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## Editorial.

### A FINAL WORD ON THE GENERAL RULES.

Through a number of issues we have gone over the General Rules of the Church and dwelt upon them at length in the order of their importance. We have written plainly of them and now and then placed emphasis upon them as we have felt that it was really necessary. Now we come to a closing word concerning them in the way of application. The Scriptural importance of these Rules can not be questioned, for they contain the essence of the Word of God touching the conduct and duty of those who take upon themselves the vows of Church membership. To obey these Rules prayerfully and lovingly is to live a consistent Christian life and to develop into a godly and useful member of the Church of Christ. And such is their close relation to the life that we are expected to live that we have made it incumbent upon each preacher in charge to read them publicly to the congregation from his pulpit, at least once a year. For, with our composite membership, we take it for granted that unless this is done there will be many of our people who will not otherwise read them or hear them read during the year. Hence, one of the questions in the order of business at the Quarterly Conference is, "Have the General Rules been read?" We wish our people in this way to be kept posted as to their duty as members of the Methodist Church. Then it follows, also, that our people are expected to obey these Rules. For this reason they are in our Book of Discipline as a part of the laws of the Church. Furthermore, it is the duty of the preacher in charge to see that these Rules are obeyed by our people. If they are disregarded, the result is set forth in no uncertain words. Listen, "These are the General Rules of our Societies; all of which we are taught of God to observe, even in his written Word, which is the only rule, and sufficient rule, both of our faith and practice. And all these we know his Spirit writes on truly awakened hearts. If there be any among us who observe them not, who habitually break any of them, let it be known unto them who watch over that soul, as they who must give account. We will admonish him of the error of his ways; we will bear with him for a season; but if then he repent not, he hath no more place among us; we have delivered our own souls." These are solemn words, but they express the view of our Church, and no preacher complies with his ordination vows who persistently permits these Rules to be broken without calling the offenders to a strict account. These Rules, therefore, mean something to us when we enter the Church and implicit obedience to their requirements is an obligation that can not be thrown off. Neither can the preacher throw off his obligation to keep watch over his people and see to it that they observe these practical and indispensable duties of Christian life. They are not only notated in our Book of Discipline, but God's Word contains them likewise, and they are the commands of God as uttered by his Son, Jesus Christ. Unless

they are written upon our hearts and reproduced in our lives, we may have our names on the Church roll, but we are strangers to the experiences of grace and have no real part in the blessings of heirship in the family of God.

### THE SUNDAY SALOON RECEIVES A BLACK EYE.

Notwithstanding the fact that the laws of Texas are ample and specific in their protection and maintenance of our Christian Sunday, nevertheless the liquor business has been very resourceful in its efforts to contravene the enforcement of these laws. Particularly has this been true in the cities and larger towns of the State. In fact, a few years ago it went so far as to prevail upon the Legislature to grant a number of these cities and towns the right to suspend the Sunday laws and to enact a city ordinance of their own, fixing the hours of closing and opening saloons on Sunday. Then it proceeded to elect a City Council that gave to it all of Sunday in which to do business, except the hours between 9 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. This procedure took place in the city of Dallas some years ago, and the result is that we have had open saloons on Sunday during all these years. At one time we tried to make a test case by prosecuting a saloon man for doing business on Sunday, but our County Judge, before whom the case had to be tried, rose up in his constitutional majesty and pronounced the little city ordinance valid. So we were at the end of our row until the term of this Judge expired. When this occurred we tried another case before the present County Judge, and he passed the questions at issue up to the Court of Criminal Appeals, as he ought to have done. This distinguished tribunal took the matter under careful and painstaking consideration and last week handed down a decision declaring the city ordinance allowing saloons to run open on Sunday invalid and unconstitutional on the ground that the Legislature has no right to delegate authority to a city corporation to set aside a State law. This is a wise and just decision, and it puts a stop to these corporations meddling with the statutes of the State touching any question involved in State laws. But the decision is a bombshell in the camps of the saloon business. Of course these saloons will manage in some way to violate the law and continue to do business, but they will run the risk of detection and prosecution. It will put a stop to the defiant and wide-open saloon on Sunday under the semblance of legal sanction. We rejoice that the court has come to our relief in this important matter, for we have suffered here in Dallas a wonderful degradation of the sanctity of our Christian Sunday. It has been trampled under foot by saloons, rookeries and low dives until it was a question as to whether or not we had a legal Sunday set apart for rest and worship. Our children had to pass these wide-open places on their way to Sunday-school every Sabbath of the world, and people who attended the afternoon and evening services had to do likewise. At these hours the saloon was in full blast and drunken men were staggering

on the sidewalks until the thing became an outrage on our civilization and a disgrace to our community. But these gentlemen with pimpled faces and white aprons will not henceforth be permitted to thus insult public decency and openly degrade public morals. Surely the saloon privilege in Texas is becoming more and more restricted and curtailed by law and by public sentiment. The old Texas is passing away and the new Texas is coming to the front.

### THE LIQUOR MEN ARE BECOMING ALARMED.

The liquor men of Texas are becoming alarmed at the rapid progress of prohibition sentiment throughout the State. So, a few months ago they held a special meeting in San Antonio and a little later another one at Galveston to see what they could do to check the tide of success that seems to have set in against them. What they really did do they have not yet made public, but one thing is self-evident, and that is prohibition is practically carrying everything before it. The old methods of opposing it have ceased to be efficient. Formerly, the cry of "prohibition does not prohibit," and "sumptuary law interferes with the rights of the individual," had their effect, but they have lost their charm, and people are no longer influenced by such claptrap and subterfuges. Then, aforesaid, many leading politicians were induced to take the field and inveigh against prohibition as the enemy of democracy, and this had its effect with many party people. But even that old stock phrase, in the mouth of the politician, has long since ceased to rally voters around the interests of the saloon. The fact is, the people have so effectually placed these old party war-horse, whisky-supporting politicians upon the shelf, that younger men who stand for office steer clear of entangling themselves with the barroom. They glance back a few years and behold the bones of their predecessors bleaching upon the political plains of Texas, and they are constrained to ask office at the hands of the people upon different issues than "prohibition does not prohibit," and "sumptuary laws" are the enemies of democracy. They are learning to appreciate the fact that if a majority of citizens in a given locality want to vote out the barroom, it is their prerogative to do so.

But these liquor men, in their desperation, are now adopting another dodge, and that is to threaten to leave the State with their great accumulations of money, and thereby deprive our circulating medium of their great stores of wealth. In the Daily News the other morning, the reporter gave his interviews with a number of large liquor firms, in which they intimated that if prohibition is to continue to press its victories, they will hie away to Cincinnati and shake the dust of Texas off their feet as a testimony against us. They stated that their business represents millions of dollars, and that thirty thousand people were dependent upon it for their living, and that this volume of money and these people would soon be lost to Texas by the continued encroachments

of local option. The purpose of this interview is to appeal to the common-sense spirit of the people in order to check their support of prohibition. But the liquor will not work. If these liquor dealers want to go to Cincinnati, we are sorry for the city on the Ohio, but we rejoice that Texas is to be rid of them. They have sowed down our State in demerolism, poverty, ignorance, crime, degradation, witherhood, orphanage and all manner of diabolism, and have spent the day when they will gather up their blood money and take their departure to other lands. We have had enough of them and their death-producing crimes. On with the law!

### THE OLD-FASHIONED GIRL.

The advantages of civilization and of modern society have not made any improvement on the old-fashioned girl. True, her dress is not very numerous at the present time, but wherever you find her, she is still worth her weight in gold. The trouble with modernity is that we have very few real girls after they pass fourteen years of age. When they reach this age they at once blossom into full-grown young womanhood, enter society, mix with boys and young men and lose the sweet innocence that ought to be characteristic of young girl life. But not so with the old-fashioned girl. She remains a real girl until she passes by right into young womanhood. She loves and respects her mother and finds her companionship in the home circle. She learns quite early the art of domestic industry, and it is no drudgery to her to perform such tasks as go to make a clean and orderly home. She is modest and retiring, she dresses simply, and she is not seen in the company of young men except in the presence of other members of the family. She is devoted to her home and to her duties, and it does not seem to her to be a frequent and protracted visit to friends in order to have a good time. She is never seen in the dance, at the card table, and she takes long late buggy rides with pronounced company. She has other thoughts than gossiping about, spending money and seeking personal pleasures. She is agreeable and pleasant in her disposition and her chief happiness is found in the company of her father, mother, brothers and sisters. She is not lazy, listless, petulant, selfish, ill-tempered, whining and hard to please. She delights to take burdens off the shoulders of her tired mother, and she is an expert in the dining-room and the kitchen. In fact, she is ready to turn her hand to anything about the home and her presence is indispensable to the family circle. In other words, she is an old-fashioned girl, free from all the tangles and perplexing trimmings of so-called modern society. She is an exquisite flower whose fragrance is of the purest and rarest quality. Would that her sort were multiplied a thousandfold in the homes of our country!

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# PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE

NINTH DAY.

Friday, May 16, 1902.

(Continued from last week.)  
That is a very different matter. Another thing: These brethren who want to change the term of office from one year to four years, which we have agreed to in the Committee on Revisals, want in the substitute to have their vote, and not to have it. They want permanency of that sort, but they don't want permanency with the incident of a man going out of one district into another, and thereby causing a vacancy that will have to be filled in the interim. All these agree in the fact that the Joint Board is to be constituted as it is from the beginning. Now, in this matter of the quadrennial appointment, the point arises, if it was an annual appointment there would not be any difficulty. Therefore, if you want that, if that is the material point, as Brother Cannon has represented, and as Brother Lipscomb and the other brethren have represented, why don't you vote down the whole thing, and let the law stand as it is? What do you want with the quadrennial term coming in bringing trouble that we cannot cure under that system. The operation of many of these Boards that have been appointed quadrennially has been sometimes to have three members from one district, and two districts not represented at all in the quadrennial term. Now, then, you must choose between the two. You must either take a quadrennial term with that evil, that may result of an occasional vacancy, which can be avoided, I think, in 99 cases out of 100 by wise appointments at the beginning. If you take the right men and put them there, they are going to stay during the four years, and there will not be any vacancy; but if you do not have that, then you must necessarily tangle yourself up with this difficulty. Either you just vote to come down and go back to the old law, or take the new law of quadrennial appointments.

C. B. Mann: I rise to a question of personal privilege. I yielded the floor to have that paper read and before I could get on my feet again it had gone from me.

The Bishop: You are out of order, brother. That is your misfortune.

C. B. Mann: We have already lost an hour of precious time in discussing things that do not amount to a row of pins.

The Bishop: You are out of order.

T. S. Garrison: I would like to be heard as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The Bishop: Both the papers were before you, and according to the rule, the Chairman of the respective committees have a right to the closing speech. You have had the closing speech by one, and the Chair rules that the same right shall be accorded to the other.

C. B. Mann: I am under the previous question.

T. S. Garrison: I will not detain you long, and I regret very much to oppose Dr. Whitehead in anything, because he is an old, experienced minister; but we feel that the time comes when some fellow gets wrong, and we feel that he is wrong in this. The Chairman, and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance do the work principally, and bringing in new men from these different Conferences works confusion rather than to advantage, and we feel that to adopt the amendment of the brother over there, not that any change of a ministerial brother operates against his being on the committee. It does seem to me that it is a long-needed want of the Joint Board of Finance, and I think if you brethren will vote this it will give us a clearness in our work on the Joint Finance Committee, and you will rejoice at the result.

The Bishop: If any of my colleagues the first day of his service before an Annual Conference ever had

such a double-barrelled affair of this sort before them, I should be glad to know it, that I may enter into the fellowship of suffering with them.

The Bishop: The amendment to the substitute is before you. Will you adopt? The question is put and the Bishop says the Chair is not certain. The Chair thinks the ayes have it. A division is called for.

The amendment to the substitute on the division is adopted by a vote: Ayes 115; Noes 82.

The Bishop: Now the substitute is before you.

C. E. Doxman: Let us have the substitute read with the amendment.

The Bishop: The reading of the substitute is called for with the amendment incorporated.

B. F. Lipscomb: May I ask that it be read in the proper place?

The Bishop: They ought to do everything at the proper place and time.

The amendment was read as requested.

Calls for "Question."

A Delegate: One moment: I did not catch whether that provides the way in which a vacancy shall be filled. (Cries of "Of course.")

Upon the vote being taken upon the substitute a division was called for, which resulted 155 ayes.

The Bishop: That is a majority of the Conference, and it is adopted.

J. J. Tigert: I have the report of the Board of Trustees of the M. E. Church, South. I should ask to read it and refer it to the Committee on Finance.

The Bishop: Without objection you will proceed.

The report was read, as follows:

Dear Fathers and Brethren—As required by the Discipline, the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, respectfully submit its quadrennial report. Your Board reported at the last session of the General Conference a deed of gift September 27, 1897, executed by Mrs. M. A. Stewart, of DeSoto Co., Miss., conveying to the Board, subject to life interest of the grantor, a farm valued at about \$1,000. A few months after the session of the General Conference was over, in the month of October, 1898, your Board was called to meet in extra (called) session to act upon an application from Mrs. Mary A. Stewart to deed back to her the farm conveyed by deed to the Board September 27, 1897. After due consideration your Board declined to comply with the request upon the ground that there was no authority in the Board to do so.

It is with deep sorrow that your Board has to report the death of our valued and honored Vice-President, Col. E. W. Cole, which occurred May 24, 1899, previous to the regular biennial meeting of the Board May 9, 1899 at Nashville, Tenn., at which meeting it became the duty of the Board to elect some one to fill out the unexpired term caused by the death of Col. Cole until this meeting of your honorable body, and Mr. Jordan Stokes was so elected.

We have to report the irreparable loss by death September, 1899, of our beloved President, the Rev. Thos. M. Finney, D. D. This leaves a vacancy on the Board at this time. Owing to feeble health Col. Sam'l Cupples has tendered his resignation to the Board as a member, and his resignation has been accepted, thus leaving another vacancy.

Your Board would respectfully report that there are now three vacancies to be filled—one clerical and the other two laymen, and also that the terms of the office of the Rev. R. K. Brown, Rev. J. J. Tigert, J. L. Parkes and Jordan Stokes expire at this session of your body and their successors are to be appointed also.

ANSON WEST, Pres.  
J. L. PARKES,  
JORDAN STOKES,  
JNO. J. TIGERT,  
D. C. SCALES.

J. J. Tigert: I move its reference to the Committee on Finance.

The motion prevailed.

T. S. Garrison: I want to have the report of Committee on Finance No. 2 recommitted, as there are some legal points in it and Judge Barclay and Judge Little have the matter under consideration. The way it is reported it will provoke quite a discussion, and it can be settled by the committee without discussion.

The Bishop: What is your motion?

T. S. Garrison: To recommit the report No. 2 of the Committee on Finance.

The motion to recommit prevailed.

J. J. Tigert: I move that when we adjourn we meet at 8 o'clock this evening for the purpose of receiving the Fraternal Delegates from the Wesleyan M. E. Church, and from the Canadian M. E. Church.

The motion prevailed.

W. F. Tillett: J. H. Stevenson, a member of the lay delegation from the Tennessee Conference, has received a call to return home. He begs to be excused. His place will probably be filled to-morrow; but I will not put in any name to-day.

The request was granted.

S. S. Keener: I would like to move to suspend the rules so as to abolish the high and honorable position Dr. Alexander occupies. He feels it is impracticable and impossible to carry out his high and arduous duties.

Gross Alexander: The General Conference was pleased, upon yesterday, to bestow upon me the honor of the position of Special Assistant Secretary, for the purpose of having the reports of committees printed—for the purpose of having the reports of committees printed and put in the seats of members, according to the rules adopted some days ago. Pursuant to that action of the General Conference and the duties pertaining to that office, I went to the office of the publisher of the Texas Christian Advocate and the Daily Advocate, and found him absolutely unable to do the printing. I went to another printer recommended highly by him, and consulted him as to the expense of this procedure. I found, in the first place, that to print 300 copies that would be necessary for 288 delegates—that to print 300 copies of one single report which I submitted to him as a sample, would cost \$5.75.

I submitted to him another report of average length, and he said to print 300 copies of that would cost \$2.75 or \$3.00—an average, at least, of \$1.99 a report. The total expense of printing 300 copies each of all the reports would aggregate at least \$499.00, and Brother D. M. Smith, who is perfectly familiar with such matters, says that it would run between \$500 and \$600. So much for the expense of this luxury. In the second place, it seems to me that it is not necessary to have these reports printed, for this reason: If you have, say 100 reports (and there will probably be less—there are already about 201, if you have 100 reports, 300 copies each of 100 reports will make 30,000 copies to be printed. It will be impossible for the Secretary of the Conference to determine just when a report will be called for. The rule requires it shall be printed and laid in the seats of members one day before it is to be acted upon. It will be impossible to know when they are to be acted on; consequently it is impossible to lay the reports in the chairs one day before they are to be acted upon. You see the absurdity of the proposition. In the next place, if the members of the General Conference do not wish to bring all the copies of the Daily Advocate with them to the Conference room—and I can easily see why they don't wish to do so—they can cut out the reports of the committees from the Advocate and put them in an envelope, and put them in their pockets, and they will have them at hand and can find them without any trouble, and you save all that expense; and there is no uncertainty as to the reports being on hand at the time they are to be acted on. Moreover, Brother Smith tells me that the publisher of the Daily Advocate

is perfectly willing to have the lines numbered in his printing in the Daily Advocate, so that that advantage at least may be secured, which was of great importance. Dr. Smith, you see, was undertaking to follow the practice of Legislatures, Congress and the Senate; but they hold their sessions for months, together; we have three weeks only, and are crowded for time, and, gentlemen, I submit it to you, in all candor, that it is absolutely impracticable and positively absurd. I hope, therefore, you will abolish the rule and discharge the Secretary.

T. B. King: I am perfectly willing to concede the fact that Dr. Alexander has made a very able defense. I am glad to see that he has seen the light, and found out now, as the Secretary has said, it was a physical impossibility and would require a great deal of expenditure of labor and money to comply with Rule 21, and, therefore, I move that Rule No. 21 be repealed.

The motion to abolish the rule prevailed.

W. F. Tillett: I wish to ask why, with the immense amount of labor that this General Conference has before it, that we should adjourn one hour before the appointed time.

The Bishop: There is no motion to adjourn.

W. F. Tillett: I understood it was going to be put in a few minutes.

J. J. Tigert: I move that we take up the calendar.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary called and read Report No. 2 of the Committee on Missions.

B. F. Lipscomb: I move that we take up that report item by item.

The motion prevailed. The first item was read and adopted. The second item was read and adopted. The third item was read—

Paul Whitehead: I move to strike out the latter part, including that recommendation.

The motion was seconded.

W. R. Peebles: I move to lay the motion of Dr. Whitehead to strike out on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was adopted.

Item No. 3 was adopted, and on motion, the report as a whole was adopted.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Itinerancy was read by the Secretary.

