

# The Texas Christian Advocate.

SUBSCRIPTION, PER ANNUM, \$2.00.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF ALL THE TEXAS AND THE NEW MEXICO CONFERENCES OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

70 PREACHERS, \$1.00.

VOL. XXXIX.

DALLAS, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1893.

NO. 18.

## ATTENTION, AGENTS!

Please note the fact that your **ADVOCATE** will be continued to your old address until you authorize a change. It will cost one postal card and should have early attention. Give the old as well as the new office.

**BLAYLOCK,**  
Dec 29, 1892.

## REFERENCES.

### REFERENCE.

I reached my family a warm warning was given we found in ample at the caption stated, bought at an looks the ing or

bright for the worship of his people. We preached on "God's Christmas gift to his children." Luke 1:10-11. Dinner was then spread on the ground—a regular Christmas dinner. It is useless to say we did justice to the occasion. In the afternoon we lectured the young people; had good music by them, and next in order was a social singing at T. A. Devilbiss' Monday night which we enjoyed very much. Next morning we received several tokens of friendship, such as chickens, meat, potatoes, a dog, etc., when we "pulled" for home and found wife and children had enjoyed a nice Xmas tree at Pearsall. Everything is moving off well on San Miguel and the stewards assured the preacher that the assessments would be forthcoming. God bless the people on our charge this year.

## TEXAS CONFERENCE.

### Giddings.

R. F. Woolsey, Dec. 29: Giddings, Ledbetter and Burton compose our work and at all three points we have a royal, loyal, high-minded, big-hearted, liberal-souled membership. They love their preacher and his wife, and they in return love them with a double portion. Good things have come and disappeared from the face of the earth, but only to make room for other things.

Brooks is a people all who know a noble people care of us I want to his year, year is abh

## NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

### Gordon.

C. V. Bailey, Dec. 24: Have made good start on my work. Have two small little stations of one hundred and eight members each, all kind and gentleness up to date. Good things to eat are coming in lively. We are "happy on the way."

### Dublin.

J. H. Chambliss, Dec. 27: We began to receive on Friday, and occasional donations came to the parsonage until Saturday night when the matter culminated in a shower. We are very grateful. We have got a good start and hope to report better things in the near future.

### Cartoon.

J. B. Elder, Dec. 28: We have spent three Sundays in our new charge. I am well pleased with Carlton Circuit. The stewards have looked after our temporal interest. I have organized a good Sunday-school at Carlton and prayer-meeting. God bless the good people of Carlton Circuit and give us a soul-saving, sin-killing revival of religion this year, is our earnest prayer.

### Liberty Hill.

C. C. Shutt, Dec. 31: We held our work of prayer and self-denial at Liberty Hill this week, collections amounting to \$11. Next week we hold at Leander. We have adopted the plan of taking a collection every Sunday morning, the collection being a part of the worship. I think that part ought to be observed every time, same as prayer or song service.

### Wortham.

G. J. Irvin, Dec. 28: We are now qualified, in a measure, to speak of Wortham Circuit. The first round was completed on Christmas day. Prospects are fine for a great work in 1893. The stewards are wide awake and represent a willing people. The pastor has already been encouraged. The stewards are at work and the good sisters sending in their gifts.

### Abbott.

Jos. P. Callaway, Dec. 28: I am at Abbott, the appointed place, and am at the work with a will and faith in God, hoping to succeed. I preached twice on Christmas day to good crowds in Abbott. Have done but little yet owing to the bad weather. However, since we came we have been pounced by the people and surrounded by the mud and attended a double wedding and helped to eat a fine supper. We hope to spread out after this week and go to work in earnest.

### Holland Mission.

C. D. West: Bishop Hargrove sent me back to work on Holland Mission another year, and I have made one round since conference. This mission consists of five Churches, all small but one, and that not very large. We only have one church-house, but are planning to build two or three during the year. I think I have the confidence of all the people and the affections of the most of them, and I am determined, by the help of the Lord, to do a good year's work for them.

### Hico.

Wm. Price, Dec. 29: Having been appointed to this station, we commenced work soon after conference. Our membership is about one hundred. Strong faith, zeal and good works are some of their peculiar characteristics. On the 27th inst., about 7:30 p. m., they gave us a delightful storm-party. Instead of finding one or two at the door of the parsonage, we were greeted by a crowd of noble-hearted Methodists. In their visit they came prepared to give their pastor and his family a complete pounding. It was more than an ordinary exhibition of kindness. Some of the brethren had sacks of flour on their shoulders. Wives, young men and maidens, also little ones, made an exhibit of their love and charity. Yes, we received many good things—some to eat, others to wear—the whole too

numerous to mention. On their returning from the dining room we beheld their smiles and heard their words of comfort, after which we bowed in prayer and thanked God for Christian friends and friendship. May their souls be filled with "riches of grace."

### South Oak Cliff Mission.

John L. Sullivan, Dec. 25: Today completes my first round on this charge. I failed to find a congregation at Trinity on last Sunday, and am sorry to say the mud takes the day at Hutchins to-day. Have not moved on to my work yet; have been waiting and trying to secure a house at Hutchins; think I will succeed by January 1.

"My field is white unto harvest."  
"O Lord, help me to do my best."  
"An angel nothing more could do."

### Seymour.

J. R. Henson, Dec. 26: Seymour gave us a warm reception, but no more than we expected of this people. I believe we have as good if not the best furnished parsonage in the district. Some of the more thoughtful had provided wood, coal and provisions enough to last us some time. I preached to an overflowing congregation Sunday. I saw many faces in the audience that greeted me five years ago and stood by me so faithfully during my two years labor with them.

## TEXAS CONFERENCE.

### Decatur.

W. M. Leatherwood, Dec. 28: We are at home from conference, the third year to this people. Met a pleasant reception, and have every prospect for a good year. These are a noble people. We love them and love to serve them. The prosperity of the Church here for the past two years has been gratifying. We took charge with 186 members, and now have 350 and one of the best houses in the conference outside of Dallas and Paris. You may expect good news from me.

### Alvord.

W. T. Ayers, Dec. 29: We have been moved, received, housed, fixed and pounded in good earnest, and are now located in the nice little town of Alvord, in the midst of a kind and good people, who manifested their kind appreciation of the preacher and family on last night by a most gratifying pounding of tables to last many days and clothing for wife and babies, with cash for the preacher's pocket. May the blessings of God come to these good people in rich abundance.

### Marysville Circuit.

S. L. Ball, Dec. 31: With sad hearts we left our many friends at Decatur, but arriving at Marysville our hearts were made glad on finding so many friends to receive us. The thoughtful, good woman of Marysville had a rich table spread and waiting for us, and many good things at hand to keep it rich quite awhile. At the Christmas tree we were not forgotten, but received some nice presents, and still they come. A load (a pounding) from Sivel's Bend arrived two days ago. The ladies are also adding some needed furniture. The men have not forgotten us.

### Allen.

W. D. Estes, Dec. 29: The new year's work has commenced with a promise of good results. Bro. W. J. Owens, our pastor, arrived with his family soon after conference, and began actively to get acquainted with his people and fill appointments. At White's Grove, Sunday, he preached two sermons, held a Church Conference and made an appropriate talk at the Christmas tree Saturday night. The way he dispatched business and dispensed truths pertaining to life and salvation would have done credit to a member older in our itinerancy. The stewards met to-day at the parsonage and assessed the work \$600 for the support of the school. We are looking forward with hope to the time when the north half of Allen Circuit will have attained to a half station.

### Collinsville.

Geo. H. Adams, Dec. 27: When we reached Collinsville we were kindly received by the people. We were entertained by our friends from Farmington, Mo., but we were made to feel at home by a surprise pounding on December 15, at night, though our goods had not yet come and we were just camping, but in our own rented house, Christmas has come and gone, and as orderly and pleasant as any I have ever seen. The outlook is encouraging on my circuit; the good brethren seem willing to take hold of all the interests of the Church and do better than ever before. At Tioga the prospect for building a Church is exceedingly good, and I think we will have a parsonage here before the year is out. Plenty of work and I am well pleased. We will observe the week of prayer.

### Paris.

E. M. Murrill, Dec. 27: We have had the kind of reception that makes a preacher and his family feel comfortable and happy. We are now snugly housed in one of the best parsonages in North Texas—thanks to the good women. Bro. Lamb left it as nice as a new pin. The Sunday-school gave a free supper to the children and their parents instead of a Christmas tree. How the children enjoyed it! All were delighted. None went away sad. Miss Mattie Geron had placed on the table the most beautiful cake I ever saw. At the close of the session

himself felt in Waco or anywhere else. Sam J. Franks is too well known to need praise from me, but his people are proud of him and don't publish it. He is one of our men, and Bro. Armstrong's knowledge of the wants of Street when he selected Franks gave the key note to full year's work when he told him "wanted a revival month and then another month in the year." The has that sentiment in his practice it in his ministry. never fail; God will always the Church will always grose the Bishop saw that F needed something, so he "Whaling." As he is a new among us I am glad of the opportunity of saying he is "no sardine." Puns aside, I want to say that Whaling is a cultivated, Christian gentleman. I have heard him preach several times and like him very much. He is sociable in his intercourse with the people and makes friends always. But in the pulpit he gathers up the crowd as one man and carries them with him from the text to benediction. His sermons display thoughtful investigation and at times reach a sublimity of expression truly eloquent. Bourland, Bishop, and others did their work here; did it well. We took charge with 186 members, and now have 350 and one of the best houses in the conference outside of Dallas and Paris. You may expect good news from me.

## PLEASE NOTE

The following pages are mutilated beyond repair. Duplicate pages are filmed on the same frame, with arrow indicating readable copy.

Mound. Appointments as follows: Amo, first Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.; Centralia, second Sunday at 11 a. m.; Mt. Tabor, second Sunday at 3 p. m.; Dye Mound, third Sunday at 11 a. m.; Dye Mound, fourth Sunday at 11 a. m.; Beulah, fourth Sunday at 3 p. m.; Howell, Saturday night before the second Sunday, and fifth Sundays at 11 a. m.

### Powderly.

D. W. Gardner, Dec. 27: At the last Annual Conference I was sent by Bishop Hargrove to this work. So I packed my things and soon was ready to start. Dan and Charley were ready for driving, so we left Dye for our new field of labor, and after four days on the road landed safe and sound at the parsonage here, and found that wife and baby had arrived the night before. Our predecessor being still in the parsonage, we stopped with Bro. Pierce. We are now happily domiciled in the parsonage, which is very neat and handy. All of this is due to our predecessor. The night before he (Bro. Nelson) and family left several came in and we had songs and prayer, and it looked like fire had got into the camp. We start in with the determination to do the very best year's work of our life. There is much to be done here.

### Lone Oak.

A. C. Benson: We are moved and are almost fixed up for housekeeping again. This time we have a nice, new parsonage. For several years there has been an old house here, only a make-shift for a parsonage. This did not suit the good people of Lone Oak, who themselves live in such nice residences, and they rose up in their might and built a new one and a good one. Sister Purcell organized a Parsonage and Home Mission Society here last summer and the good sisters did the work. The brethren here say that Bro. Wheeler, the former pastor, worked the society "for all it was worth," but the ladies say that Sister Wheeler was the moving spirit in all the work. Both reports may be true, but there is no mistake about Sister Wheeler being a good leader. Her work here among the ladies and children, both financially and spiritually, is a monument to her precious memory among this good people. May God bless them in their new field at Wylie.

### Corvick.

W. H. Stephenson, Dec. 30: This scribe and family are now entering on their second year in the parsonage at this beautiful site. The storm of goodwill and things struck us on arriving here one year ago, when we were met by a committee of the Epworth Leaguers with a nicely prepared supper, then one token of appreciation after another came until we began to close up for conference. Then everything against Cochran and Ceruth Circuit was paid in full and overall, paying for all purposes \$1,118.35. Besides the good people of Cochran gave the preacher \$25.50 for a conference suit. The "madam," who was kindly remembering with a purse, with the understanding "hands off" by the preacher. [They know his peculiarity.—Ed.] Last, but not least, early this morning we were ordered by Miss Ida and Maggie Dunkle to take out the books and furniture of the preacher's study, as there was a new carpet to be put down, so I write on a newly carpeted floor. [Hope some other young ladies will furnish the brother with a table so that he will not have to write on the floor again.—Eds.]

## GEORGIA LETTER.

The weekly coming of the **ADVOCATE** to my home gives the Texas Conference a kind of home-like appearance to me, so that I am almost acquainted with my friends over the great river, although I have never trodden their green prairies. Writing the lives of Bishop Pierce and of Bishop Andrew carried me often in thought to Texas, and I seem to myself to have gone hither and journeyed with them; and then in the graveyard at Waxahachie sleeps my dear boy, and somewhere in the State I have a younger brother. I have often intended and certainly expected to visit the Texas Conference long ago, but they come on just before our meets, and I have not been yet able to do so. I must come and will try this year to do so. If I could get up a series of children's meetings, such as I have held in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Kentucky, I think I would plan for a campaign of several weeks in your borders. I am always afraid of a man who introduces a novel trip, and of the man who has a mission, unless that mission costs him something. When a man finds his interests and his philanthropy along the same line, I am always afraid of him; and so in what I say about children's meetings I may expect to be judged as I judge others.

A children's meeting which merely concerns itself with children must be a failure. The Church is the mother,

and if the Church is not moved upon the babes will not be fed. I have, however, observed that a general revival, which affects the children, is not the

m. In alist is dren's t. A t sen- hich I t be a and I is line

his name on a postal card shall have sent him "Mr. Hall," and if he likes it he can send me 50 cents in postage stamps, or send the book back if he don't. This offer is meant for all except those who relish the Doctrinal Tract more than they do the P. M. Progress. GEO. G. SMITH.

### MACON, GEORGIA.

## NOTES FROM SAN ANGELO DISTRICT.

The preachers in the San Angelo District are starting well. They were prompt in getting to their charges, some of them filling their pulpits the Sunday after conference. As far as heard from the people have received them kindly, and the appointments of Bishop Hargrove have given satisfaction in the district. Bro. R. M. Cherrault has made a fine impression at Kerrville and Centre Point. The people think they have just the preacher, and the preacher thinks he has the best place in the conference. They seem to be mutually pleased. Rev. E. K. Denton has taken hold of San Angelo Station with a firm hand. He has given evidence of being an organizer and a pastor. He touches things with a steady, intelligent hand, and has an eye to business. He has introduced Reynolds' "system" of collecting, of Sparta, Ga., and I think it will work well. San Angelo is an important field, being the place of trade for a vast amount of country. So we are glad to have the place so well manned. Bro. Denton was well received and heavily panned.

