parsonage had just undergone a brand-new dress of repainting, besides many other kindnesses done, amounting to near \$300 this year. Rev. T. P. Smith, our Presiding Elder, was in good trim for preaching, having stood the long summer campaign of camp and protracted meetings splendidly, was looking well and did us some preaching of a high order.

Jasper Circuit.

R. M. Stewart, Sept. 23: Our protracted meeting at Maysville was a glorious victory for the Lord and Master; twenty-five clear-cut conversions and seven additions to our Church, many backsliders reclaimed and the Church much revived. I don't think I ever saw a greater manifestation of the power of God to save. Four young men belonging to the Baptist Church were powerfully converted on the road from Church. After a few sermons at the beginning of the meeting we had no need for preaching; the meeting ran itself. One brother said they ran the preacher and the devil out at the door. We had the local preachers, Bros. B. W. and B. Z. Powell and S. D. Harger and F. D. McMahan and they all did good work. I never saw members of the Church work better. Every one of the young men who were converted led in prayer at their secret prayer-meeting. To God be all the praise.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Pleasanton.

J. L. Kennedy, Sept. 28: Bro. J. H. Collard, Jr., the evangelist, reached this place Saturday, the 17th, and preached his first sermon at 5 o'clock in the evening of the same day, and continued until the night of the 25th, with grand results. The results of the meeting were about one hundred conversions, a great many of them from the surrounding country. All denominations co-operated. Methodists and Baptists both received a liberal share of members and more to come in yet. The good work goes on. God be praised!

Uvalde.

Abe Mulkey, Sept. 28: Our Uvalde meeting closed upon the 26th, after ten days' work. Had glorious results. Rev. J. A. Baker, our pastor, has only been from the Little Rock Conference about two years and is a good preacher. Uvalde is an old town, beautiful and noted for its healthfulness. Our Church is first-cut; good parsonage in a fine oak grove. This charge is the third strongest in the West Texas Conference. Pastors of all the Churches worked faithfully in the meeting. A number of rich ranchmen reside in Uvalde, owing to its healthful location. It is said to be first in the State in this respect. Several citizens came there as invalids and have become strong and well. They have a fine city school, three hundred pupils being in attendance, and as fine a corps of teachers as there are in the State. All in all, we were delighted with Uvalde and would like some day to be one of her citizens. God bless her good people.

Corsicana.

Having been invited to deliver a lecture to the Epworth League of Corsicana, I kept the engagement on the evening of September 30. On the way a clerical-looking gentleman introduced himself as J. T. Curry, pastor at McMinnville, Tennessee Conference. He has rounded up his quadruplet, and, knowing that he will be busy in his new pastorate, he has taken a breathing spell to visit his mother, brother and other relatives in Ellis County. He was accompanied by his wife and three bright arrows of the kind that David thought of when he wrote, "Blessed is the man who hath his quiver full of them." Bro. Curry is an interesting correspondent of the Nashville and other Advocates. He knows what to say and how to say it. Another pleasant surprise was to meet Rev. Sam J. Franks, the stalwart pastor of Italy Circuit. He had been helping Rev. J. P. Childers in a meeting at Ferris. Corsicana is one of the best cities in Texas. It has about 8000 inhabitants, free postal delivery, water-works, electric lights, street railways, and fine public schools. The court-house is a

large building, and the county is just completing a new jail, the old one being small and unsuitable for the constantly increasing army of criminals. When we have prohibition throughout the country, the jails, bars and cells removed, should be turned into homes for the widows and orphans who have been beggared by the whisky traffic. One of the foremost improvements is a large cotton-seed oil mill, which was undertaken during the reign of the Railroad Commission with its promise of equalized rates. Now that the commission has been enjoined, the stockholders are not so hopeful of making a success of the enterprise. They already have contracts for exporting their oil and cake to Germany.

The Corsicana Cemetery is in charge of the Ladies' association and as a consequence is well kept. The State has its only orphan home about two miles from the city. It has adequate buildings, is well-managed, and cares for one hundred or more orphan children. Adjoining the State grounds is the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home. Corsicana is the home of the well-known statesman, Roger Q. Mills. His residence has an old-fashioned, comfortable air, but looks dilapidated from not being occupied. Mrs. Mills was once a member of our Church, but withdrew during the prohibition campaign. It is hard for religion and politics to mix, although every country has eminent and consistent Christian statesmen.

Mayor Evans has become known throughout Texas for his resolution in enforcing the law against gamblers and saloons. He stirred up great opposition. The whisky devil, true to its law-breaking character, showed claws and teeth, and threatened, and the gamblers "talked big," but the Mayor, backed by public sentiment, enforced the law. This can be done everywhere else, if the proper men are put into office and supported by the better classes, who are always numerous enough to have their way if they only have the will.

The Churches of Corsicana are well-manned and vigorous. The Cumberland Presbyterian have a new and elegant brick building. The Protestant Methodists have here one of their few live congregations in this State.

Our own Church leads in point of members, the membership being not far from 600. Rev. J. R. Nelson is closing his second year as pastor. The Lord has given him great prosperity along all lines of Church work. The congregation is well organized, loyal and spiritual, attendance at prayer-meeting is large and the Sunday-school, R. P. Goodman, Superintendent, tests the capacity of the house. The Epworth League is very efficient and helpful. It numbers over 100, leads the Church music, reads the literature, and is ready to follow where Bro. Castle, the President, leads, or to do and go as the pastor directs. Every charge, according to its opportunity, can have such a League, if the pastor so wills, and in its organization can do much for his young people by helping them to do much for themselves.

This large, wealthy and prosperous congregation worships in a framed Church twenty-one years old. It was splendid two decades ago. It is out of date now in such a city and for such a congregation. Our people there owe it to themselves, to their opportunity and to God to rise up and build a new house to cost \$30,000 or more. It will not be so great a strain to so build as it was for the fathers to erect the present structure twenty-one years ago. The Church owns a very large and beautiful site—none finer in Texas. There is room for the parsonage, an elegant home, for a garden, for a new Church, and for a half-acre park. It is refreshing to see so much room after looking upon a contracted city lot.

A shadow has been over the parsonage for three weeks in the serious illness of the beloved pastor. He seems better at this writing, but his fever has not yet cooled. He has a warm place in the hearts of his people, won by earnest preaching and faithful pastoral work. They are ready to serve him in any way, and continue in prayer for his speedy recovery. His wife's health has been mercifully preserved for the arduous and loving duty of nursing the sick. His mind is calm and trustful, and his heart is kept in peace. He has learned lessons of patience, sympathy and love. Sickness is often our best teacher. Let prayer be made for his early restoration to perfect health. We need such men as J. R. Nelson. May he tarry long with us.

The district parsonage is located here. The present occupant is Rev. George S. Wyatt. His district is one of the foremost in the conference, having eighteen appointments, and being situated in the most fertile parts of Texas. His principal stations are Corsicana, Hillsboro and Mexia. He has a number of splendid circuits, well-managed and prosperous.

There have been revivals at many points, notably on Kerens Circuit, with the efficient N. A. Keen in charge, and on Mexia Circuit, under the evangelist pastor, R. R. Raymond, in each of which there were from two to three hundred conversions. The total number of additions will be nearly 2000. A number of Churches and parsonages have been built or repaired. The collections are not up, but this district has the Christian habit of paying in full, and it will not break the record in such a prosperous year. Bro. Wyatt is closing his second year. He is happy and in fine spirits, as he has a right to be, at seeing the work of the Lord prosper so greatly in his hands. He and his efficient colleagues will make a fine report at conference and will deserve, "Well done, good and faithful servants!" CHAS. O. JONES, DALLAS, TEXAS.

MORE "WONDERFUL."

"The tables are turned; it was pastors against evangelists; it is now evangelists against pastors."

To a lover of Christ and the souls for whom he died the above is a "wonderful" statement. To me it is not "wonderful" that two pastors working in harmony with each other and with the Church should have a glorious revival. It is natural—normal. It is right. For my part I devoutly thank God that Bros. Hill and Clark have been enabled to vindicate themselves from the charge of an unfruitful ministry; but they must not suppose they are the only pastors who have done such work. I had over 1000 the last year I served as pastor. Many pastors are, and have been all along, having successful revivals. True a great many did not. But this is one great result reached by modern evangelism. It has shown our preachers that where ever revival conditions were complied with, the pastors would be successful as evangelists. Pastors who attended these evangelistic meetings were stirred with holy zeal and many went back home to call "mourners" and turn their mourning into joy. That some were more successful than others is not "wonderful" at all. I suppose no one will contend that all pastors succeed alike. Some men are, by gifts and grace, born revivalists. God uses them. (To him be all the praise). Now from what I have heard of Clark he is of the number. God has given him great endowments and has undoubtedly called him to get everybody saved he can, and "See that you neglect not the gift that is in you," as Bishop Haygood said (in justification of men who had not these gifts). "It would be a crime to discount such men."

I know Hill personally as a whole-souled Methodist revivalist and whether far-reaching or not, he is, I am sure, as "eloquent" at times as Bro. Burnett. But two men of this type together—give them the cooperation of the Church—and God will bless and save; and yet even they, would be more successful at some places than at others. Neither of them would claim to have had 300 conversions at every meeting they have ever held. In fact, if they could always bring about such results we would all demand at once that they bring up 600 conversions every sixty days hereafter, without a spurious one in the lot. Did not our good brethren have to build a tabernacle so as to accommodate their crowds? Were not the people put to praying and expecting a revival? Just about the same conditions were complied with as is customary with evangelists and God honored the work. What difference was there in these two pastors and any two evangelists? None, I suppose, except that as they were pastors there were no counterfeited conversions. One was from another work, just as it is now with evangelistic help. But "he was not paid"; that is the difference. "We kept before the people the idea that no preacher would be paid for his service and hundreds of people said, 'The preachers want us not our money.' Ah! that is it! Well, that is a difference to be sure. Let me ask if Bro. Clark does not get a stated salary? And Hill, too? Will the "hundreds" referred to contribute nothing to their support? If not I unhesitatingly pronounce them "spurious," whether converted at the "mourners' bench" or under "far-reaching eloquence of an evangelist." These two brethren live in houses furnished by a generous Church. Their salaries are fixed and will be paid. If they get sick or stop to rest their salaries go on. Did the "hundreds" mentioned object to Burnett because it would take some of "their money" to pay his expenses and support his family? If so, may God save the Church from a few more "hundred" of their type. If Burnett's "shouting convert" has no more religion than that it is to be hoped he will get the rest to the "mourners' bench," and keep them there until their pockets respond amen to their praise. It is to be hoped that the "hundreds" referred to were not among the 600 conversions; because— you know—why, they were pastors' converts, and it would not begin to do for them to handle counterfeited coin. That would be "wonderful!"

Now, 176 accessions to the Church in sixty days is "wonderful." I received 124 at one service from a ten days' meeting. Since then there has been added in the same flock seventy-five. At another I took the names of 200. Forty-two of them joined at one service. Time and again I have seen over 200 conversions at a ten days' meetings, and all at the "mourners' bench." All this was not "wonderful" of course, for I was a poor evangelist. Indeed there must have been 99 per cent "spurious," because I was an evangelist (although I preached and held the meeting just like I did when I was a station preacher), but of one thing I am thankful: they were urged to raise the pastor's salary and did it. All this nonsense about the difference between the methods of pastors and evangelists in conducting a revival is, to say the least of it, visionary, chimerical, unholly, wicked and is grounded in an unchristly spirit. "Pastors against evangelists," indeed! Who ever heard of such a thing! "Against!" How? If he means not in favor of them, then he is wrong, for the majority of all the pastors are coming to believe in evangelists. But that is not what he means by "against." He would have us believe that up to the time he and Bro. Hill held that meeting, evangelists and pastors were trying to see who could beat running a race, so to speak, with the evangelist in the lead. If that is not what he means, I confess I do not understand the sentence. If that is not what he means why does he begin by saying, "The tables are

turned?" As much as to say, "presto! we beat you." If such is the meaning, then in the name of every Methodist pastor in Texas I deny it. I do not believe they are prompted by any such unworthy motives. But if the "tables are turned" and there is a Methodist evangelist in Texas who is jealous about it he deserves the contempt of every good man. I do not believe there are such men among us either as evangelists or pastors. Indeed, I do not believe Bro. Clark meant to say what he did. He wrote in a hurry. The care of 176 newly enlisted converts bore heavily upon his mind. He was just a little nettled by Burnett's jocular question. He did not mean to make the impression that two hooded, knighted champions had entered the lists and redeemed the hitherto waning reputation of their brethren. He did not mean that pastors would stand on the victorious side of the "table" exulting more over the downfall of the poor "tramp evangelist" than over the 600 converts. No! He could not have meant such a thing. But if he did; why, then it is "wonderful."

J. H. COLLARD, JR.

MOST WONDERFUL.

How a fellow could shoot at Hill and hit Clark. I courted a little polemical tilt with "Gulliver," and fain would have shivered a lance or two with the doughty knight upon the evangelistic question—i. e., clap-trap principles; for his trap has been clapping at us continuously, and by methods known only to Gulliver he sought to extinguish the evangelistic fire. He is a splendid acrobat, but lights most to quick to secure an encore, which goes to prove that you can not always locate your game by the gobbie. As to the "colored glasses and being bent on mischief," our correspondence relative to the meeting is sufficient evidence I did not say "burn the letters," and if "a child among you" was taken notes, faith he may print 'em.

If eloquence could have unsettled Methodist usages, Bascom, Pierce and Munsey, et al., would have obviated the necessity of my poor pop-gun long ago. What a pity a fellow is so smart. He kills whigs before the water gets hot. But here is a grand, gloomy and peculiar wonder: "I meant by conversion at the mourners' bench, those who accepted the doctrine of repentance or mourning." Well, then, good brother, why didn't you count the entire population of the city? We know them to be an orthodox people. You must have let a few get away. We have used the mourners' bench at every meeting for twenty-three years. But have never tried the invisible clap-trap, that is considered the equivalent of a good puncher.

