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EDITORIAL.

A SURVEY OF THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The Missionary Conference recently held in New Orleans has taken its place in the history of the Church as one of the most momentous gatherings in the progress of Southern Methodism. So far there has never been anything of its magnitude and import in the family of our conferences. The nearest thing of the kind to it was the Ecumenical Conference of Missions about a year ago in New York; and this one sustains the same relation to our Church that that one does to Christendom. The fact is, that the New Orleans Conference was suggested by the one in New York and it was a happy purpose that gave it birth and development. For nearly twelve months it was in progress of growth in the minds of those who inaugurated it and its culmination was a source of anxiety and solicitude. Its possibilities were foreseen, but their successful realization was not a foregone conclusion. The whole enterprise was tentative, for there was no precedent by which to determine its outcome. But in faith and prayer and earnest work the brethren who assumed the responsibility for its success or failure toiled on, hoping for the best. Then the call was made and New Orleans selected as the place to try the experiment. In the meantime our Church press was made to teem with matter bearing upon the enterprise, and a great deal of private correspondence filled out the details. Finally the day for its opening came and the Crescent City was literally swarming with representatives of the Church from the center to the circumference of the connection. Not only were the delegates there, but visitors by the hundred were present to witness the proceedings and catch the inspiration of the occasion. Not less than twenty-five hundred Southern Methodists made up the membership of the conference. This itself was a foretoken of success, and when the conference opened there was a thrill of expectancy. The sea of up-turned faces that greeted the inaugural exercises brought a smile to the faces of the members of the Executive Committee. They saw at once that their labor had not been in vain. Their large investment of faith and prayer and sacrifice was more than realized. Therefore the opening services were pitched upon a lofty key. The enthusiasm was at high tide. Now that the conference is past, let us glance at it retrospectively and see some of the lessons that it is intended to teach the Church at large. The first thing that impresses us is the vital interest which our people have in the success of missionary enterprises. Sometimes we have grown a trifle impatient at what we thought was the indifference of our preachers and people upon the question of evangelizing the world. But this conference proves beyond all doubt that the Church is neither dead nor indifferent to this great cause. Preachers and laymen left their homes and business and spent their money to get instruction and inspiration concerning these matters. An indifferent Church does not bear this sort of fruit. Again, this conference has imparted an im-

petus to the cause of missions that will carry the Church far in advance of anything in its previous history. The information gathered from the men and women from the various mission fields and from those who have been giving direction to our endeavors to carry the gospel to the regions beyond will be delivered to the people at large by the press and by those who attended upon the conference, and the sowing of that sort of seed will necessarily bring forth a great harvest. For the results of the conference prove that we have not been giving our money and that our men and women in these distant fields have not been toiling in vain. In these results we see the largest returns for our giving and for our laboring. The people will take heart, and there is no reason why our liberality should not be increased a hundredfold. Then, too, our brethren and sisters in our home and foreign fields are impressed with the fact that we are in earnest as a Church in our purpose to stand by them in their efforts to bring the world to Christ. They can no longer doubt our sincerity in the pledges we have made to stand by them with our means and with our prayers. They now see that this conference has given them vital connection with our sympathies and affections. We are one with them in the great work of saving the lost and in giving to them the benefits of our holy Christianity. The songs and prayers and contributions of that gathering were heard and felt around the world. It was a grand jubilee, in which all Southern Methodism took a part and from which will radiate influences that will multiply and reproduce themselves in the distant portions of the earth. Such influences will prove a mighty stimulant to those who are bearing the brunt of our efforts at world-wide evangelism. And not one of the least of the blessings of this conference will be the publication of its proceedings in permanent book form and its circulation among the membership of our Zion. This will not only give to us a live and historic missionary literature, but it will put into the hands of our people an accurate knowledge of our missionary enterprises and introduce to them the consecrated men and women who are carrying on our work in these far-off fields of Christian effort and toil. And it will forever answer the long-standing question, "Does it pay to establish missions and support missionaries at home and abroad?" Therefore, let all of our preachers and people be supplied with this volume just as soon as it is issued from the press. The wonderful collection that was taken on Sunday night for the benefit of our Anglo-Chinese University in Soochow is one of the results of the conference that will make it memorable in the annals of Christian benevolence. Fifty thousand dollars make up an index that points unerringly to the earnestness of the Church in her purpose to plant her fortunes in the Orient, and it forever settles the question of our permanency, as an evangelical force, to aid in bringing that great Empire to the Lord Jesus Christ. People who invest that amount of money on one single occasion in that sort of enterprise evidently mean to put business of a serious character into

their future missionary endeavors. If we mistake not, this is the largest collection ever taken from one audience by the Methodist Church for foreign missions. Our interest beyond the sea is henceforth permanent and abiding. The local effect of the conference is not to be overlooked. New Orleans is our great Southern metropolis, but it is a Roman Catholic city. Protestantism is a minor force in public sentiment. Catholicism dominates the community. But this conference opened their eyes. They never saw or dreamed of anything like it before. It monopolized the attention of the newspapers and of the people. They looked on in astonishment. They found out that, while Protestant Christianity takes a back seat in New Orleans, throughout the country it is an aggressive force in our civilization. Henceforth, Methodism will be reckoned among the wonderful agencies, even in Catholic New Orleans. All in all, it was the greatest occasion upon which we ever gazed, and the brethren who conceived it and arranged for its stupendous success are entitled to the thanks of Southern Methodism. They have rendered to the Church a service of far-reaching and ever-widening influence and potency. The outcome will hereafter mark the beginning of a magnificent era in our branch of Christian evangelism. Now let the Church, thus girded anew for the oncoming struggle, move forward all along the line, and the close of the twentieth century will witness the blush of the mellow twilight of the long-expected millennium. So mote it be? PEN PICTURE OF THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE. The most picturesque figure in the Mission Conference was Rev. Young J. Allen, D. D., our oldest living missionary China. For nearly a half century he has been in that field, and he is as well acquainted with the manners, customs and dialects of that country as a native Chinaman. He is loved and revered by those people and has more influence among them than any other foreign born citizen among them. He is tall in figure, well proportioned, with a benign and intellectual face. He has a long, flowing white beard, giving to him a patriarchal appearance. Such is his striking personality that he would be specially observed in a gathering of thousands. His addresses were marked by painstaking detail, and those who followed him closely were highly entertained and greatly instructed. To look upon him was to admire and reverence one of God's noblemen. Next in point of interest was Bishop Thoburn, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has been in the mission field over forty years, mostly in India. He is rather tall in person, but slender and delicate. His face is evenly chiseled and sparsely covered with short iron gray beard. His voice is not deep and sonorous, but rather sharp and penetrating. His bearing is that of an eminently good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost. In his addresses he was as simple as a child and as guileless as a refined and cultured woman. He always spoke like a man intimately acquainted with God.

Rev. John F. Goucher, D. D., of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the famous President of the Woman's College at Baltimore, made a most favorable impression upon all who heard him. He is very prominent in the promotion of educational work in the mission fields of his Church. He is a short, stout man, with a genial, florid face covered with sandy beard mixed with gray. In manner he is most captivating, and in scholarship a master. He was clear in his thought, felicitous in illustration and comprehensive in the range of his culture and attainments. Personally we found him to be one of the most delightful visitors whom it was our privilege to meet. Dr. Alexander Sutherland, of Canada, was perhaps the most popular visitor at the conference. In personal appearance he is a typical Englishman with all the marks of a close kinsman to John Bull. He is tall and rotund, with a massive head covered with closely cropped, snowy white hair. His face is almost radiant with affability and the white, short mustache fringing his well made mouth gives him the cast of a devout business man rather than that of the minister. His voice is most peculiar in intonation and compass. It is not a round, full voice, but slightly pitched upon a high key, but withal very musical and charming. He never failed to get the undivided attention of the great throng whenever he spoke, for with his polished sentences and periods there was often a vein of taking humor. But usually great devoutness and deep spirituality filled his utterances. On Sunday morning there was great rush to Carondelet Street Church to hear him preach. The venerable John Matthews, D. D., though not even a delegate and with no place on the program, was a general favorite of the conference. He was never on the rostrum, but sat quietly with the audience; nevertheless no man there failed to meet him and shake his hand. He is now an old man, showing a little bit of the tottering swing in his walk, but his mind is as fresh as May morning. He preached on Sunday at one of the small out of the way churches, but the throngs followed him up and standing room was at a premium. He is a little above medium in size, with a stout, well-made body. He has a shapely head that phrenology would put down as splendidly made and well developed. He has a most peculiarly interesting face, smooth and almost boy-like in its freshness. His eyes beam with humor, good nature and intelligence. That he is closely related to Erin is wonderfully evidenced in his merry laugh, his bubbling wit, and his unique way of putting things. He is a man of great consecration and believes and preaches a full gospel. He is a mixture of the old type of the preacher with the modern methods of Church work. He believes in the mourners' bench, and when at home he rarely ever preaches without calling penitents. Wherever he labors his church is the center of attraction to the crowds, and he gives them truth warm out of his own great heart. We have but one John Matthews, and to know him is to be ac-

quainted with one of the best men in Southern Methodism. OUR BISHOP AT NEW ORLEANS. Bishop John S. Keener, D. D., lives in New Orleans, and we are glad to say that he was able to attend the sessions of the Missionary Conference. He is now in his eighty-third year, but rather strong and active under the circumstances. He walked hither and thither among the brethren, and they all greeted him with reverence and filial love. He seemed perfectly delighted to meet his old friends, and clasped them by the hand and called them by name as of yore. As he has grown older he has not lost in flesh, and his complexion was ruddy and clear. Upon his fine face there was an expression of serenity akin to the other world. And his voice is still clear and resonant. At the close of one of the sessions he came forward and pronounced the benediction, and there was unison and blessing in his tones. He is one of the great men in Methodism, and he still reads and thinks upon live subjects. Bishop J. C. Granbery presided and spoke at the conference. He seems to improve in health and appearance as he grows older. He not only retains his strength, but increases in vitality as his years multiply. Naturally he is a delicate man at best, but by care and precaution he is living actively to a good, ripe age of increasing usefulness. He was born in 1825, but he does not look to be as old as these figures indicate. He is a scholarly and learned man, and one of the best sermonizers in the Church. He makes no claims to oratory or special brilliancy, but he is one of the wisest and most enterprising members of the college. He is one of the finest types of the cultivated Virginia gentleman. His elevation to the Episcopacy was an act of wisdom, and his official career has been a blessing to the connection. Bishop A. W. Wilson, to the delight of all, reached New Orleans on Saturday night from his long trip across the water, and his presence contributed greatly to the edification of the conference. He is a truly great man, and a preacher the peer of any in America. He has a profound intellect and a facility of utterance rarely ever seen or heard in other men. His language is majestic and his thought imperial. He speaks like a man of authority, and his very presence commands admiration and respect. But he is looking a trifle care-worn and reduced. His hair and his flowing beard are turning gray, and his movement is a little unsteady. Nevertheless, he looked like a fit companion for Moses as he stood before the throngs and spoke of the outlook of God's people in the Orient. We hope a few weeks of rest will restore him to his accustomed physical vigor and force. Bishop Joseph S. Key was present, and presided at one of the sessions of the conference. He was also born in 1829, but he is a remarkably well-preserved man. He is strong of body, has a healthy color, and his general appearance, with his long white beard,

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The Missionary Conference

WOMAN'S DAY AT THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Saturday of the great Missionary Conference was devoted exclusively to the work of our good women in the mission fields of the Church. Mrs. Bishop Wightman presided with grace, tact and dignity. She is a woman of striking appearance, yet modest and delicate in her conspicuous position. She introduced her part of the proceedings with a short, pointed, but comprehensive address, which at once put the work of the women before the conference. Below we give extracts of the program:

Mrs. S. C. Truheart addressed the conference on "Aim and Scope of Woman's Work in Foreign Missions." The Woman's Board of Missions was authorized by the General Conference of 1878, and held its first annual meeting in 1879. Its attention was drawn to the needs of China through the work of Mrs. J. M. Lambuth, and its first missionary, Miss Lochie Rankin, was sent there. Its object, as stated in the constitution, is "to enlist and unite the efforts of women and children in sending the gospel to the women and children of foreign lands." Mrs. Juliana Hayes, its first President, and Mrs. D. H. McGavock, its first General Secretary, labored to promote this object with unflinching zeal. Among both women and children auxiliary societies have been organized with the happiest results. Missions were opened in Brazil and Mexico in 1881, and the schools then begun have grown and prospered there twenty years, while many others have been added to them. Work has been carried on among the wild tribes of Indians also by means of schools and Bible women, etc. Korea is the latest field entered. The board now has 34 missionaries, 162 teachers and native helpers, 17 boarding schools, 51 day schools, 6 kindergartens, 2 hospitals, 2 Bible schools, 69 Bible women. Its average annual income since 1889 is \$65,000. There are at home 25 conference societies, 2290 auxiliaries, 72,644 members. The board conducts the Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo.

Miss Maria Laying Gibson, of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, next spoke. Her theme was "Woman's Educational Work."

The heathen world is filled with stunted growths. None are more pitiful than the women—illiterate, immoral, crushed by caste, ignorance and superstition. They are to be helped by educational work, because in this work the living voice and the printed page—two potent agencies—unite; and also because converts have to be taught even after they have been convinced; they need to learn the Christian vocabulary, mission schools train the teachers of the future; girls, especially, need education to fit them for life duties. Schools, often founded and conducted by women, have pioneered work in nearly every field. Two names shine out here in connection with the work of our Church—Mrs. W. G. E. Cunningham, who went with her husband to China in 1852, and at once began a school for children, and Mrs. J. M. Lambuth, who may be called the mother of schools both in China and Japan. This class of work is promoted now by all the women's boards. They have accepted the definition of education as "a debt due from present to future generations." In 1820 Dr. Duff said, "You might as well try to scale a wall 500 yards high as to attempt female education in India." What would he say now of Punjabi Romani and Lillarti Singh?

The objective point of education in mission work is to substitute the worship of God for that of ancestors or images, to substitute knowledge for superstition, and to secure the elevation of women. Not only do we need educational work on the fields, but candidates require special training. To provide this for lady missionaries our Church established in 1892 the institution which is now the Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo. Discussions were called for.

Miss Parkinson, of Brazil, was requested to give the conference a three-minute talk. She said:

"The ignorance of the people in Brazil is the greatest obstacle to the progress of the work. The school system is very crude and primitive. Christ is not in the religious teachings of Brazil. There is no spirituality among the people. The women are material. They grasp at, and accept, only what they can see and feel. They need to be uplifted to true spirituality, to know Christ and to know God."

Rev. Baker, from Cuba, speaking of "What is Needed in Cuba," said:

"The girls learn music and embroid-

ery. The old customs and manners of the Moors still linger in Spain, and in the colonies, and in Latin America. They do not believe in equality of the sexes. All of the religious training of the children comes from the mothers, who frequent the Church of Rome, and as long as the women go to that Church we will have hard work to rescue them. The fathers of families do not go to church, but they frequent the cafes, so that the children get very little, if any, education from their fathers."

Rev. Mr. Cox, of Mexico, testified to the good work done by the ladies in several districts in Mexico, where they have schools; and he also testified as to the needs of the work, especially in Guadalajara. "We need more room, more people for the work, more means," said Dr. Cox. "The Mexican girls need not so much a literary education, but they need women, consecrated, to stand before them and tell them, and teach them, and bring them up to love God. Since February 11, Mexican girls have been received in the boarding department of that school."

Rev. Dr. Reid, of Korea, said: "Seventeen years of close association with the women's missions in China have taught me the value of such women—married and unmarried—in the work of reclaiming, saving and educating the women and children. When I went to Korea I wrote for women helpers, and they came. Now, the influence of these women has spread far and wide in Korea. The women of Korea are practically inaccessible except to lady workers. In every place we go we find immediate access to the homes of the people through the gracious ministry of the noble women workers." Mrs. M. I. Lambuth, wife of the late Rev. J. W. Lambuth, who did work for nearly half a century in China, addressed the conference on the subject of "Bible Women's Work."

Women as an agency for propagating the truth were unknown until the nineteenth century; and yet the need of Bible women, the need for such workers has existed for centuries. There were women who "labored in the gospel" with St. Paul. Perhaps their work was not greatly different from the work of the Bible women now. In 1834 Rev. David Abeel, a returned missionary, presented to the women of London the deplorable condition of their heathen sisters, in such terms that a society for propagating education among them was organized. Mr. Abeel also visited New York, but no organization was effected until 1869. In that year Mrs. Francis B. Mason, from Burmah, told so effectively the story of heathen women's need that the Women's Union Missionary Society was formed, with Mrs. T. D. Doremus as President. During its first year it began to support Bible women—in India, China and Burmah—and a start was made in Japan. It was about the time of the Civil War that Bible women were added to the working force of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in China. The first one had been converted while living in the house of Dr. W. G. E. Cunningham. Our Church now supports sixty Bible women in China, Mexico, Brazil, Korea and Japan. The result of the work will be recorded by eternity alone.

Mrs. Lambuth is a leading worker in China, and her thrilling words made a deep impression upon the audience.

"Medical Work"—A carefully prepared and interesting address, by Mrs. Anne Walter Fearn, M. D., of Soochow, China, was read by one of the delegates, as Mrs. Fearn was not present. "Medical Work" is one branch of the work that brings the women workers in close personal contact with all—from the highest to the lowest—that calls for the outpouring of the surcharged heart, be it filled with griefs or joys. It is the one branch that calls for the patience and love and endurance that needs the power divine to strengthen, uphold and uplift.

Mrs. Fearn tells the story of a young girl from one of the wealthiest and most aristocratic families, who, when admonished for opium smoking, replied, "What more can you expect of us? We are women like you; we have vague ideas of a better life. We have no escape from the life that is a death to us, mentally and physically. We have women's diseases, and there are no physicians for us. When we suffer we must take opium until we become its slave. We would read and find out for ourselves what the world is like, but we have no education. We would study, but there are no teachers for us. There is no help for us, except through the foreigner; in no other way can we receive the education that will lift us out of the depths of degradation in which we live. In no other way can we hope for teachers and physicians who will make us mentally and

physically what nature intended us to be. Without this help there is nothing for us but opium, and a life that is worse than death."

This is only one of a thousand of such cases. Day after day they come to the women missionaries with the same pathetic story. They tell of sorrows so deep that all the world seems but the throbbing echo of the heart sobs that come with their cry for help. There is need, appalling need, of women in China.

As an opening wedge there is no power so quick and so sure as medicine. Many and many lives have been saved by the women missionaries skilled in surgery and medicine. Calls have come from strongly anti-foreign families, and when success has attended the efforts of the women healers they win not only the gratitude of the families, but their lasting friendship. An entrance gained is like the dawn, to be followed in Jesus' own good time by the glorious, flooding sunshine of the new day.

There is need of native helpers, who must be educated and trained to teach and live as befits the life of a soldier of the cross. There must be schools and colleges. There must be medical schools, and well-qualified men and women. The Chinese physicians, men or women, must have every advantage, so as to be able to cope with every disease, and so that they may be trusted implicitly.

In no other profession is one so often called upon to show "the love that suffereth long and is kind" as a concrete expression of Christian sympathy as in the medical profession. It is not often pleasant, but often most repulsive, and yet how else than by doing it with our own hands can we show this love?

Medicine is not advocated as the prime factor in the work simply as a life-saving agency. Without the Bible in one hand the medicine case is not wanted in the other. The objective point of the work must be soul-winning, and for this, personal work is necessary. Let medicine be the means to clear the darkened windows and open wide the door to the blessed sunshine. Let Christian physicians be but the advance guard of the army of the cross, and as followers in the footsteps of Jesus work but to win, endure but to rejoice in the fullness and the richness of the joy that cometh in the morning.

Here the devotional meeting, conducted by Mrs. Dr. Taylor, followed. Mrs. Taylor read two chapters of Acts, 17. "It shall be in the last days, with God, that I will pour out of my spirit upon the flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy." "And it shall be that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord, shall be saved."

"We stand in the presence of God and in the need of the world. Many of us believe that we stand in the last days. We praise God because he is pouring out his Holy Spirit upon us. We have been brought into the presence of the felt God, the living Christ, and we are being brought into touch with the darkness and gloom of this world. The world has been redeemed, but knows it not. Sometimes I am told there is so much to do at home that we can not do anything abroad."

