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EDITORIAL.

THE STATE AND DENOMINATIONAL COLLEGES.

Eighty-three per cent of the students who entered the State University the first term of this college year were adherents of some one of the six leading Protestant denominations of Texas...

Massachusetts leads all the States in its public school system, its colleges and universities. According to the last report issued by the Commissioner of Education...

These figures mean that Massachusetts knows that the State owes much to the cause of education. Therefore, she believes in the free school, yet she offers free college tuition nowhere in her borders.

The big universities of New York—Cornell and Columbia—whose combined income is more than six times as much as that of all our Texas colleges...

college student can get his tuition free. The University of Pennsylvania, with \$1,000,000 in grounds and buildings and an income twice that of all our Texas colleges...

Among the State Universities the University of Virginia in many respects easily holds the first place. It has been called "The lengthened shadow of Thomas Jefferson."

There is no necessity to give free college tuition anywhere. This has been demonstrated in many States. The rule is that the boy who attends the State University needs it least...

When the State Universities of the West opened their halls for students it was necessary for them to resort to free tuition in order to draw any patronage...

olism does not propose to turn over her young people to the State University, where, according to one of its officers, "Their peculiar environments and the neglect of the Churches practically cut them off from participation in religious and spiritual growth."

AN EMINENTLY WISE CONCLUSION.

Recently there was a meeting of the prohibition forces at Waco, and the gathering was largely attended. It was composed of the friends and workers of the temperance movement throughout the State...

"PIOUS UNION OF PRAYER."

The above is the title of an organization whose members are dead people, under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Church.

number of this "Pious Union," and its objects are three in number, namely: The training of girls in all kinds of household work; to provide homes for destitute boys and girls; and to provide homes for aged, destitute blind and sightless individuals.

We often grow weary of the number of life and long to lay it down, but that shows our strength, and he will not let us beyond our power to resist.

The heart must be emptied of selfishness before it can become the habitation of the Holy Ghost. There is not room enough in us for the world and for God.

To follow Christ does not mean to imitate his example in a sort of mechanical way, but rather to absorb into our minds and hearts the great principles that inspired and governed his life among men.

Ramble Among the Exchanges

By Rev. J. Marvin Nichols.

We look at each other through our own eye-glasses. Because of this we arrive at strange and awkward judgments. The Englishman travels in this country and returns home to expatiate on our undue haste; he talks fluently of the restless hordes and nervous multitudes in the United States. The American, to the manner born, walks the streets of old London, or pushes his guests through quiet country lanes. He comes back to berate the phlegmatic, slow-moving, evenly-contented, non-enterprising subjects of King Edward VII. But in Church circles these slow-moving Britishers have outstripped us by all odds. Ours is a paltry sum, and in itself ought to put us to remorseless shame. The recent triumph of the Wesleyan brethren in the Twentieth Century Offering, of which the world is now conversant, only reveals our slower pace and apparent apathy in giving praise to Almighty God. Their victorious zeal and relentless energy is one of the chief marvels of the century past.

No elegant verse, in the English language, ever made such impression as did Gray's "Elegy in a Country Church Yard." Once, in a delightful conversation with the editor of the Advocate, he told me of this church yard, immortalized as the place that inspired the elegy. Five miles out from London you come to the cemetery in which the chapel yet stands from whose

"Icy-mantled tower,
The mooping owl does to the moon
Complain
Of such an waning near her secret
bower,
Molest her ancient, solitary reign."

My interest in Dr. Rankin's description of this historic spot was intense, and all the more so he tried to clothe in words the distinct, almost inexpressible, experience he had while in that hallowed place. To this day

"The curfew tells the knell of parting day;
The howling wind blows slowly o'er the
sea,"

and "save where the beetle wheels his
driving flight, and drowsy tinklings
tell the distant folds,"

"The air a solemn stillness holds,"

I almost, in fact, I do envy the
good Doctor's high privilege, as he sat
in deep and sweet soliloquy.

"Beneath those rugged elms, that yew-
tree's shade,
Where heaves the turf in many a mould-
ering heap"

Under the old yew-tree is the very
tomb—the large, flat slab—on which
Thomas Gray reclined and penned this
unparalleled production. Just yonder
sleeps the dust of his father and mother,
and now, by their side, slumber the
remains of the poet. Not a stone
marks his tomb, save that his name is
chiseled on the side of the unpretentious
slab at the mother's grave. A
parochial law admits of but a certain
kind, and even this was too insignificant.
As Gray wrote in his elegy, so now do
his countless admirers know this:

"Perhaps in this neglected spot is laid
Some heart once pregnant with celestial
fire."

In lieu of this, just outside the
church yard stands an imposing, costly
monument erected in his memory by
his legion of friends. The dust of
Thomas Gray consecrates that spot and
makes the place the Mecca of thou-
sands in their pilgrimages. The Meth-
odist Recorder (London) has this striking
anecdote apropos the burial place of
England's dead:

"When Dean Stanley once visited
Wesley's Chapel at City Road, and
stood by the grave of the holy man of
God who lay buried there, he asked the
quaint old janitor of that day, 'Who
consecrated this grave yard?' The re-
ply he received from the old man was
emphatic, 'Who consecrated it, sir? John
Wesley's bones, there, consecrated it!'" "And," said Dean Stanley,
"a better consecration it could not
have." That was excellent. The bon-
nie dust of holy departed ones gives a

better consecration than Episcopal
priests.

Dr. Paul Whitehead sent for repub-
lication in the Baltimore and Rich-
mond Advocate the article, "Too Much
Linerating," by J. M. Steadman, which
Dr. W. clipped from the Southern
Christian Advocate. We take from this
timely article some of its most salient
features:

We believe the itinerant system of
Methodism to be the best system in the
world for supplying preachers with
charges and charges with preachers.
Yet it has its disadvantages. The chief
one is that there is a too frequent
change of pastors.

The chief reason is the fact that it is
possible to get a new preacher or a
new charge every year—the ease with
which the change can be brought about.
In many cases both preachers and
people get restless under the system.
There are always some of both classes
who want to turn "the great iron
wheel," with them it has become a
kind of lottery wheel. Then it is possible
for a small minority in a Church to
exert too large an influence in mat-
ters relating to appointments. It has
been said that preachers have been
moved to gratify a very small number
of persons, who claimed to represent
the Church, when at the bottom their
motives were altogether selfish and
personal. This idea that an appoint-
ment is to be for one year only may be
harmful to both preacher and people.
The preacher is tempted to take
things easy, saying to himself, "I will
get away at the end of this year." So
with the people. There is a lack of
sympathetic co-operation, and conse-
quently lack of results. Both parties
may look on their relation as a misfit
to be endured for a year. If preachers
and people would accept the appoint-
ments as providential and seek to make
them so, in most cases they would
prove to be so. Granting that there
are misfits, at least apparently so. If
these would be accepted in the true
Methodist spirit, in many cases, where
it was confidently expected that the
pastoral relation would cease at the
end of one year, it would continue four
years.

It is useless to argue the benefits of
a four years' pastorate and of the
need of the time factor in building up
ministerial influence. The average
minister grows gradually on and with
his congregation. The man who takes
things by storm should move often,
for storms do damage when located too
long in one place. I will say that, so
far as I can see, the charges in which
I accomplished the most abiding good
in every ministerial function were
those in which I abode four years.
When first read out to those charges,
I felt the greatest disappointment that
I ever felt over an appointment, but
found no other pastorate more pleas-
ant.

The time has come for this wastage
of influence and service to stop. The
preacher who is always moving will
suffer in ministerial standing, so will
the charge that is frequently chang-
ing pastors. A study of the question
will show that those charges that are
strong and making progress, as a rule,
do not frequently change pastors, but
those charges that are weak need the
labor of one wise workman for four
years.

The time is not far distant in South-
ern Methodism when the "time-limit"
question will force itself upon us in
some form. John Wesley and his co-
laborers in the formative period of
Methodism adjusted the Church to
country populations, in the organic
beginnings of the Church it was strictly
a movement among the rural classes.
Our critical points have transferred
themselves from pastoral to city popu-
lations. Our centers have shifted
from the country to the town. The
frontiers of civilization used to be
along borders untenanted and unfre-
quented. Now they pass through great
marts of trade and along the highways
of commerce. The duties of a city
pastorate are peculiar in themselves. Our
city pastors, both in the suburban
and metropolitan organizations, have
greatly suffered in the unnecessary
change of men. If ever the "time-
limit" obtains it ought to apply pre-
eminently in the possible lengthening
of the pastorate in populous centers.
I know of a place in Texas where a
pastor of another denomination has,
within a fifteen years' pastorate, car-
ried a mission organization up to a
membership of above one thousand.

As a pulpiteer, we have a multitude
who can surpass him; but everybody
knows him, for he has touched every
family in that town. After a meeting
held by the Methodists he received a
list of over fifty. Nor did he proselyte,
for he is infinitely above such thiev-
ery. Our city membership, based as it is on
both a theory and practice of constant
changing, rests on shifting sands. We
know instances where a provision that
would have provided for a further re-
tention of the pastor meant the great-
est possible good for Methodism. The
times for the adjusting of ourselves
to changed conditions are on.

The Christian Guardian, of Toronto,
published this record of an heroic act:

An incident that is sad but heroic,
is recorded in connection with the ter-
rible disaster which resulted in the loss
of the torpedo-boat destroyer Cobra,
and it relates to a common sailor.
Fighting his way through the waves,
he reached the dinghy—the only hope
of escape. It was already crowded
dangerously. Even as those in her
stretched their arms to draw him
aboard, he saw their position. Another
man aboard, and the boat would per-
haps be swamped. "Never mind,
mates, there's no room for me," was
his simple, heroic expression of love
to the others.

No flaming headlines will flaunt it
before the world. No triumphal arch
will commemorate the deed. No mar-
tial music will stir the recollections of
men. There is a place—God's unheralded
heroes and nameless heroines are
kept in his book of remembrance,
to be revealed in that great day. How
unlike the Ship of Zion! Thank God,
she has landed thousands and can land
as many more!

The power of patriotism is immeasur-
able. It passes from the heart with
the last outgoing drop of blood. The
Boers, whatever may be the purity or
impurity of their nationality, are fight-
ing for their unmoored freedom on
South Africa soil. In this brave, relen-
less war, one can but think how the
contenders for freedom, as a last re-
course, broke the Holland dykes and
turned the sea in on the land and home
before they should pass in to the hands
of an invading army. Old Count Ziska
lost both eyes in his fight for Bohemian
independence against Emperor
Sigismund. Mounting a cask, the
sightless hero stirred his peasant
braves by his eloquent appeals. He
defeated the Emperor on Bohemian
soil; his Aresic conquest put Austrian
dominions at his mercy; Germany was
held at bay. In eleven pitched battles
the blind patriot conquered. Invul-
nerable in war, the plague overtook
him. When dying, he ordered that his
skin be converted into drum-heads. On
these the wild ravens were played
that kindled unquenchable fires in every
patriot heart. What loyalty and
devotion to conviction! Would to God
that in a higher, more devout sense
we might die by our convictions and
at the foot of the Cross!

CALIFORNIA LETTER.

James Russell Lowell once called the
United States "The Land of Broken
Promises," but if he were now living
and could visit this part of the Pacific
Coast, he would call it not only the
"Land of Promises," but a country that
"flows with milk and honey." It is
said that the value of the leading prod-
ucts of the thirteen counties of South-
ern California during the past year,
including manufactures, is estimated
at about \$100,000,000. Twenty-five
thousand carloads of citrus fruits were
shipped from this section last season,
and the annual output of petroleum
is valued at nearly \$5,000,000.

This country is the Italy of America,
and the soft, balmy climate surpasses
that of any portion of the United
States. The constant breezes from the
Pacific Ocean, filled with ozone, temper
the atmosphere the entire year, making
it healthful and enjoyable. We have
only had a few frosts this entire win-
ter, and when early one morning last
week we had a little sleet and snow,
which melted in less than an hour,
people were greatly astonished, and it
is said that it is the first snow that
Los Angeles has had for a number of
years. The weather has been so pleas-
ant here that it was difficult for us to
realize that the thermometer had been
below zero in the East, and that you
had suffered with so many storms and
blizzards.

Los Angeles is the emporium of
Southern California, a handsome, thriv-

ing city with a population of about 120,
000, and rapidly growing. Its popula-
tion has more than doubled within the
last ten years, its percentage of growth
being greater than that of any city in
the United States. With over two hun-
dred miles of graded and graveled
streets and more than twenty miles
of paved streets, brilliantly lighted by
electricity, and with great business
blocks and residences which compare
favorably with any city in our country
having a population of half a million,
it may well be classed among the great
cities of the West. The electric street-
car system has about two hundred
miles of track, with a number of
suburban lines to which will soon be
added nearly five hundred miles of
track, extending from Los Angeles to
the most important places in the
thickly settled section of Southern Cal-
ifornia. There are a dozen lines of
steam railroads centering in this city,
and the great roads which center here
operate over sixty regular passenger
trains a day, of which about thirty are
transcontinental. In all, the steam
roads handle a full average of two
hundred trains a day, including the
freight trains.

While in most respects Los Angeles
is a delightful city, it is a typical Cal-
ifornia city in its lack of religion. When
I use the word religion, I mean Chris-
tianity, for it has all kinds of creeds
and isms, a religious census recently
taken stating that there are sixty dif-
ferent religions. There is more deser-
ecration of the Sabbath here than in any
city in which I have ever lived. In
fact, California has no Sabbath law,
and no regard whatever is paid to Sun-
day. While a large number of the
business houses are closed on the Sab-
bath, many carpenters and laboring
men work seven days and have no day
of rest. A large class of the residents
of this city never attend church and
have no respect for Christianity. A
member of my Church, who lives in a
large flat where there are a number of
families, told me that she was the only
one in that house who ever attended
church.

Notwithstanding these conditions,
however, Trinity is a strong, spiritual
Church, and has a bright future before
it. It has the largest membership of
any Church of our connection on the
Pacific Coast, and I have received new
members every Sabbath, except one,
during the four months that I have
been pastor. Because of the conditions
that exist here, we need earnest, dili-
gent work, and if all the Southern
Methodists who come here would unite
with our Church, our membership
would be almost doubled. One of the
largest Presbyterian Churches in the
city claims that it has over a hundred
Southern Methodists in its mem-
bership, and the First M. E. Church boasts
of having nearly two hundred of our
members. The Northern Methodists
are, of course, much stronger in Los
Angeles than we are, having about
twenty Churches, while we have only
four, and that is one reason why they
have captured so many of our people.
But with their political preaching their
theory of negro equality and fraternity,
their denigration of the South and
their frequent shots at our Church, I
can not understand why any Southern
Methodist should join them. A South-
ern Methodist from Georgia, who has
been attending one of the Northern
Methodist Churches, told me that he
heard the pastor state in one of his
sermons that "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was
one of the greatest books that had ever
been written and had done more good
than any that had ever come from the
press except the Bible!

Our pastors in the South and East
should send us the names and ad-
dresses of any of their members who
have moved here, so that we may hunt
them up. I have received letters from
some of our preachers telling me of
Southern Methodists who have come
to Los Angeles, and I hope to receive
many more. There is no question but
that it is important for us to carry for-
ward our work here, and we ought to
be very much stronger. There have
been many difficulties and some very
serious problems to solve, but I trust
that the way is becoming brighter and
that we have a great future before us.

Our Northern brethren are having a
round of evangelistic services at their
various Churches, which have been
very successful. The evangelists hold
the services at one church each week,
the pastors all uniting with them. Last
week at the Boyle Heights Church,
they received a hundred converts into
their membership. Revival services
are also being held at the Baptist
churches, and I trust that we will soon
have revivals in our Churches.

The time for the General Conference
is fast approaching, and Dallas will
soon be a great fort, with all the "big
guns" in it. I trust there will be no
duels, but that all the shots will be
against the world. I notice that the
large majority of the delegates are new
men, and I am inclined to think that
this will be one of the most important

sessions that has been held for many
years.