W. E. Arnold: I rise to a question of personal privilege concerning the latter part of that report. I want to state that in the second item of that report—

A Delegate: It is practically impossible to hear back here.

The Bishop: Come forward, Bro. Arnold.

W. E. Arnold: The second item of that report states that a certain resolution was offered by W. E. Arnold, J. E. Wright and others, concerning the removal of the time limit from the preachers stationed at Key West, and from certain missions. We offered no such resolution. That is already provided for in the Discipline. The committee has got the thing badly mixed, and I don't want to be understood as offering such a resolution as that. My resolution was substantially as that which came from the Virginia Conference for the removal of the time limit of our home missionaries, as well as those among the Indians and foreign lands, so that it would read as the latter part of that section indicates. I wish to put myself right upon that matter. I offered no such resolution as this report represents.

J. O. Willson: I move, in view of the statement just made, that the report be recommitted.

A Delegate: Do I understand you to mean that that carries with it the whole report? There is a section of it that we might act upon, and I will be very glad to have the privilege of acting.

The Bishop: What is your motion?

D. C. Kelley: I move that we take up the report item by item.

J. O. Willson: I withdraw my motion to recommit until we reach that point.

The motion to take up item by item prevailed.

The first item was read.

D. C. Kelley: I move its adoption. I am not sure whether everybody in the General Conference has taken in the full scope of that article; it is very conservative in that it leaves it entirely in the hands of the Bishop; then in the next point it meets the forward movement of the day that is ever being considered by all Churches. In the city work among the poorer population there are but few men found that are adequate to meet the desperate wants and few men can do it.

J. J. Tigert: The report of the committee was non-concurrence.

D. C. Kelley: I misunderstood; I will put the motion in a different form. I move to concur as a substitute for non-concurrence.

The Bishop: Now we will speak to the substitute.

D. C. Kelley: I specially speak of the question in large cities, and our cities in the South in the next few years are bound to have a large growth in industrial lines, and my experience in Nashville is that only one time in a score of years will you find a man adapted especially to work among such of the population.

When the four years close, as it is now, you have got to hunt another man, and will probably fail to find another man with special adaptation to such work. If the Bishop, therefore, can be allowed, when he can find a man especially fitted for the purpose of carrying forward that great interest which is now commanding in Europe and America more consideration perhaps than any other one fact in the onward movement in our Church. To do that work Salvation Armies have come among this population. We can do that work with a man who is seasoned and experienced and fitted for this work. I beg, therefore, that you will consent to allow the Bishop when he feels that a man is eminently fitted for this work to retain him in the special work among the laboring population in cities.

S. S. Keener: This is a very important step, brethren, and is an invasion of four years quadrennial rule. We discussed this very thoroughly in the committee, and I do not at all approve of the invasion. Let us hold to our four years' rule in the city, in the country and on circuit and stations.

W. E. Arnold: I am a member of a Conference which has a large mountain territory; we have about twenty counties in the Conference, which is as purely mission territory as any you will find in the Empire of China. I do not mean that the people there are Chinese, or exactly on a par with Chinese, but I say that it is as purely mission territory as any you will find there. Experience has demonstrated that there are not many men who are especially adapted to mission work. Our mountain territory, or home mission fields, I will say, has been supplied in the past, not by men chosen with special reference to their peculiar fitness for the mission work, and not because of the fact that they have been called for missionary, but, rather, because of their unfitness for other work. The entering wedge has already been driven in the log, the exception has already been made in the interest of a man who is stationed at Key West, and in behalf of the missionaries among the Indians, and missionaries among foreign fields, and what I plead for is that our home mission fields be treated just as foreign mission fields are, and the same reason obtains for the removal of the time limit from home missionaries that can be offered for removing the time limit for foreign missionaries. We want to change our methods in the Kentucky Conference upon this point, and treat our territory as missionary ground, and put there men with the missionary spirit—men with peculiar fitness for the missionary work, and keep them there until they have developed the field, and done the work of missionaries in that field; therefore, I offer that resolution to al-

low home missionaries to be included in the list.

W. R. Peebles: I move that we adopt a committee, and non-proposition before us, to make the distinction between the country places to be one a circuit and a station. My observation is that whether you strike it down, or among the leaders, and it is fatigued particularly in all the balance are want to say that according to my observation that they are peopled because of the than the very people to get at.

L. P. Little: I vote against placing any State in the same heathen Chinese. I these people refer to children and the of the people of Virginia; they are no is not a county in there is not a rely and where religion protest against any may be ignorant, but good State of No Georgia their court found, and they are

W. E. Arnold: I of personal privilege speakers on the floor misunderstood me, tionally misrepresented say, and I specifying the people of of them on a par Chinese." I did sa there was as truly as any to be found

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Paul Whitehead: The report goes to the calendar like all other reports of committees.

J. J. Tigert: This is the report of a Commission.

Paul Whitehead: That is the same thing.

A. B. Pugh: I would like to ask if the printed report of that Commission is here for circulation?

The Bishop: It was printed for that purpose. I don't know what became of it. Perhaps the Commission can probably tell you.

J. J. Tigert: I received a copy by mail before coming to the seat of the Conference, and I presume that a similar communication was sent to every member of the General Conference. That is all I know about it.

A. B. Pugh: If any was sent to me I did not receive it.

W. T. J. Sullivan: I haven't seen any and could not vote on it now.

S. S. Koerner: I move that some be given to the General Conference while we are here. A good many of us have never seen it at all.

The Bishop: The members of the Commission are here. I believe all of them, and they can tell what has become of that printed edition. You will have to inquire of them.

W. F. Barclay: Is there a motion pending on the subject?

The Bishop: No, sir.

W. F. Barclay: Then I make a motion that the consideration of that report be made the order for next Tuesday morning immediately after the calling of the Conference, and that in the meantime the third division of that report be printed in the Advocate. I think it is not necessary to print all, but the third division will bring before the Conf. these matters necessary to be considered.

The Bishop: Do you know where those printed copies are? I understood there were enough printed to furnish every member with a copy.

W. F. Barclay: Printed copies were sent to every member of the Conference some weeks before the meeting of the Conference. There are some extra copies here that will be furnished to those members who haven't them. Whether there are enough to go around entirely I do not know, sir.

The Bishop: You have heard the motion. Is there a second to it?

The motion was seconded.

J. J. Tigert: Our business next week is likely to be of such a nature that we could hardly give appropriate consideration, and full consideration to this document on Tuesday. Would Thursday suit you as well?

W. F. Barclay: I was only anxious that we might get it up, before something else that has got the right of way and will probably take the balance of the session.

R. H. Mahon: I had just prepared a resolution or motion to be submitted to the house to set Tuesday at 10 o'clock to consider the reports from the Committee on Publishing Interests for the final consideration of what is known as our War Claims, and I hope that this resolution to settle that vexed question will have precedence. I presume that Tuesday will be about as early as we can be ready for the consideration of that vexed question, and I would greatly prefer that Tuesday should be set apart for the consideration of the War Claims rather than this. That perhaps will not involve such far-reaching considerations. I would offer this as a substitute.

J. P. Hilburn: I move as a substitute that it go to the calendar and that it take its regular place on the calendar.

The Bishop: Unless you adopt the resolution offered by Dr. Barclay it will go there anyhow. You might as well vote on that.

The motion of Brother Barclay is that you make it your order for 10 o'clock Tuesday.

C. B. Mann: I offer as a substitute that 10 o'clock Monday be made the

order of the day for the consideration of the War Claim.

The Bishop: That is not germane to the question, as we are considering now the report of the Commission on the Constitution.

The motion of W. F. Barclay was lost.

The Bishop: The report therefore will go to the calendar.

S. B. Adams: Wouldn't it be better to have the report of the minority of the Committee on Publishing Interests read before we make any motion in regard to the consideration of the two reports.

The Bishop: We called for that minority report when the majority report was read, but they hadn't it ready. I believe.

S. B. Adams: It is ready now.

J. H. McLean: I will withdraw my motion until the minority report is read.

S. B. Adams: I beg to move that the minority report be now read, and that it be read by Dr. Cannon, who is more familiar with the document than the Secretary would be. I make that motion.

The Bishop: It will require a suspension of the rules.

S. B. Adams: I move a suspension of the rules for the purpose of allowing that to be done.

R. F. Lipscomb: This is precisely what has been done in several other cases, and if the brother who wrote the report desires to read it, I think that in all fairness and courtesy in this case, as in others, we ought to grant him that privilege.

The privilege was granted, and the minority report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was then read by J. Cannon.

J. Cannon: There are three or four other members whose names I should like to have the privilege of adding to this report.

The Bishop: The report goes to the calendar.

J. H. McLean: Mr. President—Anson West: Mr. President, I want to make a statement.

The Bishop: Dr. McLean has the floor.

Anson West: I want to make a statement. I want to state that the report, so far as the document itself is concerned, sounds like the report of the committee. It is like the boy who drew a horse and had to write under it "horse" that you might know what it was.

J. Cannon: I raise the point of order that this report is not before the Conference for discussion.

The Bishop: It is not under discussion.

Anson West: I do not wish to discuss it. I want to call attention to the fact that it is read as the report of the minority, but throughout the whole proceedings the language of it is as if it was the report of the committee.

J. H. McLean: I had a resolution bearing upon the date for the discussion.

The Secretary read as follows: "Resolved, That Tuesday, the 20th instant, at 10 a. m., be set for consideration of the reports from the Committee on Publishing Interests affecting what is known as the War Claim, and that the consideration of this subject be continued until a final conclusion is reached."

J. H. McLean: Mr. President—C. B. Mann: There is an amendment for that.

The Bishop: Dr. McLean has the floor. If he will yield, all right.

J. H. McLean: I will yield for a moment.

The Bishop: State your amendment.

C. B. Mann: Instead of Tuesday at 10 o'clock, I offer Monday at 10 o'clock.

Peter H. Whisner: I second the amendment.

J. H. McLean: I am sure that the temper of this body is to set the earliest day practicable for the consideration of this question. If these voluminous reports could be printed and put in the hotels for the consideration of the delegates this afternoon, say at 4 or 5 o'clock, or even as late as 6

o'clock, that might give the body opportunity for considering the question calmly before it should come up on Monday; but if it is not practicable for these voluminous reports to be printed this afternoon and distributed to the delegates, I do not think that we can consider it calmly and dispassionately at an earlier date than Tuesday at 10 o'clock. If they cannot be distributed this afternoon, then the only printed reports that we can have will be placed in the seats of the delegates Monday morning at 9 o'clock, and that would not give us time for reviewing calmly these reports. So, unless they can be distributed and printed this afternoon, I will insist on the original motion—Tuesday at 10 o'clock. If, however, this first can be done, I will be ready to accept the amendment.

J. H. McGehee: I rise to say, sir, that I favor the original motion presented by Dr. McLean. He has presented sufficient considerations for that course. In addition, however, to that argument, while I would be glad for this matter to be settled at the earliest day, I would notify the Conference that there will be about thirty clerical members of this Conference not in Monday morning to attend this session. They will be out all over the country filling their appointments, and will not return home on the Sabbath, and as we want the fullest and calmest investigation on this subject, one in which all delegates can participate, I hope the amendment will not prevail.

W. W. Smith: Mr. President, I raise a point of order. I hold that the amendment to the motion is not in order, for the following reasons: It violates rule 21, that all reports of committees shall be printed, paged and folded—

The Bishop: That was repealed yesterday.

W. W. Smith: I raise the point of order that that rule was not repealed according to the journal of this body. On yesterday afternoon Rev. A. Coke Smith moved a reconsideration of the vote by which rule 21 was abrogated. That motion prevailed, and a reconsideration was ordered. Pending this reconsideration, Dr. Coke Smith moved a new rule as rule 21.

C. B. Mann: I contend Brother Smith is out of order.

W. W. Smith: I had the floor. Pending the vote, while the resolution to abrogate was under consideration by the adoption of a motion to reconsider, Dr. Coke Smith moved a new rule which was referred to the Committee on Rules, and there was no vote taken the second time as to whether the motion to abrogate should be adopted, and the house adjourned with the motion pending to abrogate, the rule still being in force. I hold that rule 21 is still in force, because no motion to abrogate it has been adopted.

Secretary: I will read the record as it has been read and approved by this body.

C. B. Mann: I withdraw my amendment.

The Bishop: There is now nothing before you, and nothing to make a point of order on. You need not read it.

J. J. Tigert: Do I understand from Dr. McLean's remarks that it is his expectation that this entire minority report will be printed in the Daily Advocate and laid on the desks of members on Monday morning?

J. H. McLean: Yes, sir.

J. J. Tigert: Will that be done?

E. E. Hoss: If the minority report is handed me I shall put it in the hands of the printer at once.

J. J. Tigert: Will the Advocate be large enough to contain it?

E. E. Hoss: I don't know that. I don't know what the printer will do about it. I will turn it over to him and let him act for himself.

J. J. Tigert: I move as an amendment to Dr. McLean's resolution that the minority of the Committee on Publishing Interests have leave to print in pamphlet the report, that it may be in the hands of members by Monday morning.

J. H. McLean: I accept the amendment.

The Bishop: The amendment is accepted, and the motion is now before you.

T. E. Edwards: Before the vote is taken I wish some information. In the first place this report is made as a minority report, or purporting to be a minority report of the Committee on Publishing Interests. As it was read I can see that it is simply an answer to the Book Committee's report. I wish to know the difference between the two. Furthermore, I want to be further enlightened on the question, and to know by whom and when this report was gotten up.

Laughter, and calls for "Question." The Bishop: If you will be quiet I will put the question.

J. Cannon: I rise for information. In case the minority are given the privilege of printing, as indicated, will the duplicate copy be left in our hands? Of course we cannot do it unless we have the duplicate. Will the Daily Advocate surrender to us the duplicate?

The Bishop: You will have to get the duplicate from the publisher for that purpose.

E. E. Hoss: I wish to rise to inquire as to exactly what you wish the Daily Advocate has to do with this.

The Bishop: The Daily Advocate has nothing to do with it under the action just had. The motion of Dr. Tigert has been accepted as an amendment. It has not been voted on yet by the Conference.

R. F. Lipscomb: Read the resolution and the amendment.

The Chair: We will read them all together—the resolution of Dr. McLean with the amendment of Dr. Tigert.

The Secretary read the resolution and the amendment before mentioned.

W. L. Neims: I move as a substitute, or an amendment to the amendment, that the report of the majority be put in pamphlet form—we need that as much as the other.

J. J. Tigert: I accept that.

J. H. McLean: I accept it.

G. B. Winton: I submit that we are not ready. This committee has been notified by the Conference several times that you were in a hurry for our report. In the name of the majority, I wish to say that we presented a brief and simple report, such as could be acted on at once. This long and elaborate plea, under the guise of a report on the part of the minority of this committee, has confused the mind of the Conference, apparently, and made them believe that we are not ready to consider these matters. I protest that there is no new matter in there. It is merely an ingenious effort on the part of some members of this committee to get printed a long plea against certain gentlemen before this Conference, and get it circulated without those of us who are on the other side being able to say a word against it. That report, or that plea, absolutely neglects and puts aside every word that was said before that committee by the Agents of the Publishing House in rebuttal of certain statements made there, and it is not fair that any such document as that should go out to be printed and be allowed to circulate

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here two or three days before those of us on the other side have a word to say. I move, as a substitute, that the rule be suspended and this whole business be put upon its passage.

B. F. Lipscomb: I move that the motion lie on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

H. Bishop: I move that Dr. McLean's motion ordering the printing of that minority report lie on the table.

The Bishop: That is a part of the motion. That was Dr. Tigert's amendment, accepted. Do you want the fixing of the time to lie on the table, too?

H. Bishop: If the other has to go with it, I do.

The vote was taken upon the motion to lay on the table, and the motion was lost.

J. O. Willson: I wish to make this motion. It is hardly fair for us to allow to be printed in pamphlet form the argument which has been made by the minority without the majority being able to say something. On the other hand, if the words which they had read in our hearing had been spoken they would go into our journal. Instead, therefore, of ordering the pamphlet containing the report of the minority, I wish to suggest that a supplement of the Advocate be ordered to contain the same. Then it has no precedence over any other paper.

The Bishop: I do not think you are in order, for the reason that we have an amendment to the amendment to the original motion all before us.

J. O. Willson: That is the reason I am stating what I am, hoping that it will be accepted.

J. J. Tigert: I shall be perfectly willing to accept the words "or otherwise"—in pamphlet form or in the Daily Advocate.

J. H. McLean: I accept that.

J. O. Willson: I accept that.

J. H. McGhee: I call for the previous question.

A Delegate: I understood the mover of the amendment to the amendment to accept the second amendment to the amendment, but how about the original mover?

The Bishop: He did accept it.

W. C. Black: I want some light to know what we are voting on. I want to know who is to decide, if we pass the motion before the house, whether that pamphlet is to be printed or not.

J. J. Tigert: "Or in the Daily Advocate" is the way it reads.

The Bishop: In pamphlet form or in the Advocate.

W. C. Black: If you pass it that way, who is to decide whether it is to go in the Advocate or in a pamphlet.

The Bishop: By the terms of the resolution it is left to the minority of the committee.

W. C. Black: And that means they will publish it in pamphlet form.

The Bishop: All in favor of the adoption of the resolution offered by Dr. McLean, and amended by Dr. Tigert and others, and the amendments accepted, will rise and stand until you are counted.

The vote was put and the resolution as amended was adopted—Ayes 156; Nays 55.

C. H. Briggs: I want to ask leave of absence for John H. Harper, lay representative of the New Mexico Conference, who is called home by illness in his family.

Leave was granted.

P. H. Whisner: The Woman's Home Mission Society have circulated their annual report upon the seats of the members. I suppose all of you have received a copy of it. No copy of it has been presented officially to the Conference. I take the liberty of presenting a copy of this report to the General Conference, and move that it be referred to our Committee on Church Extension.

There being no objection the report is so referred.

B. M. Burgher, Chairman of the local committee, announced that the ladies of Dallas had arranged to give

the members of the Conference a drive to points of interest about the city next Tuesday afternoon. The Conference accepted the invitation, expressing its thanks.

The Secretary read a telegram from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and a similar communication from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States in response to telegrams of greeting sent these bodies by the General Conference.

The call of the list of special committees was resumed, and Report No. 1 from the Committee on Sabbath Observance was received, and the call was completed.

A Delegate: I would like to submit Report No. 2 of the Committee on Publishing Interests.

The Bishop: If nobody objects.

Gross Alexander: I do make objection, as this is the last day, and there are some very important matters coming up.

The roll of Conferences was called for appeals, memorials and petitions, and for resolutions, and a number were introduced and referred to the appropriate committees.

Gross Alexander: I have some resolutions on a subject which I think will interest everybody in the Conference and in the house, if they can be heard, and I would ask for their immediate passage if there be no objection. They will, I think, provoke no discussion.