"Do you know that within a stone's throw of this hall, there are things so awful that you could not see the like in China? We need an outpouring of the Spirit to help us. It is a marvel that Christ should have done so much to save the world, it is a marvel that having done so much, he should have left the work to human hands. This city needs rivers of living water. Are they flowing in your district, your Church, your Sunday-school? If not, why not? It is not enough that men should go. Tarry in Jerusalem until you are endowed with power from on high. You can not do without the power of the Holy Ghost—the fullness of the Holy Spirit. This is not an exceptional, but a necessary blessing to every Christian. It is not that we be relieved from our sins, or be made happier, but he makes it possible for us to do the work we ought to do. If we be not filled with the spirit we inspire, we impede the work. If one member be weak, the whole body suffers. The missionary may be faithful, but the Church at home must be Spirit-filled, so that the work abroad should prosper. You can not separate the Spirit-filled part of the Church from that part not so filled. You must be so filled with Christ that there is no room for anything else. If we have self or any sin in our hearts, then we are not filled. The call to us to-day is to get down, in God's presence, and lay aside ourselves, our sins and empty hearts, and wait until he fills us. We have him and confine him to a small part of our hearts. Let us give Christ full possession. Do not restrict the coming of the Spirit. Hold back nothing from God. The Holy Spirit is a living person and a person to be received; a person one may know and with whom one may have friendship.

We want to pray. I do not want to talk, but these things are real. There came a time to me when I felt that unless something came to me, I could not remain a missionary; that I must go back home. But I came to the end of self. Then he sent to me a messenger, who said to me, one day: "Have you been filled with the Spirit?" I said "No." I saw that was what I wanted. On Monday, December 21, 1897, I found him—the Holy Spirit. Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? Are you filled now? Don't leave here until you know the Holy Spirit."

"One day in Shanghai I said to him, 'O, if you have granted me to know thee, give me one soul each day this week.' That week twenty-one people gave themselves to God, through the power of the Holy Spirit filling my heart. This is what makes the 'rivers flow.' This is the place for the rivers to begin to flow. Who can count the ending if we only let the rivers flow. "Spiritual power and fervor of this sort, which was passing over this country in the first part of the twentieth century can be felt and seen at Tulane Hall every day from 11:30 to 12. The younger generations of Methodists have never seen anything like it, and the older ones rejoice in its return."

Miss Mary Helm, of Nashville, Tenn., presided at the afternoon conference.

The first address was by Miss Belle H. Bennett, President of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church, South, on "The Work of the Home Mission Society."

Miss Bennett said that the society was organized by the General Conference of 1885. Miss Lucinda B. Helm, of Elizabethtown, Ky., was for twelve years its tireless leader. The first ten years of the society were given to studying the situation, creating a literature and adjusting itself to the demands. It took over, in a large measure, local work hitherto done by ladies' aid societies, created a connectionism and inaugurated systematic Bible study. A great need was pressed upon the attention of the society from the first—the housing of preachers and their families on feeble circuits. After fifteen years, the society's report shows that 1142 parsonages, more than half of all built by the church in that time, have been added by it. Along with it a systematic plan for sending clothing and other relief to the families of pastors of poor charges has been inaugurated. This work of relief is done as quietly and unostentatiously as possible, through the aid of a committee of discreet women. City missions among ignorant and vicious foreigners, neglected factory people and outcast women have been opened in many places, and schools for the children have been added in some. Southern Methodism ought to take charge of, to begin the work of rescue, among the outcast women. Poor, outcast boys and girls should be looked after and educated. A beginning has been made among the children in the mountains of Georgia and among the Cuban children in Florida. In the mountain sections of our country there are two classes of people, just like in cities and towns. There are families possessing money, who can afford to send the children to good schools and colleges; while, on the other hand, there are families too poor to give any education to their offspring. Those are the kind of people we must reach, and for whose education we must provide. The city mission work is growing, and the work of the society is also growing in the country. This is the day of God's power, and the people are offering themselves up willingly. I know and feel that the world will be redeemed by Christ.

In conclusion, Miss Bennett said that much of the efficiency of the society in recent years has been due to Mrs. R. K. Hargrave, its General Secretary. "The Literature of Home Missions," by Mrs. J. D. Hammond, was next discussed.

After deploring the moral degradation in some families, in which the father is a drunkard, the mother a slattern, the boys addicted to cigarettes and loafing, and the girls left to run about the neighborhood and spend their time in idle gossip, Mrs. Hammond said that there is a whole side of our Church duty that we have ignored, and that is, the reaching of the masses by means of godly, wholesome literature.

We have glorified want and suffering and have looked patiently on our brethren in want, provided their soul's salvation were assured. Why should we offer homes in heaven to people who have no earthly homes? Why should we speak of heavenly rest to our overworked and weary sisters toiling at the sewing machine, and then go to the bargain counter for our purchases, and then return home, thinking we have done our full duty to our starving sisters?

Every man who can vote should read Dr. Swan's book on "European Municipal Government," which shows how older and more experienced cities

are trying to meet the problems of civic life.

Mrs. Hammond cited the report of the New York tenement house commission of 1894, and a number of works touching factory life, as literature that will help to understand the situation. They can be recommended to that large class of people who need just such books.

Let us take the case of a family in distress, the father out of work, the mother sick and discouraged; they and the younger children dependent for their scanty food upon the earnings of the older ones. Time was when the visitor would have sent a load of wood, a supply of provisions, some worn children's clothing, and considered them relieved. But in a little while that family is in a worse condition than before. Why? The father finds the saloon more attractive than the church, and the mother and the children are ill from overwork and starvation. They are the victims of an adverse social organization, which, while it makes the rich richer, grinds the poor to powder. The growth of factories in the South is bringing these problems home to us. For their solution we must first know the need. To understand the problems of poverty requires personal contact. We should also know the remedies and the mode of applying them which has given success elsewhere. A splendid literature has grown up about these problems. Dr. Shaw's books on old-world municipalities, Hadden's "Life of the Earl of Shaftsbury," "Willingby on Child Labor," "Schuyler's Treatise on Factory People, etc.," open an inviting field of study. Dr. Wine on "Prison Reform" should go with the report of the American Association of Charities and Correction; Henderson's "Social Settlements," Richmond's "Visits Among the Poor," etc., to exhibit one phase of the mission work; Mrs. Whittemore's "True Story of Hell" deals with another and more difficult one. But books are not enough, nor money. We must give ourselves. As death is often caused by a touch, so also there is a contagion of life. The touch of Jesus has made us live, and may, through us, bring life to many who are now in death.

Mrs. Florence Kelly was the next speaker on "Our Foreign and Factory Population."

Every day of the year there comes to the country a certain number of immigrants. I have seen 19,000 arrive in one day. These foreigners, workmen, believe they will find in this country a better home, another and more liberal religion. They for the most part, must be educated into a knowledge of Christ. There are three organized bodies in New York ready to welcome the immigrants. There is the Catholic Church, ready to offer the refuge and the instruction of the Catholic Church in the language of the immigrant. The finest Jesuit Church in all the West, with twelve to twenty-five priests—the Jesuit Church in Chicago—has charge of at least 5000 men, who represented 12,000 people. The priests were all wisely selected for the purposes of the Church, and the Irish priest welcomes the Irish immigrants in their own language. They also have a Bohemian Catholic Church, in which services are held in Bohemian. And so it is in all other foreign languages—French, German, Italian. The service in every one of the Churches is most beautiful and noble, but every advantage is taken of the holidays, for the holding of solemn and impressive services. It is not only immigrants who attend the service, but well-to-do people also, and often you see Protestants in Catholic Churches. They have been attracted by the beautiful music, and so, although they do not probably understand the language of the service and of the sermon, they go on with their Catholic neighbors.

As against this large welcome of the Catholic Church to immigrants, there are two small mission houses in the Nineteenth ward. One is a little church whose pastor's only recommendation is that he wears a Grand Army button. In the other Church the pulpit is filled by young men, not yet in the ministry, and "on trial."

In New York there are two other organizations which take charge of the immigrant and the poor man. The political ward boss and the saloon keeper are the other powers. It takes a political pull to find work. And then, when the immigrant needs money, he applies to the saloon keeper. So, he goes to the very party against whom we are striving to warn him, and asks for help. Thousands of the immigrants drift into the most unsatisfactory occupations to earn their living. In New York City 29,000 people, living in tenement houses, have been licensed to make ready-made clothing. Of all the garments manufactured in the United States, the value of one year's product is:

In Massachusetts about . . . \$20,000,000
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The immigrants are entitled to an entirely different welcome and to an entirely different treatment than they are given to-day.

In Knoxville and Chattanooga, near the factories, we can see the beginnings of slums. Now is the time to prevent the slums from growing. Establish kindergartens and public schools; induce good, Christian workers to go to the tenements and slums and try to better the condition of the inhabitants.

Discussion was opened by Mrs. Howard Taylor, who said she was very glad to emphasize the importance and the need of home missionary work. For seven years before going to China she worked in the district of Whitechapel. It was that work in Whitechapel that made her a missionary. What we want are men and women who will live among the people and experience their daily life. You must keep in touch with the every-day life of the people of the tenements and slums. Find out the real condition of things and you will be moved to act as you never have acted before.

At the night session Miss Jane Addams, head resident of the Hull House Settlement, Chicago, spoke on "English and American Social Settlements."

The word "settlement" had its origin in England. London is divided into three distinct cities: The City proper, or business portion; the "awell" portion, or fashionable side, to the west; the "poor quarters," to the east, with 2,000,000 inhabitants, largely working people, one man out of five being out of work. One out of five receives a pauper burial, for which the poor have such a horror. For a long time the good people of London did nothing to aid the poor. But the waking came from Oxford University. Young men of London, living in Oxford, were convinced that the old methods of studying political economy were defective, as every year the number of unemployed, the number of paupers, was increasing. With Arnold Thornby at their head, they went to live in the vast and dreary quarters of London, and lived the lives of those poor people. They found, in the midst of all that poverty, that there was fellowship and charity flourishing among the very poorest of London. Then they started the "settlement" movement with a determination to catch from the poor the virtues they had preserved, and which the well-to-do and educated had lost.

Whitechapel, the poorest quarter of East London, was first endowed with a building, not unlike the library at Oxford, and the poor were invited to enjoy its hospitalities. Good people came, and fraternized with and helped and sympathized with the helpless in pocket and morality.

Ten or twelve young men, highly respectable, splendidly educated and largely philanthropic, came to reside in "Thornby Hall," and in a few years they brought about a perceptible improvement in the civic and moral life of Whitechapel. Workingmen's unions and societies and other organizations of the people met in Thornby Hall. The working people want general improvement, community improvement, brotherly advice and help and sympathy along broad, practical lines.

Miss Addams defined the difference and distinction between a settlement and a mission, and then gave descriptions of methods and work at Oxford Hall, at Bermudez, and other places, showing how one differed from the other in modes of activity.

The settlements in America are quite as diverse as in England. They are, perhaps, more so here than in the old world because of the cosmopolitan composition of the inhabitants of large cities. Hull House Settlement, Chicago, is in a neighborhood where there are nineteen different nationalities. They are all poor people who are sick, and suffer, and die because they are neglected. There are Polish and Russian Jews, and there are Greeks and Italians. The rest of Chicago does not know anything about this settlement in the Nineteenth Ward. Fashionable people read up and study Greek and Italian history, and do not know that right near them are Greeks and Italians who can tell them all about the myths and legends of their antiquity.

Hull House has a woman's club which has succeeded nicely in polishing and directing the manners and morals of the women of the settlement. They meet Italian physicians and musicians, men of intelligence and means, and this social intercourse is of great benefit to the settlement people. What is true of the Italians is true of all other people. Hull House has a playground for the children of all nationalities. The people are eager to see Hull House improved and enlarged. There is room for six more buildings waiting and praying for general im-

to accommodate the crowds who are present.

Miss Addams received a rousing and hearty round of applause in appreciation and approbation of her able and sensible and altruistic discourse.

Rev. O. E. Brown here said that Bishop Wilson had arrived, and he was glad that the distinguished Bishop had come.

The audience rose to greet Bishop Wilson, and gave him the Methodist salute with fluttering handkerchiefs, waving from enthusiastic hands held high.

Bishop Thoburn next spoke upon "Woman Work at Home and Abroad."

The Bishop said that the time was when it was deemed impossible, impracticable, unheard of, to send unmarried women to foreign lands for missionary work. But in the last half of the nineteenth century a change, amounting to a revolution, has taken place in the privilege granted woman. This is seen in the opportunities now open to her in the industrial and professional world and in the great missionary and temperance movements inaugurated by her. For many years after the modern missionary movement began, the thought of employing women as missionaries occurred to nobody. It was my privilege in 1870 to meet the first two lady missionaries sent out by my Church. One, who was my sister, began medical work—the first lady medical missionary ever sent out—and the other educational. Many objections were made, based upon the peculiar character and customs of the people of India. But both enterprises have been crowned with success. A few months after their arrival one of them was given a beautiful building by an Indian prince, provided she would found a medical college for native women. Now we have five splendid medical colleges open to women students. The place of medical and educational work is now assured.

The situation of womanhood is such in the Orient that evangelistic work by women has become a pressing matter. Many of these native women are so secluded that they will never hear the gospel unless it is carried to them by women. And if they hear and believe, they may never enter the Church unless some woman is authorized to receive them. May it not be possible that we shall have to relax our ideas on the subject of ordaining women—at least in connection with the work among the heathen? I wish to mention briefly the deaconess movement in the Church at home. This class of workers was authorized by the General Conference of 1888, and its scope and value have increased in a manner to astonish all concerned. Some 1160 ladies are enrolled, and no less than \$1,000,000 has been invested in properties connected with their work.

Bishop Thoburn, speaking of woman's work and woman's worth, paid a deserved tribute to the old maids. He said that they were "the cream of the cream of womanhood," and that if any man speaks sneeringly of "old maids," there is something the matter with his heart, and his heart is, no doubt, callous and selfish.

"I have five sisters," said the Bishop. "One is single and four are married, and I have told my married sisters that the unmarried one was worth more than all four put together." (Laughter and applause.)

Deaconesses can select and send out well-fitted and qualified native women to do missionary work, both medical and educational, among their own people.

We began the work in India only thirteen years ago, without a penny, and, wonderful to say, with the faith and with the earnest work of the deaconesses, there is now \$1,000,000 worth of property amassed by them. You ought to have deaconesses in the membership of the Southern Methodist Church.

God is laying upon the people of the South responsibilities you can scarcely comprehend. He has set magnificent possibilities before you. There is a problem for your solution. I heard about that problem yesterday. I believe, with one of the speakers yesterday, that God will help us to solve this problem, as he will help us to solve all other problems. God will break the seven seals of the great Book of Life, and the time will come when the last war shall be fought; when the last saloon, the last gambling den, the last "respectable" gambling house shall be closed, and we will reach the day when we will see God's kingdom established on earth.

As the choir was rising to intone the closing hymn, there arose repeated calls for Bishop Wilson. The distinguished spiritual chief came to the front of the platform and said:

"My friends, I am glad to be able to be with you at last, after having despaired of ever coming here on time because of vexatious delays. I hardly have divested my person of the dust of travel, and have hardly had the chance to rest, after my long and fatiguing journey. Permit me, however, to say that I bring with me the greetings of my people, who are in the midst of a very critical condition of

affairs, and who largely ask for your prayers and your sympathies. I thank you for your hearty welcome. Frankly speaking, I hardly expected this successful meeting in New Orleans, and I feared there might have been objections and obstacles; but, thank God, there is life in the old Church yet. I augur well for the results of this conference; for the results of such an earnest, soulful, edifying assemblage of ministers and laymen, who are striving, heart and soul, and with perfect trust in God. We cannot afford to lag behind. We must cover the entire world in this splendid endeavor for the salvation of souls. Let us do our best, with our labors and our prayers. We want not only ministers and preachers, but laymen also, in missionary fields; we want deaconesses and hallowed women to help in the sowing and reaping. God grant that this great work now under way shall be the beginning of a new era in our Church."

THE SIEGE OF PEKIN AT THE MISSION CONFERENCE.

Rev. F. D. Gamewell, of the M. E. Church, was at the conference, and on Saturday afternoon, in the Tulane Theater, told and illustrated the story of the siege at Pekin. It will be remembered that Mr. Gamewell had charge of the defense of the Foreign Legation during those awful days. Such was the interesting character of his illustrated lecture that we reproduce the account of it as it appeared in one of the local papers:

The lecture yesterday afternoon by Rev. F. D. Gamewell was about the biggest thing that the Tulane Theater has seen since it opened. It beat Bernhard. Every seat in the theater was taken, and people stood up.

The pictures were a thing that everybody was anxious to see, as they were views taken by Mr. Gamewell during and after the siege. A great many of the views shown have been published in the papers and magazines, or views substantially similar, but there were many special ones, showing the Methodist Church where the missionaries were first besieged and the conditions under which they were obliged to live. Also the street through which they marched three-quarters of a mile to the British legation, after the death of Baron von Ketteler, which showed that there was to be a massacre at the expiration of the twenty-four hours in which foreigners had been ordered to leave Pekin.

Then there were views showing the various legations and the British legation in detail, and the defenses and men at work and the methods of strengthening the walls, and the international gun and the three Chinese boys, who succeeded in getting to Tien-Tsin with the messages entrusted to them, the damage to the walls, etc.

All these things were of the greatest interest when they were accompanied by the story, which was told in a plain and unassuming manner. Rev. Dr. C. F. Reid introduced Mr. Gamewell, and in doing so spoke of the friendship that has existed between himself and Mr. Gamewell, and of the visits that had been made to the respective missions of the Methodist Churches in China. Mr. Gamewell representing the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Dr. Reid the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Dr. Reid said that if the feeling between the Churches here at home was the same as between the missions in China there would be no need for the last word in the title of his Church very long.

Mr. Gamewell, in opening his address, spoke of his appointment on the staff of Sir Claude Macdonald at Pekin. He said that the story of Pekin, told aright, and heard aright, was one of inspiration. God had heard the prayers that had been delivered around the world, and when it seemed hopeless in the besieged legation, they knew that the world was praying for them. He said that it was useless to ask him why the Chinese did not do certain things, he believed that the whole thing was a matter of Divine Providence. He said that the uprising of last summer was not popular with the people, but started from the rulers. All of the missionary property was destroyed, and after the siege was relieved he was sent to look for a place where the Methodists could be located, and went into one of the residences near the palace and found there a desk, of which he opened a drawer and found a manuscript, written on yellow paper and with red ink, indicating that it was written by royalty. It was announced that by imperial decree the Boxers were to destroy the Christians in the eight cities near Pekin, and were to rise up to a united victory. That showed that the matter was instigated by the court. The Pekin Gazette, which has been published for 2000 years, contained notices of persons who were appointed to distribute rewards of royal silver among the Boxers.

Mr. Gamewell said that all the uprisings that he had known of in China were instigated by the court, and that the common people were friendly to the missionaries.

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It does this by a pre-natal preparation in which the mother finds herself growing stronger instead of weaker with each month. Instead of nausea and nervousness, there are healthy appetite, quiet nerves, and refreshing sleep. The mind's content keeps pace with the body's comfort. There is no anxiety, no dread of the approaching time of travail. When the birth hour comes it is practically painless, the recovery is rapid, and the mother finds herself abundantly able to nurse her child.

"Favorite Prescription" contains no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, nor any other narcotic.

Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free of charge, and so obtain without cost the advice of a specialist in the diseases peculiar to women. All correspondence strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. Annie Richter, 222 Catherine Street, Syracuse, N. Y., writes: "Your medicine has done wonders for me. For years my health was very poor. I had lost my hair, and my skin was like parchment. After taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and Golden Medical Discovery, I have gained better health and now I have a fine healthy baby. I have recommended your medicines to several of my friends and they have been benefited by them."

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Then the speaker told the story of the coming of the native workers from three provinces to Pekin for the conference, which undoubtedly saved them, and was a special providence, and of the signs of alarm and of the death of several native missionaries near Pekin, and the final siege of the Methodist compound and the march to the legation after Von Ketteler's death. He said that Mr. Forbes came to the house, bleeding and exhausted, and told the story of the Baron's murder and the attack on himself. In connection with the fact that the New York Sun had the news of Von Ketteler's death, telegraphed from Hong Kong before it actually occurred, but said that he could not explain it, but it must have been accounted for by some political intrigue.

Mr. Gamewell told about the coming of the people to the legation, and the use that was made of the mules and horses when the meat gate out, and of the manner in which the finest silks, carpets and other articles were cut up to make sandbags for defense. He also told of the women of the highest rank serving in the bucket brigade and the faithfulness and fearlessness of the natives.

