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EDITORIAL.

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THE GENERAL RULES OF THE CHURCH.

It is our purpose to write a few editorials on the subject above named, and we will make this one preliminary to the ones which will follow. The General Rules of the Church very properly follow immediately after the Twenty-Five Articles of Religion in our Book of Discipline. These Articles of Religion contain and express the fundamental doctrines of our system, as they have been carefully gathered from the Scriptures and expressed in this succinct form. But the General Rules contain and express the practical duties of religious life and character growing out of these great underlying doctrines of the Bible. These General Rules were formulated by Mr. Wesley long before he was conscious of the magnitude of the movement he was inaugurating, and such is their practical value as a scriptural code of morals and religion that they remain intact to-day as a vital part of our system and practice. In fact, they are the sum and substance of what we teach concerning conduct and character. They are the life and inspiration of our religion and the fruit of our relation to God and to our fellow man. We can make no improvement upon them any more than we can make improvement upon the teachings of the Scriptures. They are the living essence of the Scriptures. Therefore, they have a permanent place in our Book of Discipline alongside with our Twenty-Five Articles of Religion. And such is their supreme importance that every pastor in the Church is required by law to read them publicly, once a year, to his congregation.

In the preface of these Rules it is stated, "There is but one condition previously required of those who desire admission into these Societies—a desire to flee from the wrath to come and to be saved from their sins." These Rules were adopted by Mr. Wesley and his handful of associates right in the beginning of their effort to understand the Bible and to apply its teaching to their daily lives and experiences. The organization of a Church was not dreamed of by them. They were communicants in the Anglican Church, but they were seeking after a deeper experience in the things of God than was the habit of the average Churchmen of that day. Hence, these little groups of pious men, as they were multiplied by the workers, were known as "Societies," and this designation became a part of the General Rules, and it is retained unchanged to this day. When these several societies enlarged in number they became somewhat congregational as their members increased, and hence they were finally known as the "United Society." In other words, God was shaping the movement up for our present great itinerant system, but the agents at work at it did not realize it. In coming into the membership of these societies there was but one test, and that was "a desire to flee from the

wrath to come and be saved from sin." This test was the evidence that the applicant was anxious about his salvation and that his aim in getting into such an organization was solely to compass this one end. The outcome of it was deliverance from sin, the witness of the spirit, adoption into the family of God, and the sanctification of life and character. The test really was equivalent to a profession of faith in Christ, such as would result in regeneration and personal fellowship with God. The purpose, the means and the end of the association were a deep sense of sin and spiritual deliverance. Out of the movement has grown Methodism with its system of doctrines and its ecclesiastical usages and polity.

DUTY OF KEEPING THE HEART.

According to the Scriptures, the heart is the moral and religious sense with which God has endowed us. It is this sense that differentiates us from the beasts that perish. They have instinct that corresponds with our intellects, but they have nothing that we call the heart. Hence, there is no moral quality attaching to their conduct. They do not know right from wrong. But not so with us. In addition to intellect, we have heart, and from this all human character proceeds. Through the heart we love or hate; experience joy or sorrow; have fellowship with God or communion with the world. In the heart, motive is born and purpose takes on form. In the heart rightness prevails or wickedness holds riot. A man is a good man because he has a good heart, or he is a bad man because he has a bad heart. Through the heart we find God, and walk with him in light, or we ally ourselves with the lusts of the flesh and become bestial. It is "with the heart that man believeth unto righteousness;" and we are thereby made to become partakers of the divine nature. The cold intellect is speculative and skeptical, but the warm heart is trusting and clings to the unseen. The intellect demands convincing evidence, but the heart is willing to take the divine promises on faith. Therefore, say the Scriptures, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." A pure heart is essential to a pure life. This comes as a result of genuine repentance toward God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. A heart made pure by the Holy Ghost and brought into loving obedience to the commandments of God will direct the intellect into ready assent to the truths of revelation; for, "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the truth whether it be of God;" and no man ever does anything with enthusiasm until his heart prompts him to action. It is needful then to keep the heart with faithfulness and with care, that the life may not stray from God. "That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith," is the supreme desire of Paul in his letter to the Ephesians. Let the heart be nurtured on faith, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and rooted in love, and God will be able to keep such a man or woman unto life eternal.

MATTERS FOR THE GENERAL CONFERENCE TO SETTLE.

A number of our Church exchanges are busily engaged in outlining work for the approaching General Conference to accomplish. Several of them seem to think that the Publishing House incident will be the chief thing to consider, and they are estimating a half-conscious fear that the right disposition of it will not be made. It is our candid judgment that this whole matter has already received more public attention than it deserves, and we furthermore believe that it will be settled without prejudice and passion. Surely three hundred earnest and consecrated men, meeting under the guidance and direction of the Holy Spirit and wanting to do what is right, will have but little difficulty in adjudicating this matter to the glory of God and the good of Methodism. No one man and no dozen men who are members of the General Conference have a monopoly of all the interest that the Church has in this issue. There are a great many sober, religious and cool-headed men who have not yet gone into spasms over this question upon whom we can safely rely to steer the affair through the breakers into a safe haven of settlement. And when we do make final settlement of it, we want it settled once and forever, so that we will never hear of it again. But there will be other graver matters than this that will need attention. Some of our laws need amending and a few new ones may be necessary. That the Deacons' question will have a strong following, there can be no doubt; and there will be probable action had upon that question. The elimination of the time limit in our pastoralate will hardly receive serious attention. But our educational, missionary, Church extension and Epworth League work will come in for grave consideration and for larger plans in their behalf. Beside these interests, we will have to elect a large number of men to important offices. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that we will need to elect two, and probably three, new Bishops. Four or five of our present hon- oral college are advanced in years, and the health of some of them is precarious. We need to strengthen our work at this point with a few active, strong and younger men. All the General Conference offices will be to refill. The terms of the present incumbents will have expired under the statute of limitation. There will doubtless be many new men elected to these places. There is no reason why the itinerant rule should not apply to these positions just as it does to the pastoralate, except in very rare cases. New men often impart life and activity to the work. Now, inasmuch as there are about one hundred and eighty-five new men in this General Conference, there will be thrown into it a little bit more of vigor than has been usually the case in former sessions, yet we hope conservative judgment will prevail in all important issues. We pray for the outpouring of the Spirit of God upon this General Conference, that it may be the most spiritual and harmonious session ever held in the history of the Church. Texas Metho-

dism is especially looking forward to the meeting as the one great result of its coming to Christ. — Sunday School.

A great many people are looking forward to the meeting as the one great result of its coming to Christ. — Sunday School.

Christ desires a very close and intimate relationship in those who believe, who are identified with his work. While we can't be said to be disciples, "Heavenly Father, I call you not servants, for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth. But I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard of my Father, I have made known unto you." We need a something mental with the word servant. It is only who simply sleep (instead of being wakened out by master's will) but he never enters into the confidence of his master. It is his duty simply to serve without any questions or showing the power why. But not so with the disciple of Christ. The Master takes him into his most intimate confidence and reveals to him the will of his Father's heart. We can not, therefore, be true his confidence in the slightest particular. "Ye are my friends, if you do whatever I command you." The secret of this heavenly friendship are found in a willing-

If we would discuss Christ and give him his fellowship every time he came near to us, we must keep our eyes fixed upon him. Immediately after his resurrection he walked of all the way from Jerusalem to Emmaus with two of his disciples of whom he had heard, and yet they failed to recognize him until they reached the end of their journey and just as he was bidding them adieu. Their eyes were hidden with their own sin, but his death and their deep concern as to their future movements. Had they been so alert, and had their hearts been filled with faith, they would have recognized him by talking about his resurrection. Christ always reveals himself to those whose hearts are intent upon seeing and knowing him. Often he comes to us along the way of life, but our minds are so full of the world and the things of the world that we do recognize him, and we lose the benefit of his companionship.

Three Questions Answered

- 1. Do you favor a redistricting of the territory now included within all of the five Texas Conferences?
2. Has the time come for the introduction of the order of Deaconesses into our Church economy?
3. Do you favor the elimination of the time limit of the pastorate from our itinerant system?

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

W. L. Nelson, Georgetown—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
G. W. Owens, Dallas—1. I do not. A change in some boundaries would be preferable. 2. No. 3. I do not.
J. W. Williams, Mesquite—1. Yes. 2. No. 3. No.
J. M. Armstrong, Salado—1. Yes. 2. I think so. 3. No, except in particular instances. From them more harm than good might result.
W. J. Houston, Stephenville—1. I would prefer that the conferences remain as they are now, except as could be the Northwest Texas Conference. It is self-sustaining. 2. I do not favor a change in the time limit. 3. I do not favor a change in the time limit.
G. D. Wilson, Santa Fe—1. Yes. I fairly decided. 2. Perhaps so. 3. Emphatically, No, never.
J. S. Hockabee, Abilene—1. Yes. 2. Yes. 3. No.
R. D. Mason, Center City—1. Yes, and four great conferences made, so that they can send the best of men on their missions and take care of them. This is due the larger conferences as well as the smaller ones. 2. Yes, and make it their duty to do any work on any line not covered by special officers for that purpose. 3. Yes, so the Bishop can move a man at the end of one year or two, without embarrassing any one or having to give a reason for moving him, or let him stay as long as he does well, and in that way he can have a home of his own.
Sam'l Morris, Odessa—1. I would absorb the Texas Conferences in the East Texas and West Texas Conferences and divide the Northwest Texas Conference. 2. Yes, it would be a forward movement. 3. No. I would vote to return to the two-year limit. Itinerary was the secret of our great success as a Church. The two-year limit and six months' probation were a great loss to our Church (I believe).
T. W. Ellis, Hockabee—1. Yes. I think it would be better for the work as a whole. 2. Hardly think so. It seems to me that the good women have abundant opportunity for usefulness. 3. I believe it would be well to remove the time limit, but let the Bishop retain the power of moving a preacher when he thinks best.
J. L. Hallers, Silverton—1. I do. 2. I think so. 3. I have been thinking much this subject, and my judgment is that the elimination of the time limit would be a blessing to the Church.
J. W. Fort, Lorena—1. I haven't thought over the matter enough to answer. 2. I do not and have favored it for several years. What is the Scriptural ground for it? We have no place for young ladies to work after they receive their training? 3. I believe the time will come, when we must remove the time limit from our system. We are the only branch of Methodism now, as far as I know, that has the time limit. We can not build a great Church in a city as other denominations do who do not have the limit. But we haven't many large cities in our Church. I think we can wait a few years yet.
E. A. Clark, Glen Cove—1. I do. 2. I think not. 3. I do not.
E. P. Boone, Dublin—1. Yes. The best interests of Methodism demand it. 2. Yes. 3. Yes. I'm not a wise man, but I've changed my mind on all these questions.
C. B. Smith, Comanche—1. Do not favor redistricting. Think it better to let the boundaries remain as they are and organize a new conference, if necessary. 2. I believe the General Conference to be competent to decide this question. 3. Am satisfied with the way our fathers fixed it, and am therefore opposed to elimination.
G. C. Summers, Ranger—1. I think that Methodism in general demands a redistricting of the five conferences in Texas. 2. Yes. We have been slow to recognize that fact. 3. No. Methodism has prospered with the itinerant system as it is in the South.
W. H. Matthews, Brownwood—1. I am not in favor of redistricting at this time. 2. I think so. 3. No.
J. H. Trimble, Anson—1. No. 2. Yes. 3. No.
R. S. Helzer, Market—1. No. The old landmarks ought to stand. 2. No; I hardly think that it has. 3. No. If any change were to be made, better shorten it to two years.
Jno. R. Nelson, Waco—Are you not shouting legislation of the General Conference, and that too before any public discussion of the questions through Advertisers or on conference floor? Of course, if there is no light to be turned on, the proper thing is to poll the vote. I am against "redistricting" for the "Deaconess office," and against removing "time limit."
E. L. Armstrong, Corsicana—1. Give Texas Conference twenty pastoral charges off the south and east boundary of Northwest Texas Conference, including Georgetown and Groesbeck. 2. No; not yet, time, if ever. 3. No; never, never.
E. W. Solomon, Corsicana—1. I do, for I believe it will be for the best interest of our Church in the whole State. 2. I do not think it has, if it ever will. 3. I do for many reasons.
A. O. Evans, Georgetown—1. No. 2. Not unless we get more light on the subject. 3. No.
W. B. Andrews, Mexia—1. I do not. Redistricting means the ceasing of strong-est districts of the Northwest Texas Con-

ference to the Texas Conference and endangering the missions of our territory. Our conference should be allowed to settle its own problems without interference from other conferences in the State. 2. No. 3. The elimination of the time limit tends to congregationalism, the lessening of the authority of our Bishops, and the creation and magnifying of classes in our ministry. 1 answer no.
E. J. Maxwell, Barry—1. I do not favor a redistricting of our territory. 2. I do not think the time has come for the introduction of the order of Deaconesses into our Church. 3. I do not favor the elimination of the time limit.
A. E. Carraway, Bruceville—1. If any change of much importance is made, I prefer redistricting. Really prefer no change. 2. No—emphatically! 3. No—with emphasis.
Sam'l B. Sawyer, Granger—1. I do not. 2. No, sir— 3. Never, no—never.
L. A. Beavis, Aquilla—1. Texas Methodism is not ready for the redistricting of her territory. 2. I have no sympathy with such a movement. 3. The present system works like a charm. Why change it?
Jno. A. Wallace, Temple—1. I favor redistricting to make six conferences. 2. I do not think the time has come to introduce Deaconesses into our Church. 3. I do not. It's too long now for most of us.
R. J. Towley, Fortston—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
W. H. Terry, Palmer—1. Yes. 2. No. The W. H. M. Society can meet the demands as now organized. 3. No.
W. N. Curry, Arlington—1. Yes. 2. No, not now. 3. No, unless you make it two instead of four years.
J. H. Overstreet, Childress—1. Yes. 2. No. 3. No.
J. B. Curry, Paducah—1. I do not. 2. Yes. I think so, if ever. 3. No.
Jno. A. Travis, Round Timber—1. No, not all of the territory. 2. No. As I see it, it has not. 3. No, by any means.
C. E. Lindsey, Crowell—1. Yes. 2. No. 3. No.
J. T. Blossworth, Olmsted, O. T.—1. No, not now. 2. I am not sure. Maybe they would do a good work. 3. May the day come when we have a time limit is removed. Churches are doing enough now in some places and a change is likely needed.
M. A. Turner, Eastland—1. Yes. I deem it an economic necessity, both for the distribution and application of the evangelistic forces of Texas Methodism. 2. No. We should first utilize the agencies we now have. 3. No. We had best "let well enough alone." Such a measure would foster contention in our membership, breed jealousy among preachers and the hands of our Bishops.
G. W. Harris, Bertram—1. I am not decided in my own mind whether the five conferences should be redistricted or not. 2. I answer yes, the time has come. 3. No, never while I live.
J. M. Carter, Comanche—1. Yes. With the increase of population the redistricting seems inevitable. 2. Yes, certainly. It seems to me that we have delayed too long already. 3. No. I think not. I believe the spirit of restlessness among our people would be increased. I think the four-year limit is about right.
D. A. McGuire, May—1. I do not. 2. I think so. 3. I do not.
Chas. Davis, Russell—No. 1 favor a division of the conference. 2. I believe it has, but not as preachers. 3. I do not.
C. W. Irvin, Big Springs—1. Have not considered the matter of redistricting enough to say how I would vote. 2. Do not think the time has come. 3. Do not favor the elimination of the time limit.
C. S. Cameron, Troy—1. I do not favor redistricting. 1 favor absorption of Texas Conference. 2. Yes; the time has come, with certain restrictions. 3. I do not favor elimination of time limit.
M. M. Morphis, Covington—1. I am not clear on this point. 2. I do not think so. 3. I do not. I regard the present system, which provides the proper and constant distribution of ministerial talent to the whole Church, as one of the great causes of the marvelous success of Methodism.
J. David Crockett, Salado—1. No, sir; it would confuse the records of all the Texas conferences and make more work. They are the Bible teaches it, and do not believe our Church needs the order of Deaconesses. 2. To eliminate the time limit of our pastorate, I believe, would be detrimental to our Church and the cause of Christ.
R. J. Birdwell, Coleman—1. I am opposed to it. 2. Do not know. 3. I am opposed to it.
A. P. Lipscomb, Fleming—1. I do not. 2. Yes. They are absolutely needed. 3. I do not.
N. A. Keen, Mount Calm—1. No. 2. Yes. 3. No.
E. A. Bailey, Blooming Grove—1. I do not. 2. Not having given the question mature thought, I am unprepared to answer positively. However, if there is a time when it will be introduced into our Church, I do not see why the present is not as proper as any other. 3. I do not.
H. A. Snoddy, Santa Anna—1. No, I do not. 2. Yes, I think so. 3. I do not think we are ready for that yet, and it may be some time until we are.
Jas. M. Sherman, Burnet—1. I prefer redistricting to slicing, cutting or dividing. But think it better to absorb one of the weaker conferences and make four strong English-speaking conferences in Texas. 2. It has, with proper restrictions. 3. I believe it will come in due time, but we are not ready for it yet.
J. W. Dickinson, Joshua—1. I favor something that will change boundary of Northwest Texas Conference. If it requires redistricting, yes. 2. Yes. 3. No. I want the time limit to be one year.
C. C. Stark, Fort Worth—1. I think it the best thing to be done under the circumstances. 2. No. 3. No.