Bro. A. W. Wilson was returned to the Paint Rock charge, and this was what all the people wanted. Since conference they have bought a parsonage at Paint Rock, and when I left the preacher was about ready to move into it. This is fast becoming one of our best charges, and shows what a faithful preacher can do in a short time. What we need is a worker. The Sherwood charge is blessed with the services of Bro. J. W. Sims this year. A faithful, true man. The good ladies of the town of Sherwood are building a parsonage for the preacher. What would we do without the women of the Church. Those good women of Sherwood will succeed, and the preacher will soon be in his own house—his, while in charge of the Church. Some one of his people said to me: "Bro. McAllister is 'all wool and a yard wide.'" That expressed it. He has charge of the Sonora work, and with his cultured family well received. He has a Church enterprise on hand, and is now thinking of building a parsonage. I shall expect success at this point. Rev. H. Graham was appointed to the Sterling City charge—is on hand and makes a good start. This is a faithful brother, and if performing duty will succeed, then success is already attained in that field. He is endeavoring to build a parsonage at Sterling City. I never wanted to see one succeed more. I see from the Junction City Clipper that Bro. Leaton had preached two able sermons at that place, and from the Mason Herald that Bro. Cunningham had been well received, and thoroughly pounded. From private information in hand, Bro. Gallo-way has won all hearts at Del Rio, in the pulpit and in the pastoral work. Through private source I learn Rev. W. G. Cocks appointed to Bandera, has entered upon his work with splendid promise of great success. This holy, consecrated man will have revivals, if the Church will come to his help. Bro. McDonald is in Ingram, hard at work. Good news from him reached me freighted with the odors of future success. Bro. J. A. Wright, transferred to the North Georgia Conference, and later to the South Georgia Conference, leaving Boerne without a preacher. Hope to get one soon. Have just been in the West, and had for a traveling companion Rev. A. J. Potter, who took a superannuated relation at the last session of our conference. Bro. Potter remarked in prayer-meeting last year, he was beset by the "world and the devil," but for the last month he had been troubled with the "flesh." Dear old man, I have never been associated with a sunnier spirit or truer manhood. He seemed happy in the cold and rain, carrying me from one quarterly meeting to another. Together we suffered. Grand men who can grow old gracefully. Bro. Potter selling his book, and "Texas Characters" and Else. Please buy from him. He needs the help that the sale of the book gives. He is agent for a medicine that cures the worst case of indigestion. Cured himself with it. Address him at San Angelo, Texas. To the preachers, to the stewards, let us pay at least quarterly. Start now.

## CENTRE POINT, TEXAS.

## THANKS.

Our Christmas entertainment was a success. It was made so by the generous help of Bro. Burgher, Sister Ireland and two or three others. I take this method of thanking them. The Giver of all good will recompense them for remembering the poor.

J. F. CORBIN.

### EL PASO, TEXAS.

## SUPPLY.

I have employed Bro. H. N. Banks to supply Bethel Mission. By this statement I answer all the brethren who have written me.

G. S. WYATT.

### CORNICANA, TEXAS.

No form of petition is worthy to be called prayer in the truest and best sense of the term wherein the petitioner does not feel a pressing need of an answer. Much that is called prayer falls under the charge made against the Israelite: "Ye draw nigh to me with your lips, but your heart is

# The Texas Christian Advocate.

\$ PER ANNUM, \$2.00.

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF ALL THE TEXAS AND THE NEW MEXICO CONFERENCES OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

TO PREACHERS.

XXXIX.

DALLAS, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1893.

NO.

## AGENTS!

Note the fact that your TE will be continued to address until you authorize. It will cost one and should have early. Give the old as well as office.

## SHAW & BLAYLOCK.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 29, 1892.

## THE CONFERENCES.

### EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

#### Beaumont.

G. W. Riley, Dec. 31: I preached this place yesterday with my family after a long move by rail. A warm-hearted Christian greeting was given by the official board, and we found the ladies of the Church in ample number waiting to receive us at the parsonage, and a right royal reception it was. With parsonage well renovated, newly carpeted and furnished throughout with everything needed, so that an incoming pastor need only bring books and clothing. And then to find the new cook-stove already hot, the dining table in full readiness for the evening meal, and the pantry loaded with a full variety of supplies, sufficient for our wants for weeks to come, it is not strange that we should at once feel at home, and our hearts swell with desire to do valiant service for so generous a people.

#### Kilgore.

J. M. Martin, Dec. 28: This scribe is well pleased with his pastor's (Bro. J. M. Smith) return, and also the Presiding Elder, Bro. John Adams. We were favored with an extraordinary sermon Christmas day by the venerable W. A. Sampey, of San Augustine Station. The audience seemed delighted with his discourse, as they gave him very good attention. We were made a little sad a week when we were informed that J. W. L. Chapman, the first assistant teacher of this institution, had resigned his position. Prof. Chapman has made many friends since he has been here. While we all regret to see him leave, the school will suffer no material loss, as the President has been fortunate in securing a fine teacher in Prof. Chapman's place. The school is in working condition now, and we believe is doing excellent work in every respect.

#### From a Supernannate.

W. N. Bonner, Dec. 31: In the main I have done what I could to advance the cause of Christianity. Most of the brethren have shown me a great deal of respect. I have traveled with them on their circuits and filled their pulpits to the best of my ability. In doing so the Lord has blessed me. I have been with some of the young ministers (undergraduates) to administer baptism and the Lord's Supper. I wish to speak more particularly of the two past years. I had two places where I held religious services—one three miles from Tyler, southeast of the city. I held services there twice a month. I held services there twice a month. I held weekly prayer-meeting and Sunday-school. The other was one mile southwest of the city. I held religious services every Sunday afternoon, also a Sunday-school. I had the offer of a lot to build a Church house, but the quarterly conference of the Marvin M. E. Church thought it not advisable to build and refused to appoint a Board of Trustees to hold the property in trust for the Church; therefore I had to surrender my appointment. I now have but one appointment, which I am filling to the best of my ability. The Lord has been with us, and I feel that my labor has not been in vain in the Lord. The Christians of the congregations have been revived and sinners have asked for prayers, and I think two have found Jesus, for which I thank God. I feel that it is my privilege to hunt up and occupy the waste places. I ask the prayers of the Christian people that I may be led by the Holy Spirit and win souls for Christ.

### WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

#### Waco.

W. H. Killough, Dec. 31: Out west we witnessed a hail-storm. At first the stones were immense, but not numerous, then they came thick and fast. We were pounded last week from Wednesday to Saturday. We were pounded till we could do nothing but dodge and dart around—dazed, you see. We will never get over it.

#### San Antonio—Preachers' Meeting.

T. Gregory, Dec. 31: Since Bro. Johnson's postal agent our preachers' meeting, a fire broke out in the city which early destroyed the block in which we rented rooms. Fortunately we had not gone so far as to furnish. We are now, however, comfortably domiciled in the Alamo Insurance building, room No. 34. Our meeting last Thursday was well attended and inspiring talks were made by members and friends. We were pleased to have with us Bro. McGee, who is training for the Itinerary at Georgetown. His remarks relative to his preaching efforts made in connection with his studies while at the university were well received. This meeting will prove of unusual value to the pastors and will lead to concentrated action, tending towards further aggressions on the kingdom of will in the city.

#### Pearland.

V. R. Crockett, Dec. 28: Last Sunday a joyous Xmas at San Miguel, Sunday night the people assembled at the Church and there we witnessed a beautiful sight of two loaded with nice presents. It passed off nicely, when I seemed God specially made

bright for the worship of his people. We preached on "God's Christmas gift to his children." Luke 1:10-11. Dinner was then spread on the ground—less to say we did justice to the occasion. In the afternoon we lectured the young people; had good music by the young people; and next in order was a social singing at T. A. Devilbiss' Monday night which we enjoyed very much. Next morning we received several tokens of friendship, such as chickens, meat, potatoes, a dog, etc., when we "paled" for home and found wife and children had enjoyed a nice Xmas tree at Pearsall. Everything is moving off well on San Miguel and the stewards assured the preacher that the assessments would be forthcoming. God bless the people on our charge this year.

### TEXAS CONFERENCE.

#### Giddings.

R. F. Woolsey, Dec. 29: Giddings, Ledbetter and Burton compose our royal and all three points we have a royal, loyal, high-minded, big-hearted, liberal-souled membership. They love their preacher and his wife, and they in return love them with a double portion. Good things have come and disappeared from the face of the earth, but only to make room for other evidences of their kindly feeling and consideration. And then, too, we have a Presiding Elder whom we all love and venerate. Bro. Brooks is in love and favor with his people all over the district, and those who know him best love him most. I am truly glad to be returned to this noble people. We know they will take care of us because we have tried them. I want to do my best for the Master this year, and believe that a successful year is ahead.

### NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

#### Gordon.

C. V. Bailey, Dec. 24: Have made good start on my work. Have two snug little stations of one hundred and eight members each, all kind and generous up to date. Good things are coming in lively. We are "happy on the way."

#### Dubin.

J. H. Chambliss, Dec. 27: I began to receive on Friday, and occasional donations came to the parsonage until Saturday night when the matter culminated in a shower. We are very grateful. We have got a good start and hope to report better things in the near future.

#### Carlton.

J. B. Elder, Dec. 28: We have spent three Sundays in our new charge. I am well pleased with Carlton Circuit. The stewards have looked after our temporal interest. I have organized a good Sunday-school at Carlton and prayer-meeting. God bless the good people of Carlton Circuit and give us a soul-saving, sin-killing revival of religion this year. Is our earnest prayer.

#### Liberty Hill.

C. G. Shutt, Dec. 31: We held our week of prayer and self-denial at Liberty Hill this week, collections amounting to \$11. Next week we hold at Leander. We have adopted the plan of taking a collection every Sunday morning, the collection being a part of the worship. I think that part ought to be observed every time, same as prayer or song service.

#### Wortham.

G. J. Irvin, Dec. 28: We are now qualified, in a measure, to speak of Wortham Circuit. The first round was completed on Christmas day. Prospects are fine for a great work in 1893. The stewards are wide awake and represent a willing people. The pastor has already been encouraged. The stewards are at work and the good sisters sending in their gifts.

#### Abbott.

Jos. P. Callaway, Dec. 28: I am at Abbott, the appointed place, and am at the work with a will and faith in God, hoping to succeed. I preached twice on Christmas day to good crowds in Abbott. Have done but little yet owing to the bad weather. However, since we came we have been pummed by the people and surrounded by the mud and attended a double wedding and helped to eat a fine supper. We hope to spread out after this week and go to work in earnest.

#### Holland Mission.

C. D. West: Bishop Hargrove sent me back to work on Holland Mission another year, and I have made one round since conference. This mission consists of five Churches, all small but one, and that not very large. We only have one church-house, but are planning to build two or three during the year. I think I have the confidence of all the people and the affections of the most of them, and I am determined, by the help of the Lord, to do a good year's work for them.

#### Hico.

Wm. Price, Dec. 29: Having been appointed to this station, we commenced work soon after conference. Our membership is about one hundred. Strong faith, zeal and good works are some of their peculiar characteristics. On the 27th inst., about 7:30 p. m., they gave us a delightful storm-party. Instead of finding one or two at the door of the parsonage, we were greeted by a crowd of noble-hearted Methodists. In their visit they came prepared to give their pastor and his family a complete pounding. It was more than an ordinary exhibition of kindness. Some of the brethren had sacks of flour on their shoulders. Wives, young men and maidens, also little ones, made an exhibit of their love and charity. Yes, we received many good things—some to eat, others to wear—the whole too

numerous to mention. On their returning from the dining room we beheld their smiles and heard their words of comfort, after which we bowed in prayer and thanked God for Christian friends and friendship. May their souls be filled with "riches of grace."

#### South Oak Cliff Mission.

John L. Sullivan, Dec. 25: To-day completes my first round on this charge. I failed to find a congregation at Trinity on last Sunday, and am sorry to say the mud takes the day at Hutchins today. Have not moved on to my work yet; have been waiting and trying to secure a house at Hutchins; think I will succeed by January 1.

#### Seymour.

J. R. Henson, Dec. 26: Seymour gave us a warm reception, but no more than we expected of this people. I believe we have as good if not the best furnished parsonage in the district. Some of the more thoughtful had provided wood, coal and provisions enough to last us some time. I preached to an overflowing congregation Sunday. I saw many faces in the audience that greeted me five years ago and stood by me so faithfully during my two years labor with them.

#### Waco.

W. H. Matthews: Brother and Sister Mulkey have been with us, and have done us much good. Considering the weather, the attendance was good from the beginning and increased steadily until the close. Nearly all the business houses were closed for five days during the morning service. There were twenty-three additions to the Methodist Church and ten to other Churches. We have been kindly received by the people here. Wife and I are well pleased with our first charge.

#### Weatherford Station.

Thos. G. Whitten: We have spent three Sundays in Weatherford since conference. The indications are that we have fallen into good hands. We have been kindly received by the people. We have an elegant Church building here when completed. This will afford our people an opportunity of stirring up in the grace of liberty giving. It is a benediction to have such a privilege. Our congregations have been fairly good. We have some additions at most every service. We are expecting, under grace, to move up along all lines. The ADVOCATE is in favor with the people, but it is needed in more homes.

#### Bluff Dale.

J. R. B. Hall, Dec. 29: We were glad Bishop Hargrove saw proper to send us back to our own old work. The people have met us with open arms, and we feel like the Lord is opening to give us another prosperous year. Our Sabbath-school at Lawrence Chapel, under the leadership of Bro. W. A. Arledge, our faithful Superintendent, had a dinner and entertainment on Christmas eve, which was good to be at, and it made our hearts beat with joy to see what a good work the Sabbath-school was doing. The ADVOCATE is not forgotten either. We sent in some subscribers this week and will do all we can to circulate it on the charge.