The point in the money question made against evangelists is not well taken. It encroaches upon the rights of Bishops, elders and pastors, and enters to the old hardshell law of a free gospel. We might eat folks if we were cannibals and were fat, but we can't wear them, and Jay Gould won't punch them for tickets. If Greenville let Hill preach ten days and pay his own expenses then we give it up that the whole city had backslidden. And still we wonder how out of 919 converts and reanimations only 176 joined the Church. Perhaps the remainder "accepted the doctrines of repentance and mourning" and were counted as being converted at the mourners' bench; and if some eloquent fellow don't find them they will go in leisurely later. And more wonder! If 500 had backslidden, how many had kept the faith in that charge? And the wonder is if the tables are now turned from pastor against evangelist to evangelist against pastor, which is it now—twelve-dum or twelve-dee? Final wonder: Why all of my relatives wanted me named for the one?

R. H. H. AND T. T. BURNETT.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, God in his unfathomable wisdom has taken from our midst Mrs. Kittie Watkins, our sweet sister in the M. E. Church, South, and a faithful member of our Aid Society; and,

Whereas, the regular attendance and punctual payment of her dues and conscientious work with us render it proper that we place upon record our appreciation of her services as a member and merits as a noble Christian woman; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we deplore the loss of our dear sister with sorrow and regret, softened by the confidence of our Savior, that her spirit is in a home not made with hands, eternal and in the heavens. She left a pure record behind. She had been faithful in doing what she could for the Master. Our hearts are filled with sadness when we visit the little house made bright and cheerful by her presence, where all was peace and happiness, now to see the husband bowed down in grief; the sweet innocent babe left motherless; the flowers which God created and Kittie's gentle hands attended all left behind. She is gone. Oh! how we miss sweet smile and gentle voice. She had a kind word for all. Gently, lovingly we laid her in the silent grave, no more to see that loved face, or hear her voice in our midst on earth. Yet God doeth all things well. Rest in peace, dear Kittie, on that blessed shore we'll meet again.

2. That we tender to the bereaved husband and loved ones our deepest sympathy in the loss of one who was a devoted wife, loving sister, kind and gentle friend. Weep not, dear husband, you lose in her gain; live near the cross, and in heaven you will be welcomed by that bright smile you loved so fondly here below.

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J. McDugald, Sept. 30: Protracted meetings on Linden charge closed. Forty-eight conversions, eleven infants and ten adults baptized, and twenty-two accessions. We had valuable help from Bro. Whitfield, Cumberland Presbyterian; also Revs. O. P. Thomas, S. A. Ashburn, H. C. Riddle, I. M. Brice, J. W. Bewley and J. F. Pierce, of the M. E. Church, South. Conference claims all up in cash and good subscriptions. A fine crop, good land, good schools, good people. Come to see us.

Sunset Circuit.

H. C. Rogers: At Sunset twenty-four accessions, one conversion, one sanctification. Membership somewhat refreshed. At Fruitland, twenty-six conversions; five accessions (more to follow); Church wonderfully refreshed and strengthened; two infants baptized. At Spark's Chapel, thirteen conversions, twenty-three accessions; Church greatly refreshed; three children baptized. At Rock Hill, two accessions; Church greatly refreshed; two infants baptized.

Roston.

J. T. Bludworth, Sept. 26: Yesterday was a great day for Methodism at El Bethel. We worshipped in the new Church. It's a thing of beauty, 48x32. We hope to pay every cent due, and dedicate it between this and conference. Bro. Edwards, of Southwest Missouri Conference, who is visiting relatives here, and expects to transfer to the North Texas Conference, preached two able sermons. We had some old-time shouting, baptized two children, and had one addition to the Church.

Emory.

J. W. Beckham, Sept. 29: We are getting on very well spiritually. We have had some fine revivals this year—about eighty conversions and seventy-five additions. Hope to be able to reports everything up at conference, though we are badly behind now with our finance. I am doing all I can to bring up the collection ordered by the conference. We have built two churches this year, but have not finished them yet. We are using them. Hope to have them done by conference, and then we can report \$1500 worth of property on the Emory Mission. I am thankful to Bros. Stafford, Clark and Pirtle and the local brethren for help in my meetings.

Dalby Springs.

W. B. Walker, Sept. 28: Since I last wrote to the ADVOCATE I have held my meeting at Cedar Creek (my last on this circuit for this year). It was a most glorious meeting. Bro. H. E. Butterfield, of Sulphur Springs, did all the preaching except one sermon, and he did it well, too. Butterfield is a great revivalist. There were about twelve conversions and some re-claimations. The Church was wonderfully revived. Five or six professed perfect love. Nearly every family in the community promised to hold family prayer. There have been about sixty conversions and forty accessions since I've been on the work. Several re-claimations. This circuit is in a very good condition spiritually. I've often wondered how a preacher feels when he gets his first pounding, and now at last I've had the experience. It was a grand affair and supplied us with many good things. I am working hard on my conference collections, and, notwithstanding the assessments are heavy, I hope to bring them up by conference.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

May.

D. C. Stark, Sept. 27: Since my last communication there have been some eight or ten conversions and eight additions to the Church on the May Circuit.

Fort Worth.

W. F. Lloyd: On yesterday the Sunday-school of First Church decided to give \$50 towards the building of the Church at Osaka, Japan, for which Dr. Morton and Bishop Key have been asking for some time past. Perhaps if you were to make a note of it, other schools might do likewise.

Plain View.

B. F. Jackson, Sept. 27: Another victory at Hale City. Held seven days and had thirty conversions. Preached at Wright Sunday night, regular appointment, and had two conversions—both men. Have had more than 150 conversions this year, with two more meetings to hold. Bless the Lord for his goodness.

Grand View.

H. C. Jolly, Sept. 26: The fourth quarterly meeting for Grandview Circuit, is just over. Rev. John S. Davis, our Presiding Elder, preached four

soul-stirring sermons, and organized an Epworth League with twenty-four members. He gets better all the time. Finances coming up. Grand View class \$25 above her assessment.

Crawford and Valley Mills Circuit.

J. J. Davis: We have just closed an eight days' meeting at Crawford. Burnett and Vaughan were with us. Burnett did the preaching, and Vaughan the singing. Notwithstanding the busy season, the congregations were good day and night. We had several professions and eighteen accessions to our Church. It was a good meeting. This is the seventh meeting on this circuit this year. Politics, heavy crops, together with my own bad health, have hindered the work greatly.

Morgan and Walnut Springs.

J. G. Miller, Sept. 26: We have a nice Church at each place. We are building a parsonage at both places. Have a very neat four-room house with pantry and galleries nearly completed at Morgan. Will move in this week. We expect to get the one at Walnut ready by conference. We can then make room for another preacher. I am getting ready for conference. Hope to make a good report.

Ferris.

J. P. Childers, Sept. 28: The tabernacle meeting here is reaching the people. Large crowds; a deep interest; eighteen conversions in the first three nights. Several of the hardest sinners have been saved. We believe we will have a great victory for God here. Some of the neighboring preachers are with us.

J. P. Childers, Sept. 30:

The meeting still grows. Many converts. Have had the help for the past few days of S. J. Franks, J. B. Adair, the old pilgrim, and J. R. Padgett. The good work goes on.

Bosqueville.

J. P. Calloway, Sept. 27: My protracted meetings are over for this year. The Bosqueville camp-meeting was a success. Twenty-five conversions, fifteen accessions. The Evergreen Camp-meeting was good; ten conversions, eight accessions. The Rev. M. L. Moody helped me through the Evergreen meeting. In all we have had forty-four conversions on the work this year and about fifty accessions. At Bosqueville the Rev. R. C. Armstrong, E. N. Furgerson, H. A. Bourland and others assisted. The Bosqueville circuit is in good condition. We will be up with our collections. The ADVOCATE is appreciated by all who can be induced to read it.

Rice and Chatfield.

Geo. S. Clark, Sept. 30: Began protracted meetings at Rice on Friday night before the second Sunday in July and closed my fifth meeting at Reynolds' School-house on Sunday, September 11. Everywhere the Church took higher ground, and peace and good will to men reign over the entire work. Visible results: Two hundred and fifty conversions, and so far this year 145 have joined our Church. I here want to thank all the brethren who aided me in the good work. Of these Dr. Lowery, of Chatfield, and Charlie Huskey, of Corsicana, deserve special mention. Rice and Chatfield will be in line in November with every claim paid in full. To God be all the glory.

Mullin Circuit.

G. W. Terpin, Sept. 22: Three more meetings have been held since my last report, with the following results: At Rock Springs had thirteen conversions, ten accessions, three children baptized, a collection for missions, amounting in cash and subscription to \$23, and the Church much revived. Assisted by Rev. N. Kelsey, of Zephyr; Rev. W. C. Hilburn, of Goldthwaite Station, and Rev. J. E. Verno, of Goldthwaite. At Rompy Creek had twelve conversions and ten accessions to our Church, one infant baptized, a collection for missions amounting to \$10, the Church much revived. Assisted by Rev. N. Kelsey, Rev. P. W. Gravis, and Bro. Morris, an exhorter from Zephyr Circuit. Next was my fourth quarterly conference, which convened Saturday before the second Sunday in September at Trigger Mountain. Rev. J. P. Mussett, our faithful Presiding Elder, was at his post. We had a very pleasant conference. Bro. Mussett preached us three good sermons. The meeting continued over the next Sunday with twenty conversions and twenty-six accessions, two children baptized and a collection for missions amounting to \$15.50, and a grand revival in the Church. Assisted by two exhorters from Zephyr—Bro. J. H. Dameron and Bro. Morris. Up to date we have received ninety into the Church; have had eighty-five conversions and baptized ten children. One meeting yet to hold.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Atto.

Geo. W. Riley, Sept. 29: The Ladies' Aid Society has this week put a new carpet and a good set of walnut chairs, upholstered, and communion table to match in our Church at this place. All honor to the good sisters.

Grapeland.

Joe R. Ritchie, Sept. 27: We finished our round of protracted meetings last Thursday night. At Grapeland we were ably assisted by Bros. J. T. Smith, our beloved Presiding Elder, J. L. Dawson, station preacher of Crockett, and J. L. Whitescarver, local preacher. This meeting resulted in five or six conversions and four accessions. At Antrim, one conversion and two additions. At St. Paul, one accession and tree children baptized. We have had up to date about seventy conversions, sixty accessions and twenty-

nine children baptized. We are coming up very well with the conference collections—expect to pay out in full by conference.

Shelbyville.

L. A. Burk, Sept. 30: Our third quarterly conference for the current year was held day before yesterday, the 28th instant. Our highly esteemed Presiding Elder, Rev. A. J. Frick, was present, also Rev. J. D. Burke, of the Center Circuit. Pastors report showed two new Church buildings erected, fifty-three accessions to our Church and about 100 conversions. No "sky blue" (or as far as that is concerned any other color) sanctifications, but solid justifications by faith; and as a certain old Book says that "therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ," we feel to thank the good Lord and take courage. We think this work will pay out this year. Amen.

Athens.

J. C. Callhorn, Sept. 27: The fourth quarterly conference for Athens and Malakoff is past. The statistics to be reported to the Annual Conference show a handsome increase in all lines of Church work, for which we are very thankful. Finances well up to date. Malakoff paid out in full her assessment for pastor and Presiding Elder, which places her the banner Church in the Tyler District. One beautiful feature of the occasion was the report of our "Ladies' Aid," which showed that the parsonage had just undergone a brand-new dress of repainting, besides many other kindnesses done, amounting to near \$300 this year. Rev. T. P. Smith, our Presiding Elder, was in good trim for preaching, having stood the long summer campaign of camp and protracted meetings splendidly, was looking well and did us some preaching of a high order.

Jasper Circuit.

R. M. Stewart, Sept. 23: Our protracted meeting at Maysville was a glorious victory for the Lord and Master; twenty-five clear-cut conversions and seven additions to our Church, many backsliders reclaimed and the Church much revived. I don't think I ever saw a greater manifestation of the power of God to save. Four young men belonging to the Baptist Church were powerfully converted on the road from Church. After a few sermons at the beginning of the meeting we had no need for preaching; the meeting ran itself. One brother said they ran the preacher and the devil out at the door. We had the local preachers, Bros. B. W. and B. Z. Powell and S. D. Harger and F. D. McMahan and they all did good work. I never saw members of the Church work better. Every one of the young men who were converted led in prayer-meeting, and all the girls led in prayer at their secret prayer-meeting. To God be all the praise.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Pleasanton.

J. L. Kennedy, Sept. 28: Bro. J. H. Collard, Jr., the evangelist, reached this place Saturday, the 17th, and preached his first sermon at 8 o'clock in the evening of the same day, and continued until the night of the 25th, with grand results. The results of the meeting were about one hundred conversions, a great many of them from the surrounding country. All denominations co-operated. Methodists and Baptists both received a liberal share of members and more to come in yet. The good work goes on. God be praised!

Uvalde.

Abe Mulkey, Sept. 28: Our Uvalde meeting closed upon the 26th, after ten days' work. Had glorious results. Rev. J. A. Baker, our pastor, has only been from the Little Rock Conference about two years and is a good preacher. Uvalde is an old town, beautiful and noted for its healthfulness. Our Church is first-class; good parsonage in a fine oak grove. This charge is the third strongest in the West Texas Conference. Pastors of all the Churches worked faithfully in the meeting. A number of rich ranchmen reside in Uvalde, owing to its healthful location. It is said to be first in the State in this respect. Several citizens came there as invalids and have become strong and well. They have a fine city school, three hundred pupils being in attendance, and as fine a corps of teachers as there are in the State. All in all, we were delighted with Uvalde and would like some day to be one of her citizens. God bless her good people.

Corsicana.

Having been invited to deliver a lecture to the Epworth League of Corsicana, I kept the engagement on the evening of September 30. On the way a clerical-looking gentleman introduced himself as J. T. Curry, pastor at McMinnville, Tennessee Conference. He has rounded up his quadrarium, and, knowing that he will be busy in his new pastorate, he has taken a breathing spell to visit his mother, brother and other relatives in Ellis County. He was accompanied by his wife and three bright arrows of the kind that David thought of when he wrote, "Blessed is the man who hath his quiver full of them." Bro. Curry is an interesting correspondent of the Nashville and other Advocates. He knows what to say and how to say it. Another pleasant surprise was to meet Rev. Sam J. Franks, the stalwart pastor of Italy Circuit. He had been helping Rev. J. P. Childers in a meeting at Ferris.