Very much of the story has been told many times, but it had a new meaning and a new pathos when told so well by the man who planned the defenses and went through it all. Mr. Gamewell was, after the siege, very highly commended by the Marquis of Lansdowne and by Minister Conger. He had been doing engineering work in China long before the siege of Pekin.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

At 9 o'clock on Tuesday morning of the 16th of April in the Peach Street Church, the Fort Worth District Conference was called to order by Presiding Elder James Campbell. The roll call marked the presence of most all the preachers and a goodly number of laymen.

The reports of the brethren showed a few good revivals and a splendid material improvement all over the district. This is very gratifying, as perhaps there has never been a time when there was such general prosperity.

Bro. Everett, without whom our conference would never be complete, was present, talking of the Publishing House and selling books. After his speech the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, 1 That we have heard with pleasure the hopeful report of our agent, W. C. Everett, concerning the condition of our branch house at Dallas, and of the fact that through it as an agency our people are being better supplied than ever before with good literature.

Resolved, 2 That we believe the time is come when our Publishing House should be permanently located in Dallas by the buying of suitable property.

Dr. G. J. Nunn made a stirring address to the conference. His report shows Polytechnic College as practically free from debt and doing good

work. Never were conditions more substantially favorable for this institution than at the present.

"Uncle Dick" Thompson was in attendance and preached one of his characteristic sermons, and of course took up a collection for the orphanage which amounted to \$20.00.

J. P. Massett and the Holy Spirit preached the opening sermon. We were favored with two missionary sermons, one by R. F. Dunn at 11 o'clock on second day, and J. Sam Barren taking the place of the absent representative of the Board of Missions. Between the time of these two sermons was held the Missionary Institute in which was carried out the program heretofore published.

Miss Bowman, a missionary lately from Brazil, gave an interesting talk.

The love feast, conducted by Massett, was a great success.

At the close of the conference a voluntary contribution of \$75.00 was made to aid in lifting the debt that has for so long oppressed them.

Bro. Barnes is a live, energetic young man and has a good hold on his people. Prospects for that Church are now perhaps brighter than ever in its history.

The conference was hospitably entertained by the pastor and people, a refreshing tea being served by the ladies the last afternoon.

Our presiding elder endeared himself to us all by his kind and dignified presiding. On the whole it was one of the most harmonious and spiritual District Conferences ever attended.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we memorialize our next General Conference to so alter the regulations concerning children and juvenile societies that we shall be relieved from the embarrassment of having so many and from the impossible task of running them all without serious conflict, and that our Secretary be requested to furnish to the chairman of the next delegation elected to the General Conference by our Annual Conference a copy of this resolution.

T. V. Henry and J. B. Curry were recommended for admission on trial.

Thoburn is the next place of meeting. ALBERT D. PORTER, Sec.

All growth in the spiritual life is connected with the clearer insight into what Jesus is to us. The more we realize that Christ must be all to us and in us, that all in Christ is indeed for us, the more we shall learn to live the real life of faith which, being in soul, lives wholly in Christ. The Christian life is no longer the vain struggle to live right, but the resting in Christ and finding strength in him as our life to fight the fight and gain the victory of faith.—Andrew Murray.

Satan does not need to waste time on Christians that are quarreling with each other. They are already in his service.

NIGHT LUNCHEON

All Right if of the Right Kind of Food

The difference brought about by the use of well selected food, as compared with ordinary food, is well shown in the experience of a girl attending high school and boarding herself.

She says: "My housekeeping compelled early rising, and I used to become very sleepy over my books. To keep awake, I resorted to the use of strong coffee, and in a short time I began to have a dull, stupid feeling. No appetite, but a feeling of 'goneness.' I realized that I must eat something or faint in the class room. I would wash down a little breakfast with another cup of coffee.

"I began growing thin, pale and nervous, and made very unsatisfactory advancement in my studies.

One day the good wife of one of our Professors asked me if I felt well, as I appeared so weak and nervous. Between my sobs I managed to relate my woes. She saw where the trouble lay, and advised me to leave off tea and coffee and take up Postum Food Coffee and Grape-Nuts Food.

"I followed her advice and found the Postum a delicious beverage, and the Grape-Nuts just what I wanted. So my breakfast consisted of a little fruit a saucer of Grape-Nuts, and a cup of Postum, and I feel breakfast.

"If, at night, I felt the need of something to eat before retiring, I ate a little Grape-Nuts.

"My head grew clearer, my cheeks rose, and I gained so rapidly in health that all my acquaintances remarked upon it."

There is a reason, for both Postum and Grape-Nuts contain the elements from Nature's store house that the body uses to rebuild the brain and nerve centers throughout. These wonderful food elements are presented in such a fascinating form that users stick to them year after year, and very greedily to their benefit. The name and address of this young lady can be given by the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., at Battle Creek, Mich.

The Home Circle

AN EVENING PRAYER.

O Master! let me walk with thee
In lowly paths of service free.
Tell me thy secret, help me hear
The strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move
By some cheer winning word of love,
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,
And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me the patient still with thee
In closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
To trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sheds a shining ray
Far down the future's broadening way;
To peace that only thou canst give,
With thee, O Master, let me live!

WHAT CHILDREN BELIEVE AND WHY.

Mary (joyfully): "Oh, Katie, Mrs. James is going to organize a Missionary Society, and we are going to be little missionaries and help to send the gospel across the sea."

Katie: "But, Mary, I do not believe in foreign missions."

Mary (surprised): "You don't! Oh, Katie, don't you know that there are dear little boys and girls over the sea who are dying every day, and are lost because the Christian people can not send enough preachers?"

Katie: "Well, just look around you, will you? When the minister gets after papa about foreign missions, papa always informs him that charity begins at home. There are people right here in this neighborhood that are dying and going unprepared into eternity. Then talk about sending missionaries over the sea! Papa says if Bro. Brown would devote more time to saving those about him he might be a missionary himself right here at home. But mamma says that is the way it always is. People want to do great things and leave the little ones for some one else."

Mary: "But, Katie, we ought to save both. Papa said so. Mamma said last night at prayers that it was a labor of love to try to save those about us, and that we all ought to join the Missionary Society and help to send the gospel of Jesus to the poor heathens."

Katie (frowning): "You are just like mamma says. You are trying to stretch your arms clear across the sea to grasp something you might pick up at your feet any day."

Mary (surveying her short arms doubtfully): "I do not think I could reach across the sea, but I can send money and the Bible."

Katie (laughing): "You little goose! You do not understand figures." Papa says that the only true of Bro. Brown is "Money, money!" (She stings the last two words). "Why, if we were wealthy, we might think about sending money away to missionaries, but we have to live ourselves."

Mary: "But let us do so much each month. That is the way papa does."

Katie (cautiously): "I believe her papa is an angel. My papa ain't, and I am glad of it." (Then to Mary): "Papa don't have it to spare. Papa says he thinks Ave. Mother was about right when he said that he thought that it was a sin for a man to sit his family down in corn bread and a big dish of grease with two or three pieces of fat meat, fried to death, swimming around in it."

Mary (stepping backward): "Papa don't feed us on corn bread and grease, either!"

Katie (aside): "She hasn't got wings yet!" (To Mary): "Oh, no; of course not. I did not mean your papa."

Mary: "There! That is the bell for the Missionary Society." (Turning away): "Are you coming with me?"

Katie: "No, I am going to Maud's. We have planned a big time for this afternoon."

Mary (starting off): "Good-bye. Come over to see me."

Katie: "All right, I will. But be sure to come over to-morrow afternoon. It is my birthday, you know (here Mary turns back toward Katie) and mamma is going to give me a little tea party, and (lowering her voice) papa is going to give me a large doll. It cost five dollars."

Mary: "Oh, is he?" (Opening her eyes wide and clasping her hands with delight.)

Katie: "How I know, I went through mamma's trunk yesterday while she was out."

Mary: "Oh, Katie! don't your mamma care if you look in her trunk when she is out?"

Katie: "Oh, yes; of course. But she didn't know it." (Laughing.)

Mary: "Good-bye. There is the second bell now."

Katie: "Good-bye. Be sure to come to-morrow."

Mary: "All right."

Katie (starting off, aside): "I really believe that Mary's papa and mamma

are going crazy about religion. The idea of sending missionaries across the sea when we have people worse than heathens right here at our door."

(Exit Katie.)
Mary (aside, starting off): "I don't know—mamma says that it is wrong to judge people—but—I—am afraid Katie's papa and mamma haven't got very much religion, or they would love the poor heathens more."
(Exit Mary.)

Charley (a boy about 12, coming from behind a tree, laughing): "Well, I heard it all! Who is to blame but the girls, if, while a fellow is getting the clods out of his shoes, they get on the other side of the tree to talk? Mamma might call it stealing with the ears. Well (shaking his head thoughtfully), may be it is. But I know mamma could not have any objection to me listening to a missionary dialogue, or whatever you might call it. Then, besides, the girls were to blame. I was there fixing my shoes before they came up, and of course I did not want to run. Might frighten them. (Laughing.) But (thoughtfully) I do not understand that missionary business, any way. (Frowning.) I believe I will analyze the facts in the case and see who is correct. (Sits down upon a log, pushes his hat backward.) Katie don't believe in foreign missions. Why don't she? Because her parents do not. Mary believes in foreign missions. Why? Because her parents do. Well (throwing his head backward), that is perfectly natural. But (frowning thoughtfully), why do these two families differ so widely? Surely the Bible doesn't teach both. I am like Mary; I believe in foreign missions because my parents do. But why do they? That somebody is mistaken is plain enough. Let-me—see (squinting his eyes): To begin with, it seems very selfish to close our ears to the needs of others. Ha! ha! ha! that is a figure! I mean we should not close our purses. What we need is active men with open purses. I'll declare, I do not understand the difference. Well, I will single out the man and pick him to pieces, and perhaps I will get to the root of the mystery. I will take Katie's father first. Well (catching his little finger as if he would enumerate), he would rather pay five dollars for Kate a doll than to send a little money to the heathens. Of course, I believe in buying the girls dolls, because they would cry if they didn't have something to play with. But that is argument against Kate's most human father. He is very selfish. That is one point. Oh! (jumping up) but I have it now! Majority rules. But (looking thoughtfully at the ground) there isn't any reason or satisfaction in believing something simply because most people believe that way. The largest crowd might be down on the streets gassing next Sunday, while Bro. Brown is preaching to a few, but that would not make it right not to attend church. No, majority should not rule. Right should rule. (Sits down, crosses his legs and swings his foot thoughtfully.) What is right? I feel sure father is right, but why? Where did father get his views? From the Bible, of course. Then (frowning) where did Kate's father get his views? He is a Christian. He must get them from the Bible, too. What a mystery! Let-me—see. Who is right about it? One of them is mistaken. I do not think that it is father—no, I am sure he is correct. What does the Bible say about it? (Looking thoughtfully at the ground.) What was that mamma-quoted last night when she was explaining why we should join the Missionary Society? 'Go—go ye into the world,—no (shaking his head) that isn't it. Oh, now, I have it!' (stepping forward.) 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.' All the world and to every creature. Father is using his Bible for his guide, and—well, maybe Kate's father hasn't read that far yet. Yes (addressing the congregation.) I believe in foreign missions, for the Bible teaches it. Do you?" (bowing.) (Exit Charley.)

RUTH STORY.
Austin, Texas.
"TREASURES UPON EARTH."
"Isn't it strange that just as folks get anything nice finished, that something comes and takes it right away from them?"

This was the query of a little friend of mine, a child almost too precocious for his years.

"I suppose," he continued, "you have heard of the pier I built, haven't you?" I said, "No, dear, tell me about it." "Well, we live near the lake, you know, and after I had spent as much as five cents for nails, and ten cents for lumber, and had my pier all finished, a big wave came along and took it all away, and it just seems that's the way with everything."

What a lesson for those of us who are prone to "lay up treasures upon earth!" We are continually "taking heed for the morrow." We build a beautiful home; a fire destroys it. We

plan great things for our children; they sicken and die. We worship at the shrine of Ambition, and the goddess turns us a deaf ear. We "make unto ourselves graven images," and they crumble at our feet.

Why? Because we not only leave God out of our plans, but our wills are out of harmony with his.

How, then, ask you, are we to conduct ourselves? Would you have us sit with folded hands and let opportunities for gaining wealth and fame slip by us? Does not the Scripture say, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee?" Ay, verily, but that same Book says also, "Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

My little friend did not have sufficient strength or skill to build a pier large enough to baffle the waves. Had a master hand, with great timbers and other suitable materials, come to his aid, his pier would stand to-day, and defiance to the elements. You and I, dear friend, are daily erecting structures equally weak and worthless, because we are building alone. If we would but take into our fellowship the Master Workman of the universe, then when we built our edifice would be, not for a time, but for eternity, a house not built with hands, eternal in the heavens.

With the aid of the Heavenly Architect, we may truly apostrophize our souls in the language of Holmes:

"Build thee more stately mansions,
O my soul—
As the swift seasons run—
Leave thy low-vaunted past—
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,
Till thou at length art free,
Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea."

—Lida M. Keek, in Mich. Advocate.

BE TRUTHFUL.

A young man was leaving his native village. He asked, as a special favor, that his sweetheart should give him her photograph. To test him, she carefully wrapped up a piece of cardboard about the size and thickness of a cabinet photograph, and handing it to him, said: "Keep this in remembrance of me." He supposed it was the desired picture, and afterward wrote home to her that one of the comforts of his life was to gaze on her beloved features every night before retiring.

Why was she induced to use such means to test him? Surely she must have had doubts of his love—at all events of his honesty. Some habit or looseness in telling the truth, or in keeping his word, must have aroused her suspicions.

"If I am killed," said a young soldier to General Sheridan, just before the battle, "tell my mother that I kept my promise."

The battle was fought, the lad was killed, and his General carried the message. The promise referred to was that he would never taste liquor, and never a drop had passed his lips.

When she was told, the mother replied: "General, that is better news than if my boy had taken a city."

The boy had kept his word; had conquered himself. That is often the hardest kind of victory to win, but it can be done by trusting the arm and heart of Him who delights in such battles, and who is always ready to give the victory.

Many of you boys have already started on a business career, and others are soon about to do so.

There is one thing which I know of nothing that will tell in your favor more. It is a character for truth-telling and for keeping your word.

And nothing will so quickly end your career disastrously as a reputation for untruthfulness and for breaking your word.

I was going to say, cut that out and paste it in your hat. But you had better have the truth of it your heart than in your hat.

I believe a young man may be lazy, or inexact, or careless or stupid; but if he be truthful, and he is known to keep his word when once it is given, I believe that all the drawbacks I have named may be tolerated, deplorable as they are. For, don't you see, that should he possess all the qualities which men esteem to be excellent, and yet lack a character for truthfulness and a sense of the importance of keeping his word, even at a loss to himself, why, all the virtues in the calendar will be rendered of little value, for the simple reason that nobody will trust him.

He would be like a splendid-looking watch, possessed of excellent wheels, finely chased case, clear crystal, delicate hands—the whole planned with skill, yet the whole rendered useless by a defective mainspring. Truth is the mainspring of life.

Young people, be truthful. Be truth-

Blood Poison

THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE OF ALL HUMAN DISEASES.



The poison ejected from the fangs of the rattlesnake is not more surely fatal than the virus of Contagious Blood Poison, which pollutes and vitiates the blood, destroys the tissues and bones and eats like a canker sore into the flesh.

This horrible disease appears first in the form of a little sore or blister; soon the glands begin to swell, pimples break out on the body, the mouth and throat become sore, making it painful to eat or swallow; dreadful ulcers appear on the tongue, copper colored spots and other characteristic signs of Blood Poison come as the disease progresses, and the destructive virus takes deeper hold upon the system. The medical men are as sorely perplexed over the character of this blood poison as ever; they tell you to take mercury and potash alternately for three years, but the stomach of no human being can stand this treatment long; besides, they do not cure the disease permanently, as thousands who have tried it know.

WELLINGTON, KAS., Sept., 1900.

I contracted Blood Poison two years ago this fall, and was persuaded to try a medicine widely advertised by a remedy company in Chicago. I was required to pay a large amount in advance, and can truthfully say that I was worse when the treatment was left off than when I began. Reddish pimples would break out and fill with yellowish matter; copper-colored spots of all sizes would appear on my body; my throat was so sore I could scarcely swallow, and my mouth and tongue were seldom free from ulcers; tonsils were swollen, and my hair was coming out rapidly. This was my condition when I began your S. S. S. I have used twenty-two bottles, and am feeling splendid. Every sore on my body has healed, and my appetite good. JAKE MARTIN.

S. S. S. is not a new medicine; for nearly 50 years it has been known and used for this dreadful disease. It has brought new life and hope to thousands all over this land; it will cure you as it has others. Send for our free book on home treatment and write our physicians about your case. We will help you if you will let us; we make no charge for advice, and all correspondence is conducted in strictest confidence.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC COMPANY, ATLANTA, GA.

ful not because it pays, but for the sake of truth. Don't lie, don't equivocate for anybody or anything. It isn't wise always to speak—there are times when one ought not to speak; but, if you do speak, speak the truth at any cost.

Of a certain Wall Street operator it used to be said: "His cheek is worth a million, his word isn't worth a bean."

A thousand times over, the reverse had better be your case.

Get a reputation for lying or for tricky prevarication, and you're gone. Get it for a year, and it will stick to you for a lifetime.

You may have brains, ingenuity, application, smartness; but I want to tell you that the most valuable thing you can have to offer the world of business you enter is your sense of truth; absolute, unswerving adherence to the simple truth.

The shrewdest schemer in Wall Street won't employ a man who he knows will lie to him.

The head of a business firm once said in my hearing: "I'll do all the lying necessary, but I won't employ a liar."

Where there's no truth, or even where there's no certainty of truth all the time, there can not be confidence and lacking confidence the whole fabric of society—business, social and religious—will tumble in heaps.

Truth is a straight path up hill; falsehood is a devious path through a jungle. Truth is a crystal stream; falsehood is mud. Truth is clear air; falsehood is a fog.

"To thine own self be true, and it shall follow as the day the night; thou canst not then be false to any man." (Shakespeare.)

"Lie not one to another." (Paul)—N. Y. Witness.

NEDDY'S LONG WORD.

"Remember, Neddy," said mother, one day, "always to accommodate every one that you can."

"Yes'm," said Neddy, heartily. "I will." Mother felt sure he would, for Neddy is one of the very best boys you ever saw to remember things.

The next day Mrs. Camp called to him as he was running down the street: "Neddy, Neddy, come here a minute please."

Neddy heard her, and stopped, though he didn't much want to. He was going over on Wilson Pond skating, and was in a great hurry, but he went up to the door where Mrs. Camp was standing and pulled off his cap with a polite little bow, which pleased the lady very much.

"Will you run down to the store for me, dear?" she asked. "I want a spool of twist, and I have no one to send."

Neddy's eyes closed up the least bit in the world, but Mrs. Camp was looking in her purse for the right change, and didn't notice; and before she found it, the bright sun of good nature was shining again in Neddy's eyes, and he answered, "Yes'm," as cheerfully as could be.

It didn't take long after all. The store was not a great way off, and there were no other customers; and Neddy, in less than five minutes, was back again with the spool of twist.

"Thank you," said Mrs. Camp, smiling at him. Then she took a bright new dime from her purse. "Here is something for you to buy peanuts

with," said she, kindly, "and I'm very much obliged, besides."

But Neddy shook his head at the dime, though he liked peanuts as well as maple sugar, which is saying a good deal.

"You're welcome as can be," said he, "but I can't take pay for going, Mrs. Camp, 'cause, you know, mother tells me always to a—b—ominate every one I can!"

Didn't Mrs. Camp laugh? She couldn't help it, though she tried so hard that she choked, and frightened Neddy, who could not think what the trouble was.

"Bless your dear heart!" she said, as soon as she could speak. Then she went to the corner closet and took out a little pyramid of maple sugar—more than Neddy could have bought at the store with two dimes. "There," said she, "I know you like sap sugar, don't you? And this isn't pay; it's a present."

"Oh, thank you," cried Neddy, eagerly. "I'll go right home and show it to mother!"

So he did; and Mrs. Camp sat down by her window and laughed and laughed. "Bless his dear little manly heart," said she.—The Youth's Companion.

Smith—I saw you carrying home a couple of nice looking cucumbers last night, Brown. How much did they cost you?

Brown—I don't know yet. The doctor is up at the house now.

"Do you think, dear, you would love me any better if my hair were some other color?" "I don't know. What other colors have you?"

FEET OUT.

Curious Habits.

When a person has to keep the feet out from under cover during the cold nights in winter because of the heat and prickly sensation, it is time that coffee, which causes the trouble, be left off.

There is no end to the nervous conditions that coffee will produce. It shows in one way in one person and in another way in another. In this case the lady lived in Vermillion, S. Dakota.