W. W. Moss, Baird—1. I do not. 2. No. 3. I do not.
H. A. Boag, Dublin—1. I heartily favor redistricting Texas, making five conferences, more nearly equalizing the territory and the number of men in the several conferences. At present one or two conferences are too large to entertain and others too small to inspire much enthusiasm. 2. I believe the order of Deaconesses to be both practical and scriptural, hence favor its introduction. 3. I most sincerely oppose elimination of the time limit of the pastorate. Let it stand just as it is.
A. B. Roberts, Snyder—1. No. 2. Yes. 3. No.
NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE
W. H. Hughes, Dallas—1. No. Let well enough alone. 2. No. Woman, the last and best of creation, in her place is a crown jewel, out of it is a mist and snare. If the time comes when our men, like Rome, have no religion, then we will need cellars, sisters of charity, nuns and barren mother superiors. 3. No. That would amount to a mixed pastorate, part settled and part itinerant. The C. P. Church tried this for years and abandoned it as impractical. We had as well unfrack our Bishops and let our people, like others, scramble for a pastor.
R. C. Hicks, Commerce—1. Yes, provided the weaker conferences cannot be strengthened without it. But I would much prefer the latter—that is, an adjustment that would give relief to the weak without materially changing the lines of the North Texas. 2. No; and my judgment is that it never will. Their work is moving on too well to go to tampering with it. 3. No—a thousand times over.
J. A. Stafford, Sherman—1. By all means. 2. I have my doubts about it. 3. I am opposed to a change. I fear we are too congregational now for the most effectual evangelism.
L. F. Palmer, Marysville—1. I favor the redistricting. The territory should be more equally divided between the five conferences in Texas. 2. I do not think the time has come for this introduction. 3. I do not favor the elimination of the time limit. Let well enough alone.
J. Marvin Nichols, Dallas—1. No, provided five conferences are left in Texas. 2. No, the Deaconess order, as the memorial will state, can be fulfilled through channels already in the Church. We have more churches than pastor now. 3. Yes, provided it applies only to our strategic and congested centers.
J. P. Archer, Lancaster—1. While our conference lines are perhaps a little awkward, I doubt the propriety of redistricting. It might create much dissatisfaction. 2. I am inclined to the opinion that good might come of it. 3. Emphatically no. Nothing could be gained by it.
D. J. Martin, Plains—1. No. Let each conference look after its own affairs in its own way. 2. No. We are not in need of Deaconesses in our Church. 3. Yes. I favor the elimination of the time limit of the pastorate from our itinerant system, and have been for years. It would be best for our Church.
W. P. Bryan, Blossom—1. No. 2. No. 3. I am rather inclined to favor this question; however, not enthusiastically as yet.
Geo. H. Adams, Kingston—1. Yes. Reason: To be unselfish. 2. Yes, and has been here for years. 3. Yes.
M. H. Neely, Denton—1. I do. 2. I think so, doubtless. 3. I do and have for years. I tried by resolution offered in the General Conference of 1899 to get this measure passed.
Jas. W. Hill, Greenville—1. I do not favor a general overhauling. Some trimming and evening up might be profitable. 2. If we ever intend to introduce the order of Deaconesses among our women, the sooner it is done the better. 3. I favor the removal of the time-limit, provided the appointing power of the Bishops is not curtailed at the same time.
Wm. A. Edwards, Dallas—1. I do. It would not benefit the North Texas Conference, but it would Texas Methodism. 2. It has. It is one of those movements that is inevitable. 3. I do. It will be agitated until it is finally accomplished. Why not now?
Chas. A. Spragins, Whitewright—1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Yes.
O. S. Thomas, Greenville—1. By no means. 2. Yes, under proper management. 3. For pastorate, yes. For presiding eldership, no.
J. W. Clifton, Dodd City—1. I am not in favor of redistricting the conferences, but would favor the absorption of the East Texas by the North Texas and the Texas by the East Texas. 2. Yes. 3. I would favor the removal of the time limit under certain restrictions. These restrictions I have not space to mention here, nor to give reasons why I think the change necessary, but conditions have changed since the day of the fathers.
J. M. Langston, Combs—1. I do not favor the measure. 2. I believe it has come. 3. I heartily favor the elimination of the time limit.
J. J. Morgan, Garland—1. Yes. The Northwest Texas Conference covers too much area, while one or two other conferences need more. 2. Yes. They are needed in our large cities. 3. Yes. We are at a great disadvantage, especially in cities, because of too frequent changes.
D. H. Aston, Bridgeport—1. Yes. I think it best for Texas Methodism in general. 2. Possibly so. 3. No, not at all in favor of it. It would hurt Methodism.
J. F. Pierce, Galesville—1. I do, preferably by absorbing the Texas Conference. 2. In the Church generally, no. As to the larger cities, cannot say. 3. No.
A. R. Nash, Jacksboro—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
J. R. Atchley, Cedar Hill—1. Yes. 2. Yes. 3. No.
C. L. Ballard, Sherman—1. Yes. We need an equalization of mission territory. The North Texas Conference has no mission territory. 2. With certain restrictions and qualifications. 3. No, unless we wish

to do away with our itinerant system, it will be a dark day for Methodism when the time limit is removed.
J. R. Wages, Decatur—1. Justice to Methodism in Texas demands it—yes. 2. Hardly know, but answer yes. 3. No—by no means.
W. D. Mountcastle, Plano—1. I do not. 2. I don't think so. 3. It is about right at present.
C. R. Gray, Yowell—1. I do. 2. I think we are ready for Deaconesses. 3. I am opposed to the removal of the time limit.
J. C. Weaver, Lubonia—1. I do. Personally I do not. But believing it would be best for the general interest of the whole Church in Texas I do. 2. We have gotten along very well so far without Deaconesses, and I think we had better let well enough alone. 3. I do not. I think as a rule the old limit of two years the better. Some might do well to stay always. They are few. Many would be better off to move every year.
C. B. Fladger, Kaufman—1. I do not. 2. No. Not now, not ever. 3. Positively, I do not.
J. N. Hunter, Wylie—1. I do not at this time. 2. I think so, if it ever comes. 3. I do not. Trust it will never be done.
E. L. Spurlock, Cooper—1. No. 2. Yes. 3. No.
J. L. Morris, Paris—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
W. J. Bludworth, Bailey—1. If it could be an advantage to each conference, I would favor the redistricting, otherwise, I oppose it. 2. I do not think the time has come for Deaconesses in our Church economy. 3. I do not favor the elimination of the time limit of the pastorate from our itinerant system.
E. G. Roberts, Nevada—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
E. B. Thompson, Winstons—1. Yes. 2. No. 3. No.
J. W. Beckham, Floyd—1. I do not favor the redistricting of the conferences. 2. I am of the opinion that it has come. 3. I do not favor the elimination of the time limit.
J. P. Lowry, Farmer—1. No. 2. No. 3. No. My opinion is that we had better let the whole matter vigorously alone. I don't see that we have anything to gain in the first, and we don't need the two latter.
T. H. Morris, Farmersville—1. Yes. If it cannot be done by mutual agreement, let the Church plan for the future, and go forward at all costs. Let us sink our personal preferences into whatever is best for the Church. 2. Emphatically, no. "Let the deacons be grave," etc., and let his wife be the deaconess, with Bishop Keener. 3. No! We are not yet ready for congregationalism, or ministerial trickery to hold down soft jobs. Let the grand old itinerant system still go on, blessing the world with its self-sacrificing efforts.
Franklin Moore, Aubrey—1. Yes. So that a more equitable adjustment of territory and population may be made. 2. Yes. Because material proof is demanded of every theory in this material age, even though that may be founded upon the eternal truths of Christ. With the aid of the Deaconesses and hospitals for the suffering in all of our large towns and cities, we can prove to a material world our faith by our works. 3. No.
R. F. Bryant, Boyd—1. I do not. 2. No. 3. I do not.
W. A. Thomas, Southmayd—1. I am heartily in favor of redistricting of the territory included in the five Texas Conferences. 2. I think not. 3. No, not by any means.
W. A. Fritchett, Lantana—1. I do not. 2. It has not. 3. I do, for two reasons. 1. In many cases better work could be done by men in some of our larger stations. 2. If the limit were taken off I believe we would increase the efficiency of our preachers.
G. W. Whisler, Fruitland—1. Am not well enough informed to express an opinion. 2. I doubt it. 3. Most emphatically, no!
J. A. Old, Howe—1. I do not. 2. I think it would disrupt our pleasant relations and paralyze us for the time being in the great work we are doing. If the smaller conferences are too weak, they may be helped by increasing their territory from the larger conferences. 3. I don't think we need the Deaconesses at all. The local Church should do the work. 3. By no means.
J. W. Tinsler, Rosston—1. No, I do not. 2. I don't think the time has come. 3. I think our system is the best system in the world.
Walter Douglas, Woodland—1. No. 2. Yes. 3. No.
W. M. P. Rippey, Galesville—1. Yes—most emphatically. Reason: the territory is unwise and unequally divided at present, etc. 2. The Church has gone as far as she can without this movement being incorporated. It has crystallized out of the good providence of God and need of the time. By all means let's have it. 3. No. Reason: 1. The present system has been greatly blessed of God. 2. The Church needs the variety of talent the time limit gives her to build up her interests uniformly.
H. M. Pierte, Roselle—1. Yes, I favor redistricting. 2. Yes, I think so. 3. No, let the time stand as it is.
D. L. Coule, Grand Prairie—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
J. T. Bludworth, Brookston—1. I do, if the General Conference should think this the best for Methodism and the glory of God. 2. I think not. 3. No, but I am a Methodist.
J. M. Sweeton, Clarksville—1. No. 2. No. 3. No.
C. W. Dennis, Quinlan—1. Yes. I believe the great interest of Texas Methodism demands it. A redistricting would insure a better and more compact shape—more equality in numbers, wealth and ter-

ritory. 2. I think succeeded in the past. Other Methodist conferences as a great
R. L. Ely, Guber—by any manner of thinking this would be a great system.
W. H. Stephens, No. 3. No.
J. D. Whitehead, redistricting the territory in the five Texas Conferences. I think that the creation of Deaconesses I am not in favor of the time limit.
J. E. Minsch, I have heartily in favor of the time has come for it. 3. I don't favor it.
R. L. McIntyre, can't we any profit be derived as a whole? No. I rather think two year limit would remain as it is, is.
L. P. Smith, I've selfish in those of us conferences to be advantages with the should work to the at large. 2. Yes. I'm growing constantly tried it like its work.
J. B. Adair, Bayou It has not. 3. I do light before me. Ye reasons for removing redistricting and later connection I think are.
C. A. Meier, At 2. No.
EAST TEXAS
I. H. Meles, Glen not. 3. I do not.
H. B. Urquhart, I prepared to answer, not.
T. T. Booth, K 2. No.
J. R. Ritchie, H think not. 2. No.
B. H. Greenhouse, No. 3. No.
I. M. Fowler, At 2. No.
G. V. Ridley, Min favor of redistrict closed within all of ferences. 2. I believe for the inder of Deaconesses elimination of the it incontrovertible rea answers.
C. R. Lamar, Yes—for city work
J. R. Turrentine, A for the glory of God I am indifferent. H 3. Positively I do not would violate 2d rd shall not change or of our government's Episcopacy," etc. If less number of years
W. F. Hardy, T think that the only o the territory. 2. I r conferences. 3. I do change of pastors. 3. I do not believe th for the introduction of conesses into our Ch do not favor the limit of the pastorate system.
E. C. Ausley, A should be changed so conferences, but to remain. 2. No, nor has ample field for besides that, we have ery now. 3. No, not true Methodist doctrine that do let them get by room outside for places as long as the
S. L. Burke, Burke it still be advantageous. I think not. 3. I do system as it exists I be had.
H. R. Taylor, Sish can't a number of men have given the sub? 2. I think not. Belle position on womankin have it detrimental to ple.
I. F. Pace, Ats—1. distributing. 2. I think favor any change of change, make the lin
F. R. White, Wills a good plan to redist 2. No. I do not think Deaconesses. 3. I do nation of the time departure from the Methodism, which is with the growth. I think things that gives Te success above other
R. I. Bridges, Ar In all probability if a redistricted. The therefrom would be best to straighten lines. 2. Our women clamoring for such as is blessing their own the societies recogni

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

DANGER SIGNALS.



No engineer would be mad enough to run by the flag which signals danger. What the danger was he might not understand, but he would take no chances. It is different with the average man or woman. They attempt constantly to run by the danger signals of Nature and that attempt costs thousands of lives every year.

Such a condition calls for the prompt use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition, invigorates and enriches the blood and builds up the body with sound, solid flesh.

It is contraindicated in Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They cure constipation, biliousness and sick headache. They do not produce the "pill habit."

There are probably but few persons who know how excellent a thing corn meal is for cleaning the hands when used in conjunction with soap. Some rub some on the hands after soap and rub gently over them. It will smooth the hands if rough and clean the dirt from the creases in the skin.

TOOK THE HINT. Friend Told Him to Change His Food. Once in a while one can see a friend and win a life-long obligation by a little food advice.

He was so positive that I concluded to try it and, as I said, I am exceedingly thankful to him. In a week's time I lost the heavy, dead feeling in my head, nausea had ceased and the action of my general system had greatly improved.

I have stuck fast to Grape-Nuts. Now I weigh nine pounds more and am steadily improving. Grape-Nuts has a most exhilarating effect on the system and makes one feel bright and alive, as though they were well nourished as a healthy man would be.

R. H. Harrow, Houston, Real Estate Dealer. The facts in nature and the inspired reasoning upon which the time limit is founded are, respectively, as true and as sound still as at first, and I think will be up-to-date on the last five minutes of time. Change is a game-widener for pastor and people. Let pastors not deny the Word and service tables, but give themselves to prayer and the ministry of the Word, appointing men full of the Holy Ghost to serve the tables, and Methodism will take the whole world in a few more years.

Chas. C. McLarry, Malheurville. I do not favor the Texas Conference Annual, p. 2, for report No. 1 by Committee on Memorials, for reasons which I reference. I do not know. They are not needed in our country. Change may be needed in other places. I think it would be to send out more of our people. I had rather place it back to two years.

H. R. Kimbler, Caldwell. I do not favor it. I do not know. I also favor the ordination of pastors admitted on trial. The pastor that can't preach and baptize his people can't do full work. Earlier take the hold-up and let them go out as pastors capable of doing full work or make junior preachers of them.

E. L. Shuttles, Bryan. I do not favor the reason we have territory and men for our conferences. I do not know. The needs of our Church require us to send out ourselves to new conditions. I do not favor it.

C. M. Thompson, Columbia. I do not favor the future prospects of our Church depends upon it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

D. H. Hutchins, Martin. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. J. O'Leary, Caldwell. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

E. S. Hursey, Rosenberg. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

T. F. Graves, Manor. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. R. Murray, Chapel Hill. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

O. T. Hotchkiss, Bastrop. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

M. L. Lindsey, Palestine. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

M. F. Daniel, Palestine. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

G. H. Collins, Diamond. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Theophilus Lee, San Angelo. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

H. G. Horton, Seguin. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. M. Alexander, San Antonio. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Jos. W. Stevick, Cuero. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. I. Kennedy, Hallettsville. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

S. J. Drake, Sterling. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Robert Palmer, Milburn. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Jos. A. King, Belmont. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

H. W. Perkins, Staples. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

A. Y. Old, Dripping Springs. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

C. W. Goodwin, Cherokee. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. K. Waller, Floresville. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

A. W. Wilson, Lockhart. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

F. H. C. Elliott, Center Point. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Better evidence of its wisdom could be given than Hughes in London and Jackson in Edinborough.

G. W. Riley, Douglasville. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

D. L. Cain, Canton. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. D. Burke, Burke. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

F. H. Smith, Bullard. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

W. M. Foster, Emory. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

D. F. Pulley, Golden. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

H. R. Smith, Texada. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

A. S. Whit-hurst, Lufkin. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Leon Henderson, Tyler. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

S. N. Allen, Tyler. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Jos. Lee, Big Sandy. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Geo. C. French, Lavaca. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

W. A. Dunn, Port Lavaca. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

ritory. 2 I think so. This work has succeeded in the past. It will be no experiment. Other Methodisms are using Deaconesses as a great arm of power. 2 No.

R. L. Ely, Gober. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

W. H. Stephenson, Celeste. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. D. Whitehead, Dallas. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. R. Minnie, Bon Franklin. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

R. L. McIntyre, Malank. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

L. P. Smith, Lewisville. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

J. B. Adair, Bayou City. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

C. A. Meier, Arroyo. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

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th our itinerant system. It is a day for Methodism when it is removed.

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Wylie. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

ck, Cooper. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

s, Paris. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

orth, Bailey. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Permy. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

s, Farmersville. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

s, Aubrey. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Boyd. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

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I. H. McGee, Gilmer. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

H. R. Upham, Marchison. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

T. T. Booth, Kilgore. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

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W. A. Dunn, Port Lavaca. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

R. S. Collier, Moore. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

M. K. Fred, Bandera. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

S. L. Burke, Burke. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

H. R. Taylor, Sibbes. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it. I do not know. I do not favor it.

Secular News Items.

A bill appropriating \$150,000 for a public building at Sherman, Texas, was passed by the Senate last week.

Rev. Dr. Lynan Abbott completed recently the twenty-fifth year of his connection with the editorial department of the New York Outlook.

President Roosevelt has announced his intention to write a history of the Texas revolution when he retires from the presidency.