The Secretary read a resolution signed by Gross Alexander and others concerning child labor in factories.

The Bishop: What will you do with it?

Gross Alexander: I move it be adopted.

A Delegate: I move it go to the calendar.

The Bishop: Do you make that as a substitute?

The Delegate: Yes, sir.

The motion to place the resolution on the calendar was lost.

The Bishop: Will you adopt it?

W. T. J. Sullivan: That is a motion of such great importance that it seems to me we ought to accompany the paper with a provision or proposition for presentation of the subject matter to the various Legislatures in the South.

The Bishop: Do you make that motion?

W. T. J. Sullivan: I am not prepared to make the motion just now.

The resolution was then adopted.

By unanimous consent Report No. 2 of the Committee on Publishing Interests was read and placed on the calendar.

E. E. Hoss: I wish to move a reconsideration of the vote by which the resolution introduced by Dr. Alexander and others was adopted.

Gross Alexander: The reason why Dr. Hoss moves a reconsideration, as he tells me, is this: that the paper contains an inaccurate statement to the following effect:

"Whereas, it is estimated that there are to-day no less than 20,000 children under the age of twelve years, so employed in the South." The accuracy of that statement is challenged.

E. E. Hoss: I wish to state that my reason for moving a reconsideration is that the statements contained in that paper are challenged in several particulars by reputable gentlemen, who want an opportunity to make an exhibit of what they conceive to be facts, and the truth in the case. It is due to them that a reconsideration should be had and that the paper should go to a committee.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

The Bishop: The paper is now before you.

P. H. Whisner: I move that the paper be laid on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was lost.

Gross Alexander: If there be no committee to which the paper may naturally be referred, I move that a special committee of three be appointed for the purpose.

The motion prevailed.

J. E. Godbey: One of our delegates from Little Rock Conference, Brother Leigh, is called home on important

business, and asks to be excused. I ask that Brother Leigh be excused.

The request was granted.

On motion of W. F. Glenn, leave of absence was also granted to H. B. Neale.

G. C. Rankin: I move we do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed, the Doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by W. F. Tillett, and at 12:35 p. m. the Conference adjourned until Monday, May 19th, at 9 a. m.

## ELEVENTH DAY.

Monday, May 19, 1902.

Pursuant to adjournment of Saturday, May 17, the Conference met at 9 o'clock, Bishop Wilson in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. H. McLean, of the North Texas Conference, who announced the 398th hymn—

"My faith looks up to Thee,  
Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior Divine."

The Scripture lesson was then read from the 1st chapter of the Epistle of Peter, and the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. McLean.

The minutes of Saturday's session were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Bishop announced the names of the members of the committee to consider the resolution of Dr. Alexander relative to the employment of children in factories, as follows: J. O. Branch, R. W. Millsaps and J. G. Brown.

At this point Bishop Granbery took the chair.

The Bishop: We will call for reports of standing committees.

G. C. Rankin: Before proceeding with that I would like to call attention to a typographical error which occurs in the publication of the majority report of the Committee on Publishing Interests—that is, as it occurs in the published report in the Daily Advocate. The report reads: "That we condemn any departure of the attorney of the Book Committee from the explicit instructions given to him by the Book Committee in regard to the collection of our claim against the Government, from which instructions he did not depart, according to his own statement made to the Senate Committee which investigated these matters." The word "not" destroys the intentional meaning of the whole resolution, and has no place in the report. It is a typographical error. And while on my feet I would also like to claim the privilege of saying that announcement was made of the meeting of the Georgetown University Alumni Association; that meeting occurred on Saturday, and I find that I was on the program for an address. I was not even notified that I was invited to the meeting, and was not, therefore, present to take part in that pleasant occasion. I want the members of that association to know that I did not treat that matter with indifference; if I had known that my presence was desired I certainly would have been there. It was an oversight on the part of some one that I was not notified, and I was not, therefore, present.

Report of Committee on Appeals No. 2 was read, and, under the rules, went to the calendar.

Report No. 5 of Committee on Finance was read.

A. Coke Smith: I move the suspension of the rules and that so much of that report as has reference to the filling of vacancies on Boards of Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, may be now put on its passage.

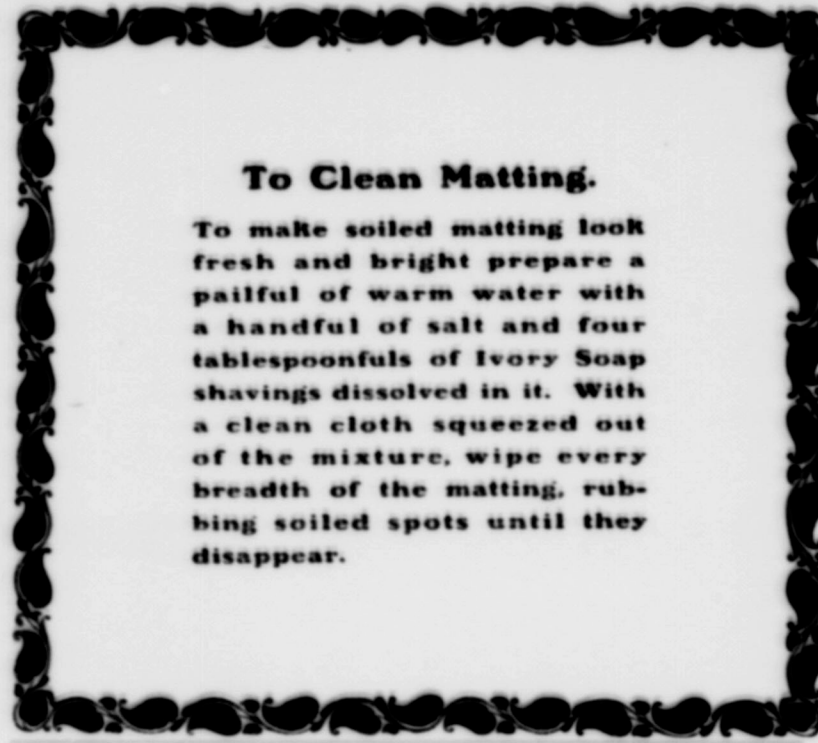
The motion prevailed.

A. Coke Smith: I move that part of the report which has reference to the filling of vacancies on the Board of Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, be put upon its passage.

The motion prevailed, and the portion referred to was adopted; the remainder of the report, under the rules, went to the calendar.

A report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was read.

J. J. Tigert: I move that it be put



## To Clean Matting.

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The motion prevailed.

A. J. Lamar: If it be in order, I wish to move that we take from the calendar Report No. 3 of the Committee on Episcopacy and put on its passage that part which provides for the number of Bishops to be elected by this Conference.

The motion to take up the report prevailed.

J. O. Willson: I wish to move an amendment to that report—the majority report, before us now.

A. J. Lamar: I wish to state there is a minority report.

The Bishop: We will have these reports read, and then hear the motion of Dr. Willson.

J. J. Tigert: Through an inadvertence it was left at the office of the Secretary, but we have the exact language in the Daily Advocate, and with the permission of the Conference I will read from that paper.

Permission was given and the Secretary read from the Daily Advocate the report under consideration.

J. O. Willson: I move to amend the majority report by striking out the word "two" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three."

W. F. Glenn: I wish, sir, to offer the minority report as a substitute for the report and for the amendment. I would like to say a few words in regard to this matter.

W. B. Murrah: I would like to say a word just here in order to correct what might be a wrong impression. I discover that in printing Report No. 2 from the Committee on Education in the Daily Advocate, it says the Bishops discourage, in their address, the multiplication of Sunday schools. Let it be understood that it is "secondary" schools and not Sunday schools.

W. H. Godbey: I rise to the point of order, that as the amendment to the report has not been acted on, can this be substituted—

The Bishop: The substitute can not be acted upon before we act on that amendment, but I supposed Dr. Glenn was going to speak on that amendment.

W. F. Glenn: I offer the minority report as a substitute for the majority report and the amendment. Am I not in order?

The Bishop: The question which is now before you is the amendment which proposes three Bishops instead of two.

J. O. Willson: Just a word or two with reference to the amendment. I wish the Conference to order that three and not only two be elected. There is no doubt, or reasonable doubt, as it appears to me that we need Bishops. Those who are now doing the work tell us they need two. They know better than we the necessity of strengthening the College of Bishops. Already one of our Bishops has requested to be retired, and we know that the weight of years is hanging heavily upon others of them; and if

therefore, we are to face the responsibility of the quadrennium before us

it is absolutely necessary for us to give assistance to the College of Bishops. So far as the matter of the number is concerned, the conditions referred to even in the report of the minority, call for a strong College of Bishops. Every time the Church has had great questions to meet and has had the opportunity, it has, in order to meet these questions wisely and strongly, added to its Episcopal force. In 1866, when we were only about a half million, or less, in number, but when the whole matter of adjusting our Church was before us, although we had five or six Bishops on our roll, the General Conference then elected four more, and the beneficial effect of that decision was fully admitted throughout the length and breadth of the Church before twelve months had passed. So it has been at other periods.

Now, with reference to the fact that the Bishops ask only for two. We think that three are needed. It is not unusual for the General Conference to give a little more relief to the Bishops than they ask. In 1882, if my memory serves me, the Bishops asked that three new Bishops be elected, and the Conference decided to elect five; so in 1890, the Bishops asked for one additional Bishop and the General Conference elected two. So we recognize that our General Superintendents always put their request just as low as possible, and though they are always willing to spend more of their strength than they have a right to render us, the General Conference has before, and I trust again will give to them one more helper in their work than they have felt absolutely indispensable. I will not further take the time of the Conference; but I do trust, brethren, that without serious difference we will agree to the amendment which has been offered. I suppose, if necessary, the Chairman of the Committee on Episcopacy would give us information with reference to the strength of our Episcopal force. And in the absence of any statement we know absolutely that some of our Bishops are advancing in years and increasing in feebleness.

J. H. McLean: I hope that this body will attach due importance to the recommendations of our College of Bishops. This Committee on Episcopacy, after having given thorough attention—faithful attention—to the consideration of this matter, in my opinion, have wisely come to the conclusion that two new Bishops will meet the demands of the Church; and when we shall have added two we will then have eight strong and effective men on the College of Bishops, and these alone, if the responsibilities shall so require, can meet the demands of the Church and render the service that the Church expects at their hands, and in harmony with the service that they have hitherto rendered. Now, some of our honored Bishops have passed

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the age of 70 years, and they cannot be expected to do full work; but the Board—the College of Bishops—can accommodate the work they are expected to do to their falling strength, and they can serve two or three Conferences, wisely selected and adjusted to their physical conditions, and I am sure that the demands of the Church can be, and will be, met for the next quadrennium. Another thing, it is hazardous to elect too great a number at a time. It is wise for us to replenish the College of Bishops by adding one or two, as the case may demand, at each General Conference; but to add a large number, it is always attended with considerable risk. I hope, therefore, that the General Conference will accept the recommendations of the College of Bishops and the recommendations of the Committee on Episcopacy, and have regard to the financial status as well as the service that is expected at the hands of our Bishops. We should not, if we can do otherwise, unnecessarily levy too great financial taxes upon our people, and, believing as we do that the needs of the Church can be fully met and the Church faithfully served in the recommendations of the College of Bishops and of the Committee on Episcopacy, I, therefore, hope that the recommendations of the majority will prevail.

J. B. McGehee: Mr. President, I am aware of the fact that an increase of Bishops is a popular proposition, and it is exceedingly difficult to speak against a proposition of that sort. Indeed, sir, if the amendment had said five, instead of three, my usual courage would have failed me and I would not have marched to the front on the question. Now, Mr. President, this statement made by Dr. Willson of what has been done in the past does not apply to the present. We are dealing with the present. As Dr. McLean has stated, some of our Bishops could do half work. In that case, two would make one, and we would then have seven effective Bishops to do the work; and I maintain, sir, that if the work is distributed throughout the year, instead of being confined to the fall and winter, seven Bishops can do whatever work is needed. We do not expect them to attend all the District Conferences. Divide the Conferences by seven, and it would not be hard work for our Bishops. Moreover, sir, we are multiplying expenses. If we elect two Bishops, we will be chargeable with \$55,000.00 for Bishops on that score; if we elect three, we increase it to \$58,000.00, and if we increase on every department demanding money, it would have a bad effect upon our collections. Already, Mr. President, we have ten Bishops, and this will make twelve, and have thirteen if you elect three, and we are running up—piling up—this expense bill, as I hold, unnecessarily. The work can be done, and be done on the present amount of money; and, in addition to these arguments, I call attention to the fact that it is an inopportune time, sir, to elect Bishops. I will not elaborate that thought. The wisdom of this Conference will take in the full significance of that statement. I repeat it, it is an inopportune time to increase the Episcopacy—to elect any Bishops at all, especially as the present force can do the work.

J. H. Pritchett: I move that the amendment lay on the table. The motion to lay on the table prevailed. W. F. Glenn: I now renew my motion that the minority report be substituted for the majority report. I wish to say that I honor this Episcopacy and yield to no man in that one respect, but a man who has more capacity than I. I want it to be perpetuated, and if there were a claim that they needed more Bishops in order to discharge the official duties and duties incident to it; if it were claimed that a man is needed to go into foreign missionary fields and any where other than our own country, I would not say one word; but as I understand it, this plea is not made. It is in order to meet demands that come irregular-

ly, incidentally, in one way and another way, and in such ways as we cannot define, and if you are going by resolution to supply that sort of demand you will have to elect an indefinite number of Bishops; it will require a very large number. I submit that the remote Churches, remote schools and remote circumstances that are making demands upon our Episcopacy, have as much right to be heard, and will have as much good done them as by going to the centers, and therefore I do not think that we ought to want to supply that demand simply because it is an impracticable thing.

One word, sir, in regard to the expense. I know that it is small, and am glad that you consider this a mere minor thing, one that can be wiped away when you enter into the aggregate of expenses; that \$1200,000 a year is a small matter in the aggregate of the expenses of the Church, but it would give to us twelve missionaries in the foreign fields, and I submit that these missionaries in the foreign fields would do us, I believe, more good than two Bishops here at home. You will all say to me, Why, the Bishops will help to increase the missionary collections. I honor the work that our Bishops are doing in that line. I know they are doing a grand work, as they have the opportunity, in increasing these collections, but aren't the men who may be elected Bishops, whoever they may be, doing work and increasing the missionary collections? If they are not they ought not to be elected Bishops. If they are, let them go on with their work in the small fields, and thereby develop the land. You might reply again that they do not have as large fields or as large and extensive congregations to speak to, which may be true, but they have the opportunity of continued and persistent work in the smaller fields. We ought not to increase the burden on the Church. Again, I might go on and speak to a limited extent about the time not being an opportune time. My friend, Dr. McLean, has already spoken to you on it, and I reiterate the remarks. I do not believe that this is an opportune time for us—for the Church at large—to enter upon the election of Bishops. I have put myself in the place of my brethren who differ with me, whom I honor, and I have tried to see this question as they see it, but I have failed; and therefore, as the conscientious expression of my own opinion, and as the representative of a large number of people in my own Conference and in other Conferences, I feel constrained to offer my objections to the election of any Bishop, and to advocate the substitute presented.

S. S. Keener: I move to lay the substitute on the table.

On the vote being taken on the motion, a division was called, and the Secretary, by request, again read the substitute.

A. J. Lamar: As Chairman of the Committee, I believe I have the privilege, before the question is voted on, of speaking on the question. The division on the substitute disposes of the whole question and we are entitled to be heard.

The Bishop: This is a motion to lay the substitute on the table, and not to adopt it.

A. J. Lamar: If I will have the opportunity to be heard later—

The Bishop: Yes, you will be heard later.

The substitute was laid on the table—ayes, 148; noes, 63.

J. E. Wright: I move that this matter of electing Bishops be postponed until 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

The motion was laid on the table.

J. Cannon: Mr. President, I desire simply to reiterate the arguments which have been made by my brethren against the adoption of this report. I do believe that this is an inopportune time; I do believe that the matter of expense is a very grave matter. My figures do not exactly agree with Brother McLean's; I estimate it to be about \$42,000.00 that we would be called upon to raise should we superannuate two or three Bishops and elect two new



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ones; but even that is a large sum, and it seems to me there is an added reason at this time. If two or three Bishops were absolutely unable to do any work at all it seems there would be some force in the arguments that we should elect two new Bishops; but I don't see where the gain is coming in during the next four years. We have already in the Episcopal College two or three Bishops of age and maturity, yet not disabled so they cannot do any work at all; they know just what the state of affairs in their Conferences is and all over the Church, and are far more valuable to us than any one man we might elect at this time. I believe the men we have are able to do even more work, by taking the Conferences which are not too close together, and going, perhaps some in the fall and some later on—I say I believe these men would be able to do for the Church all that two new, inexperienced men could do for us in the next four years; and if we elect two new men there will be in a certain measure, by that action, a statement by this body that two or three at least of our present College of Bishops are not in condition to do any work, for surely there is no man, it seems to me, who would intimate that we require more than nine Bishops to do the annual work of forty-seven Conferences, many of which are very small and the work very light. I, therefore, for that reason, think we can for the next four years have out of the experienced, mature men who do our work, who understand it—with these I believe our work for the next four years will be as well done, or even better, than if we put in two new men who do not know the work, who have to understand the conditions and who have to learn the men of the Conferences. I therefore hope the majority report will not be adopted.

C. B. Mann: I rise to a point of order. Has not this amendment already been put and settled? We are not on the amendment.

W. H. Winton: I am not either, my dear man. I wish I was. Now, the insinuation has been made here that no man can argue for an increase in the College of Bishops without it being taken for granted that he is a candidate. I submit that that is a very unfair thing, and I will say nothing further about it. Now, as to the argument that we should be better off in the foreign mission field if we put more missionaries out with the money that this increase in the Episcopal College would incur. I am very grateful to the brother who makes this argument for his interest in the foreign mission fields, but I think he is in error. Whether wisely or unwisely our foreign missions are organized into Annual Conferences, with two exceptions, and as it is we have as many Conferences on the mission fields as we have missions—six. These Conferences must be visited by the Bishops; and we who are on the ground understand perfectly well that the way to get our interest before the Church at home is

through the medium of these Bishops, and we should have them visit those foreign fields and thoroughly and systematically get into all the details of the work and come in contact with the situation there and feel the throbs of necessity which is laid upon us, so that they may communicate it to the home Church. Here you come to argue to us the question of the expense. We need this outlay of money in order that there may be a return of money. It is penny-wise policy for us to undertake to economize in such a way as that. The effect of having the Bishops visit our foreign fields, standing before the Church and putting before the Church the weight of authority when a Bishop has, will produce a hundred fold more than what you will expend in the support of those Bishops. I do not think that the fact that some of our venerable brethren are getting old and find it necessary to withdraw from active service, is any reason for saying that now is the time to retrench. I am not in favor of retrenchment, but advancement; and when an army advances it must have generals. We need men, we need leaders, and I believe the Church is competent to give them to us. This whole Southwest is filled with a population that comes from the ends of the earth. Great interests are at stake in the great State of Texas, and along the line of the Northern border of Mexico. I speak merely of those things of which I have personal knowledge; and the Church throughout all this region, and the people, are crying the same cry, "Oh, for a man!" That is what we need. Men to lead us. Whenever an army moves it must have leaders. While it is true that you at home do not feel the necessity, or you do not seem to, but yet you insist on nearly all the time of these Bishops, and yet when we need them we can't get them. While you may not feel this need, we feel it. I wish some brother would move to take that amendment from the table. I tell you we can not afford, simply because we are a little bit excited about another matter, to say that we haven't got sense enough to elect Bishops.