#### Bluff Dale.

E. M. Sweet, Dec. 30: In keeping with the characteristics of the Bluff Dale people, they gave this writer and family a hearty welcome. In the face of bad weather their exuberant kindness and large generosity were exhibited by a storming party of magnitude in donations not excelled since our pastoral days in Waxahachie. Sixty or seventy packages of things nice and things substantial—some of them 100 pounds weight, or near it—were left as testimonials of their idea of proper treatment of their pastor. This sort of conduct is not unusual for these people. It is further testified in a still more commendable way in the two handsome Churches and nice parsonage built in the past two years by my predecessor, Rev. S. C. Vaughan. Bluff Dale is a new town, only three years old, on the Fort Worth and Rio Grande Railroad, fifty-five miles from Fort Worth.

#### Sipe Springs.

J. J. Canafax, Dec. 28: We arrived here on the 4th instant tired, cold and hungry. Our kind Sister Dewey took in the situation at once and was not long in preparing a supper that dispelled our hunger and relieved our fatigue. Our hands will forget their cunning before we forget that supper or her who prepared it. We took charge of the parsonage, and in a few days had gotten things arranged the best we could, when the pounding came. Old and young came all loaded with presents. It is hard to tell who enjoyed the occasion most—the pounders or the pounded. Enumerating presents has become defunct, therefore I will not attempt it. It is enough to say that everything brought was something the preacher's family needed. The kindness of the dear people still continues. We feel very much drawn to them. We have never met a kinder reception. I have been present at every appointment, but in some instances the weather has been too forbidding for us to hold services, but the general outlook is quite hopeful for Sipe Springs Circuit.

#### Waco.

J. H. Collard, Jr., Dec. 28: Waco Methodist considers itself fortunate in its appointments for this year. Bro. Jordan has entered upon his work in earnest. His people all like him and will stand by him. His preaching is instructive, entertaining and earnest. He will do good work and will make

himself felt in Waco or anywhere else. Sam J. Franks is too well known to need praise from me, but his people are proud of him and don't care if you publish it. He is one of our strongest men, and Bro. Armstrong showed his knowledge of the wants of Morrow Street when he selected him. Bro. Franks gave the key note to a successful year's work when he told the people he "wanted a revival the first month in the year." The man who has that sentiment in his heart will practice it in his ministry. That will never fail; God will always honor and the Church will always grow. I suppose the Bishop saw that Fifth Street needed something, so he gave it a "Whaling." As he is a new man among us I am glad of the opportunity of saying he is "no sardine." Praise be, I want to say that Whaling is a cultivated, Christian gentleman. I have heard him preach several times and like him very much. He is sociable in his intercourse with the people and makes friends always. But in the pulpit he gathers up the crowd as one man and carries them with him from the text to benediction. His sermons display thoughtful investigation and at times reach a sublimity of expression truly eloquent. Bourland, Bishop, and others did their work here; did it well. God honored it and their friends will not forget them. Whaling has a work—a mission all his own. God has called him to do that work in Waco and will not leave him without fruit. Now I have said all this because I feel that it ought to be said and will only add that it takes more courage to praise than to blame men.

### NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

#### Deatur.

W. M. Leatherwood, Dec. 28: We are at home from conference, the third year to this people. Met a pleasant reception, and have every prospect for a good year. These are a noble people. We love them and love to serve them. The prosperity of the Church here for the past two years has been gratifying. We took charge with 186 members and now have 390 and one of the best houses in the conference outside of Dallas and Paris. You may expect good news from me.

#### Alford.

W. T. Ayers, Dec. 29: We have been moved, received, housed, fixed and pounded in good earnest, and are now located in the nice little town of Alford, in the midst of a kind and good people, who manifested their kind appreciation of the preacher and family on last night by a most gratifying pouring of estates to last many days and clothing for the old and babies, with cash for the preacher's pocket. May the blessings of God come on these good people in rich abundance.

#### Marysville Circuit.

S. L. Bull, Dec. 31: With sad hearts we left our many friends at Deatur, but arriving at Marysville our hearts were made glad on finding so many friends to receive us. The thoughtful, good woman of Marysville had a rich table spread and waiting for us, and many good things at hand to keep it rich and white. At the Christmas tree we were not forgotten, but received some nice presents, and still they come. A load (a pound) from Sivel's Bend arrived two days ago. The ladies are also adding some needed furniture. The men have not forgotten us.

#### Allen.

W. D. Estes, Dec. 29: The new year's work has commenced with a promise of good results. Bro. W. J. Owens, our pastor, arrived with his family soon after conference, and began actively to get acquainted with his people and fill appointments. At White's Grove, Sunday, he preached two sermons, held a Church Conference and made an appropriate talk at the Christmas tree Saturday night. The way he dispatched business and dispensed truths pertaining to life and salvation would have done credit to a member older in our itinerancy. The stewards met to-day at the parsonage and assessed the work \$300 for the support of the Gospel. We are looking forward with hope to the time when the north half of Allen Circuit will have attained to a half-station.

#### Collinsville.

Geo. H. Adams, Dec. 27: When we reached Collinsville we were kindly received by the people. We were entire strangers, having come from Farmington, Mo., but we were made to feel at home by a surprise pounding on December 15, at night, though our goods had not yet come and we were just camping, but in our own rented house, Christmas has come and gone, and as orderly and pleasant as any I have ever seen. The outlook is encouraging on our circuit; the good brethren seem willing to take hold of all the interests of the Church and do better than ever before. At Yiga the prospect for building a Church is exceedingly good, and I think we will have a parsonage here before the year is out. Plenty of work and I am well pleased. We will observe the week of prayer.

#### Pardo.

E. M. Murrill, Dec. 27: We have had the kind of reception that makes a preacher and his family feel comfortable and happy. We are now snugly housed in one of the best parsonages in North Texas—thanks to the good women. Bro. Lamb left it as nice as a new pin. The Sunday-school gave a free supper to the children and their parents instead of a Christmas tree. How the children enjoyed it! All were delighted. None went away sad. Miss Mattie Geron had placed on the table the most beautiful cake I ever saw. At the close of the session

she presented it to this pastor. It is too nice even for an editor to eat, so long as we can keep it to look at. Bro. Rosser filled our pulpit twice Sunday. Our people are pleased with him. We re-organized the Epworth League. Our prospects are good for plenty to do, and by the help of the Lord, success in the work. We like the place and the people.

#### Dye.

Z. B. Pirtle, Dec. 26: We have met three of our appointments, and are very favorably impressed with our people. And going to do all we can for the Lord this year. The stewards of the Dye Mound Circuit will meet Saturday before the third Sunday in January, at 2 o'clock p. m., at Dye Mound. Appointments as follows: Amo, first Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m.; Centralia, second Sunday at 11 a. m.; Mt. Tabor, third Sunday at 3 p. m.; Dye Mound, third Sunday at 11 a. m.; and at night; Dry Valley, fourth Sunday at 11 a. m.; Beulah, fourth Sunday at 3 p. m.; Howell, Saturday night before the second Sunday, and fifth Sundays at 11 a. m.

#### Powderly.

D. W. Gardner, Dec. 27: At the last Annual Conference I was sent by Bishop Hargrove to this work. So I packed my things and soon was ready to start. Dan and Charley were ready for driving, so we left Dye for our new field of labor, and after four days on the road landed safe and sound at the parsonage here, and found that wife and baby had arrived the night before. Our predecessor being still in the parsonage, we stopped with Bro. Pierce. We are now happily domiciled in the parsonage, which is very neat and handy. All of this is due to our predecessor. The night before he (Bro. Nelson) and family left several came in and we had songs and prayer, and it looked like fire had got into the camp. We start in with the determination to do the very best year's work of our life. There is much to be here.

#### Low Oak.

A. C. Benson: We are in almost fixed up for now again. This time we have a parsonage. For several yrs has been an old house but make-shift for a parsonage. It does not suit the good people of Low Oak, who themselves live in such homes, and they rose up in it and built a new one and a good one. Sister Purcell organized a Parsonage and Home Mission Society here last summer and the good sisters did the work. The brethren here say that Bro. Wheeler, the former pastor, worked the society "for all it was worth," but the ladies say that Sister Wheeler was the moving spirit in all the work. Both reports may be true, but being a good leader. Her work here among the ladies and children, both financially and spiritually, is a monument to her precious memory among this good people. May God bless them in their new field at Wylie.

#### Carew.

W. H. Stephenson, Dec. 30: This scribe and family are now entering on their second year in the parsonage at this beautiful site. The storm of goodwill and things struck us on arriving here one year ago, when we were met by a committee of the Epworth League with a nicely prepared supper, then one token of appreciation after another came until we began to close up for conference. Then everything against Cochran and Caruth Circuit was paid in full and overful, paying for all purposes \$1,118.35. Besides the good people of Cochran gave the preacher \$28.50 for a conference suit. The "madam," who was kindly remembered with a purse, with the understanding "hands off" by the preacher. They know his peculiarity.—Ed.] Last, but not least, early this morning we were ordered by Miss Ida and Maggie Dunkle to take out the books and furniture of the preacher's study, as there was a new carpet to be put down, so I write on a newly carpeted floor. [Hope some other young ladies will furnish the brother with a table so that he will not have to write on the floor again.—Eds.]

### GEORGIA LETTER.

The weekly coming of the ADVOCATE to my home gives the Texas Conference a kind of home-like appearance to me, so that I am almost acquainted with my friends over the great river, although I have never trodden their green prairies. Writing the lives of Bishop Pierce and of Bishop Andrew carried me often in thought to Texas, and I seem to myself to have gone thither and journeyed with them; and then in the graveyard at Waxahachie sleeps my dear boy, and somewhere in the State I have a younger brother. I have often intended and certainly expected to visit the Texas Conference long ago, but they come on just before our meets, and I have not been yet able to do so. I must come and will try this year to do so. If I could get up a series of children's meetings, such as I have held in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Kentucky, I think I would plan for a campaign of several weeks in your borders. I am always afraid of a man who introduces a novel trip, and of the man who has a mission, unless that mission costs him something. When a man finds his interests and his philanthropy along the same line, I am always afraid of him; and in what I say about children's meetings I may expect to be judged as I judge others.

A children's meeting which merely concerns itself with children must be a failure. The Church is the mother,

and if the Church is not moved upon the babes will not be fed. I have, however, observed that a general revival, while it effects the children, is not the best occasion for work among them. In a revival the object of the evangelist is largely to revive. In a children's meeting it ought to be to instruct. A great number of children, a great sensation, will defeat the ends at which I at least aim. My plan may not be a good one; it is at least mine, and I think from ten years' work in this line it is the best:

1. Then, if you will pardon a personal reference, I am not a children's evangelist because I can get nothing else to do. When I left my station for this work I left one of the best of the second-class charges in my conference, where I had \$1000 and a good parsonage. I say this because of my own sake: "Are you too feeble to take a station? Surely you could get one." I am sure the Bishop would give me as good as any small station's light work, if I wished it, and I would get a salary twice as great as I get in this field. Why am I here then? Because I stand almost alone in my conviction and I am sure I am right: That the conversion of little children between six and ten years old is the most important work now before the Church. In order, however, to do this work the Church must be aroused to its importance and must be preached to. I received once a letter containing about this:

"Dear Bro.: We want you to come and talk to our children. We are going to have a meeting and I have made arrangements for the preaching, but want you for the children." Strange to say, I went, but I will never go again on such an invitation. If I do anything with the children I must have the ear of the whole Church.

2. I never go when a pastor will not heartily second my efforts, and only by his invitation.

When I go I try to do a threefold thing—to move on parents,

his name on a postal card shall I sent him "Mr. Hall," and if he will he can send me 50 cents in post-stamps, or send the book back if he don't. This offer is meant for all except those who relish the Doctrine. Tract more than they do the Pilgrim's Progress.

Geo. G. Smith.

### NOTES FROM SAN ANGELO DISTRICT.

The preachers in the San Angelo District are starting well. They were prompt in getting to their charges, some of them filling their pulpits the Sunday after conference. As far as heard from the people have received them kindly, and the appointments of Bishop Hargrove have given satisfaction in the district. Bro. R. M. Chennault has made a fine impression at Kerrville and Centre Point. The people think they have just the preacher, and the preacher thinks he has the best place in the conference. They seem to be mutually pleased. Rev. E. K. Denton has taken hold of San Angelo Station with a firm hand. He has given evidence of being an organizer and a pastor. He touches things with a steady, intelligent hand, and has an eye to business. He has introduced Reynolds' "system" of collecting, of Sparta, Ga., and I think it will work well. San Angelo is an important field, being the place of trade for a vast amount of country. So we are glad to have the place so well manned. Bro. Denton was well received and heavily pummed.

Bro. A. W. Wilson was returned to the Paint Rock charge, and this was what all the people wanted. Since conference they have bought a parsonage at Paint Rock, and when I left the preacher was about ready to move into it. This is fast becoming one of our best charges, and shows what a faithful preacher can do in a short time. What we need is a worshipping Church. The Sherwood charge is blessed with the services of Bro. J. W. Sims. I

He has a Church enterprise on hand, and is now thinking of building a parsonage. I shall expect success at this point. Rev. H. Graham was pummed at the Sterling City charge on last and makes a start. This "to be satisfied" or "not" if performing duty will succeed, then success is already attained in that field. He is endeavoring to build a parsonage at Sterling City. I never wanted to see one succeed more, I see from the Junction City Clipper that Bro. Leaton had preached two able sermons at that place, and from the Mason Herald that Bro. Cunningham had been well received, and thoroughly pummed. From private information in hand, Bro. Gallo-way has won all hearts at Del Rio, in the pulpit and in the pastoral work. Through private source I learn Rev. W. G. Coker appointed to Bandera, has entered upon his work with splendid promise of great success. This holy, consecrated man will have revivals, if the Church will come to his help. Bro. McManis, who from him reached me freighted with the orders of future success. Bro. J. A. Wright, transferred to the North Georgia Conference, and later to the South Georgia Conference, leaving Boerne without a preacher. Hope to get one soon. Have just been in the West, and had for a traveling companion Rev. A. J. Potter, who took a superannuated relation at the last session of our conference. Bro. Potter remarked in prayer-meeting last year, he was beset by the "world and the devil," but for the last month he had been troubled with the "flesh." Dear old man, I have never been associated with a sunnier spirit or truer manhood. He seemed happy in the cold and rain, carrying me from one quarterly meeting to another. Together we suffered. Grand man who can grow old gracefully. Bro. Potter is selling his book, and "Texas Characters" and "Else." Please buy from him. He needs the help that the sale of the book gives. He is agent for a medicine that cures the worst case of indigestion. Cured himself with it. Address him at San Angelo, Texas. To the preachers, to the stewards, let us pay at least quarterly. Start now.