She says, "I have had to lie awake half the night with my feet and limbs out of the bed on the coldest nights, and feel afraid to sleep for fear of catching cold. I had been troubled for years with twitching and jerking of the lower limbs, and for most of the time I have been unable to go to church or to lectures because of that awful feeling that I must keep on the move."

"When it was brought to my attention that coffee caused so many nervous diseases, I concluded to drop coffee and take Postum Food Coffee to see if my trouble was caused by coffee drinking. I only drank one cup of coffee for breakfast, but that was enough to do the business for me. When I quit it my troubles disappeared in an almost miraculous way. Now I have no more of the jerking and twitching and can sleep with any amount of bedding over me and sleep all night, in sound, peaceful rest."

"Postum Food Coffee is absolutely worth its weight in gold to me." This lady's name can be given on application to the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

FEAR NOT TO

Fear not to-morrow, if
Trust in Jesus—do
Fear not to-morrow—
Stand by your banner.

Fear not to-morrow, if
Trust all in Jesus, for
He not discouraged, oh
He always trusting—do.

Fear not to-morrow, if
Trust in Jesus—He
Fear not to-morrow—
All things are ready; do.

Fear not to-morrow—
Get your heart ready—
Fear not to-morrow—
If you are ready, do.

Fear not to-morrow—
How Christ the Saviour
Trust in him, sinners—
Sinner, believe in, do.

O what salvation, oh!
Watching and waiting
Turn now to Jesus, for
Christ is the Saviour; do.

If you are wretched—
Christ can release you—
Fear not to-morrow, if
Trusting in Jesus—do.

Sinner, you're brought,
All things are ready—
And come to Jesus—
Trusting in Jesus—do.

Fear not to-morrow, if
"Christ is my Saviour,"
O for that spirit, always
Trusting in Jesus to do.

Fear not to-morrow—
"Come unto me now,"
Sinner, believe him—
Jesus can save you to do.

Fear not to-morrow—
"Come unto me now,"
Sinner, believe him—
Jesus is ready, waiting.

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FEAR NOT TO-MORROW.

Fear not to-morrow, child of the King; Trust it with Jesus—do the next thing. Fear not to-morrow—be true and brave; Stand by your banner, Jesus will save.

Fear not to-morrow, if you are brave; Trust all to Jesus, for he will save; Be not discouraged, child of the King; Be always trusting—do the next thing.

Fear not to-morrow, for this is right; Trusting in Jesus—He is the light; Fear not to-morrow—then you may know All things are ready; onward we go.

Fear not to-morrow—Jesus is King; Get your heart ready—let him come in; Fear not to-morrow, child of the King; If you are ready, He will come in.

Fear not to-morrow—then you may see How Christ the Savior died on the tree; Trust in him, sinner—come at his call; Sinner, believe it, he died for all.

O what salvation, child of the King! Watching and waiting—do the next thing; Turn now to Jesus, for this is true—Christ is the Savior; he died for you.

If you are wretched—laden with sin—Christ can release you—do the next thing; Fear not to-morrow, for you may go, Trusting in Jesus—all this is so.

Sinner, you're hungry, wretched and cold; All things are ready—why not be bold; And come to Jesus; Trust in his might—Trusting in Jesus—that would be right.

Fear not to-morrow, if you can say: "Christ is my Savior; he is the way; O for that spirit, always so true; Trusting in Jesus to take me through."

Fear not to-morrow—Jesus is true; He has been watching, calling for you; Sinner, believe him—stand for the right; Jesus can save you this very night.

Fear not to-morrow—Jesus has said: "Come unto me now; I am the Bread." Sinner, now hear this; come at his call; Jesus is ready, waiting, for all.

Wonderful mercy! Jesus is mine! O what a Savior! He is divine! What more can he say than he has said; For he has risen once from the dead.

A. M. FERGUSON, Walnut Springs, Texas.

COURTESY TO CHILDREN.

Rob and Mab were playing "choo-choo." A long line of chairs stretched across the room, and Rob was stationed in the mail-car, energetically throwing out and snatching the mail-bags. Mab, as passenger, sat with serene composure in a rear sleeper. Papa, coming into the room with the morning paper in his hand, innocently seated himself in one of the chairs.

"O papa, that's the coal car! You're sitting right in the coal!" You'll get all dirty!" exclaimed Rob in distress.

Mr. B— was intent on the paper, and paid no attention.

"Papa, papa, you are in the coal-car! Get out quick!" Rob reiterated.

His father did not move, but said decidedly: "No, no, Rob. You can't have all the chairs in the room to play with. Papa wants to sit here and read his paper."

Whereupon this usually polite gentleman planted his feet in the cab of the engine, and became immersed in politics.

No appeal was possible, and a very uncomfortable half-hour followed. The children's play was spoiled, the spell was broken. The "choo-choo" of Rob's imagination was a wreck, and he had been thrown rudely back into a world where the combined duties of engineer, conductor, brakeman and mailman were no longer required of him.

His restless activity, goaded into exercise by a latent sense of injustice, found vent in mischief. He snatched Mab's doll, demolished her block house, teased the baby and fretted incessantly. Every diversion failed. Finally he was banished to the nursery by an indignant father. Mab followed, and a troubled silence reigned.

At length Mr. B— dropped the now uninteresting paper, saying: "Of course, that was a piece of mistaken management. I ought to have taken a passenger's ticket on the train, and so secured the privilege of reading my paper in peace."

"Or the children would have been delighted if you had expressed consternation over the supposed damage to your coat," suggested his wife.

"To be sure. Instead I was distinctly rude to the poor babies, and spoiled their happy play."

"You are usually considerate," said his wife, apologetically. "but it is hard to be consistent in these things. I shall be tripping next."

And she did. It happened in this way. Rob was busy with pencil and paper. When he needed a rubber, he went to his mother and asked for one, but she was busy, and apparently did not even hear the repeated request.

At length Rob began to fret. Her attention thus secured, Mrs. B— confiscated pencil and paper as a punishment for peevishness, saying: "If Rob had asked pleasantly, mamma would have been glad to give him the rubber."

Even as she spoke, however, by a curious flash of memory, she recalled the first request, and its subsequent repetition. Gathering the surprised child in her arms, she exclaimed: "Excuse mamma, Rob. I remember now that you did ask pleasantly at first, and mamma was so busy that she did not really hear."

Upon another occasion Mrs. B—

had the pleasure of proving the value of tact and consideration. The children were again steaming across country behind an imaginary locomotive, when she disturbed them by unexpected and highly inappropriate kisses.

"Why, mamma, we're playing 'choo-choo,' and going all the way to New York!" exclaimed Rob.

Realizing her mistake, the mother asked instantly: "But won't you kiss mamma goodbye?"

This was satisfactory, and the children lifted eager faces in farewell. A few moments later, however, mamma again forgot the game, and sat down upon the couch which served as a train. The immediate outcry was heeded, but when the train "slowed up," in approaching the next station, she boarded it with all due formalities, calling forth shouts of appreciation from the little people. Then they had a happy ride through fields and woods, over bridges and through towns, till Rob's quick eye saw in the glow and blaze of the open wood fire the "lights of the great city in the distance."

Children appreciate courtesy shown them by grown people, and they also notice a failure in politeness on the part of those with whom they come in contact. One afternoon Rob fairly burst into tears because a gentleman who was calling at the house failed in a simple act of courtesy.

"He didn't say good-by to Rob," lamented the child.

The same afternoon he went to call upon a friend, and when he took leave our host followed us to the door, and called: "Good-by, Rob!" After we left the house the little fellow's face was radiant.

"He did say good-by to Rob," he so-berly quizzed gleefully, and with an emphasis which indicated plainly his remembrance of the former omission.

Upon another occasion the children went to the postoffice, and a working man opened the heavy door for them.

"That is a nice man," said Rob; "he opened the door for Mab and Rob."

In my study of children I am constantly discovering new directions in which this simple oil of courtesy may be useful. When making a demand upon the services of a child, for instance, one soon learns to avoid a sudden interruption of some absorbing occupation. A slight warning is easily given, as: "Rob, when your horse is put up in the barn, will you hand mamma that book from the table?" or, "Will Mab call nurse for mamma when dollie is put to bed?"

Children are so imitative that the surest way of teaching them good manners lies in the constant practice of politeness in dealing with them, and it may also be said, incidentally, that they are especially quick in reproducing the bearing of their elders towards servants and dependents. A child's intuition is sure, however, and his imitations always go deeper than the external act, reaching to the inner thought and intention. They may fall in reproducing the graceful manner or courteous speech if it is not sincere, but will never fail to divine and grow up into the real spirit of those about them.—Congregationalist.

CONFIDENCES WITH MOTHER.

He was a shy little fellow, quite un-demonstrative in his nature. But he had a secret in his little heart—a secret which he wished to share with the dearly loved mother.

The mother was sitting by the window with her sewing basket at her side. She was darning a hole in the knee of the shy little fellow's stocking. The boy edged up to his mother with an important look on his face, as if he were to divulge something of great importance, as he whispered:

"Mamma, I wish to tell you a great secret, but I wish you to promise never to tell it—not even to papa, or Leslie, or Kate, will you?"

"Most certainly, my dear. I will promise never to tell my little boy's secret. What is it?"

The boy bent down lower and whispered in his mother's ear:

"Majorie Greenough is my sweet-heart. Now, don't you ever tell!"

The boy's finger was held up as a sign of guarantee for his mother, and with his face covered with blushes that he had been so communicative, he looked up into his mother's face. A smile was on it as she said: "Majorie is a sweet little girl."

The boy had confided to his mother what to him was a sacred secret; it was in her keeping. Mother liked Majorie. With what a happy heart he went off to his play!

Two hours later he came back to his mother in tears, and in broken tones exclaimed:

"You told, mamma, you told, and you promised you would not! Kate has told Leslie and the boys, and they have been laughing at me!"

"Why, what do you mean, my child? I did not tell Kate a word. I promised I would not."

"No, but you told Aunt Helen when she came to see you this afternoon, and Kate was in the hall and heard you, and she said you and Aunt Helen

laughed. O mamma, I did not think you would, after you promised! I will never tell you any of my secrets again!"

What could that mother say? To her the little fellow's secret was a trivial affair—a cause for a smile and a little merriment with Aunt Helen—but nevertheless her promise was sacredly given to the child.

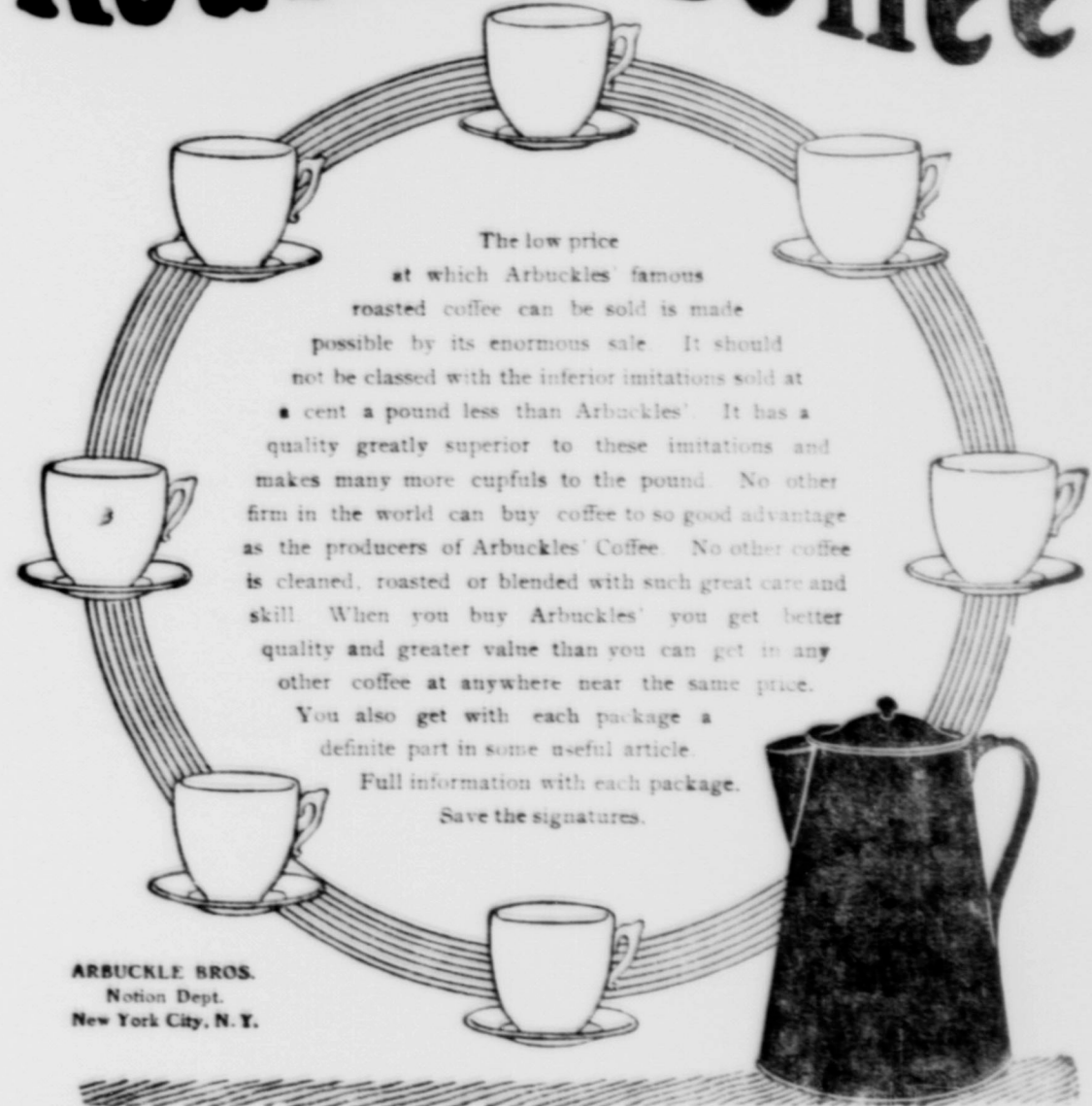
Ah! it is often the case that children are kept from confidences with mother for just such reasons. A promise given to a child should be as sacred as that to grown persons. One may say that such affairs are not of much moment beside weightier ones that come up every day, but they are.

The little fellow's secret was one of great importance to him. The telling of it to mother required a long deciding, but mother would never make a promise and break it. The secret was safe with mother, and so he told her. There is nothing so helpful to children as confidence in their mothers.

The knowledge that they can go to them with their troubles and joys and talk them over, getting wisdom and good counsel regarding them, has proved a safeguard to many a child. The mother spoken of above not only broke her promise, but exposed her child to ridicule, which with his sensitive nature was more than he could bear.

The wise mother encourages her children's confidences by not treating lightly the subjects which to them are matters of weight. It can hardly seem credible, but hearing with one's own ears establishes the proof of one mother's dishonorableness. A little girl had told her mother something in strict confidence. The mother not long afterward entertained some guests at the table with what had been told her. The girl came in and heard her moth-

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Cures all skin diseases in all its various forms. No internal treatment necessary. Failing money returned to purchaser.

Papa—So, Rob, you're the president of your bicycle club. That's very nice. How did they happen to choose you? Rob—Well, you see, papa, I'm the only boy that's got a bicycle.

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Reference: This paper



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TO THE PUBLIC.

Outside of preachers in the regular work Rev. W. A. Bowen is the only authorized traveling agent for the Subscription Department of the Texas Christian Advocate.

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OUR BISHOPS AT NEW ORLEANS.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE. Is that of one of the patriarchs. He attended all of the sessions, and was one of the closest observers of the men and the proceedings.

Bishop E. R. Hendrix was greatly in evidence at the conference. He presided a time or two and spoke on more than one occasion. He is the picture of robust health and never looked to better advantage than upon this occasion.

Bishop Charles R. Galloway is perhaps the most popular preacher and man among all the Bishops. He has a fine physique and a mind polished like a diamond.

THE PROGRAM AT THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Missionary Conference was a great success, and the further fact that the brethren who promoted it are entitled to the thanks of the Church, all of which is properly considered on our first page, nevertheless the program was open to a few mild criticisms.

But if it were necessary to make the program as long as it was, then the speakers selected ought to have been more generally distributed throughout the connection. It was a common remark that too many of the brethren and sisters from Nashville were recognized.

Nashville some knowledge of missions obtains. Therefore, in the judgment of a great many, it was thought that the program was either too long or that too many of the Nashville brethren had places on it.

And last, but not least, the editors, who were expected to give the proceedings to the Church, were given a narrow space just at the foot of the rostrum. Now it so happened that this rostrum was about ten or twelve feet high, and whenever we tried to see the speakers we had to look straight up into the ceiling.

But it may be that all concerned are excusable on the ground that this was the first Mission Conference ever held, and that such were the numerous details the program and the local arrangements were necessarily defective.

It is not a safe habit for a preacher to so monopolize his attention in trying to construct sermons for his people as to neglect to feed himself upon the truth that he prepares for his flock.

Too many of our people are mostly religious on Sunday. They put on their best clothes, repair to the sanctuary, bow in prayer, listen attentively to the services, and their decorum is above criticism.

It is not enough that a man was once converted and joined the Church. The main thing that ought to engage his thought is the condition of his soul each day that he lives. Conversion, of course, is the thing of prime importance in the beginning of a religious life.

history, but we want it to-day as a saving element in our lives and characters. A present supply of grace alone meets our daily needs.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Bro. C. L. Smith, of Rock Hill, was among the visitors at the Advocate office the past week.

Rev. J. W. Clifton, of Rock Hill, was in Dallas this week. He made the Advocate force happy by calling.

We are pleased to have had a recent visit from Rev. J. D. Young, of the Northwest Texas Conference and Prof. Farrington, of the city schools.

We deeply regret to hear of the death of Theodore Brewer, the 16-year-old son of Rev. Theodore F. Brewer, of the Willie Halsey College, at Victoria, T. T. The sad event occurred the 29th of April.

In last week's issue we made a mistake in saying that Rev. Thos. Gregory was gone with his family on a visit to England. It turns out that only Mrs. Gregory and the children are making that visit.

Mrs. P. P. Prothro, of Palestine, was recently in the city on a visit to her uncle, Rev. W. C. Young, and while here made the Advocate a pleasant visit. Capt. Prothro is one of our popular conductors on the I. & G. N. Railway.

Prof. J. S. Kendall, Superintendent of Public Instruction in Texas, was in the city last week and made the Advocate a welcome visit. There is no better man either in private or public life in the State than he, and we are always glad to see him.

We are pained to announce the death of Rev. Jesse A. Melver, of the Texas Conference. Last winter his health became impaired and he gave up his work and went to the home of his parents near Nevada, where he passed away in great peace the 2d inst.

Rev. D. F. Fuller, of Kemp, smiled on the Advocate force the past week. He appreciates an up-to-date printing house, being thoroughly familiar with the printing business.

Recently when Rev. O. P. Kiker, of the Northwest Texas Conference had the misfortune to bury his good wife, one of his friends wrote to him and said: "When little George Warren Kiker gets old enough to enter school he will enter at my expense."

We are pleased to have met recently with Mrs. A. C. Zehner, now of Dallas, who is connected with the W. C. T. U. work of the State. She is the daughter of one of our old Missouri preachers and a member of our Church.

We regret exceedingly to notice in the Associated dispatches from Mobile, Ala., that Rev. John R. Morris, presiding elder of the Weatherford District, had his arm broken in a railway accident. He was on a visit to the home folks after the adjournment of the Mission Conference at New Orleans when the injury occurred.

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

A Pan-American Congress of Christian Workers is to be held in Buffalo, N. Y., July 2 to 15. The object of this congress is to discuss ways, means and methods in soul-winning.

The Wesleyan Advocate of April 24 says of Rev. Young J. Allen, D. D., LL. D.—"This distinguished missionary

reached Atlanta last Wednesday from his station in Shanghai, China. He was warmly welcomed to his native State by his hosts of friends, and on Sabbath last at Trinity Church, in this city he presented to a vast congregation the cause of China and her relation to Christian missions.

There was a considerable session in the recent session of the New York East Conference when Dr. Buckley attacked the superstitions of Christian Science. The Rev. S. E. Simonsen had withdrawn from the M. E. Church to take up the cause of Christian Science, and the debate was precipitated by resolutions expressing the conference's appreciation of his former services.

GALVESTON CHURCH.