J. B. McGehee: I think, Mr. President, that a question of personal privilege would be in order.

The Bishop: We will hear from you.

J. B. McGehee: I want to say to the Conference that when I intimated this was a popular question and hard to speak against, I did not intend to say that everybody that advocated the increase of our Bishops would be candidates, or are candidates, for that position; simply that the question of increasing the Episcopacy is popular, and the men who are for it are popular men, and have a great many friends in the body, and hence it is not those that may be elected, or candidates, if we ever had such things, but their friends would be very kindly towards an increase of Bishops.

J. A. Clifton: Mr. President and

brother of the general Conference— The vote again ran down the aisles of Adams, sounding with a joyful tramp for a man. If he had passed through Dallas today looking for a Bishop, he could not find a better one. We are not candidates, but we are all ready to give every honest, reliable, faithful man is ready to give of this great cause and might really. "I want to go there, too," (laughter, etc.) I believe in commonness in this matter, and let the Church understand that you are ready to serve her in high or low degree, anywhere. (laughter) I wanted three, I am bound to have two candidates, and I want to say right here that it is a mistake in looking who have been named that the circumstances do not justify the election of Bishops. I hope we will allow no outside question to enter into the question of selecting the proper men for Bishops. The allowance question is to be qualified to do the work the Church puts upon him? That is the thing we are to consider in the selection of a Bishop. The majority report is before us, and I move its adoption. I am ready to vote. It is not my method of making speeches, but I try my best to say the thing I really think is sensible and I hope we are ready to vote.

W. H. Pritchett: I rise to move the previous question. Let's settle it without any more talk.

W. H. Richardson: I move to amend the report of the majority by substituting one for two.

The motion was laid on the table. A J. Lamar: I having a right to say something as Chairman of the Committee on Episcopacy, but I don't think from the symptoms I have seen that you will need any great amount of argument in favor of the majority report, but I feel like a snail or two with you.

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### CATCHING.

The Coffee Habit Breeds Trouble. It is quite commonly the case that busy business and wife are somewhat similarly troubled with coffee drinking. A lady writes and gives a very interesting account of her husband's coffee habit, coffee dyspepsia and general nervous trouble, and says, "I was obliged to get up by having the doctor's name written on my door and was nervous and weak, did not sleep well, was thin and thin, and had a bad complexion." When I found how much good Postum Coffee was doing Richard I concluded to use it, and I will surely be altogether a different thing, I sleep and sleep well and feel like a different woman. My usual weight for some time was from 85 to 100 pounds. I now weigh 105 pounds and certainly feel no how much better. I am smiling. I had some friends who did not like Postum, but knowing it was because they did not like it long enough, I made some at their homes one day and they agree with me that Postum is a delicious beverage and while, of course, the flavor and taste is changing and we are glad Postum does with us that way the great advantage is in the wonderful, bounding health that we have recovered." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.





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THE DIRECTORS OF THE DALLAS FAIR ASSOCIATION.

The directors of the Dallas Fair Association, through their efficient Secretary, Capt. Sydney Smith, have brought the Methodists of Dallas and of Texas under obligations for the exceptional courtesies shown them during the session of the General Conference. For a time we were somewhat perplexed for a suitable auditorium in which to hold the sessions of the conference. We had no church building in the city large enough to accommodate the delegates and visitors, and to rent the Opera House or build a temporary structure would entail very large expense. Then it was that Capt. Smith came forward and tendered us the use of the Auditorium and the beautiful grounds of the Fair Association free of all cost, and the generous offer was gladly accepted. And such are the accommodations out there that it was a common remark that the General Conference had never before been so richly provided for in their place of meeting as here in Dallas. The building was ample and conveniently arranged so that the delegates had all the room necessary for the easy transaction of the business, and all the visitors were well accommodated. Then, too, the grounds were in fine condition. The trees were full of green foliage, the shrubbery and the flowers were in their perfection, and a great many of the domesticated wild animals that are kept on the grounds were placed under the inspection of all who wished to see them. So that Capt. Smith really made himself the host of the conference, and left nothing unprovided to make the occasion a great success. And all these attentions and accommodations were furnished without a cent of expense to us. We, therefore, take this method to extend to him and his colleagues the sincere thanks of the Methodists of Dallas and of Texas for this generous and splendid treatment of our delegates and visitors to the General Conference. In these remarks we voice especially the sentiment of the local Executive Committee, upon whose shoulders rested the entertainment of that great gathering.

A very worthy young lady, of Paris, Texas, appreciates the Advocate so much that she took in sewing to pay for it, so Rev. J. E. Vinson writes.

EDITORIAL BIRDSHOT.

Most great men lose much of their reputed greatness when you become familiar with them.

Reputation often fades like the colors in the sunset, but character abides amid the changes of the years.

Such was God's confidence in Job's integrity that he was willing to risk him for a season in the hands of Satan.

Such was Abraham's genuine friendship for God that he was willing to obey any command that came from the throne of the Eternal.

Jacob was cunning and crafty and knew how to drive a sharp bargain, but underneath these traits he had the real qualities out of which men are made.

David once in a while outraged the patience of heaven by his overt acts, but when he awoke to the fact of his sinfulness his penitence was bitter and sincere.

When the devil climbs up into a man and takes high moral ground you can put it down that such a man will, sooner or later, give the Church very serious trouble.

Conscience when properly educated is an excellent moral guide, but when conscience arrogates to itself an authority over and above the Word of God it leads to rank irreverence and fanaticism.

EXPERIENCE IS A FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENT IN RELIGION.

Experience is a fundamental element in religion, but it is not safe to make it the key with which to unlock the promises of God. Let these promises define and interpret your experience, and you are all right.

TWO MORE VICTORIES FOR PROHIBITION.

Last Saturday Hill and Hood Counties voted on prohibition, and the saloons were again wiped off the earth. We had our fears of the result in Hill County, because the ants were putting forth such an extraordinary effort to save themselves in that large and influential section. They dumped money without measure into the campaign, and shipped speakers and ward heelers from Dallas to Hillsboro to take part in the work of organization. In fact, they left nothing undone to retain the saloon. But when the vote was counted the cause of prohibition carried by more than five hundred majority. Glorious victory! The good people of that county have had enough of doggeries, dives and barrooms, and as a result every precinct in the county gave a prohibition majority. In Hood County the fight was also hot. The ants did their best, but they went down before temperance and truth, and their fight was in vain. Prohibition sentiment is on the rapid increase throughout Texas. Such has been the violation of laws by the saloon men and their defiance of public sentiment until the people have ceased to put up with them, and they have made up their minds to drive them from the walks of civilized life. We venture the prediction that within a quarter of a century there will be no licensed barrooms in Texas. The good work is contagious. When one county goes dry it encourages another to open up the campaign. The next two counties now getting ready for the fight are Grayson and Ellis. After that let Dallas, the paradise of liquor, enter the field and raise the standard of revolt. On with the battle!

THE BUCKET-SHOP BUSINESS HIT HARD.

The Court of Criminal Appeals played havoc last week with the privileges of a large class of people in Texas. In the first place, they knocked the Sunday saloon into utter confusion by deciding that the Legislature has no right to delegate authority to a town corporation, through its charter, to

suspend a State law. This very thing the Legislature has been doing for several years, greatly to the annoyance of the good people of such cities as Dallas, Brenham, Galveston, San Antonio, and perhaps others. And the thing has been so managed that it has been impossible to get the acts of the Legislature before the court of last resort; but finally we did send it up to them from this city, and the result is the Sunday saloon has no more legal sanction anywhere in the State of Texas. The thing was legally executed last week at Austin. Good for the moral sentiment of Texas! And this is not all; but there was another decision rendered the same day by this high court of almost equal moral value. The case went up from Hunt County, involving the legality of the "bucket-shop," and the court held that no such law was constitutional, and that all such things as wheat and cotton "futures" had no legal existence. So that this decision eliminates one of the most refined methods of gambling with which Texas has been hitherto cursed. Nearly all our larger towns and cities, and some of the smaller ones, for that matter, have maintained these establishments, to the very great injury of the moral sentiment of the State. But, so far as the law is concerned, their days are numbered. Now let the people see to it that the mandate of the court be strictly obeyed.

THE CHURCH PRESS AND TEXAS.

We receive all the Church exchanges at this office, and they have expressed themselves in terms very complimentary concerning Texas and the entertainment accorded the General Conference. However, our old friend, Dr. Lafferty, in the Baltimore-Richmond Advocate, is an exception in that he expressed himself rather displeased at the distance the delegates had to come to reach the General Conference; and then, too, he had something to say against "the weather" and "the stuffy rooms" that he had to occupy. But we do not take serious exception to the criticisms of the Doctor, since he was not a delegate and in no sense the guest of our city. He was employed by our Book Agents, at a handsome salary, to come to Dallas and make official report of the proceedings of the conference for the Daily Advocate. If he was placed in "hot, stuffy rooms" it was his fault, for the stipend paid to him by the Church was sufficient to enable him to pay for the most comfortable suite of rooms in the city. He ought not to have put himself into such uncomfortable quarters, when there was comfort to be had at a reasonable expense. All the other editors have spoken of us pleasantly and brotherly, and they seem to think that the General Conference was never better entertained than by the Methodists of Dallas. We appreciate their kind words, for we put forth every effort to make the delegates pleasant and comfortable, and we did not call upon the conference fund to aid us in bearing any of the expenses of the entertainment—that is, in providing all the facilities and conveniences necessary to make the proceedings of the body run smoothly and agreeably. We rejoice, therefore, to know that the brethren were pleased with the entertainment. We simply did our duty, and claim no special credit for it, but the appreciation expressed by the Church press brings to us a reward not lightly esteemed.

DALLAS NOTES.

First Methodist Church, under the pastorate of Rev. J. L. Pierce, is holding its own this hot weather. The work is well organized, the Board of Stewards are prompt in the discharge of their duty, the Sunday-school is in good shape, the Epworth League is well manned, the societies of the good women are true and faithful, and all the finances are up to date.

Floyd Street, under the leadership of Rev. L. S. Barton, is full of enterprise and life. In addition to their regular congregational work, the people are

interested in the movement to dispose of their present site and build a larger and more commodious structure further out, where the prospect for larger growth is very inviting. At present Bro. Barton is holding a protracted meeting under a tent near the place where they contemplate erecting their new church. Rev. I. W. Clark is assisting in the services.

Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, at Trinity, has added a number, recently, of strong members to his charge. He has an elegant location, and when his people rebuild a suitable structure on their present site that will be one of the commanding points in Dallas Methodism. There are living around it a great many people whose co-operation will make it a strong congregation.

Rev. C. E. Lamb, at South Ervay, and his people are also engaged in the enterprise of disposing of their present site in order to move out a little further and rebuild. Bro. Lamb has a strong hold on his people, and they are harmonious in their efforts to establish Methodism out there upon a solid foundation. They have recently had a good protracted meeting.

Oak Cliff is one of the leading Methodist points in and around the city. Bro. J. W. Rowlett has his people well in hand. They are in first-class shape, materially and spiritually. They have a splendid location, an elegant building, and their machinery is well organized and in good running order.

Oak Lawn is one of our most delightful suburbs. The population is not yet numerous, but there is now a project to run the street car line out there, and this will impart growth to the community. Ours is the only Church there, and we command the whole situation. We have a good building and a handsome parsonage, all paid for. Bro. Hamilton just needs a few more people among whom to labor, and then he will have one of the most desirable charges about Dallas.

Rev. W. A. Edwards, at Haskell Avenue, has had a fine meeting this year, and his work is thoroughly alive and full of energy. He is an instructive preacher, a painstaking pastor, and a very pleasant gentleman. His people love him, and he is rendering them most excellent service.

Rev. I. W. Clark, the presiding elder, has his eye and hand upon all his important field. He is one of the strongest preachers in the conference and a fine revivalist. And such is his strong, robust health that he does not spare himself in helping the brethren in their meetings. He goes wherever he is needed, and his work brings forth fine results. He is one of the most energetic and industrious preachers of our knowledge.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. George Sexton, the indefatigable presiding elder of the Gainesville District, was in the city recently and made us a pleasant visit.

Rev. R. G. Mood of Henrietta was called to the city last week to perform a marriage ceremony, and did not overlook the Advocate circle. He is looking much improved in health, and says his work is doing well.

Homer Hill and Miss Ida Keller, of Farmersville, were married Tuesday of this week. Mr. Hill is the eldest son of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hill, of Groen-ville. The Advocate extends congratulations to the young people. They are a worthy couple, and we hope life has for them great happiness and much prosperity.

Rev. James Campbell, D. D., and Dr. Sid Bass have been to Nashville to attend the meeting of the new Book Committee. They have returned, but we have not learned the proceedings of business transacted by the committee.

Some time ago the health of Rev. D. L. Coale, preacher in charge of Grand Prairie, became impaired and he had

to give up his work, and Rev. E. A. Hawks, one of our most capable local preachers, was appointed to the work, and he is making excellent progress.

We clip the following from the Wills Point Chronicle of last week: "Rev. O. C. Fontaine, of Nocona, contemplates a transfer to the St. Louis Conference this fall, that he may put his little son in a hospital for the treatment of his feet." Bro. Fontaine is a member of the North Texas Conference.

CHURCH NEWS.

Rev. James Wood, M. D., a missionary and physician of our Church in charge of the hospital at San Luis Potosi, Mexico, died last week.

The Ohio Wesleyan University recently received an anonymous gift of \$15,000 for the erection of a building to be known as a science building.

Rev. Geo. B. Winton, D. D., the new editor of the Nashville Advocate, has made his bow to the Church and entered upon his official duties. We wish for him great success in his new field.

The First Church people in Atlanta, Ga., have sold their present church property for \$100,000, and it is their purpose to buy a new location and erect a handsome modern church structure. Atlanta Methodism is alive and up-to-date.

Dr. John Henry Barrows, President of Oberlin College, is dead. He has been a notable figure in the history of religion in the past few years. He was chairman of the great Congress of Religions held in Chicago during the World's Fair. Dr. Barrows was but little past 50 years of age at the time of his death.

Gov. Jefferson Davis, of Arkansas, has been expelled from the Second Baptist Church in Little Rock on account of drunkenness and other conduct grossly inconsistent with religion. But, notwithstanding this, he has been received back into the Church by the Baptist Church at Russellville, Ark., his old home.

The Book Committee last week, while in session at Nashville, elected Rev. S. M. Godbey, of the South-west Missouri Conference, Assistant Editor of the Nashville Advocate. Bro. Godbey is the youngest brother of Rev. J. E. Godbey, D. D., of the Arkansas Methodist, and brother-in-law of Dr. Winton, the editor-in-chief of the Nashville Advocate.

LETTER FROM ALABAMA.

Dear Bro. Blaylock: Your long and faithful service entitles you to some consideration. Your big-hearted and big-brained editor knows your value in that office. By the way, a fellow only needs a little editorial experience to find out the value of a good publisher. A newspaper office is a sort of mutual aid society. Fortunately if each fellow started at the bottom and worked up. No man can make a complete presiding elder or Bishop who has not served missions, circuits and stations. All the better for him if, before he joined the traveling connection he saw service as a class-leader, steward, Sunday-school superintendent, exhorter and local preacher. During the thirteen years I acted as one of the agents of the Texas Christian Advocate I can't recall a single error in accounts or far in your management. I don't doubt but that you could tell some of those editorial juniors "how to run a paper." If I ever mount the dazzling heights of the tripod again, consider yourself "called and elected" as publisher. The fame and fortune of Shaw & Blaylock can be traced through the devoted history of the Texas Christian Advocate. Having been a publisher, I am in hearty sympathy with you. You are fortunate in having the best editorial, contributed and selected matter to "set up." That helps mightily your nerves. "In conclusion," let me say you have the honor to publish an Advocate that ranks among the best. So the honors are won. Let it be written: A first-class publisher and first-class editor. And let that do for a preface.

It was a great disappointment to miss the two big occasions of the year—the Confederate Reunion and the General Conference. I was offered a "pass" to and from Dallas and entertainment good enough for a General or Bishop. With a star on the collar and a Cross of Honor on the left lapel of my grey coat, I might have passed muster with my comrades. With an unmerited clerical appendage to the rear of my name and a heart full of love for the Lord and "the brethren," I might have mingled and mired with the Church dignitaries. I am not surprised that the "old boys in grey" left a good impression on your people. Wherever there lives a brave man or woman—North, South, East or West—those survivors of "a lost cause" are honored.

From verbal and newspaper reports, we got an idea that the session of the General Conference was heated and stormy. But your editor denies. We sent, as a lay delegate, a Captain of police from this city. On his return he gave out in an interview that it was the most orderly gathering he had ever attended. But the sceptical said Weir had so long been accustomed to saloon brats and the noise and confusion of a Recorder's Court that an average Babel or Bedlam would hardly have disturbed his equilibrium. It is very magnanimous in your editor to say Texas expected nothing in the way

of connectional honor disappointed. Of our his and loyal to conu Texan have "his say or wrong, these honor sections. In this we clans, who, in making recognize all sections, of our membership a specially-gifted men, pulpit, it does seem you ought to have far ple would passed capable man's m Ward was made re that was a sort of my prediction right h If the Lord give him will be a front man, quadrennium. But ha to offer any and all o speaking of the high in the gift of our (b parative deservence of them better and b innocent comment be exhortation to seek way." Have you Dallas / ura' again? After 1 and so many "rebel y sermons, addresses, " personal privilege," time for you to becom Good-bye, Blaylock, wishes to all Texas f member Birmingham, Ala.

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Have you Dallas folks become "natural" again? After two such gatherings and so many "rebel yells," songs, prayers, sermons, addresses, "points of order" and "personal privilege," etc., it will take time for you to become normal. Good-bye, Blaylock. Give love and best wishes to all Texas friends who may remember. M. H. WELLS. Birmingham, Ala.

THE DOCTORS AND THE PREACHERS.

We have about seven hundred itinerant preachers in the State, who are doing hard work, and most of them on small pay. They are bearing the burden and heat of the day in the work of our Master in the State. But they are not bearing this burden alone. There is a class of professional men who are helping them to bear their burden. They are doing it silently and unostentatiously, and it seems to me often without proper recognition. I assume—judging from my own experience—it would not be possible for the itinerant preachers of the State to prosecute their work and pay their bills without the help of the medical fraternity gratuitously extended. I for one would have been hopelessly involved long ago but for the kindness of the doctors. What an immense blessing they have done for the seven hundred traveling preachers of the State without money and without price! And in the name of the whole Church I want to thank them, in which I am sure all the preachers will join. B. H. GREATHOUSE. Palestine, Texas.

