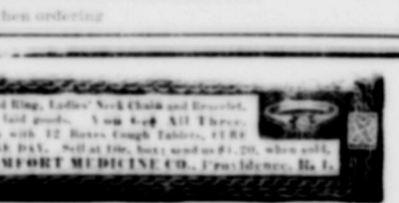


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his family, left last Saturday for Rockdale, to attend the Texas Conference and his family to visit relatives near by. Bro. Thompson has only been with us one year, and during that time everybody has learned to love him. He has done a good year's work. This circuit has paid just about as much for all purposes this year as it has been doing heretofore, although the last conference took off one of the best churches on the work and placed it on another circuit. So I think we are making some progress, along financial lines at least. Bro. Thompson can not have good health in this part of the State, and the present conference will very likely move him. We regret very much to give him up, although the condition of his health makes a change of climate almost absolutely necessary. The circuit to which he is sent is to be congratulated, for there are no better people than Bro. J. W. Thompson and his most excellent family.

PRAIRIE PLAINS.

Mrs. J. C. Moore, Dec. 5: Our second year's work for Prairie Plains Circuit is closed, and by the time this appears in print we will know where our appointment for another year will be. These people have been kind to us. We are sorry to report a shortage of between \$10 and \$11 on the conference collections. The assessment for pastor was some \$85 short. Two of the appointments—Ray's Chapel and Johnson's Chapel—paid all claims in full. We could not do much for the Twentieth Century Movement. Our members are mostly farmers and have not made much this year on account of the almost continuous rains last spring and summer; then the boll weevil came in thime to destroy the late cotton; so our people have made only from one-fourth to half a crop this year. Some of them have done nobly, considering their ability to pay. During our two years' stay among these people they have been as kind to us as we could ask of any people, and even better than perhaps we have deserved. We love them, and whether we are returned to this circuit or moved, we pray that God's richest blessings may abide with them, and that they may constantly be found in discharge of every Christian duty.

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EDITORIAL.

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS GREETING.

We are again approaching the festivities of another Christmas occasion and we hasten to send forth a happy greeting to the wide circle of the Advocate family. We wish for them all a delightful season and we indulge the prayer that Heaven's blessings may rest upon their homes and hearts. The occasion gathers around it tender memories and hallowed associations. It tells of the Incarnation and repeats the angelic chorus, "Peace on earth and good will to men." As we contemplate its significance, we again see the Babe in the manger with a loving Mother pressing him to her anxious bosom, while wise men from the East come and worship him. In Him is embodied the moral and religious destiny of the world. For Him the ages had been looking, and in the fullness of time he made his appearance. He came as the highest expression of God's love to a fallen race. He was Divinity manifested in the flesh. "He took upon himself the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men." He was endowed with a human organism and was possessed of a human mind and spirit. As such he grew up to matured manhood and touched life at all points of our experience. Out of this experience he was touched with a sense of our needs and brought himself into sympathy with every grief and woe of the human heart. He delivered himself of great living truths and formulated wholesome laws for the government of conduct. He taught the necessity for the spiritual regeneration of the mind and heart and for the bringing of the life into harmony with the will of the Father. But the world did not receive him kindly, because his teachings required deep contrition for sin and the mortification of the flesh. "He came unto his own, and his own received him not." He was persecuted for righteousness' sake, and in the end he was crucified upon Calvary. But he arose from the dead and ascended into heaven, where he now makes intercession for us. He is become the Mediator between God and man. Through him we obtain pardon and cleansing. He is the sinner's only hope in the life that now is and in the world to come. This happy Christmas occasion brings these blessed thoughts to our minds afresh. In faith we meet around his cradle in the manger and we follow him in his walks among men, even to the place of skull where they put him to death, and we cease not to rejoice in the salvation which he brought to the world. We love him because he first loved us. This glorious Christmas season, in millions of harmonious voices, tells in trumpet tones of his advent among men and of the march of his saving truth along the track of the world's history. In his name, the Advocate greets its thousands of readers on this his glad natal day. May he have an abiding place in all of your happy homes and struggling hearts as our Friend and Savior.

CHRIST IN HIS HUMAN AND DIVINE CHARACTER.

Jesus Christ is possessed of a two-fold character—that is, he is both human and divine. That he is human is a proposition that none will deny at this day. Once upon a time there were infidel writers who endeavored to account for his existence upon the assumption that he was a myth, and that tradition, aided by superstition, had erected him into a real man. But that was successfully exploded prior to the middle of this century. No one denies the fact now that he was a real man, possessed of a real human body and a real human soul. The gospels themselves leave no doubt touching this subject. They tell us that he was born of a woman, that he embodied a helpless infancy, that he grew up to completed manhood, and that throughout these incipient and continued stages of existence he was attended by all of those physical, mental and spiritual demands common to the needs of universal humanity. All writers are now a unit in their views of the manhood of Christ. And they are united in their acceptance of the further fact of his life as contained in the gospels, such as his lowliness of existence, his sympathy with the masses, his efforts to lift up the fallen, to comfort the distressed, and to teach the ignorant and the outcasts. Yes, and they are a unit in their further acceptance of the facts that he was arrested, taken before Pontius Pilate, condemned to death and was crucified upon Calvary. The most blatant infidel of modern times does not call in question any of these facts of the gospels. All agree that he was a man in the best and truest sense of that term. But the infidel goes no further than this admission. However, this is only half of the truth as it relates to Christ. He is not only a good man, a great teacher, and the founder of the purest system of moral and religious truth that the world has ever known, but according to these same gospels he is also God in the deepest sense of this wonderful word. "Being in the form of God he thought it not robbery to be equal with God, but took upon himself the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men." He claims for himself all of the attributes that inhere in the character of God. Eternity, Omnipotence, Omniscience, Omnipresence, Creator, Preserver and Infallibility are the characteristics of the Divine nature to which he lays unqualified claim as the Son of God. In all of these lofty prepossession he purports to be equal with God. Read his gospels carefully and you will be convinced that we are not over-stating his true position upon these sublime issues. And as a matter of fact the possession of these attributes is absolutely essential to the validity of his Gospel. The carrying out of his announced purposes can only be accomplished by the assumption that he is Infinite and Eternal. He proposed the regeneration of the heart, the bestowment of the Holy Ghost, the restoration of the race to normal relationship with God, and the resurrection of the dead. These results belong only to the work of an all-wise and ever-present God, the