Corsicana is one of the best cities in Texas. It has about 8000 inhabitants, free postal delivery, water-works, electric lights, street railways, and fine public schools. The court-house is a

large building, and the county is just completing a new jail, the old one being small and unsuitable for the constantly increasing army of criminals. When we have prohibition throughout the country, the jails, bars and cells removed, should be turned into homes for the widows and orphans who have been beggared by the whisky traffic. One of the foremost improvements is a large cotton-seed oil mill, which was undertaken during the reign of the Railroad Commission with its promise of equalized rates. Now that the commission has been enjoined, the stockholders are not so hopeful of making a success of the enterprise. They already have contracts for exporting their oil and cake to Germany.

The Corsicana Cemetery is in charge of the ladies' association and as a consequence is well kept. The State has its only orphan home about two miles from the city. It has adequate buildings, is well-managed, and cares for one hundred or more orphan children. Adjoining the State grounds is the Odd Fellows' Orphan Home. Corsicana is the home of the well-known statesman, Roger Q. Mills. His residence has an old-fashioned, comfortable air, but looks dilapidated from not being occupied. Mrs. Mills was once a member of our Church, but withdrew during the prohibition campaign. It is hard for religion and politics to mix, although every country has eminent and consistent Christian statesmen.

Mayor Evans has become known throughout Texas for his resolution in enforcing the law against gamblers and saloons. He stirred up great opposition. The whisky devil, true to its law-breaking character, showed claws and teeth, and threatened, and the gamblers "talked big," but the Mayor, backed by public sentiment, enforced the law. This can be done everywhere else, if the proper men are put into office and supported by the better classes, who are always numerous enough to have their way if they only have the will.

The Churches of Corsicana are well-manned and vigorous. The Cumberland Presbyterian have a new and elegant brick building. The Protestant Methodist have here one of their few live congregations in this State.

Our own Church leads in point of members—the membership being not far from 600. Rev. J. R. Nelson is closing his second year as pastor. The Lord has given him great prosperity along all lines of Church work. The congregation is well organized, loyal and spiritual, attendance at prayer-meeting is large and the Sunday-school, R. P. Goodman, Superintendent, tests the capacity of the house. The Epworth League is very efficient and helpful. It numbers over 100, leads the Church music, reads the literature, and is ready to follow where Bro. Castle, the President, leads, or to do and go as the pastor directs. Every charge, according to its opportunity, can have such a League, if the pastor so wills, and in its organization can do much for his young people by helping them to do much for themselves.

This large, wealthy and prosperous congregation worships in a framed Church twenty-one years old. It was splendid ten decades ago. It is out of date now in such a city and for such a congregation. Our people there owe it to themselves, to their opportunity and to God to rise up and build a new house to cost \$30,000 or more. It will not be so great a strain to so build as it was for the fathers to erect the present structure twenty-one years ago. The Church owns a very large and beautiful site—none finer in Texas. There is room for the parsonage, an elegant home, for a garden, for the new Church, and for a half-acre park. It is refreshing to see so much room after looking upon a contracted city lot.

A shadow has been over the parsonage for three weeks in the serious illness of the beloved pastor. He seems better at this writing, but his fever has not yet cooled. He has a warm place in the hearts of his people, won by earnest preaching and faithful pastoral work. They are ready to serve him in any way, and continue in prayer for his speedy recovery. His wife's health has been mercifully preserved for the arduous and loving duty of nursing the sick. His mind is calm and trustful, and his heart is kept in peace. He has learned lessons of patience, sympathy and love. Sickness is often our best teacher. Let prayer be made for his early restoration to perfect health. We need such men as J. R. Nelson. May he tarry long with us.

The district parsonage is located here. The present occupant is Rev. George S. Wyatt. His district is one of the foremost in the conference, having eighteen appointments, and being situated in the most fertile parts of Texas. His principal stations are Corsicana, Hillsboro and Mexia. He has a number of splendid circuits, well-managed and prosperous.

There have been revivals at many points, notably on Kerens Circuit, with the efficient N. A. Keen in charge, and on Mexia Circuit, under the evangelist pastor, R. R. Raymond, in each of which there were from two to three hundred conversions. The total number of additions will be nearly 2000. A number of Churches and parsonages have been built or repaired. The collections are not up, but this district has the Christian habit of paying in full, and it will not break the record in such a prosperous year. Bro. Wyatt is closing his second year. He is happy and in fine spirits, as he has a right to be, at seeing the work of the Lord prosper so greatly in his hands. He and his efficient colleagues will make a fine report at conference and will deserve "Well done, good and faithful servants!" CHAS. O. JONES.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

MORE "WONDERFUL."

"The tables are turned; it was pastors against evangelists; it is now evangelists against pastors."

To a lover of Christ and the souls for whom he died the above is a "wonderful" statement. To me it is not "wonderful" that two pastors working in harmony with each other and with the Church should have a glorious revival. It is natural—normal. It is right. For my part I devoutly thank God that Bro. Hill and Clark have been enabled to vindicate themselves from the charge of an unfruitful ministry; but they must not suppose they are the only pastors who have done such work. I had over 1000 the last year I served as pastor. Many pastors are, and have been all along, having successful revivals. True a great many did not. But this is one great result reached by modern evangelism. It has shown our preachers that wherever revival conditions were complied with, the pastors would be successful as evangelists. Pastors who attended these evangelistic meetings were stirred with holy zeal and many went back home to call "mourners" and turn their mourning into joy. That some were more successful than others is not "wonderful" at all. I suppose no one will contend that all pastors succeed alike. Some men are, by gifts and grace, born revivalists. God uses them. (To him be all the praise.) Now from what I have heard of Clark he is of the number. God has given him great endowments and has undoubtedly called him to get everybody saved he can, and "see that you neglect not the gift that is in you," as Bishop Haygood said (in justification of men who had not these gifts). "It would be a crime to discount such men."

I know Hill personally as a whole-souled Methodist revivalist and whether far-reaching or not, he is, I am sure, as "eloquent" at times as Bro. Burnett. Put two men of this type together—give them the co-operation of the Church—and God will bless and save; and yet even they, would be more successful at some places than at others. Neither of them would claim to have had 300 conversions at every meeting they have ever held. In fact, if they could always bring about such results we would all demand at once that they bring up 600 conversions every sixty days hereafter, without a spurious one in the lot. Did not our good brethren have to build a tabernacle so as to accommodate their crowds? Were not the people put to praying and expecting a revival? Just about the same conditions were complied with as is customary with evangelists and God honored the work. What difference was there in these two pastors and any two evangelists? None, I suppose, except that as they were pastors there were no counterfeit conversions. One was from another work, just as it is now with evangelistic help. But "he was not paid;" that is the difference. "We kept before the people the idea that no preacher would be paid for his service and hundreds of people said, 'The preachers want us not our money.' Ah! that is it! Well, that is a difference to be sure. Let me ask if Bro. Clark does not get a stated salary? And Hill, too? Will the "hundreds" referred to contribute nothing to their support? If not I unhesitatingly pronounce them "spurious," whether converted at the "mourners' bench" or under "far-reaching eloquence of an evangelist." These two brethren live in houses furnished by a generous Church. Their salaries are fixed and will be paid. If they get sick or stop to rest their salaries go on. Did the "hundreds" mentioned object to Burnett because it would take some of "their money" to pay his expenses and support his family? If so, may God save the Church from a few more "hundred" of their type. If Burnett's "shouting convert" has no more religion than that it is to be hoped he will get the rest of the "mourners' bench," and keep them there until their pockets respond amen! to their praise. It is to be hoped that the "hundreds" referred to were not among the 600 conversions; because—you know—why, they were pastors' converts, and it would not begin to do for them to handle counterfeit coin. That would be "wonderful!"

Now, 176 accessions to the Church in sixty days is "wonderful." I received 126 at one service from a ten days' meeting. Since then there has been added in the same flock seventy-five. At another I took the names of 200. Forty-two of them joined at one service. Time and again I have seen over 200 conversions at a ten days' meetings, and all at the "mourners' bench." All this was not "wonderful" of course, for I was a poor evangelist. Indeed there must have been 99 per cent "spurious," because I was an evangelist (although I preached and held the meeting just like I did when I was a station preacher), but of one thing I am thankful; they were urged to raise the pastor's salary and did it. All this nonsense about the difference between the methods of pastors and evangelists in conducting a revival is to say the least of it, visionary, chimerical, unholy, wicked and is grounded in an unchristian spirit. "Pastors against evangelists," indeed! Who ever heard of such a thing! "Against!" How? If he means not in favor of the men, then he is wrong, for the majority of all the pastors are coming to believe in evangelists. But that is not what he means by "against." He would have us believe that up to the time he and Bro. Hill held that meeting, evangelists and pastors were trying to see who could beat running a race, so to speak, with the evangelist in the lead. If that is not what he means, I confess I do not understand the sentence. If that is not what he means why does he begin by saying, "The tables are

turned?" As much as to say, "presto! we beat you." If such is the meaning, then in the name of every Methodist pastor in Texas I deny it. I do not believe they are prompted by any such unworthy motives. But if the "tables are turned" and there is a Methodist evangelist in Texas who is jealous about it he deserves the contempt of every good man. I do not believe there are such men among us either as evangelists or pastors. Indeed, I do not believe Bro. Clark meant to say what he did. He wrote in a hurry. The care of 176 newly enlisted converts bore heavily upon his mind. He was just a little nettled by Burnett's jocular question. He did not mean to make the impression that two hooded, knighted champions had entered the lists and reclaimed the hitherto waning reputation of their brethren. He did not mean that pastors would stand on the victorious side of the "stable" exulting more over the downfall of the poor "stump evangelist" than over the 600 converts. No! He could not have meant such a thing. But if he did; why, then it is "wonderful."

J. H. COLLARD, JR.

MOST WONDERFUL.

How a fellow could shoot at Hill and hit Clark. I courted a little polemical tilt with "Gulliver," and vain would have shivered a lance or two with the doughty giant over the evangelistic question—i. e., clap-trap principles; for his trap has been clapping at us ominously, and by methods known only to Gulliver he sought to extinguish the evangelistic fire. He is a splendid acrobat, but lights most to quick to secure an encore, which goes to prove that you can not always locate your game by the gobbie. As to the "colored glasses and being bent on mischief," our correspondence relative to the meeting is sufficient evidence I did not say "shame the letters," and if a child among us was taken notes, faith he may print 'em.

If eloquence could have unsettled Methodist usages, Baseom, Pierce and Munsey, et al., would have obliterated the necessity of my poor pop-gun long ago. What a pity a fellow is so smart. He kills his hogs before the water gets hot. But here is a grand, gloomy and peculiar wonder: "I meant by conversion at the mourners' bench, those who accepted the doctrine of repentance or mourning." Well, then, good brother, why didn't you count the entire population of the city? We know them to be an orthodox people. You must have let a few get away. We have never tried the invisible clap-trap, that is considered the equivalent of a good puncheon.

The point in the money question made against evangelists is not well taken. It encroaches upon the rights of Bishops, elders and pastors, and caters to the old hardshell law of a free gospel. We might eat folks if we were cannibals and they were fat, but we can't wear them, and Jay Gould won't punch them for tickets. If Greenville let Hill preach ten days and pay his own expenses then we give it up that the whole city had backslidden. And still we wonder how out of 919 converts and re-claimations only 176 joined the Church. Perhaps the remainder "accepted the doctrines of repentance and mourning" and were counted as being converted at the mourners' bench; and if some eloquent fellow don't find them they will go in leisurely later. And more wonder! If 500 had backslidden, how many had kept the faith in that charge? And the wonder is if the tables are now turned from pastor against evangelist to evangelist against pastor, which is it now—twelve-dum or twelve-dee? Final wonder: Why all of my relatives wanted me named for them?

R. H. H. AND T. BURNETT.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, God in his unfathomable wisdom has taken from our midst Mrs. Kittle Watkins, our sweet sister in the M. E. Church, South, and a faithful member of our Aid Society; and

Whereas, the regular attendance and punctual payment of her dues and conscientious work with us render it proper that we place upon record our appreciation of her services as a member and merits as a noble Christian woman; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we deplore the loss of our dear sister with sorrow and regret, softened by the confidence of our Savior, that her spirit is in a home not made with hands, eternal and in the heavens. She left a pure record behind. She had been faithful in doing what she could for the Master. Our hearts are filled with sadness when we visit the little house made bright and cheerful by her presence, where all was peace and happiness, now to see the husband bowed down in grief; the sweet innocent babe left motherless; the flowers which God created and Kittle's gentle hands attended all left behind. She is gone. Oh! how wondrous sweet smile and gentle voice. She had a kind word for all. Gently, lovingly we laid her in the silent grave, no more to see that loved face, or hear her voice in our midst on earth. Yet God doeth all things well. Rest in peace, dear Kittle, on that blessed shore we'll meet again.

2. That we tender to the bereaved husband and loved ones our deepest sympathy in the loss of one who was a devoted wife, loving sister, kind and gentle friend. Weep not, dear husband, you loss is her gain; live near the cross, and in heaven you will be welcomed by that bright smile you loved so fondly here below.

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TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

(HELD BY BISHOP HARGREVE.) German Mission, at Houston, Oct. 28. West Texas, at Gonzales, Nov. 2. Texas, at Calvert, Nov. 10. Northwest Texas, at Waco, Nov. 23. North Texas, at Sherman, Nov. 30. East Texas, at Nacogdoches, Dec. 11.

THE MINISTRY OF SALVATION.

In our revival reports frequent mention is made of "clap-trap," "sensational methods," and the "old-fashioned" way of converting people. We have had a number of old-fashioned conversions; none of your hold up your hands business. There is a question underlying these expressions which may be practically exaggerated to an extreme in either of two opposite directions. The work of the ministry to be efficient must co-operate with the Divine Agent, the Holy Spirit. To ignore all human instrumentality is to ignore God's own plan in saving men. The agency of a human ministry is stamped with the seal of the Divine Wisdom and is God-appointed. By ministry is meant the human agency used in saving souls, whether by preachers or laymen. Of course the stress is upon the work of the preacher of the Gospel. On the other hand, to ignore the immediate agency of the Holy Spirit is to ignore the chief and essential agency. It is to ignore God himself.