At Washington, charges have been filed against German Ambassador von Holleben by Emil Watt, a discharged attaché, declaring he sought to effect Bryan's election in 1890.

The nineteenth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Texas convened in Cleburne, Texas, March 12. A large delegation was present.

The Pope's income is \$280,000, one-seventh of which is guaranteed by the Emperor of Austria; another seventh comes from vested interests, and the remainder is derived from Peter's Pence.

The Waxahachie Cotton Mills have received an order from a Boston, Mass., firm for eight bales of cotton duck. This was considered quite an unusual order, coming from the territory of the New England cotton mills.

The amount of money paid out by the Southern Pacific in settlement of claims arising from the wreck has thus far exceeded \$75,000. Next to the wreck itself, the promptness in the settlement of claims has attracted most attention.

Senator Gallinger, of New Hampshire, sent to the Library of Congress the other day for a Bible, which, one of the oldest employes says, in forty-two years, is only the second time such a request has been made by a member of Congress.

The following dispatch from Copenhagen is dated March 11. The Folketing, in committee of the whole and in executive session to-day, voted by a large majority in favor of the ratification of the treaty providing for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States.

Both the House and Senate passed the resolution authorizing the Secretary of War to loan 1000 army tents to the Texas Reunion Association for use for the occasion of the Confederate reunion in Dallas next month. The ex-Confederates will therefore be sheltered under United States tents.

Prof. Clement L. Webster, a geologist of Charles City, Iowa, has discovered two groups of tombs of the mound builders along the Little Cedar River, in Floyd County, some miles northeast of Charles City. The tombs are to be explored, and it is believed that important archaeological knowledge will be obtained.

Capt. William Driver, a Salem (Mass.) skipper, is credited with the bestowal of the name "Old Glory" on the Stars and Stripes. It was in 1851, and the flag to which he gave the name was carried by the brig Charles Gougeon all around the world, and is now on exhibition at the Essex Institute in Salem.

Dr. Francisco de Paula Rodrigues Alves has been elected President of Brazil. Dr. Rodrigues Alves for many years has been a conspicuous figure in the politics of Brazil. He is a native of the State of Sao Paulo, and is now Governor of that progressive and rich State. He resigned a Federal Senatorship to become Governor.

A negro answering the description of Prince Edwards, who murdered young John Gray Foster, near Shreveport, last year, has been arrested and is in jail at Santa Anna, Hidalgo, District of Tlaxcoapan, Mexico. Gov. Heard has been in correspondence with the State Department at Washington, and the negro's extradition has been applied for.

The Spanish Cabinet has resigned on account of the resignation of the Finance Minister, Senor Urzaiz. The Queen Regent asked Senor Sagasta to form a new Cabinet, to include all sections of the Liberal party, but he declined to do so. She will now consult with the Presidents of the Chambers in the hope of finding a method to secure a representative Liberal Ministry.

The severe illness of King Leopold of Belgium brings to mind the fact that the heir to the throne of Prince Albert of Flanders, who visited this country for three months in 1898, and made many friends. The future King was born in 1875. His father was the late

A CHANCE TO MAKE MONEY.

I have in quantities of fruits and vegetables fresh as when picked, which have been put up over two years. I do not heat or seal the fruit. Last year I cleared 18 fruit seasons \$2,000 selling the directions and preservative. It will also preserve other milk and meat. I have sold this process over for over ten years. I will mail you a sample of fruit, enough of the preservative to put up 14-oz. of Fruit and the directions for using it all prepaid, for \$1.00. Test it now so as to be ready to make a nice income this season. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Address Mrs. M. B. BAIRD, 343 Laclade Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Count of Flanders and his mother Marie, Princess of Hohenzollern, Prince Albert married in 1900 Duchess Elizabeth, third daughter of Duke Charles of Bavaria. A son and heir presumptive was born to them a year ago.

From Colorado City on the west to Shreveport on the east, and from Denison on the north to Houston on the south, Texas was visited by a heavy rainfall last week. This was received with great rejoicing, for the drought has been unusually long and disheartening. The farmers now say that never were the prospects brighter for a productive season.

The prohibitionists of McKinney, Texas, held a meeting and organized a central club and appointed a committee to procure a like organization in every voting precinct in the county to further the interests of the cause of local option, which carried in that county on the 8th of March by a majority of 1962. A large sum of money was subscribed to pay expenses of the organization.

President Roosevelt has announced his desire for the nomination for President at the next Republican National Convention. A report from Washington says: "President Roosevelt is an avowed candidate for renomination. Senator Hanna, who has made no announcement, and who, in fact, depreciates all gossip which connects his name with the office of President, has already a strong nucleus of votes if he cares to enter the lists."

The abstract of the condition of the national banks of Houston, at the close of business on February 25, shows the average reserve held to have been 57.71 per cent, against 41.25 per cent December 19. Loans and discounts increased from \$1,489,295 to \$4,595,822, gold coin from \$273,826 to \$394,316, total specie from \$1,044,772 to \$1,213,570, lawful money reserve from \$1,876,276 to \$2,094,794, individual deposits from \$5,879,242 to \$4,355,152.

Mississippi and Louisiana were visited by a cyclone last week. A cyclone of terrific force struck the Mississippi River at New Orleans and traveled out through the State, cutting a swath several miles wide and carrying destruction and death in its path. It hit the Vieckburg and Davis Bend packet Providence at Lone Landing, in the lake at Davis Bend, capsized the boat, sinking her and causing the drowning of four white men and eighteen negro roustabouts.

During the rainfall last week a cyclone traversed the heart of Dallas County. There were numerous evidences that the cyclone was the most serious this part of the State has ever known. Substantial houses were lifted up and dashed to pieces. Barns, out-houses and fences were demolished and heavy objects carried high in the air. The loss of property amounted to about \$10,000. Nine persons were injured, but none fatally. Had the cyclone passed through the city of Dallas terrible indeed would have been the consequences, but fortunately Dallas was outside of its course.

Gov. Sayers last week appointed Brig-Gen. W. H. Stacy, of Austin, to the position of Major-General in command of the Texas Volunteer Guard, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Maj-Gen. L. M. Openheimer. Gen. Stacy served in the United States Volunteer Army during the Spanish-American War as Lieutenant-Colonel, First Texas Volunteer Infantry. He has been a member of the Texas Volunteer Guard since May 25, 1890. The Governor also appointed Col. J. A. Styrton, of Cleburne, to the position of Brigadier-General to succeed Gen. Stacy.

A Mexican now in jail in San Antonio under a penitentiary sentence for burglary has made a confession to Sheriff Tobin that throws full light on the numerous burglaries that have been committed in that city during the last four years. He tells of the robbery of nine mercantile houses in San Antonio, the goods aggregating thousands of dollars and in some cases being so bulky that wagons were used to haul them off. The stolen property was sold mostly in San Antonio, and there has already been one conviction of the merchant who figured as the "fence" in the operation of the thieves. There were five men in the gang, and all of them are now in jail in San Antonio.

A dispatch from St. Paul, Minn., says: Jim Younger wants to get married. He can not, because he is legally dead; hence he is unable to enter into any contract. Younger submitted the question of whether or not he could wed to Gov. Van Zandt, who has looked into the matter with some surprising results. In Minnesota a man who is a life prisoner is civilly dead. The only way he can make any binding contract, in the eyes of the law, is through the board, which paroles him. It is not probable, however, that the three members of the Board of Control, separately or as a whole, will agree to enter into a marriage contract with any woman for the benefit of a paroled life

convict. The only way for Jim Younger to become a married man in Minnesota is to get a pardon. Another phase of the law is that neither Jim Younger nor his brother, Cole, if they establish any business of their own, as has been contemplated, can be held for any debts which they may incur.

Two business men named Cudell and Lewis have had built the most extraordinary automobile ever yet constructed, says a dispatch from Paris. Its owners have ordered it specially for the purpose of making a trip from Paris to Pekin. In addition to the ordinary outfit of an automobile, this one has four comfortable beds and a small kitchen is attached to the rear. The travelers intend to take six months for the trip, to visit every town of any importance between the two capitals. They have engaged a first-class Parisian cook to take with them, and propose to be entirely independent of hotels.

Former Gov. John P. Altgeld, of Illinois, died in Joliet, Ill., March 12. The night preceding his death he was the principal speaker at a pro-Boer meeting in the Joliet theater. Just at the close of his speech a sudden dizziness seized him and he was assisted from the stage. The meeting proceeded, the audience not realizing what had happened. Mr. Altgeld soon became very ill, becoming unconscious at midnight and remaining in this condition until his death at 3:41 the next morning. For some time his health has been poor, and the energy and feeling of his address are thought to have produced hemorrhage of the brain. His home was in Chicago.

North Dakota and the Canadian Northwest have just experienced the worst snowstorm in many years, and railroad traffic is almost paralyzed. The storm started on Friday, being preceded by a light rainfall and accompanied by high winds. The rain soon turned to sleet and then to snow, and fell without cessation for over thirty-six hours. The terrific gale drifted the snow so badly that the streets of the towns in the storm district were filled so deeply that it was next to impossible to wade through them. Business of all kinds has been at a standstill since Friday night, and not much can be done until the storm subsides. So far as known, there has been no loss of life.

Judge Cox, of the United States Circuit Court, has handed down a decision overruling one given by the Secretary of the Treasury relative to the number of years an American citizen can be abroad without forfeiting his citizenship. The plaintiffs in the case sued to recover duties paid on several paintings by a Philadelphia artist living in Poissy, France. The Consul General in Paris refused to clear the paintings as works of an American artist, pointing out that the Secretary of the Treasury had decided that after an American citizen had lived for five years it could no longer be termed a temporary residence. Judge Cox holds that the Secretary of the Treasury had no authority to make such an arbitrary ruling and has decided in favor of the importers.

Geronimo, the Apache Indian Chief, has petitioned the authorities at Washington that he be released from captivity. For the last fourteen years Geronimo has been a military prisoner at Fort Sill. Now, at the age of 80, he has signified his wish to become a docile subject of the great father at Washington. Gen. Frank Armstrong, of the regular army, has been looking into the question, and has recommended that Geronimo be paroled and made a citizen. Geronimo has been practically free for several years now, or ever since his removal from captivity in the Florida Everglades to the barracks at Fort Sill. Although under constant surveillance, he has a small farm and receives \$35 a month as a "Government scout." With Geronimo are 258 Apaches. The remnant of the Chiricuas will probably be released.

Later advices from Madrid state: The Queen Regent has commissioned Senor Sagasta to form a new Cabinet. The Queen Regent only called upon Senor Sagasta to reconstruct the Min-

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OSTEOPATHY.

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istry after she found it impossible to induce various sectional leaders to attempt the formation of a coalition Cabinet. The Pope has appealed to Her Majesty not to permit the recent decree obliging religious congregations to comply with the law of associations to be put in force. The decree becomes operative March 21, so the new Cabinet will be early confronted with a question admitted to be extremely difficult to settle.

It is difficult to tell what will be done in the Cuban reciprocity matter. The Republicans are taking a firm stand against any reduction of tariff duties.

The joint resolution providing for the printing of 9000 copies of the joint report on the diseases of cattle has been adopted. These copies will be for free distribution by Senators and Representatives and will cost \$66,000.

The Y. M. C. A. convention which met at Cleburne elected the following officers for the coming year: President, J. G. Reeves, Fort Worth; Vice-President, A. W. Shaw, San Antonio; Secretary and Treasurer, R. H. King, Waco. The headquarters of this association are at Waco.

Seven life savers, practically the entire crew of the Monomoy Station, on the south end of Cape Cod, met death Monday while attempting to rescue the crew of a wrecked barge. They had succeeded in getting five of the crew into the life boat when the boat capsized and all were lost, a total of twelve men. The scene of the accident was in the well-known tide off Monomoy Point, which runs down from Chatham in Nantucket Sound.

After a prolonged and somewhat tedious debate the Senate on Monday passed the ship subsidy bill. Seven Republican members voted with the Democrats against it. Some amendments to the bill were adopted, but they were all agreeable to those in charge of the measure, the friends of the bill voting down all other amendments. With the exception of amendments limiting the time of the operation of contracts made under the provision of the bill to July 1, 1920, and providing that the amount of the expenditure under the mail subsidy paragraph should not at any time exceed \$5,000,000 annually.

S. Uchida, Consul General for Japan at New York, has received reports from Tokio, dealing with the foreign trade of his country for the last year and the development of its railways. The reports showed that in both fields there had been substantial gains over the marks set in previous years. The report on foreign trade says: "The foreign trade of Japan for last year has shown the largest figures on record, the total amount of exports and imports having exceeded 500,000,000 yen in value." Following are the comparative statistics for the last few years:

Table with 3 columns: Year, Total Imp's and Exp's, Excess of Imports. Data for years 1901, 1900, 1899, 1898, 1897.

OUR DUTY AS CITIZENS, AND A PLEA.

In the past we have been so fearful of getting the Church and State mixed up that we have largely failed to emphasize the duties of good citizenship. The pulpit and the religious press have been backward to discuss the things that make for our political peace and for civic righteousness. And we have swung to the other extreme. Good men have left the nomination and election of officers and the making of platforms to hoodlums and thugs, and especially to the whisky element. We seemed to have forgotten the fact that "righteousness exalteth a nation," and "when the righteous are in authority the people rejoice." How do they get this authority? By the suffrage of the people.

But we are glad to see the dawning of a better day. The pulpit and the press are speaking out in no uncertain language on these questions. The moral tone is rising, and there is a more emphatic and positive demand for good men for

office than ever before. The time is at hand when a man who is not in favor of the enactment of good, wholesome laws and their enforcement can scarcely be elected to any office. And so it should be. This is a white man's country, to be sure; but it is more than that. It is a good man's country, and good men have a right to rule it. "He (the ruler) is the minister of God for good."

This is an opportune time for the exercise of good citizenship. The voice of the candidate is heard in the land, pleading for the suffrage of the dear people. We have a right to know what he stands for, and what he will try to do when he gets the office. With which crowd does he line up?

We here and now put in an urgent plea—and we pray you hear us for the cause of civic righteousness—that you go into the councils of your own party and let your influence and voice and vote be felt in the nomination and election of good men to office. Let the rabble understand that a new regime has been inaugurated, and that you as a good citizen intend to help to guide the "Ship of State." Let every man, in his own party, demand that good, clean men be nominated for office, and this demand will be heeded.

We make this plea, not from a partisan or political standpoint, but from the standpoint of good citizenship and duty to country. We are glad to note the fact that this feature of the American Anti-Saloon League is gaining friends for this great and growing organization. An eminent jurist said recently: "If the Anti-Saloon League is doing nothing more than to elevate the standard of citizenship, it is worth all the money it is costing this Commonwealth." We place emphasis on this point because we know that wise and just laws must be enacted and enforced by good men, or through their demands.

We are responsible for the enactment of bad laws, and for the election of incompetent and unfaithful officers just so far as we have failed to do our duty as good citizens, and no further. Let no man stand back with hands off and say: "I'll have nothing to do with politics—too corrupt for me," and thereby hope to escape responsibility. The thing to do, as I see it, and I make this final plea at this opportune and effective time, is for every man to pitch in and help purify politics, put good men in office, exercise your rights of good citizenship and demonstrate to the world that "righteousness exalteth a nation."

Dallas, Texas. W. J. MOORE.

A BUSY WORKER.

Coffee Touches up Different Spots.

Frequently coffee sets up rheumatism when it is not busy with some other part of the body. A St. Joe, Mo., man, P. V. Wise, says: "About two years ago my knees began to stiffen and my feet and legs swell, so that I was scarcely able to walk, and then only with the greatest difficulty, for I was in constant pain."

I consulted Dr. Barnes, one of the most prominent physicians here, and he diagnosed the case and inquired, "Do you drink coffee?" "Yes," "You must quit using it at once," he replied. I did so and commenced drinking Postum in its place.

The swelling in my feet and ankles and the rheumatic pains subsided quickly, and during the past 18 months I have enjoyed most excellent health, and, although I have passed the 65th mile post, I have never enjoyed life better.

Good health brings heaven to us here. I know of many cases where wonderful cures of stomach and heart trouble have been made by simply throwing away coffee and using Postum."

Notes From

NORTHWEST TE

C. S. Cameron, Manager some progress Sunday-schools are large in doing good work. Mission Society is a fervent collection making the mission prominent now. Rev. the first Sunday for the Master ary. He can help anywhere. God

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C. L. Cartwright, Quarterly Conference was held at Miami. Elder G. S. Hart did good work and stewards raised the over last year. The assessment for this year of last year. Sunday School. J. C. Clarendon (C. L. Clarendon) and elder dedicated. Barcus preaching and Mrs. Hardy presence of dedication of rejoicing. Canada well. We have two Societies. We are revivals on this ch. Lord has indeed been are determined to do

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Nat. B. Read, Manager given my people see as they are receiving fact. I seriously doubt for in the conference. Dr. Bishop preached sermons, or part of our Orphan's Home. Sunday with me, and Hyman and Homet will be at Beth Shalom character of work thing on my charge, w results are already sionary interests. Bishop. Collections pharange has received cash as the regular and when Dr. Rank Christian Advocate dear to the old and a cult. Best of all, that a revival spirit on begin at once to plan new parsonage, and have it built. Abbott thing she sets her n With a generous charge, I can truly a good year. Bishop

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F. M. Winburne, M better to-night be gain that fell too needed for many. tely Conference. manager results spirit to preacher and family home. Still I do keep and filling all my at love very much to al per respecting the ounded, but of cou the "rule" believing "expressed belief" w tion to these, let me that our General's the whole local pro Quarterly Conference will save a vast des parties concerned, a brethren of what is burden. There is a "common people" th few days at the Gen can make a "rise" cash and "celebra course we will not b ing to speak, preac want to look well, absorption take in when we get home be "loaded" I do b a "rise" and come Church in all our b self to incessant pra ing, that infinite wh guide our great and trials, duties and gathering; that "no strife or vainglory, mind let each exte themselves."