Maker and Redeemer of mankind. And not only do the gospels and the epistles ascribe this character to him, but the Old Testament prophecies do the same thing. Then when we take up his character and study it in the light of these claims we are forced to the conclusion that no mere man could have done for the world what Christ has done since the date of his Incarnation. He has changed the whole course of history and transformed the civilizations of men wherever his Gospel has become the dominant factor in human thought and purpose. The very best and truest in the life of the world to-day is the outcome of his life and teachings.

As man he puts his life down upon the level of human existence and by his love and tenderness he lifts up the fallen, he inspires the despairing, and comforts the distressed and the sorrowing. He is the only universal man in whom all peoples and races and nations find a common kinship. But as God he forgives sins, blots out iniquities and brings the truly penitent and genuinely converted souls into life eternal. And when he shall have finished his provisional reign of grace, the righteous saved, the wicked damned and God's eternal government approved, then he will reign an indissoluble part of the triune God over all principalities and powers throughout eternity. We love him as man, we adore him as God. He is the fairest among ten thousand and altogether lovely, the son of man and the Son of God. He is our human Advocate, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

BISHOP CANDLER'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO TEXAS.

For the first time in his official capacity, Bishop Candler has visited Texas and made the rounds of our five Annual Conferences. To the most of our preachers and people he came personally a stranger. But few of us had enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance. We all knew that in years he was the youngest member of the Episcopal College and that he was a man of very decided ideas and convictions. As a matter of course we were a trifle anxious as to his methods of procedure. There were about seven hundred preachers to receive appointments at his hand and as many charges to receive preachers for the ensuing year. The interests involved were extraordinary, and just how he would meet these and dispose of them were questions of no small moment to two hundred thousand souls. Would moderation control his actions or would he be radical and arbitrary? We had never seen him preside over a conference and it was natural that we should have a little concern in the face of such weighty issues. Well, he came and began his work at the West Texas Conference the first day of November. We watched him with a critical eye and studied his every movement very closely. After that we followed him in quick succession as he passed from conference to conference until he closed out his round at the Texas Conference, December 10, and boarded the train for Florida. We observed him in the chair, on the platform and in the pulpit. We listened to his various impromptu talks

before the conferences, his stated addresses on anniversary occasions and to the most of his sermons from the pulpit. We heard him read all of the appointments and pray a blessing upon the preachers as he sent them forth to their fields of labor. We had fine opportunity to study his spirit and the motives that actuated him during these six weeks of arduous labor, and it is our deliberate judgment that no Bishop in the years gone by ever gave more general satisfaction to the masses of our preachers and people. That he is a man of pre-eminent ability is conceded by us all. In his addresses and sermons he evinces a high order of intellect and a wonderful originality. We have never had a Bishop in these parts exactly like him. He has an individuality peculiarly his own. But in dealing with men, he showed himself to be a discriminating judge of human nature, and in his measurement of them he was very accurate. His presidency over the conferences was exceedingly satisfactory. He treated no man with anything akin to rudeness. His patience was inexhaustible and his courtesy was never overtaxed. He was never in a hurry, and yet he transacted the business with dispatch and thoroughness. He gave the widest scope to free and full discussion, but held all of the proceedings down to strict parliamentary regulation. The brother of high degree and the brother of low degree were kept upon a common level, and neither one had the advantage of the other in the privileges of the floor. His humor and wit were unsurpassed and inimitable, but they always pointed a useful moral. Such is his aversion to things artificial and unnatural that he goes almost to the other extreme and occasionally he falls into a looseness of style a little bit uncommon in a Bishop, but even in this he is true to nature, and such is the strength of his individuality that his provincialisms are not especially objectionable. They really add to the uniqueness of his personality and tend to bring him into kinship with common folks, but was unto the young preacher who may be foolish enough to imitate these minor defects in an otherwise well-nigh perfect man in the pulpit and upon the platform. In the appointments he made a great many changes. Some of these were radical, but none of them harsh or unkind. In his judgment of the men and the work he deemed these changes necessary. He sought all of the information obtainable and his ear was open to any and all who wanted to approach him, but he assumed all of the responsibility in the premises and did what he thought was best for the interests involved. He made the appointments himself. As a result there are but few of the preachers or people who feel afflicted. In these things his work gave very general satisfaction. That he rendered the Church a great service in all of these delicate and important matters is a fact our Texas Methodism concedes with practical unanimity. We are glad that he came and his work will abide; and at any time in the future Bishop Candler will be gladly received personally and officially by all of our preachers and people. He is a pronounced success.