When the Lord Christ sent out the twelve to preach in Galilee he said: "Behold I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore as wise as serpents and harmless as doves." When he commissioned the seventy to go before him and preach the kingdom in every city and place, whether he himself would come," he said: "Behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves," and then gave them minute details as to their work. In these words of our Lord may we not find the solution of the question of the human ministry in the work of salvation?

Men in the world to save the world are as helpless and defenseless as lambs among wolves. Can a flock of sheep rout a herd of wolves? So far from being able to capture the wolf, the lamb can not defend himself against the wolf. The sheep's only protection is in the shepherd. The human agency which attempts in its own strength to convert the world will not only fail to do so, but will be converted and devoured by the world. Yet the work set for these lambs to do is not only to defend themselves from the wolves, but to overcome the wolves and convert them into lambs. A work that no human arm can do. But in the strength of the Shepherd, the Lord Jesus, which is the power of the Holy Spirit, the lamb can do all things. The chief source of the minister's success is complete trust in God. Hence, the Lord directed the seventy to go with the offer of peace to the enemy without human preparation. Their confidence and help was to be in the Lord.

But when the Master saw the apostles in their mission as sheep among wolves, he added that they must be more than defenseless sheep. They must be as wise as serpents. To escape the hungry maw of the world-wolf would require the sagacity and shrewdness of a serpent. How many have been destroyed by the world! How many have strayed into the ways of the wolf and been devoured by him! But above all to capture and tame the wolves into the gentleness of the lamb would require all of their wisdom. The wisdom of the serpent was, however, to be guarded and subdued into the harmlessness (or simplicity) of the dove. In the work of the ministry, absolute trust in the immediate power of the Holy Spirit must be combined with all the best gifts—the shrewdest wisdom tempered with perfect gentleness—of man. God has appointed a human ministry for the saving of men, and no man can meet the obligation of the appointment who does not use his powers to that end. If one has eloquence, and another logic, and another

magnetism, each one must use his gift to meet the obligation of his appointment. He must leave no stone unturned within the range of his capacity to get men converted. All expedients not sinful must be used to get men to the saving cross. But in all it must be remembered that only the blood of Christ can cleanse from sin, and only the Holy Spirit can regenerate the soul. Every method not sinful which will cause men to see their sins and lead them to repentance and faith in Christ is legitimate and should be used. But any plan or methods or manipulations which exalts the human instrumentalities and detracts from the great truth that God only can save is a usurpation of the divine glory and fails of accomplishing genuine results. The work of the human ministry is to persuade men, to lead them to Christ with the distinct confession that he alone can save. Men must use all their powers, but in such a way as to glorify God.

PROF. SAMUEL G. SANDERS.

Dr. McLean's letter below brings us great sadness. Prof. Sanders entered Southwestern University the second and last year of the writer's student life there. He at once won all hearts by his modesty, simple manners and amiable disposition. He has given his life, now prematurely cut off as it seems from a human standpoint, to work in the University and has contributed no little to the institution's character and reputation. In losing him we lose one of our best men and teachers. May the wisdom of the Heavenly Father in death be sanctified to the good of all. The bereaved have our deepest sympathy.

We have just returned from the burial of our highly esteemed colleague, Prof. S. G. Sanders. A great sorrow is upon us and our loss deeply felt. He had been longest connected with the University, and contributed largely to its growth and development. Scholarly, pure, and faithful, his place will be hard to fill. But God can bury his workmen and carry on his work. Let fraternal prayer go up in behalf of the University and his family in this their mutual loss, that God, who can bring light out of darkness, may bring to us light and blessing in this our need. This is not intended to anticipate appropriate notices of his useful life. The funeral prayer was attested the great esteem in which he was held. JOHN H. McLEAN. GEORGETOWN, OCT. 1.

A GOOD EXAMPLE.

Mr. Wiley P. Boddie, of Colorado, formerly a student of the University, a year ago began the endowment of a scholarship in honor of his mother, Mrs. Martha Boddie, for whom it is named, by the gift of \$1200. He now proposes to increase the loan to \$2,500, thus securing perpetually each year \$150, for the education of a young man, otherwise deprived of it, to be selected for excellence of character and attainments. * * * The sagacious principals of that celebrated school write that the elements are in the present incumbent to make this scholarship illustrious. That investment of money promises a richer revenue!

Several of these scholarships have already been endowed by gentlemen of intelligence and means. But there are pressing demands for more. There are now several young men of promise whose education must be cut short for the lack of a little judicious help along this line.

Several of the older and best institutions of this country are educating young men by the hundred in this way. Friends of these institutions are constantly making contributions to their fund for this object, and there are coming forth distinguished scholars to enrich the literature and science of our age.—Nashville Advocate.

THE WAY THEY DO IT IN KANSAS.

Under this law the sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors may be prohibited within three miles of any Church or school-building in this State. To secure the protection and benefits of this law it is necessary for a majority of the adult citizens, male and female, residing within three miles of the given Church or school-building, to petition the County Court asking an order prohibiting the sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors within the territory named in the petition. The male citizens signing the petition must be at least twenty-one and the females eighteen years of age, and actual residents within the territory to be covered by the law. When a petition has been properly signed by a majority of such citizens, and is duly presented to the County Court, the Judge of that court, being satisfied the petition has been signed by a majority of the adult citizens in the given territory, must grant the order prohibiting the sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors in such territory for two years from the date of the order.—Arkansas Methodist.

SOME OF THE EFFECTS.

The Beginning of the End.—Three phases or stages of missionary toil may easily be distinguished. At first and of necessity all the forces, whether personal or financial, originate in Christian lands. But presently native missionaries of every grade begin to take the place of the foreign supply, and native contributions steadily increase. Thus last year of the \$11,500,000 contributed for foreign missions, upward of \$1,300,000 were derived from regions lately heathen, while to the 7800 missionaries were joined upward of 37,000 native helpers, of whom nearly 3000 were ordained, and quite a large proportion of the 11,000 Churches are entirely self-supporting. As examples of the third and final stage, we see the Hawaiian Islands, not only sustaining "home mission" among the Chinese, Japanese, and Portuguese, but also sending their representatives by the score to Christianize Micronesia; the

London Society seeks in Samoa and the Hervey Group a supply of teachers for pagan New Guinea, while by the Wesleyan Society Fiji and other islands have been turned wholly over to the care of the Australasian Conference.

In setting forth the debt of science to missions, Archdeacon Farrer offers these telling interrogatories, with their answers: "Is it nothing that through their labors in the translation of the Bible the German philologist in his study may have before him the grammar and vocabulary of 250 languages? Who created the science of anthropology? The missionaries. Who rendered possible the deeply important science of comparative religion? The missionaries. Who discovered the great chain of lakes in Central Africa on which will turn its future destiny? The missionaries. Who have been the chief explorers of Oceanic and America and Asia? The missionaries. Who discovered the famous Nestorian monument in Singur Fu? A missionary. Who discovered the still more famous Moabite stone? A Church missionary. Who discovered the Hittite inscriptions? A Presbyterian missionary."

SAYS THE EXAMINER: "Not all the Chinese carry all their money to China. The 161 Chinese Christians of California raised last year for benevolent purposes \$6290, or \$39 for each; for the expenses of their own association they raised another \$2029, or \$12 for each member. They raised \$1913 for home missions and \$2181 for foreign missions. One Chinese Sunday-school (30 members) in Brooklyn, N. Y., has given, the last year, \$150 for foreign missions. A Boston Chinese Sunday-school gave \$114 for the same work."

ONE day an Indian asked Bishop Whipple to give him two one-dollar bills for a two-dollar note. The Bishop asked: "Why?" He said: "One dollar for me to give to Jesus and one dollar for my wife to give." The Bishop asked him if it was all the money he had. He said: "Yes." The Bishop was about to tell him: "It is too much," when an Indian clergyman who was standing by whispered, "It might be too much for a white man to give, but not too much for an Indian who this year heard for the first time of the love of Jesus."—Missionary Review.

RELIGIOUS RAWNESS.

An admirable discourse on the attitude of Christians to certain questions of duty and privilege was criticised as a "Christless" sermon because it contained no reference to the atonement and reverently avoided the irreverent and irrelevant use of that Name more dear than sacred to some very good people. Preaching Christ is not only a very definite, but it is also a very wide, commission, as wide, not only as his work, but as his Word. Such a criticism as that which we mention is altogether too common, and is the result of what, for want of a better name, may be termed religious "rawness." The dictum that, as all roads lead to Rome, so all Gospel discourses should lead to Christ, needs a little discriminating sense in its application. Christ is the Savior of men in the specific sense for which the atonement stands; but he is also the Savior of men in the larger sense of perfecting man in every good word and work. A sermon in which the atonement is assumed, and in which there is an obvious propriety for the minimum iteration of the sacred name, may be a thoroughly Gospel sermon; and it is quite possible to conceive of a sermon on the atonement with the maximum iteration of Christ's name not simply destitute of the Gospel but a perversion of its most blessed message. Ministers are not Gospel preachers any more than men are saints by virtue of their much saying, Lord! Lord!—Northwestern Advocate.

LAFFERTY STUMPED.

We are "stumped." Our brethren of the rubber raiment insist that a man reading the Bible would be sure to go down into and under Jordan. And strangely, sermons and sermons, books on books, tracts on tracts, are used to hammer this doctrine, so plain, into the public! Why doesn't it just run into the public mind like a single squirrel shot drops to the bottom of a gun barrel, needing no ramrod? It is a rare thing to hear in Methodist, Episcopalian and Presbyterian pulpits any allusion to the mode of baptism. So unusual is it that if they merely state their own views, you hear an outcry of "attacking the Baptists." But the folks who are cock-sure that the fine and fat old fellow from Ethiopia did go out of sight in some pond, so plentiful in that way called "desert"—soused with his best "store clothes"—on these satisfied folks are everlastingly "proving" that "he baptized him." Dearly beloved brethren of the baptismal brooch, let well enough alone. If any and everybody must say that Paul in the dungeon of the "inner prison" did dip "all over" the jailer, then hush.—Richmond Advocate.

THE SANITARY INSPECTOR OF NATURE.

It sounds paradoxical, but it is true that the threatened visitation is a blessing in disguise. The Asiatic cholera is the great sanitary inspector of Nature. He may be regarded as the author of modern sanitation, and whenever the zeal of the sanitarian burns low, the cholera goes his rounds and revives the faith of mankind in measures of public health. There can be little doubt that the cholera saves far more lives than the few whom it sacrifices. There is hardly a capital in Europe which is not being made cleaner, sweeter, and therefore more habitable and healthy because of the threatened visitation. We are all putting our houses in order, clearing away our middens, emptying our cesspools, purifying our water supply, and generally waging a holy war against dirt and uncleanness. It is a striking illustration of the immense utility of sensationalism in the economy of the universe. The cholera is really one of the least deadly of diseases if deadliness is to be computed by the numbers slain. Half a dozen other maladies slay, year in and

year out, ten men for one taken by the cholera; but they do it in a quiet, stealthy, strictly non-sensational fashion. Hence they kill, and kill, and kill, and it does no good. But when the cholera comes along it produces the maximum of sensation by the minimum expenditure of life, and does more good in its sensational tour of three months than all the other diseases do in as many years. It is no doubt due to their appreciation of this fact that the journalists exhaust their resources in striking head-lines as if to get up a cholera panic. Otherwise their method of dealing with the cholera news would be murderously cruel.—From the Progress of the World, October Review of Reviews.

AN OVERTURE FROM AMERICA.

I wish especially to take this opportunity of informing those who do not yet know it that a very remarkable overture came to our own Government from the President of the United States twelve months ago, proposing that the British Empire should make with the United States of America, not a treaty of arbitration to deal with one special case, as Lord Salisbury had so happily and wisely done, but a permanent treaty of arbitration binding both sections of the English-speaking world; so that if any difficulty arises the whole matter shall be referred to an impartial tribunal before any hot blood is aroused. I cannot conceive anything more for the glory of God and for the benefit of man than such a position as that. After we have done that we may not despair of persuading the French and Germans to take a similar course.

I hold very strongly with Joseph Mazzini that it is the duty of good men to capture the Foreign Office. Supposing we succeeded in that, and had a Foreign Minister who made it his first business to promote peace, we could do a thousand times more than all the peace societies in the world.—From a Speech by Hugh Price Hughes, published in the October Review of Reviews.

TO NURSE the companion in serious illness almost constantly day and night and at the same time to do the best we could on the ADVOCATE under the circumstances, has been our task this week.

"THEN there arose a reasoning among them which of them should be the greatest." See?

ANOTHER evidence that "the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light" is the total loss of our Church at Reagan by fire. If that Church had been the residence or even the home of some well-to-do citizen of this world it would have been insured against such accident. To have carried the insurance would have been a very small tax on the congregation worshipping there.

THE letter of Dr. S. A. Weber, of South Carolina, which we publish elsewhere in this issue, in speaking of the death of Dr. J. R. Mood mentions a very interesting fact: that the five sons of the Rev. John Mood successively paid their way through Charleston College by teaching in the afternoons a school for free colored people. Four of the sons became able itinerant preachers and one of them, Dr. Asbury Mood, rose to great eminence and died as Regent of the Southwestern University, at Georgetown, Texas. His oldest son graduated last June in the Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University, and will join one of the Texas Conferences this fall.—Nashville Advocate.

There is a slight mistake in the above. Richie is not the oldest son of the late Dr. A. F. Mood.

THE Rev. W. P. Lovejoy, our Georgia correspondent, writing of the missionary debt, says:

This debt is putting to the test our loyalty to our Church and our devotion to our Lord. The times are hard, but withholding from God that which belongs to him and refusing to obey his command, "Go into all the world" with the Gospel, will not make them easier.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.



TOPICS FOR PRAYER-MEETINGS.

OCTOBER.

23. The Divine Shepherd.—Ps. 23:1-4.

TOPIC FOR OCTOBER 16.

The Happy Man.—Ps. 1:15.