M. A. BLACK.

CENTRE POINT, TEXAS.

THANKS.

Our Christmas entertainment was a success. It was made so by the generous help of Bro. Burgher, Sister Ireland and two or three others. I take this method of thanking them. The Giver of all good will recompense them for remembering the poor.

J. F. CORBIN.

EL PASO, TEXAS.

SUPPLY.

I have employed Bro. H. N. Banks to supply Bethel Mission. By this statement I answer all the brethren who have written me.

G. S. WYATT.

CORISCANA, TEXAS.

No form of petition is worthy to be called prayer in the truest and best sense of the term wherein the petitioner does not feel a pressing need of an answer. Much that is called prayer falls under the charge made against the Levite: "Ye draw nigh unto me with your lips, but your heart is far from me."

Texas Christian Advocate.

FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.

This, not only as a part but the very core of the prayer the Master taught his disciples, deserves most serious thought, and especially so lest we be found doing much unprofitable praying.

As further proof: "When ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have aught against any, that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses."

But the question rises, what are we required to forgive? This is a very important part. Are we to forgive with no means indiscriminately? By no means.

Peter asked Christ if he should forgive the same man only seven times. Christ told him that he should forgive him four hundred and ninety times, meaning times without limit.

Gifts offered on the altar and prayers are parallels in so far as any virtue is contained in them. Christ knew that thousands of gifts had been offered with no other effect than to waste their savor in the air.

Much of the difficulty exists more in thought and imagination than otherwise. Some people, naturally inclined to depressed spirits, think they will have always to be forgiving, or always repenting, and therefore look upon this law of the Master as harsh in the extreme.

What is a Conference Examining Committee? It is a committee ordered by the General Conference. The Annual Conference appoints the Discipline (page 52): "Let every Annual Conference appoint Committees of Examination upon the course of study prescribed by the Bishops for candidates for the ministry."

These committees act for the Bishops on the one hand and for the Annual Conference on the other. There are no rules by which they are to be governed. When the committeeman goes before his class, "he is monarch of all he surveys. His right there is none to dispute."

A young man who has mastered his course of study does not fear the most rigid examination. The man who fails and grumbles advertises his stupidity or carelessness, and maybe

both. The failures of such will do either them or the Church good. Committees may sometimes be stricter than is necessary; may even give an examination which they themselves could not stand, but that failing leans to virtue's side.

What the writer protests against is the too prevalent practice of making a course of the whole matter. This is done in two ways: (1) by passing every member of a class regardless of his knowledge or ignorance of the course study, and (2) by spending the time allotted to an examination in discussing topics which have no relation to the course of study.

While the writer was an undergraduate he more than once saw a candidate passed by the Examining Committee who did not, during an entire examination, answer a dozen questions with any close approximation to correctness. Is that wise? Is it right?

Is the committee who pursues such a course faithful to the trust committed to it by the Church? Should a man be graduated in the conference course of study when his examination has disclosed only dense ignorance of the course? Is that the intent of our Church law? If our educational fences are to be made so low that a simpleton can walk over, why have we any fences? Some committees seem to have the impression that they are to judge of a man's moral instead of his mental qualifications.

One design of these examinations is to determine whether or not a candidate for the ministry is able to grasp and convey to others the great truths of the Gospel. A man whose mind cannot take in the course of study is hardly fit to represent our Church as a leader in the great battle that is being waged for truth against error.

Let a candidate for the ministry be proved mentally as well as otherwise. None of the apostles or their successors were imbeciles. We want no imbeciles in the pulpit of today. Our Conference Committees are appointed to guard the doors and keep them out. Let them do their duty. But more than once the writer has known a committeeman to clearly violate the provision of the Discipline by ignoring the text books and spending the time allotted to an examination in discussing matters wholly irrelevant.

Several years ago a committeeman spent nearly a whole day in trying to enforce upon a class his peculiar views on sanctification. More recently a committeeman of the fourth year, to whom was allotted Tigert's Logic, severely criticised to the class the action of the Bishops in placing such a book in the course of study; said nobody could understand it, and then without so much as opening the book proceeded to state to the class certain of his own views of logic and psychology which were at least new and striking and enough to give Hickok and Upham and Porter and Rikers and Hopkins and Juvons and Tigert the shivers.

All these things happened in Texas. Would it not be well for conferences to require the committees to grade the candidates on every study and read out their grade in open conference? As the Annual Conference creates these committees, it has a right to control them, and should see that they properly perform their duties.

HOW A MAN FEELS UNDER FIRE. "How does a man feel under fire?" is a question of interest to men who have had the experience, as well as to those who have not had it. We are all anxious to know what may be the mental impression of any one of our fellows in circumstances generally supposed to be a test of bravery or courage, especially since most of us have had no such test.

During the Civil War every citizen of the Republic had ample opportunity for satisfaction on this point, but, in these days of peace, the opportunity is lacking in the ordinary habits and pursuits of civilization. As war correspondent of the New York Tribune, at that time, I learned to the full what it is to be in range of balls and bullets of every calibre and variety. I was altogether with the armies of the Southwest, where a correspondent might well be said to have a roving commission. He was the freest man in the field. He could go, and he could do, very much as he pleased, so long as he did not flagrantly violate military rules, particularly as regards giving information to the enemy in his dispatches and letters.

The morning of the second day of the siege I was wandering on foot through a wood, trying to see how the battle was going. This was very difficult, because the region about the fort was rough, broken, hilly, covered largely by undergrowth and forest, so that the enemy's works and movements could scarcely be discerned.

There was continuous firing to the left, and the frequent whizzing of bullets over our heads, and the Confederates opened on us from an adjacent battery with grape and canister. The shot rattled all around us, cutting down the bare twigs and boughs above, and plowing up the ground in our immediate vicinity. It was so abrupt, and the source was so invisible, that I was fairly startled at first; but I was exhilarated also. It seemed like real war; the sensation was genuine, and not unpleasurable, because, perhaps, I saw nobody struck.

It makes a deal of difference with one's feelings, under fire, when one is an eye witness of casualties in the immediate neighborhood. The sense of danger is greatly increased, as well as the likelihood of death, if men are falling around one; if somebody at one's side receives a ghastly or mortal wound. Wounds and death in the abstract appear very different from what they do in the concrete. Time and experience are needed not to be deeply moved by the inevitable waste of war. Usage makes us, to a certain extent, callous to our surroundings, however painful. It is nature's protection against excessive suffering.

The hostile battery was discharged again and again; but no visible harm was done. Nobody at Donelson could tell when he might be under fire, owing, as I have said, to the nature of the ground. The enemy, after the surrender, said that he had been short of ammunition. He assuredly wasted a great deal while the battle was on. He was continually discharging grape, canister, and shell into the wood that partly surrounded the fort, fancying, no doubt, that it was full of Unionists. Regiments were stationed here and there, and batteries could not see us, they could only fire in the direction where they believed us to be. I got quite wonted at Donelson to the belching of balls, and to the rain of lead and iron. It began to seem, indeed, familiar, and it lost, therefore, much of its effect. Anything like familiarity with danger goes far toward annulling it.

Most men are prone to think, before they have actually learned the contrary, that, whenever a gun goes off, somebody is hit. After they have been in battle, they find that the bullet which has actually struck them, and which has done the most damage, is not nearly so dangerous as is popularly supposed. It is a great gain, too, to be under the discipline of a general, who, obeying the first impulse before whirling balls, incontinently ran away. Privates, being ordinarily of a lower grade than officers, cannot be relied on as these may be. Education, social status, ownership of friends contribute to the discipline of a general.

A fellow, without those, is lacking in a sense of responsibility; is bound to and by no sustaining consideration. A man of recognized position may be prompted to run; but when can he stop? He knows, if he starts that he is leaving his reputation hopelessly behind. His only goal must be the grave; and there is every prospect of avoiding that by standing and fighting. Running is stark folly; no one capable of reasoning would or could run from danger, when it is a matter of honor, to face it.

Pride, even vanity, is a good substitute for courage. Everybody remembers Wellington's assertion about a household regiment at Waterloo: "They are censored puppies; but they fight well." Many a man has endured fire with outstanding bravery from ignoble motives. Courage is not demanded in battle so much as the show of courage. He who masks his feelings can, after awhile, control them. He who can play the hero will ultimately become one.

I have heard men who had displayed prodigies of valor confess themselves temperately timid. If it were so, they were paladins. They who speak doubtfully of their courage, or who are silent on the subject, are most likely to give a good account of themselves when great demands are made. It is a homely proverb in the army that boasts of their fighting with their mouths. Nevertheless, braggarts are sometimes brave to rashness. But bragging is by no means an earnest of performance.

I have been told of a Captain of a Western infantry company who, before Shiloh was fought, expressed repeatedly and vociferously his deep regret at having been in the field a whole year without opportunity to take part in any engagement. He was burning, he said, to meet the foe, to win laurels or the cross. This sort of rhetoric is not received favorably by tried soldiers. The doughty Captain had his coveted chance in the general assault on the Confederates, the second day; but after they had retreated, he was missing. Then it was remembered that he had not been seen after the beginning of the advance. He was afterward found under a tree, with what he called a sprained ankle, far in the rear. His story was discredited. There was good reason for the opinion, generally held by his regiment, that it was not his ankle, but his passionate intrepidity, that had been disoriented under the rattling musketry and roar of cannon. He was advised to resign, and he followed the advice immediately.

Not a few foreign generals, commonly of the older and Martinet school, believe that light—we also sought the shelter of trees, where we certainly felt more secure, if less conspicuous. I thought I could afford to do what a German veteran declared to be entirely within military rule and precedent. On the same field, I was privileged to smell a good deal of powder. Going into a trench, to watch the strife, I had a variety of experiences in the four days of its waging. Nobody at Donelson could tell when he might be under fire, owing, as I have said, to the nature of the ground. The enemy, after the surrender, said that he had been short of ammunition. He assuredly wasted a great deal while the battle was on. He was continually discharging grape, canister, and shell into the wood that partly surrounded the fort, fancying, no doubt, that it was full of Unionists. Regiments were stationed here and there, and batteries could not see us, they could only fire in the direction where they believed us to be. I got quite wonted at Donelson to the belching of balls, and to the rain of lead and iron. It began to seem, indeed, familiar, and it lost, therefore, much of its effect. Anything like familiarity with danger goes far toward annulling it.

lieve that the more nearly a soldier approaches a machine, the more efficient he becomes, which is totally opposed to the American idea. The Civil War German veteran declared to be entirely within military rule and precedent. On the same field, I was privileged to smell a good deal of powder. Going into a trench, to watch the strife, I had a variety of experiences in the four days of its waging. Nobody at Donelson could tell when he might be under fire, owing, as I have said, to the nature of the ground. The enemy, after the surrender, said that he had been short of ammunition. He assuredly wasted a great deal while the battle was on. He was continually discharging grape, canister, and shell into the wood that partly surrounded the fort, fancying, no doubt, that it was full of Unionists. Regiments were stationed here and there, and batteries could not see us, they could only fire in the direction where they believed us to be. I got quite wonted at Donelson to the belching of balls, and to the rain of lead and iron. It began to seem, indeed, familiar, and it lost, therefore, much of its effect. Anything like familiarity with danger goes far toward annulling it.

Most men are prone to think, before they have actually learned the contrary, that, whenever a gun goes off, somebody is hit. After they have been in battle, they find that the bullet which has actually struck them, and which has done the most damage, is not nearly so dangerous as is popularly supposed. It is a great gain, too, to be under the discipline of a general, who, obeying the first impulse before whirling balls, incontinently ran away. Privates, being ordinarily of a lower grade than officers, cannot be relied on as these may be. Education, social status, ownership of friends contribute to the discipline of a general.

A fellow, without those, is lacking in a sense of responsibility; is bound to and by no sustaining consideration. A man of recognized position may be prompted to run; but when can he stop? He knows, if he starts that he is leaving his reputation hopelessly behind. His only goal must be the grave; and there is every prospect of avoiding that by standing and fighting. Running is stark folly; no one capable of reasoning would or could run from danger, when it is a matter of honor, to face it.

Pride, even vanity, is a good substitute for courage. Everybody remembers Wellington's assertion about a household regiment at Waterloo: "They are censored puppies; but they fight well." Many a man has endured fire with outstanding bravery from ignoble motives. Courage is not demanded in battle so much as the show of courage. He who masks his feelings can, after awhile, control them. He who can play the hero will ultimately become one.

I have heard men who had displayed prodigies of valor confess themselves temperately timid. If it were so, they were paladins. They who speak doubtfully of their courage, or who are silent on the subject, are most likely to give a good account of themselves when great demands are made. It is a homely proverb in the army that boasts of their fighting with their mouths. Nevertheless, braggarts are sometimes brave to rashness. But bragging is by no means an earnest of performance.

I have been told of a Captain of a Western infantry company who, before Shiloh was fought, expressed repeatedly and vociferously his deep regret at having been in the field a whole year without opportunity to take part in any engagement. He was burning, he said, to meet the foe, to win laurels or the cross. This sort of rhetoric is not received favorably by tried soldiers. The doughty Captain had his coveted chance in the general assault on the Confederates, the second day; but after they had retreated, he was missing. Then it was remembered that he had not been seen after the beginning of the advance. He was afterward found under a tree, with what he called a sprained ankle, far in the rear. His story was discredited. There was good reason for the opinion, generally held by his regiment, that it was not his ankle, but his passionate intrepidity, that had been disoriented under the rattling musketry and roar of cannon. He was advised to resign, and he followed the advice immediately.

Not a few foreign generals, commonly of the older and Martinet school, believe that light—we also sought the shelter of trees, where we certainly felt more secure, if less conspicuous. I thought I could afford to do what a German veteran declared to be entirely within military rule and precedent. On the same field, I was privileged to smell a good deal of powder. Going into a trench, to watch the strife, I had a variety of experiences in the four days of its waging. Nobody at Donelson could tell when he might be under fire, owing, as I have said, to the nature of the ground. The enemy, after the surrender, said that he had been short of ammunition. He assuredly wasted a great deal while the battle was on. He was continually discharging grape, canister, and shell into the wood that partly surrounded the fort, fancying, no doubt, that it was full of Unionists. Regiments were stationed here and there, and batteries could not see us, they could only fire in the direction where they believed us to be. I got quite wonted at Donelson to the belching of balls, and to the rain of lead and iron. It began to seem, indeed, familiar, and it lost, therefore, much of its effect. Anything like familiarity with danger goes far toward annulling it.