Notes From the Field.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

GOLIAD.

R. H. Passmore, Dec. 12: After making a hurried visit to our daughter's, we started on our move...

STOCKDALE.

A. H. Bezzo, Dec. 12: What a great system is our itinerancy! Conference year in Memphis and West Texas Conferences closes on same day...

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

ECTOR.

G. F. Boyd, Dec. 11: After a pleasant year on the Petty charge, and leaving a kind people that Bro. Gorsline is serving, we are at Ector and ready for the year's work...

COLMESNEIL.

J. T. Kirkpatrick, Dec. 12: Our reception when we came on the work a year ago was cordial. We started off very well...

tried very hard to live, that she might raise her children. The Lord, though, ordered otherwise. The people here were very good to us during our sore affliction...

JEFFERSON.

Mrs. Anna Barnes, Dec. 15: Again we have received orders to part with a pastor and his family who have endeavored themselves to us most tenderly...

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

CORSICANA CIRCUIT.

G. J. Irvin, Dec. 11: A liberal pounding was enjoyed at the parsonage last night, executed by Pleasant Grove.

HUBBARD.

J. D. Hendrickson, Dec. 11: We have been most kindly received. The good women have fixed up the parsonage, and are going to fix it up still more...

MULKEY MEMORIAL—A CARD OF THANKS.

R. C. Armstrong, Fort Worth, Dec. 11: I desire to express the profound gratitude of the pastor and his family for the kind reception tendered by the people of Mulkey Memorial charge...

GLENWOOD.

J. P. Mussett: Our reception in Glenwood was warm and generous. The good women carried two rooms in the parsonage, bought a dresser, extension dining table, a new cook stove and a Franklin heater...

ENNIS.

T. J. Duncanson: We are here, soul and body. We have been cordially received by the Methodist people, and have spent two Sundays with them...

which Christ died, and for which he established the Church; but that end is the holy living of his people and the salvation of sinners...

IREDELL AND WALNUT.

C. D. West: After conference closed at Georgetown, we spent a few days with relatives in Bell County, and got home Monday night, November 28, to take up the work left off to go to conference...

WEATHERFORD.

Jno. R. Morris, P. E., Dec. 12: The breaker of all former records: One of the pastors of Weatherford District, on the second Sunday after conference, secured all of his assessments in cash and subscriptions...

MILLSAP CIRCUIT.

Mrs. M. W. Clark, Dec. 17: We have now entered into our second year's work on this circuit. We are pleased with our return, and our people generally expressed gladness over our remaining with them...

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To each little child in bed He sped. Not missed A single one of all the list.

But this year he's going to take in hand A brand-New way. And deliver his goods in a horseless sleigh.

-H. G. Paine, in Harper's Round Table.

HOSPITALITY.

The ethereal essence of hospitality, the priceless attar, each drop of which holds the soul of a thousand roses, consists in making the stranger or friend within your gates breathe the atmosphere of your home—the home you have made and which has helped to make you what you are.

And feels as light as it had wings, must be shared with one who, for the time of his sojourn under your roof-tree, is dependent upon you for comfort and pleasure.

Everybody knows, although few can define, the charm of homes where an influence, subtle and delicious, like the breath of the ointment which filled the Bethany house of feasting, steals upon the inner senses of the guest at the first word uttered by host or hostess.

EARLY TULIPS.

In a northern town, an ambitious housewife cultivated a little flower-plot on the south side of her house. When the early spring sun came, with unusual warmth in its rays, she welcomed it heartily, and withdrew the straw from the flower-bed.

One morning we awoke a little late. Cold mak's men and women unconsciously cling closer and lonser to their warm resting-places. When we did arise, however, it was to find the sun shining very brightly, and the world in white.

But as the sun's rays grew stronger in their warmth, the frost gradually left the tulips, and one by one the heads began to bend and droop and

die. The snow also left, or rather was turned into miserable slush. Where there had been life and beauty, and an exceptionally fine exhibition of color and charm, there now reigned ugliness and desolation.

How like ambitious teachers and parents in their treatment of children, is this ambitious gardener and her tulips! Because of the sunny smiles on the children's faces, the fierce heat of the educational sun is turned on to their minds, and in its warmth they are prematurely advanced.

As long as there is hastening of education and forcing of children, these educational gardeners must be prepared to spend much time in nursing wilted tulips, and bewailing the loss of many bright and promising bulbs.

A LESSON IN ECONOMY.

In the world of business, science and human ingenuity are constantly devising new ways of saving time and energy. Production with the least expenditure of energy is an economic necessity where competition is so great.

Housekeeping, as generally conducted, involves much useless expenditure of time and energy. A woman's idea of economy is to save money, and in carrying it out, she often spends time and strength far out of proportion to the results obtained.

I wish that every woman would write over her mirror, or on her heart, or anywhere, where it would make an impression, the words, "Conserve your energies." Some one has said that true economy is the best means to the highest ends with the least expenditure of force.

The mother's time and strength constitute a most valuable part of the family resources, and if she is wise, she will endeavor to spend these, as well as the income, where they will yield the best return for the welfare of the family.

What a large proportion of their time most mothers spend in sewing, not in order that the family be comfortably clothed, but in order that they may be fashionably clothed.

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some one's time must be spent in caring for it. If the mother must perform this labor with her own hands, can she afford to do it? Might not the money thus spent have been used to better the sanitary conditions of the home, and thus prevent possible illness?