1. The blessed man of this Psalm is the Christian of the New Testament. He is a typical character. The blessedness described is not that which results merely from favorable circumstances in the world, but is the gift of a good character. Christ our Lord said by their fruits ye shall know them. David described the character of his model man by what he does.

2. A man may not be known only by the company he keeps, but is more or less molded by it. There is but one safe way in which any may associate with the wicked. That is, for their good and in company with the Lord Jesus Christ. If he is your companion he is greater than the wicked.

3. This man did not allow himself to be guided by the ungodly. "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light;" but it will not do for the servant of God to walk in the counsel of their wisdom. Their wisdom is in the sphere of "their generation," and the

man who is guided by it will become one of them. "The counsel of the ungodly," "the way of the sinner," and "the seat of the scornful" will be strictly avoided by the good man. This is what the good man does negatively.

4. The source of his happiness was the "Law of the Lord." His delight was in it. Day and night it engaged his meditations. In this he found companionship with the fountain of all bliss, the Lord God. There was here "the richest food for his soul. It was a deep well of an inexhaustible supply of the water of life. There was room here for the constant occupation of all his faculties, mental and spiritual. The law of God is the mind of God, and meditating in this law we converse with him.

5. This man is compared to a fruitful tree planted by the rivers of water. The law of God is the "rivers of water." The tree that drinks from this fountain will be fruitful. It was an evergreen and never failed to bear its fruit. It was not dependent on occasional showers. In constant companionship with God by meditation in his word the Christian is not dependent for fruitfulness on occasional revivals. He draws constantly from an inexhaustible supply of divine grace. And receiving so richly from this fountain he bears his fruit in his season. Let each member of the Epworth League be such a tree and the League will be an orchard of the Lord, bearing the fruits of righteousness.

NOTES.

AN Epworth League has been organized at Grand View with twenty-four members.

We organized an Epworth League at Kerrville, September 22, with a membership of twenty-two. The following members were elected officers: Rev. J. A. Thomas, President; Miss Alice Starkey, Vice-President; and B. B. Lowrance, Miss-Presidents; Hy. Candlin, Secretary; William Hughes, Treasurer. We hope to succeed well in our effort. C. H. MALLOY.

We hear a good deal of the opportunity of the League. The present circumstances seem to favor a growth and an influence that surpasses our ability to measure or foretell. The Church looks on in amazement as a half-million young people salute her with the waving banners and the ringing shouts of a well-organized army ranging itself by her side. We are told the opportunity of the League is a glorious future of usefulness and of renown. But we doubt whether this is the real opportunity after all. We have no promise of the future; and if we had, the present must answer for itself. We must regard the end for which the League is, at best, but the means. We can only vindicate our existence by our service, and we serve only as we aid the Church of God in her divinely appointed work.

THE Epworth League aims at the following results:

The thorough organization of young people on right lines.

Resistance to the influences of the world with its enticing and sinful pleasures.

Active efforts by all means to push the aggressive work of the Church.

The kindling of a central fire in the Church to warm cold hearts into the flame of brotherly love.

A better understanding and closer fellowship between the young and the old.

An ever present co-operating force at the call of the pastor for service.

The training of young Christians in the details of responsibility and service.

An active agency to lift up young people of no particular religious conviction to the realities of faith.

An altar where hearts bound together by service may look up to "The Father of Lights" for help and victory.—Methodist Herald.

The following, prepared as a prescription to kill a Young Men's Christian Association, will serve to kill a League as well: "1. Stay away from all its meetings, both secular and religious. 2. Either decline to serve on any of its committees or shirk all the duties placed upon you. 3. Say all the discouraging things you can about it. 4. Neglect to be prompt in paying your annual dues. 5. Never take any active part in anything gotten up by the Association. 6. Always leave the hard work for the General Secretary to do. 'He's paid for it'—you ain't. 7. Never take any responsibility on your own shoulders, or mention it in your prayers. 8. Advise all young men not to join it, on account of the hard work they will be expected to do. 9. Carefully taken each day of the year, will not only wreck the Association, but everything else with which you have to do. 10. Join another Association and see how it will work there."

The League gives access to vast numbers of young people whom we might not reach without its organization, its attractions, its fellowships, its methods. Are we satisfied with "getting them to join"? Are we using the associations of the League as a means of seeking the souls of our friends? Is not this our real opportunity? It is proverbially hard to reach sinners with the Gospel; and the more the attractions of society and the world multiply the stronger is the competition into which the Gospel is brought. Our congregations are small, and sinners are scarce in them. Our Sunday-schools and prayer-meetings are not making large inroads in the ranks of the world. We find it a capital difficulty to get men even to hear the Word. But the League magnetizes the young and draws them to us. Here is our chance. Let all the people say amen. Let no brother or sister lift a finger to frighten away the wary birds. Let us

allure them with our kindest words, our cheeriest smiles, and our most joyful songs. Then let us spread the net. No guile need come in. It is not in vain that the Gospel net is spread in the sight of any bird, for we seek him for his own good. The vanity consists in winning them to our society alone. Spread the net. Covet their souls. Think of this first and always. Jesus wills it; God will help; the Church will rejoice, and our converts will multiply like the drops of the morning. They will also rise up and call us blessed, by and by.

By seeking the salvation of the young people, we fulfill our present duty, and the future will take care of itself. Let us look over our own chapter right now, and ask God to help us win a soul to him.—Western Advocate.

SOUTHERN METHODISM.

News, Views and Personal.

—Raleigh Advocate: We have reported in these columns for the past few weeks about 400 conversions each week. The Lord seems to be pouring out his blessings upon our people in this State. These new converts ought to be put to work immediately and there ought to be an increase in everything good by their accession to God's great army.

—Wesleyan Advocate: In the Church Directory, published in the last Pacific Methodist, Bishop Fitzgerald's residence is placed at San Francisco, Cal. This is a mistake. Bishop Fitzgerald's home is in Atlanta, Georgia, and not San Francisco or Nashville. Letters directed to him at Atlanta will be forwarded to him when out on his Episcopal work.

—Christian Advocate: Dr. Walter R. Lambuth sends us, from Independence, Mo., the seat of the Southwest Missouri Conference, the following telegram: "A note of jubilee! Sound it through the Church! The Southwest Missouri Conference gave \$4,394.49 to-day on the missionary debt. Let the fires of a missionary revival now kindling sweep over our section. The Lord of Hosts leads us on to the conquest of a lost world." Mr. T. B. Holt, the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, has shown us a letter from the pastor of a poor mission in the Virginia Conference, sending a check for \$35, collected on the occasion of a love offering, and adding: "My wife died the 1st of last December. She had saved up \$40 in gold, and I have been puzzled to know how to use it. Now that she has gone to heaven, I forward that amount to you to help, as you may deem best, the great cause I love so much."

—Central Methodist: The forty-seventh session of the Louisville Conference met in Campbellsville, Kentucky, September 21, 1892. Bishop Fitzgerald in the chair. Rev. Gross Alexander was re-elected Secretary, with several assistants. The attendance was very large, filling to overflowing the Baptist Church, the largest assembly hall in the city. At the first session the Presiding Elders made their reports, which showed a very decided improvement on all lines of material progress, with a large increase of membership. This, in addition to the appointment of committees, reference of papers, etc., was the order of business for the first day. On Tuesday night there was a heavy rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, and the weather Wednesday was most charming. The preachers seem in good spirit, are full of life, sing with enthusiasm, and the religious services have the old-time fire. They are not afraid to say Amen, so that you heard, and the old-time shout in the camp is by no means uncommon. Wednesday evening Rev. L. B. Davison delivered the conference sermon, which was also his semi-centennial sermon, having entered the conference just fifty years ago. His text was the words of the Savior: "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you," etc. Lack of time forbids a synopsis of his sermon, which was both strong and clear. Father Davison will be eighty years of age May 3, 1893; was five years a class-leader, and one year a local preacher. During the fifty years of his ministry he has preached 10,000 sermons and traveled 150,000 miles. His sermon abounded in illustration, and some of the scenes described, especially the trial of his mother to give him up, were very affecting. Grand old man! May he be long spared to bless the Church and the world.

—John E. Collins, in Alabama Advocate: The Los Angeles Conference met Wednesday, September 14, at 9 a. m., Bishop Haygood in the chair. Roll call showed the largest attendance in the history of the conference. As visiting brethren, we had "Uncle" McIntosh, of Georgia, who delighted the conference with music and speech. Dr. R. P. Wilson, business manager of the Pacific Methodist Advocate, addressed the conference in behalf of that paper—making some gratifying statements; also Dr. Bloss, editor of said Advocate, spoke, urging the importance of articles, news to the Advocate. Bishop Vincent, of the M. E. Church, having been introduced to the conference, was called to his feet for an address. He spoke in a very fraternal spirit. Among other things he said: "There is need of both Churches on the coast—you, had we members that we could not hold, and we reach some whom you could not reach. You can not succeed without assisting us, and neither can we without helping you. Officially, I bid you God-speed, and invoke the blessing of God on you." Bishop Holt, of the United Brethren Church, was now introduced, and addressed the conference, setting forth the tender, the manly, and abiding love which existed between the founders of Methodism and their ministers of that day. Neither has that bond of brotherly sympathy and brotherly love ever been severed. To both of these addresses Bishop Haygood replied in a brotherly way, thanking them for their presence and kind words, assuring each of our love and sympathy. May they come again. We are moving forward along all lines. This has been a good year for us. The most inviting field that our Church has. Brethren, we need men—and means to enter the inviting places. Talk, preach, and sing and pray for our Western missions till we shall be one in heart.

—St. Louis Advocate: At 3 o'clock Monday afternoon the Southern Missouri Conference concluded one of the most interesting sessions ever known in the history of the conference. Former sessions have been more harmonious, but euphony and harmony can sometimes grow monotonous. Without any cyclonic disaster, there was just enough agitation to fill the air with an exhilarating sufficiency of ozone. Some of the best and highest interests of human life, like the Alpine Rhododendron, flourish most in stormy altitudes. The presiding Bishop, seemingly, was never in better plight or ever did better work in the chair, on the platform and in the pulpit. The long-honored Secretary, though suffering acute bodily affliction, has lost none of the genial humor of his olden days. The inimitable Dr. Protzman, whose vision is somewhat waning on



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things material, has lost none of his keen apprehension of the ludicrous. His wit threw a pleasing glamour over the ragged edges and battered combatants of more than one conflict. Dr. W. M. Lathrop, of the West, represented Dr. Morton Church Extension. He was pastor at Independence thirty years ago, and regaled his many old friends with picturesque delineation of that stormy period. We are sorry to say that the Church Extension work of this conference is by no means commensurate with her possibilities. We do beg and trust that all the pastors of this vigorous conference for the coming year will during the very first month provide for the full amount of their assessment for Church Extension. One evening was given to the discussion of education. Bishop Hendrix was present, but he yielded the auspicious hour to his eloquent colleague from the South. The fame of Bishop Galloway's great work in Mississippi on this line had preceded him. One of the finest audiences we have ever seen gathered in Missouri greeted him with expectations of the highest, which were fully met and satisfied. In his earnest plea for the work of the Church he sounded a salutary note of warning against disparaging and antagonizing the work of the State in her efforts to develop an intelligent citizenship. He came very near commending himself to what we believe every enduring republic will finally have to adopt, and that is compulsory education. He said, "When the State taxes me and takes my dollar to educate an ignorant boy, she ought to educate that boy or return my dollar." We live in an age of educational revival. We have come to the parting of the waves and the Church slumbering on her opportunities. We can no longer send men to the pulpits of this land to deal with superannuated platitudes. His tribute to the scholarship of Wesley and Adam Clark was met with every commendation of conference enthusiasm was reached on Saturday at the close of Doctor Walter Lambuth's missionary address. He stated that our general missionary debt of \$118,000 had been apportioned to the various conferences and solicitors were being appointed in every conference. Bishop Galloway announced the name of the solicitor for the Southwest Missouri Conference to raise all our part of the debt by next March. The newly appointed solicitor came from the rear of the audience and proposed to raise the amount thereon. This was accomplished in gilt-edged descriptions in less than thirty minutes! The entire amount subscribed was \$4400.39—more than \$1000 in excess of our amount of the debt. Never in all the history of the conference has it been more royally entertained. Independence is a sort of Brooklyn to Kansas City, and the doors of these hospitable homes were swung wide open. There was a large number of welcome guests from other conferences, among whom were Dr. Haynes, of Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. Carrington, from Colorado Springs; Bro. O'Brien, Leadbetter and Williams, from the Missouri Conference; Hansworth, from the St. Louis, and Fabian, Downs and Comer from the Western. The large Church was crowded at every session, and in the evenings overflow meetings were held in the other churches. The next session of the conference will be at Boonville.

PERSONALS.

The postoffice of Rev. C. H. Govett, is Hope, Eddy County, N. C.

Rev. P. C. Archer, of Paris, called. He delivered a lecture in East Dallas Church, Tuesday night. Sorry we were absent and did not get to hear Bro. Archer nor see him in the office on account of sickness in family.

We have received cards of invitation to the marriage of Lillie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Blylock, to Rev. W. W. Watts, Wednesday morning, October 12, at 10 o'clock, at Grange Hall Church, Mar-shall, Texas. We extend our congratulations.

Rev. J. C. Carr, of Leesburg, writes: Bro. J. M. Brisson, an aged member of our Church, and who has been a subscriber to the ADVOCATE for upward of thirty years, died in great peace, at the home of his son, R. T. Brisson, near Lafayette, Upshur County, Sept. 24.

Rev. J. C. Burgamy writes: "I write these lines propped up in bed. I have been very low. Please remember me in your prayers. I rejoice to know that my faith in God is strong. I am happy." Bro. Burgamy has our sympathy in his affliction and prayers for his speedy recovery.

The Rev. T. T. Booth, of Jacksonville, writes: Sickness, politics, scarcity of money and low price of cotton is working a hardship upon the poor preachers in this country. But we will preach on and so do our best. May the Lord order all things. Rev. for us. The ADVOCATE is appreciated.

The Rev. C. H. Govett, writes from La Luz, New Mexico, Sept. 23: Lorenzo Grate is dead. Arrived at La Luz, to-day at 9 a. m., and at 2 p. m. was called to officiate at the obsequies of Lorenzo Grate, the Mexican minister of the Mexican Mission of the M. E. Church, South, at this place.