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EUGENE DONNELLY

By ALDIE WAIDE.

Joshua Donnelly was a brave, energetic man, and he dearly loved his home in central Mississippi, but failing health warned him he must try another climate; so his faithful wife assisted him in disposing of their little home and limited property, until they could store their goods in an ox-wagon and yet find room for themselves and their three children—Eugene, Henry and Ella. So one early spring morning in 1870 they climbed into the wagon and rolled away toward the West.

It is not our purpose to trace their journey, although it abounded in incidents of peculiar interest. Suffice it to say that near the last of June they drove into a romantic and attractive little cove on the east side of the Rocky Mountains, in the Territory of Colorado. Not until six years later did Colorado become a State.

"Now," said Mr. Donnelly, "see what a beautiful place this is! We can take up a claim here, build a cabin, make a good field out of that little valley below the spring, and soon be independent, without taking into consideration the possibility of finding a gold mine just here. Eugene is only 14 years old and Henry 12, but they can help a great deal, and with vigorous exercise in this bracing climate I shall soon be well and strong, and we will be very happy here."

So this good man thought, but the cabin was scarcely completed and the prairie sod turned over when Death called him away, leaving his widow and orphans lonely and poor.

From a settlement a few miles away a faithful minister, accompanied by some rough cattle-men and miners, came to the lonely home, and they tentatively buried the loved form beneath the beautiful pine and spruce trees on the mountain side. Before going away they again went into the cabin, and the good minister read the fourteenth chapter of John and prayed earnestly for God's blessings to rest upon the stricken family. Then these friends went away, promising to call by whenever practicable and "see how they did."

Possessing the evening shadows lengthened among the tall pines, and the swaying limbs seemed sighing and breathing a mournful dirge as they bent beneath the strong wind. The crystal spring, gushing from beneath a huge boulder, filled its beautiful granite basin and leaped over the side, hastening away to the valley in silvery rhyolite.

The sun was almost sinking behind the mountains, and his last rays seemed to linger with caressing fondness upon the blighted home in the forest.

Mrs. Donnelly was still sitting with her little daughter's head lying upon her bosom, and both her boys were softly weeping beside her. Quiet tears slowly fell upon little Ella's golden curls. Presently Eugene lifted his sad face, then stood beside his mother, gently stroked her soft, dark hair, and with manly effort calmed his voice, said:

"Mamma, it will soon be dark and cold. Let Henry and I go and get wood, build a fire and make things as comfortable as possible."

Strengthened by the example of this steady, gentle boy, Mrs. Donnelly dried her tears and gently laid Ella on a bed, for she was now asleep, her rosy cheeks tear-stained, and still sobbing at intervals. The boys came in and soon all were secure within the cabin. From irresistible weariness the boys fell asleep, and Mrs. Donnelly lay silently, sorrowfully thinking. She remembered God's care and blessing in days past, and with a despairing prayer, yet strong in faith, she turned to the Heavenly Father she had loved and trusted for many years, and soon a calm, sweet peace filled her soul, and gentle sleep came and soothed her feverish brain a few moments before she began the duties of a new day.

One of the men who attended the funeral did not fail to remember the Donnelly family, for three sad yet busy days had not passed before Josiah Green drove up to the cabin, accompanied by his wife, whom he introduced in this way:

"Mornin', Mrs. Donnelly. Me an' my ole woman had a bankerin' for to see you-uns, so we come right along. Brought ye some dried beef an' pertaters."

Mrs. Donnelly was so grateful for their thoughtfulness and sympathy that these kind old people seemed messengers fit for a king. Mrs. Green took off her faded calico bonnet, and sitting by the fire talked of her drive, how she managed to "leave things for Mandy to tend to," how Jake was to meet her and Pa at the canyon if they were late getting back—which led to a story of a boy getting lost there one winter night and almost perishing. Thus she talked on, and Mrs. Donnelly felt that her visitor was happier in having the privilege of talking as much

as she liked, so Mrs. Donnelly listened, finding it quite unnecessary to talk much herself.

Before Mr. and Mrs. Green went away they insisted that Mrs. Donnelly should permit her son Eugene to come down to their ranch and learn to be a first-class cowboy. Mr. Green thought cattle-driving an excellent occupation for any young man; he was sure Eugene would succeed, and his small monthly wages would be increased as he became more skillful and useful to his employer. Gentle Mrs. Donnelly instinctively shrank from the thought of sending her son away, and among people she knew nothing of, for the ranch was large and furnished employment for a great many men. But how could they all live there? Eugene was enthusiastic over the prospect of earning money, and with boyish assurance pictured himself master of the wildest bronco. Realizing their desperate situation, Mrs. Donnelly was undecided, but when Mr. Green promised that the boy should visit her frequently—"maybe every week"—she consented to let him go.

Eugene Donnelly had not been working at the Green ranch very long, but his industry and thoughtful consideration of others had won him the true friendship of every one on the ranch except Jesse Slayton.

At first the men were inclined to treat with contempt the "little tender-foot," as they called Eugene, and once, when one of the roughest of the men cursed him for failing to head off a cow which had broken out of the herd, all the anger in Eugene's high spirit was stirred until he trembled to his finger-tips, and felt powerless to control the feeling of resentment surging in his soul, but just then a slender young man, with deep brown eyes and gentle though strong features, laid his hand on the boy's bridle reins and said in a low tone, "Never mind him." Then Eugene remembered the Bible text his mother had taught him: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he that ruleth his own spirit than he that taketh a city." So Eugene only made himself useful as far from the rough man as possible, and longed to cultivate the friendship of the other.

As Eugene persisted in his straight-forward course, refusing temptations to drink or indulge in any of the wicked habits so common in Western ranch life, even the roughest of the men respected him, and although they laughed at his mistakes, would have protected him in danger even at the risk of their own lives, for such are typical cowboys—big, generous souls beneath rough exteriors. But we said there was one exception—Jesse Slayton. He was a small man with dark complexion, straight black hair and piercing black eyes. In manners he was quick, yet very quiet. No one was more skillful out on a "round-up" than he, and while no one seemed to be his intimate friend, every one seemed to rather defer to his judgment in matters of business, and so smooth was he that, although he had lived on the Green ranch two or three years, he had never had a difficulty with any one. His remarkable self-control, cool judgment and business capacity won him the confidence of honest Mr. Green, and he was really the leader at the ranch. Slayton disliked the boy, Eugene Donnelly, but of course he did not allow his enmity to be known. That was not his way. He worked upon the principle—no want of principle—"All things must be fair to see, however dark their purpose be."

Time rolled on. Eugene visited home quite frequently, and he was always happy in taking his mother's wages. She, with the help of Henry and Ella, cultivated the little valley in corn and vegetables, and when the summer drouth came on they watered them from the spring. Good Mr. Green showed them much kindness.

The rough world was fast teaching Eugene self-reliance and other manly traits of character, but when he trudged up the mountain side, and Henry and Ella came to meet him, and hastening on to the cabin he was welcomed by his mother with all the warmth of her affectionate nature, he felt himself a happy boy at home. Happy were they when they gathered around the table and ate their frugal meals in their humble home. Sacred and sweet were the quiet Sabbath afternoons when Mrs. Donnelly read the Bible to her children and taught them of God and his love. Yet Eugene was not a perfect boy. It is true he successfully resisted all temptations to indulge in the outspoken vices with which he was surrounded, but the refined nature which he had inherited together with an earnest desire to be his mother's pride, as well as the object of her devoted love, were sufficient to cause him to recoil with dread from a life of sin and shame. Besides, he

realized the truth of what his mother so often told him—that his conduct would have an overpowering influence upon the character of his younger brother. Then Ella, as she grew older, must continue to think that her brothers were the best boys in the world. Yes, Eugene intended to be a great man, and with that object in view he spent all his leisure time following the course of study which his mother had advised, for, despite their poverty, Mrs. Donnelly sacredly kept the choice books which she and Mr. Donnelly had enjoyed together. The children learned to love these books, and as Eugene acquired more knowledge he began to think of himself more highly than he ought to have thought, and when one morning a Mexican disputed his word, our high-toned gentleman gave vent to his fiery temper in a torrent of wrathful language, emphasizing his remarks by a stinging blow with his riding whip. Jesse Slayton, coming up, witnessed the scene, and as usual in such cases calmly separated the two, not, however, before the Mexican had threatened vengeance at some future time.

Late in the afternoon Eugene hastily threw on his overcoat and made his usual visit home. The quiet Sunday at home had passed, and the sunlight was again brightening the snowy mountains. With sturdy steps Eugene was following the path through the wild, narrow canyon toward the Green ranch. The romantic grandeur of the place was softened by the silvery stream which flowed merrily through all the summer days, but now lay asleep, a victim of Winter's icy breath, while mountain evergreens, bedecked with glittering icy jewels, seemed anticipating brilliant holiday festivities in honor of Winter King, before gentle Spring should bid him depart, awake their slumbering proteges, and softly dissolve their precious jewels to moisten her sweet, bright flowers.

Although Eugene was so well acquainted with these picturesque mountain scenes, they were always attractive to him, and his quick eye was ever ready to note any change in the familiar landscape, and now he noted a number of freshly-cut pine boughs carefully laid together not far from the path. Going to the place, he saw evident signs of a recent conflict, and looking cautiously beneath the boughs he was horror-struck to find the body of the Mexican with whom he had quarreled. The ghastly body so shocked his boyish nature that he knew not what to do, and acting on the impulse of the moment hastened away, scarcely knowing that he was following another trail, not toward the Green ranch, until a mile, more or less, lay between him and the awful evidence of a mysterious tragedy. As soon as he collected his thoughts he decided he ought to go at once to the ranch and report what he had found. Making his way across a wild gorge, he was suddenly surrounded by a group of strange men.

"Hello! we have caught you, rascal!" one of them called out, and immediately Eugene was roughly seized and searched, when a pistol was taken from his overcoat pocket and was found to have one load missing. In vain did Eugene protest that he did not know that he had the pistol, and knew nothing of the murder till he found the body. They said, if he was innocent, why was he hiding out in the mountains? Why did he not go at once and report the matter? His excuse that he was so frightened he missed his way was received with contempt, and feeling its weakness himself, he could not avoid hanging his head in a confused way.

"You might as well confess," one said, and another suggested that they measure his track upon the snow and compare it with the unknown footprints at the scene of the murder. They were found to be just the same. Further search brought out a knife and a shirt and vest stained with blood from under a stone in a ravine near by, and Eugene was started to see that they were his own, and the footprints leading to the place of concealment were the same that had been measured before. Deeply confused, Eugene was taken away and placed in close confinement.

Alone in his cell, with pride and anger surging in his soul, and with desperate efforts trying to calm himself, he realized his helplessness to prove his innocence. Falling upon the rough, hard cot, a flood of tears was his only relief from the torrent of anguish which seemed crushing him. Oh! if he could only see his mother, she could help him! But how? She would pray and trust God day by day. Could he not do the same? No; all the wicked thoughts and actions of his life seemed to rise before him, and the prayers which his mother had taught him in early childhood seemed sweet memories of some distant time when he was not himself. He was not worthy; he could not pray. Then he remembered the story of the publican,

To Remove Spots from Clothing.

Make a good stiff lather of Ivory Soap, and don't be afraid of the cloth. Rub well, using flannel and hot water; wipe the lather off with a damp cloth or sponge. Ivory Soap will not injure anything that can stand getting wet.

and from the depths of his soul he cried: "God be merciful to me, a sinner!" A sweet peace came over him, and he felt, "The Lord is my helper, and he will not leave me, nor will he forsake me." With a strange, new assurance, he began to plead with God for help in this time of need. Ever long he fell asleep, and when he awoke that peace was still with him. Meanwhile, there was much talk at the ranch about the murder and sudden arrest. Many of the men boldly asserted that Eugene was not guilty. "For," said they, "we have known him two years, and can not believe him guilty of such a crime." Others said that it was very strange Eugene should leave the ranch armed, and they remembered the quarrel the morning before. Besides, it was generally known that the Mexican had a great deal of money concealed somewhere.

Josiah Green employed a lawyer to defend Eugene at the trial, which was soon held, but Eugene was remanded to jail without bail.

The reader will remember the brown-eyed, thoughtful youth who befriended Eugene during a cattle-drive a short time after the boy came to the ranch. Tom Blanton was his name, and from that day he and Eugene Donnelly had been devoted friends. They occupied together a small, rude tent. Now that his friend was in trouble, Tom Blanton resolved to trace the matter up, and if possible prove Eugene's innocence, for the thought that he might be guilty Tom could not entertain. No, he knew Eugene could not be guilty of such a crime!

Knowing Eugene's orderly habits, Tom was a little surprised upon going into the tent late in the morning of the day in which the murder was reported to find Eugene's best boots thrown carelessly under the rude table, and they had evidently been worn into some muddy place, for, although they had been partially cleaned, enough of earth adhered to them to prove the fact. Tom soon wanted his pencil, and remembered that Eugene had left it in a certain vest pocket, and he could not find the vest.

A few weeks had passed. It was a quiet, starlight night. The cattle were resting contentedly and the men were asleep. Although it was near midnight Tom Blanton lay awake, and a slight noise caused him to quietly walk out to where his horse was grazing; but finding the horse all right, he was turning again toward his little tent, when he saw Slayton, with rapid but stealthy steps, making toward the old outhouse where the Mexican had lived. Curiosity compelled Tom to follow, and looking cautiously through an opening in the wall, he saw Slayton take an old tin box from the rude hearth, hide it under his overcoat and hastily return to his room. Tom watched him collect his property, and noticed that the box was carefully packed away. Next morning Slayton left the ranch, with many seeming regrets, but explained that his mother had written to him to come and take charge of his deceased father's estate in Missouri.

Tom Blanton said nothing about what he had seen, but he looked carefully at Eugene's boots and found a few pine leaves in one, and the soil upon them was such as could be found only in the canyon. He then found an old pair of Slayton's boots, and found they were of corresponding size.

Slayton had been gone only two days when a Mexican, claiming to be a brother of the man who was murdered, arrived at the ranch, stating that he had come for the money the dead man had left. He went at once to the house which the dead man had occupied, and was very indignant at not finding the

box of silver, which he said his brother always kept concealed beneath the hearth.

Tom Blanton told the Mexican if he would follow him he would help him to find his treasure. Accordingly, Tom and the Mexican, accompanied by the Sheriff and a small party of men (among them two who were present when Eugene was captured), set out in search of Jesse Slayton. Finding Slayton proved a very difficult undertaking, for he went to California instead of Missouri, and had changed his appearance so much that even Tom Blanton scarcely recognized him at first, and he had assumed a new name. The men who were with Tom said he was the same man who had joined the searching party, and had suggested finding the various details which had stamped Eugene's guilt. It was well known at the ranch that Slayton had gone out cattle-hunting the morning Eugene was arrested, and that he expressed surprise when told that Eugene had been arrested. Part of the missing gold was found in Slayton's possession, and the remainder of it at a bank where Slayton had deposited it in lieu of a great deal of currency he had in his possession. All these facts were brought out at his trial, as well as evidences that Slayton had furnished a great deal of whisky to the murdered man, and had played cards with him frequently, and that when the Mexican was so much under the influence of whisky as to be unable to take care of himself, Slayton would assist him to reach his house. It was proven that on the last night the Mexican was seen at the ranch, he and Slayton had played and drank till very late, and the next day Slayton had reported that the Mexican was not in his house, as he and all others had supposed, and then Slayton organized a searching party, but they did not find the man, and supposing he had gone to a neighboring ranch they had, at Slayton's suggestion, given up the search—all except the two men above referred to. Three or four men testified that they had previously seen the pistol which was found in Eugene's pocket in Slayton's possession, and a son of Mr. Green stated that he saw Slayton come out of Eugene's tent on Saturday afternoon a short time before Eugene started home. During the trial, news was received that Slayton was wanted in Texas to answer a charge of murder, and an investigation of his past life showed a dark, deceptive character. He was placed in safe-keeping to await future developments, and Eugene was released.

As soon as he was free, Eugene went at once to his mother, and the joy in that little mountain home was too deep and sacred to be described. Mrs. Donnelly, with a thankful heart, thought of the thirty-seventh Psalm—"Fret not thyself because of evil-doers," etc.—and when Eugene told his mother of the new light and love which had entered his soul that dreary day and had been with him ever since, and that he would henceforth devote his life to God and his service, Mrs. Donnelly felt in that happy hour that she was fully repaid for all the cares and trouble of her lonely life.

Eugene went back to the ranch, where he was received with warm-hearted enthusiasm, and where his exemplary Christian character had an untold influence upon his associates. Soon Eugene Donnelly and Tom Blanton were trusted more than any one else on the ranch.

Three years of hard work and close economy, with a little help from Mr. Green, enabled Eugene and Tom to attend an Eastern college, where they obtained the education necessary to fit them for useful positions in life. Ten

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Henry Donnelly, assisted by Eugene, had obtained a thorough education, and his Christian character and deep piety made him the exemplary minister of the gospel which the Lord had called him to be.