Most men are prone to think, before they have actually learned the contrary, that, whenever a gun goes off, somebody is hit. After they have been in battle, they find that the bullet which has actually struck them, and which has done the most damage, is not nearly so dangerous as is popularly supposed. It is a great gain, too, to be under the discipline of a general, who, obeying the first impulse before whirling balls, incontinently ran away. Privates, being ordinarily of a lower grade than officers, cannot be relied on as these may be. Education, social status, ownership of friends contribute to the discipline of a general.

A fellow, without those, is lacking in a sense of responsibility; is bound to and by no sustaining consideration. A man of recognized position may be prompted to run; but when can he stop? He knows, if he starts that he is leaving his reputation hopelessly behind. His only goal must be the grave; and there is every prospect of avoiding that by standing and fighting. Running is stark folly; no one capable of reasoning would or could run from danger, when it is a matter of honor, to face it.

Pride, even vanity, is a good substitute for courage. Everybody remembers Wellington's assertion about a household regiment at Waterloo: "They are censored puppies; but they fight well." Many a man has endured fire with outstanding bravery from ignoble motives. Courage is not demanded in battle so much as the show of courage. He who masks his feelings can, after awhile, control them. He who can play the hero will ultimately become one.

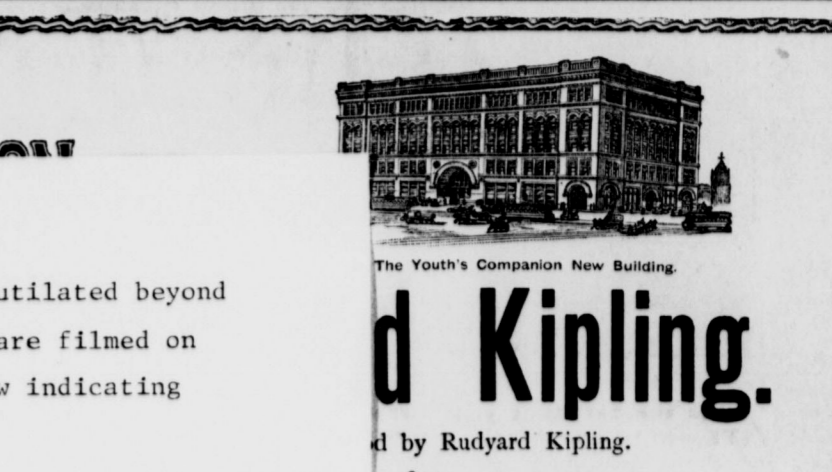
The Most Famous Authors Contribute to THE YOUTH'S COMPANION

PLEASE NOTE The following pages are mutilated beyond repair. Duplicate pages are filmed on the same frame, with arrow indicating readable copy.

Sir Frank R. H. Frankinon Smith. Archibald Forbes. W. Clark Russell. Lord Playfair. Justin McCarthy. The Marquis of Lorne.

FREE To Jan. 1, '93 New Subscribers who send \$1.75 at once will receive The Companion Free to Jan. 1, 1893, and for a full year from that date, including the Double Numbers for Christmas and New Year. The Souvenir of The Companion, describing the New Building, 42 pages, in colors, will be sent FREE to any one requesting it who sends a subscription. (Check, Money-Order or Registered Letter.)

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.



THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

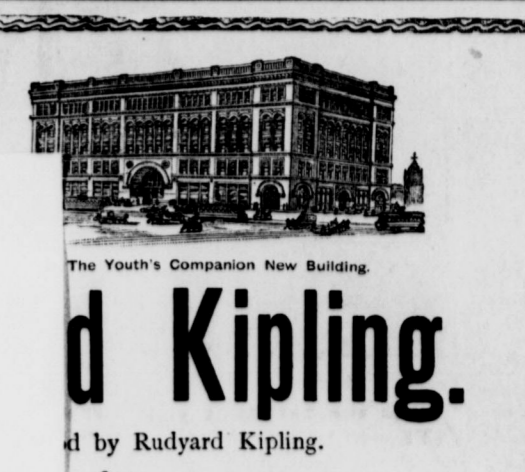
THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.



By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

By Rudyard Kipling. Gen. Henry Wallace. Sir Lewis Thompson. Charles Dickens.

New-Bo TEN PASTELS IN SONG. A collection of veritable gems...

THE JOHN CHURCH CO. INC. 5000 BOOK AGENTS WANT DARKNESS DAY...

WORTHINGTON'S MAG. A new, cheaply illustrated monthly...

ESTEX & C. 116 & 918 Olive Street, ST. L.

EPWORTH ORGANS. THE MOST PERFECT OF PENS. JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS.







Christian Advocate.

AW & BLAYLOCK, Publishers. Office of Publication—Dallas Building, Elm Street, Dallas, Texas.

Published Every Thursday at Dallas, Texas. Entered at the Postoffice at Dallas, Texas, as second-class matter, June 15, 1879.

JAS. CAMPBELL, Editor. JAS. W. HILL, Assistant Editor.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS: L. M. Fowler, East Texas Conference; G. S. Horton, West Texas Conference; S. S. Smith, Texas Conference; George Bishop, Northwest Texas Conference; John A. Allen, D. D., North Texas Conference.

Joint Board of Publication of the Five Texas Conferences. Texas Conference—W. W. Adkins, E. H. Harbison, J. B. Sears.

West Texas Conference—W. H. H. Biggs, B. Harbison, W. J. Joyce.

North Texas Conference—R. C. Armstrong, J. G. Putman, Geo. S. Wyatt.

South Texas Conference—W. F. Easterday, J. H. McLean, D. D., R. M. Powers.

East Texas Conference—John Adams, D. D., T. P. Smith, J. T. Smith.

Subscription—In Advance. One Year, \$4.00; Six Months, \$2.00; Three Months, \$1.00; Single Copies, 5c.

THE TRUE PASTOR. Notwithstanding the fact that our discipline is chary of the term pastor, preferring always the term "preacher in charge," the former of these terms has grown into general use.

In any proper definition of the term, however, Christ Jesus must be the chief pastor and model shepherd. Ministers of the Gospel are true shepherds as they represent him in the office.

That inimitable parable and allegory found in the tenth chapter of the fourth Gospel our Lord gives these distinctive marks of the True and Good Shepherd. Although these were spoken of himself they should be found in all true pastors.

The "Shepherd of the sheep" enters by the door. "To him the porter openeth." The sheep had been inclosed in the fold for the night. It was an open square inclosed by high walls and a fast gate. A watchman was left with the sheep over night and when the shepherd came in the morning to lead the sheep out to pasture the watchman or pastor opened the gate and admitted the sheep.

This pastor was John the Baptist, the forerunner sent to lead the way to the true light.

The principle is that God had a plan and a way by which Christ should be manifested and take charge of the Messianic Kingdom—by which he should enter the fold and take charge of the sheep. He being the True Shepherd entered by the prescribed way. He did not arbitrarily take possession like the thief and robber. Every Church has its door and porter by means of which those who are to be pastors must enter. These doors and porters are appointed by the Chief Shepherd so far as the particular Church is recognized by him. All who have the spirit of Christ to earnestly seek the salvation of souls, and believe that the Church whose ministry they seek to enter is a Church of God, will submit willingly to the rules and order of the Church as of divine appointment. But whoever claims the right and privilege to force himself upon the Church by some new form of ministry not according to the established order, follows not the example of the Master, who though he was the Son of God entered not until the porter opened. John Wesley once thought he was called to a peculiar ministry in the Church of England, but he was mistaken. That was not his call. He was called to organize a new Church. The plan of the ministry is a distinguishing feature of the Church itself.

The man who enters by the regular door and then operates on a plan peculiar and of his own making, only shows that he is a little more skillful than the other fellow who climbs over the wall.

The true shepherd is a door for the entrance of the sheep. No one can be in the absolute sense the door of salvation but Christ himself. But in a relative and large sense every true preacher of the Gospel is a door through which souls enter into Christ the Saviour.

There is a tendency to restrict meaning of the term pastor to care and training of those who have entered into salvation, since the old Methodist preference for a term preacher; for the burden of Methodism is to save souls. But the Scriptural idea of the office of shepherd judges all in that direction that the most earnest Christian could desire.

The parable we are considering is part of a controversy over the salvation of a soul. The occasion was the calling of the man that was born blind and his consequent faith in Christ. It was in controversy with the Sanhedrin over the case of that poor blind sheep which the Good Shepherd admitted into the fold on a Sabbath day

and whom the thieves and robbers had put out of the synagogue that the parable was uttered. It must be remembered also that it was a custom of our Lord to represent himself as a shepherd. He also called some of the sheep lost. The sinners are the lost sheep, and the Good Shepherd is their shepherd. He came to seek and to save the lost ones. He even leaves the ninety and nine just—justified—ones to go in search of the lost one. And have we not "all, like sheep, gone astray?"

He would be a strange shepherd who cared nothing for the increase of the flock. That is the especial burden of his care. But the flock of Christ is increased only by saving sinners. The spiritual children of the Church is the great solicitude of the Christy pastor. That man makes a great mistake who thinks that the chief function of the pastoral office is to look after the members and their children according to the flesh. His business is to look after all the sheep of God in the community to which he is sent, and especially the lost ones.

It is true that to oversee and edify the members is a large part of pastoral duty, but even this duty must consist largely in training the members to cooperate with the shepherd in building up the flock by saving sinners.

"The Good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep." This is the highest test of fidelity and the strongest proof of affection. After all, the truest test of genuine pastorship is love for the sheep. None other save Christ can atone for sin by death, and therefore no pastor is called upon to die sacrificially to save men. But genuine pastoral love will give the living life for the sheep, and die for them at duty's post if need be. It may cost more to live for them than to die for them.

The true spirit of the good shepherd is to serve the sheep. The model shepherd "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister." Those who occupy the pastoral office by his authority are like him, for he will not send a mercenary to oversee his sheep.

"The hireling careth not for the sheep." He is here for the pay. Not every hireling serves for money alone, but to be glorified and ministered unto is the reward he seeks. Position in office and the praise of men are more to him than gold and silver. Are there not those who think it the highest honor to go to the charges which pay the largest salaries? And is not the honor of the place more to them than the salary? Those who pay most demand the "biggest preachers," and to be considered the "biggest" is the most enticing reward to the hireling spirit. Does not the hireling think that the Church was made for his service, his comfort and his glorification?

Love begets love, and wins where all else fails. The sheep know the voice of love and will follow it. The shepherd whom the Lord calls and prepares by the divine love for souls will enter by the door, guarded by the divinely appointed porter, and the sheep will know his voice, for it will be the voice of love; he will be a door by which the sheep will have access to the rich pastures of saving truth, and will devote his life to live, not for himself, but for the sheep, and will love them with a love that will die for them if need be.

GOSPEL RECIPROCITY. The operations of the policy of reciprocity with Cuba illustrates its wisdom. American flour has been put in command of the market there; American machinery has been largely introduced; the volume of trade between the two countries has grown from \$88,000,000 in 1891, to \$114,000,000 in 1892; and the sugar product of Cuba has swollen enormously—from 600,000 tons a year ago to 1,000,000 tons the current season. This is a single sample of what may be done with reciprocity in vogue between our Government and all other governments on our Continent. Vast markets of all sorts are open to us in Central and South America. We ought to be wise enough to exchange commodities with them directly, rather than trade, indirectly, and with much less advantage, through third parties.—Central Advocate.

Just so. But it will be a hard task to convince the intelligent disinterested party that if reciprocity is good in part it is not good in the whole. If it is wise to reciprocate with Cuba because it increases the yield and therefore cheapens sugar, it is equally wise to cheapen manufactured goods by reciprocating with England. Reciprocity is good doctrine provided it be made universal. But the reciprocity which the Central endorses is the same in principle as the old puritanical doctrine of the Mayflower, that "What is the Lord's belongs unto his people; the earth is the Lord's and we are his people; therefore the earth is ours." Reciprocity with Cuba is good for the Yankee because it gives him a market for his machinery and flour, while it cheapens his sugar. But to the sugar raiser in the South it advances the price of farming implements and cheapens the price of his product. This is the kind of policy the Central delights in. The Southern planter is willing, provided the supply of machinery and clothing be correspondingly broadened by the removal of the high tariffs on those articles. Who is right? That is the per-

petent question, because we are looking at the question from a moral and not a political standpoint. It is a question of moral right whether the policy of the General Government should rob one of its citizens to enrich another. No better nor more just a problem was ever given a principle than where the protective principle of tariff was named "robber tariff." Morally it is that and nothing else. One man may protect his business by way-laying and forcibly depriving other men of their money, and do no worse in principle than the "robber tariff." It is worse than slavery; for while slavery circumscribes liberty in one direction, it does give something in return, and may broaden liberty itself in other and better directions. This was the case with thousands on thousands of African slaves in the South. While their mere physical liberties were restrained, they were made morally free and intellectually elevated by the training and influences of a superior race. Nothing of the kind can be said in amelioration of the injustice of the "robber tariff." It simply robs one class of workers, not to support, but to enrich another class of men—factory lords. It holds down one section to build up another.

We believe that the principles of the Gospel are as good for Nations as for individuals. The golden rule practiced by governments toward each other would be a great lift for the betterment of mankind. The "robber tariff" violates every element in true Christian reciprocity—Gospel reciprocity is not to do unto others as they do unto you, but do unto them as you would have them do unto you.

SHALL WE RETURN? Would it not be a good idea to return to the old style of holding a Quarterly Conference and let the "Elder" preach on Saturday and Sunday? Those seasons were once epochs in the history of the Churches and neighborhoods where they were held. People looked forward to them and prepared for them. They fasted on the day before. They "killed a kid and baked cakes upon the hearth." They prayed and read the Scriptures; and when the great man came and the officials from different "classes" arrived, each vied with the other in furnishing entertainment for them. All this was a means of grace and prepared the mind and heart to hear and receive the truth when the word of God was preached.

And yet there are Methodists with children—reading children, too—growing up around them who refuse to subscribe for their Church paper on the ground that they are "taking more pay for" than they are really able to pay for. Such people are bartering a future full of regrets for a little present cash.