I enjoy reading your paper, and it is
a great pleasure to see notices of some
of my Texas friends. Texas is becom-
ing a great stronghold for Southern
Methodism, and it is exceedingly inter-
esting to learn that the membership
has increased about 9000 during the
past year. MARK B. CHAPMAN,
Los Angeles, Cal.

OUR KENTUCKY LETTER.

The last session of the Louisville
Conference had some new features. It
was the first log-rolling, but not by
candidates, we ever had had for Gen-
eral Conference delegates. Some of us
thought the conference was nearly
evenly divided, so that it would be a
proper thing to divide the delegation,
and so voted. We were glad the mat-
ter went off without any bitter feeling,
and that a delegation of good quality
was sent; but some of us hope never
to see the like again.

Our conference for a long time has
been filling its more important points
with transfers. There has been no
lack of cordiality towards them, but
it has operated to discourage the mem-
bership of the conference, and a resolu-
tion was passed expressing dissat-
isfaction with the policy. The transfer
business begins to work the other way,
also, and two of our best men went
out—Dr. J. W. Lewis to Meridian,
Miss., and Dr. Piner to Memphis, Tenn.
Notwithstanding all this stirring up,
we are in good spirits and growing
more homogeneous.

One by one our old soldiers of the
cross are going on the shelf, as some
call it. We hope and pray that they
may be provided for, and that the work
may not suffer. Of course, we need
new blood all the time, but we cer-
tainly need also some old heads. We
trust the due proportion will be kept
up. Some of us are longing for some
better—or, at least, supplementary—
arrangement for the worn-out preacher
and his dependents. The ordinary col-
lection is not keeping pace with the
increasing calls upon it. We must try
to interest individual contributions and
bequests toward an endowment fund,
that can be administered with some
room for necessitous cases and emer-
gencies as they arise. Our conference
for some years has kept an agent of
its Preachers' Aid Society in the field,
with fair results, and without inter-
fering with the regular collection. In-
deed, the regular collection is making
a gratifying increase. The invested
funds of the society now amount to
about \$22,000, and growing constantly.
We are hoping for respectable bequests
to this fund, only the interest of
which can be used.

Our conference launched another
Training School, located at Smith's
Grove, with Prof. Pritchett as Presi-
dent. It starts well in property and in
school attendance and achievement. It
is unrestricted as to patronage—both
sexes and various grades, even to a
normal. Many of us are looking to
these local schools, that fully commend
themselves to local patronage and the
necessities of their surroundings for
great good. We have some serious
and prudent work to do in properly
meeting our obligations to the three
schools we now have—Russellville Fe-
male College, with Dr. S. A. Steel at
the head of it; Vanderbilt Training
School (male), with Prof. Harrison in
charge, and Smith's Grove Training
School, in charge of Prof. Pritchett
(co-educational). This last has the
freest hand, and is best adjusted to
local demands. Some restrictions need
to be removed and some laid on drum-
ming for patronage. All the schools
are doing good work, and are fairly
patronized.

Our conference organ, the Central
Methodist, has changed hands, and for
the first time is owned and operated
by laymen—H. Wirgman, owner and
manager, and Prof. D. W. Ratson,
A. M., editor. They are making a very
good paper.

Well, I am delighted to see Texas
coming up with a good, healthy gain
again. We are also improving. In-
deed, the whole Church is moving up.
From indications, we will make a re-
spectable if not a very gratifying ad-
vance. For one, I love to see the num-
bers swell.

My health has been declining for
some time, especially since the death
of my wife December 1. My blood
was impoverished and system gener-
ally run down and my feet, ankles and
lower limbs so swollen and weak that
I could scarcely get about at all. So,
by February 7, it was thought abso-
lutely necessary for me to lay off and
go to Southern California. My young-
est brother, H. Clay Needham, lives in
Los Angeles, Cal., and has been urging
me to make him a long visit in hope
of its greatly benefiting my health.
Kind enough, also, to furnish the tick-
et. I am very weak, but hope to start
to-morrow night. Regret to stop, but
hope to gain. GEO. NEDHAM,
Owensboro, Ky.

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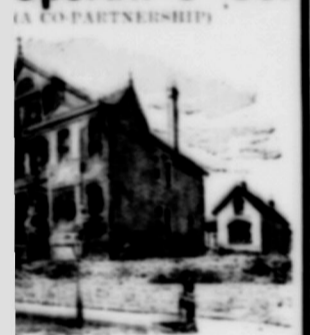
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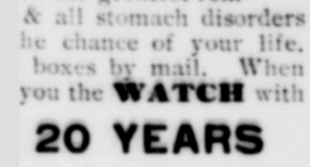


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Stamford.

I. E. Hightower, Feb. 25: We have recently finished our church on the inside, at a cost of about \$500. It is now a beauty. We have also put in nine pews, at a cost of \$25. We are now preparing for a meeting in the near future. Our great need is a revival of spiritual power. We have all the members of the Church in operation, and every indication is hopeful for a successful year.

Seymour.

W. R. Thornton, March 2: We have fought bravely for weeks and gained the victory March 1. When the last battle was fought, the results showed the majority in Baylor County for prohibition. Thank God we beat them eighty-six votes right here in Seymour, where the open saloon lived. Rev. T. J. Francis, of Ennis, came to our relief and made several speeches. If you don't believe he knows how to do it, just hear him. Paul Thornton, being only ten days old on election day, couldn't vote, but his father got a man to vote in his place. It was Seymour. It is a fine place. Good people to serve. We are starting off well. Have received twenty-five members, the most of them by certificate.

Peoria.

Mrs. D. C. Ellis, Feb. 25: I am glad we are on Peoria Circuit. I find a kind and appreciative people. Many have been the tokens of kindness that we have been the recipients of, and now I wish to express my thanks to the kind friends of Color and Fort Graham who presented us with a half dozen nice new chairs last Saturday. Sister L. L. Baker was the agent in this movement, collecting, buying and delivering the chairs at the parsonage, all of which she has my sincere thanks. Sister M. M. appreciates a kindness shown like a preacher's wife, who, on account of moving so often, can not have her home and home-furnishings like other people. I do not suppose any one will understand how I feel about these tokens of love and esteem except some other preacher's wife. May heaven's richest blessings rest on the entire circuit.

Itasca.

M. K. Little, Feb. 25: We are in the midst of a great meeting here. For weeks we have been praying and working for a revival in the Church that would lift it from its dead formalities to such a plane as would give her power to save sinners, and victory came with the first week of the engagement. Such congregations have not been seen here for many years. There have been many revivals from years of prayer, fasting, and singing, and many converted. This is a fine Church and people. If the old-time life and fire can be brought back, nothing but this will satisfy the desires of this pastor. My daily work since conference has been a house-to-house campaign in order to know my people, the condition of homes, hold, and the best method of reaching and saving the children. Our reception here was most cordial and provisions ample, including one of the nicest and best-equipped parsonages in the conference. The fine serving water and electric lights made it a luxury. Indeed, these things ought to inspire a pastor, helping him to not forth his best effort, and yet without God's presence and a spiritual, soul-saving Church, a true pastor finds no compensation. The Texas Christian Advocate is in favor.

Aspermont.

C. H. Lodger, Feb. 25: This preacher and wife are now at home in the parsonage at Aspermont. We reached our new appointment December 1. Soon after conference we sold several lots in our tract. Friends and started our new charge. We had a long move, but found kind friends all along the way. Very dry in this country. Some are waiting to trade real estate for a six-inch rain, but amid the dry weather we are praying that there may never come a spiritual drought in our Christian life. Bro. E. A. Smith visited our little city on the 23d and 24th of December and held the first quarterly conference in his district. Preached four soul-stirring sermons. He is loved very much by his people. Reported the most quietest \$21 to be put in the parsonage. Church work is moving. We are glad to state that our

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parishioners are going to do something this year. Received since last quarter thirteen into the Church, and removal by death. On the night of February 12 we had to submit to a pounding. The good things they brought are too numerous to mention. We can say the pounding was gladly received. The time was passed very pleasantly. The twenty-third Psalm was read by the pastor, after which a very impressive prayer was offered by Bro. McEachon, one of our old stand-bys. He prayed, while they were administering temporal things, that the pastor, through the divine help of God, would administer the Lord's richest blessings, rest upon the Aspermont charge this year.

Bristol Circuit.

J. C. Carpenter, Bristol Circuit and its people are on rising ground. Church and parsonage are repaired and improved. Three prayer meetings have been organized on days doing well. We know the power of the Lord, because he meets and blesses his people there, and sinners are converted to God at these altars. A new Sunday school has been organized. It makes four on the charge, one at each appointment. Three of these schools have taken up the Bible Teachers Study Course. The presiding elder informs me that these Sunday schools are the first in the Waxahatchee District to enter this forward movement. One of our schools is a missionary society, and I have the promise of two other of my superintendents that they will organize their schools into missionary societies soon. We had gracious services at our second quarterly conference. Good reports from the stewards and fine preaching by the presiding elder that did those that heard him good. While with us, Bro. Sweeney preached at three of our meetings. He captured the people, and the Church edified and built up. We serve a kind people who are good to us for our Master's sake, knowing that whatever they do for us, is the best of His blessing. They do for their Lord and Savior. May God's richest blessings abide with them. Our general collections are more than a third provided for. We hope to be able to build a new church this year.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Kenedy.

Annie Adair, Feb. 25: Perhaps some one would like to hear from Kenedy charge. We are doing kind and good, and they have been very good to us. We have not had a regular preaching, but they have had the installment plan, which is better, perhaps, and we have been treated to fresh meat, sausage, turkeys, potatoes, butter, honey, etc. The brother gave us twenty-five or thirty pounds of fresh lard, besides fresh pork and chickens. The condition of the Church is not what we would like it to be, but it is improving, and we are hopeful. The attendance at prayer meetings has increased from six to about twenty-five, and the Sunday school has doubled itself several times. We are going to organize a Junior League next week, and expect to organize prayer meetings at Kenedy city and church right soon. The teachers and other people meet once a week to study the Sunday school lesson. We intend to hold a protracted meeting soon, and hope a lasting revival will result.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE

Marysville.

L. F. Palmer, our first quarterly conference has just gone to St. Marysville, and seventy cents was reported for support of the ministry - a good report for Marysville Circuit, \$7.25 on the collections. Our people are responsive to the calls of the Church. Bro. Geo. S. Sexton, P. E., made a good impression on our people, and they expect to come again. Second quarterly conference will be at Liberty. E. W. Robertson, Herbert Young and S. W. McShadden elected delegates to the District Conference.

Toga.

J. E. McMillan, We have just closed a gracious meeting at Toga, Bessie. About twenty-five conversions and re-conversions, received since into the Church. Rev. C. L. Ballard was with us and did the most of the preaching work. It was well done. Our first quarterly conference was held on the 23d. Bro. J. A. Stafford, our presiding elder, was on hand and preached three fine sermons. He has his district well in hand. All of our official members were on hand except two. The finances were better than we expected. We are praying for a great harvest for the Lord this year. I go to Gunter Saturday to begin a subscription for a church at that place.

Toga.

C. L. Ballard, Sherman: Our meeting at Toga, though under many difficulties and much opposition, was a great success. Some twenty-five souls professed faith in Christ, and some fine material was added to the Church and Christians were built up. Bro. J. McMillan, the supply on that work, is a good man and in favor with the people he serves. We left him still running the meeting. God and the brethren were good to us last year in our work, for which we are thankful. The prospects for another good year are bright. May God bless all his workers.

Sulphur Bluff.

G. E. Holley, Feb. 25: We were kindly received by the people of this charge, and the beginning is quite encouraging to the pastor, though some of our members fear the results of the division of the circuit, leaving only two of the original appointments. The territory added is as yet undeveloped, two of the classes being organized only last year, but we are going to make an effort to make this one of the best circuits in the district. Our first quarterly conference was held the 22d and 23d, and was very well attended. Our presiding elder, Bro. Casey, was in good spirits and preached two most

excellent sermons and made an interesting and encouraging talk to the laymen, in which he admonished them to stand by their pastor and aid him in every way, especially in building and furnishing the parsonage. Bro. Casey has won the love and esteem of this part of his territory, and we are sure he is going to do a grand work in looking after the destitute places and forming new works. The stewards reported in cash almost one-fourth of the assessment for the support of the ministry. This is a kind, sympathetic and appreciative people, and it is a pleasure to try to serve them. We hope and pray that we may all be brought closer to Christ and that a sweeping revival may break out at every appointment during the year.

TEXAS CONFERENCE

Davilla.

E. E. Simpson, March 2: We are moving along very nicely over here. The people have received us kindly, and many titles of honor and distinction have been their way to the parsonage. We are among a kind people. Congregations are very good, especially at Davilla. We are happy and go forward. Bro. Jackson preached the first sermon on last Monday, and held our first quarterly conference. We had a good, religious time. The stewards from Lebanon, Davilla and Friendship made good reports. Tracy did not report anything. We hope she will do better next time. The good women of Davilla are making an effort to raise money to finish the Davilla church building. Of course, they will succeed. Yes, we were pained soon after we came. According to Bro. Roberts, wasn't the Lord a long time making the earth? No wonder it is so big! If it took millions of years to make the earth, wonder how long it took to make heaven? If each of the six creative days were millions of years long, how long would the Sabbath day, in which God rested from all his work, last?

Camron.

J. K. Rice, Feb. 25: The work at Camron is moving on well. Since conference we have had several conversions at the Church. Several a Sunday school with out some one joining us. The attendance upon the services of the Church is good, and there is a deepening spirituality. When I came here a little over two years ago, we were without a house of worship, but we have now one of the prettiest and most substantial churches in the State. It is built of red pressed brick and finished with white stone, veined with steel and covered with slate. There is an elegant Sunday school room, which is separated from the main auditorium by sliding doors. When these are rolled back we have a seating capacity of about 700, and the pews are so arranged that the speaker can see every person in the house and they can see him. The acoustics can not be excelled. The floor is finished, and is covered with an elegant carpet. The pews are the finest that can be had, both in appearance and appearance. The pulpit furniture is in thorough harmony with the pews. The windows are of beautiful art glass, and the memorial windows are as pretty as you can find anywhere. The house is heated by the Sinton Water-Heating system, which not only thoroughly heats the entire building, but warms it as well. On the ceiling days every part of the house is perfectly comfortable, and the air is as pure as a spring day. The staid is convenient and clean. All in all, Camron has a church that any other church in the State could be proud of. It is worth \$1500, and it will cost about \$20 per capita, and we have no millionaires either. In the face of the large expenditures for building purposes, the Board of Stewards raised the necessary money and paid it. They are now contemplating other improvements, and will carry them forward. Bro. Rice preached the sermon with plenty of hard work. The Cameron Church has been blessed by the pastor and his family in persons that amount in value to several hundred dollars. The Texas Conference meets with us this fall, and the Advocate's treatment will have a warm welcome. The outlook for the cause of our Master is hopeful here.

Humors

...to the surface in the spring, as in other seasons. It is a pity they don't run themselves all off their feet, but they are full of sinners and other creatures, they mostly remain in the system. That's bad. Good Sarsaparilla removes them and cures all the painful and disgusting troubles they cause. Nothing else changes the system and clears the complexion like Hood's.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Livingston.

E. F. Angell, March 2: You will have heard how the "rotter" turned ready for "more." But the best thing we have to report is regard to "temperance." Is that starting my own and my wife's illness there has been abundant expression of sympathy and helpfulness on the part of the ladies of Livingston. I have been confined closely at home for nearly four weeks. Have not held a single service in that time, and the good sisters representing every Church in town, have been constant in their kindness. They have brought reading matter, flowers and such some, soups and soups and copyrightable bottles, delicacies, and substantial contributions to mention. The Lord knows each one, and will reward them. Wife is now able to be up, and I am ready to resume my work with renewed interest and zeal. The Advocate is better and better. How high have you set your eyes anyhow?