Ella had returned from school an accomplished young lady, whose sweet disposition, gentle manners and industrious habits made her useful and happy anywhere.

Mrs. Donnelly, although almost an invalid, was a sweet faced, charming

old lady, always busy with heart and hand to make those around her happier.

Many a reckless young man on Eugene's big cattle ranch has felt a pathetic remembrance of his old home and its sacred influence, and a strong incentive to a better life, by the gentle gift of a knitted comforter or some other self-sacrificing work of Mrs. Donnelly's willing hands. She and Eugene helped many to a better life, and as we think of them we remember the words of the Bible: "They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever."

Darwin, Rowlett, and the Monkeys

By Rev. R. C. Hicks.

Just why Rev. J. W. Rowlett should object to my recent article on the "Cause of Modern Scepticism" I can not tell, seeing I contended for both science and the Bible, recommending that where they seem to conflict we should accept the unmodified statements of Scripture rather than those of science, as interpreted by infidels and agnostics. I think that is a safe recommendation, and I am surprised to find a Methodist preacher who objects to it. I never said that there is any conflict between real science and the Bible, but I said that there is a clash between the Bible and the so-called science of such men as Charles Darwin and Herbert Spencer.

Bro. Rowlett either failed to see my real position, or else he has volunteered his services to defend the teachings of those men. I don't think he could have misunderstood my position, and I therefore conclude that he has assumed the role of apologist for Darwin and his class.

He says: "I want the man who undertakes to tell me that the doctrine of evolution is not true to have a knowledge of the matter, and to give me a better reason than the fact that it does not agree with the traditional interpretation of Scripture." To which it is sufficient for me to reply that I want the man who undertakes to tell me that the traditional interpretation of Scripture is not true to give me a better reason than the fact that such agnostics as Darwin and Spencer say it is not.

He asks: "Whose interpretation of Scripture is a perfect one?" I raised no question on the point of a perfect interpretation. I only said that Revelation was a perfect work, and I still think so, and when it says that God made man of the dust of the earth, I shall believe it in preference to the assertion of Darwin that he was made out of a jelly-fish. (That Darwin did so teach we shall see a little later.)

He asks again: "How much and what teaching of science is true?" To which I may say that all real science is true, but we have found out so little of it that we ought to be careful how we dogmatize in favor of any new so-called discovery, especially if the discovery is made by those who are ransacking the universe in quest of something with which to refute the Bible.

I said in my former article that it can not be proved that we of our day are one step ahead of the ancient Egyptians in point of scientific knowledge. Bro. Rowlett says "that statement is just about as true as the assertion that the moon is made out of green cheese." Well, for aught Bro. Rowlett knows, the moon may be made out of green cheese. I do not say it is, nor do I believe it, but there is as much reason for such belief as there is for the belief that our forefathers lived in the woods, had tails, and defended themselves with tusks like wild hogs.

But, going back to the proposition, I will ask Bro. Rowlett if he knows of any chemist now living who can embalm a human body so that it would remain intact for four thousand years, or more? Yet the Egyptians did this, as the mummies testify.

The characters inscribed on ancient Egyptian monuments are just as bright and dazzling to-day as they were when they were put there in pre-historic times. Can any modern artist, chemist or scientist stamp such enduring colors upon stone?

The great stones of which the pyramids were built were transported from a great distance across the Nile, and raised to their places in the structure by a process in mechanics that is now unknown. Also, the enamel or glaze on the pyramids was made by some process wholly unknown to us. No one now can make a glaze that will absolutely defy the tooth of time.

And in the region of the occult sciences they were ahead of all our hypnotic shrewdness, for they could work almost every wonder that Moses could. The list of "lost arts" might be continued further if it were necessary, but this, I think, is enough to establish my proposition that we are one step ahead of those ancients in point of scientific knowledge. What if we do know some things they did not? We know also that they knew some things we do not.

Therefore, I would remind Bro. Rowlett that it is far easier to talk about green cheese than it is to walk up to the facts and face them and account for them. Let him tell us how they got those huge stones up four hundred feet above the ground; let him mix up some mortar that, when dried, will defy the disintegrating influences of time; let him tell our undertakers how to embalm our loved ones so they can be preserved without change in appearance to all coming generations. When he does these things we can discuss the green cheese question, if he desires.

The point which Bro. Rowlett raises, and which has been so often urged, in regard to the Church's opposition to Newton and others, seems to have some force in it, but upon reflection we remember that these were good Christian men, who sought for and found God in all things, and were opposed by the benighted Church of their day, whereas, in the present day, the operation is reversed, and a religious and enlightened Church has to oppose atheists and agnostics. When the Church gets to be what it was in Newton's day, and the agnostic philosophers are converted into such men as Newton, there will be some force in Bro. Rowlett's point. But, as matters now stand, the argument does not apply.

But let us come now to the vital point. Bro. Rowlett does not believe that Darwin taught the descent of man from the lower animals, and quotes what he calls "an authority" to support the denial. He intimates that I should not have written until I informed myself on the subject. This I cast back upon him, and advise him never to meddle with Darwin again until he has read his works, for had he read the works of the great agnostic he never would have entered such a denial. Referring to me, the brother says: "When he refers to this doctrine as teaching that man is the offspring of the monkey * * * some well-informed auditor will know that he has a very imperfect knowledge of the subject." He then quotes "an authority," the quotation closing with these words: "Darwinism teaches nothing of the sort." I will let Darwin speak for himself, only adding in parenthesis, the definitions of some words which are not familiar to the common reader. He says: "The early progenitors of man must have been once covered with hair, both sexes having beards; their ears were probably pointed, and capable of movement; and their bodies were provided with a tail, having proper muscles; * * * and our progenitors, no doubt, were arboreal in their habits (lived in the woods), and frequented some warm, forest-clad land. The males had great canine teeth, which served them as formidable weapons."

Descent of Man, pp. 176, 177. This is too plain to need explanation, but we are not through. Mr. Darwin did not teach that man has descended originally from the monkey. On the other hand, he tells us that the monkey is very far up in the scale of development. He thinks we first sprang from a sort of fish. Here is the history of the race as he gives it in "Descent of Man," pp. 180, 181: "The most ancient progenitors in the kingdom of the Vertebrata (creatures with backbones), at which we are able to obtain an obscure glance, apparently consisted of a group of marine (sea) animals, resembling the larvae of existing Ascidians (the lowest form of organic life). These animals probably gave rise to a group of fishes, as lowly organized as the lancelet (the lowest type of fish); and from these the Ganoids, and other fishes like the Lepidosiren, must have been developed. From such fish a very small advance will carry us on to the Amphibians (animals living partly in water and partly on land, as frogs, etc.). * * * But no one can at present say by what line of descent the three higher and related classes, namely, mammals (such as draw nourishment from the breasts), birds, and reptiles, were derived from the two lower vertebrata classes, namely, amphibians and fishes. In the class of mammals the steps are not difficult to conceive which led from the ancient Monotremata to the ancient Marsupials (pos-

sum and such like); and from these to the early progenitors of the placental mammals. We may thus ascend to the Lemnidae (half apes), and the interval is not very wide from these to the Simiidae (apes, orangoutans, etc.). The Simiidae then branched off into two great stems, the New World and Old World Monkeys; and from the latter, at a remote period, Man, the wonder and glory of the Universe, proceeded."

What will Bro. Rowlett say to that? Where does "an authority" stand now? Did I "have a knowledge of the matter," or was I guessing, when I wrote my previous article? But listen to Mr. Darwin again:

"Unless we willfully close our eyes we may, with our present knowledge, approximately recognize our parentage; nor need we feel ashamed of it."

Then let us eat no more fish, for they are flesh of our flesh and bone of our bone; hereafter, when the frogs come hopping up to our doors late in the evening, as they often do, let us bid them come in and spend the night, for they are our distant relatives; we must never kill another "possum," for he is our cousin; and we should never again gather around a monkey and laugh at him, for it is not good manners to treat our kindred that way when they are around us. Some of these dear relatives may not be very congenial, but the great Darwin says he is not ashamed of them, and if he is not, I reckon the rest of us need not be. We will have to revise the family records in our old family Bibles now, for the new discoveries render them quite incomplete.

But, without any more irony, the foregoing is the stuff that evolutionists have to swallow. This is the doctrine that is "coming to be almost universally recognized as true by the most scholarly men of the age," so Bro. Rowlett says. This is the bush that I branded as false and dangerous, and straightway one of my brethren flings into my face the insinuation that I am "a person with an imperfect knowledge of science, an erroneous interpretation of Scripture and a false theological belief." He wants some "master in Israel" to show "from the standpoint of science" that we are not akin to frogs and monkeys. I do not profess to be a master in Israel, nor to have a perfect knowledge of science; but I do protest that I have not the remotest kinship to a dog, for I hear Mr. Darwin again: "He who is not content to look like the savage, at the phenomena of nature as disconnected, can not any longer believe that man is the work of a separate act of creation. He will be forced to admit that the close resemblance of the embryo of man to that, for instance, of a dog * * * points in the plainest manner to the conclusion that man is the co-descendant with other mammals of a common progenitor."—Descent of Man, p. 631. Perhaps it is a sense of kinship that gives the dog such a proneness to stay in the house with us. Hereafter, we must not forget to invite him and give him his place in our family reunions.

"But," some one says, "don't be so fast. No Christian believes in Darwinian evolution, but we believe in Theistic, or Christian, evolution." Well, what is that? Simply this, if I understand it aright, that while there has undoubtedly been an evolution, God has been present all along superintending every step in the process. This idea does not deny creative action upon the part of God, but credits him with creating the embryo, and then superintending the whole process of evolutionary development.

Let us, then, see how this will work. The Bible says God made man in his own image, and Christian evolutionists profess to believe it. At what point in the process, then, did man receive that image? Was it while he was in the jelly fish state? Or was it after he became a frog, an opossum, or an ape? Where and when did God breathe into his nostrils the breath of life, and he became a living soul? Let me say to Bro. Rowlett that "this question presses for an answer." Perhaps it may be answered that man received the divine image the moment he became a man, as distinguished from the next lower type. But this will yield us no relief, for then would we have to find that point, and Darwin himself says it can not be found. Hear him: "Whether primeval man, when he possessed but few arts, and those of the rudest kind, and when his power of language was extremely imperfect, would have deserved to be called man, must depend on the definition we employ. In a series of forms, graduating insensibly from some ape-like creature to man as he now exists, it would be impossible to fix on any definite point when the term 'Man' ought to be used. But this is a matter of very little importance."—Descent of Man, p. 198. Here is a characteristic disappointment. We ask the agnostic philosophers a question that goes to the heart of the whole thing, and they reply that "this is a matter of very little importance." Indeed, it seems that there is but one thing they regard as being important,

and that is to eliminate God from the universe, and for my life I fail to see where the Christian evolutionist has any advantage whatever over those of the agnostic type. Theistic evolution is a compromise between Darwin and Moses, and it is a delusion and a snare, and some of us are in a position to know how much mischief is being wrought by it.

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Paul believed that the offering of Isaac by Abraham was a real transaction, and he is good authority.

The man who explains away or apologizes for any portion of the Bible is out of place in a Methodist pulpit.

Infidelity is not able to cast a small shadow upon the validity of Revelation, but the improper lives of Church members often obscure its truths from the vision of the world.

NOTICE.

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FILLING AN ENGAGEMENT AT MT. VERNON.

Last Sunday I was due in Mt. Vernon, a good town situated one hundred and ten miles from here toward Texarkana, on the Cotton Belt Railway. So Saturday morning found me aboard the Cotton Belt line, bound for that destination. This gave me an opportunity to observe the country for some distance and mark the effect of the recent rains. The wheat has revived and is looking finely. If no misfortune overtakes it, the crop promises to be a good one.

With them, and they showed me much kindness. What a blessing is Christian hospitality. In these smaller towns it is one of the abounding Methodist graces. May it never die out of our practice and usage! Methodism owes much to it, and its cultivation yields a rich spiritual return.

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circle, 51 members; Macon, Ga., 3 circles, 40 members; Lynchburg, Va., 1 circle, 28 members; Jackson, Miss., 1 circle, 21 members. Where is the North Carolina Conference?

CHURCH NEWS. Rev. E. D. Mounson, D. D., is to preach the commencement sermon for Central College this year.

Our twentieth Century offering for education was set at \$1,500,000. The subscription has reached \$1,600,000.

BOOK NOTICE. "Mystery of the Golden Cloth," by James Seston Hughes. The book is an effort to interpret the Revelation of St. John. The author has evidently given much time and thought to his investigations of this highly symbolical section of the Scriptures, and while he tells us much that is true and practical, nevertheless there is much of it theoretical and speculative.

BRYAN CHURCH. H. G. H. We note that the present pastor of Bryan Church, Brazos County, is expecting to erect a \$10,000 building, and some one suggests memorial windows.

President John L. Buchanan, LL.D., of the Arkansas University, has announced his intention to resign on account of his feeble health.

Dr. W. M. Prottemun, one of our honored old brethren, superannuate of the Southwest Missouri Conference, seems to be approaching the end.

Bishop Vincent, who for the past two years has been a resident in Switzerland, in charge of Church work in Europe, will return to the United States in July and have charge again of the Chautauqua work during August.

The five Annual Conferences of the M. E. Church, South, having largest number of Sunday-school reading circles are as follows: Tennessee, 10; Western North Carolina, 9; North Georgia, 8; South Carolina, 8; Mississippi, 8.

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EASTER LESSON.

Jan. 29-30-18.

Golden Text: "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life."—John 11.

From the Sunday School Evangel we take the following exposition of the lesson:

Approach: Once upon a time there was a little girl who went out one evening to meet her father. She often went to meet him when he came home in the evenings, at least as far as the gate, but this evening she thought she would walk down the street to the corner and meet him and walk home with him. Father loved his little daughter to meet him and he always took her in his arms and carried her home on his shoulder, and they told each other how happy they were. To-day, the little girl walked all the way to the corner, and not seeing father, she turned up the street to meet him. She walked a longer distance than she knew when she suddenly noticed that there were fighting the street lights and she was far away from home. Where was father? He had never been this late before! What should she do? She turned around to go back and she felt so lonely and wanted to see father so much that she even began to cry a little, and her little feet were getting tired by the way. All at once, in the gathering dusk she ran against a tall gentleman whose face she could not see for her eyes were full of tears.

But she called out to him: "O please show me the way to find father; I've been all this long way and missed him."

Then the tall gentleman spoke to the little girl and he just called her name, but as soon as she heard that voice she cried out, "O Father! It is you and I didn't know it until you spoke! Where have you been, father?"

And the father answered: "My darling child, I have come just on purpose to show you the way home, because I thought you needed me in the dark—you went one way to find me and I came home another way this time, but we've found each other at last and now it's all right."

And the loving father picked his darling child up and carried her in his arms safe home to bed.

Lesson Story: Once there lived a man, so kind, so good, so loving, so patient, so gentle, so full of helpfulness and cheer that only one Name suited him, the dearest Name that was ever called the Name of Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ wanted to do everything He could while on earth to make people happier and better, and He proved this by always doing for people just what they needed to make life brighter. He healed the sick, He made the lame to walk, the blind to see, the deaf to hear, the dumb to sing and He gave all the tired people rest in their hearts, because He freely gave His love to them. But the time came when Jesus must leave His friends on earth and go to Heaven to live with God who is His Father, and before He went He said that He would do for His earthly friends the dearest thing He had ever done. He wanted them to come to live in the Father's home also and so He said He would get it all ready for them to come so that they would feel at home with Him there. You and I, dear children, cannot understand such great love as He felt for us. If we lived to be older than the oldest man who ever lived we still could not understand it, for only Jesus could love this way. He was willing to die and be put into the grave for our sakes if by doing that He could make us understand that this is only one of the steps between us and Heaven. He did not want us to be afraid of the grave or think it was a lonely place, because it is only the gate to Heaven.

Jesus' dear friends could not bear to see Him put into the grave, for they could not understand yet all the beautiful things He meant to teach them by this and so they wept when Jesus was buried.

One morning, Mary, who loved Jesus so much, went down to the sepulchre where Jesus was laid, just to carry some flowers, I suppose, and to show people that she loved Jesus.

But, lo! when she went into the sepulchre it was empty and the stone was rolled away and the body of Jesus was not there!

So she ran quickly down through the garden where Jesus' sepulchre was until she met Peter and John, who loved Him so much, and she cried out, "Our Master is not here, and only His clothes are lying in the empty tomb!"

Then they ran together back to the sepulchre to find out if it was really true, and there it was just as Mary

had told them—the clothes lying but Jesus gone!

Then Peter and John went back home, but Mary stayed there alone weeping, for she loved Jesus so much that she could not bear to leave the sepulchre.

She looked into it again, and this time she saw two angels in white sitting, the one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

And they spoke to her and said, "Why do you weep so, and what makes you so sad?"

And she answered, "Sirs, Jesus whom I love so much and who was ever gentle and forgiving and tender to me, was laid in this tomb three days ago and now His body is gone and I know not where to find Him, and it makes me so sad!"

Just then she noticed some one standing behind her, and she thought it was the gardener who took care of the sepulchre, and she turned and said, "Sir, you are always in the garden, taking care of the place; can you tell me where they have carried the body of my dear Master?"

Then He spoke only her name, but it was in a voice so sweet, so gentle, so tender, so loving that no other voice ever sounded like it. He only said "Mary" and she turned and cried, "Master! Master, it is you! alive and speaking with me while I was weeping at the sepulchre!"