THE preacher who sits on the corner of the streets and whitties goods boxes with loafers will soon be classed among his chosen companions.

THE dear old ADVOCATE is finding its way into many of our homes and preaches regularly once a week, rain or shine. W. D. ESTES.

THE ADVOCATE makes no high pretensions and is content to be the junior preacher, but being younger, the junior often gets there when the senior can't, and it is wise, you know, to always have somebody on hand.

NO MAN should presume upon temptation. There will be quite a sufficient amount of that come to us without our going in search of it. Sometimes a man's faults are mitigated by his circumstances, but when those environments have been sought and coveted the common judgment of the world and the voice of God convict him of every count.

"If any person shall go into any public place, or into or near any private house, or along any street or highway near any private house, and shall use loud and vociferous or obscene, vulgar or indecent language, or swear or curse, etc., he shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$100." A "public place" is defined as any public road, street or alley, inn, tavern, grocery, store, etc. What does this law mean? Does it mean anything? Apparently not.—Dallas News.

The law is all right. It means what it says. But what do our officers mean? and what do our people mean? Moreover, this is not the only law that lies dormant on our statute books. The Sunday law and the law against carrying concealed weapons are very feebly enforced in some places, as the numerous open saloons and bloody shootings that have disgraced some of our chief cities recently, abundantly testify. This whiskey, gambling and shooting business is bringing reproach upon our State abroad and ruin to our people at home. There is hardly a crime committed that is not traceable to these wretched dives, where reason is dethroned and the temporary maniac turned loose to butcher and to slay.

In the name of law, of civilization, and of God, we cry out against this damnable evil, and beg all good citizens to aid us in the overthrow of this greatest curse of the Nineteenth Century.

THE man who keeps his smiles for "company" and gives his family nothing but grunts and growls may not have suspected that he is an old beast, but he is for all that.

ONE brother speaks very highly of the reputation of his predecessor; says he likes to follow such men, for the high esteem in which they are held speaks well for the charge. This brother is eminently correct. When a

charge undertakes to praise its present pastor by telling him of the mistakes and foibles of his predecessor, he may expect his name to be used in the same way when the next man comes.

We whine about the non-enforcement of law and the fact that crime is running rampant over our State, and then sit quietly and let the whiskey-dealers run the politics of the country. Just think of this a few minutes—and then do your duty.

We spend more for the applause of other people than we do for our own comfort. It is an old but true saying that "Fools make feasts And wise men eat them."

ONE among our good resolutions for the new year, 1893, and not to be broken in all time to come, should be the all-important one, not to vote for any man, from Constable to President, who will not promise, if elected, to enforce every law on the statute book.

SOME people—especially some preachers—think it is beneath their dignity (?) to study music and learn to sing. The result is they are shut up to the butcher of a few old tunes they have learned by ear. Their bones must be very old as well as their tunes, if David is an authority in the premises. He said: "My bones waxed old through my roaring all the day."

THE sinner's sins are like his shadow: he can never outrun them, and the brighter the light the more distinctly is the shade discovered.

HE who has no faith in God has little confidence in or sympathy for the human race. All this talk of the "fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man" which infidels have stolen from the Bible and gotten off as their own philosophy is only from the teeth out.

To be able to detect the faults and foibles of others does not evince either a superior purpose or piety. Pope hits it off in good style: Some first for wits and then for poets passed. Turned critics next, and proved plain fools at last.

ONE of the matters of inter-denominational concern, and vital in its relations to the progress of the Gospel, is the undue multiplication of pastoral charges in town and country through the West and South. It means division, starvation, feud, bigotry, and failure on most lines of work, for half a dozen denominations to plant themselves in a high community of a thousand people, and attempt to build Churches, support pastors, and organize separate congregations, surely the time is not far distant when there shall be a mutual arrangement by which surplus organizations shall be withdrawn from already overstocked communities.—Central Advocate.

There is good philosophy in the above which the Central's denomination would do well to consider. To act on the line of its wisdom would save our Northern brethren several thousand dollars missionary money now being wasted in this country. Nevertheless it must be remembered that the question is not one of mere support of pastors. One congregation in a town might give one pastor a much better salary than two Churches in the same town would give either of their pastors, but the important question is whether more souls would be saved.

It parents desire to assist the devil in the most effective way, let them criticize their pastor or the school teacher in the presence of their children. Old Satan has few better helpers than such people.

THE Hon. Henry W. Hilliard, of Atlanta, Ga., is dead. He was a great preacher, a great statesman and a great man.

We see from the Nashville Advocate that Bishop Wilson's health is much improved, and that he expects to bring out a book soon on "Some Aspects of the Gospel of St. John."

THE Nashville Christian Advocate gives the following statistics of the Churches in Canada: Roman Catholics, 1,990,465; Methodists, 847,469; Presbyterians, 756,199; Episcopalians, 644,106; Baptists, 303,749; Lutherans, 63,979; and Congregationalists, 28,155.

It is reported that Mr. Moody is going to hold meetings in Chicago during the Columbian Exposition.

THE Church-goers who spend all the forenoon Sunday reading the daily papers, filling up on murders, suicides and rapes need not be surprised if the service, to him at least, is not somewhat dry.

THE memory of man runneth not to the contrary when a successful preacher did not have a good wife—a help-mate (proper) for him. We often hear of a wonderful Bro. So-and-So, but the observant have long since learned that there is always a still more wonderful Sister Such-and-Such whose name does not appear in the minutes.

SOMETIMES the preacher gets bacon, as quaterage, for 15 cents that could be bought for 12 at the grocer's. The brother who contributes it doubtless

believes that the 3 cents difference will add to the treasure he is laying up in heaven. The devil, however, who is better posted in the books of the Recording Angel, pulls down his eye and chuckles.

WHEN the reading of God's Word becomes irksome, it is time for a thorough self-examination.

THEY have in England what they call "Bogs," a class of Church-goers who are always present and attentive, but who take it all in and give nothing out. Brother, are you a Bog?

THE whiskey dealers are thoroughly organized throughout Texas—and for what? The answer is easy—that they may place men in office whom they know will not enforce the law against their nefarious traffic. If whiskey is not controlled, the Devil will take care of all other laws.

EVERY time John L. Sullivan gets drunk the daily newspapers of America spend several thousand dollars reporting the fact. Whole columns are printed and put on first page describing his shameful condition and quoting his drunken blarney as if every sentence was a literary gem from Shakespeare. It should be beneath the dignity of any newspaper to pay so much attention to a drunken human brute like Sullivan. If he occupied some lofty and honorable position in the world then the newspapers should show him up; in his true character; but who is Sullivan? Only a low and vile slugger, who spends his life in the slums and dens of iniquity, and does not deserve a five-line notice once a year.—Pittsburg (Tex.) Gazette.

AND yet the same papers that publish the vile doings and sayings of this wretch pose as leaders and fashioners of public sentiment. Such are leaders indeed, but to follow their lead is to land in barbarism and savagery.

SOME of our Northern colleges and universities have gone wild on "physical culture," and more attention is given to foot-ball and such child's play than to mathematics and the humanities. When the great scholars of the past generation were being educated, their tutors looked after the matter of head and heart culture, but now it seems the policy is to develop the feet and legs. Samuel Johnson led Oxford by his translation of Juvenal; but it takes no brains to kick a ball. Verily, this is an age of progress!

THE man who prays without ceasing will not run in debt for things he can not pay for.—Rom's Horn.

THE preacher who views the fresco, or rivets his eyes to the floor while preaching to the people, will impress them deeply that he is—not in earnest.

ANY fool can scoff. It takes no intellectual power to do wrong, but it takes watchfulness and grace to do right. "Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves."

LIES and slander travel by telegraph, while truth comes in on a freight.

WHEN the service of God becomes a matter of dry duty rather than that of joyous privilege, it is time to fill up the lamp.

IN England recently there has been much discussion about John Wesley's churchmanship. Some clergy of the Church of England are disposed to try to make out that Wesley was loyal in his sentiment to the Church of England to the last, and that Methodism forsook his teaching in becoming detached from the Established Church. The Methodist Recorder of London to refute this position quotes from a letter of the Rev. John Wesley to his brother Charles, dated June 28, 1735. Works, 11th edition, 1856, Vol. XII., p. 119: "I only fear the preachers' or the people's leaving not the Church, but the love of God, and inward or outward holiness. To this I press them forward continually. I dare not, in conscience, spend my time and strength on externals. If as my lady (Huntingdon) says, all outward establishments are Babel, so is this establishment. Let it stand for me. I neither set it up, nor pull it down. But let you and I build up the city of God.—Methodist Recorder."

It is absolutely amusing to note the "impudent impotence and impotent impudence" of these little two-by-four Churches who arrogate to themselves the title of The Church, when the great masses of the people have left them to their "echoing arches and empty pews!" The idea of corraling the millions of Methodists by trumping up side remarks of Mr. Wesley is like a dying man catching at a straw.

THE man who spends \$25 a year for tobacco and only pays \$5 to the furtherance of the Gospel, will have to make an explanation at the judgment bar of God.

WHENEVER the father or mother retire, leaving their daughter on the front porch with "dear George," the devil jumps over the back fence.

THE preacher who has to be all the time explaining what he meant, had better consult Webster's Unabridged and the word of God.

THE finest and most costly Church edifice ever built on earth was ordered and planned by the Lord himself.

LESSON papers, quarterlies, and all that, are good in their place. They are tools with which we prepare our Sunday-school lesson. When the work is done, however, the tools ought to be

left in the shop and nothing carried to the class-room but our Bibles. This way of reciting a lesson from the printed page before us is nothing but a ridiculous farce.

THE man who builds a fine house for his family and a good barn for his stock, and then undertakes to worship God in an old rickety Church or a schoolhouse, will not even deceive his neighbors much less the Lord, who sees to the bottom of his stingy soul.

If a man is unsound on the money question, he is rotten on everything else. The Master says: "If ye are unfaithful in the things of the unrighteous mammon, who will trust you with the true riches?"

A MAN who does not fear God is never a true friend to man.

It doesn't take much talk from a theater-going professor to choke the life out of a prayer-meeting.—Rom's Horn.

The theater-going professors do not infest the prayer-meeting to any alarming extent.

THE man who habitually neglects the house of God may pose as a respectable citizen, but if his heart and life could be laid open to human eyes they would discover "something rotten in the State of Denmark."

THE audience chamber of God, where his name is worshipped and where he has promised to meet his people, ought to be the handsomest and most comfortable place in the community.

THE condition of the body has much to do with the state of the soul. No man can fix his mind on heavenly things with his feet as cold as iron and icicles hanging from his frozen nose.

It would be well for the next General Conference to redistrict the State of Texas so as to put the several conferences more on an equality, both as to quality and quantity. A wise arrangement of this sort would do away with much annual friction.

It takes more brains to preach to children and to negroes than it does to Senators and philosophers.

This junior preacher is dependent and under authorities and rarely ever goes where the senior does not send him, and even when he gets there without the senior's advice, he never pulls down but advances the senior's interests and work. Is it not strange therefore that the senior does not put him into every family on his charge?

THE first Italian Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States was recently dedicated at New Orleans.

Gov. Hogg will stand up for Texas in his message by standing up against the shootist. This is not official, but it is reliable.—Fort Worth Gazette.

We hope the Governor will emphasize the enforcement of every law on the statute book. The violation of even a bad law is a dangerous precedent, and develops a contempt in the public mind for any and all law.

WHEN a preacher on a Sunday-school Superintendent shows himself scared in the presence of his charge, he had about as well "blow off the hounds and give up the chase."

THE most important class in the Sunday-school is the infant class, and it takes more tact and study to teach it than any other.

THE man whose sermon produces only compliments for his "effort," preaches himself, and not Christ Jesus the Lord.

By reference to our list of marriage notices this week it will be seen that Dan Cupid, Esq., has been getting in his work. Even the preachers have not escaped the delicate shafts of the little sprite.

If we knew each other better, we would love each other more. The true Christian is like God's words—investigation only brings its virtues to the light.

A "BIG GUN" does not always bring down the game. Canons will do well enough to shell the woods with, but it is the "small arms" that do the work of death.

THE man who tries to fill up the "looped and windowed raggedness" of a Christless sermon by quoting poetry, had better get in earnest and earn his bread by saving souls.

SHOOTING at a distance may be the proper thing to bring on a fight, but it is only when we come to close quarters that we get blood.

THE man who talks in the hearing of people may entertain them, but the man who talks to them moves them to action.

THE difference between a successful and an unsuccessful pastor is that one labors to get the sermon off his own mind and the other strives to get his message on the minds and hearts of his hearers. An earnest man will







Devotional.

A PRESENT HELP.

We may not climb the heavenly steep. To bring the savior down; In vain we search the lowest deep. For Him no depths are drawn.

WATCH.

Some bells require to be rung very often. As there is constant danger from certain quarters, so there must be constant warnings.

I have observed one very undesirable fact in my own experience and in my observation of others; this fact is that everything depends on the manner in which first sins and first slips from the right path are treated.

The best preventive against spiritual assault and overthrow is to keep up constantly the tone and fibre of a truly godly character by perpetually living close with God.

NEVER was any one so exalted as our Savior, and never did any one make such a use of his exaltation. He shrouded it in the deep veil of humanity; he concealed it from the view of the world.

Marriages.

SHEAR—MAYO.—By Rev. C. V. Bailey, near Gordon, December 22, 1892, Mr. A. B. Shear and Miss Mabel Mayo.

GREER—ZIMMERMAN.—At the parsonage, Anderson, Texas, December 21, 1892, Mr. Charles Greer and Miss Josie Zimmerman, H. G. Williams officiating; all of Grimes County, Texas.

JOHNS—STURDEVANT.—At the home of the bride, near Ben Wheeler, Van Zandt County, Texas, December 18, 1892, at 11 a. m., Mr. J. H. Johns and Miss Alice Sturdevant, Rev. I. F. Everett officiating.

MAYRANT—VALEN.—At the residence of Mrs. Harriet Valen, near Pottsboro, December 21, 1892, Mr. John W. Mayrant and Miss Laura Valen, Rev. S. Critchfield officiating.

MYRICK—SPERRY.—At Mertens, Texas, December 15, 1892, Dr. J. R. Myrick and Miss Blossom Sperry, J. W. Sansom officiating.