Table listing church members and amounts: J. B. Thompson, Bexar, per Rev. E. B. Galloway \$1.00, Per Rev. W. A. Gilleland, Bosqueville, Cirial, 6.25, Per Rev. F. P. Ray, Waxahachie, 25.00, N. B. Winston, Ansonia, per Rev. C. W. Glasville, 5.00, J. B. Thompson, Bexar, per Rev. E. B. Galloway, 1.00, Previously reported, 129.25, Total, 137.25

L. BLAYLOCK

Mr. L. Blaylock, Dallas, Tex. Dear Bro.: Enclosed find \$6.25, which you will please send to Bro. Ward for our Church at Galveston. This is from Wesley Chapel and Mills Chapel, two of the Churches on Bosqueville Circuit. W. A. GILLELAND, Bosqueville, Texas.

I send you for Central Church, under the charge of Rev. Seth Ward, the following subscriptions made by members of the Waxahachie Church and for which they are to have credit: Hon. J. C. Smith, \$1; Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, \$1; Mr. H. N. Peters, \$1; Mr. B. C. Henderson, \$1; Mrs. J. I. Hey, \$1; Mrs. J. C. Siddon, \$1; Mr. J. M. Patterson, \$1; Maj. R. K. Erwin, \$1; Mr. N. J. Thomas, \$1; Mr. A. M. Dechman, \$1; Mrs. E. W. Sims, \$1; Mrs. J. C. Fears, \$1; Mrs. J. Lee Penn, \$1; Senator J. A. Beall, \$1; Mr. L. C. Alexander, \$1; Mrs. Mattie Lay, \$1; Dr. R. L. Schmidt, \$1; Prof. Gran Works, \$1; Dr. Jones, \$1; Mr. William Sciles, \$1; Hon. J. S. Davis, \$1; Mr. T. A. Ferris, \$1; Mrs. J. W. Ferris, \$1; Mr. J. W. Singleton, 50c; Mrs. William A. Horner, 50c; Mr. H. H. Martin, 50c; Mr. W. N. Warren, 50c.

I have taken this collection from house to house for Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, and from personal interest growing out of the fact that I was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference at old Ryland Chapel, the seed germ of old St. John, which went down in the great flood of last September. I wish the amount was more. Enclosed find draft, which please forward to Bro. Ward. Very truly yours, F. P. RAY.

BISHOP GRANBERY'S BOOK.

We have just read with pleasure and profit "Experiences the Crowning Evidence," by Bishop Granbery. Here we have the crystallization of profound thought, mature judgment and ripe experience, couched in transparent verbiage, in succinct yet comprehensive phraseology. Without deprecating other evidences, the author deals direct with the testimony of consciousness, affirming that character transformation, personal subjective experience, proves Christianity to be both true and divine.

Waiting the questions that cluster around that which is incidental, inner-consciousness, experimental knowledge, the heart's answer to Christianity's appeal is a verification of its claims and promises, and once a possession, makes us independent of curious historical questions and their inevitable uncertainties. The eternal verities of the gospel are self-evidencing when actualized in consciousness. He who has this inner attestation breathes unmoved the currents of modern thought with reference to the Christ of the gospels. In this day of rampant destructive criticism, of insidious skepticism that compliments Christianity while injecting poison in the form of subtle and plausible objections to the gospel, such a book is timely and refreshing. We give "Experiences the Crowning Evidence" our unqualified endorsement, and bespeak for it an extensive circulation and careful reading.

NATH'S NOTIONS.

Doubts follow wrong-doing. West Texas is a slippery place for backsliders.

The miracle of the resurrection proven and any miracle possible.

Under real love ever so much is never enough, if there be any left.

The grave is not the terminal of this life, but a tunnel on the thoroughfare to eternal life.

What we wish for will wing itself away; What we toil for comes slowly, but to stay.

A fairy's wand has no such joy-provoking power as a compliment from a daughter to her mother. A girl doesn't know what it can do until she tries it.—May Ladies' Home Journal.

PAN-AMERICAN

Dr. Pierce's Free Bureau.

With a liberality of sizes all enterprises un R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo the World's Dispensary lished a free bureau of assistance, free to vis holders.

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PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.

Dr. Pierce's Free Bureau of Information.

With a liberality which characterizes all enterprises undertaken by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, the founder of the World's Dispensary, he has established a free bureau of information and assistance, free to visitors and householders.

The purpose of this Bureau is to provide a headquarters for visitors to the Exposition, where mail may be addressed and delivered. To furnish conveniences for correspondence, such as writing desks, stationery, etc. To provide a list of desirable accommodations for guests which will obviate the tiresome search for lodgings in a strange city. To give information concerning Buffalo and the adjacent points of interest, in order that the visitors may do their sight-seeing with economy of time and money. To help visiting friends in any way consistent with the proposed scope of the Bureau.

ITS CENTRAL LOCATION.

This Bureau is located in a beautiful old mansion of Buffalo, at 452 Main St., just opposite the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of which Dr. R. V. Pierce is chief medical director. The Free Bureau is fitted up with reception-rooms, wash-rooms, dressing-rooms, parlors, and all conveniences for out-of-town visitors.

Dr. Pierce's Free Bureau had its origin in the desire of the Doctor to be of some aid and assistance to the sixty odd thousand druggists and dealers, who are mostly his customers, as well as his old patients; but when the plan was formulated it was found that it would take little more effort and expense to care for everybody who might need the Bureau's assistance.

When visitors arrive in Buffalo, they can go straight to the Bureau, at 452 Main Street, and ask for the needed accommodation.

NOT FOR PROFIT.

No bureau organized for profit can afford to do what Dr. Pierce is doing, and no other bureau could attempt it by reason of lack of facilities and the great expense involved.

Dr. Pierce has arranged to make your visit inexpensive, free from annoyance and anxiety, and give you every minute of time to enjoy the wonderful Exposition and its manifold features of charming interest.

Dr. Pierce believes that a great medical institution like his "World Dispensary," that is in constant touch with thousands of people, has other obligations besides those of a commercial nature.

It may contribute to the pleasure and comfort of humanity, even in cases where the profit is not immediately apparent.

Impelled by these principles, he has organized a Bureau to furnish Pan-American visitors with accommodations and such information, guidance and direction, when they arrive in Buffalo, as will help them to spend their vacation in the most agreeable manner.

The question of where are you going to lodge is of prime importance and should be settled first of all. Have all mail, telegrams and parcels sent in care of the Bureau, if you wish. Use their waiting-rooms and parlors. Ask them about special rates and excursions to Niagara, the Whirlpool Rapids, Toronto, Chautauqua up the Great Lakes, down the St. Lawrence. Reliable information on any and every point of interest to tourists will be cheerfully granted. Remember, there is no charge or fee for any service rendered by Dr. Pierce's Bureau.

NOTES FROM TRINITY.

Our Second Quarterly Conference for the Trinity and Lovelady charge was held at Glendale, embracing the 29th and 31st inst. Rev. W. F. Davis, P. E. did some splendid preaching. It was practical, searching and convincing.

This charge is moving on very

Doctors Say; Bilious and Intermittent Fevers which prevail in miasmatic districts are invariably accompanied by derangements of the Stomach Liver and Bowels. The Secret of Health. The liver is the great "driving wheel" in the mechanism of man, and when it is out of order, the whole system becomes deranged and disease is the result. Tutt's Liver Pills Cure all Liver Troubles.

After Shaving, FONDY'S EXTRACT. COOLS, COMFORTS AND HELLS THE SKIN, ETC. BRING THE MOST TENDER FACE TO ENJOY A CLOSE SHAVE WITHOUT UNPLEASANT RESULTS.

nice. Our Sunday-school at Trinity, under the superintendency of Bro. S. E. Barnes, is in fine condition, well attended and has a fine corps of teachers. Bro. A. J. Frick has a splendid Bible class, ranging from twenty to thirty pupils. The interest and enthusiasm with which he inspires his class is refreshing and inspiring.

Our two Leagues are moving along very nicely, the Senior being under the leadership of Miss Lila Barnes, and the Junior under Mrs. S. H. Park. Our Sunday-school at Lovelady, superintended by Bro. C. B. Moore, is doing well. Bro. Moore is faithful, and so are the teachers. Prof. Martin, who has been teaching at Lovelady for the past five years and built up one of the best, if not the best, literary school in Houston County, is teacher of the Bible class, and he certainly makes an efficient teacher. Our membership is not as strong numerically by forty or fifty per cent at Lovelady as at Trinity. Our foreign and domestic mission assessments have been paid in full and conference will find us out on all lines if not providentially prevented.

Rev. W. A. Bowen, the Advocate man, has been with us here at Trinity. That he is a success in getting people to take the Advocate must be patent to every pastor with whom he has been associated since having entered the field as agent. When he approaches a person for a subscription he does it so naturally and manifests such confidence that the person is sure to subscribe, that they often do so without a demur. We gave him the names of twenty heads of families who were not taking the Advocate, and he put the paper in every family except three, and one of the three he never met. We will now have twenty-nine Advocates coming to Trinity. Our W. H. M. Society in Trinity are indefatigable workers and are laboring to re-seat the church with new, first-class pews. They will succeed, for they have their hearts set on this work.

Our ladies at Lovelady have recently organized a W. H. M. Society and have already begun work. These are noble women and will be heard from later. This charge sent \$20.00 to New Boston to assist our people there in rebuilding a church in lieu of the one blown away by the cyclone.

W. J. OWENS, Trinity Texas, April 27.

Oil—The Texas Oil Fields, with map of Beaumont oil lands and adjacent counties. The book tells all about oil with complete and authentic information on oil development in Texas. Map shows oil strata from official geological survey. Also location of wells, capacity, depth, etc. Liberal terms to agents. Send 25 cents for sample. It is a money-maker for hustlers. Sam Hargreaves, 375 Main St., Dallas, Tex. 25.

SING GOD IN A PEN.

I am sure that you will understand me when I speak of praising God in a pen. A number of young people get together, who sing well, or very poorly, as the case may be. A lady generally one who is passive, acts as sort of chaperone and organist. By singing in the church continuously they are finally known as the "choir." A new preacher comes and is introduced to them as the "choir." They have a little pen somewhere in the church, in which the organ is placed, also, some chairs that belong exclusively to the "choir." There is generally, after the organist a strident-voiced young woman who "leads." Her ideas of music are that she must yell. Her fellow, or escort, usually stands back of her and makes fearful noises that he thinks, no doubt honestly, are bass notes. There is also, in most towns that I have visited, a weak-eyed mortal that makes a noise like a kitten with a sore foot, that is supposed to be singing tenor. Then there is a poor creature, who seems to feel her degradation, that is called or spoken of as the alto. The one, though, that is determined that the world—and the whole of it—shall know her accomplishments, is the "leader"—politely, the "soprano." She wears terrific headgear, lives herself, and at the end of each verse of a hymn or song, fans herself violently, thereby sending waves that would smash Maroni wire-

less instruments six hundred miles away.

These people in the pen arrogate to themselves the sole right to praise God in song in every church over which they have gained control. Ask the preachers of the Methodist Church of Texas if they are not afraid of their choirs. They are honest men, and will say that they are. John or Charles Wesley never taught that people in a pen in the church had the whole right of praising God in song, and even if they had, I would deny it.

Kill off the "chaperone" organist, fire the strident-voiced young woman, put the growling all-aged basso in a buck pew, and send the kitten tenor to a kindergarten. The poor alto will be glad to escape. The "gang" that goes "up in the choir" can be reformed by a preacher who is a man and not a sycophant. HENRY J. MILLS.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Program for the mid-year meeting of the Board of Missions of the Texas Conference to be held at the Tabernacle Church, Houston, May 16-17.

Thursday—9 a. m. devotional exercises and organization, by President, D. A. M. "Missions the Real Reason for the Existence of the Church," by Rev. G. A. LeClair, 2:30 p. m. business session, and planning mission fields, 11 a. m. "The Church's Debt to Home and Foreign Missions," by Rev. Horace Bishop, D. D.

Friday—9 a. m. devotional exercises, by Rev. C. J. Oxley, 9:30 a. m. business session, reports from presiding elders and planning mission fields, 11 a. m. "The Church's Debt to Home and Foreign Missions," by Rev. Jos. D. Sears, 2:30 p. m. business session, policy and plans for next year, 4 p. m. "Woman's Part in the Evangelization of the World," by Rev. G. T. Hotchkiss, 8:30 p. m. "The Church's Debt to Home and Foreign Missions," by Rev. Jos. D. Sears, 2:30 p. m. business session, policy and plans for next year, 4 p. m. "Woman's Part in the Evangelization of the World," by Rev. G. T. Hotchkiss, 8:30 p. m.

J. E. COCHRAN, J. E. SEARS, G. T. HOTCHKISS, Executive Committee.

Humors.

Come to the surface in the spring and in other seasons. It's a pity they don't quit themselves all off that way. A lot of squirts of pimples and other eruptions they mostly remain in the system. That's bad.

Hood's Sarsaparilla removes them and cures all the painful and disgusting troubles they cause. Nothing else cleanses the system and clears the complexion like Hood's.

NEWS NOTES.

The Administration has learned the views of Senators regarding an isthmian canal treaty, and drafts of a new convention will soon be framed. It is believed that an acceptable neutrality clause can be drawn up.

There is to be a new National park established. A reservation of 1,200 acres in Northern Minnesota, comprising some of the most picturesque lakes and most densely wooded tracts of that State, is to be set aside for that purpose. It will be accessible to a population of 20,000,000.

Emperor William had had to swallow a bitter pill in bringing about the prorogation of the Prussian Diet in consequence of the failure to pass the canal bill, which was the Emperor's pet project. It is believed that the whole Cabinet will resign.

Figures received at the State Department, compiled by J. W. Stephenson, director of the Chinese Inland Mission, show that the total number of foreign missionaries killed in China during the recent disturbances, including the children, was 186. Of these twenty-eight adults and eight children were Americans.

It is said that an Arkansas planter is to start a kangaroo ranch. Besides the value of the kangaroo's hide, the animals are chiefly valuable for the use which is made of their tendons. These can be split extremely fine, and

are then the best thing known to the medical profession for sewing up wounds, and especially for holding the broken parts of bones together.

A most disastrous explosion took place in the smokeless powder works near Grissheim, Germany, April 25. Eighteen cylinders, each containing 100 pounds of smokeless powder, were in the room and nearly all of them exploded. There were 290 persons killed and injured and the building became a mass of flames. The sparks from it set fire to buildings in surrounding villages and caused a severe conflagration.

John F. Holland, the inventor of the marine torpedo boat "Holland," and in a lecture the other evening that in the course of a few years submarine vessels would supplant surface craft for short journeys in water. The submarine torpedo boat would be so formidable an instrument of war that the only solution of the problem of avoiding its destructive effects would be by nations with superior means never to go to war at all.

Military activity is being resumed in Manchuria. About 30,000 Chinese troops are encamped around Mukden. They are armed with Mauser rifles and have thirty Krupp guns. Owing to the departure of most of the Russian troops from Mukden, the city has become unsafe. Nearly every night Russian sentinels are found shot. The situation in Southern Manchuria is disquieting, and an advance by the Russian troops will probably be necessary in the early spring.

The sanitary regulation of Havana by the United States is securing satisfactory results. The late report of Major George, chief United States Army sanitary officer in the city of Havana, furnishes the evidence. The general death-rate is lower than in any year since 1887. There were only four cases of yellow fever and one death in Havana during the month of March. And while small-pox has appeared in many parts of the United States, there has not been one case in Havana since August, 1899. It is the firm conviction of Major George that a continued practice of our sanitary methods will stamp small-pox and yellow fever out of the island of Cuba.

Governor Allen, of Porto Rico, says that the article from the Associated Press correspondent at San Juan, describing the desperate poverty of the people and the municipalities of that island, is a series of gross misrepresentations, and was either written or inspired by Manuel Rivera, the leader of the Anti-American faction, a disappointed applicant for office, and a habitual malcontent. He also says that the man infamous who has appeared here as the authorized representative of the working classes of the island, with a petition for work from the Government, is a Socialist, who was expelled from Porto Rico a year ago, and represents nobody but himself.

Tom Johnson, the new Mayor of Cleveland, O., is surprising the members of his own party as well as his opponents, since assuming the duties of that office. It was declared that he would run a wide open town, and in answer he has instructed the chief of police that no gambling houses are to be run during his term of office, and to "impress this with the aid of the patrol wagon." There is to be no selling of base-ball pools. His commands are to "pull" the men who attempt it and "pull" them after, prepare a list of the dives and raid them early and often—in a word, he says, "Enforce the laws and ordinances in the letter, and remember that all offenders look alike." Now if the officers are equally determined to enforce the laws, Cleveland will be the model of all large cities of our country.

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OUR BISHOPS AT NEW ORLEANS.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE. is that of one of the patriarchs. He attended all of the sessions, and was one of the closest observers of the men and the proceedings. We have no truer and better man in the College of Bishops than he.

Bishop E. R. Hendrix was greatly in evidence at the conference. He presided a time or two and spoke on more than one occasion. He is the picture of robust health and never looked to better advantage than upon this occasion.

Bishop Charles B. Galloway is perhaps the most popular preacher and man among all the Bishops. He has a fine physique and a mind polished like a diamond. But above these he has a big heart, and the moment you meet him you feel like you are in the presence of a splendid Methodist preacher.

THE PROGRAM AT THE MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Missionary Conference was a great success, and the further fact that the brethren who promoted it are entitled to the thanks of the Church, all of which is properly considered on our first page, nevertheless the program was open to a few mild criticisms.

But if it were necessary to make the program as long as it was, then the speakers selected ought to have been more generally distributed throughout the connection. It was a common remark that too many of the brethren and sisters from Nashville were recognized, to the neglect of the many meritorious toilers in the field.

Nashville some knowledge of missions obtains. Therefore, in the judgment of a great many, it was thought that the program was either too long or that too many of the Nashville brethren had places on it. At this point the question of taste was very generally discussed in private circles.

And last, but not least, the editors, who were expected to give the proceedings to the Church, were given a narrow space just at the foot of the rostrum. Now it so happened that this rostrum was about ten or twelve feet high, and whenever we tried to see the speakers we had to look straight up into the ceiling, and when the day's work was done we felt like we had a slight attack of spinal meningitis.

But it may be that all concerned are excusable on the ground that this was the first Mission Conference ever held, and that such were the numerous details the program and the local arrangements were necessarily defective.

It is not a safe habit for a preacher to so monopolize his attention in trying to construct sermons for his people as to neglect to feed himself upon the truth that he prepares for his flock. It is said that a shoe-maker often permits his own household to go bare-footed, such is his eagerness to put shoes upon his customers.

Too many of our people are mostly religious on Sunday. They put on their best clothes, repair to the sanctuary, bow in prayer, listen attentively to the services, and their decorum is above criticism. But when Monday comes they lay aside their Sunday attire, plunge into the business of the week and in their struggles to make money they often forget the excellent lessons taught in the sanctuary.

It is not enough that a man was once converted and joined the Church. The main thing that ought to engage his thought is the condition of his soul each day that he lives. Conversion, of course, is the thing of prime importance in the beginning of a religious life; but if we stop with conversion we will stagnate in our experience and die of spiritual inanition.

history, but we want it to-day as a saving element in our lives and characters. A present supply of grace alone meets our daily needs.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Bro. C. L. Smith, of Rock Hill, was among the visitors at the Advocate office the past week.

Rev. J. W. Clifton, of Rock Hill, was in Dallas this week. He made the Advocate force happy by calling.

We are pleased to have had a recent visit from Rev. J. D. Young, of the Northwest Texas Conference and Prof. Farrington, of the city schools.

We deeply regret to hear of the death of Theodore Brewer, the 16-year-old son of Rev. Theodore F. Brewer, of the Willie Hallsell College, at Vinita, I. T. The sad event occurred the 29th of April.

In last week's issue we made a mistake in saying that Rev. Thos. Gregory was gone with his family on a visit to England. It turns out that only Mrs. Gregory and the children are making that visit. Bro. Gregory remains at Cuero with his work.

Mrs. P. P. Prothro, of Palestine, was recently in the city on a visit to her uncle, Rev. W. C. Young, and while here made the Advocate a pleasant visit. Capt. Prothro is one of our popular conductors on the I. & G. N. Railway.

Prof. J. S. Kendall, Superintendent of Public Instruction in Texas, was in the city last week and made the Advocate a welcome visit. There is no better man either in private or public life in the State than he, and we are always glad to see him.

We are pained to announce the death of Rev. Jesse A. Melver, of the Texas Conference. Last winter his health became impaired and he gave up his work and went to the home of his parents near Nevada, where he passed away in great peace the 2d inst. Rev. S. W. Miller, pastor at Nevada, visited him and ministered to him, and after he died attended his burial.