And He said, "Yes, Mary, I have been in the tomb to show the dear ones how much I love them; but now I take another way; I go at last to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God. I have prepared the way that all who love Me may come after me and live in my Father's home with me. This is my message to all people—I have tasted Death for every man and all who come to this gate of Heaven in my name shall dwell with me in my Father's house forevermore."

To Superintendents and Teachers.

When you accepted an office in the Sunday-school you assumed a responsibility that carried with it a duty, and that was to prepare yourself to fill the position. I am aware that you may be able to say that you were persuaded against your inclination to accept this duty (the more shame to you that this should be necessary), still a duty neglected is a spiritual loss; and not only that—the fact confronts us that our Sunday-school interests are suffering for lack of preparation on the part of its officers.

Now, I mean you—the reader of this article. In whatever capacity you serve this most important branch of our Church, it is your Christian duty to take advantage of every opportunity to increase your usefulness, and unless you do so you lay yourself liable that dreaded and too prevalent disease, "div rot," and you are in a hark-slidden condition before you are aware of it, and are the last one to recognize the fact.

As I have lately traveled over this Northwest Texas Conference, I have been somewhat humiliated at the lack of interest manifested on the part of our Sunday-school superintendents in their District Conferences, and especially in regard to the institute to be held at Waco April 7, 8 and 9. I am actually ashamed of you, my brother. You can go anywhere on your own business and to further your own interests, but when it comes to an investment of a little time and money in the interest of the blessed Master's cause, the excuses come so readily to your lips. Now, I am District President of the Fort Worth District, and last year I mailed a personal letter to our forty Sunday-school superintendents in this district, and I think that seven were present at the conference. I know that as some District President reads this I will get some sympathy.

Now, this year let us turn over a new leaf and go to our conferences, and especially let us attend these institutes to be held in our different conferences, for there has nothing been offered by our Church as valuable to the individual Sunday-school worker as to come in contact with our justly-noted Superintendent of Training Work, Prof. H. M. Hamill, D. D., and his estimable wife.

Let us all attend these institutes, and let us go to help and willing to learn. Shall we agree that these meetings shall be the occasion for renewed activity and better methods in our Sunday-school work?

W. E. HAWKINS, Fort Worth, Texas.

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MINUTES OF THE NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Some have pointed out mistakes in the minutes of our conference for this year. An examination of the manuscript shows that the blame for it rests in part with each party concerned.

As to the Sherman District, the report for the White-river charge was handed to someone else besides the Statistical Secretary, and it did not come to me in time for the first record. When it was inserted afterwards, the item of "paid P. C." was overlooked by the Secretary. He regrets this very much, and would not throw the blame on any one else. But he would say that the other Secretaries have too much to do to be bothered with the reports that should be handed to the Statistical Secretary. They, through kindness to those who hand them in, receive them, but they cannot guarantee prompt delivery. All these reports should be handed to the Statistical Secretary. As to the losses and collections on the church in Denison, the minutes tally perfectly with the reports of the pastor. In the reports from the Woodbine charge the errors in finance are due to the Secretary, but those in membership to the pastor. The printer has made a number of errors. In the report from Sanger charge he has "assessed for P. C." \$485, when it should have been \$585. In the "Recapitulation" at the foot of the column of "members last year" he has it 24,871, when the manuscript before his eyes had it 48,719. The minutes show that Terrell Station parsonage has a debt of \$700 on it. The debt is on the district parsonage, but in reporting it the pastor wrote two parsonages worth \$5,000, indebtedness \$700. The Secretary felt sure that one of these parsonages belongs to the district, but how could he know where the indebtedness belonged? Knowing that the station was recently built, it was natural to think that they had the debt, and so he put it down that way.

If you will look over these reports in possession of the Secretary, you will find at least 25 per cent of them containing items that the Secretary has to change the forms in order to fit the blanks. In doing this he can be governed only by common sense, and knowing nothing except what is written down, it is impossible to keep from making mistakes. If he was inspired to know all things whether written on the blacks or not, he might then get them right. Take an example from the last conference reports. The subject of education includes four items, to-wit: Southwestern University, North Texas Female College, Paine & Lane and Bureau of Information. In giving their reports a pastor should give the sum collected for all these under the one head "Education." But most of the reports showed these combined in all manner of ways, and the Secretary was left to guess at the correct facts. One pastor reported the sum under the head "Education" and then gave it all over again in items. This caused me to get twice as much down as should have been. But how could I help it? Another wanted me to incorporate in the minutes what Abe Mulkey collected for the Orphanage. There is absolutely no place in the blanks for it. If you will examine the minutes you can see all that can be reported under name there. If you have any other collection to report you will have to bring it in under the head of "Other Objects." The sums total under the columns were added with an adding machine, and were correct. But in nearly every instance some belated report had to be inserted, and the addition could not be done over, and so the sums stand incorrect. The insertion of one report necessitates the adding again of 58 columns of from one to four figures each.

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A thousand times I praised him when He wasn't near To hear. But no one hurried then To tell him of the things I said. One day I dropped behind his back, A slighting word— 'Twas heard— And ere that day had passed, a lack! He knew and, passing, turned his head. —Chicago Record-Herald.

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

Where there are two or more auxiliaries in the same city, a union service is suggested for this program for Home Mission Day, to be observed in April. The leader should be selected two weeks before the meeting, so that she may appoint those who will read papers:

Scripture lesson and songs to be selected by leader.

Prayer called as the Holy Spirit directs.

Paper, "The Different Plans of Home Mission Work as Adopted by Our Society."

Paper, "The Location of the Schools, Their Progress." (See fifteenth annual report.)

Let the article in Our Homes, "The Hand on the Cradle," be studied and presented by one of the ladies, followed by discussion of importance of the Annex at the Paine Institute.

Let another lady take article, "The Deaconess in England," in same number of Our Homes.

Paper, "Work of City Board of Missions."

Paper, "The Rescue Home in Dallas. Why the North Texas Conference Has a Peculiar Interest in This Work. Have He Helped, as an Auxiliary, in the Purchase of Piano?"

Let us keep this work in our hearts and in our prayers.

Read something from King's Messenger that will put this on our hearts.

Paper, "The Work of the City Board of Missions."

Paper or talk, "Obligations of Individual Members of Auxiliaries to Home Mission Work. Do We Visit the Sick and Strangers? Do We Bring in the Sunday-School Pupils?"

Experience of those who have engaged in this work.

Let every heart be in earnest communion with the Heavenly Father, that this hour may bring strength and encouragement.

MRS. J. T. WEBSTER.

First Vice-President Conf. Society. (We hope to hear of fine results from the observance of the foregoing program, and would be glad to have a full report of the same for publication in this department, from the various auxiliaries of the Conference Society, and such papers of special merit as may be desired to be published will be welcomed, and will no doubt be read with interest.—Ed. Woman's Dept.)

During session of the San Antonio District Conference, to be held in Hondo City, April 15-20, the ladies representing the Woman's Home Mission work will hold an afternoon session on Wednesday. It is urged that all the auxiliaries in the district send at least one delegate. A full representation is essential to the life and progress of the work.

All delegates will be entertained, and the names of delegates should be sent to Rev. E. E. Swanson, Devine, Texas, by April 1. MRS. T. F. SESSIONS.

IN MEMORIAM.

In the providence of an all-wise Heavenly Father, the earthly career of one whose life was wholly consecrated to the service of her Master came to a close in the death of our sister and friend, Mrs. Corinne Reed.

The members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Mission Society are deprived of her wise counsel and the hallowed influence of her presence, which was always an inspiration to us. We sympathize deeply with those bereft of a devoted mother and loving grandmother.

We feel keenly our loss, but we know that the blessed influence of her consecrated life remains with us, and while we mourn her departure, yet we rejoice, for we know that she has heard the welcome plaudit, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

For more than half a century she was a consistent member of the Church militant, and is now a member of the Church triumphant.

She was ever ready to encourage the weak, lift up the fallen, and point the erring one to "The Lamb of God which

take away the sin of the world." Sweet is her memory. Peace to her ashes.

MRS. J. W. WOOD, MRS. J. T. WEBSTER, MRS. J. A. HOGUE, Committee.

Paris, Texas.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, DALLAS.

At the close of our last year's work, we held our regular week of prayer. We had our service at our own church, and did not meet with the different Churches, as we had done heretofore, as we felt that we needed to be much with God in prayer for the work. We feel we were greatly blessed in the service, and pray that its sweet influence may always linger with us. Our special prayer was for the women of our Church, that God might bring them to see their duty and help them take up the work that has been set apart for them to do. Every service was so sweet, and we feel did much good in bringing us closer to the Lord and to each other. On Sunday morning following our week of prayer, we had a sermon by our pastor, Bro. J. L. Pierce, on the "Home Mission Work." At night the ladies had an open meeting, which we all enjoyed. We had a splendid talk by Mrs. L. H. Potts on the general work of the Home Mission Society. I wish also to say that we have taken up a systematic study of the Bible. Having equipped ourselves with the necessary books, papers and other literature required, as recommended by our Conference Society, we spend the first half hour of our weekly meeting in the study of God's Word.

In February we had our annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: Mrs. W. C. Young, President, 245 Wall Street; Mrs. L. Blaylock, First Vice-President, 492 Jackson Street; Mrs. W. H. Vaughn, Third Vice-President, 111 Mulberry Street; Mrs. J. G. Fry, Treasurer, 181 Live Oak Street; Mrs. J. D. Dickerson, Corresponding Secretary, 455 Young Street.

W. F. M. SOCIETY, CLEBURNE.

Week of prayer and thanksgiving was observed by Cleburne auxiliary, W. F. M. Society, Fort Worth District, Northwest Texas Conference, the third week in January, as the time appointed by the board was not so convenient. Program in Advocate fully observed. Attendance good. Meetings full of interest and instruction, and above all, the Holy Spirit was "One in our midst." Our faithful and earnest President, Mrs. J. F. Stout, is a woman full of faith and good works. Her heart truly is in this line of our dear Master's work. She did what she could during the year just closed to help send the gospel to those who sit in darkness.

The meetings were held at our beautiful and commodious parsonage. Thank-offering taken up. One new member added to the roll, with the promise of several others.

We are thankful to say our pledge money (\$25) has all been sent to Conference Treasurer. Our meeting together was a "feast of good things" to our waiting souls. We return heartfelt thanks to our Heavenly Father for what he has done for us in the past, and as the new year opens out before us we take renewed courage and press onward. And with Mrs. C. W. Henry, a most efficient and consecrated Christian woman, as our leader for the ensuing year, we feel confident we can do great things in His name.

Bro. J. M. Barcus gave us several most earnest and instructive missionary sermons during the past year, from which we expect to do some good reaping in the near future.

Our wide-awake District Secretary, Mrs. A. J. Booty, of Fort Worth, who is untiring in her efforts and devotion to this work she loves so much, had hoped to be able to hold a district meeting in this district, but unavoidable circumstances have prevented so far. We did not fail to hold a single meeting during the past year. Through all kinds of weather the true and faithful met to do what little we could in this great cause—woman's work for woman. May the day soon dawn when every woman who belongs to the M. E. Church, South, will not only feel it her duty, but a blessed privilege, to help in this grand, unselfish work. Do wish all our members could be induced to take our most excellent Advocate; we find in it a great help. Pray for us, dear sisters.

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To San Francisco—Account of Biennial Meeting of the Knights of Pythias at San Francisco, August 11 to 22. Tickets on sale August 7 to 8 inclusive, limited to September 20. Rates, \$45.00 and \$61.00, according to route of ticket.

To Portland, Ore.—Account of National Protective Association at Portland, June 2 to 7, account of Supreme Lodge of Ancient Order of United Workmen, Portland, June 10. Dates of sale, May 27 to June 3 inclusive. See agents for rates and limits.

To San Francisco—Account of Imperial Council of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 10 to 14. See agents for rates and limits.

To all California Points—One-way colonist tickets. Dates of sale, every day in March and April. Rate, \$25.00. To California Points—April 1 and 15, May 6 and 20. Rate, one fare plus \$2.00. See agents for rates and limits.

To St. Paul, Minn.—Account of the National Baptist Anniversary, May 20 to 23. Dates of sale, May 17 and 18. Rate, one standard fare plus \$2.00. Limit, May 20.

To Kansas City—Account of National Gun Show, Dates of sale, March 25 and 26. Limited April 20. Rate, one fare plus \$2.00.

To San Antonio—Account of the Southwestern Gas, Electric Light and Street Railway Association, April 15 to 21. Dates of sale, April 17, 18, 19, and one-third fare. Limit, April 22.

To Asheville, N. C.—Account of the Southern Baptist Convention, May 8 to 15. Dates of sale, May 5, 6 and 7. Rate, one fare for the round trip. Limit, May 21. Tickets may be extended by depositing with the Joint Agent until May 12 by payment of 50c.

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MARRIAGES.

Bartlett-Uhl—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Wheatland, Dallas County, Texas, Mr. J. L. Bartlett, of Wise County, and Miss Addie Uhl, of Dallas County, Rev. S. Crutcheff officiating.

Martin-Lauderdale—At the home of the bride's mother, in Somerville, Texas, Mr. John S. Martin and Miss Allie Lauderdale, Rev. H. G. Williams officiating.

Minor-Maxfield—At the home of Mrs. Wm. Hines, Lyons, Texas, March 4, 1902, Mr. Sam Minor and Miss Ida Maxfield, Rev. H. G. Williams officiating.

McClain-Armstrong—March 3, 1902, in their buggy, in front of the parsonage, Corsell City, Texas, Mr. John McClain and Miss Anna Armstrong, Rev. F. M. Winborne officiating.

Granberry-Crossley—At the residence of the bride's brother, Dr. A. Crossley, in Atlanta, Texas, February 13, 1902, Mr. E. Granberry and Miss Jennie Crossley, Rev. C. A. Tower officiating.

Helm-Brymer—On Sunday, February 3, 1902, at the residence of the bride's aunt, Mrs. G. H. Helm, twelve miles east of Abilene, in Taylor County, Texas, Mr. J. J. Helm, of Tarrant County, and Miss Mamie Brymer, of Taylor County, Rev. L. V. Ellington, of Abilene, officiating.

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March 11—T. M. Kirk, sub. M. R. T. Davis, sub. J. D. Whitehead, correction made. W. B. Rayless, sub. Walter Douglas, sub. Stewart Nelson, sub. W. L. Pate, sub. C. A. Tower, trial sub. J. D. Hendrickson, sub. A. G. Scruggs, sub. Jno. R. Steele, sub. L. A. Reavis, sub. J. W. Fort, sub. Geo. W. Kincheol, sub. J. H. Chambliss, sub. C. H. Smith, sub. R. E. Porter, sub. C. W. Dennis, sub. D. P. Cullen, sub. G. W. Harris, sub. A. L. Scarborough, sub. O. F. Hatfield, sub.

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DOCTRINAL.

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ESSAYS AND ADDRESSES.

Table listing essays and addresses such as 'Friendship', 'The Ideal of Humanity', 'The Man and His Message', etc.

Grace and Truth Tracts—W. P. Mackay

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FOREIGN TRANSLATIONS.

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SCALESY - Mrs. Mary T. Scalesy was born in Robinson County, North Carolina, August 18, 1830, and departed this life in Dallas County, Texas, February 22, 1892. Her husband, John Scalesy, died in 1855. She was the mother of M. E. Church, now at the age of 15. When he was born, she was a member of the Methodist Church, but when she joined the Christian Church, she became a member of that church. She was a devoted mother and a kind neighbor. She was a member of the Christian Church for many years. She was a devoted mother and a kind neighbor. She was a member of the Christian Church for many years.

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BARBOUR - Taylor Barbour was born in Dallas County, Texas, May 28, 1832; was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, 1857, and lived a true Christian until his death, which occurred in Green Hill February 8, 1892. Taylor was a wise, energetic and more particularly on her husband, the blow falls heavily. The comforting thought is that long before her last illness she had sought and found her Eternal Friend, My God in his infinite mercy, bless and guard all her loved ones on earth.

ENNIS - Mrs. Mattie E. Ennis (nee Duran) was born in Gregg County, Texas, July 18, 1828, and died in Edgewood, December 25, 1892, aged 24 years, 5 months and 7 days. Sister Ennis was baptized in infancy by Rev. G. W. McClure. She was married to Mr. A. L. Ennis, September 21, 1850, and was a faithful, good wife until death. Her only child, a little boy, six years old, died January 5 and went on to his father's home in that happy home above. Sister Ennis was a member of the M. E. Church, South, and from time of her conversion she manifested much interest in the salvation of her loved ones. She was the joy of her parents and the life and light of her home.

MATTHEWS - Sister Julia Matthews, daughter of Robert Agee and wife, was born August 6, 1827; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1850. She was married to Erasmus Matthews November 12, 1858, and died January 8, 1892. Sister Julia was true to her Church and pastor. She made many friends wherever she went. Friends that loved her for her beautiful disposition. She was a good neighbor, a true friend, a devoted wife and mother. She was called away very suddenly, with no time to make preparation, but she had made peace with her Lord years before, so she was ready when the summons came. She leaves a motherless child, a weeping husband, father and mother and a number of brothers and sisters. They all have our sympathy. We can only commend them to the merciful, kind and loving Father, who is able to give comfort in this dark hour of trouble.