BRYANT—McCLESKEY.—At the residence of Mr. Allen McCleskey, four miles east of Irene, Mr. R. C. Bryant and Miss Viola McCleskey, J. W. Sansom officiating.

PUTTY—AGEE.—At the residence of James Meanes, Esq., December 18, 1892, Mr. James B. Putty, of Hillsboro, Texas, and Miss Nora A. Agee, of Henrietta, Texas, Rev. A. F. Hendrix officiating.

HARRELL—YOE.—At the home of the bride's parents, Strickland, Texas, December 22, 1892, by Rev. W. H. Matthews, M. C. D. Harrell, of Burnet, and Miss Samuella Yoe, of Strickland.

MATTHEWS—POOLE.—At the home of the parents of the bride, Lorena, Texas, November 30, 1892, Rev. W. H. Matthews, of Northwest Texas Conference, and Miss Anna Poole, of Lorena, Texas, Rev. Chas. Davis officiating.

WILLIAMS—DICKSON.—At Kickapoo, Texas, December 21, 1892, Mr. A. B. Williams and Miss Nora A. Dickson, Rev. W. A. Moore officiating.

HOLLAND—JENSON.—At the residence of A. L. Herrington, in Anderson County, Texas, December 22, 1892, Mr. C. M. Holland and Miss Laura A. Jenson, Rev. W. A. Moore officiating.

POWERS—KENNEDY.—At the residence of the bride's father, near Dublin, Texas, December 21, 1892, by the Rev. J. H. Chambliss, Mr. W. T. Powers and Miss Ida Kennedy.

JAMES—STRUNK.—At Oakland, Colorado County, Texas, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Henry Strunk, by Rev. H. M. Haynie, Mr. J. W. James and Miss Annie Strunk, December 20, 1892, 8 p. m.

FISHER—PAINE.—At Weimar, December 21, 1892, 8 p. m., at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. June Paine, by Rev. H. M. Haynie, Mr. J. L. Fisher, Jr., and Miss Mary Paine.

WOLF—CROSS.—December 22, 1892, at the parsonage in Cisco, Mr. R. H. Wolf and Miss Julia Cross, Rev. H. C. Jolly officiating.

HILL—EVINS.—At Dr. Evin's, Eastland County, December 11, 1892, Edwin A. Hill and Miss Bessie Evins, Rev. J. H. Trimble officiating.

BRISTING—CRAWFORD.—In the Methodist Church at Eastland, December 18, 1892, by the Rev. J. H. Trimble, Mr. James W. Buntly and Miss M. D. Crawford, of Cisco.

BREWER—TANNER.—At the home of the bride's father, December 23, 1892, by the Rev. J. H. Trimble, Mr. Floyd Brewer and Miss Emma Tanner.

BURCH—LOVE.—At the residence of W. G. White, December 25, 1892, Mr. W. P. Burch, of Bosque County, and Miss Susie A. Love, of Whitesboro, Rev. A. F. Hendrix officiating.

FIELDS—CLARK.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in Coryell County, Texas, December 13, 1892, Mr. E. F. Fields and Miss Bessie Clark, Rev. Geo. A. Nance officiating.

AYERS—HARRIS.—December 17, 1892, at the residence of the bride's father, in Coryell County, Texas, Prof. L. L. Ayers and Miss Sabina Harris, Rev. Geo. A. Nance officiating.

McMASTER—HEARD.—December 14, 1892, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Weesatle, Goliad County, Texas, by Rev. W. H. Killough, of Waeider, Texas, Mr. Eugene McMaster, of Irion County, and Miss Addie Heard, of Goliad County, Texas.

HUTCHES—BLOUNT.—At the residence of Judge Blount, near Abbott, December 22, 1892, Mr. J. R. Hudson and Miss Minnie Blount, Rev. Jos. P. Callaway officiating.

TALLEY—BLOUNT.—At the residence of Judge Blount, near Abbott, December 22, 1892, Mr. H. D. Talley and Miss May Blount, Rev. Jos. P. Callaway officiating.

SAFFOLD—PARSHMAN.—At the residence of the bride's mother, December 15, 1892, Mr. J. H. Saffold and Miss Mary Parshman, Rev. D. W. Gardner officiating.

ELLIS—GIBBS.—At the Methodist Church, Kaufman, Texas, December 23, 1892, by Rev. U. B. Phillips, Mr. E. M. Ellis, of Ennis and Miss Jessie A. Gibbs, of Kaufman, Texas.

TERRY—CARLISLE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Kaufman, Texas, December 22, 1892, by Rev. U. B. Phillips, Mr. John Terry and Miss Ellie Carlisle.

LINDSEMAN—BYLER.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. M. Byler, three and a half miles south of Blanco, Mr. John T. Lindseman and Miss Lula Byler, Rev. J. B. Denton officiating.

MOORE—TOBER.—At the residence of the bride's father, November 30, 1892, Rev. Jos. C. Moore, of the Texas Conference, and Miss Laura Tober, of Laninitus, Fannin County, Texas, Rev. R. S. Gorsline officiating.

MILLER—DOUSE.—Last Wednesday I married Rev. J. T. H. Miller, of Llano, and Miss Novie Nina Dodge, of Brady, Texas. I. T. MORRIS.

THOMPSON—BERRY.—At the residence of Mrs. Berry, December 22, 1892, Mr. John Thompson and Miss Lola Berry, Rev. G. J. Irvin officiating.

DEMMASS—EPPS.—At Cade, Texas, December 25, 1892, Mr. W. L. DeMass and Miss Sallie Epps, Rev. G. J. Irvin officiating.

KING—LEFWICK.—Sunday, December 11, 1892, Mr. J. C. King and Miss Laura O. Lewick, Rev. I. E. Hightower officiating.

KAUFMAN—WILLIAMS.—December 22, 1892, Mr. H. T. Kaufman and Miss Nora Williams, Rev. I. E. Hightower officiating.

WELCH—THOMPSON.—At Center City, Texas, December 25, 1892, Mr. W. G. Welch and Miss Sarah E. Thompson, Rev. W. C. Hillborn officiating.

RUSHING—LOWELL.—At the M. E. Church, South, in Farmersville, Texas, December 28, 1892, Dr. G. M. Rushing, of Nevada, Texas, and Miss Janie Lowell, of Farmersville, Rev. J. W. Hill officiating.

GODWIN—REES.—At night of the fifth Sunday in October, 1892, Rev. C. W. Godwin, of the West Texas Conference, was married to Miss Ella Rees, of Center Point, Texas, by Rev. M. A. Black.

Scrofula, whether hereditary or acquired, is thoroughly expelled from the blood by Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier.

Obituaries.

The space allowed obituaries, twenty to twenty-five lines, or about 175 to 210 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written, should remit money to cover excess of space, at the rate of ONE CENT per word. Money should accompany all orders. Resolutions of respect will not be inserted in the Obituary Department under any circumstances; but if paid for will be inserted in another column.

POETRY CAN IN NO CASE BE INSERTED. Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price five cents per copy.

HOLLOWELL.—Willie W. Hollowell (nee Jordan) was born near Grand Cane, DeSoto Parish, La., December 16, 1866, and died at Emory, Texas, August 6, 1892. She joined the M. E. Church, South, August, 1887, of which she was a consistent member until her death. Sister Hollowell was a devoted Christian. She loved the Church and supported its institutions. She was a great sufferer, but bore it with becoming patience. She leaves a husband and one child, mother, one sister and a host of friends to mourn her absence; but their loss is her eternal gain. J. W. BECKHAM.

MAGILL.—Rachel Magill, wife of Tom Magill, was born in 1854; died in Georgetown, Texas, November 17, 1892. She was the daughter of Robert Bryson. Her father and mother have both very recently been called to their reward, and no doubt were waiting on the celestial shore to welcome their daughter. Sister Magill has been a member of the M. E. Church, South, for eighteen years, and the universal testimony from those who knew her is that "she was a good woman." She leaves a husband and three children. May they meet her in that happy country "where there is no more death." C. G. SHUTT.

LIBERTY HILL. GOULD.—Alvin, son of James and Anna Gould, was born June 6, 1886, in Travis County, Texas, and died at Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas, December 19, 1892. He was a boy of bright intellect and highly esteemed by his parents, grandparents and his little brother and sisters. His kindness to them had made deep and lasting impressions and woven strong cords of affection. He was sick for several days, but was very patient. When he was asked if he was suffering he said, "No, only tired." O how sweet will be that rest to his precious soul that remains to the people of God. Dear parents and loved ones, weep not as those who have no hope; little Alvin has just passed over the river and is doubtless watching and waiting for you at the beautiful gate. A. G. NOLEN, P. C.

RAMSEY.—Miss Lela Ramsey was born February 21, 1874, and died at the home of her parents near Timpan, Shelby County, Texas, December 12, 1892. The deceased was an intelligent, amiable young lady. By the sweetness of her disposition and many Christian graces she ingratiated herself into the affections of all who knew her. She has been a consistent member of the M. E. Church, South, for over four years. She bore all her afflictions with Christian fortitude and resignation, and left evidence behind that she was prepared to cross over the turbid river. She was borne to Shady Grove for interment, followed by a large concourse of weeping friends and relatives. May the good Lord bless the bereaved parents and children and sustain them by his grace. J. D. BURNS, P. C.

POOL.—Sarah Catharine, daughter of J. M. and Annie Pool, of San Saba County, Texas, was born May 29, 1891, and died October 30, 1892. She was a sweet, lovely child, the joy of her fond parents and the idol of brothers and sister. But after weeks of anxious care and unceasing watchfulness, the little Catharine went to join an infant sister in a more congenial clime. Yes, Jesus settled the question of childhood when he took little children into his arms and said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." How precious these words of Christ to parents whose hearts have been made bleed by having their dear little ones taken from their arms by the Angel of Death. To remember them, with their sweet faces, are helping to swell the anthem of the redeemed. Dear parents, while the ties of earth have been made weaker, the ties of heaven have been made stronger, and another link has been added to the golden chain that binds you to the celestial city. You can say with David, "She cannot come to us, but we can go to her." J. M. ALEXANDER.

CAVER.—J. H. Caver, born April 1, 1869, in Lee County, Alabama, was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Jones Chapel camp-meeting in August, 1884, under Rev. B. T. Hayes, then preacher in charge of Atlanta Circuit. Very soon after he told his mother and sister that he was called to preach; he took up family prayer immediately, his father being dead. Henry was a very bright, intelligent boy, but was poor and unlearned and felt and said that he was not prepared to preach, but he availed himself of every opportunity of studying, for he did love to read good books. His life has been exemplary in every particular. But, alas! In the midst of life we are in death! For some cause best known unto the Allwise God, he was cut down while in the bloom of youth. He was called from time to time on November 1, 1892, in Red River County, Texas. He was sick but a short time, and we heard no dying testimony, but we sorrow not as those that have no hope. We hope to meet again. But let us all take warning and be up and doing the will of the Master, lest he say unto the dresser of the vineyard, "Cut it down." H. M. NIXON.

WELLEN.—Mrs. Susan Wulffen (nee Hales) was born in Franklin County, Kentucky, January 11, 1816. She was a devoted Christian at the age of twenty-one, and with her husband joined the Methodist Church, remaining a conscientious, consistent member and communicant until her death in Round Rock, Texas, November 29, 1892. She was twice married—the first time to Mr. C. W. Snyder; the second to Mr. Wulffen. Two children died in early life—one from each family. The Snyder brothers, of Georgetown, so highly appreciated in the church, are children of the first marriage. She moved from Kentucky to Mississippi, thence to Arkansas, thence to Missouri and thence to Texas, within each State was on the frontier of civilization. Sister Wulffen was an extraordinary woman. She was strong, pious, deeply interested, morally and religiously. A widow with ten children, she kept her business well in hand, looking into all its details and neglecting nothing. Her iron-will could overrule every circumstance and incident into whatever purpose she had in view. Amid the struggles of a most eventful life, to raise eight children to manhood and womanhood, see them organize families of their own, and have the assurance that each one of them was an honorable, useful and wise citizen and Christian, was no ordinary achievement. Her family all loved and honored her while living and bless her memory now she has gone. A letter from her children, found among her papers, is characteristic. Without boasting of a high degree of grace, she says that from the day of her conversion she strove to do her duty under all circumstances, closing the letter by quoting the chorus of the hymn, "Gates ajar," and bidding them all farewell till that day when they will meet again. After an acquaintance of eighty years, I say deliberately, her life of nearly seventy-six years was nobly spent. Her home was a preacher's rest. Her purse was open to the Church. Her hands dispensed blessings to the poor. She had no patience with a sham, but a honest soul always found a friend in Sister Wulffen. It is no extravagant way to say that through all coming years the State of Texas will feel the benefits of her life and labors. HORACE BISHOP.

PAYNE.—Jeremiah Payne was born in Wilkerson County, Ga., May 29, 1829, and died at his home near Vilas, Bell County, Texas, December 22, 1892. Bro. Payne lived to be a man with a family before he embraced religion; but having put his hand to the plow he never looked back, but with his face heavenward he kept pressing onward until the Master called for him to come home. He united with the M. E. Church, South, immediately after his conversion, and has been an acceptable member ever since. He was conscious to the last, and gave a message of love to each one of his family present, and called for those who were not there. His end was peaceful. He leaves a wife and a number of children—all married, and the most of them religious—to mourn their loss. But we believe it is his gain. May each of them follow him as he followed Christ, and may their end be like his. C. D. WEST.