UNIVERSITY TRAINING SCHOOL.

The commencement exercises of this young and vigorous school places a period to another year's success in its history. The Board of Trust, after careful examination, feel gratified at the large measure of success manifested in the student body. The purpose of the school is to reach, as far as possible, the two thousand boys and girls in the bounds of the Corsicana District whose opportunities for education were confined to those of the unsatisfactory public schools and thus make it a lever to develop and foster in this large body of boys and girls a desire for far better facilities in the way of Christian education. This purpose, under the wise and prudent administration of Dr. Adkinson, aided by a corps of efficient teachers, is being accomplished beyond our anticipations. The good being accomplished in the interest of Christian education is simply incalculable.

We have on the four-acre campus a beautiful three-story brick veneer building, finished from top to bottom this year. Increased patronage forced us to build a two-story dormitory for girls. Still we are crowded.

The commencement exercises, from start to finish, were not only highly entertaining, but emphasized with force, the result of careful training, that was gratifying.

The anniversary of the Castalian Literary Society for girls, and that of the Henry W. Grady for boys—the former addressed by Rev. Mac M. Smith, the latter by Rev. W. P. Garvin—were highly interesting. Both societies and speakers delighted a packed house.

The commencement sermon, by Rev. W. B. Andrews, was strong, clear, forceful and appropriate. The evening sermon, by Rev. J. D. Hendrickson, was just such as the occasion needed. The literary address, by Rev. Jerome Eganon, was a gem of literature itself—rich and strong and good.

The oratorical contest for medals was exciting. Five of our young men orated for the medal, and while each intensely entertained the large audience, only one of them seized the prize.

The religious service by the entire school on Wednesday afternoon, participated in by patrons and visitors, was extraordinary, and it speaks volumes for the school. Every unconverted student, save perhaps one, during the year had professed faith in Christ, and now, in this last religious service for the school year, to see our boys and girls, with tearful eyes, stand up and bless God for a Christian school that had trained their hearts as well as their heads, the scene was thrilling and came near bursting out into an old-fashioned camp-meeting. It was good to be there.

Upon the whole, it was the best commencement that I have ever attended. E. A. HAILEY. Blooming Grove, Texas.

THE SAM HOUSTON NORMAL INSTITUTION.

This institution, which is the best school of the kind I have ever seen, is worth a great deal, not only to the State, but also to the evangelical Churches of Texas.

It is one of the most religious schools with which I am acquainted. The President, Prof. H. C. Fritchard, is a devout Methodist and a godly man. He is supported by a faculty composed of Christian men and women, some of whom are deeply spiritual and profoundly religious. It is exceedingly fortunate that an institution which is graduating more than a hundred teachers annually should be marked by such a high moral and religious tone; and now that we have carried prohibition by an overwhelming majority, parents can send their sons and daughters to Huntsville knowing that the best influences will be thrown around them.

The undersigned had the pleasure of preaching the commencement sermon to an immense audience of as cultured and refined people as can be found on this

continent. The commencement exercises proper—the speeches delivered by the young men and the essays read by the young ladies—were of an unusually high order. Taking everything into the count—the literary form and the moral sentiment and the graceful elocution—those efforts reflected great credit upon these young orators and essayists, and also upon the institution they had the honor to represent. The whole performance made me feel proud of our Texas boys and girls, and I remarked to a friend after it was all over: "Our boys did handsomely, but our girls magnificently." "Ah," replied he, "there's a certain duplicity in every true gentleman which makes him exaggerate the achievements of the fair sex. Well, be it so. I hope that in our Southland the day may be far distant when men are so wanting in chivalry that they would not rather put a little fictitious valuation on the deeds of woman than to depreciate them one jot.

On the whole, the commencement was one of the best I ever attended. It was an incontrovertible proof that the training—the mental and moral discipline—received at the Sam Houston Normal Institute is surpassed by no school of the same class in our land. Of course, this institution in no way comes into competition with our Church schools. It does not propose to be a university, nor even a college in the ordinary sense of that term. It is designed for a profession, and as much so as the medical school at Galveston or the law school at Austin. It was established by the State in order to train teachers, and this peculiar work it does unusually well. It is thoroughly equipped to give the advantage to our boys and girls who wish to qualify themselves to teach in our public schools, and because of its high mental discipline and unexceptionable moral tone it is a great blessing to our State. H. M. WHALING. Huntsville, Texas.

WALL SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

The fourth session of Wall School closed last week.

The commencement sermon was preached Sunday, May 25, by Rev. Jas. L. Pierce, D. D., pastor of First Church, Dallas. The large audience very greatly enjoyed the sermon. It was good to the use of edifying, and at the same time comforting and most pleasing to the cultivated ear. Rev. C. L. Ballard, of Sherman, preached the evening sermon. His subject was well chosen, and the sermon was well received.

Tuesday evening the contest for the F. W. Underwood medal for oratory came off. Mr. Jno. L. Sheppard, Jr., of Texas-kana, was the successful contestant.

Dr. C. C. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, delivered the annual literary address Wednesday evening. The large audience was well pleased with this address, as evidenced by the undivided attention given it during the fifty-four minutes of its delivery.

The declamation contest for the T. U. Cole medal was held Friday forenoon, being postponed from the evening before on account of rain. Philip Pierce, of Honey Grove, was awarded this medal.

The scholarship medal was won by Richard P. Wall. This is the second time Dick has thus been honored. Surely he bears not the name in vain.

This has been the best session Wall School has had. The attendance has been larger than in any previous year, and doubtless the work done on part of the students will fully sustain the reputation of the institution for thoroughness and efficiency.

The school has a flattering prospect for the future. S. C. RIDDLE. Honey Grove, Texas.

An Explanation.

In a personal notice in last issue of Advocate, you leave the impression that I left the General Conference to make a visit to Mrs. Carlock at Pittsburg. Mr. Carlock lives at Forney, and I visited her after the General Conference, as stated in my letter to the Advocate. But I did go to Pittsburg on the last Saturday of the General Conference to preach the commencement sermon for "Jeff Davis College," which I had engaged to do some weeks before the General Conference. I. W. CLARK.

A Request.

To the Readers of the Christian Advocate:

Dear Brethren—As a home-defender, I come and humbly beg of you to do our great temperance cause a favor. It is this: You know that the anti-are saying "Prohibition does not prohibit." "It kills a town." "It increases crimes," etc. Those of you who live in local option district and deny, have business men and officers sign it, send at once to me, with any other literature.

J. A. MAPLES. Greenville, Texas.

The Delineator for July.

The great world event of June, the coronation of King Edward VII of England, will picture scenes that have had no parallel in the lives of the present generation, and for this reason an article by Sir Edwin Arnold on the Coronation Festivities, and a description by the late Sir Walter Besant of the Pageants of London, in the July Delineator, are especially timely and interesting. Another of Miss Laughlin's charming stories of authors' lives appears this month, telling of the pitiful passion of John Keats; and the concluding paper in the series on pictorial photography treats of genre pictures, the illustrations being remarkably fine. There is an interesting description of the life of Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross Society, in her picturesque home near Washington. To the series on athletics for women is added an illustrated article on bowling, by a New York woman who has won many honors in the sport. The housekeeping department has been adapted to the many difficulties of the hot weather season, and the recipes for summer drinks and inexpensive desserts will be welcomed. In fiction there are two high-class stories: "The Unpromising Land," by Julian Van Boskirk, and "A Daughter of the Wilderness," by Francis Lynde.

The sceptic hits at the New Testament miracles with a view of hurting its morals.—Ram's Horn.

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PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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be said before we vote on it. The committee very carefully and calmly considered the whole question before agreeing on their report. We have had the facts before us—the proposition was before the committee to elect no Bishops, another to elect three, another to elect one, and another two; but all the other propositions were voted down in the committee after careful consideration by a very large majority, indeed—I think about four-fifths majority, possibly five-sixths.

A good deal has been said this morning about the work of our Bishops, and some brethren evidently think that a Bishop meets all the demands that can be justly made upon him when he presides in the Annual Conference. That is a very great mistake. You say that you do not want our Bishops to travel over the connections, helping at critical points in the great work; you don't want them to travel over presiding elder's districts; and there is, unfortunately, between the brethren who take that view and the law of the Church a very great difference. Paragraph 106 of the Discipline describes the duties of Bishops to travel through the year as far as practicable, through the presiding elder's districts, which may be included in the Episcopal District, in order to see after the spiritual affairs of the Church. That is your law, and if you are going to say that the Bishops ought not to do that, you ought to change the law; and yet the demand upon our Bishops is greater than that outlined in the law just read. Our people want the Bishops, and the pressure upon them is so great that no man can resist it, and we need a stronger Episcopacy in order to meet the requirements of our law. An objection has been made to the expense; \$50,000 somebody has said would be required; that is a mistake. If you will figure it, you will need only about \$11,000 at the outside; \$41,000, somebody says, is a considerable sum of money. Well, I am not rolling in wealth myself—it would be a big sum of money to me, and probably a big sum to the majority of the brethren upon this floor; but it is, in the eloquent language of my brother from South Carolina the other day, when put over against the wealth and resources of our Church, hardly the scintilla of a shade of a shadow of a phantom of an amount. You take it and divide it down and it is insignificant. I have no doubt that I voice the experience of every Methodist preacher upon this floor when I say that the amount of the assessment for the support of our Bishops has never given him one single moment's concern. Someone has suggested that the amount be not small, and that it could be diverted into the missionary treasury and would do a great amount of good in the foreign fields. There are just two objections to that: There is nothing more fallacious than the idea that by cutting down our local expense you can use the money thus saved by the retrenchment in some other department. That is one argument. I do not believe we have a Bishop upon our bench who does not, through his direct influence, bring into the missionary treasury of the Church more than \$7,000.00 a year, and if you cut off that tremendous weight and influence, if you hamper them you will decrease your missionary collections year by year by an amount greater than the amount required for the support of our Episcopacy. Allow me to say that the committee acted in full view of all the facts in the case, and with some information which has not hitherto been before the Conference. We acted in view of the reasonable certainty that three of our Bishops who have been upon our active list since the last quadrennium, will not be upon it during the next, and we made a most just and conservative estimate, as small as conscientiously could make it, and I hope, brethren, that the majority report will prevail.

The Bishop: The vote is now on the adoption of the majority report. The report was adopted.

J. H. McLean: I wish in this connection to offer a resolution.

Secretary read the resolution postponing the election of Bishops until Thursday.

J. H. McLean: I hope the resolution will commend itself to your favorable consideration. Perhaps we can not well reach that important stage in our proceedings until Thursday. We ought not to defer it until a later day. We will probably be engaged for two days in the election of all officers authorized by the General Conference, and I, therefore, hope that the resolution will commend itself to your favorable consideration.

J. G. Chisholm: I move to amend that resolution that we now proceed to the election of two Bishops. I am opposed to postponing for several reasons. One of my reasons is there are a great many of our lay members who will be called home within the next few days. Besides, I see no reason why we can not proceed and settle this at once, and I move as an amendment that we proceed to the election of these two Bishops.

S. S. Keener: I move to lay on the table.

The motion was laid on the table, 114 to 107.

E. W. Alderson: I move the previous question on Dr. McLean's resolution.

The previous question was ordered. J. J. Tigert: I move the reference of the paper submitted by Bishop Hargrove to the Committee on Episcopacy.

The motion prevailed. On motion of P. H. Whisner Report no. 4 of the Committee on Missions, which had previously been sent in and placed on the calendar, was withdrawn and referred to the Committee on Federation.

And on motion of J. S. Hutchinson Report No. 2 of the Committee on Publishing Interests, on the same subject, was also referred to the Committee on Federation.

The Conference next took up Report No. 1 of the Committee on Church Extension, which was read by the Secretary.

W. F. Barclay: As Chairman of that committee, I wish to explain that this report makes no material change in the law as it stands now; the amendment is simply in the interest of greater clearness. Under the law as it now stands, a mortgage can be executed by the Board of Trustees on the district parsonage with the consent of the District Conference; the amendment provides that at any time during the year, by a two-thirds vote, the Board of Stewards of the District, may give permission for such mortgage to be executed. And one other point of importance is that it authorizes the district parsonage with the consent of the District Conference; the amendment provides that at any time during the year, by a two-thirds vote, the Board of Stewards of the District, may give permission for such mortgage to be executed. And one other point of importance is that it authorizes the borrowing of money and the execution of mortgages to the Home Mission Society, as well as the Board of Church Extension. Some other changes are simply in the interest of clearness.

H. E. W. Palmore: We have had occasion, in connection with this particular law of the Church, to come to the conclusion that it ought to be considered very carefully. I wish to call attention to one statement made by the Chairman, which is also contained in the report, which I fear, instead of making it clearer, really makes it objectionable. The report says that you can borrow from the Church authority and can give a mortgage to the Church authorities upon the terms stated in the report, but if you don't pay the Church authority, then, with no other legislation, without any other action on the part of the Church authorities, you can go out into the open market and give a mortgage upon such terms as the parties may agree upon, and I think we should consider the matter of leaving out that part of it. Instead of making it clearer, I very much fear that when it is incorporated in the Discipline it will not be as clear as it prevails.

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THE DIRECTORS OF THE DALLAS FAIR ASSOCIATION.

The directors of the Dallas Fair Association, through their efficient Secretary, Capt. Sydney Smith, have brought the Methodists of Dallas and of Texas under obligations for the exceptional courtesies shown them during the session of the General Conference. For a time we were somewhat perplexed for a suitable auditorium in which to hold the sessions of the conference. We had no church building in the city large enough to accommodate the delegates and visitors, and to rent the Opera House or build a temporary structure would entail very large expense. Then it was that Capt. Smith came forward and tendered the use of the Auditorium and the beautiful grounds of the Fair Association free of all cost, and the generous offer was gladly accepted. And such are the accommodations our there that it was a common remark that the General Conference had never before been so richly provided for in their place of meeting as here in Dallas. The building was ample and conveniently arranged, so that the delegates had all the room necessary for the easy transaction of the business, and all the visitors were well accommodated. Then, too, the grounds were in fine condition. The trees were full of green foliage, the shrubbery and the flowers were in their perfection, and a great many of the domesticated wild animals that are kept on the grounds were placed under the inspection of all who wished to see them. So that Capt. Smith really made himself the host of the conference, and left nothing unprovided to make the occasion a great success. And all these attentions and accommodations were furnished without a cent of expense to us. We, therefore, take this method to extend to him and his colleagues the sincere thanks of the Methodists of Dallas and of Texas for this generous and splendid treatment of our delegates and visitors to the General Conference. In these remarks we voice especially the sentiment of the local Executive Committee, upon whose shoulders rested the entertainment of that great gathering.

A very worthy young lady, of Paris, Texas, appreciates the Advocate so much that she took in sewing to pay for it, so Rev. J. E. Vinson writes.

EDITORIAL BIRDSHOT.

Most great men lose much of their reputed greatness when you become familiar with them.

Reputation often fades like the colors in the sunset, but character abides amid the changes of the years.

Such was God's confidence in Job's integrity that he was willing to risk him for a season in the hands of Satan.

Such was Abraham's genuine friendship for God that he was willing to obey any command that came from the throne of the Eternal.

Jacob was cunning and crafty and knew how to drive a sharp bargain, but underneath these traits he had the real qualities out of which men are made.

David once in a while outraged the patience of heaven by his overt acts, but when he awoke to the fact of his sinfulness his penitence was bitter and sincere.

When the devil climbs up into a man and takes high moral ground you can put it down that such a man will, sooner or later, give the Church very serious trouble.

Conscience when properly educated is an excellent moral guide, but when conscience arrogates to itself an authority over and above the Word of God it leads to rank irreverence and fanaticism.

Experience is a fundamental element in religion, but it is not safe to make it the key with which to unlock the promises of God. Let these promises define and interpret your experience, and you are all right.

TWO MORE VICTORIES FOR PROHIBITION.

Last Saturday Hill and Hood Counties voted on prohibition, and the saloons were again wiped off the earth. We had our fears of the result in Hill County, because the ants were putting forth such an extraordinary effort to save themselves in that large and influential section. They dumped money without measure into the campaign, and shipped speakers and ward heelers from Dallas to Hillsboro to take part in the work of organization. In fact, they left nothing undone to retain the saloon. But when the vote was counted the cause of prohibition carried by more than five hundred majority. Glorious victory! The good people of that county have had enough of doggeries, dives and barrooms, and as a result every precinct in the county gave a prohibition majority. In Hood County the fight was also hot. The ants did their best, but they went down before temperance and truth, and their fight was in vain. Prohibition sentiment is on the rapid increase throughout Texas. Such has been the violation of laws by the saloon men and their defiance of public sentiment until the people have ceased to put up with them, and they have made up their minds to drive them from the walks of civilized life. We venture the prediction that within a quarter of a century there will be no licensed barrooms in Texas. The good work is contagious. When one county goes dry it encourages another to open up the campaign. The next two counties now getting ready for the fight are Grayson and Ellis. After that let Dallas, the paradise of liquor, enter the field and raise the standard of revolt. On with the battle!

THE BUCKET-SHOP BUSINESS HIT HARD.

The Court of Criminal Appeals played havoc last week with the privileges of a large class of people in Texas. In the first place, they knocked the Sunday saloon into utter confusion by deciding that the Legislature has no right to delegate authority to a town corporation, through its charter, to

suspend a State law. This very thing the Legislature has been doing for several years, greatly to the annoyance of the good people of such cities as Dallas, Brenham, Galveston, San Antonio, and perhaps others. And the thing has been so managed that it has been impossible to get the acts of the Legislature before the court of last resort; but finally we did send it up to them from this city, and the result is the Sunday saloon has no more legal sanction anywhere in the State of Texas. The thing was legally executed last week at Austin. Good for the moral sentiment of Texas! And 'his is not all; but there was another decision rendered the same day by this high court of almost equal moral value. The case went up from Hunt County, involving the legality of the "bucket-shop," and the court held that no such law was constitutional, and that all such things as wheat and cotton "futures" had no legal existence. So that this decision eliminates one of the most refined methods of gambling with which Texas has been hitherto cursed. Nearly all our larger towns and cities, and some of the smaller ones, for that matter, have maintained these establishments, to the very great injury of the moral sentiment of the State. But, so far as the law is concerned, their days are numbered. Now let the people see to it that the mandate of the court be strictly obeyed.

THE CHURCH PRESS AND TEXAS.