Rev. D. E. Fuller, of Kemp, smiled on the Advocate force the past week. He appreciates an up-to-date printing house, being thoroughly familiar with the printing business. He knows a good paper when he sees it, and when he says the Advocate is one of the best in the connection, we are compelled to agree with his decision.

Recently when Rev. O. P. Kiker, of the Northwest Texas Conference, had the misfortune to bury his good wife, one of his friends wrote to him and said: "When little George Warren Kiker gets old enough to enter school he will enter at my expense. I believe a Christian education is the best gift I could bestow upon him. Please remember this statement." The brother thus speaking is J. M. Warren, of Killeen. He has the right sort of a heart in his bosom.

We are pleased to have met recently with Mrs. A. C. Zehner, now of Dallas, who is connected with the W. C. T. U. work of the State. She is the daughter of one of our old Missouri preachers and a member of our Church. She confines herself to the temperance feature of the W. C. T. U., and she is rendering valuable service to the cause of local option and sobriety.

We regret exceedingly to notice in the Associated dispatches from Mobile, Ala., that Rev. John R. Morris, presiding elder of the Weatherford District, had his arm broken in a railway accident. He was on a visit to the home folks after the adjournment of the Mission Conference at New Orleans when the injury occurred. He was in the passenger coach and a freight car with a refrigerator attached passed and an open door of the latter, with the above result. We hope for his speedy recovery.

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

A Pan-American Congress of Christian Workers is to be held in Buffalo, N. Y., July 2 to 15. The object of this congress is to discuss ways, means and methods in soul-winning.

The Wesleyan Advocate of April 24 says of Rev. Young J. Allen, D. D., LL.D.: "This distinguished missionary

reached Atlanta last Wednesday from his station in Shanghai, China. He was warmly welcomed to his native State by his hosts of friends, and on Sabbath last at Trinity Church, in this city he presented to a vast congregation the cause of China and her relation to Christian missions.

There was a considerable sensation in the recent session of the New York East Conference when Dr. Buckley attacked the superstitions of Christian Science. The Rev. S. E. Simonsen had withdrawn from the M. E. Church to take up the cause of Christian Science, and the debate was precipitated by resolutions expressing the conference's appreciation of his former services.

GALVESTON CHURCH.

Table with church financials: J. B. Thompson, Dexas, per Rev. E. B. Galloway \$1.00, Per Rev. W. A. Gilleland, Bosqueville Circuit 6.25, Per Rev. P. P. Ray, Waxahachie 25.00, N. H. Winston, Attonna, per Rev. C. W. Galloway 5.00, J. B. Thompson, Dexas, per Rev. E. B. Galloway 1.00, Previously reported 139.25, Total \$177.45

L. BLAYLOCK.

Mr. L. Blaylock, Dallas, Tex. Dear Bro.: Enclosed find \$5.25, which you will please send to Bro. Ward for our Church at Galveston. This is from Wesley Chapel and Mills Chapel, two of the Churches on Bosqueville Circuit. W. A. GILLELAND, Bosqueville, Texas.

L. Blaylock.

I send you for Central Church, under the charge of Rev. Seth Ward, the following subscriptions made by members of the Waxahachie Church and for which they are to have credit: Hon. J. C. Smith, \$1; Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, \$1; Mr. H. N. Peters, \$1; Mr. B. C. Henderson, \$1; Mrs. J. I. Hey, \$1; Mrs. J. C. Siddon, \$1; Mr. J. M. Patterson, \$1; Maj. R. K. Erwin, \$1; Mr. N. J. Thomas, \$1; Mr. A. M. Dechman, \$1; Mrs. E. W. Sims, \$1; Mrs. J. C. Fears, \$1; Mrs. J. Lee Penn, \$1; Senator J. A. Beall, \$1; Mr. I. C. Alexander, \$1; Mrs. Mattie Lay, \$1; Dr. R. L. Schmidt, \$1; Prof. Oran Works, \$1; Dr. Jones, \$1; Mr. William Stiles, \$1; Hon. J. S. Davis, \$1; Mr. T. A. Ferris, \$1; Mrs. J. W. Ferris, \$1; Mr. J. W. Singleton, 50c; Mrs. William A. Horner, 50c; Mr. H. H. Martin, 50c; Mr. W. N. Warren, 50c.

I have taken this collection from house to house for Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, and from personal interest growing out of the fact that I was licensed to preach by the Quarterly Conference at old Ryland Chapel, the seed germ of old St. John, which went down in the great flood of last September. I wish the amount was more. Enclosed find draft, which please forward to Bro. Ward. Very truly yours, F. P. RAY.

BISHOP GRANBERY'S BOOK.

We have just read with pleasure and profit "Experience the Crowning Evidence," by Bishop Granbery. Here we have the crystallization of profound thought, mature judgment and ripe experience, couched in transparent verbiage, in succinct yet comprehensive phraseology. Without deprecating other evidences, the author deals direct with the testimony of consciousness, affirming that character transformation, personal subjective experience, proves Christianity to be both true and divine. This is the highest order of evidence. "It rests not on what is incidental, but on the substance of the revelation." It is not an appeal to intellectual apprehension, but to spiritual discernment. "I know" is the credential.

Watching the questions that cluster around that which is incidental, inner-consciousness, experimental knowledge, the heart's answer to Christianity's appeal is a verification of its claims and promises, and once a possession, makes us independent of curious historical questions and their inevitable uncertainties. The eternal verities of the gospel are self-evidencing when actualized in consciousness. He who has this inner attestation boasts unmoored the currents of modern thought with reference to the Christ of the gospels. In this day of rampant destructive criticism, of invidious skepticism that compounds Christianity while infusing poison in the form of subtle and plausible objections to the gospel, such a book is timely and refreshing. We give "Experience the Crowning Evidence" our unqualified endorsement, and bespeak for it an extensive circulation and careful reading.

NATH'S NOTIONS.

Doubts follow wrong-doing. West Texas is a slippery place for backsliders. The miracle of the resurrection proven and any miracle possible. Under real love ever so much is never enough if there be any left. The grave is not the terminal of this life, but a tunnel on the thoroughfare to eternal life. What we wish for will wing itself away; What we toil for comes slowly, but to stay.

A fairy's wand has no such joy-provoking power as a compliment from a daughter to her mother. A girl doesn't know what it can do until she tries it.—May Ladies' Home Journal.

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Dr. Pierce's Free Bureau of Informa- tion.

With a liberality which character- izes all enterprises undertaken by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, the founder of the World's Dispensary, he has estab- lished a free bureau of information and assistance, free to visitors and house- holders.

The purpose of this Bureau is to provide a headquarters for visitors to the Exposition, where mail may be ad- dressed and delivered. To furnish con- veniences for correspondence, such as writing desks, stationery, etc. To provide a list of desirable accommodations for guests which will obviate the tire- some search for lodgings in a strange city. To give information concerning Buffalo and the adjacent points of in- terest, in order that the visitors may do their sight-seeing with economy of time and money. To help visiting friends in any way consistent with the proposed scope of the Bureau.

ITS CENTRAL LOCATION.

This Bureau is located in a beautiful old mansion of Buffalo, at 652 Main St., just opposite the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of which Dr. R. V. Pierce is chief medical director. The Free Bureau is fitted up with recep- tion-rooms, wash-rooms, dressing-rooms, parlors, and all conveniences for out-of-town visitors.

Dr. Pierce's Free Bureau had its origin in the desire of the Doctor to be of some aid and assistance to the sixty odd thousand druggists and dealers who are mostly his customers, as well as his old patients; but when the plan was formulated it was found that it would take little more effort and ex- pense to care for everybody who might need the Bureau's assistance.

When visitors arrive in Buffalo, they can go straight to the Bureau, at 652 Main Street, and ask for the needed accommodation.

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It may contribute to the pleasure and comfort of humanity even in cases where the profit is not immediately ap- parent.

Impelled by these principles, he has organized a Bureau to furnish Pan- American visitors with accommodations and such information, guidance and di- rection, when they arrive in Buffalo, as will help them to spend their vacation in the most agreeable manner.

The question of where are you going to lodge is of prime importance and should be settled first of all. Have all mail, telegrams and parcels sent in care of the Bureau, if you wish. Use their waiting-rooms and parlors. Ask them about special rates and exen- sions to Niagara, the Whirlpool Rap- ids, Toronto, Chautauqua up the Great Lakes, down the St. Lawrence. Reliable information on any and every point of interest to tourists will be cheerfully granted. Remember, there is no charge or fee for any ser- vice rendered by Dr. Pierce's Bureau.

NOTES FROM TRINITY.

Our Second Quarterly Conference for the Trinity and Lovelady charge was held at Glendale, embracing the 20th and 21st Inst. Rev. W. F. Davis, P. E., did some splendid preaching. It was practical, searching and convinc- ing. This charge is moving on very

Doctors Say; Bilious and Intermittent Fevers which prevail in miasmatic districts are invariably accompan- ied by derangements of the Stomach Liver and Bowels. The Secret of Health. The liver is the great "driving wheel" in the mechanism of man, and when it is out of order, the whole system becomes de- ranged and disease is the result. Tutt's Liver Pills Cure all Liver Troubles.

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nice. Our Sunday-school at Trinity under the superintendency of Bro. S. E. Barnes, is in fine condition, well attended and has a fine corps of teachers. Bro. A. J. Frick has a splendid Bible class, ranging from twenty to thirty pupils. The interest and en- thusiasm with which he inspires his class is refreshing and inspiring.

Our two Leagues are moving along very nicely, the Senior being under the leadership of Miss Lila Barnes, and the Junior under Mrs. S. H. Park. Our Sunday-school at Lovelady, superin- tended by Bro. C. B. Moore, is doing well. Bro. Moore is faithful, and so are the teachers. Prof. Martin, who has been teaching at Lovelady for the past five years and built up one of the best, if not the best, literary school in Houston County, is teacher of the Bible class, and he certainly makes an efficient teacher. Our mem- bership is not as strong numerically by forty or fifty per cent at Lovelady as at Trinity. Our foreign and do- mestic mission assessments have been paid in full and conference will find us out on all lines if not providentially prevented.

Rev. W. A. Bowen, the Advocate man, has been with us here at Trinity. That he is a success in getting people to take the Advocate must be patent to every pastor with whom he has been associated since having en- tered the field as agent. When he approaches a person for a subscription he does it so naturally and manifests such confidence that the person is sure to subscribe, that they often do so without a demur. We gave him the names of twenty heads of families who were not taking the Advocate, and he put the paper in every family except three, and one of the three he never met. We will now have twenty-nine Advocates coming to Trinity. Our W. H. M. Society in Trinity are indefatigable workers and are laboring to re-seat the church with new first-class pews. They will suc- ceed, for they have their hearts set on this work.

Our ladies at Lovelady have recently organized a W. H. M. Society and have already begun work. These are noble women and will be heard from later. This charge sent \$20.00 to New Boston to assist our people there in rebuilding a church in lieu of the one blown away by the cyclone.

W. J. OWENS Trinity, Texas, April 27.

Oil.—The Texas Oil Fields, with map of Beaumont oil lands and adjacent counties. The book tells all about oil with complete and authentic infor- mation on oil development in Texas. Map shows oil strata from official geo- logical survey. Also location of wells, capacity, depth, etc. Liberal terms to agents. Send 39 cents for sample. It is a money-maker for hustlers. Sam Hargrove, 375 Main St., Dallas, Tex.

SING GOD IN A PEN.

I am sure that you will understand me when I speak of praising God in a pen. A number of young people get together, who sing well, or very poorly, as the case may be. A lady, generally one who is pious, acts as sort of chaperone and organist. By sing- ing in the church continuously they are finally known as the "choir." A new preacher comes and is introduced to them as the "choir." They have a little pen somewhere in the church, in which the organ is placed, also some chairs that belong exclusively to the "choir." There is generally after the organist a strident-voiced young woman who "leads." Her ideas of music are that she must yell. Her fellow, or escort, usually stands back of her and makes fearful noises that he thinks, no doubt honestly, are bass notes. There is also, in most towns that I have visited, a weak-eyed mortal that makes a noise like a kitter with a sore foot, that is supposed to be singing tenor. Then there is a poor creature, who seems to feel her degra- dation, that is called or spoken of as the alto. The one, though that is de- termined that the world—and the whole of it—shall know her accom- plishments, is the "leader"—politely, the "soprano." She wears terrific headgear, fixes herself, and at the end of each verse of a hymn or song, fans herself violently, thereby sending waves that would smash Marconi wire-

less instruments six hundred miles away.

These people in the pen arrogate to themselves the sole right to praise God in song in every church over which they have gained control. Ask the preachers of the Methodist Church of Texas if they are not afraid of their choirs. They are honest men, and will say that they are. John or Charles Wesley never taught that peo- ple in a pen in the church had the whole right of praising God in song, and even if they had, I would deny it.

Kill off the "chaperon" organist, fire the strident-voiced young woman, put the growling all-egged basso in a back pew, and send the kitter tenor to a kindergarten. The poor alto will be glad to escape. The "rang" that goes "up in the choir" can be reformed by a preacher who is a man and not a sycophant. HENRY J. MILLS.

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Program for the mid-year meeting of the Board of Missions of the Texas Con- ference to be held at the Tabernacle church, Houston, May 30-31.

Thursday—9 a. m. devotional exercises and organization, by President J. A. M. Mission the Great Reason for the Existence of the Church, by Rev. G. A. Le- Cleve, 10:30 a. m. business session, re- ports from mission fields, 3:30. The Ad- vance of the Gospel to Meet the World-Need, by Rev. Herman Bishop, D. D.

Friday—9 a. m. devotional exercises, by Rev. J. J. Gray, 9:30 a. m. business session, reports from presiding elders and planning mission fields, 11 a. m. The Church's Debt to Home and Foreign Mis- sions, by Rev. Jos. B. Sears, 2:30 p. m. business session, policy and plans for next year, 4 p. m. Woman's Part in the Evangelization of the World, by Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss, 8:30 p. m. The Church's Need in Order to Do Efficient Mission Work, Both Home and Foreign, by Rev. Seth Ward, D. D.

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NEWS NOTES.

The Administration has learned the views of Senators regarding an isth- mian canal treaty, and drafts of a new convention will soon be framed. It is believed that an acceptable neu- trality clause can be drawn up.

There is to be a new National park established. A reservation of 1,200 acres in Northern Minnesota, compris- ing some of the most picturesque lakes and most densely wooded lands of that State, is to be set aside for that pur- pose. It will be accessible to a popula- tion of 20,000,000.

Emperor William had had to swal- low a bitter pill in bringing about the prorogation of the Prussian Diet in consequence of the failure to pass the canal bill, which was the Emperor's pet project. It is believed that the whole Cabinet will resign.

Figures received at the State Depart- ment, compiled by J. W. Stephenson, director of the Chinese Inland Mission, show that the total number of foreign missionaries killed in China during the recent disturbances, including the children, was 186. Of these, twenty- eight adults and eight children were Americans.

It is said that an Arkansas planter is to start a kangaroo ranch. Besides the value of the kangaroo's hide, the animals are chiefly valuable for the use which is made of their tendons. These can be split extremely fine and

are then the best thing known to the medical profession for sewing up wounds, and especially for holding the broken parts of bones together.

A most disastrous explosion took place in the smokeless powder works near Grimsheim, Germany, April 25. Eighteen cylinders, each containing 100 pounds of smokeless powder, were in the room and nearly all of them exploded. There were 200 persons killed and injured and the building be- came a mass of flames. The sparks from it set fire to buildings in sur- rounding villages and caused a serious conflagration.

John F. Holland, the inventor of the marine torpedo boat, "Holland," died, in a lecture the other evening, not in the course of a few years, submarine vessels would supplant surface craft for short journeys in water. The sub- marine torpedo boat would be an ter- rific instrument of war that the only solution of the problem of avoid- ing its destructive effects, would be the nations with support there, must go to war at all.

Military activities is being reviewed in Manchuria. About 20,000 Chinese troops are encamped around Mukden. They are armed with Mauser rifles and have thirty Krupp guns. During the departure of most of the Russian troops from Mukden, the city has become chaotic. Nearly every night Russian sentries are found shot. The situation in South Manchuria is disquieting, and an advance by the Russian troops will possibly be necessary in the early spring.

The sanitary regulation of Havana by the United States is securing satis- factory results. The late report of Major Gurgas, chief United States Army sanitary officer in the city of Havana, furnishes the evidence. The general death-rate is lower than in any year since 1887. There were only four cases of yellow fever and one death in Havana during the month of March. And while smallpox has appeared in many parts of the United States, it has not been one case in Havana since August, 1900. It is the firm conviction of Major Gurgas that a continued practice of our sanitary methods will stamp smallpox and yellow fever out of the island of Cuba.

Governor Allen, of Porto Rico, says that the article from the Associated Press correspondent at San Juan, describing the desperate poverty of the people and the municipalities of that island, is a series of gross misrepresen- tations, and was either written or inspired by Munoz Rivera, the leader of the Anti-American faction, a disreputable applicant for office, and a habitual malcontent. He also says that the man Iglesias, who has appeared here as the authorized representative of the working classes of the island, with a petition for work from the Gov- ernment, is a Socialist, who was ex- pelled from Porto Rico a year ago, and represents nobody but himself.

Tom Johnson, the new Mayor of Cleveland, O., is surprising the mem- bers of his own party as well as his opponents, since assuming the duties of that office. It was declared that he would run a "wide open town," and in answer he has instructed the chief of police that no gambling houses are to be run during his term of office, and to "impress this with the aid of the patrol wagon." There is to be no selling of low-ball peddle. His com- mands are to "pull" the men who at- tempt it, and "pull" them often, and pass a list of the dives and run them early and often—in a word, to "keep 'em off the lawn and out of the streets."

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SECOND QUARTER, LESSON 7, MAY 19.

JESUS ASCENDS INTO HEAVEN. Luke 24:44-53; Acts 1:1-11.

Golden Text: "While he blessed them he was parted from them and carried up into heaven."—Luke 24:51.

The International Evangel makes the following appropriate remarks on the lesson.

The ninth and last appearance of Jesus to his disciples had come. They had returned to Jerusalem from Galilee and were probably assembled again in the familiar "upper room," where the paschal supper had been observed, and where ten days later the Holy Ghost would come upon them. It is not so stated, but I fancy it was right, and that only the eleven, or at most a few of the circle of his closest disciples were present. There may have been, as on the night of the paschal supper, much discourse with them in that chamber; at the conclusion of which he led them forth to the Mount of Olives (Luke 24:50) even as he had led them forth on the night of his passion; this time, however, not to see him filled with sorrow and sore amazement, but to behold him ascend into heaven. With what different emotions must they have followed on that second journey from the city to the Mount, and with different thoughts as compared with the dark night of his arrest must they have returned to the city after having seen the heavens open and receive their Master out of their sight.

Now had come to pass that to which Jesus had referred on that night when he established his memorial supper, "I go to prepare a place for you." "Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more." "I go unto my Father." "I go away and come again unto you." "Now I go my way to him that sent me." "It is expedient for you that I go away." "I leave the world and go to the Father." "And now I come to thee." When he revealed himself to Mary Magdalene by the empty sepulchre, he said to her, "Go to my brethren and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father and your Father; and to my God and your God." His atoning work was completed. He had made of himself a sacrifice for sins that needed not to be repeated. Now he entered permanently into heaven, there to make intercession for those whom he had redeemed. He was glorified with the glory which he had with the Father, before the world was. His humiliation was ended; his exaltation was begun.

In departing from the world in his visible form, Jesus left to his disciples for their comfort three promises. The first of these was the promise of the gift of the Holy Ghost. That the Comforter might come, he had declared that it was expedient that he should go away. This was the great promise of the Old Testament, pointing forward to the consummation of God's redemptive grace, the ushering in of the new and perfect era of the prevalence of the knowledge of God in the world. It was of this that John the Baptist prophesied when he said: "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire." The greatness of this promised gift may be seen from the teachings of Jesus concerning him. First of all, the Spirit should abide with them forever (John 14:16). He would be to them the Spirit of truth, dwelling in them and enlightening them (v. 17). He would bring to their remembrance all things which Christ had said unto them (v. 26). He would be a witness for Christ (15:26). He would reprove the world of sin, and righteousness, and judgment to come (16:8). He would guide believers into all truth and glorify Christ by receiving and showing the things that were his (v. 14). That their hope might not fail them, they were assured that this promise would be fulfilled "not many days hence," and they were commanded to tarry at Jerusalem until its fulfillment came.