Minden.

C. E. Smith, Feb. 25: The first quarterly conference for Minden has passed into history. Bro. A. J. Weeks, P. E., was on hand, and came up to his usual standard, both in the pulpit and the chair. Every Church was represented. The stewards raised the salary of preacher an even hundred dollars, making it \$500. The eighth question answered as follows: Red Land, \$100; Mount Enter-

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R. L. Bridges, Our first quarterly conference convened at Bethel Church on February 15 and 16. Bro. Lammert our presiding elder, was present and in fine condition. Both his sermons on Saturday and Sunday were earnest, thoughtful and uplifting. The stewards reported \$68 for the support of the presiding elder and preacher in charge. We expect to have our missionary assessment paid off by the first of April. Our people have just finished the building of a beautiful church edifice at Bethel. The structure is modeled after that of our church at Bethany, and is a monument to the faithful work of D. F. Collins and W. W. Gillhugh, and the faith and consecration of our people. We hope to put it soon, which will render it ready for dedication.

MARRIAGES

Sawyer-McClendon. At the home of the bride's parents in West Point, Texas, February 22, 1902, by Rev. J. W. McShadden, D. D., Pastor of the Methodist Church of West Point, Texas, Rev. W. J. Nelson officiating. Margaret Whitehead, at the home of Uncle Wm. Hester, February 20, 1902, by Rev. W. J. McShadden, D. D., Pastor of the Methodist Church of West Point, Texas, Rev. W. J. Nelson officiating. Neal-Edwards. On February 2, 1902, at 7 p. m., at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Neal and Mrs. Sarah Edmondson, Rev. J. W. McShadden officiating. McWhorter. At the residence of the bride's parents, in the Parish of St. Francis, February 15, 1902, at 10 p. m., by Rev. W. J. McShadden, D. D., Pastor of the Methodist Church of West Point, Texas, Rev. W. J. Nelson officiating.

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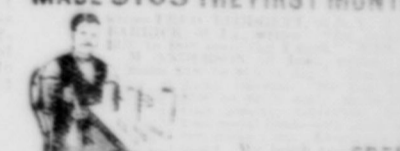
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A RHYME OF THE BONES.

How many bones in the human face?
Fourteen, when they're all in place.

How many bones in the human head?
Eight, my child, as I've often said.

How many bones in the human ear?
Three in each, and they help to hear.

How many bones in the human spine?
Twenty-six, like a climbing vine.

How many bones in the human chest?
Twenty-four ribs, and two of the rest.

How many bones in the shoulder blind?
Two in each—one before and one behind.

How many bones in the human arm?
In each one, two in each forearm.

How many bones in the human wrist?
Eight in each, if none are missed.

How many bones in the palm of the hand?
Five in each, with many a hand.

How many bones in the fingers ten?
Twenty-eight, and by joints they bend.

How many bones in the human hip?
One in each, like a dish they dip.

How many bones in the human thigh?
One in each, and deep they lie.

How many bones in the human knee?
One in each, the knee-pan, please.

How many bones in the ankle strong?
Seven in each, but none are long.

How many bones in the ball of the foot?
Five in each, as the palms were put.

How many bones in the toes, half a score?
Twenty-eight, and there are no more.

And now, altogether, these many bones fit,
And they count in the body two hundred and six.

And then we have in the human mouth
Of upper and under, thirty-two teeth.

And now and then have a bone, I should think,
That forms on a joint, or to fill up a chink.

A scummed bone, or a wormian, we call,
And now we may rest, for we've told them all.

—Medical Recorder.

A GOOD LESSON.

My dear friend Faith Alden has done me the honor to ask me to open the column to be known in the future as "Girls' Gossip," and I don't know that I can entertain you better than to tell you a story of the lady who has been chosen as our presiding genius. One day she was out riding with a gentleman, and he asked her whether she would object to his smoking.

"Not at all," she replied, cheerfully; "let me take the reins while you light your cigar."

He gave her the reins, but before the cigar was lighted she had stopped the horse and stepped to the ground.

"What is that for?" he asked in astonishment.

"I am going to walk while you smoke."

"But you said you did not object—"

"I don't object to your smoking, but I do object to riding with a man who smokes," was the spirited reply.

It is needless to say that the cigar was thrown away and the drive resumed.

That incident is characteristic of Faith Alden. She will not preach any doctrine to us which she would not herself put into practice.—Sister Geraldine.

BISMARCK'S WIFE.

Rabbi Jacob J. Kranskopf lectured recently at the Keneseth Israel Temple, Bond Street and Montgomery Avenue, Philadelphia, on "The Reign of Love." He based his remarks upon "Bismarck's Love Letters." He said, in part:

"These letters are a wonderful revelation of the true Bismarck. After reading them you will have a better idea of the man himself than you would get from dozens of biographies. They mark an epoch in the writing of history and offer a new method of character-judging. In the future, historians will hesitate to label and classify us in the past until they have obtained some idea of the man as he appeared in his home-life. Furthermore, these letters show that Bismarck's wife was a great woman. Comparatively unknown before and overshadowed by her husband, she will now be recognized as one of the most potent factors in Bismarck's plans. It was

through her influence that Austria's sway over Germany was ended, that France was humbled, the Dane conquered, and Germany raised from a petty State to a place among the mighty powers of the earth.

"This view of her may be new to many of you; but go to these letters, and there you will find her as she was, with enormous power, through love, over that 'man of iron,' her husband. She brought to him no advantages of birth or wealth, but a depth of love and a strength of character outweighing many times mere beauty of face and figure or the doubtful assets of wealth and position. Bismarck never showed greater wisdom in any international crisis than in his choice of a wife. Though she had such influence over him, yet her highest ambition was to be a home-maker, and her definition of home is most beautiful—a sanctuary for the wife, a haven for the husband, a heaven for the children."

"Her love made him her lover all his life, as is shown plainly by the wording of the letters. Her influence enabled her to soothe the violence of his temperament, which was of incalculable benefit to her country. Among Bismarck's many fine qualities were some traits which might have turned Europe into a charnel house but for his wife, who implanted in him a feeling of moral and religious responsibility.

"Blessed is the wife who can and does influence a husband for good, and blessed is the husband who chooses such a wife, with his mind rather than his eyes, with his heart rather than his pocket. For remember the saying in the thirty-first chapter of Proverbs: 'Grace is deceitful, beauty is vain; a woman who feareth the Lord, she alone shall be praised.'"

PLACES THAT CAN BE FILLED.

The dread and pity of death are not "the breathless darkness and the narrow house," but the certain knowledge that one's place can be almost instantly filled. The lips that quiver with sobs will some day smile again, eyes dimmed by long weeping will dance with laughter, hearts that once ached bitterly will some day swell and overflow with a new love.

This knowledge lies heavily upon a woman's soul and saddens, though often imperceptibly, the happiest marriages. All her toil and striving may some day be for naught. The fruits of her industry and thrift may some day gleam in jewels upon the white throat of another woman. Silks and laces which she could not have will add to the beauty of the possible woman who will ascend her vacant throne.

Sometimes a woman remains faithful to a memory, and sometimes, though rarely, a man may do the same. There is only one relation in life which may not be formed again—that between a mother and her child. The little one may have lived but a few days, yet, if it has once lain upon her breast, she has something Death may never hope to destroy. Other children, equally dear, may grow to stalwart manhood and graceful womanhood, but that face rises to immortality.—From "The Spinster Book," by Myrtle Reed.

BLESSINGS OF SLEEP.

Sleep—peaceful sleep—of all the blessings given us by our Heavenly Father what one surpasses it? Our little one tired out with its day of play lays its curly head on our arm and drops off to sleep—the sweetest, purest sleep of childhood—rest from fatigue, yet that of pleasure only. As older grown how many rob Nature of this, her health-restoring, boon pleasure or

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reveals, study or labor carried so far in the night, that when sleep comes, the nerves are so overtaxed that perhaps it is robbed of its restorative power, yet it is sleep, restful sleep, though tossed by storm, though worn by cares at times it seems we woo it but in vain, yet at last it comes and perchance, if even for a few moments we are at rest our cares are forgotten.

Sleep, what is sleep? Rest for the weary body, rest for the weary brain, or sleep in death, rest for the weary soul. We do not dread sleep. We woo it, we welcome it, we give ourselves up in God's hands, the world goes on, we care not until we wake and again take up our part in it. We all trust ourselves to God in sleep. Why then should we fear death? What differeth it from sleep? It comes to the weary soul, it bringeth rest. 'Tis true we have no waking here, but as of sleep we are in our Heavenly Father's care and hope to wake in brighter, happier lives than these.

God giveth his beloved sleep (or rest), so when it pleaseth thee, oh Lord, let me sleep; weary of life's cares and troubles, seeking vainly for unknown pleasures or rewards, be thou with me ever and make me ever ready to give myself to thee in sleep, though the awakening be in this world or that hereafter.

Sleep, my babe, thy peaceful sleep,
Angels guard thee through thy life;
May thy presence ever with thee
Keep thee through this world of strife.

Sleep, restful sleep,
Come to thee poor tired one;
Fit thee for to-morrow's toils,
Till your work on earth is done.

Sleep, blessed sleep,
Life's cares and troubles laid aside,
And when you wake may you behold
The gates of heaven opening wide.

—Selected.

A BEAUTIFUL THOUGHT.

Prof. Drummond tells the story of a little girl who once said to her father: "Papa, I want you to say something to God for me, something I want to tell Him very much. I have such a little voice that I don't think He could hear it away up in Heaven; but you have a big man's voice, and He will be sure to hear you."

The father took his little girl in his arms and told her that, even though God were at that moment surrounded by all His holy angels, sounding on their golden harps, and singing to Him one of the grandest and sweetest songs of praise that ever was heard in heaven, he was sure that He would say to them: "Hush, stop the singing for a little while. There's a little girl, away down on earth, who wants to whisper something in My ear."

HOW CLARA BARTON KEEPS YOUNG.

She is one of the most interesting women in the world. Over sixty-five years old, slight in build, sensitive, and nervous—and though she has seen more suffering than falls to the lot of most women, she is still young.

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"How do I stand all this wear and tear? Economy. That's it, economy. I save my strength. When I'm not working at the business which is my very life, I either rest or play. I don't putter. That's what ages women—puttering. When I see a teacher breaking down, or a trained nurse giving up with nervous prostration, I wonder

when women will learn to stop puttering.

"I wouldn't sew a button on to one of my shoes for all the kingdoms of the earth. I can't afford such luxuries.

A woman can't be a fine teacher, an excellent dressmaker, an expert cook, a shoe-cleaner, a glove-mender, a nurse and a domestic economizer all at once.

The minute she tries to do it, she breaks down, and then some one writes a brilliant article on 'Why American Women Break Down.'

"Sleep is a great thing for women. Half the women I know don't sleep enough. I've cultivated the accomplishment of napping. I shut my eyes and go to sleep whenever there is a lull in my work.

"It isn't work that wears women out; it's fretting and puttering. The way to keep young? Stop worrying, and go to work. Throw yourself heart and soul, brain and nerve, into some one thing; make a fetish of it, throw every bit of energy you've got into it—house-keeping, taking care of children, teaching, writing, nursing, it doesn't make any difference what you do; it's the way you do it that counts. Copy the first young-looking man you see; do the way he does; work when you are working, but when you are not working cultivate the art of being amused."

LIFE HINTS.

Find your purpose and fling your life out to it. Try to be somebody with all your might.

What is put into the first of life is put into the whole of life. Start right.

The first thing to do, if you have not done so, is to fall in love with your work.

Don't brood over the past or dream of the future; but seize the instant and get your lesson from the hour.

Necessity is the priceless spur.

Give a youth resolution and the alphabet, and who shall place limits to his career?

Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities; seize common occasions and make them great.

A great opportunity will only make you ridiculous unless you are prepared for it.

The lucky man is the man who sees and grasps his opportunity.

The world always listens to a man with a will in him.—Success.

IMPROVE THE TIME.

Time is fleeting. It is uncertain. It is like a vapor that appeareth and then vanishes away. Time is short. While these statements are all true, at the same time the injunction given is very important. We can improve our time. Do it to our great advantage here and hereafter. Few, comparatively speaking, place a proper estimate on the value of time. The one who is deeply interested in the use and appropriation of the golden moments of life, so that they may redound to their present and eternal welfare, is inspired by the highest wisdom known. Time is valuable; it is precious. "Let us so number our days as that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Habits of industry in the use of time should be cultivated. Often we allow habits of carelessness to develop and much precious time is allowed to run to waste. The amount of time wasted in idle conversation is simply amazing. To idle away the precious moments that our Heavenly Father gives us is very wrong. No man has ever reached the high plane of scholarship without the cultivation of studious

habits. And these habits are conditioned on the proper use of time. We do not mean that such people do not have times of relaxation from study, for this is absolutely necessary. And this diversion of the mind is placing the right value on the improvement of time. Time which is allowed to pass without improvement is gone forever. We may reckon to the future, but cannot call back the past. How striking are the words of Dr. Young:

"The bell strikes one—we take no note of time.
But from its loss—to give it then a tongue

Is wise in man. As, if an angel spoke,
I feel the solemn sound; if heard aright,
It is the knell of my departed hours."

Reader, be more careful of your time. Do not let the blessed moments of life pass without a proper estimate by you of their importance.—Baltimore Methodist.

A GREATER NEED.

The Young People's Weekly prints a pathetic story of a poor half-starved child, living in a city alley. Someone had given her a ticket to a free tea and entertainment.

She was wild with delight, and was running to tell her mother of her good fortune when she stumbled over a child crouched on the stairs, crying.

She asked what was the matter. The child said her mother had beaten her because she asked for some breakfast, and she was so hungry she could not help crying.

"Well," said the other child, placing the ticket in her hand, "take this and get a good tea. I've had no breakfast either, but my mother never beats me."

And she passed on, leaving the ticket in the hand of the astonished child.—Youth's Companion.

ANY ONE CAN

Prove the Value of Scientific Food.

A good straightforward test of food is worth much to humanity. The following is interesting:

Mr. T. K. Durboraw of Greenfield, O., says: "After 3 months' sickness with grip I found I had lost 42 pounds, with little appetite and almost no digestion. Wife finally put me on Grape-Nuts and I actually lived on this food, taking it three times a day, and a cup of Postum Coffee at each meal for about four weeks.

When I began I was so nervous and weak that my strength was exhausted even by dressing, and, of course, I was unable to do the work loaded upon my desk, but I hammered away without any tonics or medicines, only diet of Grape-Nuts and Postum three times a day. I found at the end of 23 days my nervousness gone, strength greatly increased and that I had gained 16 pounds.

Finally, after getting back to good health again I, of course, took on different kinds of food, and, as a change, began using— for breakfast. After a while some peculiar spells began to appear in the morning with deathly sickness and nervous lassitude. I took treatment for biliousness but that did not avail.

About a month ago I gave up the— for breakfast and took on Grape-Nuts again. These morning attacks left me entirely in a day or two and I feel that I have had sufficient evidence of the scientific value of Grape-Nuts as a vitalizing, perfect food, that does not require the heavy work of the stomach occasioned by the use of starchy foods we use so much nowadays."