We receive all the Church exchanges at this office, and they have expressed themselves in terms very complimentary concerning Texas and the entertainment accorded the General Conference. However, our old friend, Dr. Lafferty, in the Baltimore-Richmond Advocate, is an exception in that he expressed himself rather displeased at the distance the delegates had to come to reach the General Conference; and then, too, he had something to say against "the weather" and "the stuffy rooms" that he had to occupy. But we do not take serious exception to the criticisms of the Doctor, since he was not a delegate and in no sense the guest of our city. He was employed by our Book Agents, at a handsome salary, to come to Dallas and make official report of the proceedings of the conference for the Daily Advocate. If he was placed in "hot, stuffy rooms" it was his fault, for the stipend paid to him by the Church was sufficient to enable him to pay for the most comfortable suite of rooms in the city. He ought not to have put himself into such uncomfortable quarters, when there was comfort to be had at a reasonable expense. All the other editors have spoken of us pleasantly and brotherly, and they seem to think that the General Conference was never better entertained than by the Methodists of Dallas. We appreciate their kind words, for we put forth every effort to make the delegates pleasant and comfortable, and we did not call upon the conference fund to aid us in bearing any of the expenses of the entertainment—that is, in providing all the facilities and conveniences necessary to make the proceedings of the body run smoothly and agreeably. We rejoice, therefore, to know that the brethren were pleased with the entertainment. We simply did our duty, and claim no special credit for it, but the appreciation expressed by the Church press brings to us a reward not lightly esteemed.

DALLAS NOTES.

First Methodist Church, under the pastorate of Rev. J. L. Pierce, is holding its own this hot weather. The work is well organized, the Board of Stewards are prompt in the discharge of their duty, the Sunday-school is in good shape, the Epworth League is well manned, the societies of the good women are true and faithful, and all the finances are up to date.

Floyd Street, under the leadership of Rev. L. S. Barton, is full of enterprise and life. In addition to their regular congregational work, the people are

interested in the movement to dispose of their present site and build a larger and more commodious structure further out, where the prospect for larger growth is very inviting. At present Bro. Barton is holding a protracted meeting under a tent near the place where they contemplate erecting their new church. Rev. I. W. Clark is assisting in the services.

Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, at Trinity, has added a number, recently, of strong members to his charge. He has an elegant location, and when his people rebuild a suitable structure on their present site that will be one of the commanding points in Dallas Methodism. There are living around it a great many people whose co-operation will make it a strong congregation.

Rev. C. E. Lamb, at South Ervay, and his people are also engaged in the enterprise of disposing of their present site in order to move out a little further and rebuild. Bro. Lamb has a strong hold on his people, and they are harmonious in their efforts to establish Methodism out there upon a solid foundation. They have recently had a good protracted meeting.

Oak Cliff is one of the leading Methodist points in and around the city. Bro. J. W. Rowlett has his people well in hand. They are in first-class shape, materially and spiritually. They have a splendid location, an elegant building, and their machinery is well organized and in good running order.

Oak Lawn is one of our most delightful suburbs. The population is not yet numerous, but there is now a project to run the street car line out there, and this will impart growth to the community. Ours is the only Church there, and we command the whole situation. We have a good building and a handsome parsonage, all paid for. Bro. Hamilton just needs a few more people among whom to labor, and then he will have one of the most desirable charges about Dallas.

Rev. W. A. Edwards, at Haskell Avenue, has had a fine meeting this year, and his work is thoroughly alive and full of energy. He is an instructive preacher, a painstaking pastor, and a very pleasant gentleman. His people love him, and he is rendering them most excellent service.

Rev. I. W. Clark, the presiding elder, has his eye and hand upon all his important field. He is one of the strongest preachers in the conference and a fine revivalist. And such is his strong, robust health that he does not spare himself in helping the brethren in their meetings. He goes wherever he is needed, and his work brings forth fine results. He is one of the most energetic and industrious preachers of our knowledge.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. George Sexton, the indefatigable presiding elder of the Gainesville District, was in the city recently and made us a pleasant visit.

Rev. R. G. Mood, of Henrietta, was called to the city last week to perform a marriage ceremony and did not overlook the Advocate circle. He is looking much improved in health, and says his work is doing well.

Homer Hill and Miss Ida Keller, of Farmersville, were married Tuesday of this week. Mr. Hill is the eldest son of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hill, of Greenville. The Advocate extends congratulations to the young people. They are a worthy couple, and we hope life has for them great happiness and much prosperity.

Rev. James Campbell, D. D., and Dr. Sid Bass have been to Nashville to attend the meeting of the new Book Committee. They have returned, but we have not learned the proceedings of business transacted by the committee.

Some time ago the health of Rev. D. L. Cosle, preacher in charge of Grand Prairie, became impaired and he had

to give up his work, and Rev. E. A. Hawks, one of our most capable local preachers, was appointed to the work, and he is making excellent progress.

We clip the following from the Wills Point Chronicle of last week: "Rev. O. C. Fontaine, of Nocona, contemplates a transfer to the St. Louis Conference this fall, that he may put his little son in a hospital for the treatment of his feet." Bro. Fontaine is a member of the North Texas Conference.

CHURCH NEWS.

Rev. James Wood, M. D., a missionary and physician of our Church in charge of the hospital at San Luis Potosi, Mexico, died last week.

The Ohio Wesleyan University recently received an anonymous gift of \$75,000 for the erection of a building to be known as a science building.

Rev. Geo. B. Winton, D. D., the new editor of the Nashville Advocate, has made his bow to the Church and entered upon his official duties. We wish for him great success in his new field.

The First Church people in Atlanta, Ga., have sold their present church property for \$100,000, and it is their purpose to buy a new location and erect a handsome modern church structure. Atlanta Methodism is alive and up-to-date.

Dr. John Henry Barrows, President of Oberlin College, is dead. He has been a notable figure in the history of religion in the past few years. He was chairman of the great Congress of Religions held in Chicago during the World's Fair. Dr. Barrows was but little past 50 years of age at the time of his death.

Gov. Jefferson Davis, of Arkansas, has been expelled from the Second Baptist Church in Little Rock on account of drunkenness and other conduct grossly inconsistent with religion. But, notwithstanding this, he has been received back into the Church by the Baptist Church at Russellville, Ark., his old home.

The Book Committee last week, while in session at Nashville, elected Rev. S. M. Godbey, of the Southwest Missouri Conference, Assistant Editor of the Nashville Advocate. Bro. Godbey is the youngest brother of Rev. J. E. Godbey, D. D., of the Arkansas Methodist, and brother-in-law of Dr. Winton, the editor-in-chief of the Nashville Advocate.

LETTER FROM ALABAMA.

Dear Bro. Blaylock: Your long and faithful service attitles you to some consideration. Your big-hearted and big-brained editor knows your value in that office. By the way, a fellow only needs a little editorial experience to find out the value of a good publisher. A newspaper office is a sort of mutual aid society. Persevere if each fellow started at the bottom and worked up. No man can make a complete presiding elder or Bishop who has not served missions, circuits and stations. All the better for him if, before he joined the traveling connection, he saw service as a class-leader, steward, Sunday-school superintendent, exhorter and local preacher. During the thirteen years I acted as one of the agents of the Texas Christian Advocate I can't recall a single error in accounts or jar in your management. I don't doubt but that you could tell some of those editorial juniors "how to run a paper." If I ever mount the dazzling heights of the tripod again, consider yourself "called and elected" as publisher. The fame and fortune of Shaw & Blaylock can be traced through the devoted history of the Texas Christian Advocate. Having been a publisher, I am in hearty sympathy with you. You are fortunate in having the best editorially contributed and selected matter to "set up." That helps mightily your nerves. In conclusion, let me say you have the honor to publish the Advocate that ranks among the best. So the honors are even. Let it be written: A first-class publisher and first-class editor. And let that do for a preface.

It was a great disappointment to miss the two big occasions of the year—the Confederate Reunion and the General Conference. I was offered a "pass" to and from Dallas and entertainment good enough for a General or Bishop. With a star on the coat and a Cross of Honor on the left lapel of my grey coat, I might have passed muster with my comrades. With an unmerited clerical appendage to the rear of my name and a heart full of love for the Lord and "the brethren," I might have mingled and mixed with the "Church dignitaries." I am not surprised that the "old boys in grey" left a good impression on your people. Wherever there lives a brave man or woman—North, South, East or West—these survivors of "a lost cause" are honored. From verbal and newspaper reports, we got an idea that the session of the General Conference was heated and stormy. But your editor denies. We sent, as a lay delegate, a Captain of police from this city. On his return he gave out in an interview that it was the most orderly gathering he had ever attended. But the sceptical said Weir had so long been accustomed to saloon brawls and the noise and confusion of a Recorder's Court that an average Habel or Bedlam would hardly have disturbed his equilibrium. It is very magnanimous in your editor to say Texas expected nothing in the way

of connectional non-disappointed. Of co... Texas have "this s... or wrong, these hot... sections. In this v... clans, who, in maki... recognize all sector... of our membership... specially-gifted me... pulpit, they are seer... you ought to have f... urally supposed tha... ple would be pass... capable a man as a... Ward was made t... that was a sort of... my prediction righ... if the Lord give... will be a front m... quadrennium. But... to offer any and... speaking of the bl... in the gift of our C... parative degree—"... of them better and... innocent comment... exhortation to seek... way."

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up his work, and Rev. E. A. ... was appointed to the work ... making excellent progress.

Following from the Willis ... of Nocona, contemplates ... to the St. Louis Conference ... that he may put his little son ... for the treatment of his ... Fontaine is a member of ... Texas Conference.

CHURCH NEWS.

James Wood, M. D., a mission- ... physician of our Church in ... of the hospital at San Luis ... Texas, died last week.

Wesleyan University received ... an anonymous gift of ... the erection of a building ... as a science building.

Leo, B. Winton, D. D., the new ... of the Nashville Advocate, has ... how to the Church and en- ... his official duties. We wish ... success in his new field.

First Church people in Atlanta ... sold their present church ... for \$100,000, and it is their ... to buy a new location and ... and some modern church struc- ... Atlanta Methodism is alive and ...

John Henry Barrows, President ... in College, is dead. He has ... notable figure in the history of ... in the past few years. He was ... of the great Congress of Re- ... held in Chicago during the ... Fair. Dr. Barrows was but ... of 50 years of age at the time ...

Jefferson Davis, of Arkansas, ... expelled from the Second ... Church in Little Rock on ac- ... drunkenness and other con- ... inconsistent with religion, ... withstanding this, he has been ... back into the Church by the ... Church at Russellville, Ark., ...

Book Committee last week ... session at Nashville, elected ... Godbey, of the Southwest ... Conference, Assistant Editor ... Nashville Advocate. Bro. Godbey ... youngest brother of Rev. J. E. ... D. D., of the Arkansas Meth- ... id brother-in-law of Dr. Win- ... editor-in-chief of the Nash- ... rocate.

LETTER FROM ALABAMA.

Blaylock: ... and faithful service en- ... to some consideration. Your ... ed and blue-brained editor knows ... in that office. By the way, ... only needs a little editorial ... to find out the value of a good ... A newspaper office is a sort ... and society. Fortunately if each ... at the bottom and worked ... man can make a complete ... or Bishop who has not ... sessions, credits and stations ... ter for him if, before he joined ... ing connection, he saw serv- ... leader, steward, Sunday-school ... ent, exhorter and local ...

The thirteen years I acted as ... agents of the Texas Christian ... I can't recall a single error in ... or far in your management. I ... but that you could tell some ... editorial juniors "how to run a ... If I ever moment the dazzling ... of the tripod again, consider ... "called and elected" as pub- ... fame and fortune of Shaw & ... can be traced through the devi- ... of the Texas Christian Ad- ... vancing being a publisher, I am in ... sympathy with you. You are for- ... having the best editorial, con- ... and selected matter to "set up," ... so mightily your nerves. "In ... "at most times, you have the ... publish an Advocate that ranks ... best. So the honors are even ... written: A first-class publisher ... class editor. And let that do for ...

A great disappointment to miss ... big occasions of the year—the ... te Reunion and the General ... I was offered a "pass" to ... Dallas and entertainment good ... a General or Bishop. With a ... he collar and a Cross of Honor ... lapel of my grey coat. I might ... muster with my comrades ... umerated clerical appendage to ... of my name and a heart full of ... of the Lord and "the brethren." I ... ve mingled and mixed with the ... dignitaries. I am not surprised ... "old boys in grey" left a good ... on your people. Whoever ... a brave man or woman—North, ... or West—those survivors of ... "sus" are honored. ... erbal and newspaper reports, we ... that the session of the Gen- ... erence was heated and stormy, ... editor denies. We sent, as a ... ate, a Captain of police from ... st or West—they gave out in ... On his return he gave out in ... that it was the most orderly ... he had ever attended. But the ... said Weir had so long been ac- ... to saloon brags and the noise ... sion of a Recorder's Court that ... re Babel or Bedlam would hardly ... urbed his equilibrium. ... ry magnanimous in your editor ... as expected nothing in the way ...

of connectional honors, and hence is not disappointed. Of course, you are too polite and loyal to complain. Can't an ex-Texan have "this say"? Whether right or wrong, these honors do go by and to sections. In this we imitate the politicians, who, in making up a State ticket, recognize all sections. With one-seventh of our membership and any number of especially gifted men, in and out of the pulpit, it does seem to some of us that you ought to have fared better. We naturally supposed that a large slice of the pie would be passed to her. Even so capable a man as my good friend Seth Ward was made rear conductor. And that was a sort of after-thought. But my prediction right here and now is, that if the Lord give him life and health he will be a front man at the close of the quadrennium. But has not Texas enough to offer any and all of you? St. Paul, in speaking of the highest and best office in the gift of our Church, uses the comparative degree—"good." There are ahead of them better and best things. Let this innocent comment be construed into an exhortation to seek "the more excellent way."

Have you Dallas folks become "natural" again? After two such gatherings and so many "rebel yells," songs, prayers, sermons, addresses, "points of order" and personal privileges, etc., it will take time for you to become normal. Good-bye, Blaylock. Give love and best wishes to all Texas friends who may remember M. H. WELLS, Birmingham, Ala.

THE DOCTORS AND THE PREACHERS.

We have about seven hundred itinerant preachers in the State, who are doing hard work, and most of them on small pay. They are bearing the burden and heat of the day in the work of our Master in the State. But they are not bearing this burden alone. There is a class of professional men who are helping them to bear their burden. They are doing it silently and unostentatiously, and it seems to me often without proper recognition. I assume—judging from my own experience—it would not be possible for the itinerant preachers of the State to prosecute their work and pay their bills without the help of the medical fraternity gratuitously extended. I for one would have been hopelessly involved long ago but for the kindness of the doctors. What an immense practice they have done for the seven hundred traveling preachers of the State without money and without price! And in the name of the whole Church I want to thank them, in which I am sure all the preachers will join. B. H. GREATHOUSE, Palestine, Texas.

UNIVERSITY TRAINING SCHOOL.

The commencement exercises of this young and vigorous school places a period to another year's success in its history. The Board of Trust, after careful examination, feel gratified at the large measure of success manifest in the student body. The purpose of the school is to reach, as far as possible, the two thousand boys and girls in the bounds of the Corsicana District whose opportunities for education were confined to those of the unsatisfactory public school, and thus make it a heaven to develop and foster in this large body of boys and girls a desire for far better things in the way of Christian education. This purpose, under the wise and prudent administration of Dr. Adkisson, aided by a corps of efficient teachers, is being accomplished beyond our anticipations. The good being accomplished in the interest of Christian education is simply incalculable. We have on the four-acre campus a beautiful three-story brick veneer building, finished from top to bottom this year. Increased patronage forced us to build a two-story dormitory for girls. Still we are crowded. The commencement exercises, from start to finish, were not only highly entertaining, but emphasized with force, the result of careful training, that was gratifying. The anniversary of the Castalian Literary Society for girls, and that of the Henry W. Grady for boys—the former addressed by Rev. Mac M. Smith, the latter by Rev. W. F. Gaylin—were highly interesting. Both societies and speakers delighted a packed house. The commencement sermon, by Rev. W. B. Andrews, was strong, clear, forceful and appropriate. The evening sermon, by Rev. J. D. Hendrickson, was just such as the occasion needed. The closing address by Rev. Jerome Duncan, was a gem of literature itself—rich and strong. The oratorical contest for medals was exciting. Five of our young men orated for the medal, and each intensely entertained the large audience, only one of them seized the prize. The religious service by the entire school on Wednesday afternoon, participated in by patrons and visitors, was extraordinary. It speaks volumes for the school. Every unconverted student, save perhaps one, during the year had professed faith in Christ, and now, in this last religious service for the school year, to see our boys and girls, with tearful eyes, stand up and bless God for a Christian school that had trained their hearts as well as their heads, the scene was thrilling and came near bursting out into an old-fashioned camp-meeting. It was good to be there. Upon the whole, it was the best commencement that I have ever attended. E. A. BAILEY, Blooming Grove, Texas.

THE SAM HOUSTON NORMAL INSTITUTE.

This institution, which is the best school of the kind I have ever seen, is worth a great deal, not only to the State, but also to the evangelical Churches of Texas. It is one of the most religious schools with which I am acquainted. The President, Prof. H. C. Pritchett, is a devout Methodist and a godly man. He is supported by a faculty composed of Christian men and women, some of whom are deeply spiritual and profoundly religious. It is exceedingly fortunate that an institution which is graduating more than a hundred teachers annually should be marked by such a high moral and religious tone, and now that we have carried prohibition by an overwhelming majority, parents can send their sons and daughters to Huntsville knowing that the best influences will be thrown around them. The undersigned had the pleasure of preaching the commencement sermon to an immense audience of as cultured and refined people as can be found on this

continent. The commencement exercises proper—the speeches delivered by the young men and the essays read by the young ladies—were of an unusually high order. Taking everything into the count—the literary form and the moral sentiment and the graceful elocution—these efforts reflected great credit upon these young orators and essayists, and also upon the institution that had the honor to represent. The whole performance made me feel proud of our Texas boys and girls, and I remarked to a friend, after it was all over: "Our boys did handsomely, but our girls magnificently." "Ah," replied he, "there's a certain duplicity in every true gentleman which makes him exaggerate the achievements of the fair sex." Well, be it so. I hope that in our Southland the day may be far distant when men are so wanting in chivalry that they would not rather put a little fictitious valuation on the deeds of woman than to depreciate them one jot. On the whole, the commencement was one of the best I ever attended. It was an incontrovertible proof that the training—the mental and moral discipline—received at the Sam Houston Normal Institute is surpassed by no school of the same class in our land. Of course, this institution in no way comes into competition with our Church schools. It does not propose to be a university, not even a college in the ordinary sense of the term. It is strictly a professional school—as much so as the medical school at Galveston or the law school at Austin. It was established by the State in order to train teachers and this peculiar work it does unusually well. It is thoroughly equipped to give the best advantage to our boys and girls who wish to qualify themselves to teach in our public schools, and because of its high mental discipline and unexceptionable moral tone it is a great blessing to our State. H. M. WHALING, Huntsville, Texas.