Therefore it seems to me that woman has much to learn in the matter of economy, and her first lesson should be to learn to economize her own energies.

THE HOME REFUGE.

Blessed is the man whose home is a real refuge! who, being tossed to and fro on the waves of a tumultuous and combative sea throughout the day, leaves his office, his business perplexities behind him, and when he opens the door and enters the house, enters the landlocked harbor.

THE HEALTH HABIT

Just as Easy to Form as Any Other.

We do not deliberately form our pet habits, but they are unconsciously acquired and grow as we grow, and by the time we learn they are hurting us we find them too strong to be easily broken.

Then, why not form a good habit, a habit which will counteract the many bad ones, in other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always well.

The best health habit to get into is to have and keep a vigorous stomach; if you have a healthy digestion you can drink your beloved coffee, smoke your favorite brand of tobacco, with little or no harm; the mischief begins when these things are forced upon the faithful stomach, without any assistance.

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So he rigged up his sleigh like a trolley-car, And far That night Via telegraph wires, he took his flight;

To each little child in bed He sped, Nor missed A single one of all the list.

But this year he's going to take in hand A brand-New way, And deliver his goods in a horseless sleigh.

-H. G. Paine, in Harper's Round Table.

HOSPITALITY.

The ethereal essence of hospitality, the priceless attar, each drop of which holds the soul of a thousand roses, consists in making the stranger or friend within your gates breathe the atmosphere of your home—the home you have made and which has helped to make you what you are.

And feels as light as it had wings, must be shared with one who, for the time of his sojourn under your roof-tree, is dependent upon you for comfort and pleasure.

Everybody knows, although few can define, the charm of homes where an influence, subtle and delicious, like the breath of the ointment which filled the Bethany house of feasting, steals upon the inner senses of the guest at the first word uttered by host or hostess.

EARLY TULIPS.

In a northern town, an ambitious housewife cultivated a little flower-plot on the south side of her house. When the early spring sun came, with unusual warmth in its rays, she welcomed it heartily, and withdrew the straw from the flower-bed.

One morning she awoke a little late. Cold makes men and women unconsciously cling closer and looser to their warm resting-places. When we did arise, however, it was to find the sun shining very brightly, and the world in white.

But as the sun's rays grew stronger in their warmth, the frost gradually left the tulips, and one by one the heads began to bend and droop and

die. The snow also left, or rather was turned into miserable slush. Where there had been life and beauty, and an exceptionally fine exhibition of color and charm, there now reigned ugliness and desolation.

How like ambitious teachers and parents in their treatment of children, is this ambitious gardener and her tulips! Because of the sunny smiles of the children's faces, the fierce heat of the educational sun is turned on to their minds, and in its warmth they are prematurely advanced.

As long as there is hastening of education and forcing of children, these educational gardeners must be prepared to spend much time in nursing wilted tulips, and bewailing the loss of many bright and promising bulbs.

A LESSON IN ECONOMY.

In the world of business, science and human ingenuity are constantly devising new ways of saving time and energy. Production with the least expenditure of energy is an economic necessity where competition is so great.

I recently visited a large and well-known manufacturing establishment, and my attention was attracted everywhere by the ingenious methods used to save time and labor.

Housekeeping, as generally conducted, involves much useless expenditure of time and energy. A woman's idea of economy is to save money, and, in carrying it out, she often spends time and strength far out of proportion to the results obtained.

I wish that every woman would write over her mirror, or on her heart, or anywhere, where it would make an impression, the words, "Conserve your energies."

The mother's time and strength constitute a most valuable part of the family resources, and if she is wise, she will endeavor to spend these, as well as the income, where they will yield the best return for the real welfare of the family.

What a large proportion of their time most mothers spend in sewing, not in order that the family be comfortably clothed, but in order that they may be fashionably clothed.

some one's time must be spent in caring for it. If the mother must perform this labor with her own hands, can she afford to do it? Might not the money thus spent have been used to better the sanitary conditions of the home, and thus prevent possible illness?

That is truly wasted energy which does not contribute to the health, comfort or highest development of the family. Count the cost of things in more ways than in dollars and cents, and then have the courage to decide for yourself what thing you can afford to do.

Therefore it seems to me that woman has much to learn in the matter of economy, and her first lesson should be to learn to economize her own energies.

THE HOME REFUGE.

Blessed is the man whose home is a real refuge! who, being tossed to and fro on the waves of a tumultuous and combative sea throughout the day, leaves his office, his business perplexities behind him, and when he opens the door and enters the house, enters the landlocked harbor.

THE HEALTH HABIT

Just as Easy to Form as Any Other.

We do not deliberately form our pet habits, but they are unconsciously acquired and grow as we grow, and by the time we learn they are hurting us we find them too strong to be easily broken.

Then, why not form a good habit, a habit which will counteract the many bad ones, in other words contract the unfashionable habit of being always well.

The best health habit to get into is to have and keep a vigorous stomach; if you have a healthy digestion you can drink your beloved coffee, smoke your favorite brand of tobacco, with little or no harm; the mischief begins when these things are forced upon the faithful stomach, without any assistance.

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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The mail lists for all the Conferences have been corrected since the issue of Advocate of Dec. 13. The date of every subscriber who paid should show an advance corresponding with the amount paid.

The great itinerant wheel has made revolutions in Texas, and several hundred devoted preachers have settled in their places and hard at work for another year.