GENERA

Gen. Levin J. Baltimore, Md., wealthy and attended the very institutions of the States, and received education; accomplished scholar; spent the years at the Maryland the closing years at the Wesleyan town, Conn., theology from He then studied under Bailey, of jurisprudence that of close study for bridge, he was most accomplished Liberty, Clay C. practiced his profession with conspicuous success; Episcopal Church; piety, learning, eloquence at on front rank of our great learning a parting to the oratory, soon Bishop Pierce hi another year, 1858 Bishop Pierce ident of the deno Plattsburg, Mo., with eminent success and then returned to Liberty, ed to crowded hearing of the great in March, 1861. larly in North 3 him out for active service of the cessfully engage service, he was 1861 by Gov. Cla ernor of Missouri by him as Colonel ment of Missouri; his gallant comm bloodily engaged of Jefferson. In 1862 the St and most of them rate service. Co Captain, of Comp ment, Missouri; in ginary battle of December 7, 1862 the field, for com Lieutenant Colonel Caldwell, now nel. A few months resigned and Col. to full Colonel of a regiment, which I great gallantry a January, 1863, to during the time h war. In October, ed and commission vis, and confirmed Senate, as Brig placed in command sounti Brigade. On July 4, 1863, I sault upon Helena, his way into the to down by the explo while some distant regiment, and was dead. He was take dreadful wounds w by the surgeons o saved his useful l country. He was oner for one month tertiary at Alton, sippi River, twenty Louis. From Al to Johnson's Isl the deep waters of Sandusky, Ohio, winds from the f around the thin ph fixed by the name which our thin-ri triots found utterly tion from Alaskan sent more than sev them to their eter the everlasting batt and their patriotic the barren shores island, which to the camping-ground an patriotic Southerner. While confined in prison in bolster Reynolds, of Misso Gen. Lewis for the years—as Confedera from the State of M exchanged at City River, he went to R investigated existin concluded that he l than he did war, at about as much war Congress as there and as our armies while Congress had signed his seat in th for which so many their fortunes, and command in the field inexpressible delight, in command of the C

GENERAL L. M. LEWIS.

Gen. Levin M. Lewis was born in Baltimore, Md., January 6, 1832, of wealthy and cultured parents. He attended the very best schools and institutions of learning in the United States, and received a broad and liberal education and became a most accomplished scholar in all the highest branches of a collegiate education, spending the two years 1848 and 1849 at the Maryland Military Academy and the closing years of his academic course at the Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., where he closely studied theology from a Methodist standpoint. He then studied law under Judge Alexander Bailey, one of the most learned jurists of that day. After reading and close study for four years at Cambridge, he was admitted to the bar, a most accomplished young lawyer, at Liberty, Clay County, Mo., where he practiced his profession for three years with conspicuous success, when he entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, where his piety, learning, suavity and matchless eloquence at once placed him in the front rank of popular ministers. His great learning and happy way of imparting it to others, and his seductive oratory, soon broadly indicated to Bishop Pierce his great usefulness in another though kindred field, and in 1858 Bishop Pierce appointed him President of the denominational college at Plattsburg, Mo., which he conducted with eminent success for two years, and then returned to the active ministry at Liberty, Mo., where he preached to crowded houses until the beginning of the greatest of all civil wars, in March, 1861. His exceptional popularity in North Missouri soon pointed him out for active duty in the recruiting service of the South. While successfully engaged in this important service, he was appointed, early in 1861, by Gov. Claib. F. Jackson, Governor of Missouri, and commissioned by him as Colonel of the Seventh Regiment of Missouri State troops, and led his gallant command in a number of bloody engagements, including the battles of Jefferson City and Lone Jack.

In 1862 the State troops dissolved and most of them entered the Confederate service. Col. Lewis went in as Captain, of Company A, Tenth Regiment, Missouri Infantry. At the sanguinary battle of Prairie Grove, Ark., December 7, 1862 he was promoted on the field, for conspicuous gallantry, to Lieutenant Colonel of the regiment, J. B. Caldwell, now of Waco, being Colonel. A few months later Col. Caldwell resigned and Col. Lewis was promoted to full Colonel of that gallant fighting regiment, which he commanded with great gallantry and popularity from January, 1863, to October, 1864, except during the time he was a prisoner of war. In October, 1864 he was appointed and commissioned by President Davis, as Brigadier-General, and placed in command of the Second Missouri Brigade.

On July 4, 1863, in the disastrous assault upon Helena, Ark., having fought his way into the town, he was stricken down by the explosion of a bombshell while some distance in advance of his regiment, and was left on the field for dead. He was taken prisoner, and his dreadful wounds were skillfully treated by the surgeons of the enemy, who saved his useful life to his grateful country. He was confined as a prisoner for one month in the State Penitentiary at Alton, Ill., on the Mississippi River, twenty-five miles above St. Louis. From Alton he was transferred to Johnson's Island, ten miles out in the deep waters of Lake Erie from Sandusky, Ohio, where the frigid winds from the frozen lake howled around the thin plank shanties dignified by the name of "barracks," in which our thinly-clad Southern patriots found utterly inadequate protection from Alaskan winds, which soon sent more than seventeen hundred of them to their eternal bivouac around the everlasting battlements of heaven; and their patriotic bones now lie on the barren shores of that desolate island, which to them is fame's eternal camping-ground and a Mecca to all patriotic Southerners.

While confined in the travesty of a prison in bolsterous Lake Erie, Gov. Reynolds, of Missouri, commissioned Gen. Lewis for the long term—of six years—as Confederate States Senator from the State of Missouri. On being exchanged at City Point, on James River, he went to Richmond, carefully investigated existing conditions and concluded that he loved peace better than he did war, and as there was about as much war in the Confederate Congress as there was in the army, and as our armies were short of men, while Congress had a plethora, he resigned his seat in the national Senate, for which so many would have given their fortunes, and returned to his command in the field, greatly to their inexpressible delight. He was General in command of the Confederate forces

at Shreveport—second only to Gen. E. Kirby Smith—from November, 1861, to June, 1865, when he surrendered to the Federals.

At the battle of Lone Jack, on August 15, 1862, he was severely wounded four different times, leaving honorable scars which he carried to his grave—two on his head, one of which was on his forehead, making a conspicuous mark; one which badly disfigured his hand, and a severe one across his breast—hallowed mementos of his heroic struggle for his country's rights and liberties, the sanctity of her homes—a holy, free-will offering of blood upon her sacred altar.

Throughout all that long and bloody war—of father against son and brother against brother—and through all the trials and temptations of a soldier's life, he never for one moment forfeited or even suspended his lofty purity and Christian integrity, and after the close of the Civil War the immaculate Bishop E. M. Marvin publicly thanked him for setting such an exceptional example of Christian purity and devotion, such a living illustration of moral integrity and grandeur, to his soldier-comrades.

From 1865 to 1866, inclusive, he was stationed at Shreveport in charge of the M. E. Church, South, where, as an evidence of the deep love the people bore to him, they gladly paid him the then princely salary of \$3000 per year. Considering that the town was then small and the people almost without exception, were greatly impoverished by the devastations and wanton destruction caused by the vandal warfare waged against us, his compensation was most magnificent.

In the fall of 1866, Bishop E. M. Marvin appointed him, and it was confirmed by the conference then in session, to Ryland Chapel, in Galveston, then the largest, wealthiest and most important Methodist charge in Texas. It was soon apparent that the old church building would not accommodate half the people who desired to hear him preach, for his fame had extended all over the State and the South, and he was recognized as the most learned, gifted and eloquent pulpit orator in the entire South; and had not the angel of death claimed him in the prime of his glorious manhood and the fullness of his splendid usefulness, there is not a doubt but what he would soon have been promoted to Bishop. In a short time Gen. Lewis raised the large sum of about \$85,000 in cash, and the construction of St. John's M. E. Church was begun in Galveston—the most costly and stately ecclesiastical structure ever erected in Texas. But Gen. Lewis, the founder of the Church, was not permitted to witness its completion. The health of his wife had been so undermined by the enervating humid atmosphere of Galveston that he was forced, in order to save her life, to remove her and his family to a cooler, dryer and more invigorating climate. He therefore accepted, with profound sorrow at the necessity which forced the dissolution of his affectionate relationship with the people of Galveston, the presidency of Arendia College, Iron County, Mo., to which he had been unanimously elected by its trustees and the conference, the college being under the control and patronage of the M. E. Church, South, where he remained for four years, making of it one of the greatest and most popular educational institutions in the entire South.

While stationed at Galveston he wrote "Reminiscences of the War—The Traditions of the City and Island of Galveston," and other interesting magazine articles, which marked him as brilliant a literary writer as he was a matchless and magnetic orator. He remained in Galveston three years, becoming fully identified with its people and all their interests, religious, social and commercial; and there were successful protests from all the people and the Churches of the city at his enforced removal to another field of activity.

After serving four years as President of Arendia College, Mo., he was appointed by Bishop Geo. F. Pierce as pastor of the First M. E. Church, South, at St. Louis, where he ministered for two years with great acceptability, and was as popular and universally beloved as at Galveston. In addition to his duties as pastor of about the largest and wealthiest Methodist Church in the South, he was also Secretary of the Missouri Conference.

He conducted the first union meeting of the Northern and Southern Methodists after the Civil War.

In the fall of 1874 he was unanimously elected President of the Arkansas Female College at Little Rock, where he remained four years, during which the institution won very great popularity.

In 1878 he was elected professor of English language and literature in the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Bryan, Texas, where he remained until he was elected President of Marvin

College at Waxahachie, and from thence to Dallas, where he became pastor of the then only Methodist Church in the city, which became entirely too small to accommodate the vast congregations which desired to hear him preach. He raised a large sum of money—several scores of thousands of dollars—and began the erection of the present beautiful First Methodist Church, South, on Commerce Street, near the postoffice, in Dallas. But, as in Galveston, he did not live to witness the fruition of his labor of love. His health broke down, with a dropical affection, and his congregation, with the deepest sorrow, insisted upon his going to Los Angeles, Cal., for needed rest and recreation. From day to day his malady grew more alarming, until finally, on May 28, 1888, the climax came and God called for him in his royal chariot, and took him to his home eternal in the heavens. No more patriotic, chivalric, peerless soul ever trod the pathway of the skies or walked before the throne of God.

Early in life he was married to Miss Margaret A. Barrow, of Missouri, the result of which union was five children—Dr. Chas. Barrow Lewis, now and for some years past Mayor of Eureka; Mrs. Fannie Lewis Craighead, of Dallas; Mrs. Bessie Lewis Shinn, of Russellville, Ark.; Capt. James Lewis, of Dallas, and Mrs. Cora Gilbert, of Dallas.

He was a Royal Arch Mason, an Encampment Degree Odd Fellow and a Knight of Honor, and was a Democrat during all his manhood, although born a Whig.

He was universally popular and beloved of all people and conditions—a peerless man, of perfect, symmetrical mould; a graceful, magnetic, irresistible orator; and no matter whether as a brave and adventurous youth, or as a pioneer in new and undeveloped lands, or as a chivalric soldier, cheerfully sharing the privations of his comrades always just and generous, his social, genial, warm-hearted, magnanimous traits of character shone out prominently; and he was at all times and under all conditions the staunch, true, tried, generous friend to humanity. Peace to his venerated ashes.

GEORGE F. ALFORD, Dallas, Texas.

MARSHALL DISTRICT. I have nearly completed my first round, which has been made in the midst of the worst weather that East Texas has known, perhaps. God is with us, and the work moves cheerfully forward.

Bro. Alexander began the year with an attack of grippe which gave his friends some concern, but he has recovered, and is making full proof of his ministry. I held his first Quarterly Conference last night, and in answer to Question 8 everything was in full date. He is especially enthusiastic in the League and Sunday-school work, and reported that the League is demonstrating its effectiveness by putting his prayer-meeting on a boom. The roof is now being put on his new church, which is a beauty. Bro. G. A. Kelly has almost given his private business over to other hands, and has spent some months of his valuable time and over two thousand dollars of his own money in pushing the work of erection. When completed, it will be a monument to his business sagacity and Christian sacrifice. I suggest that the many itinerants who have been the beneficiaries of his broad benevolence should put in a handsome art window in his honor, before his death, and I take the liberty of appointing Uncle Dick Thompson to receive contributions for that purpose.

Bro. Pate has started off very well at Hallville, though you would probably not think so, to hear him speak of his own work. He has practically a new parsonage, and his salary is paid up almost to date by this time, I think.

R. L. Bridges has made at Arleton a pleasant impression for himself and a spiritual impression for his Lord. A good man and a good people have met, and we expect good results to follow.

I have succeeded in getting Rev. J. T. Biggs, of Carthage, to supply the Harmony Circuit. He has made one round under happy auspices, and we hope for a good work there.

I hear fine reports of Bro. Shook at Harleton. He has two circuits which were combined into one this year, and all of the appointments could hardly be satisfactory to everybody, but seven out of ten of his Churches are delighted with the arrangement. Both industrially and spiritually the region about Harleton is building up. The Texas Southern is now running through trains from Gilmer to Marshall, and Rip Van Winkle is pulling himself together, and rubbing his eyes, and "preparing to get ready" to wake up. It is believed by many that this road will soon be one of the great trunk lines of Texas. It is in this field that Horace Gohler labored during his short but

useful career, and here his name will ever be as "ointment poured forth." Goldbug's name fell upon the polite ears of our good people of Harrison Circuit somewhat like a "cuss-word," but when he himself arrived his noble Christian character burst upon them fall-orbed, like the midday sun through a rift in the cloud. Goldbug should always send his smile ahead and let his name come afterward. He is very charitable and unsuspecting in his nature, but thinks that he has caught one of his parishioners in a falsehood. It is the man who insists that he has not somewhere somebody of Goldbug's name. The circuit moves off with the most hopeful spirit they have shown in many years. The salary of the pastor has been increased nearly two hundred dollars, and it is being paid promptly and cheerfully. Harrison has taken its place once more as one of the strongest circuits in the conference. Their parsonage is situated in Marshall, and is a comfortable home. Some improvements have recently been made on it, and some new furniture is now being put in.

J. C. Carr has entered upon his third year at Beckville. His people are delighted at having him back again, and have honored themselves by making a liberal provision for his support. His salary was increased last year, and this year there is another increase of a hundred dollars. The year starts off grandly with a revival shout, and will close with a rich harvest of sheaves. He generally does his own preaching in all his meetings, and does all his work after the most laborious and most successful methods. He is not afraid of work, and his Master can afford to reward him.

I will finish with another installment. C. R. LAMAR.

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Dallas, Ft. Worth, April 29
Fort Worth, Cleburne, May 1
McKees, York, May 1
Sherman, Whitesboro, May 1
Cherokee, Chickasha, June 5
Houston, Bay City, June 10
Victoria, Missouri, June 10
Marshall, Northlake, June 25
San Angelo, Sonoma, June 26
Gatesville, Grovesville, June 26
Greenville, Caddo Mills, June 26
Waco, Montague, June 26
Abilene, Market, June 27
Wichita, New Boston, July 1
Wichita, Elmer, July 2

In another column will be found a splendidly written article on the life and character of the late Rev. L. M. Lewis, D. D., by General George Alfred Dr. Lewis was pastor of the First Methodist Church in this city at the time of his death, and deservedly one of the most popular and able ministers in Southern Methodism.

The editor is under obligation to the young ladies of the Auxiliary Society of the Epworth League of First Church for a handsome cane lounge and a soft pillow. We lectured for them recently, and this is their expression of appreciation.

STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The State Sunday-school Convention, which is an interdenominational gathering, will hold its annual session at Austin, May 6, 7 and 8. All pastors and superintendents are members by virtue of their offices.

EDITORIAL BIRDSHOT.

Kindnesses are often forgotten. Imaginary slights are embalmed in memory. Prejudices inhabit narrow minds and small souls. Overreaching ambition defeats its own selfish ends. A falsehood is veneered with just enough of truth to make itself plausible.

If there were no real Christians there never would be any hypocrites in this world.

The most effectual way to win the people who do not like you is to let no opportunity pass to do them an act of brotherly kindness.

SUMMER THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE.

In another column will be found a statement by Rev. Seth Ward, D. D. concerning our Texas Theological Institute. Last summer this Institute was conducted for the first time at the University of Georgetown, and notwithstanding it was the initial session, yet it was a great success.

I have tried various ways, I have lately sent in four or five subscriptions for the Advocate, and will send in more.

A SHORT VISIT TO FARMERSVILLE.

Last week we ran up to Farmersville to fill a little engagement that we have had for some time with the young people of the Epworth League. We were met at the depot by Rev. T. H. Morris, the pastor, and driven to a pleasant evening with the preacher and his good family.