Rev. J. J. Davis, of Crawford and Valley Mills Circuit, writes: "We like the ADVOCATE and nearly every Methodist family on this circuit takes it. This has been to me a very pleasant year in many respects, yet it has been the saddest year of my ministerial life. My health has been so bad that I could not do full work, and even now I fear I shall not be able to take work next year. It is painful for me to think of falling out of line even for one year, but the Lord knows what is best for us all. I ask the prayers of my brethren and all

good people, that I may be able to submit cheerfully to God's will." God bless Bro. Davis.

—Rev. J. W. Coker writes: Rev. I. N. Reeves delivered his famous lectures at our Church (Indian Creek) on Tuesday, the 13th of September. He expected to deliver them on Sunday, but was rained out. On "The Baptism of Christ" and "Infant Baptism," Bro. Reeves is master of the situation. I have never heard his equal on these doctrines. He takes the position that Christ was not baptized to initiate him into his priestly office, but to make him manifest to the people. In this position he is in line with the sainted Bishop Marvin. Bro. Reeves is the man to defend Methodism; on the state of infants as touching original sin he is Methodist to the core.

—Rev. I. T. Morris, Presiding Elder of Llano District, West Texas Conference, writes: I am enjoying the indescribable sensation of being a "noted" preacher and am well "suited." Last winter I bought a horse, giving my note due November next. I had the misfortune to lose the horse. The sisters on the Round Mountain Circuit took the matter in hand, raised the money necessary to pay off and present me with the note. So you see, I am "noted" and well "suited." I wish to express through the ADVOCATE my sincere thanks to the donors.

A CHURCH BURNED.

Our Church at Reagan burned to the ground last Tuesday. It cost us \$3000 and was one of the most comfortable churches I ever saw. We are heart-broken. Just finished work on it last year and put in new furniture this year. The community suffered a loss last year that took all the money in the country and left some in debt. We do not know how we can rebuild. It is hard to ask a man to borrow money and subscribe to a church, but this we must do if we build, and we must build. This will be a Church of faith and trust in God. One little boy says he made \$6 picking cotton and will give that. We must have a Church. A little girl said to her mother, "The bad man will get us sure, now; no place to go to Sunday-school or preaching." We can not give our children up, but must have a house for them. J. B. COCHRAN, BERNARD, TEXAS.

MISSIONARY REPORTER.

Allow me to criticize a statement made in your editorial on "Appeal of an Empty Treasury" in your issue of September 29th.

It is not in order to correct a mistake so much as to call attention to a state of things that you infer to exist, that in reality does not, to wit: In alluding to Dr. John's exhortation to pastors in the Reporter. You infer that they had all seen it. I attended a District Conference this year where only two or three were taking the Reporter. And so far as I could learn, only one pastor had distributed any missionary literature sent out free by Dr. John. Now, this to my mind is a lamentable state of affairs. If we ever reach the membership of our Church and awaken them to the calls God is making upon them, it must be done through the pastors. If we would have our people hear the "Macedonian cry" and rise en masse to rescue the perishing millions, we must inform them of their need. How any pastor can refuse to or neglect to subscribe for this Holy Ghost messenger I can not understand. And to neglect to distribute the literature that our Board has prepared and offers free, appears to me little less than criminal.

One reason why there are so many deficits reported is because the pastor has not given his flock the information on the subject they should have had. But how can he give something he has not got himself? The pastor is the recognized leader of his flock, but he cannot lead them where he does not go himself. When the missionary or Christ spirit burns warmly in every preacher's heart, we may begin to expect the conversion of the world. Let me exhort every pastor who is not now a subscriber to the Missionary Reporter to neglect this duty no longer, but send thirty-five cents to Dr. I. G. John, Nashville, Tenn., for it at once.

Approx to this, I send you an extract from a letter written to me by a brother in the Indian Mission Conference, which I hope you will publish.

A. A. WAGNON, HARMONY HILL, TEXAS.

I would to God our preachers would awake and look abroad. If there ever was a time when our beloved Zion needed money it is now, undoubtedly. As preachers we have had a hard time this year and the prospects are it will be worse next. Our Board has no money to support men to occupy the territory that is open for us and that are actually pleading for the Gospel. I wish some of those indifferent preachers could have been at our District Conference to have heard the earnest plea that came from the wild tribes, especially from the Kiowas and Comanches. They are wanting to learn more of the white man's God; the God of peace. I had the privilege of meeting some of them in the sacred ark of "brotherly love," while we sang "By the grace of God I'll meet you." You may read of the Macedonian cry, but it is not like looking, nor by vision but in reality, into the face of the heathen and see the expression on their countenance as they beg for the Gospel. When one of them is converted he is ready to work for the salvation of his friends. It would have done you good to have heard a boy fifteen years old prying for God to give him a good heart and help him lead his friends into the right way, that they might be good and love one another.

While the call is urgent, where is the money? There are men and women enough, but how can they go

except some one send them? It is money the Lord hath need of. It is money the Church needs to take this country for Christ. It seems to me very much like souls are allowed to perish for a moneyed consideration. If we love our neighbor as ourselves we will be willing to make some sacrifice to save them. Language cannot express my feelings in regard to this subject. If the members of the Church in your district would pay one-half as much to the Lord as they spend for tobacco, it would be enough to support a missionary among the wild tribes. Does it not look like if they had the spirit of Christ they would be willing to deny themselves of a part of this unnecessary and baneful luxury that they might be instrumental in saving souls?

A WONDERFUL ROCK.

On Tuesday, September 27, in company with Rev. I. S. Napier, of Llano Station, his good wife, who knows how to prepare for such an expedition, and his two boys, Baxter and Kavanaugh, we left Llano, passed through Oxford and stopped at noon near Bro. J. F. Thompson's, under some spreading live oaks, ate our lunch, resting for two hours. We started again and crossed Sandy Creek. It has the right name—a bed of sand full 100 yards wide, here and there little holes of water. Two miles beyond we turned west, entering a large pasture belonging to Mr. Chas. Moss, said to contain 30,000 acres. After rolling, thumping, and bumping over rocks, gullies, ravines and dry branches, we stopped for the night at Mr. A. G. Bird's residence, who very kindly gave us lodging for the night. After holding religious devotions with his family, tired and weary, we laid us down and slept. Yes, we slept. How sweet is sleep to a tired body. After an early breakfast and a drive of five miles over a very rough road we reached the foot of that wonderful so-called "Enchanted Rock." It is in Llano County, twenty-five miles in a southwestern direction from Llano, the county site. Its perpendicular height is about 100 feet above the common level of that locality. It requires a meandering travel of about 1500 feet to reach the top, being oval in shape and about one mile in diameter at its base, said to contain 640 acres, is one solid rock of granite. To gaze upon it in silent meditation it is a magnificently grand, sublime sight to behold. To see it, as it has stood there for sixty centuries, who but an infidel or atheist could doubt that it was created by our God, the Great, Grand Architect of the universe? Evolution could never have produced it. Our Heavenly Father spoke and it stood firm. The rainfall of the centuries have worn here and there little trenches as it run down upon its sides. On the top it is somewhat of a level. We saw patches of green grass, and Sister Napier gathered a bunch, and picked up a small rock off the tip-top for a memento. It would require a travel of more than three times its diameter to go round it. At a point near its base flows out a stream of pure, fresh water. About one-half the volume flows through a spout and fills my gallon canteen in seven-seconds or less. Without any doubt this is the biggest, single, solid rock in the world, or said to be. I was born and raised in West Tennessee. I have traveled over parts of sixteen States, two Territories, in Mexico; have seen many lovely, wonderful scenes, but this "Enchanted Rock" is, I think, the most sublime my eyes ever beheld. Wonderful Rock!

The ascension and descent, and bracing breeze sharpened our appetites, and partaking of a lunch, then resting and looking, gazing upon this lone mountain of granite upon which Col. Jack Hays, of Western fame, had a fight with Indians in 1841, who after killing several of the band made his escape; and others, old Texans, have fought bands of marauding Indians on and around this noted rock. After spending the day we returned to Mr. Bird's, duly and truly prepared for rest and sleep. Next day we reached Oxford and had a lunch of eggs, canned fruit, bacon and fried chicken. We reached Llano safely, and Providence permitting, we agreed to see this big Rock again. L. G. WATKINS, LLANO, TEXAS, OCT. 1, 1892.

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MANY THINGS.

These words head an article over the hand of Rev. C. C. Armstrong in the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE of September 22. Both the source and medium of its communication to the public are supposed to carry a conviction of correct statement; hence it is the more misleading and far-reaching in its injury to the people of Rockport, whom the article has made justly indignant. There are two reasons why we are sorry to notice this article. First, because its author is an elderly preacher and this writer is a young preacher. Second, because Bro. Armstrong says he was sick, and we know a bad liver often causes a man to be cross when he does not mean to be. But there are some things that ought to be said and "many things" ought to be more carefully considered before being committed to press, especially when calculated to injure the character or property of innocent parties.

Then we may give at least two reasons why we feel constrained to reply to this article. First, because Bro. Armstrong is well-known and it is but natural for people to suppose he speaks authoritatively. Second, because what

he has said about Rockport is calculated to be damaging to her citizens. Notwithstanding so many Christians and other law-abiding citizens might be so heavily injured, as they would be were such a report, as we shall presently quote, circulated and believed—the report ought to be made to save others if it were correct. But it is calculated to do much harm to many, without doing the least good to any one.

The paragraph under consideration is this: "Rockport is a good town for fish, cheap houses and land agents. I think everything is busted except Wheeler, and he is on a terrific strain. He may stand it till he gets deep water, but then he will be well on in years." The people of Rockport were glad to have Bro. Armstrong visit their city, and they tried to treat him as kindly and hospitably as possible; but never dreamed that he would say so many unkind things about them when he was gone.

Hon. T. B. Wheeler lives at Aransas Harbor, the sister town to Rockport, and the writer is personally acquainted with the gentleman, but has not heard of his being "on a terrific strain." He belongs to the Methodist Church, and is a member of the quarterly conference at his home. Nor have we heard the report of anything "busted." As to deep water which Bro. Armstrong seems to think is in that deplorable condition, the United States revenue cutter, "Galveston," has just left this port, and her officers reported nine feet as the shallowest on the bar at very low tide, which means ten to eleven feet at ordinary tide. The jetty work is going on and the water is deepening all the time.

As to "cheap houses," we believe the house where Bro. Armstrong was hospitably domiciled while here would do credit to any city in the State. There are many more such houses in Rockport—two residences costing between four and five thousand dollars have been constructed within the last two months, and over \$100,000 have been expended here this season in buildings and street improvements. On September 12 the main city school opened its present session in new buildings costing \$12,000. There are two other ward schools, besides two private schools—a seminary for girls and a military school for boys.

We might mention the First National Bank—a building which would grace any city—and more than one hotel second to none in any city we have seen that makes no more pretensions than Rockport, and many buildings more; but we have said enough to correct what has been said, and that is our only purpose. We have not said one thing we "think" will not be said now, and we have tried to say it in justice to all concerned.

In love for Bro. Armstrong,
A. L. SCARBOROUGH, ROCKPORT, TEXAS.

The Presiding Elders will please send me names of local preachers coming up for ordination and candidates for admission on trial. Don't wait to finish your round to send these names, but let them come as you get them. Members of the conference, clerical or lay, who will be accompanied by wife or any member of their family will please let me know it once. Visiting brethren from other conferences, who will drop me a card, will be provided for. Now if these requests are complied with promptly we will make your stay with us pleasant, but if you wait till the day before conference and then write me to provide for members of your family, I can't promise so much. Please give me this information by the 25th of October.

O. T. HOTCHKISS, ROCKPORT, TEXAS.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

SEPTEMBER 24.
W. J. Bindworth, sub. J. D. Hudgins, sub. and change. G. W. Riley, sub. R. M. Leaton, sub. stopped. F. P. Pugh, sub. B. H. Webster, sub. change attention. W. H. Crawford, sub. W. D. Wheeler, sub.

SEPTEMBER 25.
J. F. Follin, sub. Jas. J. Lavender, sub. trial sub. will be entered. J. B. Cox, sub. I. W. Clark, sub. J. W. Addison, change made. J. H. Chambers, paper stopped. M. L. Hadden, sub. sub. at half price. C. V. Bailey, paper stopped. J. M. Wesson, sub. C. E. Statham, sub.

SEPTEMBER 27.
D. T. Holmes, sub. C. W. Jacobs, sub. H. H. Sullivan, sub. A. B. Roberts, sub. W. H. Keown, sub. S. J. Vaughan, correction made.

SEPTEMBER 28.
J. M. Wesson, sub. H. W. Shannon, sub. A. C. Benson, sub. T. C. DeWitt, sub. Jos. P. Callaway, sub. F. O. Miller, sub. name changed. J. C. Fowler, sub. paper stopped. R. M. Chambers, sub. J. M. Swanton, sub. change made. G. S. Sander, sub. R. A. Ellis, sub. S. W. Thomas, sub. C. D. West, sub. J. H. Morgan, sub. G. J. Irvin, sub. one stopped. E. L. Shuttles, sub. at half price. J. G. Miller, sub. W. H. Kilgough, sub. stopped. Jas. M. Sherman, sub. Geo. C. Stovall, sub. stopped. W. W. Horner, sub. S. W. Jones, sub.

SEPTEMBER 29.
J. W. Bell, sub. W. E. Caperton, sub. E. M. Savel, sub. change attention. E. S. Boyd, sub. A. H. Hays, sub. M. M. Smith, sub. J. W. Thompson, sub. W. W. Pinson, sub. C. B. Smith, sub. at half price.

SEPTEMBER 30.
W. J. Sims, sub. A. S. Blackwood, sub. attention. T. E. Sherwood, sub. S. H. Morgan, sub. T. E. Sherwood, sub. W. A. Chambers, trial sub. J. C. Greening, sub. M. C. Miller, sub. stopped. Steering Fisher, sub. R. M. Stewart, sub. J. D. Scott, sub. S. W. Miller, sub. stopped. C. A. Hooper, o. k.