The facility with which our system of government works throughout the Church is illustrated annually in the appointments of our ministers. They go to the several conferences, make their reports, have their characters passed, sing, shout and pray.

The fellowship of a conference season has no parallel in any other convocation of men. It is one of good cheer and brotherly greeting from the time its members come together until they separate.

This is the season for "poundings," and the columns of the Advocate will tell of these in many of our parsonage homes within the next few weeks. Some people object to records of this kind, but the objection is not well founded.

AT THE RESCUE HOME.

Last Sunday afternoon was an event at the Rescue Home. It was the occasion for opening the new chapel which has been in process of construction for some time. It consists of a two-story wing to the main building, of considerable dimensions. The chapel is in the lower story, and it will seat easily two hundred people.

REV. R. J. BRIGGS AND HIS NEW CHURCH AT AUSTIN.

Four years ago Dr. R. J. Briggs was transferred from the Pacific Conference to the Texas Conference and stationed at Tenth Street Church at Austin. After he had been there a year or so, some trouble developed back in the Pacific Conference affecting his moral character, and Bishop Hendrix found it necessary to transfer him back to that conference for investigation.

He continued to live in Austin and to preach in the vicinity. At the meeting of the next District Conference he was again recommended for readmission into the traveling connection, but at the late session of the Annual Conference his recommendation was again refused by the proper committee.

As a result of the refusal of the Methodist Conference at Rockdale to reinstate Dr. R. J. Briggs into active work as minister Austin is to have a new Church, to be known as the Methodist Protestant Church. The movement was put on foot a few days after the action of the conference became known in Austin, and is backed by some of the most prominent members of the Tenth Street Methodist Church.

As to Dr. Briggs, the Advocate has nothing to say; but to those of our Tenth Street people who are following his unwise leadership in his grievance, we exceedingly regret their action. They are good men and women, and for them we have love and affection. That they are making a great mistake is a fact that will become apparent to them further on.

A SHORT VISIT TO SHERMAN.

We made a flying visit last week to Sherman and spent a night at the North Texas Female College. Bishop Key was at home and in good health. His next conferences will be those in Mexico, but they will not begin until toward the last of next month.

pleased with the outlook for the year. We have no better charge in the conference than Sherman. We understood that the good ladies, seconded by the stewards, are contemplating the purchase of a good parsonage property. When this is done, Travis Street congregation will be about complete in their equipment for aggressive enterprise and progress.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

We were pleased to have a call recently from Bro. J. W. Fields, father of Rev. R. N. Fields, of the North Texas Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lowmire request your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mary Agnes, to Joseph P. Davis, which will take place at Harmony Church December 25, 1900, 2 o'clock p. m.

Rev. J. Marvin Nichols and his family were kindly remembered by the good people of Trinity Church last week. They gathered at the parsonage, filled the larder, and left sunshine in their preacher's home.

Rev. C. A. Meyers, of Sachse, Texas, called to see us Monday. He is a useful local preacher, and has charge of the Santa Fe depot agency in his town. His good wife also made a visit to this office recently.

Rev. and Mrs. John Adams, of the East Texas Conference, will celebrate their silver wedding anniversary the 25th of this month at Tyler. We wish for them a joyous occasion, and pray God's blessings upon them.

In a note from Cuero, we learn of the death of the widow of Bro. J. C. Box. He was at one time a member of the East Texas Conference. She died in great peace, and left behind her a life of great faithfulness.

We were cheered up the other day by a visit from Rev. W. D. Bradford, now of Tenth Street Church, Austin. He was here taking in the Branch House and visiting his old friend and school-mate, Rev. J. W. Rowlett, of Oak Cliff.

Rev. C. J. Oakley, of Calvert, ran up to the city last week and made us a pleasant visit. He took in the Branch House and replenished his library, as the most of his books were either lost or ruined in the Galveston flood.

The Methodists of Dallas and Oak Cliff gave Rev. I. W. Clark and his family a reception at the district parsonage last week. Quite a number of them gathered there, and the occasion was one of good cheer and Christian greeting.

Rev. S. G. Shaw, a superannuate member of the West Texas Conference, has recently undergone a surgical operation at San Antonio, with the hope that he may be restored to health. He asks the prayers of his brethren in this time of his suffering.

Rev. C. M. Pickens, who came by transfer to the North Texas Conference from the Territory and was stationed by Bishop Candler at Montague, was unable to go to that work, and at his request the Bishop retransferred him to the Indian Mission Conference.

Rev. M. L. Hamilton, of Crandall, was in the city last week and made us a pleasant visit. Last year he was in the Bowie District, but this year he is closer to us. He is a friend to the Advocate, and always keeps a good list of subscribers on his work.

Rev. G. H. Collins, of the Texas Conference, and who was the host of the conference at Rockdale, goes this year to Bremond. He brought us under obligations at the late session of his conference for much kindness. He is a good man anywhere you place him.

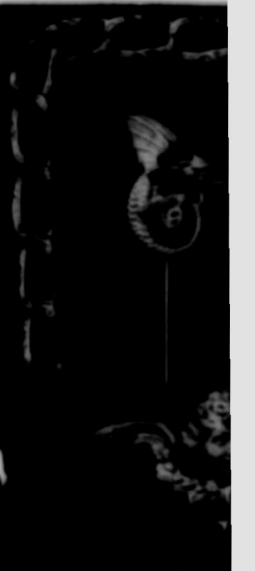
At First Church last Sunday night the pastor preached an earnest sermon, and called for penitents in the old way. Several came forward and knelt at the altar for prayer. The meeting was a good one. Three persons were received on profession of faith and five by certificate.