Bro. Morris and his good people are working out their new church building project. They have agreed on their plan, and it is a handsome one; and now they are figuring on its erection.

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The Advocate stands for law and order in the community and through out the country, and when we find a man in public office trying to do his duty in the reasonable enforcement of our statutes we feel like giving him a word of encouragement.

Rev. W. T. Harris, Roxton, writes: "I shall try to place the Advocate in every Methodist home this year."

PROSPECTIVE NEW CHURCH AT BRYAN.

Rev. E. L. Shettles, of Bryan, was in the city last week getting up plans for a new church building at that place. He tells us that he has something more than \$12,000 in good subscriptions for that purpose.

OUR PRESENT COUNTY ATTORNEY.

About two years ago the friends of law and order elected Mr. Hatton W. Summers attorney for Dallas County against the bitter opposition of the immoral element of this city.

Rev. J. M. Smith, of Church Hill Circuit, sends a new subscriber and says: "I made a little talk last Sunday at the close of service, and here is the result. More may follow."

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS PROFOUNDED.

The approaching General Conference will have many questions to pass upon, and a number of them will be very important. In advance of the conference, several brethren are proposing to discuss some of these questions in the Advocate.

Rev. James Campbell, D. D., presiding elder of the Fort Worth District, has been quite indisposed on account of an attack of rheumatism for several days.

CHURCH NEWS.

Rev. Henry D. Moore, of the Alabama Conference, died last week. He was an able and devoted minister, of high standing in the Church.

Within the past few months, Rev. Dr. J. B. Robins, of the North Georgia Conference, has lost by death his father, mother and a sister.

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TEXAS PERSONALS.

Bro. W. B. Gribble, of Oasis, looked in upon us recently. He is a constant reader of the Advocate.

We are pleased to have had a visit recently from Bro. Gus Thomasson, of Van Alstyne. He is working up the interests of the coming State League Conference.

That prince of good laymen, Charley Morris, of Willsboro, made us a genial visit last week. He was in the city on business, and dropped in to see how we were progressing.

Bro. A. Harris, of Oak Cliff, made the Advocate a pleasant visit recently. He is an East Tennessean and an earnest Christian.

Rev. D. L. Cole, of Grand Prairie, was in the city this week, and spent a few moments pleasantly with the Advocate people.

Dr. S. D. Thurston, of this city, spent a few moments in the office the other day. He is a member of the Board of Stewards of First Church, and a leading physician in Dallas.

"Uncle Sebe" Crutchfield, of Paradise, was in to see us recently, and he had with him Brother J. L. Bartlett, of Balsora. We have but one "Uncle Sebe," and he is all right.

Rev. E. A. Smith, of the Abilene District, passed through the city this week, on his way to the missionary meeting at Hillsboro, and stopped a while pleasantly with us.

Rev. Frank Moore, our pastor at Aubrey, has had an attack of nervous prostration, from which he has been suffering for some weeks, but he is better at the present writing.

The Advocate force had a fraternal visit from Bro. Eugene Moore, of Stephenville, last week. We say fraternal, because he is the editor of one of our splendidly weeklies and belongs to the fraternity.

We notice in the Houston Post that Rev. Seth Ward, D. D., of the Texas Conference, has accepted an invitation to preach the commencement sermon at the Vanderbilt University this year.

From the Daily News, in its Fort Worth column, we quote the following personal: "Dr. S. H. Werlein, pastor of the First Methodist Church, South, will give a series of Sunday evening talks on his recent tour to the East."

Within the past few months, Rev. Dr. J. B. Robins, of the North Georgia Conference, has lost by death his father, mother and a sister.

CHURCH NEWS.

Rev. Henry D. Moore, of the Alabama Conference, died last week. He was an able and devoted minister, of high standing in the Church.

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they were only entitled to six. We understand that Bishop Galloway, who presided at the conference, has taken the matter under consideration, but if so he has not yet given out a statement.

Dr. Hunter, the Nestor of Arkansas Methodism, is now very feeble. Advanced age and physical infirmity have advanced upon the grand old man's bodily resources, and in a few months at most his earthly career will have rounded out grandly.

Dr. C. W. Carter, of the Crowley District, Louisiana Conference, has been quite indisposed for several days, and he is not yet ready for work. He is one of the veterans of that conference and the chairman of the delegation from down there to the General Conference.

Rev. J. F. Corbin and J. M. Valencia will represent the Northwest Mexican Mission Conference in the General Conference; Rev. J. W. Grimes and Dr. T. E. Edwards will represent the Central Mexican Mission Conference, and Rev. G. B. Winton and Prof. I. R. Olivares will represent the Mexican Border Mission Conference.

One of our North Carolina exchanges announces that Mr. Duke has indicated his purpose to give Trinity College another \$100,000. This brings the donations of the Duke family up to nearly a million. Such a disposition of wealth is a wonderful benefaction. Why not some wealthy Texan come to the help of the Southwestern?

The Michigan Advocate says: The three Advocates published at Cincinnati, Chicago and Kansas City do not show any profits for the past year. Did not indeed pay the cost of publication, but entailed a loss upon the Church. We are not gratified at this. They are noble papers; well edited; sound in doctrine; true to Methodism, and ought to have more subscribers. Somehow the expenses outrun the receipts.

LITERARY NOTICES.

The March number of the Popular Science Monthly has arrived, and its contents present an excellent bill of fare. It contains nine well-prepared and thoroughly thought-out articles on as many scientific subjects by experts in the departments treated. Then the editor's short resume of scientific information on a variety of themes is instructive and helpful. One of the beauties of these articles is found in the fact that the several writers, in so far as practicable, eschew strictly technical terms and express themselves in language mostly familiar to the average reader of literature of this character. "The Palm Trees in Brazil," by Prof. Branner; "Work and Rest; Genius and Stupidity," by Dr. Chamberlain; "Science in 1991," from the London Times; "The Differentiation of the Human Species," by Keasbey, and "Were the Early Organic Movements Conscious or Unconscious?" by Prof. Titchener, are all communications of especial merit.

The March number of the Atlantic Monthly is quite interesting in its subject-matter. It covers the field of literature, science art and politics, and its contents show a variety of subjects under these several heads. The opening contribution is from the pen of George W. Cable, and his theme is "Bylow Hill." Mr. Cable is a well-known writer, and this is one of his best stories. "England and the War of Secession," by Goldwin Smith, evinces much careful thought and discriminating study. "Vivisection," by H. C. Merwin, and he very properly takes the position that the torture of animals for the benefit of the human race is a moral wrong against the animal. "The Educational Problem in the Philippines," by F. W. Atkinson, and "The Economic Future of the Philippines," by C. A. Conant, are instructive and thoughtful. These, however, are only a few of the many very excellent communications in this number.

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REV. J. T. GRAHAM.

As we go to press the following telegram comes from Rev. Sterling Fisher, presiding elder San Marcos District: Kyle, Tex., March 5.—Rev. J. T. Graham, our preacher at Kyle, died yesterday.

PROHIBITION CARRIED.

Special to Texas Advocate. Franklin, Tex., March 4.—Franklin School District, in Robertson County, went for prohibition Monday, March 2, by nine majority. Preachers, lawyers and doctors, the leading and large per cent of all business men, except one class and the good women, stood for and labored hard for God, home and native land. S. F. CHAMBERS.

A CARD OF THANKS.

Our little greeting published some weeks ago in the Advocate brought us a number of nice contributions to our handkerchief bazaar. So the ladies of the H. M. Society in Haskell now wish to thank you for the publication, and through your columns we wish to extend our thanks to the many friends who so kindly sent these contributions. Some of these articles were accompanied by nice letters, some by cards; one from Hubbard, Texas, was signed "Lola," another from the same place was signed "A Friend," while one handsome silk handkerchief from Ballinger, Texas, had nothing but the postmark to show its origin; and on two contributions, which came without any card, even the postmark was not legible. I am sure our many kind friends will be glad to learn that our bazaar was a success. We took in nearly one hundred dollars, and our expenses were light. We have a live society of active and intelligent members. The verses of our greeting, published a few weeks ago, were not my composition, as some who read me supposed. We had neglected to use the quotation points. This must have caused my friends to think them mine. I do not know who the writer is. Again thanking you and the dear old Advocate for assistance rendered, I remain, very sincerely,

MRS. ELSIE MALONE MCNEILL, Pres. Haskell Aux. W. H. M. S.

NOTICE.

Those who expect to attend the meeting of the North Texas Sunday-school Institute, to be held at Sherman, April 2-11, will insure entertainment by notifying me not later than March 21. We can not guarantee entertainment for those who do not notify me. Give the names individually, and let all come in the name and spirit of "Him whose we are." W. E. DOUGLAS, P. C. R. G. Piner, Org. Price, Mrs. J. H. Berry, Mrs. Mills Stewart, Committee on Arrangements, Sherman, Texas.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY DAY AT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

The General Conference is the biggest thing in a Methodist way that has ever decided to come to Texas. Of course, thousands of Texas Methodist laymen and preachers will go to see this assembly of the highest council of our Church. Among these thousands there will be many alumni and former students of old Southwestern. Why not appoint one day during the session of the General Conference as S. W. U. Students' Reunion Day? On this day let as many as possible of the faculty and present student body and former students of the University gather in Dallas for a reunion—a renewal of old friendship ties and the making of new ones among the boys who attended before or since our day. A program might be arranged, addresses might be made. Who can doubt that great good would result? It would be a great object-lesson on Christian education. It would be a tangible, visible exhibit of the work that is being done by the great Southwestern University for Methodism and Christianity.

Let us have a reunion. I suggest that Dr. J. H. McLennan be elected chairman of Committee on Arrangements. The alumni around Dallas can secure a meeting place and arrange for our reception. Boys, speak out. What do you say? F. A. DOWNS, Lindale, Texas.

THE BIGGEST SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

Our readers may be interested in knowing which of our thriving Churches in Texas has the largest Sunday-school. We have no access to the number of pupils in each school, and can not get at the question on that basis, but we have a complete record of the number of pieces of literature each school consumes and the amount of each account in dollars and cents. We think, however, that that is a pretty fair test, and on that basis we have taken time to figure the thing out. Based on the amount of the accounts in dollars and cents, we find five of the largest, in the following order:

- Marvin Church, Tyler. Shearn Church, Houston. Travis Park Church, San Antonio. First Church, Dallas. Fifth Street Church, Waco. Based on the number of pieces of

literature each school consumes, we get a different result. This is because some schools take a larger per cent of primary literature than others. This increases the number of pieces and indicates a large attendance, but does not run up into dollars and cents. The following is the order in which the first five stand on that basis:

- Travis Park Church, San Antonio. Shearn Church, Houston. Marvin Church, Tyler. First Church, Dallas. Fifth Street Church, Waco.

Marvin Church, Tyler, takes 100 Magazines, the largest number in the State. Next comes Travis Park Church, San Antonio, with 80, and Fifth Street Church, Waco, with 75. Marvin Church, Tyler, and Shearn Church, Houston, each take 200 copies of Children's Visitor, the largest number in the State. Next comes Travis Park Church, San Antonio, with 150, then First Church, Dallas, with 125. Georgetown takes 340 Senior Quarterlies, which is nearly twice as many as any other school uses. Fifth Street, Waco, uses 200 Home Department Quarterlies. No other school in the State approaches this number.

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THE NEW MOVEMENT.

Our General Sunday-school Board has inaugurated a new movement in Sunday-school work. The purpose is to elevate the standard of the teaching force and provide the schools with better and more consecrated teachers. To this end it is the purpose to hold institutes at central points for the training and "rousement" of teachers; and second, to provide a Bible teachers' study course of the best books on Sunday-school work. These institutes will be conducted by Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Hamill, two of the finest Sunday-school workers on the globe. They are in and of and for our Church, and are putting their whole time and talents into its development. Five of these institutes will be held in Texas at places and dates as follows:

- Waco, April 7, 8 and 9. Sherman, April 9, 10 and 11. Austin, April 14, 15 and 16. Jacksonville, April 18, 17 and 18. San Antonio, April 28, 29 and 30.

The institutes will open on the night of the first and close on the night of the last dates mentioned. All preachers, superintendents and teachers are delegates ex-officio; others can be elected at the option of the individual schools. Free entertainment will be provided for those delegates who send their names in advance. About entertainment, please write:

- Rev. Jno. R. Nelson, Waco. Rev. W. E. Boggs, Sherman. Rev. W. D. Bradford, Austin. Rev. C. F. Smith, Jacksonville. Rev. Jno. M. Moore, San Antonio.

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large attendance at these institutes. We are sure great good will result from them. BARBEE & SMITH. Dallas, Texas.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

Feb. 27.—Jas. E. Crutcheff, change; J. W. Gardner, sub; J. N. McCain, trial sub; J. M. Crutcheff, sub; G. W. Riley, sub; H. T. Hart, sub; A. T. Culbertson, sub; S. M. Cowley, sub; J. W. Griffin, sub; N. M. McLaughlin, sub; T. E. Vinson, sub; J. S. Haskins, sub; G. W. Whittier, sub; J. N. Hunter, sub; J. P. Mussett, sub; Sam'l Weaver, sub; J. J. Canafax, sub; S. W. Turner, has attention; J. W. Harmon, sub; has attention; J. C. Weaver, sub; Feb. 28.—Geo. W. Knudsen, sub; W. H. Moss, sub; W. V. Nunn, sub; E. H. Cassey, sub; J. L. Russell, sub; J. P. Hudgins, sub; C. S. Cameron, sub; F. J. Perrin, sub; W. K. Simpson, sub; J. M. Smith, sub; J. T. Graham, sub; J. M. Meyers, sub; J. C. Wilson, sub; Jas. M. Sherman, thank you; C. H. Lesley, sub; H. M. Pirtle, sub; C. W. Perkins, trial sub; J. R. Murray, sub; W. F. Gibbons, sub; March 1.—A. P. Hightower, trial sub; W. H. Terry, sub; H. F. Strader, sub; E. G. Roberts, sub; E. H. Lovett, sub; T. M. Kirk, sub; Sam. C. Vaughan, sub; March 2.—J. M. Baker, sub; O. A. Shook, sub; A. B. Roberts, sub; R. W. Solomon, sub; H. B. Smith, sub; 2 cards; J. N. McCain, sub; J. W. Hunter, sub; Jas. O. Davis, has attention; J. A. Wyatt, sub; D. H. Aston, sub; Sam'l Weaver, sub; W. H. Moss, sub; C. G. Shatt, sub; March 4.—W. M. Lane, sub; P. G. Huffman, sub; Z. B. Pirtle, sub; J. D. Hudgins, sub; G. S. Wyatt, sub; W. H. Terry, sub; J. P. Mussett, sub; W. G. Millar, sub; S. N. Allen, sub; J. K. McMillan, sub; C. R. Gray, sub; R. J. Birdwell, sub; good work; G. E. Cameron, sub; Atticus Webb, sub; N. G. Orment, sub; C. W. Irvin, sub; R. J. Birdwell, sub; B. A. Snoddy, sub; Joe Trace, sub; March 5.—J. B. Minns, sub; B. R. Wagner, sub; S. D. Cook, sub; S. C. Lister, sub; page sub; Leon Henderson, sub; These receive, change made; J. J. Morgan, sub; shall be done; F. P. Ray, sub; J. C. Carter, change made; Jno. R. Smith, sub; J. T. H. Miller, sub; J. E. Bush, sub; Frank Hughton, sub; R. O. Bailey, sub; Lew Rippey, sub; J. P. Patterson, sub; J. M. Owen, sub; S. A. Barnes, has attention; Jno. W. Goodwin, sub; J. L. White, sub;



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FIRST QUARTER, LESSON II, MARCH 16.

THE ETHIOPIAN CONVERTED. Acts, 8:26-39.

With the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. Rom. 10:10.