WALL SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

The fourth session of Wall School closed last week. The commencement sermon was preached Sunday, May 25, by Rev. Jas. L. Pierce, D. D., pastor of First Church, Dallas. The large audience very greatly enjoyed the sermon. It was good to the use of edifying, and at the same time comforting and most pleasing to the cultivated ear. Rev. C. L. Ballard, of Sherman, preached the evening sermon. His subject was well chosen, and the sermon was well received. Tuesday evening the contest for the P. W. Underwood medal for oratory came off. Mr. J. A. Lippard, Jr., of Texarkana, was the successful contestant. Dr. G. C. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, delivered the annual literary address Wednesday evening. The large audience was well pleased with this address, as evidenced by undivided attention given it during the fifty-four minutes of its delivery. The declamation contest for the T. U. Cole medal was held Friday forenoon, being postponed from the evening before on account of rain. Philby Pierce, of Honey Grove, was awarded this medal. The scholarship medal was won by Richard P. Wall. This is the second time Dick has thus been honored. Surely he bears his name in vain. This has been the best session Wall School has had. The attendance has been larger than in any previous year, and doubtless the work done on part of the students will fully sustain the reputation of this institution for thoroughness and efficiency. The school has a flattering prospect for the future. S. C. RIDGLE, Honey Grove, Texas.

An Explanation.

In a personal notice in last issue of Advocate, you leave an impression that I left the General Conference to my visit to Mrs. Carlock at Pittsburg. Mrs. Carlock lives at Forney, and I visited her after the General Conference, as stated in my letter to the Advocate. But I did go to Pittsburg on the last Saturday of the General Conference to preach the commencement sermon for "Jeff Davis College," which I had engaged to do some weeks before the General Conference. I. W. CLARK.

A Request.

To the Readers of the Christian Advocate: Dear Brethren—As a home-defender, I come and humbly beg of you to do our great temperance cause a favor. It is this: You know that the anti-are saying "Prohibition does not prohibit." "It kills a town." "It increases crimes," etc. You who read in local option districts write a denial, have burdened men and officers sign it, send it once to me, with any other literature. Greenville, Texas. J. A. MAPLES.

The Delineator for July.

The great world event of June, the coronation of King Edward VII of England, will picture scenes that have had no parallel in the lives of the present generation, and for this reason an article by Sir Edwin Arnold on the Coronation Festivities, and a description by the late Sir Walter Besant of the Pageants of London, in the July Delineator, are especially timely and interesting. Another of Miss Laughlin's charming stories of authors' lives appears this month, telling of the pitiful passion of John Keats; and the concluding paper in the series on pictorial photography treats of genre pictures, the illustrations being remarkably fine. There is an interesting description of the life of Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross Society, in her picturesque home near Washington. To the series on athletics for women is added an illustrated article on bowling by a New York woman who has won many honors in the sport. The housekeeping department has been adapted to the many difficulties of the hot weather season, and the recipes for summer drinks and inexpensive desserts will be welcomed. In fiction there are two high-class stories: "The Upholstering Land," by Julian Van Boskirk; and "A Daughter of the Wilderness," by Francis Lynde.

The sceptic hits at the New Testament miracles with a view of hurting its morals.—Ram's Horn.

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be said before we vote on it. The committee very carefully and calmly considered the whole question before agreeing on their report. We have had the facts before us—the proposition was before the committee to elect no Bishops, another to elect three, another to elect one, and another two; but all the other propositions were voted down in the committee after careful consideration by a very large majority, indeed—I think about four-fifths majority, possibly five-sixths. A good deal has been said this morning about the work of our Bishops, and some brethren evidently think that a Bishop meets all the demands that can be justly made upon him when he presides in the Annual Conference. That is a very great mistake. You say that you do not want our Bishops to travel over the connections, helping at critical points in the great work; you don't want them to travel over presiding elder's districts; and there is, unfortunately, between the brethren who take that view and the law of the Church a very great difference. Paragraph 106 of the Discipline describes the duties of Bishops to travel through the year as far as practicable, through the presiding elder's districts, which may be included in the Episcopal District, in order to see after the spiritual affairs of the Church. That is your law, and if you are going to say that the Bishops ought not to do that work, you ought to change the law; and yet the demand upon our Bishops is greater than that outlined in the law just read. Our people want the Bishops, and the pressure upon them is so great that no man can resist it, and we need a stronger Episcopacy in order to meet the demands of our people and meet the requirements of our law. An objection has been made to the expense; \$50,000 somebody has said would be required; that is a mistake. If you will figure it, you will need only about \$41,000 at the outside; \$41,000, somebody says, is a considerable sum of money. Well, I am not rolling in wealth myself—it would be a big sum of money to me, and probably a big sum to the majority of the brethren upon this floor; but it is, in the eloquent language of my brother from South Carolina the other day, when put over against the wealth and resources of our Church, hardly the scintilla of a shade of a shadow of a phantasm of an amount. You take it and divide it down and it is insignificant. I have no doubt that I voice the experience of every Methodist preacher upon this floor when I say that the amount of the assessment for the support of our Bishops has never given him one single moment's concern. Someone has suggested that the amount be not small, and that it could be diverted into the missionary treasury and would do a great amount of good in the foreign fields. There are just two objections to that. There is nothing more fallacious than the idea that by cutting down our local expense you can use the money thus saved by the retrenchment in some other department. That is one argument. I do not believe we have a Bishop upon our bench who does not, through his direct influence, bring into the missionary treasury of the Church more than \$7,000.00 a year, and if you cut off that tremendous weight and influence, if you hamper them you will decrease your missionary collections year by year by an amount greater than the amount required for the support of our Episcopacy. Allow me to say that the committee acted in full view of all the facts in the case, and with some information which has not hitherto been before the Conference. We acted in view of the reasonable certainty that three of our Bishops who have been upon our active list since the last quadrennium, will not be upon it during the next, and we made a most just and conservative estimate, as small as conscientiously could make it, and I hope, brethren, that the majority report will prevail.

The Bishop: The vote is now on the adoption of the majority report. The report was adopted. J. H. McLean: I wish in this connection to offer a resolution. Secretary read the resolution postponing the election of Bishops until Thursday. J. H. McLean: I hope the resolution will commend itself to your favorable consideration. Perhaps we can not well reach that important stage in our proceedings until Thursday. We ought not to defer it until a later day. We will probably be engaged for two days in the election of all officers authorized by the General Conference, and I, therefore, hope that the resolution will commend itself to your favorable consideration. J. G. Clinkscales: I move to amend that resolution that we now proceed to the election of two Bishops. I am opposed to postponing for several reasons. One of my reasons is there are a great many of our lay members who will be called home within the next few days. Besides, I see no reason why we can not proceed and settle this at once, and I move as an amendment that we proceed to the election of these two Bishops. S. S. Keener: I move to lay on the table. The motion was laid on the table, 114 to 107. E. W. Alderson: I move the previous question on Dr. McLean's resolution. The previous question was ordered. J. J. Tigert: I move the reference of the paper submitted by Bishop Hargrove to the Committee on Episcopacy. The motion prevailed. On motion of P. H. Whisner Report No. 4 of the Committee on Missions, which had previously been sent in and placed on the calendar, was withdrawn and referred to the Committee on Federation. And on motion of J. S. Hutchinson Report No. 2 of the Committee on Publishing Interests, on the same subject, was also referred to the Committee on Federation. The Conference next took up Report No. 1 of the Committee on Church Extension, which was read by the Secretary. W. F. Barclay: As Chairman of that committee, I wish to explain that this report makes no material change in the law as it stands now; the amendment is simply in the interest of greater clearness. Under the law as it now stands, a mortgage can be executed by the Board of Trustees of the district parsonage with the consent of the District Conference; the amendment provides that at any time during the year, by a two-thirds vote the Board of Stewards of the District, may give permission for such mortgage to be executed. And one other point of importance is that it authorizes the borrowing of money and the execution of mortgages to the Home Mission Society, as well as the Board of Church Extension. Some other changes are simply in the interest of clearness. H. E. W. Palmore: We have had occasion, in connection with this particular law of the Church, to come to the conclusion that it ought to be considered very carefully. I wish to call attention to one statement made by the Chairman, which is also contained in the report, which I fear, instead of making it clearer, really makes it objectionable. The report says that you can borrow from the Church authority and can give a mortgage to the Church authorities upon the terms stated in the report, but if you don't pay the Church authority, then, with no other legislation, without any other action on the part of the Church authorities, you can go out into the open market and give a mortgage upon such terms as the parties may agree upon, and I think we should consider the matter of leaving out that part of it. Instead of making it clearer, I very much fear that when it is incorporated in the Discipline it will not be as clear as it

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is now, and if there is any doubt about it, and we don't clearly understand this matter, that deals with trust property, a matter that deals with giving trustees power to mortgage property which can be used only for the worship of God, providing for its sale, and, therefore, let it go out into other channels, would it not be best, Mr. Chairman, and I submit that view to the committee, to have this printed and put before us before we vote upon it, as it is a serious question.

J. H. McLean: I desire to offer an amendment authorizing such sale, provided the presiding elder shall consent to such sale. We cannot dispose of a parsonage of the station or circuit without the consent of the preacher in charge, or the presiding elder. He has to be considered, and has to agree thereto.

J. J. Tigert: I move that the report be considered item by item.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary read the first item of Report No. 1 of Committee on Church Extension.

J. H. McLean: In this connection I offer an amendment providing the consent of the presiding elder shall be had in such sale or mortgage.

I have been laboring under the impression that it involved the sale of Church property. If it is simply a matter of borrowing the money I shall withdraw my amendment.

J. A. Clifton: I understand that item. It simply simplifies what is already in the Discipline; it shows that we can borrow money from the Church Extension Board, and from the Home Mission Board by giving a mortgage on the property and by the consent of the preacher in charge, and of the presiding elder.

J. H. McLean: I wish to inquire if under that provision, where it shall involve the mortgage and possible sale of the presiding elder's parsonage—I wish to ask if you adopt that provision, will it not conflict with what is already in the Discipline, which requires the consent of the presiding elder to such sale.

J. A. Anderson: Paragraph No. 454 gives the presiding elder the right to give his consent before this sale. This report does not propose to change that. Paragraph 456 states this money shall be secured according to the law laid down in paragraph 454.

J. H. McLean: Then I am ready for the vote.

D. C. Kelley: I move that this paper be referred again to the committee to bring it in in clearer form before this General Conference.

W. F. Barclay: I hope it will not be referred back to the committee. That clause does not provide for any sale at all. It is simply a provision providing that in the event of sale the Church Extension Society may advance money.

Horace Bishop: I favor the motion to recommit. We are embarrassed every time we have to sell a piece of property in the West because of a lien upon it—and a lien that it was unnecessary to make. A donation ought to be a donation from start to finish. In the changing conditions in the West towns are sometimes moved in the space of twenty-four hours. We have got to get money, and get it with a great deal of trouble to move a Church and rebuild. Under this law, as it stands, the Church Extension Board or the Woman's Mission Board has a lien on that property to the extent of the amount they have given for it. I do hope this matter will be recommitment and that the idea of a donation may be stricken out entirely.

S. S. Keener: I appreciate the fact that we ought to have some sort of lien on every donation given to Church property by the Church Extension Society, but these liens are so iron-bound that we cannot sell a piece of property now or move it to another place and use again for a Church without paying back again the donation. This, I think,

is wholly wrong. Of course the Society ought to be protected so that the money cannot be utterly lost, but when it can be proven that property can be sold and the money used for the Church, the change of the place, or the change of the property ought not to have any effect in this matter.

M. J. Cofer: Everybody, I suppose, is in favor of loans being secured, beyond question; but we are dealing now with donations. The question of Church extension is hindered, and will be for years, by reason of this iron-clad band, not only as to loans, but as to donations. If it be a donation, let it go at that for all time. And it is worth while to trust our local Churches. We have honest men, and if we make a donation, let it be a donation. Let this be recommitted and a report brought in by which we may clearly understand that a donation is a donation and a loan is a loan.

Mr. Winton: I am in favor of the motion that this report be recommitment—that that clause be eliminated.

B. D. Bell: I move the previous question.

A. F. Watkins: I raise the point of order that Dr. Kelley's motion to recommit has never been brought before the Conference.

The Bishop: I will put now the motion to recommit.

W. F. Barclay: I reserve the right to close this discussion, as Chairman of the committee.

H. Bishop: I don't think he would have that right on a motion to recommit.

W. F. Barclay: I understood the motion to recommit was never submitted to the body.

The motion to recommit was then adopted.

S. B. Adams: If I am in order, I would like to move a reconsideration of the vote (I voted in the majority) to put on the table the proposition to have the election of Bishops at this time. I think I made a mistake when I voted to lay on the table. I think it is better to have it now, and if I can get a second to my motion to reconsider, I will tell you why.

The motion was seconded.

S. B. Adams: It seems to me it is better not to postpone the election until Thursday. The fact is, if we do, there is going to be serious danger of our getting more partisan.

C. H. Briggs: A point of order. I understand the brother to be speaking on a motion to reconsider the vote by which we laid on the table the proposition to elect Bishops to-day. Since that was laid on the table the original resolution has been acted upon and adopted. His motion is not to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted, therefore he is not in order.

S. B. Adams: I will then move to reconsider the vote by which we adopted the resolution to have the election on Thursday.

The Bishop: Did you vote for that?

S. B. Adams: I think I did.

W. R. Peebles: I did. I voted for it. I move to reconsider.

The Bishop: The motion is that you reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted.

S. B. Adams: It has been suggested that there are a number of delegates absent to-day. I wish to suggest that on Thursday there will be a number who are now here who will not be here, and it is likely that there will be more absentees Thursday than now. This War Claim matter, of which some of you may possibly have heard, has been so magnified that a good many people, wittingly or unwittingly, have gotten the idea that that is all that is before us. I happen to know that there are certain laymen who are going home as soon as possible. I am not one of them, but other men may be under greater pressure to get back to their homes. The main thing with me is, that we ought to select these officers with as little personal feeling and bitterness as possible. We all agree that the interest of the Church in the selection of Bishops is paramount, and we ought to subordinate every side issue

and every personal consideration. Let us go ahead with this election. I know that questions have entered into this matter that are going to influence men; but let it influence them as little as possible, and let us have the election and dispose of this matter before the War Claim discussion comes up.

J. E. Godbey: I think that all members of this Conference ought to be informed as to the hour when this election will take place; and I move to amend by appointing an hour this afternoon, say 3 o'clock, and let it get abroad, and then the brethren who want to vote will be here.

The Bishop: His speech is on the motion to reconsider, and that matter is before you.

B. F. Lipscomb: Have you taken the vote on the motion to reconsider? I want to say in reference to that that I hope that motion will not prevail. This question has been brought up this morning, and after some discussion we adopted a resolution offered by Dr. McLean fixing the hour for the election at 10 o'clock Thursday. That was understood to be the sense of the Conference. Since that time I doubt not from the number of vacant chairs around me that a number of brethren acting upon that, and supposing that this matter would not come up again to-day have left on other business. I think Dr. Godbey is right in his remark that every member should have notice in advance as to when this election will take place that they may be in place, but I submit it is unfair to those brethren, who, acting upon the resolution adopted here this morning, are now absent; and I hope this motion will not prevail.

A. R. Pugh: In addition to what Brother Lipscomb has said, I desire to call attention to the fact that the resolution adopted this morning includes not only the election of Bishops, but all Connectional officers, and it provides further that the election shall continue until all are elected. It is now more than half past 11 o'clock, and it will be impossible for us to complete this election to-day, and it will be impossible for us to complete it before 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, the hour which has been set for the consideration of the reports from the Committee on Publishing Interests on the War Claim. I hope, therefore, that the date fixed for this election will stand and the motion to reconsider will not prevail.

S. S. Keener: I move to lay the motion to reconsider on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Sunday-Schools was taken from the calendar and read by the Secretary.

J. O. Willson: I move consideration of that paper by sections.

The motion prevailed and the Secretary read the first section.

J. R. Pepper: I move its adoption.

B. F. Lipscomb: That is quite an important matter. It involves, as I understand, the creation of a new connectional office, and carries with it new connectional expense, and I think the Chairman of the Committee or somebody who understands it should state to us clearly the reasons upon which they base that recommendation.

J. R. Pepper: I would be glad for Dr. Atkins to be heard.

James Atkins: I wish to say in the first place this is not what might be called a popular connectional office, and it is not necessarily a permanent connectional office. There is a class of work which cannot be done except by the plan offered by the Sunday-School Board. You are asked in this bill to authorize the Sunday-School Board to elect quadrennially a Superintendent of Training Work, whose two branches of work shall be the superintendence of Bible teachers and the holding of institutes for the better preparation of our teachers. I don't know that it is necessary to bring before you the entire scope of this work. I do need to say this much, that we are the only Church which has thus far proposed a systematic and thorough plan for the education of Sunday-school teachers. Now, the Sunday-School Board has inaugurated it and tried it, and has demonstrated that our plan is not only a successful one, but an acceptable one to the community. The Superintendent of Training Work, immediately after his election immediately wrote to every one of the leading denominations to find out what was being done in this line. Twenty-three of these Boards gave responses, and the outcome of it was that there was not in Christendom a Church that had made anything like our provision for these men and women who have in charge the religious education of the youth of the land.

The largest thing that had been done had been a recommendation by the Sunday-school Editor or committee the books that it would be well for Sunday-school teachers to read. As far as inquiry could be made into the results of this recommendation, not one in a hundred of those books had been read or purchased; and we found that in order to the maintenance of a system or the establishment of a permanent institution for the education or direction and helping of our teachers, there would have to be a head to it. It has been said that the Sunday-school Editor might do such work. I want to say in my own behalf and in behalf of my successors that the Sunday-school Editor has ten times as much work as he can do right. The course of study consists of three years, the first year's course put on the market February 1st, and now there are in the hands of our teachers 8,500 sets, or more than 25,000 volumes of the most valuable books that could be produced for the teachers in their work. It might be well for me to report that these institutes have been the finest perhaps ever held in the history of the Sunday-school movement. The question is as to why not ask for a general officer elected by the General Conference? In the first place, while there is great force given to the work by virtue of the position held by the Superintendent of Training Work, and although we have demonstrated the desirability and practicability of it, we did not feel like asking the General Conference for the permanent establishment of a new connectional office otherwise than asked in this report. Then, in the second place, this work has of necessity to be done by a specialist or an expert. You can elect a dozen good Sunday-school Editors, not one of

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whom would be fit for the work for which this Sunday-school Board has selected a Superintendent of Training Work. We have sought the world over and obtained after long effort a man foremost in the subject of teacher training for the Sabbath-school. Now, this success in securing such a man might make the question absolutely safe so far as the present is concerned, but the selection of such a man must be left, it seems to me, to the Sunday-school Board. We can not conduct the teacher-training department without such a man, and I believe the best way to select him is through these experts, whom you hold responsible for their success or failure. I want to say as to the cost of it: As a business man, if I had to take the results of the Sunday-school departments with this man or without him, I would take the results of it with the man sooner than without, as a mere financial matter. While the Publishing House puts the books at the bottom price, yet I assume there is a little profit in them, so that the administration of this office will pay its own expenses and yet furnish the cheapest literature on the subject.