We were delighted with a brotherly visit from Rev. Mac M. Smith, of Wrentham, a few days ago. It was his first visit to this office, though he has long been one of the best workers for the Advocate. He came up to lay in a supply of books. We hope he will repeat his visit.

We noted in the proceedings of the East Texas Conference the transfer of Rev. I. T. Stafford to the Baltimore Conference, but since then a vacancy has occurred at Montague, in the North Texas Conference, and Bro. Stafford has been changed to this conference and placed in charge of this appointment.

Rev. Jno. E. Green, of the Texas Conference, goes back to McKee Street, Houston. At Rockdale we heard him preach an edifying sermon. Some of his brethren humorously said that the Advocate had crippled him by publishing his "Railroad Sermon," but it is a mistake. He has other sermons just as good as that one.

We notice in the dispatches last week that Dr. John Howell McLean, a young physician of Fort Worth, has received high honors at Cornell University. He



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Never, in my opinion, will the Churches be able to assume a formidable aggression in evangelism until they universally adopt example-teaching.

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A QUESTION OF METHODIST HISTORY.

A Self-Correction.

I am in receipt of a letter from Rev. E. L. Armstrong, of Corsicana, in which he kindly points out some errors in my article on page 9 of the Advocate of November 15th...

The errors in my article are, first, that William Stephenson did not preach in Louisiana; secondly that he did not knowingly preach in Texas...

The corrections are, first, that William Stephenson was presiding elder, first, of the Arkansas District, of the Missouri Conference, and then of the Louisiana District, of the Mississippi Conference...

Do not forget that what I said of William Stephenson was repeated from hearsay, though I was prepared to speak authentically of Henry Stephenson...

I wish that some brother or sister may yet find, in some old file of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, a copy of Rev. Joseph P. Sneed's elaborate obituary of Henry Stephenson and republish it.

The correction of errors is always unpleasant to sensitive minds, and doubly so when they are one's own; but when we find that we have perpetrated them...

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CHRISTMAS, 1900.

The Christmas celebration once more signals its approach, and into December's dreary drift of shortening days we welcome this fair messenger of brighter and happier hours. For nearly twice ten hundred years increased throes have nerved the walks and works of life to mark the memorable date and share the common joy somehow or other springing from that event, which in royal and persistent form has flung its impress and influence across the world. Explain it as we may, it is a fact compelling indubitable and universal acknowledgment that something transpired in the East about twenty centuries ago which has fixed with imperious authority the calendar of the civilized nations and the registers and chronicles of the world. Every book from the printing press, every morning's newspaper, every letter of affection, every bequest from the dying, and every written contract of the living bears in the date inscribed thereon silent but eloquent witness to the truth of the story of Christ. Why does not the civilized world reckon time from the nativity of Confucius, or Socrates, or Homer, or any other of its distinguished sons, or memorable events, rather than from the birth of the once lowly despised Nazarene? The reply is found in the fact that one name only endures and fills the world with a luster eclipsing every other. The advent of Jesus into the world is the one event that proves the pivot of time upon which all others may be safely balanced without danger of chronological confusion. In an unexplained and sovereign manner Christ "sways the world's great pendulum and regulates the horologe of history."

In the Christian teaching of the incarnation we discern the fact that challenges our highest attention, and that crowns and glorifies the sacred page from first to last. In this event we find the dynamo which has sent its light through the long coil of past centuries, and which is still shining at our end to-day. In "God manifest in the flesh" the far-off promises are realized, the unconscious wailings of heathen ages are met with the divinest response, and in the Christ of the New Testament, humanity in its sorrows, mysteries, aspirations and needs finds a broad, strong, central column of relief against which to lean amid the convulsions and almost tragic experiences of a changing and unhappy world. The long years did wait the coming of the Redeemer, and when he came the "one great hour of time" was fixed forever. * * * The late Gail Hamilton, speaking of the present hold of gospel truth upon men, said that "it requires no learning to see that if the stamp of Christ and everything which has come from it into the life of the world could suddenly and completely be burnt out of the memory, consciousness and record of man, society would be a chaos." * * * It may be said that every man who reads or hears December 25, 1900, consciously or unconsciously recognizes the great fact upon which the whole stupendous structure of Christianity and Christendom firmly and serenely rests. It is not a matter of surprise that men are asking with ever deepening interest and wonder what mighty, over-mastering impulse it is that has traveled over the vanished institutions and empires of two thousand years and still proves itself sufficient to move the world's big heart to-day to inspire it with loftier, surmer moods and hopes than all other events combined can do. What august transaction is it that has marched across the earth's horizon, leaving its imperishable track upon all the subsequent years and that wins a wider recognition and commemoration as the generations come and go? Surely any event that can lay its hand of power upon the swiftest, busiest of all ages and arrest its vast and varied machinery; that can command the intellectual and religious homage of the most enlightened people of the globe, and that is doing all this on an ever extending scale about 1900 years after its occurrence, surely such an event forever refuses to be classed among the things that are commonplace or to be pushed aside without a fair and adequate explanation. To assert that the great Christian anniversary is the creation of an ancient outburst of empty sentimentalism, or a brilliant hallucination, or a lawless dream, is the veriest nonsense. * * * As we greet again the great Christian festival with the nations and tribes speaking "the sweet

story of old" in nearly 400 languages of earth we can with an ever-deepening joy unite in singing:

"Hail, Prince of life, forever hail!
Redeemer, brother, friend!
Though earth and time and life should fail
Thy praise shall never end."
—American Methodist Magazine.