From the International Bible-let we take the following exposition of the lesson:

We must receive our commission from God. From him every successful teacher receives authority and power. When the commission from heaven came to Philip he might have made many excuses. He was probably busy and successful where he was, and the command seemed rather indefinite just to "go toward the south." He did not know what there was in the south for him to do. The bravest and most devoted servants are apt to hesitate. In the face of a command like this, but Philip did not. He knew that the voice which commanded was connected with the power that could prepare the way. There is a father standing on a stump in the middle of a stream holding the hand of his child, who is still on the bank. He says, "Jump!" but the child answers, "I can't jump to the other side." But the father repeats his command, the child makes the effort and the strong paternal hand lands it high on the other bank.

When quite a boy I recall climbing a mountain with an older friend. Looking a distance ahead I saw a place where the rocks seemed to rise perpendicularly and utterly forbid further ascent. I stopped and said, "We can go no further." He replied, "Follow me and I will show you how to get over that place when we reach it." And when we did come to the apparently insurmountable barrier he led me by a path that soon brought us to the summit. Such is the Christian's way of duty. Our only lookout is to go in the direction that God indicates, even if to our own senses the opposite way seems more propitious.

The expression, "which is desert," may be made the foundation of some useful lessons. Think of the moral desert that sin causes, and the need of planting this with the seed of truth. Think of many of our scholars whose minds are as a wilderness filled with a wild growth of transient ideas, but with no grain fields of noble thoughts. What a desert many homes and more hearts are until some faithful voice sounds within them the benediction of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Picture some home of misery with its almost naked children, its broken furniture, its ill-circumvent mother, its breathless father, its drunken father, then picture this home after some faithful messenger has brought the truth as it is in Jesus. Surely this is the desert blossoming as the rose.

Philip's unhesitating obedience is an excellent theme for the young. Use Samuel as an illustration. When he heard the voice at night, sounding his name, he immediately rose from his bed and ran to Eli. When parents call, how prone children are to hold back and murmur and obey only after the parent has added a threat. Are we promptly and cheerfully heeding God's call?

If the people of your city knew that a certain hill near by was strewn with gold coins, how great would be the rush to gather there. If the intelligence were carried through your streets that the river was full of drowning persons, clinging to planks and rafts and crying for help, the river front would soon be full of eager helpers, ready to do and to dare until every individual was rescued. But are not immortal souls of more value than material gold or mortal flesh?

Notes concerning the Ethiopian that he was industriously studying God's Word. He had gone to Jerusalem to worship, but he did not allow public devotions to crowd out private study of the Word. Those who use all the light that they have God leads into brighter light. A father promised a reward to his two boys if they would search for two hours a day until they found a lost key. One gave up after the first day, but the other faithfully pursued the search from day to day, until one afternoon the father joined him and in a few moments found the key. When the boy was liberally rewarded, the brother cried, "Partially," God's Word contains many keys—the key to salvation, the key to happiness, the key to honor, and if we faithfully search the Scriptures, God himself will in some way join us and help until we find.

A practical line of thought in this connection is to show the different ways in which people read God's Word. Some study the Book as proof readers go over the copy—looking for errors. Others read it simply as an historical narrative. A beautiful illustration of what we need in reading God's Book and talking about eternal things is afforded us in the walk to Emmaus. The disciples were perplexed and troubled about what had happened, until the Divine Master, the risen Savior, joined Himself to their company, and beginning with Moses, showed them the real meaning of the Word. This same teacher is ready, through His Spirit, to lead us into all truth. Let us never open the Book without seeking His light upon its teachings.

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EXPLANATION.

On account of space required for notes from the State officers, the lesson comments are necessarily omitted.—Editor.

FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT.

Tuesday I went to Ft. Worth and met by appointment the local committee on arrangements. The Leaguers were all enthusiastic over the coming meeting. They laid plans on an extensive scale, and will entertain the conference in first-class style. A very gratifying feature was the interest manifested by the Board of Trade of Ft. Worth. Brother F. P. Works went before this organization in behalf of the executive committee and explained what the coming of the conference meant to Ft. Worth. The Board unanimously adopted a resolution of sympathy and support, and appointed a committee on press reports and one on securing reduced rates to assist the local committee of Leaguers.

At the meeting in First Church at night Brother Frank Reedy was along to relate his experiences in handling a State Conference and answered many questions as to the best methods of management.

In all my experience touching State meetings, I have never seen a better interest than was shown in the preliminary meeting of the Ft. Worth people. A number of the Methodist pastors of the city were present and representatives were on hand from nearly, if not quite, all of the several Leagues. W. F. Barnum was chosen General Chairman and S. L. Cochran was made Secretary of the permanent organization. Both these gentlemen are possessed of wide experience in League matters, and are pre-eminently qualified to handle the arrangements successfully.

It was decided to use the Young People's Hymnal No. 2 and the music will be conducted by the Ft. Worth people.

The meetings will be held in First Church, except on Sunday when the large auditorium of the city hall will be used.

A uniform rate of \$1.00 per day will be given by the hotels and boarding houses.

I returned to Dallas Wednesday and missed connection with by five minutes. This necessitated a twelve-hour wait, so I phoned Bro. Nichols to meet me at the Publishing House, and together we went over the program, smoothing out the rough places and further developing plans for the great meeting.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION TEXAS STATE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

To be Held at Fort Worth, Texas, May 16-18, 1902.

The following is the provisional program as it stands at this time:

FRIDAY, MAY 16.

2 p. m.—Conservation and sacramental service.

CHARITY AND HELP DEPARTMENT.

2 p. m.—Report of Miss Stella Fisher, Second Vice-President.

3:30 p. m.—Address: "The Charity that Helps."

4 p. m.—Sermon: "The Good Samaritan." Bishop Warren A. Candler, of Georgia. Adjournment.

8 p. m.—Song service.

8:15 p. m.—Appointment of committees, announcements, etc.

JUNIOR LEAGUE DEPARTMENT.

8:20 p. m.—Report of Miss Lillian Wester, Superintendent of Junior Leagues.

Address: "The Mightiness of Personal Effort." Mr. John R. Pepper, of Tennessee. Adjournment.

SATURDAY, MAY 17.

Sunrise prayer-meeting at First Church.

8:20 a. m.—Song service.

III—LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

8:45 a. m.—Address: "Music in the League." Rev. John R. Morris, of Weatherford.

9:15 a. m.—Report of Prof. P. W. Horn, of Sherman, Third Vice-President.

10 a. m.—Address: "The Practical Work of the Literary Department." Dr. C. C. Cody, of Southwestern University.

10:30 a. m.—Song service.

10:45 a. m.—Intermission.

11 a. m.—Literary address: "The Greek Civilization and the Modern." E. B. Craighead, D. D., President of Missouri State Normal. Adjournment.

2 p. m.—Song service.

2:30 p. m.—Business session, election of officers, etc.

4 p. m.—Address: "Ecumenical Methodism." Bishop Chas. B. Galloway, of Mississippi. Adjournment.

8 p. m.—Song service.

8:30 p. m.—Address: "The League and Missions." Rev. Collins Denny, D. D., of Vanderbilt University. Adjournment.

SUNDAY, MAY 18.

9:45 a. m.—A visit to the Sunday-schools of the city.

11 a. m.—Sermons at the different churches in the city, to be supplied from the General Conference of the Committee on Public Worship.

2:30 p. m.—Song service.

IV—DEVOTIONAL DEPARTMENT.

2:45 p. m.—Report of Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, Third Vice-President.

2:50 p. m.—Address: "The Spirit and Purposes of the League." H. M. DuBoise, D. D., General Secretary of Epworth Leagues.

4:30 p. m.—Experience meeting, conducted by Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, of Tennessee. Adjournment.

8 p. m.—Song service.

8:30 p. m.—Closing sermon, Rev. Alonzo Monk, D. D., of Georgia.

STATE LEAGUE NOTES.

Watch the list of paid-up Leagues and see that your Treasurer does not overlook the matter of sending in the small amount which will put your name on the honor roll and at the same time help your State officers to do some good work.

The Fort Worth Leaguers are going to buy themselves out to give the State League a royal entertainment. We have entrusted them with the selection and management of the music, which is a guarantee that this part of the program will be up to the highest standard.

Suppose we nominate our officers in open conference this time, and dispense with the formality of an election by the Committee on Nominations.

Why not make the place of meeting elective and thus give the majority a chance to say where they want the meeting next year?

When it comes to answering requests for information, the presiding elders of the Northwest Texas Conference are a fine set of men. Every one of them report promptly to the State Secretary, and where no District Secretary had been elected they appointed one. Thank you, brethren.

STATE LEAGUE TAX.

Week ending Feb. 26.

Table with 2 columns: League Name and Amount. Includes Austin, Ashby, Brandon, Colorado, Elgin, Florida, Golden, Gonzales, Manor, Mill Creek, Navasota, Pecan Grove, Rock Island, San Saba, Weimar.

J. T. ELLIS, State Secretary.

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The Cancer patient naturally grows despondent as one after another the usual remedies fail, and the sore shows no sign of healing. The impurities that have been accumulating in the system, perhaps for generations, cannot be eliminated nor the poisoned blood made pure by salves, washes and plasters. The proper treatment is to purify and build up the blood, remove the cause, when the sore or ulcer heals, S. S. S. goes directly into the blood, destroys the virus, stops the formation of Cancerous cells and cleanses the system of impurities. What we say of S. S. S. as a cure for Cancer is supported by the testimony of those who have tested it and been restored to health.

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A WORD ABOUT LEAGUE REPORTS.

A great many questions are asked about League reports and blanks for making reports. "When should we make reports and where can we get blanks?" are the questions which are so often asked. For the information of all concerned, I will repeat here the numbers of the different blanks and the purposes for which they are to be used: Form No. 1—President's report to pastor. Form No. 2—President's report to business meeting. Form No. 3—First Vice-President's report to business meeting. Form No. 4—Second Vice-President's report to business meeting. Form No. 5—Third Vice-President's report to business meeting. Form No. 6—Treasurer's report to business meeting. Form No. 7—Secretary's report to business meeting.

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INCREASED PROVISION FOR SUPERANNUATES.

That the provision made by our Church for its superannuated preachers, widows and orphans, while greater than that of any other Church, is inadequate, has been long felt by all who have taken the trouble to look into the question, and it is cause for congratulation that recently the thought of many is turning to the need of these deserving pensioners of the Church, with the desire to better their condition by increasing the fund for their support.

In several conferences movements are on foot for providing homes or otherwise attaining the end sought. A recent article in the Christian Advocate (Nashville) has directed the attention of the Church generally to this object, and it is hoped will provoke such discussion as will lead to wise action by the General Conference, soon to meet in Dallas.

As to the end in view, there will hardly be a dissenting voice: as to the means to attain that end, there may be various opinions, and a discussion through the Church press may result in great good to our superannuates and in the saving of much valuable time to the General Conference.

The writer is decidedly of the opinion that whatever action is taken in the matter should be general, not local, applying to all superannuates of the Church, and consequently should be by the General Conference, and not by the several Annual Conferences with a view to providing only for those within the bounds of each.

Our connectional system moves upon the Pauline theory that the strong should help the weak, and as our conferences differ greatly in financial ability, as well as numerical strength, the only way to work the theory successfully, and to recognize the equal claim of all superannuates to an augmented provision is through a general fund, which can only be attained by General Conference action. Separate action by Annual Conferences will not only result in great inequality, but will not in any conference, however rich it may be, effect so much as can be accomplished by general action of the Church.

The writer would respectfully urge upon the consideration of some plan along the general line of the following suggestions:

1. Set apart a sum of say \$150,000 from the fund now in the hands of the Book Committee a special superannuate fund, to be invested in safe interest-bearing securities, the principal to remain forever intact, and the interest thereon to be added to the principal until this fund, with additions to be made to it by means suggested below, shall have reached the sum of at least one million dollars.

2. After reaching the sum of one million dollars, 75 per cent of the annual income from the investment shall be distributed annually through the different conferences to their superannuated preachers, their widows and orphans, pro rata, and 25 per cent of the interest income shall go to the increase of the fund until same shall reach ten million dollars.

3. Let all who will be invited to aid by personal donations to this fund.

4. Let a collection, or rather a free-will offering, without assessment, be taken in every congregation annually by the pastor in charge for the purpose of increasing this invested fund, all the income from the free-will offerings and other sources to be added to the original amount of \$150,000 until same amounts to ten million dollars, after which let all the interest be paid to the conference claimants, but continue to collect free-will offerings as provided above.

If it is objected that all this will take a long time, and tie up needlessly a large sum of money, I reply: It would tie up money which we would not otherwise obtain, and so would not cause the Church to lose anything. The time would not be so long as may be supposed. Many men of wealth in Southern Methodism would give largely to a fund for this purpose, managed in a business-like way, and certain in the long run to yield large and permanent returns.

The annual free-will offering to this object would commend itself to our people as hardly any other call would: would yield considerable immediate result, and would grow larger year by year.

This scheme would work no hardship to any present conference claimant, as the same provision would be made by means of the Annual Conference collection as at present, and this would provide only for a future large addition to the provision still to be made by the Annual Conference.

The writer proposed a movement of this character to the General Conference at Baltimore in 1898, but the proposition was made late in the session and failed of consideration for lack of

time. It will be proposed again, with the general features outlined above, at Dallas, and with the single desire to aid those aged and now helpless and dependent ones, to whose labors and prayers the Church owes so much of her present prosperity and future promise.

I close this communication by earnestly requesting my fellow-delegates to the conference of 1902 to weigh this matter, make such suggestions as they deem wise, and be ready to aid in taking some step which will yield the result we all desire—i. e., a better provision for our worn-out preachers, their widows and orphans.

W. F. VANDIVER, Montgomery, Ala.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS AGAIN.

Christ's plan for evangelizing the world was through the preaching of the gospel. All other agencies are but auxiliaries. Schools and libraries have their place and mission, but nothing can do away with the necessity of preaching the gospel.

The personal feature can not be dispensed with in the school-room. The personnel of the teacher is of as much importance as the matter of teaching. "Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and a boy on the other make a university." If personal contact is of such vital importance in the school-room, it must be equally important in the work of evangelization. The circulation of the Bible alone has done great good, but the work of Bible Societies can not evangelize the world without the aid of the living ministry. If the Christian world fully realizes this, why do not our wealthy men who are putting so much money into schools for negroes and great libraries for the people invest a few millions in living preachers, to be administered by some Church in whose integrity and ability to administer they have confidence? A Carnegie or a Gould could make the desert places bloom by giving the Churches the ability to send men of Christian culture and ability, with God's Word in their hands and his grace in their hearts, to the neglected places of our land to lift the people up by the power of their personal touch and the dynamite of God. The college settlements in our cities have already proven that personal touch will succeed where literature alone can not. We may not understand why it was necessary for Christ to touch a leper or for the women to touch the hem of his garment, but Christ understands these things and he has commanded us to go and preach the gospel to every creature.

If millionaires prefer to put their money in schools and libraries, will not the wealthy men and women in the bounds of our conferences undertake to support men in destitute fields, selected either by themselves or the Church? Many men can not do this evangelized work themselves, but God has given them the ability to send others. We all know men who could help from one to a half dozen men in the field, and still have a good living left and something to lay by for a rainy day. It ought to be the supreme joy of a wealthy Christian man's heart to know he had substitutes preaching the gospel to the poor. We will not accomplish results that will be creditable to the Church and honoring to Christ till this matter is more fully laid on the consciences of our people. We are



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and daughters were forced to live in a house whose chimney had fallen on the floor and hung down on the walls to keep from blowing. If this case had occurred beyond the sea the Church would have felt disgraced—and she would have done, but such cases are so common at home they need not without causing comment. It was in that winter of our good people that even know they exist, but God knows it, and the missionary in question, who degrees below zero, he and his wife and

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RALLY OF TERRELL DISTRICT W. F. M. S. AT KAUFMAN. FEB. 21-23, 1902.