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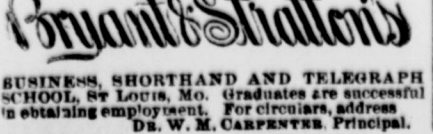
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Woman's Department.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. FLORENCE E. HOWELL. [All matter intended for this column should be addressed to Mrs. Florence E. Howell, 23 Mason street, Dallas, Texas.]

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2. The school is for women alone.

3. Any woman over eighteen years of age who is a member of any Evangelical Church is eligible, provided she can meet the requirements.

4. All students are admitted with the understanding that they enter on a two months' probation, at the expiration of which their scholarship and general fitness for service will be considered and decided upon by the faculty.

5. All applicants before entering are required to fill out a blank which will be furnished by the principal, and which must be returned to be acted upon by the Executive Committee.

6. Admission to the Training School is not equivalent to acceptance as a missionary candidate.

7. Tuition is free. The advantages of the full course are offered to all students resident in Kansas City for \$10 per year as a contingent fee.

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9. Payment is required—one-half on entering and the remainder February 1. The expenses will be \$150 for the year for board, fuel, lights and washing.

10. Students are requested to bring two sheets, one pair of blankets, one pair of pillow slips (one yard long, twenty-two inches wide), and one spread, also towels and table napkins for their personal use. They should also provide themselves with umbrella, overcoat, and gossamer.

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MARIA LAYNO GIBSON, Principal.

QUARTERLY report Parsonage and Home Mission, North Texas Conference, ending September 29, 1892:

Table with columns for Parsonage and Home Mission, and rows for various categories like Number of auxiliaries, etc.

There is some act that you are questioning about to-morrow or to-day. If Jesus were at hand, you would go out and ask him: "Is it that which I should do it, O my Lord?" Can you not ask him now? Is the act right? Would he do it? Will it help your soul? It is not often that a man really is in doubt who seriously wants to know the answer to any of these questions. And if the answer to them all is "Yes," then it is just as truly his command that you should do that act as if his gracious figure stood before your sight and his finger visibly pointed to the task.—Phillips Brooks, D. D.

THE attempt to follow the right without absolutely breaking with the wrong is what leads to so many disastrous failures on the part of half-way Christians. There can be no real success or progress in the service and knowledge of God unless there is an attachment to it, a longing for it so deep and strong that it involves what the Psalmist stoutly calls "perfect hatred" of them that hate God; which means not only all persons, but all influences and habits that are against God's will.—Christian Union.

HE who destroys an evil in his own nature gives a good influence to all time. He who reverses adverse heredity is a benefactor of generations. Over all the terrible facts that science reveals in regard to crime is the antidote of faith and spiritual renewals. And he is indeed a celestial knight who changes the current of evil heredity into streams of good, and it is such moral heroism that the new era will recognize and crown.—Hesekiah Butterworth.

Mrs. Plainfield (proudly)—And who would have thought that I should ever be the mother of a poet? Her Neighbor (miserably)—Oh well, I wouldn't worry about that? He'll have better sense when he gets a little older.

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If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, relieves pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea.

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Young Mr. Southside—Hallo, Uncle Reuben. You got in town last night, I hear. Didn't blow the gas out at the hotel, did you? Uncle Reuben—No, neevy, I'm no hayseed, I reckon. I left the blame gas burnin'.

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A correspondent writes to know what he ought to do to get for kicking cows. We should say about a year if he does it habitually.

Church Notices.

Table with columns for months (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June) and rows for various church notices.

WEST TEXAS. LLANO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. BEEVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. CUEVO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. SAN ANGELO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

NORTH TEXAS. TERRELL DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. DALLAS DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

SOUTH TEXAS. GULF DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. SAN MARCOS DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

CENTRAL TEXAS. WACO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

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PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION—1892-3.

FIRST DISTRICT—BISHOP KERNEL. Kentucky Conf., Middleboro, Ky., Sept. 7. Western Virginia Conf., Clarksville, W. Va., Sept. 14. Illinois Conf., Paris, Ill., Sept. 22. North Alabama Conf., LaFayette, Ala., Nov. 16. Memphis Conf., Mayfield, Ky., Nov. 30.

SECOND DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON. Brazil, Miss. Conf., Toulaite, Brazil, July 27. Arkansas Conf., Bentonville, Ark., Nov. 17. Little Rock Conf., Magnolia, Ark., Dec. 7. White River Conf., Batesville, Ark., Dec. 14.

THIRD DISTRICT—BISHOP GRANBERY. Holston Conf., Wytheville, Va., Oct. 14. Indian Miss. Conf., Ardmore, I. T., Nov. 16. North Mississippi Conf., Corinth, Miss., Nov. 30. Mississippi Conf., Natchez, Miss., Dec. 14.

FOURTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HARGROVE. German Miss. Conf., Houston, Texas, Oct. 28. West Texas Conf., Gonzales, Texas, Nov. 2. Texas Conf., Galveston, Texas, Nov. 10. Northwest Texas Conf., Waco, Texas, Nov. 23. North Texas Conf., Sherman, Texas, Nov. 30. East Texas Conf., Nacogdoches, Texas, Dec. 14.

FIFTH DISTRICT—BISHOP DUNCAN. Denver Conf., Durango, Colo., July 27. Louisiana Conf., Bogalusa, La., Aug. 4. East Columbia Conf., Palouse City, Wash., Sept. 21. Columbia Conf., Eugene City, Ore., Sept. 5.

SIXTH DISTRICT—BISHOP GALLOWAY. Missouri Conf., Montgomery City, Mo., Sept. 7. Southwest Missouri Conf., Independence, Mo., Sept. 21. St. Louis Conf., Kirkwood, Mo., Sept. 28. Tennessee Conf., Tullahoma, Tenn., Oct. 19. Louisiana Conf., Lake Charles, La., Oct. 19.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HENDRIX. Western Conf., Elk City, Kan., Aug. 31. Virginia Conf., Norfolk, Va., Nov. 16. Louisiana Conf., Lake Charles, La., Nov. 30. North Carolina Conf., Winston, N. C., Nov. 30. North Georgia Conf., Madison, Ga., Nov. 30. South Carolina Conf., Charleston, S. C., Nov. 25.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEY. Japan Mission, Kobi, Japan, July 20. China Mission Conf., Soochow, China, Sept. 20. Baltimore Conf., Front Royal, Va., Nov. 2. NINTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HAYWOOD. Los Angeles Conf., Ventura, Cal., Sept. 14. Pacific Conf., Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 28. S. W. Mexico Miss. Conf., Nogales, Ariz., Oct. 19. Mexican Border Miss. Conf., San Marcos, Texas, Oct. 19. Conf. of Mexico Conf., City of Mexico, Oct. 27. North Carolina Conf., Goldboro, N. C., Dec. 14.

TENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP FITZGERALD. Louisville Conf., Campbellsville, Ky., Sept. 1. Louisiana Conf., Eunola, La., Sept. 14. South Georgia Conf., Columbus, Ga., Dec. 14. Florida Conf., Ocala, Fla., Dec. 14.

Dick Hicks—Dr. Thirdly's benediction to-day closed with "Keep thy servants together another week." Mrs. Hicks—What was that strange about that? Dick Hicks—Nothing, only he will have to beat our luck if he does.

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Devotional.

"LET DOWN YOUR NETS."

Launch out into the deep, The awful depths of a world's despair;

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The supreme gift which Jesus Christ gives to every longing, thirsty soul is himself.

What a hungry and thirsty crowd fills all the thoroughfares of human life!

The fountain never dries and never freezes. Yesterday I saw a cool, sparkling spring at the foot of Guyot's Hill.

Water is the simplest of all elements, and drinking is the simplest of all processes.

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"Fountain of grace, rich, full and free, What need I that is not in Thee?"

NEVER sit down and confess yourself beaten. If there are difficulties in the way struggle with them like a man.

He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

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Marriages.

SIMMONS—HARRISON.—At the M. E. Church, South, in Plano, Texas, Sept. 14, 1892, by Rev. O. S. Thomas, Mr. J. E. Simmons, of Wylie, Texas, and Miss Bettie Harrison, of Plano.

SNODDY—HINES.—In the Methodist Church, at Weatherford, Texas, September 7, 1892, by Rev. B. A. Snoddy, Mr. H. A. Snoddy, of Springtown, Texas, and Miss Willie V. Hines, of Weatherford, Texas.

LOFTIN—WALKER.—At school-house in South Alvarado, Texas, September 18, 1892, Mr. J. D. Loftin and Miss Minnie Walker, Rev. J. M. Armstrong officiating.

HUDSON—SPEER.—Near New York, Texas, September 22, 1892, by Dr. T. H. Hall, Mr. Frank Hudson and Miss Luda Speer.

Obituaries.

The space allowed obituaries, twenty to twenty-five lines; or about 150 to 175 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices.

WHITE.—Melville W. White was born February 19, 1859, and died September 19, 1892. He professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Corn Hill in May, 1892.

HERRINGTON.—Mamie, daughter of Brother and Sister A. L. Herrington, was born November 15, 1888, and died September 11, 1892. Little Mamie was sick only a few days, during which time she suffered intensely.

WALKER.—Frank, son of L. S. and S. E. Walker, was born January 27, 1889; died August 28, 1892. Little Frank was a great sufferer for three months, when God saw fit in His wisdom to remove him from his earthly home to a home in heaven where his sufferings are all over.

COATES.—James Fred Coates was born February 25, 1892, and died September 23, 1892. The child was born to die. Little Fred was not long to stay in this world, but Christ said, suffer little children to come unto me.

THOMPSON.—Philip Thompson, a constant resident of Houston since 1839, died at his home in the city August 24, 1892, at the age of seventy-seven years. Several years before his death he was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South. He was faithful to the end.

ARDIS.—Rubie, daughter of J. B. and Libbie Ardis, died at their home in Carroll's Prairie September 2, aged four years. But a short time before, when she entered this home and bore away the sweet spirit of little Johnnie, aged two years. Now it comes and with reluctant hand cuts down another precious bloom from the parental stem—beautiful, bright little Rubie.

TURNER.—Mrs. Nancy Turner was born February 23, 1825; married to Samuel Irvin, 1844; was married the second time to Mr. Turner in 1857. She was the mother of nine children, and died near Tehuacana Church, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ada Wilson, September 23, 1892.

COPEIDGE.—Walter Key, son of John A. and Lula E. Copeidge, was born March 11, 1891; baptized April 17, 1892, by Rev. J. D. Hudson, and died September 13, 1892. Little Walter's life was one of sickness and suffering. He was rarely ever well, but with remarkable patience he bore it all through his sweet, precious life.

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BRASHEAR—Mollie B. Faulkner Brashear was born in the State of Illinois in Massac County on March 8, 1852, and in 1869 was married to Wesley W. Brashear. Moved to Texas in 1875 and has lived in Milam County until her death. Sister Brashear departed this life August 2, 1892. She joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1881. She was the mother of nine children, two of whom preceded her to the haven of rest.

DAWSON—Miss Nettie Dawson, daughter of H. J. and M. J. Dawson, was born in San Saba County, Texas, April 21, 1876, was converted at her home in Capt. Ground, near Ft. T. H. Hill's military, at the age of nine. She joined the Church soon after, of which she lived a consistent member till her death, which occurred May 10th, 1892.

MARTIN.—Little Altie Lee, infant daughter of Wesley and Jamie Martin, was born December 28, 1891. She died at Lone Oak, September 7, 1892. This little angel spirit was given to gladden the home of Bro. and Sister Martin for only eight months. May days were blessed when she was taken! But since his grace is sufficient for every trial we look by faith to the land where our friends have gone, confidently expecting very soon to meet them in a better world than this.

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THOMPSON.—Philip Thompson, a constant resident of Houston since 1839, died at his home in the city August 24, 1892, at the age of seventy-seven years. Several years before his death he was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South. He was faithful to the end.

ARDIS.—Rubie, daughter of J. B. and Libbie Ardis, died at their home in Carroll's Prairie September 2, aged four years. But a short time before, when she entered this home and bore away the sweet spirit of little Johnnie, aged two years. Now it comes and with reluctant hand cuts down another precious bloom from the parental stem—beautiful, bright little Rubie.

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COPEIDGE.—Walter Key, son of John A. and Lula E. Copeidge, was born March 11, 1891; baptized April 17, 1892, by Rev. J. D. Hudson, and died September 13, 1892. Little Walter's life was one of sickness and suffering. He was rarely ever well, but with remarkable patience he bore it all through his sweet, precious life.

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THE right kind of prayer always holds out both hands to receive the answer.—Ram's Horn.

WATKINS—Sister Nettie Watkins (nee Beudell) was born August 25, 1864 at Woodburn, Warren County, Ky. Her mother died when she was three years of age, her father when she was six. She then went to live with her grandmother, with whom she came to Texas, at about thirteen years of age. Her grandmother died when Sister Watkins was about eighteen years old. She made her home with her brother and other family until she was married to Bro. G. M. Watkins, of Llano, Texas, November 12, 1891, where she lived until death. She joined the M. E. Church, South, January 3, 1892. We believe she lived a consistent Christian life. She attended Church and Sunday-school when at home, and had a class in the Sunday-school at her home in Llano, 1892. She was a loving wife, a kind neighbor, and every one who met her saw the light and felt the influence of a good woman. She leaves a husband, a sweet little babe, one brother and a host of friends to mourn their loss. We believe in her death, that earth's poverty is heaven's wealth.

HARRIS.—Mrs. Florence Ida Harris (whose maiden name was Johnson) was born May 17, 1869. At the age of thirteen she was converted at her home in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and remained a consistent member until the day of her death, which occurred July 11, 1892. In September, 1883, she was happily wedded to Rev. W. H. Harris, now a member of the Northwest Texas Conference, and on July 7, 1892, just nine days prior to her death, at a camp-meeting held by her husband on his circuit, she found the "pearl of great price." God graciously sanctified her soul, to which blessed experience she bore a clear and glad testimony.