MOODY - Little George, infant son of S. E. and Nannie Moody, was born April 14, 1891, and died March 2, 1892. While his stay was but a short one, yet what a ray of sunshine he was in the home, and how he had outlived himself around the hearts of father, mother, brother and sister! He was a bright, sweet babe, and how hard to give him up! But God called him, and we must submit knowing that he death all things for the best, and he is free from all pain and at rest in the arms of Jesus, who has vouchsafed his Holy Spirit to help us bear these burdens. To those who mourn we say, weep not, for little George is beckoning you to come home to that city not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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HALL - Emma Hazel Hall was born at Beaumont, Texas, April 18, 1836, and departed this life February 23, 1892. She was a very amiable little girl, and was a great pet with grandparents, uncles and aunts, as well as with papa and mamma. In this death the hand of sorrow is laid heavily upon them, for she was a real joy to them. But "earth has no sorrows that heaven can not heal." No doubt the highest interest of the child has been met in her early exit from the earth. Perhaps she will serve as a kind of messenger in the sky to draw the attention and affection of loved ones toward heaven. Little Hazel is a granddaughter of I. G. Stephenson, who is a grandson of Rev. Henry Stephenson, the first Methodist preacher in Texas. Bro. Stephenson lives in Beaumont, and he and wife and others of his family, its members of the Church, that Grandfather, Stephenson loved. May they ever be honorable and faithful members, be the sincere prayer of the writer. Till they one day be permitted to join Hazel, Grandfather, Stephenson and a host of other relatives who have gone on before in the glory world. Her ex-pastor, M. I. BROWN, Galveston, Texas.

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REV. MARION DODGSON. Rev. Marion Dodgson, a superannuated member of the East Texas Conference, who served his generation by the will of God, is fallen on sleep. He was born in Cass County, Ga., August 18, 1821, and died in Dallas County, Texas, February 12, 1892, aged 70 years, 5 months and 15 days. He came to Texas in 1848, and settled and lived in Rusk County fifteen years. In 1863 he moved to Nacogdoches County, where he was living at the time of his death. He was married January 16, 1848, in Alabama, to Mrs. N. Lewis, who, aged and saintly, lingers for a while, waiting for her change to come. The fruit of this marriage was ten children, four of whom still live—two boys and two girls. J. F. Dodgson is a prosperous farmer and officer and leader of the Church; A. Y. Dodgson, one of the best merchants in the town of Nacogdoches, also a member and officer in our Church. The daughters are the wives of good men, and all devoted to God and the Church. He joined the Church under the ministry of Rev. Harris Taylor in 1852; was licensed to preach in 1862 by Billy K. Wilson, P. E., and was admitted to the East Texas Conference in 1867 at Rusk. Bishop McTear presiding. He traveled the following charges: Douglas Mission, 1868 and 1869. This was also the first charge the writer ever served. Shelbyville, 1870; back to Douglas 1871; Homer, 1872 and 1873; Shelbyville, 1874; Mount Pleasant, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892. With the close of 1892 his name passed to the honor roll. When I speak of him as a good man, I am not in the slightest danger of saying too much. We were in the class and most brotherly terms from the day he joined the conference till he died. We were for several years neighboring pastors. We lived neighbors in the little town of Lindfa, I was for three years his presiding elder. He stayed in my house the last night of his life. We prayed together in the silent grove; sang, prayed and wept and rejoiced together in the great congregation. I know him, knew his mind, knew his heart, knew his true, from his own confession. He loved God, the Church, his country, and home. He was a good and useful preacher, powerful in exhortation, and one of the ablest of men in prayer. Oh, what he heard him pray! He knew the direct road to the throne of grace. He led hundreds and hundreds of souls to Christ. It was his joy to know and do his Master's will. But he's gone now, and his wife and children and twenty grandchildren and a great circle of friends are sad at his going; and yet not one of them all who believes there's a heaven for the good but that knows where he is.

STOCKTON - Mrs. Maggie M. Stockton (nee Crosby) was born in Grant County, Ark., August 6, 1826, and departed this life in Dallas County, Texas, January 10, 1892. She was the mother of seven children. The family moved to Painesville, Texas, in January, 1862. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in childhood, and her life ever after was consistent and true to her profession. She was a devoted wife and mother, and sacrificed her life for her children. She died Sunday morning, January 25, 1892, from a severe attack of pneumonia. She strove hard to instill in her children the highest Christian principles. All of the children living are full members of the Church except the three youngest. She leaves a husband, eight children, one sister, three brothers and parents to mourn their loss. One of her children is Rev. Wm. M. Crosby of the Little Rock Conference. She desired to live for the sake of her children, but said she was not afraid to die, but ready to submit to God's will. When dying, she called the children, gave them her blessing and asked them to meet her in heaven. With our beautiful memorial service, we buried her in the old Forest Hill Cemetery. A. S. GOESLINE.

DIXON - Mrs. Nettie Dixon (nee Watkins) was born November 29, 1822. She professed religion and joined the Methodist Church in 1849. She lived a faithful Christian life until death, which occurred January 21, 1892. Sister Dixon leaves a husband and six little children, besides parents and brothers and sisters and a host of friends to mourn their loss. Death was not a surprise to her. Her home was in order. She was a kind, loving mother, a faithful companion and a good neighbor. We feel that we have lost one more faithful soldier. Weep not, dear ones, as those who have no hope. The one great consolation comes to you, our loved one, a devoted Christian and died in the triumph of faith. W. A. MYERS, P. C., Sutherland Springs, Texas.

STUART - Maggie L. Stuart was born February 16, 1835, in Woodville, Miss. She was married April 8, 1856, to J. P. Stuart. She died of pneumonia March 2, 1892, at Richmond, Texas. It was one of those inexpressible and deathly young with and mother taken from husband and babe. Father, mother, sisters, all mourn for her. How sad she is in Jesus. She was a Methodist and her husband says she was a Christian. May God comfort, strengthen them in sorrow. One more to the "over yonder." C. B. GARRITT, Richmond, Texas.

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DANIEL - Bro. W. H. Daniel was born January 5, 1818, and died February 29, 1892; was 74 years old; professed faith in Jesus August, 1866, and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Hawkins Chapel, Texas, and lived a devoted Christian life until death claimed him. Just a few days before his death he expressed his sorrow in not being able to do more for the Master, as his was short and death sure. But then he was full of life, and hope. His death is what we call untimely. It was accidental. He fell off a car while engaged in unloading it and broke one of his legs. The leg was so badly mashed and broken that the doctor had to amputate it. When told that he said: "If I never wake up here again, I will wake up in heaven." And to one of his brothers-in-law: "You tell Mary (his wife) and the children, if I never wake up here again, I will wake up in heaven." Bro. Daniel leaves a wife and two children to mourn his death, besides a host of friends both in Texas and Oklahoma. We can only say, friends, weep not for the departed, for his spirit has winged its way to the beautiful beyond. Let us humbly submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. B. Anderson at the grave in the Hyatt graveyard. L. E. ANDERSON.

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BROOKS - Sister E. J. Brooks was born December 3, 1825, and died March 4, 1892. As can be seen from above, Grandma Brooks lived to a ripe old age; but God has taken her home to glory, where she will be at rest through the ages of eternity. One by one we are called home. Let us be ready to go to live with Grandma Brooks. She lives in heaven, and possesses life eternal, which was purchased with the blood of Jesus Christ. A FRIEND, Seagrave, Texas.

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NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

Gatesville District-Second Round. Lampasas, March 22, 23. McGregor, 7:30 p. m., March 24. Coryell City, March 25, 26. Ewart, April 5, 6. New House, April 12, 13. Brockhaver, April 12, 13. Oglesby, April 12, 13. China Springs, April 13, 14. Gatesville mis., April 13, 20. Hamilton, April 13, 20. Gatesville sta., April 28, 27. J. G. Putnam, P. E.

Corkum District-Second Round. Brandson, at Mertens, March 22, 23. Kerens, at Kerens, March 23, 20. Frost, at Frost, April 5, 6. Lone Cedar, April 8. Blooming Grove, at Bl. G., April 9. Dresden, at Brushy, April 19. Lawson, at Dover, April 12, 13. Hubbard, at Hubbard, April 12, 14. Horn Hill, at Central Inst., April 19, 20. Groesbeck, at Groesbeck, April 20, 21. Barry, at Cryer Creek, April 28, 27. Thornton, at Thornton, May 3, 4. Corsicana cir., May 6. Route, May 6. Armour, May 18, 11. Eureka, at Birdston, May 17, 18. E. A. Bailey, P. E.

Weatherford District-Second Round. Millsap, at Willow Pond, March 22, 23. Graham, March 23, 20. Graham cir. at Salem, March 23, 20. Farmer, at Red Top, April 5, 6. Elmore, at Caddo, April 12, 13. Brockridge, at Eureka, April 12, 20. Gordon and Sitman, at S., April 26, 27. Ranger, 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. Mount Calm, at M. C., March 22, 23. West, March 23, 20. Peoria, at Cedar, April 5, 6. Moody, April 12, 13. Abbott, at Hynum, April 19, 20. Austin Avenue, April 27, 28. Morgan, at Walnut, May 3, 4. Whitney, at Mart, June 2, 3. Troy, at Geneva, May 17, 18. Aquilla, at Ross, May 24, 25. Fifth Street, June 1, 2. Booperville, June 7, 8. Riesel, June 14, 15. District Epworth League Conference, at Mart, June 25, 26. District Conference, at Mart, June 25, 26. B. R. Bolton, P. E.

Vernon District-Second Round. Yeldell, at Lock, Sat., Sun., Mar. 22, 23. Granite, at Martha, Sat., Sun., Mar. 29, 30. Seymour, Sat., Sun., April 5, 6. Benjamin, at White Flat, Tues., April 8. Monday, at Spring Creek, April 19. Round Timbers, at Spring Creek, April 19, 20. Throckmorton, Sat., Sun., April 12, 13. Haskell, Tues., April 19, 20. Haskell cir., Wed., April 19, 20. Chillicothe, Sat., Sun., April 26, 27. Vernon, May 2, 3. J. H. Wisman, P. E.

Fort Worth District-Second Round. Grapevine, at Embess, March 22, 23. Arlington, March 23, 24. Azle, at Horwood Chapel, March 29. First Church, Fort Worth, March 29, 31. Glenwood, March 29, 31. Smithfield, April 5, 6. Joshua, at Burlington, April 12, 13. Cuba, at Watts Ch., April 19, 20. Cleburne, May 2, 3. District Conference, at Cleburne, May 1-4. Jas. Campbell, P. E.

Dublin District-Second Round. Granbury, March 22, 23. Missionary Institute, at Dublin, March 24-26. Rising Star, at Salt Tank, March 29, 30. Morgan Hill, at Wesley Chapel, April 5, 6. Huckabay, at Ex-Hay, April 12, 13. Huff Dale, at Tolar, April 19, 20. Fredell, at Fairly, April 26, 27. Glen Rose, at Elm Flat, May 3, 4. Duffan, at Odens, May 10, 11. Carlton, at Olin, May 24, 25. Proctor, at Proctor, May 28. Green's Creek, at Hays, May 29. Stephenville mis., at Corinth, May 31, June 1. League and Sunday-school Conference, at Hiss, June 7-8. Deadmonia, at R. Chap., June 7-8. DeLeon, at Gorman, at C., June 9. Carbon mis., at Bokomo, June 14, 15. District Conference, at Dublin, June 27. Let the stewards do all possible for their preachers on this point. E. F. Boone, P. E.

Brownwood District-Second Round. Santa Anna, at Salem, March 22, 23. Indian Creek, at Bethany, March 25, 26. Bangs, at Bangs, April 5, 6. Geneva, at Midway, April 12, 13. Brownwood, April 19, 20. May, at May, April 28, 27. Blanket, at Turkey Hook, May 1, 2. Fleming mis. at Warren's Creek, May 2, 3. Comanche sta., May 5. Center City, at Pleasant Grove, May 19, 21. Lometa mis. at Lometa, May 11, 12. Goldthwaite, May 11, 12. Zephyr and Mullin, at Bethel, May 19, 20. Barker, at Dreyer, 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.

Waxahachie District-Second Round. Ovilla, at Red Oak, March 22, 23. Grandview, at Greenbrier, March 29, 30. Hoss, March 29, 30. Forrester, at Falls, April 5, 6. Bardwell, at Avalon, April 12, 13. Italy, April 12, 13. Venus, at Wyatt, April 19, 20. Millothian, April 27, 28. Ernds, April 27, 28. Waxahachie, April 29. Alvarado, May 2, 3. Milford, at Derr, May 10, 11. Boz, May 11, 18. Alma, May 21, 22. O. F. Sensabaugh, P. E.

Ahlens District-Second Round. Eula, at Rough Creek, March 22, 23. Gall, at Gall, March 29, 30. Claiborne, at Light, April 5, 6. Colorado sta., April 4, 6. Colorado mis. at Champion, April 12, 13. Truby, at Delk, April 12, 13. Buffalo Gap, at Audra, April 19, 20. Big Springs, April 26, 27. Snyder, at Camp Springs, April 30.

Roby, at White Flat, May 1. Midland, May 2, 4. Chero, May 19, 11. Baird, May 24, 25. Sweetwater, May 27. Merkel, May 28. Putnam, May 31, June 1. Sunday-school and Epworth League Conference, at Anson, June 3-6. Ahlens, June 7, 8. District Conference, at Merkel, June 27. E. A. Smith, P. E.

Georgetown District-Second Round. Moffatt, March 22, 23. Granger, March 29, 30. Georgetown, April 1. Salado, April 5, 6. Temple, First Church, April 12, 13. Temple, Seventh Street, April 12, 14. Taylor, April 18. Hutto, April 19, 20. Liberty Hill, April 26, 27. Florence, at Groen, April 26, 27. Bertram, May 3, 4. Bartlett, May 17, 18. Maxdale, May 24, 25. Rogers, May 31, June 1. Burnett cir., June 8, 9. District Conference will meet in Hutto, June 18, at 9 a. m. W. L. Nelms, P. E.

Clarendon District-Second Round. Paducah, at Gypsum, March 22, 23. Paducah, at Guthrie, March 29, 30. Emma, at Croten, April 5, 6. Clarendon sta., April 12, 13. Channing, April 12, 13. Wellington, at W., April 19, 20. Hereford, at Union, April 19, 20. Canadian City, at C., April 26, 27. Canyon City, at Beulah, April 26, 27. Higgins, at Second Creek, April 28, 27. Floydada, at F., May 3, 4. Lubbock, at Pierce's, May 7. Plainview sta., May 10, 11. Cataline, May 24, 25. Stratford, June 17, 18. District Conference will convene at Claude June 5, at 2 o'clock a. m. G. S. Hardy, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Dallas District-Second Round. Haskell Avenue, 11 a. m., March 22. Ervay, 7:30 p. m., March 23. Floyd, 11 a. m., March 29. Oak Cliff, 7:30 p. m., March 29. Dallas cir. at West Dallas, April 5. Whoutland, 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 29. Trinity, 7:30 p. m., April 29. Lancaster, at L., April 28, 27. Argyle, at Prairie Mount, May 3, 4. Denton, 7:30 p. m., May 1. Grand Prairie, May 21, June 1. First Church, 7:30 p. m., June 1. Lewisville, June 7, 8. Cochran and Caruth, at Cochran, June 14, 15. Farmers Branch, at Coppell, June 21, 22. I. W. Clark, P. E.

Bowie District-Second Round. Bellevue, at Stoneburg, March 22, 23. Bowie, March 29, 30. Bridgeport, at Pleasant Valley, April 5, 6. Paradise, at Roseville, April 6. Boyd, at Garvin, April 12, 13. Rhome, at Rhome, April 12, 14. Fruitland, at Dry Valley, April 19, 20. Alford, at Foster, April 26, 27. Crafton, at Olive Branch, April 26, 27. Chilo, at Cundiff, April 27, 28. Decatur cir. at Oliver, May 3, 4. Decatur sta., May 4, 5. Bryson, at Brown S. H., May 10, 11. Jacksboro, May 17, 18. Holliday, May 17, 18. Blue Grove, May 18, 19. Giltown, May 21, June 1. Archer City, Wed., May 28, 4. F. O. Miller, P. E.

Bonham District-Second Round. Bonham, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Ector, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. South Bonham and Savoy, 1st Sun. April. Ladonia, 2d Sun. April. Bailey, 3d Sun. April. Honey Grove cir., 4th Sun. April. Potts, 1st Sun. May. Todd and Windsor, 2d Sun. May. Lanthier, 3d Sun. May. Trenton and Marvin, 4th Sun. May. Brookston and High, 1st Sun. June. Honey Grove, 2d Sun. June. Randolph, 3d Sun. June. Gobet, 4th Sun. June. Fanning, Wed., June 4. Delegates to District Conference elected this round. District Conference in South Bonham, Thursday before 6th Sunday in June, at 9 a. m. Other announcements later. T. R. Pierce, P. E.

Sherman District-Second Round. Denison, Waple Memorial, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Denison, Trinity, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Pottshoro and Preston, 5th Sun. Mar. 29. Sherman, Travis Street, 1st Sun. April. Sherman, Willow Street, 1st Sun. April. Howe, 2d Sun. April. Van Alstyne, 2d Sun. April. Collinsville, 4th Sun. April. District Conference meets in Whitesboro, Thursday, 1st day of May, 8 a. m. Whitesboro sta., 1st Sun. May. Whitewright, 2d Sun. May. Belts, 3d Sun. May. Sherman cir., 1st Sun. June. Pilot Grove, 2d Sun. June. Toga, 3d Sun. June. Southmayd, 4th Sun. June. Gordonyville, 5th Sun. June. J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Gainesville District-Second Round. Burns, at Zion, March 22, 23. Denton Street, Gainesville, March 23, 24. Woodburn, at Calhoun, March 29, 30. Dexter, at Mount Gilead, April 5, 6. Sanger, at Krum, April 12, 13. Greenwood, at Sildoll, April 12, 13. Montague, at Eye Mount, April 19, 20. St. Jo, at Myra, April 26, 27. Marysville, at Liberty, 4th Sun. April. Bondia, at Sandy Mount, May 10, 11. Rosston, at Hood, May 17, 18. Necona, May 24, 25. Belcher, at Prairie Mount, May 31, June 1. Roanoke and Ponder, at Ponder, June 7, 8. Geo. S. Sexton, P. E.