The meeting opened Friday evening with devotional exercises, led by Rev. C. B. Pfadner, with a good audience in attendance.

Mrs. Thompson, District Secretary, gave a resume of woman's work in foreign fields, which was replete with helpful suggestions and earnest exhortation to greater usefulness.

There were three sessions Saturday. Each opened with Scripture reading and prayer. In the forenoon Mrs. Bowman led the meeting. Reports were made from Terrell, Forney and Kaufman Auxiliaries.

Mrs. A. S. Holmes opened the afternoon session by reading the 24th Psalm and making a few comments upon it, as applied to the work of W. F. M. S.

Mrs. G. W. Gray read a paper written by Mrs. George T. Nichols, who was absent on account of sickness. Mrs. Nichols brought out forcibly and logically the great importance of earnestness and prayerfulness in all our work for the Master.

But the best work of this session was the reorganization of Kaufman Auxiliary, with twenty-six active and six honorary members, with the following officers: Mrs. J. A. Carlisle, President; Mrs. J. M. Hardaway, First Vice-President; Mrs. Texie Gogges, Second Vice-President; Mrs. E. L. Nichols, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Lula Jack, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. A. L. S. H. Treasurer.

The evening session was opened with devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. J. S. Turner, in a paper, "The Value of Duty in the Missionary Cause by the Rising Generation," impressed all that she speaks from experience, when she urges the necessity of training children aright from infancy, and teaching them to give of their own pennies for sending the gospel to those who have it not.

Miss Martha Tinslin read an able paper on "Missions," bringing out prominently the command, "Go ye into all the world, etc., with God's promise of success and His abiding presence.

Sunday was a fruitful day. At Sunday-school Mrs. J. S. Turner organized forty-one boys and girls into a Juvenile Missionary Society.

At 11 Rev. R. W. Thompson preached a strong missionary sermon, closing by presenting the needs of the Eliza Bowman School at Havana, Cuba. At the close of his remarks, Mrs. Bowman made an earnest pathetic plea for a liberal donation for this school. Many hearts overflowed with gratitude when it was made known that \$22.20 was the magnificent result of this collection; \$2.00 were added before the meeting closed, making \$24.20 as Kaufman's contribution to this fund.

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was indeed a feast to the soul. The interest was sustained to the close. At the final session, a paper each was read by Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Bowman, which impressed the large audience with the earnestness and zeal of the women of the church in sending the gospel to the down-trodden women of heathen lands. Resolutions of thanks to all who had contributed in any way to the success of this meeting were read by the Secretary, Rev. Pfadner, in a few feeling words, in behalf of himself and members, thanked the District Secretary for holding this rally in Kaufman.

The exercises were interspersed throughout with music by the choir, which added much to the pleasure and success of the meeting.

God bless Kaufman and her noble, liberal-hearted people, in the prayer of every visitor to the district rally.

MRS. O. F. WALTON, Recording Secretary.

"THE MISSIONARY TOMATO."

Dear Sisters—I failed to raise any of the peach tomato seed last year on account of the drought. As I had promised so many, whose dimes I had to return last spring, that I would raise enough to supply all who wanted them this spring, I take this means of letting all know why I have not given notice that I had them for sale. I put out plants enough to have raised ten dollars' worth of seed, but they failed. I am sorry I haven't them to sell, for it was my only means of raising my missionary money; but I will pray the Lord to influence some woman who has money to put in enough to supply my lack.

May the Lord bless all the workers everywhere.

MRS. M. A. BARNES, Immersera, Texas.

W. F. M. SOCIETY, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Dear Sisters—We are entering upon a new fiscal year. Has the record of faithfulness in the past encouraged us to expect great things of God? He will trust us with nothing more than our own past record will justify. Can we not enter upon a definite canvass to increase our membership? Get access to the Church Register and see that every woman's name there enrolled, who is not already a member, is given an opportunity of becoming one. Too often the ignorance of others, in reference to this work, is the result of our own apathy. Let us bestir ourselves and see if we can not double our membership this year.

Many auxiliaries have already begun the study of "Via Christ." Those who have not should begin at once. I can supply the book, in paper covers, for 20 cents. Mrs. Trinehart has questions on the book in each number of the Missionary Advocate, which will facilitate the study and add to the interest of your monthly meetings. I trust your financial obligations have all been fully met. So much depends upon each one doing her full duty. Cheering news comes from many quarters of every claim met.

The annual meeting of our Conference Society convenes in Whitefish, either April 9-12 or 16-19. You will be advised later more definitely. In the meantime, do not forget to pray divine guidance in planning for it. If you need more literature in undertaking your missionary campaign, as suggested, and will write me, I will supply you.

MRS. L. H. POTTS, Cor. Sec. Conf. Society, 371 Worth St., Dallas, Texas.

THE WORK OF THE FREE KINDERGARTENS.

I have been intensely interested by the article from the facile pen of that gifted woman, Mrs. L. H. Potts, upon the subject of "Dorcasesses." A case yet lingering in the minds of a few, with painful pathos, prompts me to tell the lovers of home mission work that Dallas is blessed with several consecrated young women who are doing the work of city missionaries, known only to the suffering ones to whom they minister and to Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these little ones, ye have done it unto me." These Christian young women do their work under the name of "Free Kindergartens." On one of these bitter cold days two weeks ago one of these teachers, so gentle and refined more like a flower than a visitor to a wretched tenement home, missed a little pupil from the Kindergarten school. As is the custom of all these teachers, she went at once to the home of the child that afternoon, to ascertain the cause of its absence (sanitary regime of "Free Kindergarten work" requires this rigid surveillance in order to prevent contagion among the children) and in the tent

she found the pupil ill with pneumonia. Upon a bed near by lay the mother and babe of five weeks, the mother dying, and five little ones around the bed. The teacher at once sent a phone message to the supervisor, Miss Wilson, who came and brought friends and some comforts with her. But the poor mother, as soon as she saw the young teacher of her child, caught her hand and begged for help. She was going, she said, she knew not where. The girl pointed her to the Savior, who alone could help her. "Oh, but," the dying woman said, "I have asked him to help me, and he would not," and fearing the great beyond she agonized. A minister was called, but to her child's teacher she turned for comfort, and in that teacher she found the only solace, trusting God would through her prayers have mercy upon her soul; and thus, clutching Miss Holman's hand, the woman passed into eternity. These teachers secured necessary funds with which to give the poor body burial, found a home for the infant and took the other children to Dr. Buckner, who waived the rules and took them into his home. All honor to that grand man, who shelters tender lambs left to the merciless winds of adversity! This is one of many instances that have come to my knowledge since my connection with the Free Kindergarten work in Dallas. Who would say this is not missionary work? No denonceness, no city missionary, could do more than these Christian women are doing. Their pupils come from tents—wretched shacks called homes. The Kindergarten teacher spends the afternoons in these homes. Soon a mutual affection is generated, and the compensation comes to the teacher from the wonderful improvement seen in a short time, and the reputation usually felt for these unfortunates gives place to the blissful consciousness of duty performed. True, this work is non-sectarian—no one Church gets the credit for it. But what will that amount to in the great hereafter, when these rescued children shall be counted among the redeemed, and these teachers shall receive their reward from Him who came "to save that which was lost?" To uplift humanity, to sow the precious seeds of truth in the hearts of childhood, before the laws admit them into the public schools, to teach them that as

"God sends the bright spring sun To melt the ice and snow, So He sends His love to us To make our goodness grow."

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MRS. S. D. THURSTON, Dallas, Texas.

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Dallas District—Second Round
 Haskell Avenue, 11 a. m., March 23
 Ervay, 7:30 p. m., March 23
 Floyd, 11 a. m., March 24
 Oak Cliff, 7:30 p. m., March 24
 Dallas ch., at West Dallas, April 5, 7
 Whittell, at W., April 12, 13
 District Conference, at Cedar Hill, April 15-17
 Cedar Hill, at C. H., April 17
 Oak Lawn, 11 a. m., April 20
 Trinity, 7:30 p. m., April 20
 Lanesboro, at L., April 28, 27
 Argyle, at Prairie Mound, May 5, 4
 Denton, 7:30 p. m., May 4
 Grand Prairie, May 21, June 1
 First Church, 7:30 p. m., June 1
 Lewisville, June 7, 8
 Cochran and Caruth, at Cochran, June 11, 15
 Farmers Branch, at Coppell, June 27, 28
 I. W. Clark, P. E.

Bowie District—Second Round
 Wichita Falls, March 15, 16
 Iowa Park, at Beaver, March 16, 17
 Henrietta, Wed., March 19
 Denham, Thurs., March 20
 Bellevue, at Stoneburg, March 22, 23
 Bowie, March 25, 26
 Bridgeport, at Pleasant Valley, April 5, 6
 Paradise, at Bonoville, April 6, 7
 Boyd, at Garvin, April 12, 13
 Rhame, at Rhame, April 13, 14
 Fruitland, at Dry Valley, April 19, 20
 Alvord, at Foster, April 20, 21
 Crafton, at Olive Branch, April 28, 29
 Chisolm, at Cundiff, April 27, 28
 Decatur ch., at Oliver, May 2, 4
 Decatur sta., May 4, 5
 Bryson, at Brown S. H., May 10, 11
 Jacksboro, May 11, 12
 Holliday, May 17, 18
 Blue Grove, May 18, 19
 Gibson, May 21, June 1
 Archer City, Wed., June 4
 F. O. Miller, P. E.

Bonham District—First Round
 Gohar, 24 Sun. March
 Fannin, 24 Sun. March
 T. R. Pierce, P. E.

Sherman District—Second Round
 Denison, Waple Memorial, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Denison, Trinity, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Pottsboro and Preston, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Sherman, Travis Street, 1st Sun. April
 Sherman, Willow Street, 1st Sun. April
 Howe, 24 Sun. April
 Van Alstyne, 24 Sun. April
 Collinsville, 4th Sun. April
 District Conference meets in Wicksboro Thursday, 1st day of May, 5, 4, m.
 Whitesboro sta., 1st Sun. May
 Whitesboro, 24 Sun. May
 Bells, 24 Sun. May
 Sherman ch., 1st Sun. June
 Elliot Grove, 24 Sun. June
 Toga, 24 Sun. June
 Southmayd, 4th Sun. June
 Gordonville, 4th Sun. June
 J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Greenville District—Second Round
 Floyd, at Caddo, 24 Sun. March
 Celeste, at Lane, 24 Sun. March
 Wolfe City, 4th Sun. March
 Neola, at Harris Chapel, 4th Sun. March
 Campbell, at Friendship, 1st Sun. April
 Commerce mts., at Center, 24 Sun. April
 Kingston, at Ballard, 24 Sun. April
 Merit, at Bethel Grove, 4th Sun. April
 Fairlie, at Wesley Chapel, 1st Sun. May
 Kavanagh, 24 Sun. May
 Wesley, 24 Sun. May
 Greenville mts., at Wheeler, 4th Sun. May
 Lone Oak, at Lawndale, 1st Sun. June
 Leonard mts., at Blanton, 24 Sun. June
 Quinlan, 24 Sun. June
 Leonard, at Orange Grove, 4th Sun. June
 District Conference, at Caddo Mills, June 28-29.
 O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Terrell District—First Round
 Mahank, at Mahank, March 8, 9
 Terrell, at College Mound, Feb. 15, 16
 J. M. Peterson, P. E.

McKinney District—First Round
 Copeville mts., at Milam's chap., Mar. 9, 10
 Melissa mts., Mar. 15, 16
 F. A. Rosser, P. E.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

Gatesville District—Second Round
 Harmony, March 8, 9
 Killeen and Nolanville, March 15, 16
 Killeen Cove, 11 a. m., March 19
 Lampasas, March 22, 23
 McGregor, 7:30 p. m., March 23
 Coryell City, March 29, 30
 Evans, April 5, 6
 Bee House, 11 a. m., April 6
 Brookhaven, April 12, 13
 Oglesby, April 12, 13
 China Springs, 11 a. m., April 15, 20
 Gatesville mts., April 15, 20
 Hamilton, 11 a. m., April 23, 27
 Gatesville sta., April 28, 27
 J. G. Putman, P. E.

Cordeanna District—Second Round
 Cotton Gin, at Shiloh, March 8, 9
 Mexia, at Mexia, March 9, 10
 Wortham, at Woodland, March 15, 16
 Brandon, at Mertens, March 22, 23
 Kerens, at Kerens, March 29, 30
 Frost, at Frost, April 5, 6
 Lone Cedar, at Lone Cedar, April 5, 6
 Blooming Grove, at Bl. G., April 9
 Dresden, at Brushy, April 12, 13
 Dawson, at Dover, April 12, 13
 Hubbard, at Hubbard, April 13, 14
 Horn Hill, at Central Inst., April 19, 20
 Groesbeck, at Groesbeck, April 26, 27
 Barry, at Cryer Creek, April 26, 27
 Thornton, at Thornton, May 3, 4
 Corsicana ch., at Corsicana, May 4
 Rome, May 8
 Armour, May 10, 11
 Eureka, at Brinston, May 17, 18
 E. A. Bailey, P. E.

Weatherford District—Second Round
 Abdo, at Mary's Creek, March 8, 9
 Whit and Bethesda, at W., March 15, 16
 Milbar, at Willow Pond, March 22, 23
 Graham, March 29, 30
 Graham ch., at Salem, March 29, 30
 Farmer, at Red Top, April 5, 6
 Eliasville, at Caddo, April 12, 13
 Brockenridge, at Eureka, April 19, 20
 Gordon and Strawn, at S., April 26, 27
 Hanger, at Wayland, May 3, 4
 Santo, at Santo, May 10, 11
 Palo Pinto, May 17, 18
 Mineral Wells, May 19
 Jno. R. Morris, P. E.

Waco District—Second Round
 Bruceville, at Bruceville, March 8, 9
 Lorena, at Mooreville, March 15, 16
 Mount Calm, at M. C., March 22, 23
 West, at West, March 29, 30
 Peoria, at Cedar, April 5, 6
 Moody, April 12, 13

Abbott, at Bynum, April 19, 20
 Austin Avenue, April 27, 28
 Morgan, at Walnut, May 5, 4
 Whitney, May 10, 11
 Troy, at Onaville, May 17, 18
 Aquilla, at Ross, May 24, 25
 Fifth Street, June 1, 2
 Hoquerville, June 1, 2
 Howell, June 11, 15
 District Epworth League Conference, at Mart, June 25
 District Conference, at Mart, June 25
 B. R. Bolton, P. E.

Vernon District—Second Round
 Blair, Sun. Mar., March 9, 10
 Logg, Mon. night, March 11
 Wagon Vale, at Olathe, Tues., March 11
 Mangum, Wed. night, March 12
 Deer Creek, at Marla, Thurs., March 12
 Eldorado, at Cowen, Sat., Sun., Mar. 15, 16
 Yeldell, at Look, Sat., Sun., Mar. 22, 23
 Granite, at Martha, Sat., Sun., Mar. 22, 23
 Seymour, Sat., Sun., April 5, 6
 De-Jamin, at White Flat, Tues., April 5
 Manday, Thurs., April 10
 Round Timber, at Spring Creek, April 10
 Throckmorton, Sat., Sun., April 12, 13
 Haskell, Tues., April 15
 Haskell ch., Wed., April 15
 Chillicothe, Sat., Sun., April 26, 27
 Vernon, May 2, 4
 J. H. Wiseman, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Second Round
 Peach Street, March 8, 9
 Mulkey Memorial, March 9, 10
 Trinity, March 17
 North Fort Worth, at Food, March 14
 Cresson, at Bruce, March 15, 16
 Grapevine, at Enloe, March 22, 23
 Arlington, March 22, 23
 Agle, at Harris Chapel, March 29, 30
 First Church, Fort Worth, March 29, 30
 Glenwood, March 29, 30
 Smithfield, at S., April 5, 6
 Joshua, at Epsilon, April 12, 13
 Cuba, at Watts Ch., April 19, 20
 Cleburne, at Cleburne, May 2, 4
 District Conference, at Cleburne, May 14
 Jas. Campbell, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Second Round
 Lovelace, at Lakemon, March 8, 9
 Hillsboro, March 9, 10
 Palmer, at Chappel Hill, March 15, 16
 Oella, at Red Oak, March 22, 23
 Grandview, at Greenbrier, March 29, 30
 Forrester, at Falls, April 5, 6
 Hardwell, at Avalon, April 12, 13
 Italy, April 19, 20
 Venus, at Wyatt, April 19, 20
 Mill-ohlin, April 26, 27
 Elyse, April 26, 27
 Waxahachie, April 26, 27
 Alvarado, at Derr, May 3, 4
 Boz, May 11, 15
 Alma, May 21, 25
 O. F. Semabough, P. E.