BOYNTON.—Mrs. Sallie Boynton, wife of Rev. Thomas W. Boynton, of the East Texas Conference, died in Elkhart, Texas, September 13, 1892, aged twenty-eight years. She was baptized in infancy and brought up in the Presbyterian Church in Tyler, Texas, assuming publicly the vows of that Church at thirteen years of age. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Her maiden name was Hill. The next year after their marriage Bro. Boynton traveled through the State as a supply, Rev. U. B. Phillips, Presiding Elder, and Bro. Crockett Station and was Sister Boynton's pastor that year, and as the circuit parsonage was in Crockett, she was much with my family, and by her rare common sense, goodness of heart and devotion to her husband's work, won her way to all our hearts. Bro. Boynton was admitted on trial into the conference at the close of his year on Crockett Circuit, and assigned to Palestine (now Elkhart) Mission, with the writer as his Presiding Elder; hence I have been most intimately associated with her for three years. I say this as a matter of fact, and all I have known few better women than she. She was a frail, delicate little creature, and withal a cripple, using a crutch, but a braver, truer heart never throbbled in a woman's bosom than beat in hers.

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SAUNDERS.—Roscoe Lee, infant son of R. L. and Sister Sallie Saunders, was born in Conroe, October 30, 1890, and on the night of September 7th, 1892, heavy messengers were sent to pluck the little bud and bear it up and transplant it in the garden above, where it will never again fade. Though scarcely two years of age, little Roscoe had become a great pet; his cute little ways won all who met him. How sad it made us feel as we laid the little form to its last resting-place. But the little one lived his Savior's say, "Suffer little children to come unto me," and he obeyed the call. One little chair is made vacant in our home, but our loss is his eternal gain. One more jewel is added to the heavenly hosts. Weep not, loved ones, the little one is safe in the arms of Jesus," and may God's rich grace enable us to join him where parting is no more. "Thy will be done, Oh! God."

DAVIS.—Sister Rebecca Davis (nee Banks) was born in Tennessee July 6, 1822, and was moved with her parents to Arkansas at an early age, where she was married to Daniel Davis. In 1870 they came to Texas where they remained until death. They had born to them eight children, five of whom are still living, and were with her in her last illness. She was taken seriously ill and died in the same week, September 15, 1892. Sister Davis was converted at the age of fifteen and joined the Methodist Church, in which she made a consistent member until death. Hers was the old-time type of Methodism which was not affected with the spirit of the age or times. She shouted a day or two before her death, for she knew that she was going to meet her husband who had preceded her to their better home four years. May God bless the bereaved children.

POINDEXTER.—Sister S. C. Poindester (Cannon) was born in Tipton County, Ky., August 23, 1851; moved to Texas in 1875; was married to Dr. J. G. Poindester January 3, and died July 25, 1892. Sister Poindester professed religion when quite young. She joined the church and lived a consistent Christian until removed to the glory world. The writer being her pastor this year we had several talks on religious subjects when she was in health, and found her a ripe Christian, and praying and hoping for the success of the Church. We visited her on her sick bed and found her full of the same hope, and on the day before her death she said she had wished to live to be a greater blessing to the Church and be a help to her husband in raising her little boy, but she was ready in the event she was called. She said she loved God and everybody. Her corpse was laid in the cemetery at Bridgeport to await the resurrection at the last day. May God bless the afflicted ones.

CUNNINGHAM.—Henrietta (nee Matson) Cunningham was born in Talladega County, Ala., August 21, 1852, and died September 4, 1892. She was married on June 4, 1870, and professed faith in Christ at the early age of ten years. She conferred not with flesh and blood, but immediately joined herself to the Methodist Church and lived a consistent Christian life to the day of her death. We have never known a more faithful woman in all the religious circles of the State. She had become a living child, and many friends to mourn their loss. Her experience was deep and broad. Her walk was close with God. She was conscious that the end was near and had put her house in order. She peacefully laid her head upon the bosom of Christ and was not for God took her. We laid her away to rest in Valley Creek Cemetery. The writer preached her funeral to a large concourse of sorrowing friends. May God bless the sorrowing husband and children. Dear ones, be of good cheer; you know where to find her.

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Yo! No.—It is with sad hearts we record the death of Sister Judith B. Young, who died at her home in Benavente, Texas, August 25, 1892. She passed away as gently as falls a babe to sleep. She had lived a Christian, and she died a Christian's death. She had no preparation to make on her death-bed, for her whole life had been spent in preparing for eternity. She was a model woman, a faithful wife, a fond and affectionate mother, a good neighbor and everybody's friend. Under divine grace she had ripened for the harvest of the Lord. Sister Young was born May 16, 1832, in Warren County, Kentucky; her maiden name being Glover. She was married in that county in 1848. She had been a faithful follower of the Lord Jesus and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for about thirty-five years. She leaves a husband and eight children, all of whom are members of the Church except two. We mourn for her, but not as those who are without hope. We know that we shall meet again. Blessed are those who die in the Lord. THOS. H. MORRIS, BENAVENTE, TEXAS.

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The toil and self-denial and prayers of these parents were not in vain. All their children turned their feet into the ways of piety. By their industry and frugality one came to riches, and all the others to a sufficiency of the good things of this world. The sons took unto themselves wives of the virtuous women of that city, and their sisters were married to men which feared God and eschewed evil. But their parents were now naked and destitute of daily food. They were no longer able to work, because they had worn themselves out for their children. At first these showed their gratitude by giving each ten shekels every year to their aged father and mother. With these one hundred shekels they were kept from perishing with hunger. At length some of their children neglected to bring their yearly gifts of silver, and Johannes and Hannah, the more thoughtful and loving children, took upon them to visit their brothers and sisters to stir up their pure minds by way of remembrance of their needy father and mother. They were grieved to find that the yearly gifts were given grudgingly, because of an eager desire to lay up their money against a time of need.

As years passed by this state of things waxed worse and worse, and the hundred pieces of silver were gathered with more and more difficulty. At last Demas, the wealthy son, invited all his brothers and sisters to a feast in his own house. They all came, Johannes and Hannah urged the others to take better care of their worthy parents by giving more money, and by giving regularly, for the needs of their parents were increasing with their years; and besides, their house was falling into decay and must be repaired. They all with one accord began to make excuse. One had bought a farm, and had not quite paid for it. Another who was a merchant, needed more silver to buy more merchandise, for his trade was increasing. Another was just then making a great wedding feast for his

daughter; and still another was now paying double money yearly that his heirs might receive more thousands of shekels when he should die. After these excuses Demas said: "Go to now, my brothers and sisters; I have a plan by which more silver will be gathered for the sustenance of our dear parents and for the repair of their house, and at the same time our burdens will be lightened or wholly removed. Let us on the coming birthday of our father invite all the people of this city to a public benefit given to our parents, commonly called a fair, and, more recently, a sale. Let us send our wives and daughters through the city to ask of all the people to give, the women of their needlework and cakes full of sweet fruits, the bakers of their loaves, the merchants of their silks and fine linen, the market men of their savory meats, and the vineyard men of their choicest wines. Let our women prepare broth of venison and messes of pottage for the many young boys in our city, who will come each with a half-shekel in his hand to pay to the gay maidens who will minister at the feast. Let other maidens sell chains, and bracelets, and bonnets, and rings, and earrings and changeable suits of apparel, and mantles, and wimples, and crisping pins, and glasses, and hoods, and veils, and perfumes. The merchant will not refuse to give these things; for are they not nourished by our trade? Let us send heralds to proclaim this fair and to write it on the gateposts of our city. To this they all agreed, except Johannes and Hannah, who were grieved even to tears, because it showed a lack of love to their parents, and because it would bring reproach upon the good name of the family. Thus these children were divided, and the more part called the less part overpious and Puritanical, and the two sorrowed that the eight had lost their first love.

The fair was holden two days and nights in a great tent just within the city gate. Many people attended, and 200 shekels were gathered and put in a bag and brought by Demas to his parents, with words of cheer, because of so many pieces of silver for their needs. The blind old mother wept, not for joy, but for sorrow. With difficulty she sobbed out: "I never thought it would come to this; it is next to being on the town." The crippled old father picked up his crutches and hobbled into his bedroom, deeply sighing while he attempted to utter an old Semitic saw— "How sharper than a serpent's tooth To have a thankless child!"

Johannes and Hannah came in soon after and laid down double their yearly gifts, and their father and mother were comforted in their love. "Do my readers say, 'Declare unto us the parable of the parents and children?'" The inkhorn replies: "Know ye not this parable? And how then will you know all parables?"—Dr. D. Steele, in Zion's Herald.

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Every one acquainted with the history of Methodism knows that no small part of its success is due to its glorious hymns. These hymns ought never to wear out. They ought never to grow old. There is no phase of Christian life, no degree of grace, no attainment in religious experience which they do not express in accurate terms and in the highest poetic merit. The great doctrines of the Word of God, and especially those upon which Methodism has laid the strongest emphasis, receive definite and accurate and as scientific as they have ever received from the pen of Richard Watson or of W. B. Pope. What do our people mean, then, when they suffer our hymn book to be superseded by the nabby-pammy stuff that is flooding the land? We have no patience with such a course of action. Nor do we think we are bigoted in the stand we take in regard to our book. For our people, especially for our young people, we plead for the very best of everything that can be had. Competent critics declare our hymn book to be as good as the best, and we want all our people to become familiar with it for that very reason. The developing, educating power of the best things is too little appreciated.

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Let our congregations hold the theology which has brought life to myriads, as it is enshrined in these measures. Let our children in the Sabbath-school be trained to lip in advance the melody of the skies. Let us render to our Methodism the glory of having furnished from its own resources a psalmody unequalled in its rich statement of Christian experience through all stages of nascent and perfected life, which has become the inspiration of youth and the treasure of age with God's people of our own and other churches; and let us exclude from pulpits and prayer-room every utterance in song that would displace the doctrines and hymns of our Zion.

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Texas Casualties.

Robert Anderson was run over by a switch-engine at Houston and killed.

Tom Mays Bell, a switchman, was killed at Beaumont—his head being crushed between two cars.

The five-year old child of a Mr. McReys, at Floresville, fell upon a knife, the blade piercing his heart, producing instant death.

A small boy at Sanger, Texas, struck a match in a stable, and several business houses and stock were burned, involving loss of about \$9000.

On a farm some eighteen miles from Uvalde lightning killed two Mexicans, seriously wounded three others, and burned a barn and twenty tons of hay.

Henry Spratt, a fireman, was killed by explosion of an engine at Coffeeville, and J. W. Coppedge was horribly scalded. It is feared that Coppedge cannot recover.

Capt. J. B. McKinnon, of Oakland, fell from the second story of a building in Columbus, Texas, and received injuries which resulted in death in a short time.

Mrs. Malcomson, wife of Prof. Malcomson, a teacher, was burned to death in Oak Cliff, September 24. While asleep, the bedding and her clothing by some means became ignited.

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The State Treasurer has apportioned school money on hand to the various counties, the amount being about 40 cents per capita.

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Minister Egan will arrive in New York October 24 from Chili.

A railway congress will be held in Chicago in June, 1893.

At Peoria, Ill., James Gomez and Frank Lewis fell from a balloon. They will die.

The Scottish Rite consistory of the United States is in session at Davenport, Iowa.

There will be a great naval display in New York harbor on next April, the different nations participating.

The Navy Department have issued proposals for two new vessels to cost \$8,000,000, and will surpass any ships in existence.

Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, United States Minister to Great Britain, will sail for this country this week on a short leave of absence.

Grover Cleveland has decided to drink no intoxicants during the present campaign. Grover should make his determination permanent.

The international monetary conference will be held at Brussels, November 22 next, with seventeen powers present besides the United States.

J. B. Moorhead, just of age and worth \$500,000, committed suicide at New York. He was formerly a Keely patient, and a member of a suicide club.

The mills controlled by the paper trust will close shortly as alleged on account of the scarcity of rags and 50,000 men will be thrown out of employment.

Private advices received from San Benito, Mexico, tell of the arrival there of the Blackbird steamer Mount Lena with 500 Gilbert Islanders sold into almost absolute slavery.

The biggest whale catch known in the annals of California is that of the whaler Mary D. Hume. She brings home thirty-two whales worth \$40,000, and each sailor receives \$2000 for thirty months' work.

Dr. Douglas, the famous throat specialist who abandoned his practice and devoted his absolute time to Gen. Grant for six months during the General's last illness, died at Washington October 3 from the same disease which carried off the ex-President.

Mexico has a new insurance law under which companies must furnish double guarantee to policy holders, and real estate deposits must be made of \$10,000 to start, \$10,000 when \$2,000,000 in policies have been written and \$5000 for every \$1,000,000 thereafter.

The great international conference to discuss bi-metallicism and other financial questions is soon to meet in this country. Its discussions of monetary questions will be learned and instructive, and its educational influence may recompense its expense, but the hopes of an international bi-metallic standard will be as far off at adjournment as it has been for fifty years past.

Postmaster-General Wanamaker has decided to issue what will be known as the Columbian series of postage stamps. The new stamps will be of the same height as the present series, but twice as long, the increased size being thought necessary in order to properly display the illustrations. These are intended to commemorate the discovery of America by Columbus. It is said that the entire series will be put on sale January 1, 1893, and during the succeeding year will entirely supersede the present series.

The triennial convocation of the Episcopal Church of America met in Baltimore October 5, and remained in session during the month. Bishop O'Connor will preside over the House of Bishops, which is made up of clergymen and laymen, will be elected as usual. Among other things the convention will complete the revision of the prayer book, which has been in hand fifteen years. Another revision of the prayer book is not probable in the next hundred years, but much more important will be the convention's work looking to an organic as well as spiritual union of all the denominations in Christendom.

The International Division of Sons of Temperance, at New York, September

80, elected the following officers for the year: Charles Averett, Member of Parliament, St. Johns, N. B., Most Worthy Patriarch; Wm. A. Armstrong, Washington, Most Worthy Assistant Patriarch; Benjamin R. Jewell, Southampton, N. H., Most Worthy Scribe. The National Division concluded its meeting October 1, as far as business went. The following officers were chosen: Treasurer, J. H. Roberts, of Massachusetts; Rev. George Fisher, of Pennsylvania; Chaplain, Miss Carry Sealley; Most Worthy Conductor, P. A. Cummings, Sergeant-at-Arms; F. W. Bradley, Washington, D. C., Superintendent of Young People's Work. It was decided to hold the next annual convention in June, 1893, at Chicago.

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