The second promise which Jesus gave to his disciples was that he would himself be with them. "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." The consciousness of this promise fulfilled has remained with the Church through all time. To Paul Jesus did not simply appear on the road to Damascus, but was a living presence through all his ministry. Jesus was not far to Peter when he wrote: "Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." And to John in Patmos was given the vision of Christ standing in the midst of the golden candlesticks, which were the symbols of the Churches, and holding in his hand the seven stars, which were symbols of the pastors of the Churches. The Church, except in its

times of decadence and spiritual blindness, has always been aware of the presence of One like unto the Son of Man in her midst.

But the third thing which Jesus left for the comfort and strengthening of his disciples was the promise of his own visible coming again. Of that he had spoken frequently during the last six months of his ministry. He spoke parables which concluded with the words: "So also shall the coming of the Son of Man be." To his disciples he had said: "I will come again, and receive you unto myself." When on trial before Caiaphas, the high priest, he said to him: "Hereafter shall ye see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven." Before that he had spoken of the last days when all the tribes of the earth should "see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." And so, reminding his disciples of these promises, when Jesus was received in the cloud out of their sight, two angels stood by them to assure them that like as they had seen him ascending into heaven, so they should see him come again. So the hope of his coming remains with the Church as its great inspiration. No man may tell when this great event will take place; but it will certainly come, and every faithful servant will watch for the coming of his Lord.

To Superintendents of Sunday-schools and Pastors of West Texas Conference:

Dear Brethren—Allow just a word from the Secretary of your Conference Sunday-school Board. The law of our Church has designated the third Sunday in May as Children's Day. The purpose of your board is to enlist every Sunday-school in the West Texas Conference to observe Children's Day service and to advance the cause of the children within our bounds. We are anxious to unite all of our pastors and Sunday-school superintendents in one common brotherhood, for we are collaborators together, working to the same end. To the superintendent of the smallest school in the conference, you are one of us. We need you in this great work. Your children need to observe the day.

Last year we had a decrease of eight schools, and a decrease of 310 scholars. There was also a decrease in number of Sunday-schools that observed Children's Day, and a decrease in the amount collected. The work is important. Let us do better this year. If it should so happen that you can not observe the day as appointed, choose some other day. "Let us push the fight for more schools, better schools and more efficiency in bringing our scholars to Christ." What our conference needs is a Year Book—something akin to the Year Book gotten out by the Louisville Conference and Memphis Conference; a directory giving the name of each charge, number of schools in said charge, and the name and address of superintendents of each school and amounts collected.

If you have not already done so, organize your school into a missionary school, as the Discipline directs. Let this be our motto: "Children's Day, and a collection at each appointment in every charge."

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Epworth League Department.

Topic for May 19: "A Nameless Girl Heroine."—II Kings 5:1-4.

Union meeting of Juniors. (Topic outlined in Era of May 2.)

Reference Word: "Child."—Prov. 23:11; Mark 9:36; 10:15.

Daily Bible Readings: Sunday, "A Consecrated Boy," I Sam. 1:22-28, Monday, "A Model Youth," Gen. 37:1-11, Tuesday, "Full of the Holy Ghost from Birth," Luke 1:5-17, Wednesday, "A Boy-Student of the Scriptures," II Tim. 3:14-17, Thursday, "Increasing in Wisdom and Stature," Luke 2:42-52, Friday, "Boys and Girls in the Millennium," Zech. 8:1-8, Saturday, "A Nameless Girl Heroine," II Kings 5:1-4.

In one of their incursions into Israel the Syrians captured a little girl. Usually captives were treated with harshness, but God brought this child into Naaman's household, and she became an attendant upon his wife.

The little maid exhibited three characteristics:

1. She was observant and reflective. She saw the great sorrow of the family because of Naaman's leprosy, and the impossibility of its removal by the court physicians. She remembered that in her own country she had heard of the miraculous power of Elisha, and concluded that if her master would visit the prophet he might be cured.

2. She was loyal to her surround-

ings. Doubtless she desired to return to her own land, but while an inmate of Naaman's house she would promote his interest in every way. Though a captive, she desired her master's good.

3. She was true to her religion. She was a witness for God, and not ashamed of Israel's Jehovah in an idolatrous land. As many a child has done since, she led the great man to the only place of cure. Other children have shown a similar heroism in greater trials. The roll of the martyrs does not consist of men only. Women and children have been faithful unto death.

THE VALUE OF CHARACTER EVEN IN A CHILD.

"Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right." No doubt Naaman and his wife were at first incredulous. The great Captain said: "If the court physicians can not help me, why should I play the fool by going down into Israel to be treated by a wandering prophet?" The little maid insisted. Her sincerity won believers to her side. The King himself was convinced, and, on her unsupported statement, started an official embassy to Israel seeking a remedy for a disease incurable by earthly medicines. It was fortunate for Naaman that the soldiers had spared so intelligent and affectionate a captive, and that she had come into his house. All honor to the little maid for speaking so positively about the power of the prophet who dwelt in her own land.

LITTLE INSTRUMENTALITIES.

God often uses humble instruments in great causes. None should say: "I am too insignificant to do anything for God and humanity." Every one has influence. The Lord gives us personal work. He separates each one from the great multitude, and gives him individually a call to service. "What wilt thou have me to do?" This question should be asked by every one who desires to be a person and not a thing, a worker and not a drone. The keynote to all religious activity is individual consecration to individual service. No life

Can be pure in its purpose, or Strong in its strife, And all life not be purer And stronger thereby.

THE INTERNATIONAL EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE. CALIFORNIA.

We are making up quite a congenial party to take the trip to California to the above conference. Can we count you in our party? We have some twenty or twenty-five names contemplating making the trip. All who decide definitely to go, and desire to go in a party, will let us know by the first of June, as we will make arrangements for board at San Francisco.

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"Poor little Jackie! I felt sorry for him. It was hard lines not to have a word of thanks after all his hard work. But that night when I put him in his little cot, he said to me:

"Aunt, this morning I was sorry that I pulled the weeds, but now I'm not sorry."

"How is that?" I asked. "Has Cousin Frank thanked you?"

"No, he hasn't; but inside of me I have a good feeling. It always comes when I've been kind to any one, and, do you know, I've found out what it is!"

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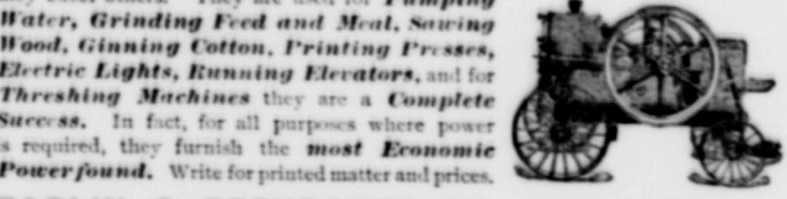
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DETERMINED TO SUCCEED.

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The boy, with a grave nod, disappeared. He lived by doing odd jobs, in the market, and slept under one of the stalls. Two months passed before he had saved enough money to buy the shoes. Then he presented himself before Mr. Blank one morning, and held out a package.

"I have the shoon sir," he said, quietly.

"Oh!" Mr. Blank with difficulty recalled the circumstances. You want a place? Not in those rags, my lad. You would disgrace this house."

The boy hesitated a moment, and then went out without a word. Six months passed before he returned, decently clothed in coarse but new garments. Mr. Blank's interest was aroused. For the first time he looked at the boy attentively. His thin, bloodless face showed that he had stunted himself of food for months in order to buy those clothes. The manufacturer now questioned the boy carefully, and promptly gave him a position.—Exchange.

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Our Savior got his illustrations from nature. It is a good place for us to get ours. This part of Texas is a pear country. The men who are paying attention to this particular kind of fruit say they are all right as long as the trees are healthy at the top, but when the black blight strikes the top of the tree they lose all hope. They know the disease is a fatal one. So our Church is comparatively healthy and spiritually safe as long as the top is healthy, and, thank God, there are no signs of blight there.

A purer, better set of men perhaps never lived than the Bishops of Southern Methodism, from the beginning till now. Think of their contributions in the way of workmen in the practical, hard work of the Church. In the mission work we have had Bishop Granbery's daughter and the sisters of Bishops Wilson and Haygood; in the home ministry the sons of Andrew, Keener and Parker. And Dr. Tillett's letter on "Seed Corn" tells us what a contribution to the foreign work our Central University has made.

It ought to be a source of joy to all Southern Methodists that our blessed Church shows no signs of blighting at the top. B. H. GREATHOUSE.

MARK TWAIN AND THE MISSIONARIES.

It is a well-known characteristic of human nature to seek to throw blame on others, when one has done something to be ashamed of, but the most unjust and uncalled-for example of this blame-shifting that our generation has seen occurs in connection with the recent trouble in China.

A gradual partition of that Empire has been going on for years. England, Russia and Germany have had strong military forces in readiness to support the claims of their respective Governments, and to overcome any resistance which might be made to their demands for certain "spheres of influence" and commercial advantages.

Merchants, tradesmen and capitalists have for years been using the benighted people of this land as their tools, tossing them aside when no longer profitable.

Railroad and steamboat lines have thrown thousands of carriers and boatmen out of employment, and millions who could not take on new ways have been impoverished by trying to make a living by the old.

The attitude toward foreigners has naturally been one of suspicion, and since not one out of every fifty of the Chinese comes under the influence of the missionary, and can not easily conceive of the nature of his interest in them, it is but natural that as a body, they should think of all foreigners alike, and while they were destroying railways and the foreign innovations and trying to kill foreign soldiers, that they should also show their hatred by killing the defenseless devotees of the foreign religion, as readily as the well-defended soldiery, even if they were not encouraged by the priests of heathen religions.

But for some of our American would-be statesmen to follow the leading of the English bullies and blame the missionaries for the whole of the Chinese antipathy to other nations, is cowardly in the extreme, and really shows a hatred for the Church which one can scarcely believe. No one could find it in his heart to make the shameless accusations which have been made unless at bottom he hated the Church and wished to find some reason for it. It is the "motive-hunting" of a motiveless malignity.

Mr. Clemens, known far and wide as "Mark Twain," and the author of some very humorous writings, but who has been trying for months to say something on one side or the other of every political question, has lately caused his nation to blush for him as completely as it formerly laughed with him.

A cablegram was received by a New York paper stating that Mr. Ament, a Congregational missionary at Peking, had collected thirteen times his losses and was using it to carry on his missionary operations. It proved later that in the transmission the mistake of stating thirteen for one and one-third was made. But Mr. Clemens comes out, with all the power of his broken-down nature, and when the correction is made, instead of apology for his unjust criticism, like the man who, "though conquered, can argue still," he keeps on talking.

Mr. Conger, our Minister to China, who has had a better opportunity of knowing the true cause of the trouble than any other public man in our nation—with the possible exception of Commissioner Rockhill—speaks of the missionaries in terms of highest praise. He says: "There are few things, if any, which the missionaries have done for which there need be any apology whatever. The stories of their looting are false, to my knowledge. I advised them that wherever they could

make a settlement themselves with the villages where those murders or destruction of property had taken place, to make them on their own responsibility. Li Hung Chang and Chang Yen Mao suggested that settlements might be made in this way with the least possible friction. There is no going out and compelling the people to pay anything. It was altogether voluntary on their part."

"The missionaries have been criticised very severely for going, immediately after the siege was raised, into abandoned houses for shelter for themselves and the native Christians who had been expelled from their homes. I said: 'If there is a Boxer's habitation abandoned, take possession of it, so you can have a place in which to shelter and take care of the native Christians.'"

Let the world criticize, accuse or condemn, the Church will continue to roll grandly on in her increasing purpose to evangelize the world.

JAMES E. CRUTCHFIELD, Nashville, Tenn.

FROM ALABAMA.

Perhaps it would be of interest to your readers to have a few lines from a preacher in the North Alabama Conference. As you have a great many men in your conference from ours, Nelson and Rippey, Whitehurst, Lamar, Boyd, Harrison, Morris, Clifton and others, are from our conference. I made my first trip to Texas in March. I was very much pleased with that portion of the State that I visited. I went to assist Bro. Whitehurst in a meeting in Marshall. They told me there that I had but little conception of Texas from what I saw, but I saw enough to enable me to know that it is a great State in ever respect. I was anxious to visit a number of points in the State, but my time would not admit of it then.

Bro. Whitehurst invited me over to help him in a meeting. He had been doing valuable work in his church since he was assigned there; nevertheless we found many things in the way of a successful meeting in the Church. The Lord was with us however and we had a successful meeting in the Church. I think the Church was in the condition when the meeting closed. Numbers of backsliders were reclaimed, a great many family altars were erected, and the Church as a whole was quickened into new life. We were just ready to lay siege to the unconverted when the meeting closed. A large number claimed to be converted, however. We tried to run the revival according to Methodist plans, and I am confident that the effects of the meeting will be seen for many days to come.

Bro. Whitehurst is held in high esteem by his people. He is a model man and preacher. Happy is that Church that secures this man as pastor; his good wife is not a whit behind him.

I met Bro. Lamar the presiding elder. He is every inch a man and is exceedingly popular with the people. Bro. Garrison, who has charge of our Second Church there, is a noble soul, and is doing most excellent work. The hospitality of the people of Marshall is unsurpassed. I have not met with people with whom I was better pleased in all my rounds. Marshall is a beautiful city. The memory of this visit and of the dear people there will ever remain in my mind and heart as green and fresh as the magnolias that wave along our Southern shores. Some of our Alabama preachers hope to take in your State League meeting at Dallas en route to the International meeting at San Francisco, Cal. I hope to see other brethren there from our State who are members of your conference. Bro. Rippey started me out in the min-

istry, and in a very important sense is my spiritual father. We have just closed a successful series of services in the Athens Female College here. A great many of them were blessed and will join the Church. I go in a few days to assist Dr. Teg, of the First Church, Tampa, Fla. in a meeting. The Lord is blessing me in my humble effort to advance his cause.

Athens, Ala. H. G. DAVIS.

WHITHER ARE WE TENDING?

I read in the Advocate of April 14 something that gives me much anxious thought, and has for some months past. It is the idea in regard to the resurrection. Now I believe the body that is put in the grave will come out of it. If not, why call it a resurrection and ask candidates for admission into our Church if they believe in the resurrection of "the" body? For if it is in some way, we ought to ask if they believe in the resurrection of "a" body. Now Bro. Nichols says, "Death under grace shall not destroy the spirit's identity." When we do away with the resurrection, and tell the people that Genesis is largely legendary, and that an intelligent God would not want to make one believe the story of Jonah and the whale, and that there is no such thing as a personal Devil, I think we will indeed have a spotted gospel to preach. These latter things of which I speak I never heard of until I came to California. R. R. RAYMOND, Santa Ana, California.

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HAYDEN—Miss White Hayden was born near Seguin, Texas, nearly twenty-three years ago. She went to heaven from near Kingsbury on March 14, 1901. She was a devoted Christian and member of the Methodist Church, and during her last illness—consumption—was patient and submissive. She died in great peace, and the father, brothers and sisters who are bereft may find her after awhile in the deathless ether world. J. C. W.

IRIBELL—Eugene C. youngest son of W. C. and Ruth Iribell, of Seguin, Texas, was taken from the heavenly fold by the angel of death on April 25, 1901. For six months and fifteen days he had labored the home, but the frail body yielded to the touch of the last enemy, and on Sunday afternoon we put the little coffin into the hands of mother and looked with eyes of faith to the home of "many mansions," where we shall find our children by and by. The bereaved parents are going there. J. C. W.

CUTWELL—H. J. Cutwell was born in Texas in September 22, thirty-two years ago. He joined the M. E. Church, South, and married Miss Alice Florence Hensell, January 1, 1896. He died April 4, 1901. His parents were named Andy and Corina Cutwell. He left two little children, two Cutwells, was young and energetic, was troubled by heart trouble, cardiac, and looked with eyes of faith to the home of "many mansions," where we shall find our children by and by. The bereaved parents are going there. E. C. ROBERTS, P. C.

GRONDS—Lucretia Gronds (nee Langham) was born January 25, 1832, was married to Thomas J. Gronds in her twentieth year. From their union there were born six children, three daughters and three sons. Two daughters and the son and her husband preceded her to the better world. Sister Gronds was a kind and true Methodist. For over forty-five years she has been the place of rest for the weary traveler. One of her sons is a local preacher, one a popular physician. Her advancement of life is summed up in 69 years, 4 months and 23 days. After suffering of years suffering from heart trouble she passed away May 2, 1901. Yes, the silver cord was loosed, the golden bowl was broken, the fragrant spirit was charmed over the everlasting hills. Truly a mother to be missed has fallen. But her children know what she was. J. W. BLACKBURN, P. C. Miss Hilde, Texas.

CAMERON—Mrs. Annie Cameron, wife of J. A. Cameron, died April 12, 1901, aged 86 years, and was buried at Haynie's Chapel April 15. When the angel of death came for her she was ready to go, nothing doubting, but happy in a Savior's love, she pressed for her loved ones, the morning stars, to find her. She was an example, showing that the grace of God is sufficient not only in a life of trouble and care, but also sufficient when to pass through the shadow of death. Her husband was a faithful wife, a devoted sister, a gentle mother and a kind neighbor. We sympathize with the loved ones who are left behind, and pray that they may as live as to die a death that brings her in that land of no more parting. Those who saw her die said she seemed just to fall asleep, which she did in the arms of Jesus. She joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 12, and had a consistent membership to death. A husband and four sweet little children are left to mourn her departure. Sister Cameron was truly a helpmeet, a painstaking mother and a devoted Christian. We miss her from our communion, but pray that she may live as she has died, and that her mother and her children may love and serve their mother's God and meet her in the New Jerusalem. G. E. HOLLEY, P. C. Holly Springs, Texas.

BAUM—Miss Mattie Baum, daughter of Thomas A. and Carrie E. Baum, was born in Williamson County, Texas, November 2, 1844. She professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in her twentieth year. She was taken sick December 26, 1890, and died December 31, 1890. While in conversation with her mother she said to her, "I do not know whether I am going to get well or not." Being asked by her mother if she could not live in Jesus, she said yes. Later on she called her mother to her bedside and said to her, "Ma, I thought that I was a fool to get well, but Jesus says come, and I must go." Her mother asked her if she was willing to go, and she said yes. She then said to her weeping mother, "Do not cry, for I'll be with papa and the angels, and I'll walk the golden streets." She said, "I love Jesus, because he died for me and forgave me my sins. Jesus is with me now." She said to her mother, "I love you and everybody. Tell all my relatives to meet me in heaven." She called for every member of the family by name, and talked to them. She then called for her step-father, and said to him: "Meet me in heaven." She desired that her money

should be given to her three youngest brothers. She seemed to have had a premonition of her approaching dissolution. Such calmness is a privilege of the Christian heroism that characterized the martyrs of other days. Death had lost his power—his sting had been extracted, and she could sing as a requiem: "O death, where is thy sting?" O grave, where is thy victory? She gained the better. Victory perched upon her banners, that were unfurled to the heavenly breeze, and zephyrs fanned her brow from bright worlds beyond. She went off with the angels to live in glory. Thus passed out from us at Dewey, Calhoun County, Texas, a noble, Christian-hearted young lady—beloved by all who knew her. We miss her so much. We feel that our loss is heaven's eternal gain. To the heartbroken, weeping relatives and friends: Weep not as those who have no hope; but may your lives, too, be such that you may triumph in death and meet Mattie in heaven. Her pastor,

EUGENE T. BATES.

WILLIAMS—Samuel Travis Williams, son of John P. and Lula Williams, was born November 28, 1880, and died April 17, 1901. He leaves his parents, five sisters and two brothers to mourn their loss. Travis was a good boy. For eighteen months I have lived a door neighbor to his parents. I never heard an unkind or unkind word from him. He possessed a large number of relatives, neighbors and company. He loved preachers of the gospel. His disposition was one of love and sunshine. Though the baby of the family, he was unspoiled by petting. His life was short, but long enough to leave his impress on the hearts of all who knew him. He was followed by pneumonia. From the first he thought he would die, but was resigned. He was an example of patience, and took his medicine without a complaint. He is at rest. The earthy home is made dark and sad, but heaven is brought nearer and made more attractive. The bereaved, if faithful, will see him again in the sweet by-and-by. D. C. ELLIS, P. C. Covington, Texas.

EARTHMAN—Maud Jewell Earthman was born February 16, 1850. She was the daughter of R. W. and Emma Douglas. She joined the M. E. Church, South, August 18, 1866. She died November 2, 1901. She left four small children, one son and three daughters. Her husband was a faithful Christian, and though the cares of her family kept her from the sanctuary of the Lord's house, yet her life of service and faith is evident in the home. The children have the deepest sympathy for a host of friends, and while this double loss makes "dark the ways of the eternal as mirrored in this world of time," yet we look for compensation here and full vindication of infinite wisdom when the "mist is cleared away." J. C. WILSON.