Arlington District—Second Round
 Anson, at Bethel, March 8, 9
 Asperment, at Brazos Valley, March 12, 13
 Stamford, at Spring Creek, March 15, 16
 Eula, at Rough Creek, March 22, 23
 Galt, at Galt, March 29, 30
 Chalmers, at Light, April 1
 Colorado sta., April 4, 6
 Colorado mts., at Champion, April 5, 6
 Truby, at Delk, April 12, 13
 Buffalo Gap, at Audra, April 19, 20
 Big Springs, April 26, 27
 Sycamore, at Camp Springs, April 26, 27
 Roby, at White Flat, May 1
 Midland, May 2, 4
 Cisco, May 10, 11
 Baird, May 24, 25
 Sweetwater, May 27, 28
 Merkel, May 27, 28
 Tarrant, May 27, 28
 Sunday-school and Epworth League Conference, at Anson, June 2-6
 Abilene, June 7, 8
 District Conference, at Merkel, June 27
 E. A. Smith, P. E.

Brownwood District—Second Round
 Robert Lee, at Rock Springs, March 8, 9
 Winkles mts., at Spring Cr., March 15, 16
 Winters, at Winters, March 15, 16
 Ballinger, March 16, 17
 Santa Anna, at Salem, March 22, 23
 Indian Creek, at Bethany, March 29, 30
 Bangs, at Bangs, April 5, 6
 Glenview, at Midway, April 12, 13
 Brownwood, at Brownwood, April 19, 20
 Day, at May, April 26, 27
 Blanket, at Turkey Peak, May 1
 Center City, at Pleasant Grove, May 2, 4
 Goldthwaite, May 4, 5
 Lometa, at Lometa, May 6
 Zephyr and Mullin, at Bethel, May 7
 Fleming, at Warren's Creek, May 11, 12
 Comanche, May 12, 13
 Burkett, May 24, 25
 The Missionary Institute and the district meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies will meet at Comanche, March 29-31.
 W. H. Matthews, P. E.

Clarendon District—Second Round
 Memphis, at Newlin, March 15, 16
 Amarillo sta., March 19
 Glade, at Washburn, March 22, 23
 Childress ch., at Gypsum, March 22, 23
 Paducah, at Guthrie, March 29, 30
 Matador, at M., April 2
 Emma, at Croton, April 5, 6
 Clarendon sta., April 11
 Childress sta., April 12, 13
 Channing, April 12, 13
 Wellington, at W., April 19, 20
 Haverford, at Union, April 19, 20
 Canadian City, at C., April 24
 Canyon City, at Bendish, April 26, 27
 Higgins, at Second Creek, April 26, 27
 Floydada, at F., May 7, 1
 Lubbock, at Pierce's, May 11, 12
 Flatview sta., May 19, 21
 Cataline, May 21, 25
 Stratford, June 17, 18
 District Conference will convene at Claude June 5, at 2 o'clock a. m.
 G. S. Hardy, P. E.

Dublin District—Second Round
 Dublin, March 9
 Stephenville, March 16
 Granbury, March 23
 Missionary Institute, at Dublin, March 21-25
 Rising Star, at Salt Tank, March 29, 30
 Morgan Hill, at Wesley Chapel, April 5, 6
 E. F. Boone, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Austin District—Second Round
 Smithville, March 8, 9
 LaGrange, March 15, 16
 Eagle Lake, at Altair, March 22, 23
 Columbus, March 29, 30
 Wetmar and Osage, at W., April 5, 6
 Fritch, April 12, 13
 West Point, at West Point, April 19, 20
 Cedar Creek, at Hill's Prairie, April 26, 27
 Bastrop, April 27, 28

Elgin, May 2, 4
 Manor, May 4, 5
 M. Duke, at Pleasant Grove, May 10, 11
 S.uth Austin, May 17, 18
 Webberville, at Webberville, May 17, 18
 Hotchkiss Memorial, Austin, May 19
 Manchaca, May 21, 22
 Walnut, May 21, June 1
 Tenth Street, Austin, June 2
 First Street, Austin, June 2
 E. S. Smith, P. E.

Huntsville District—Second Round
 Milliken, at Lynn Grove, March 22, 23
 Navasota, March 27, 28
 Cold Springs, at Shepherd, March 29, 30
 Madisville, at Madisville, April 5, 6
 Waller, at Pine Grove, April 12, 13
 Prairie Plains, at Union Grove, April 19, 20
 Centre, at Centre, April 26, 27
 Anderson, at St. Paul's Church, May 3, 4
 Hempstead, June 1, 2
 Bryan, June 1, 2
 Montgomery, June 7, 8
 Willbros, June 15, 16
 Zion, June 22, 23
 Jewell, at Lodge, June 29, 30
 Huntsville, July 6, 7
 Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

Houston District—First Round
 Rosenberg, at Rosenberg, Mar. 8, 9
 Richmond, Mar. 8, 9
 Matagorda, at Matagorda, Mar. 15, 16
 Mt. Belvieu, at Geo. A. Hill, Mar. 15, 16
 Geo. A. Hill, Mar. 15, 16
 H. M. Sorek, P. E.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Llano District—Second Round
 Illinois, March 8, 9
 Willow City, March 15, 16
 Boerne, March 22, 23
 Center Point, 7 p. m., March 24
 Bandera and Medina, 7 p. m., March 25
 Kerrville, 7 p. m., March 26
 Rock Springs, March 29, 30
 Kingsland, April 2, 4
 W. H. H. Egan, P. E.

San Marcos District—Second Round
 Lockhart ch., at McMahan, 24 Sun. Mar.
 Lockhart sta., 24 Sun. Mar.
 Dripping Springs ch., at Fitzhugh, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Belmont ch., at Prairie Lea, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Kyle and Pleasant Grove, at Kyle, 1st Sun. April
 San Marcos sta., 1st Sun. April
 San Marcos ch., at Hunter, 24 Sun. April
 Gonzales sta., 4th Sun. April
 Sterling Fisher, P. E.

San Angelo District—Second Round
 Ozona, 24 Sun. Mar.
 Water Valley, at Grape Cr., 24 Sun. Mar.
 Junction and Meard, at J. 4th Sun. Mar.
 Mason, at Camp San Saba, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Pottsville, 1st Sun. April
 Brady, 24 Sun. April
 Milburn, 24 Sun. April
 Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Beville District—Second Round
 Sutherland Springs, at Nockona, March 8, 9
 Wado City ch., at Skidmore, March 15, 16
 Oakville ch., at Mineral City, March 22, 23
 Beville sta., March 29, 30
 Alice ch., at San Diego, April 5, 6
 Corpus Christi, April 12, 13
 Rockport ch., April 19, 20
 Hlanconia ch., April 26, 27
 Joe F. Wells, P. E.

Cuero District—Second Round
 Clear Creek, at Cheate, 24 Sun. March
 Garada, at Garada, 24 Sun. March
 Cuero, 4th Sun. March
 Yoakum, 4th Sun. March
 Jas. W. Stewart, P. E.

San Antonio District—Second Round
 Laredo, 24 Sun. Mar.
 Hondo and Devine, 24 Sun. Mar.
 Eversall, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Cotulla, 4th Sun. Mar.
 Bozar, 1st Sun. April
 1st St., 24 Sun. April
 Eagle Pass, 4th Sun. April
 Utopia, 1st Sun. May
 Victoria, 4th Sun. May
 Amphion, 24 Sun. May
 West End, 4th Sun. May
 Prospect Hill, 12 p. m., 4th Sun. May
 Travis Park, 1st Sun. June
 Sherman Street, 7:30 p. m., 1st Sun. June
 Moore ch., 7:30 p. m., 24 Sun. June
 South Heights, 7:30 p. m., 24 Sun. June
 Comal, 7:30 p. m., 4th Sun. June
 Carrizo, at Bawville, 4th Sun. June
 B. Harris, P. E.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Beaumont District—First Round
 Call ch., at Call, March 8, 9
 Sibley mts., Feb. 15, 16
 Burkeville ch., Feb. 22, 23
 Livingston, at Moscow, March 29, 30
 Leggett ch., at Providence, April 5, 6
 J. W. Johnson, P. E.

San Augustine District—First Round
 Carlisle sta., Mar. 2, 3
 Sexton ch., at Geneva, March 7
 Hemphill, at Hemphill, March 8, 9
 Appleby, at Lynn Flat, March 15, 16
 A. J. Weeks, P. E.

Palestine District—First Round
 Brushy Creek ch., at Mt. Vernon, March 8, 9
 Frankfort ch., at Frankfort, March 15, 16
 Alto ch., at Mt. Zion, March 22, 23
 Augusta, at Augusta, March 29, 30
 W. F. Davis, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Second Round
 New Boston, at Godley's Prairie, March 22, 23
 Casson, at Albia, Friday, March 29
 Mt. Pleasant, March 29, 30
 Gilmer, at Gilmer, April 5, 6
 Leesburg, at New Friendship, April 12, 13
 Naples, at Omaha, April 19, 20

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In this connection I wish to speak of a booklet recently issued by the Rev. J. L. Cuningim, of the North Carolina Conference, entitled "A Plan for Better Religious Instruction in the Southern Methodist Church." It is an earnest and intelligent plea for better training for our young men in the ministry. The plan looks to the estab-

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F. L. MCGHEE, P. C.
Tilmon, Texas.

TO THE PREACHERS OF THE EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Sunday-School Institute will be held in Jacksonville, April 16-18. A good attendance is desired. Pastors, superintendents and teachers, who can, ought to come. We want to provide homes for all. There is no way of determining the number to provide for until their names are sent in. Will the pastors attend to this matter at once?

Note this: Homes will be provided for those whose names are sent me by April 1.
CHAS. F. SMITH.

A HEROIC MISSIONARY AND DELEGATE—A NOTE PERSONAL.

Nothing in connection with the prospective meeting of the General Conference in Dallas next May has afforded this writer more genuine pleasure than the election of Rev. J. W. Grimes as a delegate from the Central Mexican Mission Conference. It affords me pleasure from the fact that he is my personal friend of 26 years' standing. He was educated in Granbury College; and his former teachers and his friends of by-gone days will be glad to meet again. It is a pleasure because of his true, heroic character and sacrificing spirit. Twenty-one years ago he gave himself to the missionary work and plunged into the heart of Mexico. And with a devotion and a heroism exceeded scarcely by any in our foreign field, he has stood by the Master's cause through sacrifices, trials and dangers in that dark and difficult republic. He and his young wife went with their hearts full of faith and hope. Since then her faith and hope have been turned into sight and fruition; she gave her life to His service, and has ascended on high.

Bro. Grimes' health has failed two or three times; but he has remained on the field. He has been out of the republic but twice in all this time, so far as this writer knows. He has gone through "times that try men's souls"—been shot at, had dangers without; but I can scarcely say that he has had "fears within"; for he does not seem to know what fear is. He has filled the various positions of the Church with such unswerving fidelity that the conference does him and itself the honor of sending him as a delegate to our quadrennial convocation.

In a private note to this scribe, he says, "It will afford me great pleasure to accept your kind invitation to attend the General Conference and make my home with you. I go as delegate from my conference. I am looking forward to a glorious time. It is not often that such an opportunity presents itself to a man. To go to the General Conference and visit your dearest friend at the same time! Just think of it!"

And who would not prize the friendship of such a man, and hail his coming with pleasure?
W. J. MOORE,
Dallas, Texas.

You should not feel tired all the time—healthy people don't—you won't if you take Hood's Sarsaparilla for a while.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

VERNON DISTRICT.

Vernon District Conference will be held at Mangum, Okla., June 20, at 8:30 p. m.
J. H. Wiseman, P. E.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.

The Gainesville District Conference will be held at St. Jo, April 30 to May 3. Rev. J. W. Tineer will preach the opening sermon. The committees required by the Discipline will be announced later.
Geo. S. Sexton, P. E.

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Terrell District—Second Round.

Forney, March 29, 30
Terrell sta., April 2, 3
Mesquite, at Long Creek, April 2, 3
Rockwall, April 12, 13
Kaufman mts., at Lone Star, April 19, 20
Kemp, at Kemp, April 26, 27
Reinhardt, at Reinhardt, April 27, 28
Carlsbad, April 27, 28
Crandall, at Seagoville, May 3, 4
Royce, May 10, 11
Fate, at Fate, May 11, 12
Kaufman sta., May 17, 18
Mabank, at Hood, May 24, 25
Terrell cir., May 31, June 1
Chisholm, June 7, 8
Where the conference is held on Monday it will meet at 2 a. m. and preaching at 11 a. m.
J. M. Peterson, P. E.

Gainesville District—Second Round.

Era and V. V., at Era, March 8, 9
Broadway, Gainesville, March 9, 10
Mission, Gainesville, March 12
Aubrey, at Oak Grove, March 14, 15
Pilot Point, March 15, 16
Harris, at Zion, March 22, 23
Denton Street, Gainesville, March 23, 24
Woodbine, at Callisburg, March 28, 29
Dexter, at Mount Gilead, April 5, 6
Sanger, at Krum, April 12, 13
Greenwood, at Shidell, April 12, 13
Montague, at Dye Mound, April 19, 20
St. Jo, at Myra, April 26, 27
Marysville, at Liberty, April 27, 28
Bonita, at Sandy Mound, May 10, 11
Houston, at Hood, May 17, 18
Nocona, May 24, 25
Belcher, at Prairie Mound, May 31, June 1
Roanoke and Ponder, at Ponder, June 7, 8
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McKinney District—Second Round.

Farmersville sta., March 22, 23
McKinney sta., March 29, 30
Bethel cir., at Elm Ridge, April 5, 6
Union and Rosland, at Wesley Chapel, April 12, 13
Allen cir., at White's Grove, April 19, 20
Nevada cir., at Layton, April 26, 27
Princeton cir., at Liberty, May 3, 4
Renner cir., at Frankford, May 17, 18
Piano sta., May 24, 25
Blue Ridge cir., at Verona, May 31, June 1
Wylie cir., at Pleasant Valley, June 7, 8
Weston cir., at Maple, June 14, 15
Copeville mts., June 21, 22
Melissa mts., June 28, 29
District Conference at Anna, May 1
Opening sermon by Rev. W. D. Mountcastle April 30, 7:30 p. m.
F. A. Rosser, P. E.

Houston District—Second Round.

Angleton, at V. Lasso, March 22, 23
Wharton and Hungerford, at W. April 5, 6
Columbia and Brazoria, at B. April 12, 13
El Campo, at Ashby, April 19, 20
Cedar Bayou, April 26, 27
League City, at Seabrook, May 3, 4
Alvin, May 10, 11
Sandy Point, at Manvel, May 17, 18
West End, Galveston, May 17, 18
Central Church, Galveston, May 18, 19
Shearn, Houston, May 24, 25
Tabernacle, Houston, May 25, 26
McKee Street, Houston, May 25, 26
McAahan, Houston, May 25, 26
Washington Street, Houston, May 25, 26
Rosenberg, May 31, June 1
Richmond, June 4, 5
Holt Belvoir, June 7, 8
Matagorda, June 14, 15
District Conference, at Bay City, June 15, 16
June 16-17
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