Greenville District-Second Round. Wolfe City, 4th Sun. March. Neola, at Harris Chapel, 4th Sun. March. Campbell, at Friendship, 1st Sun. April. Commerce mis. at Center, 2d Sun. April. Kingston, at Baird, 2d Sun. April. Merit, at Bethel Grove, 4th Sun. April. Fairlie, at Wesley Chapel, 1st Sun. May. Kavanagh, 2d Sun. May.

Wesley, 2d Sun. May. Greenville mis. at Wheeler, 4th Sun. May. Lone Oak, at Lawndale, 1st Sun. June. Leonard mis. at Blanton, 2d Sun. June. Quilman, 2d Sun. June. Leonard, at Orange Grove, 4th Sun. June. District Conference, at Caddo Mills, June 25-29. O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Terrell District-Second Round. Forney, March 29, 30. Terrell sta. at Long Creek, April 5, 6. Rockwall, April 12, 13. Kaufman mis. at Lone Star, April 19, 20. Kemp, at Kemp, April 26, 27. Reinhardt, at Reinhardt, April 26, 27. Garland, at Seagrave, April 27, 28. Crandall, at Seagrave, May 3, 4. Royce, May 10, 11. Fate, at Fate, May 17, 18. Kaufman sta., May 24, 25. Terrell cir., May 31, June 1. Chisholm, June 8, 9. Where the conference is held on Monday it will meet at 2 p. m. and preaching at 11 a. m. J. M. Peterson, P. E.

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. Kerville, at Kerville, April 26, 27. Princeton cir. at Liberty, May 10, 11. Renner cir. at Frankford, May 17, 18. Plano 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. Copville mis., June 21, 22. Melissa mis., 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.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Llano District-Second Round. Boerne, March 22, 23. Center Point, 7 p. m., March 23. Dandera and Medina, 7 p. m., March 25. Kerrville, 7 p. m., March 26. Rock Springs, March 29, 30. Kingsland, April 5, 6. W. H. H. Dicks, P. E.

San Marcos District-Second Round. Dripping Springs cir. at Fitzhugh, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Belmont cir. at Prairie Lea, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Kerville and Pleasant Grove, at Kerville, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. San Marcos sta., 2d Sun. April. San Marcos cir. at Hunter, 2d Sun. April. Gonzales sta., 4th Sun. April. Sterling Fisher, P. E.

San Angelo District-Second Round. Junction and Menard, at J. H. Sun. Mar. 29. Menard, at Camp San Saba, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Fort Stockton, 1st Sun. April. Brady, 2d Sun. April. Milburn, 3d Sun. April. Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Boeville District-Second Round. Oakville cir. at Mineral City, March 22, 23. Boeville sta., March 29, 30. Alvin cir. at San Diego, April 5, 6. Corpus Christi, April 12, 13. Rockport cir., April 19, 20. Bismarck cir., April 26, 27. Joe F. Webb, P. E.

Cuero District-Second Round. Clear Creek, at Chesapeake, 2d Sun. March. Garada, at Garada, 2d Sun. March. Kuerste, at Kuerste, 4th Sun. March. Yoakum, 4th Sun. March. Jno. W. Stovall, P. E.

San Antonio District-Second Round. Patzall, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Cotulla, 4th Sun. Mar. 29. Bekar, 1st Sun. April. 1st Bk., 2d Sun. April. Eagle Pass, 4th Sun. April. Utopia, 1st Sun. May. Uvalde, 2d Sun. May. Amphen, 3d Sun. May. West End, 4th Sun. May. Prospect Hill, 7:30 p. m., 4th Sun. May. Travis Park, 1st Sun. June. Herman Street, 7:30 p. m., 1st Sun. June. Moore cir., 2d P. M., 2d Sun. June. South Heights, 1:30 p. m., 2d Sun. June. Comal, 7:30 p. m., 4th Sun. June. Carrizo, at Bacesville, 5th Sun. June. B. Harris, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Huntsville District-Second Round. Milligan, at Lynn Grove, March 22, 23. Navasota, March 29, 30. Cold Springs, at Shepherd, March 29, 30. Madisenville, at Midway, April 5, 6. Walter, at Pine Grove, April 12, 13. Prairie Plains, at Union Grove, April 19, 20. Cotfoss, April 27, 28. Anderson, at Steele's Chapel, May 3, 4. Hempstead, June 1. Bryan, June 8. Montgomery, June 15, 16. Willis, June 22, 23. Zion, June 29, 30. Dodge, at Dodge, June 29, 30. Huntsville, July 6, 7. Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

Austin District-Second Round. Eagle Lake, at Altair, March 22, 23. Columbus, March 29, 30. Wetmar and Osage, at W., April 5, 6. West Point, at West Point, April 12, 13. Flatonia, April 19, 20. Brazos Creek, at Hill's Prairie, April 26, 27. Bastrop, April 27, 28. Elgin, May 4, 5. Manor, May 11, 12. McAdie, at Pleasant Grove, May 18, 19. South Austin, May 25, 26. Webberville, at Webberville, May 25, 26. Hartschens Memorial, Austin, May 25, 26. Hartschens, May 25, 26. Walnut, May 31, June 1. Tenth Street, Austin, June 1, 2. First Street, Austin, June 1, 2. E. S. Smith, P. E.

Houston District-Second Round. Angleton, at V. Jasco, 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. Alden, May 10, 11. Sandy Point, at Manvel, May 17, 18. West End Galveston, May 17, 18. Central Church, Galveston, May 18, 19. Shearer, Houston, May 25, 26. Tabernacle, Houston, May 25, 26. Houston Street, Houston, May 25, 26. McAshan, Houston, May 25, 26.

Washington Street, Houston, May 29. Rosenberg, May 29, June 1. Lyons, at Somerville, March 29, 30. Lexington, at Lexington, April 5, 6. Leokington, at Tangwood, April 12, 13. Fulhear, April 19, 20. Bellville, at Buckhorn, April 26, 27. Chadwell Hill, April 27, 28. Caldwell, May 3, 4. Milano, at Prairie Point, April 19, 20. Rockdale, May 3, 4. Cameron, May 10, 11. Cameron cir., May 17, 18. Mayfield, at P. S., May 24, 25. Ben Arnold, May 31, June 1. Davilla, at Lebanon, June 7, 8. J. B. Cochran, P. E.

Brenham District-Second Round. Giddings, at I., March 22, 23. Pleasant Hill, at Sully, March 29, 30. Rockwall, April 5, 6. Sully, at San Felipe, April 12, 13. Lexington, at Tangwood, April 12, 13. Fulhear, April 19, 20. Bellville, at Buckhorn, April 26, 27. Chadwell Hill, April 27, 28. Caldwell, May 3, 4. Milano, at Prairie Point, April 19, 20. Rockdale, May 3, 4. Cameron, May 10, 11. Cameron cir., May 17, 18. Mayfield, at P. S., May 24, 25. Ben Arnold, May 31, June 1. Davilla, at Lebanon, June 7, 8. J. B. Cochran, P. E.

Calvert District-Second Round. Conterville cir. at Evans Chapel, Sat., March 29. Rogers Prairie, at High Prairie, Sat., April 5. Fairfield cir. at Sardinia, Sat., April 5. Prestonville cir. at Jordan's, Sat., April 12. Franklin cir. at Conard, Sat., April 12. Horne and Whooook, at Whooook, Sat., April 26. Calvert sta., Fri., May 2. Knox, at Knox, Sat., May 2. Frankfort sta., Sat., May 2. Pittway cir. at Beck Prairie, Sat., May 2. Round sta., Fri., May 16. Travis cir. at Powers, Sat., May 17. Durango cir. at Oona, Sat., May 17. Rockwell, at Oona, Sat., May 17. Diamond and Reagan, at D., Sat., May 21. Martin sta., Sat., May 21. H. M. Scott, P. E.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Beaumont District-First Round. Burkeville cir., Feb. 22, 23. Livingston, at Moscow, March 29, 30. Livestock cir. at Providence, April 5, 6. J. W. Johnson, P. E.

Pittsburg District-Second Round. New Boston, at Godley's Prairie, March 22, 23. Casson, at Altma, Friday, March 25. M. Pleasant, March 29, 30. Gilmer, at Gilmer, April 5, 6. Leokington, at New Friendship, April 12, 13. Nags, at Nags, April 19, 20. Wicks, at New Hope, April 26, 27. Pittsburg, May 3, 4. Texas City, at Park, May 10, 11. T. A. K. State Line, May 17, 18. Texarkana, Fairview, p. m., May 17, 18. John Adams, P. E.

Palentine District-Second Round. Rock sta., April 5, 6. Elkhart cir. at Holmes, April 12, 13. Jacksonville cir. at Providence, April 19, 20. Jacksonville sta., April 26, 27. Grandland cir. at Jones S. H., April 26, 27. They who appreciate thoughtfully attend it.

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If you will be so kind as to give us space in your valuable paper, we shall try to discharge an obligation placed upon us at a recent session of the Missionary Institute of Austin District, held at Elgin, February 18 and 19.

Our presiding elder, Dr. E. S. Smith, emphasized the necessity of all the pastors of the district to be in attendance on this meeting, and as a result the representation was good, and the Doctor proved himself to be general sufficient to hold his forces together until the benediction was pronounced, despite a slight restlessness on the part of some. For this he is to be commended, and though as a rule in all his administration he exercises the gentleness of a mother, yet when the occasion demands it he has the inflexibility of a Napoleon.

The institute opened its session Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock with a missionary prayer-meeting, led by Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss. This introductory service had great power, and we felt the Spirit's presence. The intense earnestness and holy zeal which shone from the tear-dimmed eyes of the presiding elder soon became the common heritage of the brethren. A sense of responsibility seemed to weigh heavily upon Bro. Smith at that particular time, and we formed a secret resolve to do our duty more faithfully, that it might lighten his burden. His honorable age and ripe Christian experience is a benediction to us of fewer years.

This good start was followed up by the evening service. At that hour Bro. Bradfield preached a very able sermon indeed. His thought was fresh and exhilarating. The discourse had four commendable dimensions: It was deep, it was high, it was broad, it was "short."

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ly the work of the institute, and here we depart from its prescribed order. We were very happy in having with us our Conference Secretary of Missions, Rev. J. B. Sears. His impromptu speeches were always well directed, and he discharged in a masterly way his part on the program. His work has taken fast hold upon his own heart. There is not in all of Texas a better posted man on the subject of missions. His sermon on Wednesday evening, the concluding feature of the occasion, was a stirring appeal, and no Christian heart could fail to be moved under the influence of such truth. Special mention should be made of the paper read by Bro. Hotchkiss. It would do credit to the columns of the Advocate and do good to those who read it.

The rule of the institute was to have all matter reduced to writing except the sermons. You see some advantage in this. Writing pens are useful instruments with which to puncture bags of "acrid fluid." Though this rule might have taken some of the "feathers out of the wings of imagination," still it stuck them "in the tail of judgment." The papers were all good. Not one of them fell below the standard (modesty would require me to except my own, but I don't).

Bro. C. M. Thompson preached at 11 o'clock, on the theme "Science." He was especially perspicuous, practical and helpful.

It might be well for us to ask, What good was derived and is yet to be experienced from that meeting and such meetings? In the first place, it feeds the preacher's soul. The religious sentiment of that gathering was but little short of our old-fashion camp-meetings. It instructs the preacher's head, by no means a bad thing for a few of us. It fires the preacher's heart. We dare say that no pastor left Elgin without forming a stronger resolve to do more for the world's salvation, by the help of God. Bro. Sears sent us all home with a bundle of missionary literature for "wise" distribution among our people, and so the good will reach them through that means and also through us newly inspired.
D. K. PORTER.

To the Preachers of the East Texas Conference:

Dear Brethren—On the 10th inst. I mailed to each of you programs of the Sunday-School Institute, to be held in Jacksonville April 16, 17 and 18. Please distribute them on your charge. Should any fail to receive a bundle of programs, please write me at once and I will forward them. If you can profitably use more programs than I have sent you, notify me and I will send any number that you want.
STUART NELSON,
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The saloon is anti-American because it is anti-human.—Ram's Horn.

TEXAS CONFERENCE MISSIONARY STATISTICS.

The districts paid per capita as follows: Austin District, \$2.23 cents; Houston District, \$2.4 cents; Calgary District, \$2 cents; Brenham District, \$2.23 cents; Huntsville District, 26 cents. The conference, as a whole, paid a little more than 28 cents per capita. The East Texas Conference reported an excess over assessments to the amount of \$28.68, and yet they paid less than 21 cents per member. The Texas Conference exceeded the East Texas more than 17 cents per member. Nevertheless, the Texas had to report a deficit of \$173.45. The inequality of assessments must have been enormous. The Texas never has paid what she ought for missions, but she is entitled to due credit for what she does pay. But lest some one should be tempted to think the Methodists of the Texas Conference are rich and the East Texas Methodists poor, we will shift the basis of the comparison. Perhaps the most equitable basis for financial comparison is the amount paid for pastoral support. Charges that are able to pay the pastor well are able to support the other institutions of the Church.

The East Texas Conference paid for foreign missions a little more than 51-2 per cent on the amount paid to pastors; on domestic missions, a little over 51-2 per cent on amount paid to pastors; on foreign and domestic combined, a fraction over 15 per cent. The Texas Conference paid on foreign missions a little more than 3 per cent on the amount paid to pastors; on domestic missions, a little more than 81-2 per cent, and on foreign and domestic combined more than 111-2 per cent.

It looks to us like the Texas is the best supporter of missions, yet we are not so fortunate as to have small assessments, so we can report an "excess," but on the contrary are mortified with a "big deficit." With a favoring Providence and diligence among preachers and liberality among the people, we are going to approximate nearer than we ever have what we OUGHT to do in this the greatest work of the Church.
Rockdale, Texas. JOS. B. SEARS.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

BEEVILLE DISTRICT.

The Beeville District Conference will convene in Karnes City, Wednesday, June 12. Examining Committees are as follows: License to Preach—C. S. Mills, J. E. Buck, G. M. Gardner. Admission to Trial—H. H. Passmore, J. M. Linn, C. Williamson. For Deacons' and Elder's Orders—I. K. Walter, R. S. Adair, W. T. Buntro. One day of the conference will be given to the District League and one to the Sabbath school work. Further announcements will be made later.
JOE F. WEBB, P. E.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

The District Conference of the Austin District, Texas Conference, will meet in Hotchkiss Memorial Church, Austin, on June 25. It will be preceded the day before—June 24—by the District Epworth League Institute, with a well-prepared program. The topics outlined in the Book of Discipline will be presented and discussed in the District Conference. I appoint the following Committees of Examination: For License to Preach and Recommendation for Admission into the Traveling Connection—J. W. McMahon, E. G. Horvath and E. N. Kamm. For Recommendation for Deacons' and Elder's Orders—O. T. Hotchkiss, C. M. Thompson and W. R. Campbell.
E. S. SMITH, P. E.

LIANO DISTRICT.

The Liano District Conference will convene at Kerrville, June 27, at 2 a. m. Committees are appointed as follows: License to Preach—C. W. Godwin, W. A. Govett and E. T. Campbell. Recommendation to Annual Conference for Admission—F. H. C. Elliott, H. T. Hill and J. A. Pledger. For Deacons' Orders—J. P. Garrett, S. G. Shaw and M. K. Fred. For Elder's Orders—F. J. Ferris, J. J. Raps and W. J. Gibbons. Schools are cordially invited to represent our Church schools.
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Sulphur Springs District—Second Round. Cooper, at Good's Chapel, March 25, 23. Winsboro, sta., March 29, 20. Sulphur Springs sta., April 5, 6. Mt. Vernon, at Pine Forest, April 12, 13. Cumby, at Oakland, April 19, 20. County Line, at Moss' Chapel, April 26, 27. Gold Hill, at Liberty, May 3, 4. Ben Franklin, at Pecan Gap, May 10, 11. Birthright, at Dennis Chapel, May 17, 18. Sulphur Bluff, at Pleasant Hill, May 24, 25. Lake Creek and Klondike, mts. Come, at Foster's Chapel, May 31, June 1. Rely Springs, at Rely Sp., June 7, 8. Will elect delegates this round. District Conference will convene at Winsboro June 26, at 2 a. m. Opening sermon on Wednesday evening, June 25, by Rev. A. T. Stodgel.
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Llano sta.,	April 12, 13
Cherokee, at Valley Springs,	April 19, 20
San Saba sta.,	April 26, 27
San Saba mts, at Live Oak,	May 3, 4
Johnson City, at Round Mountain,	May 10, 11
Blanco, at Kendall,	June 7, 8
Willow City,	June 14, 15
Kingsland mts.,	June 21, 22
Kottville,	June 28, 29
Brook Springs,	July 5, 6
Center Point,	July 12, 13
Bandera and Medina,	July 19, 20
Boerne,	July 26, 27

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