Resolutions passed by the Executive Committee of the W. H. M. Society of the North Texas Conference on receiving the notice of the resignation of Mrs. R. K. Hargrove, General Secretary of the Woman's Board of Home Missions:

Whereas, Mrs. R. K. Hargrove has been our General Secretary for more than seven years and has in all this time given her faithful service without compensation, and that she has in her love and zeal given even life itself, so that now she is obliged to tender her resignation; therefore be it Resolved, That we regret very much

that her health makes this necessary; that we tender her our sympathy and pray the Father to restore and comfort her; that we send her our grateful thanks for the great work she has done for the womanhood of our Church; that we assure her of our appreciation of her loving service and that we will endeavor to emulate her self-sacrifice and love for the work and will do our best to carry on the work which she has helped to establish.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. Hargrove, and that a copy for publication be sent to Our Homes, the Texas Christian Advocate and The King's Messenger.

MRS. L. H. POTTS, President.
MRS. W. T. HENDERSON,
Treasurer.
MRS. GEO. SEXTON, Rec. Sec.
MRS. L. P. SMITH, Cor. Sec.

In the resignation of Mrs. R. K. Hargrove, General Secretary Woman's Board of Home Missions, which took

effect Oct. 11, 1900, the W. H. M. Society of the Church has suffered the loss of the services of a most faithful and efficient officer. It is earnestly hoped that in the rest from the arduous duties and responsibilities of the office, recommended by her physician, our dear sister may find a complete restoration to health and strength. We know that the prayers of her sisters and co-laborers in the society will ascend for her that she may be thus blessed. It is earnestly hoped, too, that her successor, Mrs. R. W. McDonald, of Macon, Ga., who has been so recently elected to the office, may have the sympathy and co-operation and prayers of her sisters in the work, and that she may be blessed spiritually and physically for the responsible duties to which she has thus been called.

To the Members of the W. F. M. Society, West Texas Conference:

At the last meeting of our Conference Society, held in June in Seguin,

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

JACKSON.—Mrs. Mary A. Jackson died at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Lem Anstey, near Brownborough, Texas, December 8, 1899, in the eighty-third year of her life.

THORNAL.—Jewel Thornal was born near, Neches, Anderson County, Texas, November 11, 1881, professed religion, joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1897. She lived a beautiful Christian life until the Lord took her to heaven September 28, 1899. Her death cast a dark shadow over the home of her widowed mother and the entire community.

BORING.—Died, twelve miles east of Seguin, Texas, November 3, 1899, Mrs. Emma Boring, aged fifty-five years, widow of the late John K. Boring, last son of Dr. Jesse Boring, of Georgia. Mrs. Boring died very suddenly, of influenza of the heart. She had been a Methodist all her life, and was a woman of singular purity of character.

McMILLAN.—Charlotte Fredricha McMillan (nee Wacker) was born at Drake, Gasconade County, Mo., February 22, A. D. 1864. She was baptized in infancy, and united with the Church at the age of fourteen. May 18, 1887, she was united in the holy bonds of matrimony, at the paternal home, to Bro. Thomas J. McMillan, by Rev. W. F. Young.

HENRY.—Andrew H. Henry, the subject of this notice, was born in Washington County, Ind., June 17, 1815; moved to Texas in the early forties; settled in what is now Kaufman County. Before moving to Texas he had married Miss Susan Beck.

HALL.—Vera Lee Hall, daughter of D. M. and Ina Hall, was born March 26, 1892, and died June 29, 1900. Vera was a pure, sweet little girl. All who knew her loved her. We laid her away to rest in the Larissa Cemetery.

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being twice wounded in battle. Gen. Young, his mess-mate, paid him this tribute a few months ago: "Ben Milam was one of the bravest soldiers I ever saw, but would never hold office during the war." After the war he merchandised in Weatherford a number of years, and fifteen years ago moved to Glen Rose, where he was extensively engaged in farming and mercantile pursuits, and at the time of his death was President of the Glen Rose Bank, which he had lately purchased.

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CULWELL.—D. W. Culwell, son of J. G. and Martha J. Culwell, was one of the clearest and friendliest boys I ever knew—universally loved, so far as I know. He carefully nursed his brother, Oscar, through a long spell of fever, and then took it himself and died.

IN MEMORIAM. "Thou hast all seasons for thine own, O Death!" Not alone in the winter of age are the spring-time of life, to the young and fair, comes the message, "The Master hath need of thee."

Miss Mamie Ellen Fain, young at daughter of John Asbury and Elizabeth Peyton, was born in Lexington, July 9, 1872. She was a Christian from her early childhood, often saying that she could not remember when she began to love Jesus.

The consistent beauty of her Christian life was always recognized by her companions, for she truly lived her religion. She entered fully into the higher life of consecration as the years went by.

Never a frown of dismay, never a word of bitterness, escaped her, though earthly dreams must lack fulfillment. Her brave, sweet spirit breathed but one prayer—not for self, but for others—"Lord, give me strength to smile to the last."

But, though they look for comfort to Him "who doeth all things well," yet the mother's heart still aches, the father's house is left unto him desolate, for when our "sweet Marie" went away it was the passing of the sweetest soul that ever looked with human eyes!"

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In Bowie December 27. Let us pray for a great revival all over the district.