WARE—Henry M. Ware was born in Jackson County, Miss., in the year 1840; afterward moved with his father to Tuscaloosa County, Ala. He joined the M. E. Church, South, at Mt. Zion, in 1866, was married to Miss Alice Barker in Alabama, the year not known to the writer, and came to Texas November 12, 1881; departed this life in Leon County, at 11 a. m., April 8, 1901. He was ready for the Master's call; was very devoted to his Church and his pastor. Only a few days before his death he visited the paragon, bringing with him a very substantial present for the preacher and family. I visited him not long before his death, and taking of his future, God's will, his face would shine as he would say the end is near. He leaves a wife, eight children, two brothers and a host of friends to mourn their loss, but our loss is heaven's gain. The Church is bereaved of a faithful member. Sister Ware a loving husband, the children an affectionate father and his pastor a true friend. Weep not, sorrowing ones; your loved one is waiting and watching for you at heaven's gate. His pastor,

D. W. GARDNER.

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J. J. CALLAWAY.

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MARY STURBLEFIELD.

WILSON—Sarah Ann Wilson died at the home of her son-in-law, W. J. Foster, Weston, Texas, April 22, 1901, in the seventy-second year of her age. She was born to her parents, Thomas and Anne McSpaulin, in Wilson County, Tenn., December 6, 1829. She was converted when a girl, and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in which communion she died. She was married to Leonard Wilson, August 15, 1851. I perhaps have never seen so many relatives at a funeral. A step-daughter said: "She was a mother to me, and I loved her as dearly as I could have loved my own mother." A brother said: "She reared several orphan children. She cared for me. She was as good to us as she was to her own children." "She was a good woman," said another. Her long life, so consecrated and devoted, should give her a place in the calendar of the saint. There gathered in that home around the dear body four generations of her kindred. It was easy to see how they loved her. Her body was laid away in the Chambersville Cemetery, Bro. Floyd, of McKinney, and the writer conducting the services. No more pain, no more fever, no more paralysis, no more sorrow for her. She is at home in her Father's house. Peace be to her sacred dust. E. G. ROBERTS.

HARDY.—Samuel Aaron Hardy was born at Black Jack Grove, Hopkins County, Texas, August 12, 1855. He was thrown from a horse at Greenville, March 11, 1891, and died from the effects of the fall on the following day. Our young friend was taken from our midst without a moment's warning, but we have the consolation that his bright Christian boy did meet him in a happy, never-ending peace and joy. Be strong in faith, and take a firm hold of God's promises, and, dear, bereaved friends, you will not live far from Sam. HIS TEACHER.

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Colorado cir., at Gall, June 1, 12
Big Springs, June 8, 12
Putnam, at Moss, June 15, 12
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Hewitt, at Spring Valley, June 1, 12
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Liberty Hill, May 11, 12
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DeLeon, May 25, 12
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Weatherford District—Second Round.
Graham, May 11, 12
Farmer, at Farmer, May 18, 12
Ellisville, at Irvin's Chapel, May 25, 12
Breckenridge, at Harpersville, June 1, 12
Gordon, June 4, 12
Jno. R. Morris, P. E.

Brownwood District—Second Round.
Brownwood, May 11, 12
W. H. Matthews, P. E.

Clarendon District—Second Round.
Wallington, at W., May 11, 12
G. S. Hardy, P. E.

Vernon District—Second Round.
Harrold, at Wesley's Chapel, Sat. Sun., May 11, 12
Throckmorton, Sat. Sun., May 18, 12
J. H. Wiseman, P. E.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

San Angelo District—Third Round.
Sterling and Water Valley, at W. V., May 25, 12
Ozona and Sonora, at S., 24 Sun May
San Angelo cir., at Leppan, 4th Sun May
Sherwood, at Sherwood, 1st Sun June
Menardville, at Cooperas, 24 Sun June
Hirady, 4th Sun June
Milton, 1st Sun July
Pontotoc, 24 Sun July
Mason, 24 Sun July
Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Beeville District—Third Round.
Alice cir., at Alice, May 11, 12
Stockdale cir., at Riddick, May 18, 12
Sutherland Springs, at Elmendorf, May 25, 12
Laveria, at Sandy Elm, June 1, 12
Laredo sta., June 8, 12
Carpas and Rockport, at R., June 15, 12
Bismontia cir., at Middletown, June 22, 12
Oakville cir., at Lebanon, June 29, 12
Wade's cir., at Skidmore, July 6, 12
Beeville sta., July 12, 12
J. M. Alexander, P. E.

San Antonio District—Second Round.
Eagle Pass, 24 Sun May
Travis Park, 24 Sun May
South Heights and South Flores, 24 Sun May
Utopia, 7:30 p. m., 24 Sun May
Carrizo and Batesville, 4th Sun May
B. Harris, P. E.

Llano District—Second Round.
Kerrville sta., May 11, 12
I. K. Waller, P. E.

San Marcos District—Second Round.
Gonzales sta., May 11, 12
Sterling Fisher, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Sherman District—Second Round.
Pottsboro, 24 Sun May
Gardenville, 24 Sun May
Howe, 24 Sun May
Pilot Grove, 4th Sun May
J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Paris District—Second Round.
Maxey, at Direct, May 11, 12
Woodland, at Woodland, May 18, 12
Detroit, at Red Oak, May 18, 12
Roxton, at Elm Grove, June 1, 12
E. W. Alderson, P. E.

Terrell District—Second Round.
Rockwall, May 11, 12
Kauffman, May 18, 12
Royse, May 25, 12
F. O. Miller, P. E.

McKinney District—Second Round.
Wylie cir., at Murphy, 24 Sun May
Flano sta., 24 Sun May
Weston cir., 4th Sun May
F. A. Rosser, P. E.

Gainesville District—Second Round.
Dexter, at Mt. Zion, May 11, 12
Woodbine, at Callisburg, May 18, 12
Burns, at Friendship, May 18, 12
J. L. Morris, P. E.

Dallas District—Second Round.

First Church, 11 a. m., May 12
Trinity, 7 p. m., May 12
Grand Prairie, May 18, 12
Caruth, May 25, 12
Lewisville, June 1, 12
I. W. Clark, P. E.

Greenville District—Second Round.
Celeste and Lane, at Lane, May 11, 12
Neola, at Meadow View, May 18, 12
Greenville mls., May 25, 12
Leona, May 25, 12
Commerce mls., June 1, 12
O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Second Round.
Ben Franklin, at Pecan Gap, 24 Sun May
Winnboro sta., 24 Sun May
Cooper, 4th Sun May
Hagan Port, 1st Sun June
C. B. Fladger, P. E.

Bowie District—Second Round.
Bridgeport, at Pleasant Valley, May 11, 12
Chico, at Sand Flat, May 18, 12
Bryson, at Oak Glen, May 18, 12
Jacksboro, May 25, 12
Greenwood, at Rush Branch, May 25, 12
Rhame, at Rhame, May 25, 12
J. M. Peterson, P. E.

Bonham District—Second Round.
Ladonia, 24 Sun May
Honey Grove, 24 Sun May
Brookston and High, 4th Sun May
Trenton and Marvin, 1st Sun June
Lanham, 24 Sun June
Ransdolph, 24 Sun June
Gober, 4th Sun June
Pantula, 5th Sun June
T. R. Pierce, P. E.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Beaumont District—Second Round.
Kountze, at Warren, May 11, 12
Burkville, at Farr's Chapel, May 18, 12
Jasper mls., at Magnolia, May 25, 12
Jasper and Kirbyville, at J., May 25, 12
Call cir., June 1, 12
J. W. Johnson, P. E.

Palatine District—Second Round.
Holcombe cir., at Tadmor, May 11, 12
Jacksonville cir., at Providence, May 18, 12
Brushy Creek cir., at Pace's Chapel, May 25, 12
Groveton cir., June 1, 12
West Palestine, June 8, 12
Grapeland cir., at Hay's Springs, June 15, 12
Crockett cir., June 22, 12
W. F. Davis, P. E.

Tyler District—Second Round.
Whitehouse, at Noonday, May 11, 12
Troupe and Overton, at Arp, May 18, 12
Marvin, May 25, 12
J. T. Smith, P. E.

Marshall District—Second Round.
Harmony cir., at Mt. Pleasant, May 11, 12
Arlington, at Mt. Zion, May 18, 12
Harrison, May 25, 12
Henderson cir., at Lone Star, May 18, 12
C. R. Lamar, P. E.

San Augustine District—Second Round.
Nevrose cir., at Smith's Chapel, May 11, 12
Nacogdoches sta., May 18, 12
Center sta., May 18, 12
San Augustine and Chireno at S. A., May 25, 12
Clayton cir., at Gary, June 1, 12
Minden cir., at Bethel, June 8, 12
Carthage sta., June 15, 12
A. J. Weeks, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Second Round.
Linden, at Douglassville, May 11, 12
Vaingefield, at Hughes Springs, Thursday, May 18, 12
Fairview, May 18, 12
State Line, May 18, 12
Redwater, at Concord, May 25, 12
Lindsay and Leokah, at Austin C. I., June 1, 12
Musgrove, at Musgrove, June 8, 12
John Adams, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Houston District—Second Round.
Columbia and Brazoria, at B., May 11, 12
Rosenberg, at Modena, May 18, 12
Alvin, May 25, 12
Richmond, June 1, 12
Magnolia, at Bay City, June 8, 12
Dickinson, June 15, 12
Shearn, May 15, 12
Geo. A. LeClere, P. E.

Brenham District—Second Round.
Hiddings, at Burton, May 11, 12
Daviella, at Liberty, May 18, 12
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant R., May 25, 12
Benarnold, June 8, 12
J. E. Cochran, P. E.

Calvert District—Second Round.
Hearne and Wheelock cir., at W., May 11, 12
Durango cir., at Elevens, Fri., May 17, 12
Lott cir., at Chilton, Sat., May 18, 12
Reubud sta., Fri., May 24, 12
Ravis cir., at Powers, Sat., May 25, 12
Pettway cir., Fri., May 31, 12
Brenham and Reagan, at B., Sat., June 1, 12
Marlin sta., Sat., June 1, 12
H. M. Sears, P. E.

Huntsville District—Second Round.
Willis sta., May 11, 12
Prairie Plains cir., at Union Grove, May 18, 12
Zion cir., at Sulphur Springs, May 25, 12
Dodge cir., at Old Waverly, June 1, 12
Cold Springs cir., at Shepherd, June 8, 12
Conroe, June 15, 12
Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

Austin District—Second Round.
Tenth Street, Austin, May 11, 12
First Street, Austin, May 18, 12
Center Point cir., May 18, 12
E. S. Smith, P. E.

INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

Oklahoma District—Third Round.
Moors and Choctaw, at Choctaw City, May 11, 12
El Reno sta., May 18, 12
Council Grove, at Council Bluff, June 1, 12
Yukon cir., at Matheson, June 2, 12
Oklahoma City sta., June 9, 12
Pawnee sta., June 15, 12
Jennings sta., June 16, 12
Stillwater sta., June 18, 12
Perry and Morrison, at P., June 22, 12
Guthrie sta., June 25, 24
Chandler cir., June 29, 20
Keokuk Falls cir., July 6, 7
Earlboro cir., at Violet Springs, July 13, 14
McLoud cir., at New Salem, July 20, 21
Dale cir., at Oakland, July 27, 28
Tucumseh cir., at Oak Grove, July 27, 28
Shawnee sta., July 28, 29
Billings and Enid, Aug. 3, 4
Hennessey, Aug. 10, 11
Byron cir., Aug. 12, 14
Sam. G. Thompson, P. E.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Ardmore District—Third Round.
Overbrook, at McKinney, May 1, 12
Marietta and Mahota, at Thackerville, May 11, 12
Oakland and Madill, at Weaverton, May 25, 12
Broadway, Ardmore, June 1, 12
Carter Avenue, at Berwyn, June 8, 12
Mansville, at Russett, June 15, 12
Cumberland, at Linn, June 22, 12
Kingston, at Kingston, June 29, 12
Leon, at Cross Roads, July 6, 12
Ort, at Courtney, July 7, 12
Lebanon, at Willis, July 12, 12
Washita, at Keels, July 20, 12
Springer, at Brown, July 27, 12
Cornish, at Hewett, July 27, 12

Pastors will please be ready to answer Question 19; also have Church Registers and records of Church Conference present for examination. W. J. Sims, P. E.

Wynnewood District—Third Round.
Davis sta., May 11, 12
Paola cir., May 18, 12
Daugherty cir., May 25, 12
Norman sta., June 1, 12
White Head cir., June 8, 12
Erin Springs cir., June 15, 12
Noble cir., June 22, 12
Purcell sta., June 29, 12
Lexington sta., June 29, 12
Pauls Valley sta., July 7, 12
Wynnewood sta., July 7, 12
Franklin cir., July 14, 12
Ada sta., July 14, 12
McGee cir., July 14, 12
Hickory cir., July 20, 12
Moral cir., July 27, 12
Lexington cir., July 27, 12
E. L. Massey, P. E.

Weatherford District—Second Round.
Grand, May 4, 12
Cordell, May 11, 12
W. A. Randle, P. E.

NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE.

Albuquerque District—Third Round.
San Marcial, May 12, 12
Magdalena, May 19, 12
Albuquerque, May 26, 12
M. Hodgson, P. E.

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A CHAT WITH THE LOCAL PREACHERS.

It is a pleasure in introducing to our readers our new correspondence column. Our readers will have noted the trend of the correspondence from the beginning will be to show that there is no basis for the charge that we have carefully reviewed the correspondence way came that we have not to present conditions which have come from our correspondence. But at the same time we have admitted that there are two sides to the question, and our correspondence will show both sides. The matter will be reviewed that we said, in substance, in our book, that this is not a fair place to place to view the subject, that the right thing to do is the next General Conference of the Church, and the question of the local preacher should be discussed in Dallas, provided that the local preachers' local preachers' association to that assembly, and the preachers' apprehension of the question. If we have any correspondence on that subject, we will be glad to receive it, but we must defer these to some future time. Before I conclude, I think it proper to say that although I have been in both these relations, itinerant and local, these thoughts are not the result of any difficulties in my personal ministry, but rather from an effort to honestly and fairly consider the whole question. Your brother, JNO. W. HALL.

We hope our brother will not forget his promise to come again at some future time, and that he will not wait long to make his welcome visit.

W. C. YOUNG
245 Wall St., Dallas, Texas.

and healthy at the expense and deterioration of the other. Plant two trees of the same species in the same soil, and yet supply one with conditions of growth which are denied the other, and you will see one outgrowing and finally over-shadowing and sapping the very life of the other. In animal life we see the strong and vigorous crowd out and destroy the weak. The same fact is manifest in human life. We find a striking exemplification of it in our business and financial circles, where the rich easily grow richer while the poor struggle in vain against the adverse conditions that environ him. Although merit and faithfulness are the most important elements of success, yet there are other things that have much to do with the result. One of these is what the scientist calls "environment." I will call it the proper conditions of growth. Let us see how this applies to the ministry of the Methodist Church, composed as it is of two distinct classes, known as the itinerant and local preachers. We can say without violence to truth, they have the same start—equals in ability, in piety and religious zeal. The one becomes a pastor, the other is not, nor can be unless as a temporary supply. The one has the oversight or charge of one or more congregations, and hence has that nutritive stimulus that always issues from responsibility. His people not only expect, but require of him the regular ministrations of spiritual food. Not only so, but they look to him for advice for comfort and for spiritual discipline. These things draw out of him whatever of capacity for development there is in him, and at the same time bring to bear upon him that strong incentive to circumspection and faithfulness so essential to all. The lack of the pastorate furnishes one of the unfavorable conditions of the local ministry. If a congregation is not likely to succeed without a pastor, is a preacher likely to succeed without a pastorate—a congregation of which he has spiritual charge? Is not the dependence mutual, and has not God joined the two together, both in revelation and in nature? "What God hath joined together let not man put asunder." There are two other points that deserve notice on this subject, but must defer these to some future time. Before I conclude, I think it proper to say that although I have been in both these relations, itinerant and local, these thoughts are not the result of any difficulties in my personal ministry, but rather from an effort to honestly and fairly consider the whole question. Your brother, JNO. W. HALL.

God often has to use rough dogs to bring back his sheep.

Hondo, Texas, April 29, 1901.
Milk Cooler and Stove Factory, Rogers, Texas.

We are well pleased with the cooler I bought of you last July. I have two married children and would like to present each a cooler; am willing to pay you same I did for mine. If you are willing to accept this proposition let me know and I will remit you my check. Respectfully,
E. W. LACY.

The above extract from a letter explains itself. The Milk Cooler and Stove Factory of Rogers, Texas, can afford to sell their milk coolers cheap to the person who first orders from a community, as the sale of one almost always brings other orders. See their advertisement on ninth page.

POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE.
Rev. E. W. Solomon, D. D. of Corsicana, will deliver the annual address before the literary societies of Polytechnic College, on Wednesday, May 22.

DEDICATION.
We will have our new church at Wellington dedicated the second Sunday by G. S. Hardy, presiding elder of Clarendon District. All former pastors are invited, and any one else that may wish to come.
JAMES T. HICKS, P. C.

PROTRACTED MEETINGS—DUFFAU CHARGE.
Clarette, first Sunday in July; Union, second Sunday; Skipper's Chapel, third Sunday; Olden Chapel, first Sunday in August; Trimble Springs, second Sunday; Duffau, fourth Sunday.
J. M. OWEN, P. C.

They who hope for the inheritance of the saints in light will not make light of the testament.

EPWORTH LEAGUE NOTICES.

TEXAS LEAGUERS.

The date for our next State League Conference is July 9-11, inclusive. The place is Dallas, and the occasion seems destined to be the greatest meeting of young Methodists ever held in the State. The sessions will be held in the Auditorium at the Fair Grounds, a place unexcelled for comfort room and pleasant surroundings. Meals will be served out there and the beautiful grounds will be at our disposal. Quite a number of our most eminent speakers will be present with delegations from the East and Southeast. A complete program will be sent at once. Watch the League column in the Advocate. For any information address Frank Reedy, President State League, care of Barbee & Smith, Dallas, Texas.

To the Junior League Superintendents:
That so many have sent reports of their work unsolicited personally, I appreciate most highly. I have been so lately appointed and there is so much to be done, that I need your help one and all. Many of you will shortly receive report blanks. These will facilitate your work and by filling them promptly and returning to me will aid me greatly. Let us go to work instilling new life into the Junior work. Much has been done, but much more can be done.
Let me hear from you.
LILLIAN WESTER.
Taylor, Texas.

ALEXANDER COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

On Sunday, May 26, at 11 a. m., Rev. Seth Ward, D. D., will preach our commencement sermon, and he will speak to us again at night, giving us, probably, his excellent address on the Twentieth Century Movement. I regard this as the best address I have heard on this subject.

On Tuesday, at 10 a. m., the Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D., of Shreveport, La., will deliver our baccalaureate address. Both these men are fine speakers, and we anticipate an occasion of real uplifting power. We cordially invite our patrons and friends, and the ministers of the East Texas Conference, to be present. Monday and Tuesday the exercises usual to such occasions will take place.
Let those who intend being present notify me, if possible, one week ahead as to date of expected arrival.
E. R. WILLIAMS.
Jacksonville, Texas.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE LEAGUERS.

At a recent cabinet meeting, plans were made for our next conference. The conference will meet in Honey Grove, June 2-5.
We are arranging the program as rapidly as possible. Hope to present it soon. Write me for any information you desire, and pray for a good meeting.
JONNIE SHANDS, Conf. Sec., Forney, Texas.

DEDICATION.

Our new church at Caddo Mills, on the Floyd charge, is to be dedicated on the 6th Sunday in May by Rev. O. S. Thomas, the presiding elder of the Greenville District. All former pastors are cordially invited to be with us on that day.
J. W. BECKHAM.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Board of Missions of East Texas Conference will have a meeting at Jacksonville, Texas, May 30, at 8 a. m. Matters of great importance are to be considered, and a full board is very earnestly desired.
WM. A. SAMPNEY, Chairman.

MISSIONARY RALLY.

We request all who expect to attend the Missionary Rally at Whitewright, on the 26th, 27th and 28th of this month, to give me notice at once, that I may make provision for their entertainment, and the time is short. Write me at Whitewright, Texas, if you are coming.
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 - Real Renaissance Laces, large assortment, value up to \$8.50 pair, rebuilding price **\$6.50**
 - Novelty Colored Lace Curtains, in red, blue and gold applique, latest novelty for library and reception halls, at, per pair, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00 and up to **\$12.50**

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