WHITTEN.—Sister Mary Leona Whitten was born in the city of Austin, December 30, 1871; was baptized at the Fiskville camp-ground when six months old by Rev. J. W. Whipple; was converted at the same place ten years later, and joined the South Street M. E. Church, South, under the pastorate of Rev. A. E. Goodwyn. She later transferred her membership to Twenty-fourth Street Church, it being nearer her home and offering a wider field for Christian work; and was one of that faithful band who worked so untriflingly for the building of the new Church. After a brief illness, surrounded by weeping friends and heart-stricken relatives, on the evening of December 19, 1892, she passed to her eternal reward. For three years she had been President of our Juvenile Missionary Society; was teacher of a large class of bright little children in the Sunday-school, Treasurer of our Epworth League, and a regular and devout worshiper in the congregation. This world, with its gay allurements, had no charms that could draw her from the cross of Christ. Her life abounded in good deeds and thoughtful attentions to others to the utter forgetfulness of self; and her gentle ministrations in the home of sorrow robbed grief of its bitterness. Her hand soothed the brow of the sufferer and strewed flowers over the resting place of the departed. We thought we knew her well, but when she left us and the little children cried because she had gone and the young and aged were alike moved to tears of sorrow, we realized that the quiet, gentle one had taken deeper hold upon the hearts of those with whom she was associated than had been conceived. She has gone, but the influence of her beautiful Christian life abides with us. We feel that earth has been made brighter by her life and heaven made richer by her death. G. C. RICHTON, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

WELLEN.—Mrs. Susan Wulffen (nee Hales) was born in Franklin County, Kentucky, January 11, 1816. She was a devoted Christian at the age of twenty-one, and with her husband joined the Methodist Church, remaining a conscientious, consistent member and communicant until her death in Round Rock, Texas, November 29, 1892. She was twice married—the first time to Mr. C. W. Snyder; the second to Mr. Wulffen. Two children died in early life—one from each family. The Snyder brothers, of Georgetown, so highly appreciated in the church, are children of the first marriage. She moved from Kentucky to Mississippi, thence to Arkansas, thence to Missouri and thence to Texas, within each State was on the frontier of civilization. Sister Wulffen was an extraordinary woman. She was strong, pious, deeply interested, morally and religiously. A widow with ten children, she kept her business well in hand, looking into all its details and neglecting nothing. Her iron-will could overrule every circumstance and incident into whatever purpose she had in view. Amid the struggles of a most eventful life, to raise eight children to manhood and womanhood, see them organize families of their own, and have the assurance that each one of them was an honorable, useful and wise citizen and Christian, was no ordinary achievement. Her family all loved and honored her while living and bless her memory now she has gone. A letter from her children, found among her papers, is characteristic. Without boasting of a high degree of grace, she says that from the day of her conversion she strove to do her duty under all circumstances, closing the letter by quoting the chorus of the hymn, "Gates ajar," and bidding them all farewell till that day when they will meet again. After an acquaintance of eighty years, I say deliberately, her life of nearly seventy-six years was nobly spent. Her home was a preacher's rest. Her purse was open to the Church. Her hands dispensed blessings to the poor. She had no patience with a sham, but a honest soul always found a friend in Sister Wulffen. It is no extravagant way to say that through all coming years the State of Texas will feel the benefits of her life and labors. HORACE BISHOP.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

FOR 1893

under the Editorial management of

REV. JAS. CAMPBELL, As EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

REV. J. W. HILL, As ASSISTANT EDITOR

We can confidently promise that the ADVOCATE will be during 1893 a better Religious Newspaper than it has ever been in the past.

The various Departments will receive careful attention

HOME CONFERENCES—This Department will be kept fresh and interesting by reports from preachers throughout the State.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSONS—The Sunday-School Lessons will be kept up to their usual standard.

EPWORTH LEAGUE—Ample provision has been made for enlarging and improving the Epworth League Department.

DEVOTIONAL—To those remote from Church privileges the articles under this head will have especial interest, while the Department will lose none of its value to the general reader.

OLD AND YOUNG—Closer attention will be paid to the reading matter for Old and Young—thus making the paper one among the best family journals.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT—Under the competent management of Mrs. Florence E. Howell, will continue to be of special interest to all who love the Church and humanity. The Church has no stronger allies in soul-saving than the Woman's Missionary and Home Missionary and Parsonage Societies. This Department ought to bring in many subscribers to the ADVOCATE.

NEWS DEPARTMENT—The News of the week will be diligently given in condensed form.

After you have read your paper, show it to your neighbor. Let every subscriber endeavor to send us at least one new name.

All Ministers in the active work in Texas are Agents for the paper.

SUBSCRIPTION:

PER ANNUM, \$2.00 SIX MONTHS, \$1.00 THREE MONTHS, 50 Cents.

SWAYNE'S OINTMENT. STOPPED FREE. For all kinds of skin diseases, itching, burning, and all other eruptions. It is the only remedy that will cure them. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by all druggists.

ORPHANS' HOME, NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Address all remittances and inquiries to W. H. VAUGHAN, Business Mgr., BELTON, TEXAS.

Fox's Remedy for Catarrh is the Best. Sold by Druggists or sent by mail, 50c. E. T. SOUTHWELL, Warren, Pa.

SHAW & BLAYLOCK, Dallas, Texas.

EXPERT TESTIMONY.

Doctors, Preachers, Druggists, Editors, Poets, Merchants, Teachers and Soldiers Tell the Same Story.

Pe-ru-na Cures Catarrh.

Dr. S. B. Hartman, of the Surgical Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, says: For a number of years my professional duties have compelled me to be much on the road, traveling long distances by rail night and day, exposed to all kinds of vicissitudes, sleeping and eating in different hotels continually, and through it all I have preserved myself from any derangement of body resulting from catching cold. This could not have been done without Pe-ru-na. At the slightest evidence of a cold a few doses of Pe-ru-na invariably checked it. For I found myself hawking or frequently blowing my nose, instead of letting it go, as the average man would do, I always took Pe-ru-na for a few days, and at no time in my extensive travels have I been obliged to stop a day on account of my health.

Rev. J. C. Randall, Sulphur Springs, Texas, says: I have used Pe-ru-na in my family first for my wife in lung trouble. She has been greatly benefited; has passed over the river so far, with a great deal less trouble than for years. I have also found it of great benefit in two cases of a gripe in my family. Eldon J. Oliver, of West-borough, Ohio, writes: I have been troubled with chronic catarrh for a number of years, and could obtain nothing that would effect a permanent cure. I was advised by my druggist to try your medicines. I began to use Pe-ru-na, and am pleased to inform you that it has helped me more than any medicine I ever tried. I heartily recommend it to all afflicted with catarrh. W. T. Powell (editor and publisher "Independent"), Clarington, Monroe County, Ohio, says: I was taken sick with bronchitis and catarrhal fever. My head in a few days in a terrible condition—could neither see nor hear scarcely—and my lungs were very badly affected, being so tight and sore I could hardly breathe. I coughed almost constantly. I used three bottles of Pe-ru-na and was completely cured, and have felt better ever since than I had for years. Mrs. Mary Gordon, Polk County, Wis., says: I was taken sick last September, 1891, with a severe pain over my chest and a dreadful cough. Being under treatment for more than five months and did not seem to improve, I resolved that I would put myself under the Pe-ru-na treatment. I am considered to be in perfect health now and rid of my bronchial catarrh. Thanks to Pe-ru-na, I owe my whole health to its use. Andrew Walker, Selma, Iowa, writes: I have been afflicted with catarrh of the head, nose and throat for twelve years. I tried several catarrh remedies, with only temporary relief. I began taking Pe-ru-na as directed on the bottle, and commenced to improve at once, and continued to improve as I continued to use the Pe-ru-na. I am a broken down veteran soldier, fifty-seven years old, and I heartily recommend Pe-ru-na to all catarrh sufferers.

Catarrh can not be cured by local treatment alone. A thorough course of internal treatment with Pe-ru-na affords the only reasonable prospect of cure. Sprays, douches, inhalants, and gargles sometimes relieve, but never cure. Pe-ru-na cures by removing the cause. It gradually eradicates the catarrh from the system, whatever its location. An illustrated treatise on catarrh will be sent free to any address by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company of Columbus, Ohio—a complete guide to the prevention and cure of coughs, colds, consumption, and all ailments of winter.

"How old is your boy?" "Twelve." "Can he write?" "No." "Read?" "No." "Why, aren't you ashamed to deprive him of ordinary education?" "Hush! I'm educating him to be an acceptable juror, and it's the terror of my life that he may run away and go to school."

A BEAUTIFUL GIFT.

Any one or all of the following books will be sent free to any address, by mail prepaid, for 10 cents in stamps or coin. WAS IT BUILT IN AMERICA—By Talbot Motterson Powell. POEMS AND YARNS—By James Whitcomb Riley and Bill Nye. AN ENGLISH GIRL IN AMERICA—By Talbot Motterson Powell. SEARNS FROM THE PERS OF BILL NYE. PEOPLE'S REFERENCE BOOK—500,000 facts. HEALTH AND BEAUTY—By Emily S. Boston. SOCIAL ETIQUETTE—By Emily S. Boston. LOOKING FORWARD—An imaginary visit to the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893. Cut this out and mail the books you wish sent, enclosing 10 cents for each book. Address O. T. BROWN & CO., 1000 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Agents (examining his prescription)—These doctors are awfully fond of Latin, aren't they? Filkins—Yes; it's a dead language, you know. Mistress—You're the biggest fool I ever knew. Maid—You forget yourself, ma'am.

HOW BABIES SUFFER

When their tender skins are literally on fire with itching and burning eruptions and other troubles, baby's skin needs relief. CUTICURA is the only remedy that will cure them. It is a gentle, soothing, and refreshing skin treatment. It is made of the finest ingredients and is perfectly safe for the most delicate skin. It is the only remedy that will cure them. It is made of the finest ingredients and is perfectly safe for the most delicate skin. It is the only remedy that will cure them. It is made of the finest ingredients and is perfectly safe for the most delicate skin.

THE NEXT HOUSE.

(Texas Farmer.) AMPLION, TEXAS, Dec. 20, 1892. Inclosed is an alphabetically prepared list of the members elected to the House of Representatives, Twenty-third Legislature, with postal address and district of each, which you may give to your many readers. As most of this information was obtained by correspondence with the County Judges of the respective counties or other informed persons in the respective districts, and by consulting official records, it may be deemed very reliable.

- MARSHALL BURNBY, 2082. Aldridge, W. H., Rockland, 36. Baker, A. B., Clarksville, 64. Baker, M. J., Cuero, 82. Ball, F. M., Texarkana, 41. Ballowe, J. A., Richmond, 47. Barbee, J. G., Warton, 44. Barbee, L. N., Wortham, 45. Barron, T. H., Athens, 59. Barry, W. E., Navasota, 54. Bayne, F. H., Crockett, 30. Beall, J. A., Washburne, 68. Beckett, J. A., Houston, 37. Brooks, M. L., San Augustine, 34. Brown, J. E., San Saba, 94. Burleson, A. L., Comanche, 101. Cain, R. A., Alba, 20. Caldwell, J. A., Navodoloches, 32. Chambers, J. N., Montague, 99. Chandler, J. N., Bluff Dale, 10. Cochran, J. H., Dallas, 73. Cooke, J. R., Rancho, 84. Cunningham, J. F., Jr., Anson, 107. Curry, J. P., Canton, 80. Dunning, L. T., Jewett, 56. Davis, J. Green, Gladstone, 38. Davis, J. J., Kosse, 61. Dean, J. R., La Plata, 102. Dever, N. E., Brenham, 47. Dills, J. H., Sherman, 92. Dodd, D. D., Linden, 92. Dorow, F. W., Pipe Creek, 92. Eskine, R. A., Derby, 91. Fagan, E. W., Paris, 97. Graham, J. S., Hamilton, 38. Granger, J. C., Livingston, 35. Fields, W. A., Hillsboro, 77. Finlay, Geo. P., Galveston, 39. Flack, F. W., Llano, 36. Floyd, T. J., Bastrop, 32. Francis, J., Lone Oak, 17. Garrett, M. L., Palo Pinto, 71. Golden, P. H., Dallas, 73. Gossett, M. H., Kaufman, 16. Gough, J. R., McKinney, 14. Graham, Jas. A., West, 88. Graves, F. R., Karnes, 58. Greer, J. L., McKinney, 14. Griffin, J. L., Green Brier, 69. Haller, N. H., Matagorda, 40. Hamilton, D. H., Centralia, 106. Hanning, S. S., Hillland, 106. Henderson, T. E., Paris, 97. Henderson, T. S., Cameron, 62. Henry, A. S., Blooming Grove, 58. Hodges, H. S., Wichita Falls, 103. Hood, W. J., Springtown, 79. Hood, W. J., Savy, 79. Jackson, D. W., Weimer, 43. Jackson, G. T., Guaze, 49. James, C. O., Sulphur Springs, 18. Kennedy, A. G., Beeville, 40. Kennedy, J. W., Houston, 37. Kennedy, T. W., Rio Grande City, 42. King, Bunyan, Rockwall, 74. King, J. M., Ennis, 70. Kirby, J. S., Castleton, 44. Lindsey, D., Warren, 28. Lloyd, L. J., Jacksonville, 28. Loyd, J. H., Carthage, 27. Maddox, T. B., Fort Worth, 78. Martin, C. M., Johnson City, 80. McCall, D. A., Austin, 106. McFarland, M. L., Rockwood, 108. McGeehe, Geo. T., San Marcos, 98. McLemore, Jeff, Corpus Christi, 45. Meyer, G. J., Hill, 60. Mills, S. H., Greer, 60. Moody, Jas. L., Mexia, 60. Moore, M. J., Cameron, 72. Morrison, O. R., Hico, 72. Murray, A. C., Caldwell, 48. Nurrell, Jesse, Castleton, 44. Newton, E. H., Bransford, 98. Nolan, Thos. P., Galveston, 39. O'Neil, J. E., Tyler, 29. Peck, W. M., Denison, 8. Peter, Joseph, Dubonia, 43. Phillips, P. W., West Mountain, 27. Piggles, G. B., Decatur, 13. Piggles, R. H., Waco, 13. Piggles, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville, 19. Simmons, D. E., Sherman, 8. Simmons, S. M., Eagle Pass, 96. Slayden, J. L., San Antonio, 84. Smith, E. W., Noonday, 26. Smith, T. S., Hillsboro, 77. Sprague, S. T., Tex., 62. Sumner, J. W., Randolph, 7. Talbot, Roe, Franklin, 11. Tankersly, S. G., Decatur, 13. Taylor, A. S., Lancaster, 12. Tompkins, F. W., Wintersboro, 12. Townsend, W. J., Lufkin, 31. Truit, J. W., Center, 26. Turner, G. B., Henderson, 33. Turney, W. W., Alpine, 96. Upham, Albert, Laredo, 96. Venable, H. H., Pleasant, 9. Rogers, R. H., Waco, 13. Rowell, T. D., Jefferson, 22. Rudd, J. D., Waskom, 22. Russell, Wm. J., Brownsville, 104. Sebastian, W. F., Beckrinsridge, 84. Shobe, J. S., Greenville