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Advertisement for 'GATEWAYS' and 'PACIFIC' with a graphic of a gateway.

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Stewards will please meet
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District—First Round.
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It makes what is known as the **double lock stitch** and uses two threads, which are locked together in the center of the goods, forming a stitch which appears the same on both sides. The upper thread is drawn into position directly from the spool without passing through any holes till the eye of the needle is reached. A detailed description of the machine is as follows:

THE HEAD is handsome and pleasing in appearance, being beautifully decorated in an elaborate design worked out in gold and bright colors. All of the working parts, screws, plates, etc., are highly polished and nickel plated. The bed plate is let into the wooden table so that the surfaces of both are flush, thus greatly improving the looks of the machine as well as facilitating the handling of the work when sewing.

THE ARM is large, very strong and well proportioned, and the clear space underneath it is 5½ by 9 inches, thus allowing the bulkiest work to be stitched and handled with ease.

THE NEEDLE is straight, has a large shank, and it is impossible to set it wrongly or for it to become fast in the bar so that it cannot be readily removed, as it is held with the latest style patent needle clamp.

THE NEEDLE BAR is round, made of hardened steel, and finely finished. It runs in hardened steel bushings, packed above and below with felt, which absorbs oil enough to lubricate the part without any danger of its running down and soiling the work.

THE TAKE UP is absolutely automatic in its action at all times and on all kinds of work.

THE AUTOMATIC BOBBIN WINDER attached to this machine is a great improvement, and with it the bobbin can be wound almost as evenly as a spool of thread, and with no care on the part of the operator except to keep the treadle moving.

THE TENSION LIBERATOR is of a new design and enables the operator to remove the work from the machine without danger of breaking or bending the needle.

THE HAND WHEEL is of the latest pattern and is also adjustable so that it can be made tight or loose at will, thus enabling the operator to wind the bobbin without running the machine.

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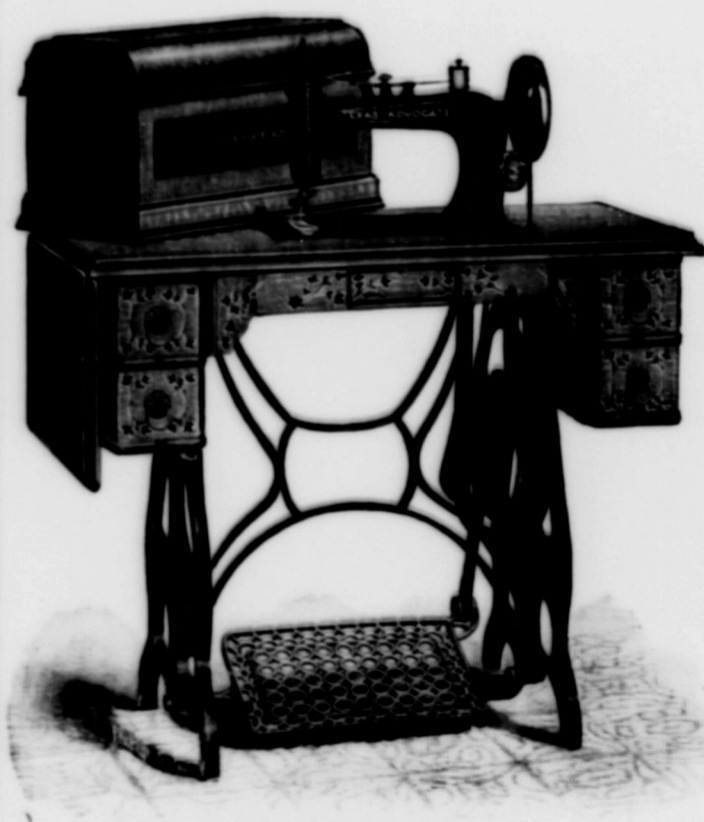
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There's a hush in the North that is holy - A hush in the wild-throbbing mart, And the millions, both lofty and lowly, Have tuned to the business of hearts! From the Gulf comes thy Rachel-like wailing, Thou Eden of blossom and bloom; But that cry shall not be unavailing, Eldest land of the spindle and loom! For thy voice, breaking through depths of sorrow, And spurning a low minor key, Sang that through golden gates of Tomorrow Atlantis should rise from the sea! And thy hills and thy mills held no treasure Too sacred for thy loving hand To bestow with beneficent measure On storm-smiten city and land! Ah! thy love is as high as the mountains And deep as the deepest deep sea! And the bow in the spray of its fountains Keep cov'nant between me and thee! 'Tis the same pure, unchanging affection Thy sisterly heart did reveal, When dread pestilence breathed its infection On Memphis, Granada, Mobile! 'Tis the same which, when harvests were parching, And valleys, flood-drenched, gave no yield, Sent rich gifts like Samaritans marching Red-crossed to a soldier-strown field! Thy affection, thus ever unfolding, Blends section and party and clan - Disunites all men's brotherhoods, moulding One brotherhood only of man! In the life-depths are greetings far grander, Than spirit can grace into form! We can send only crushed oleander Baptized in the tears of the storm! For we know that no visible token Commerce rate can ever be shown, For the heart-words that can not be spoken Or symbolized on canvas or stone! So long as the callships blow backward, Or shells sing the song of the sea, So long as the rivers flow seaward, Dear sister, be sister to me! Here's a faith that no storm can destroy, Drink deep from the loving cup's bowl! For the heart of my heart shall forever Drink life with the soul of thy soul!

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