The first section of the report was adopted, as were also the 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th sections.

The Secretary then read the 7th section of the report.

J. R. Pepper: The Sunday-school Committee unanimously passed a resolution amending that part, and I would be glad for the Secretary to read it.

The Bishop: Is that paper offered as a substitute?

J. R. Pepper: Yes, sir.

B. F. Lipscomb: I fail to see the wisdom or propriety of enacting that section. It seems to me, without being at all so intended by the Committee, to squint in the direction of inflating the statistics. I hold that the right thing to do is to report to the Annual conference the number of scholars then on the roll, not simply the number that have passed through the school during the year. I don't see any good in such a provision as that, and I do see some serious objection to it on the ground it does look toward an inflation of the statistics.

J. R. Pepper: I desire to say that this whole matter was carefully gone over before the entire committee. We were acting largely in obedience to suggestions made in the Episcopal Address that the whole enrollment of the school be given for the year. The thought has been to give to our Conferences the number that had received instruction in our schools during the entire Conference year. That was the only purpose.

J. H. McLean: There will be this additional difficulty: In many of our western works we have comfortable houses, and we go into winter quarters, and our Annual Conferences meet in the winter time, and these schools that have been in operation during the spring and summer and gone into winter quarters, will be reported erroneously.

James Atkins: I would like to say a word on this point, because there is some antagonism to it—a question, at any rate. There is nothing in which we are so far behind the times as in the method of reporting Sunday-school scholars, having no rule by which to go. This is a committee of business men, and they are practical Sunday-school men, and they went into this question from top to bottom, and they went back over it again and came to the same conclusion, that we want a uniform rule of enrollment. I could submit to you for an hour data on this subject that would be interesting to you.

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A Delegate: I move to lay on the table the motion to strike out.

The Bishop: In regard to the motion to strike out, it occurs to the Chair that you are taking this up by sections; you have arrived at a particular section. You can adopt it, or you can amend it, or you can reject it; but I don't see how you can strike out.

S. S. Keener: Brother Pepper's was an amendment.

The Bishop: Yes, sir; the motion to strike out. That one section is the matter before you.

J. R. Pepper: I was going to ask that section 7 and the amendment be read.

The Secretary read the 7th section and the amendment.

J. R. Pepper: The plain statement of the case is this: The question to be asked at the Quarterly Conference is to be as to how many have been enrolled.

E. G. Moseley: I want to state that I am a member of the Sunday-school Committee, and I fought that resolution strenuously before that committee, and I want to give my reasons for it now, as Superintendent of a Sunday-school and as a layman. I want to say that to my mind it means to inflate the roll of our Sabbath-schools. As a business man, it is absolutely necessary that I should keep a ledger, and on that ledger I must have a debit and a credit side, to show exactly how my financial affairs stand; but in accordance with this report we only have one side of the ledger, and that is the credit side. We don't subtract any. You take the city of Danville. As Superintendent of a Sabbath-school there I know of families that are moving from there to Lynchburg; and in accordance with the rule to be adopted by the report of the Sunday-school Committee—

W. T. J. Sullivan: I make the point of order that the previous question has been called.

The Bishop: No; it has not been called. Somebody spoke of calling it.

E. G. Moseley: If we were to adopt this report I would be required by the laws of our Church to report all I had enrolled during the year, which I have no earthly objection to, and am perfectly willing to report, but that report should, in my opinion, be amended so as to have it at the end subtract the losses from the school by reason of removals or death, so as to give us an actual living roll of the Sabbath-school at the time we make our report to the Annual Conference. And I move that at the close of that paragraph we insert these words: "Deducting the number lost by removal or death."

J. O. Willson: I ask as a matter of order if Brother Moseley can make an address and at the close of it offer a motion.

The Bishop: There is nothing in parliamentary law to prevent him.

J. M. Barcus: Brother Moseley's motion is not in order until it is written and sent in in duplicate to the Secretary's table.

A Delegate: I move the pending question.

The pending question was ordered, and the amendment offered by Mr. Pepper was adopted.

J. R. Pepper: I move the adoption of the 7th item.

The motion prevailed.

B. F. Lipscomb: Did you allow the amendment of Brother Moseley? We had not perfected the paper before we took the vote.

The Bishop: The Chair had really lost sight of it. It was not written, it is true, but I did not intend to cut him off. The Chair hardly knows how to get out of this trouble into which the Chair itself has led you.

J. O. Willson: It is only one way out, and I will help the Chair if it distresses. I have no sympathy for the resolution offered, because it was discussed in the Sunday School Committee and voted down, but to relieve the Chair and give an opportunity to the mover of the resolution, I move to reconsider the vote by which we adopted the section.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

The Bishop: Now, the motion before us is that of Brother Moseley.

The Secretary read the 7th section with the amendment as offered by E. G. Moseley.

J. O. Willson: I move to lay it on the table.

The motion prevailed.

J. O. Willson: Now I move the adoption of the 7th item.

The motion prevailed.

The 8th section was read and adopted, and on motion of J. R. Pepper, the report as a whole was adopted.

A Delegate: I move we do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed—ayes, 127; noes, 48.

The Doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Granbery, and at 1 o'clock p. m. the Conference adjourned until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning, May 20, 1902, at 9 o'clock.

TWELFTH DAY.

Tuesday, May 20, 1902.

Pursuant to adjournment of Monday, May 19, the Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m., Bishop Granbery in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. E. Godbey, of the Little Rock Conference, who read the Scripture lesson from the 13th chapter of First Corinthians, and announced the 74th hymn.

"Giver of Concord, Prince of Peace, Meek, lamb-like Son of God."

After which the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. Godbey.

Bishop Hargrove assumed the chair.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The Bishop: Bishop Granbery desires to read a paper.

Reports of standing committees were called for.

Report No. 2 of Committee on Episcopacy was read and sent to the calendar.

Report No. 4 of Committee on Episcopacy, in reference to salary of Bishops, was read.

J. J. Tigert: That report, if I remember the Discipline, does not go to the calendar, but simply goes to the record, the action of the committee being final.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on...

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The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of West Texas Conference, in session at Lockhart, desires to express its great pleasure that it will reap such rich benefits from this change. Our numbers will be greatly increased, many valuable workers coming into our ranks, thus greatly enhancing the opportunities and field of our Foreign Missionary Society.

We rejoice at the prospects for brighter and better days in this work, and pray God's blessings upon this union. In view of these new conditions, we desire to extend to our sisters of the coded territory a most cordial Christian welcome, hoping that in a short while the wounds made by the severance of old ties may be healed, and that we may work together in sympathy and love in this much-loved work, as one family in Christ.

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PARSONAGE DAY.

Program for the Woman's Home Mission Societies of East (old) Texas Conference. The auxiliaries are urged to observe this day during June, and send reports to superintendent.

Leader, First Vice-President or one appointed by President. Devotional service. Hymn 231. "Beat be the tie that binds." Scripture lesson, II Kings 18-21; James 2:14-26. Prayer; several voluntary prayers for the strengthening of the workers and upbuilding of the parsonage work. Hymn, "Work for the Master" (Y. P. H.). Subject, "Parsonages." Original paper, historical and statistical report of work on this line from W. H. M. standpoint. Original paper, "Parsonages: Their Need, Improvement, Types, Preachers, Church and Community—Individual Relation of Women to Them." Open discussion of "Why Have Parsonages Be Raised?" "Should the Standard of Parsonages Be Raised?" "Would You Exchange Homes With Your Neighbor's?" "If Not, Why?" "Why Do We Have Reported Ninety-Seven Churches and Ninety-One Parsonages?" The remedy? Prayer, that the Lord will raise up workers in his vineyard. Song with you.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVISALS.

Dallas, Texas, May 15, 1902. To the General Conference M. E. Church, South, Dallas, Texas.

Your Committee on Revisals had under consideration various memorials and resolutions, requesting the creation of the office of Deaconess.

The judgment of your committee was tested by a vote on the following resolution:

Resolved, That we establish the office of Deaconess in our Church.

Twenty-six members were present and voted. The vote resulted in a tie.

The undersigned members of your committee, who voted affirmatively upon the above-named resolution, beg leave to report to you as follows, to-wit:

We recommend that you add additional paragraphs next following Art. 3, Par. 42, Sec. 4, Chap. II, page 161, Discipline of 1895, as follows:

P. 42. Art. XVI.—The office of Deaconess is hereby created in connection with the Woman's Home Mission Society.

The Woman's Home Mission Board shall receive a course of training for candidates for Deaconess' work, and shall pass upon the applications of those persons recommended by Quarterly Conferences, for appointment to a training school, and shall give notice to reject a candidate at any time during or at the end of a course of training. If she be found unsuited to the work, the Board, or the Executive Committee thereof, shall, upon application, recommend Deaconesses to Mission Boards, preachers in charge, societies or other Church agencies wishing to employ them.

When a Deaconess is thus employed, she shall make reports to the Quarterly Conference as to her progress, her labors, and be so far as is practicable, under the direction of the preacher in charge. When removing from the bounds of one pastoral charge to another, she shall carry a certificate of official standing. She shall also make annual reports to the Woman's Board of Home Missions. Her certificate must be renewed annually.

P. 46.—A candidate for Deaconess work must be at least 25 years of age, a single woman or a widow. She must be a member of the M. E. Church, South, in good standing, and must have shown a fitness for this work by active service in some line of Christian work. She must have a good English education, and a certificate of good health from a reputable physician. Her application for admission to the training school must be indorsed by the Quarterly Conference and the preacher in charge of the Church of which she is a member. She must pass a satisfactory examination before the proper committee of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, both as to her educational and religious qualifications before she can be placed in the training school.

She must give two years of probationary service and study the course prescribed by the board, after which she must have the recommendation of the superintendent of the school.

In exceptional cases, when other requirements are met and the course in the training school is not deemed necessary, she may be nominated by the preacher in charge and elected to the office of Deaconess by the Quarterly Conference, without attending the training school. The duties of the Deaconess are to minister to the poor, care for the sick, provide for the orphan, comfort the sorrowing, seek the wandering and sinful, and do any religious or teaching work to which she may be assigned by the preacher in charge, employing her in the home or foreign field, and relinquishing all other pursuits, devote herself to the various forms of Christian work to which she may be found adapted. No vows shall be required of any Deaconess; nevertheless, it is expected that those who seek admission to the training school, or who apply for a certificate from the Quarterly Conference, will have considered carefully the steps they are taking, and feeling themselves called of God to do this work, will enter upon it with the purpose of devoting themselves wholly to it. A Deaconess shall, however, be at liberty to retire from the work after three months' notice to the Woman's Home Mission Board, and will be subject to a revoking of her certificate and dismissal if found unsuited to the work. While engaged in active service, she shall be entitled to such support as the Woman's Home Mission Board shall stipulate and if, after a long term of service, she shall be disqualified by sickness or old age, she shall be cared for in a Deaconess' home hereinafter provided for.

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P. 48.—Deaconess' Institutions: The Woman's Home Mission Board is authorized to provide a home where unemployed Deaconesses may temporarily reside, and be instructed and where the aged or sick may be permanently cared for, and such other institutions as will not be in conflict with other provisions of Sec. 4, Chap. II, of Discipline of 1895.

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How oft do we sing of that heavenly home, By faith only seen from afar; But you have gained its portals now— At home, with its gates ajar.

When I come home, I'll know you there In that heavenly home of bliss, And you'll be the same dear papa to me You have always been in this.

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UNANSWERED LETTERS.

June 12—A. P. Hightower, sub. R. D. Moon, sub. J. D. Scott, sub. R. Smith, sub. W. H. Brooks, sub. T. N. LARRY, sub. Jas. A. Walkup, Griffin, J. P. Patterson, sub. J. W. Chaffin, sub. G. C. Hardy, sub. attention, J. L. Wilson, charge, T. J. Dunagan, sub.

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June 14—J. H. Chambliss, sub. J. W. Tinsler, sub. A. Nelson, has attention. J. B. Adair, sub. E. L. Spurlock, has attention.

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W. H. Matthews, P. E.

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Hewitt, at Hewitt..... June 21, 22  
Morrow Street..... June 21, 22  
Lorena, at Oak Grove..... July 5, 6  
Mount Calm, at New Hope..... July 12, 13  
Abbott, at Bell Springs..... July 12, 13  
West..... July 19, 20  
Ledy, at Eddy..... July 19, 20  
Moody..... July 26, 27  
Peele, at Kirby..... July 26, 27  
Aquila, at Elm Mott..... Aug 2, 3  
Austin Avenue..... Aug 2, 3  
Troy, at Childers..... Aug 9, 10  
Bosqueville, at Bosque Camp Ground..... Aug 16, 17  
Fifth Street..... Aug 16, 17  
Morgan, at Eulogy..... Aug 23, 24  
Whitney..... Aug 23, 24  
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Grapevine..... June 21, 22  
Glenwood..... June 28, 29  
North Fort Worth..... June 28, 29  
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Mansfield, at Britton..... July 19, 20  
Azle, at Silver Creek..... July 26, 27  
Cuba, at Chapel Hill..... Aug 2, 3  
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John..... Aug 2, 3  
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Springtown, at Walnut..... June 21, 22  
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Missap, at Brock..... July 12, 13  
Aledo, at Benbrook..... July 12, 13  
Farmer, at True..... July 19, 20  
Graham..... July 19, 20  
Graham cr., at Connor Creek..... July 26, 27  
Ellenville, at Goosecreek..... July 26, 27  
First Church..... July 26, 27  
Ranger, at Nossity..... Aug 2, 3  
Gordon and Strawn, at Strawn..... Aug 2, 3  
Whitt and Bethesda, at B..... Aug 9, 10  
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Sipe Springs, at Mar..... June 21, 22  
Rising Star, at the Star..... June 21, 22  
Stephenville..... July 5, 6  
Granbury..... July 12, 13  
Huckabay, at Oak Dale..... July 19, 20  
Morgan Hill, at M. M..... July 19, 20  
Bluff Dale, at Post Oak..... July 26, 27  
Glen Rose, at Paluxy..... July 26, 27  
Hico..... Aug 2, 3  
Duffau, at Skippers..... Aug 2, 3  
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Fredell, at Larham..... Aug 23, 24  
Stephenville mts..... Aug 23, 24  
Dublin..... Aug 30, 31  
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Lovelace, at Ocoola..... June 21, 22  
Hillsboro..... June 28, 29  
Red Oak..... July 5, 6  
Venus, at Cahill..... July 12, 13  
Palmer, at Boyce..... July 12, 13  
Ferris..... July 19, 20  
Itaska..... July 19, 20  
Foreston..... July 26, 27  
Hardwell, at Byrd..... July 26, 27  
Midlothian..... Aug 2, 3  
Grandview..... Aug 9, 10  
H. Z..... Aug 16, 17  
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Albany and Moran, at M..... June 21, 22  
Stamper, at Raymer..... July 5, 6  
Stamford, at Stamford..... July 5, 6  
Anson, at Fairview..... July 12, 13  
Midland..... July 12, 13  
Gall, at Signal Mount..... July 19, 20  
Colorado mts, at Union..... July 19, 20  
Big Springs..... July 26, 27  
Eula, at Clyde..... July 26, 27  
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Cisco..... Aug 16, 17  
Putnam..... Aug 16, 17  
Roby, at Avalon..... Aug 23, 24  
Buffalo Gap, at Elm Grove..... Aug 23, 24

Merkel..... Aug 29, 31  
Sweetwater..... Sept 6, 7  
Abilene..... Sept 13, 14  
E. A. Smith, P. E.  
Gatesville District—Third Round.  
Crawford..... June 21, 22  
Gatesville sta..... June 28, 29  
McGregor..... July 5, 6  
Killean and Nolanville..... July 4, 11 a. m.  
Brookhaven..... July 12, 13  
China Springs..... July 12, 13  
Valley Mills and Chilton..... July 12, 13  
Harmony..... July 19, 20  
Coryell City..... July 19, 20  
Hamilton..... July 26, 27  
Evant..... July 26, 27  
Jonesboro..... Aug 2, 3  
Bee House..... Aug 2, 3  
Gatesville mts..... Aug 12, 11 a. m.  
Oglesby..... Aug 16, 17  
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Dallas District—Third Round.  
Haskell Avenue..... 11 a. m., June 29  
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Floyd..... 5 p. m., July 6  
Dallas cr., at Maple Avenue..... July 12, 13  
Wheatland, at Wilmer..... July 19, 20  
Cedar Hill, at Duncanville..... July 26, 27  
Lancaster, at Hutchins..... Aug 2, 3  
Oak Lawn..... 11 a. m., Aug 9  
Trinity..... 5 p. m., Aug 9  
Argyle, at China's Chapel..... Aug 16, 17  
Lewisville..... 5 p. m., Aug 16  
Grand Prairie, at Bethel..... Aug 23, 24  
First Church..... 11 a. m., Aug 31  
Denton..... 5 p. m., Aug 31  
Cochran and Caruth, at Caruth..... Sept 6, 7  
Farmers Branch..... Sept 13, 14  
I. W. Clark, P. E.

Terrell District—Third Round.  
Forney..... June 21, 22  
Mesquite, at Pleasant Ridge..... July 5, 6  
Terrell sta..... July 12, 13  
Reinhardt, at Pleasant Mound..... July 19, 20  
Kemp, at Wilson Chapel..... July 26, 27  
Garland..... Aug 2, 3  
Kaufman mts, at Pleasant Val., Aug 5, 6  
Royce..... Aug 9, 10  
Crandall, at Crandall..... Aug 16, 17  
Terrell cr., at Eden..... Aug 16, 17  
Kaufman sta..... Aug 23, 24  
Fate, at Mt. Zion..... Aug 23, 24  
Chisholm, at Bethel..... Sept 6, 7  
Mahabak, at Prattville..... Sept 13, 14  
J. M. Peterson, P. E.

Bowie District—Third Round.  
Henrietta..... June 21, 22  
Benvenue..... June 28, 29  
Bellevue, at Vashit..... July 5, 6  
Paradise, at Bethel..... July 12, 13  
Bridgeport, at Bridgeport..... July 19, 20  
Rhame, at Briar..... July 19, 20  
Boyd, at Boyd..... July 26, 27  
Alford, at Rush Branch..... July 26, 27  
Fruitland, at Sunset..... July 26, 27  
Chick, at Sand Hill..... Aug 2, 3  
Cration, at Valley View..... Aug 2, 3  
Decatur sta..... Aug 9, 10  
Decatur cr., at Sand Hill..... Aug 9, 10  
Bryson..... Aug 16, 17  
Jacksboro..... Aug 16, 17  
Holiday..... Aug 23, 24  
Archer City..... Aug 23, 24  
Blue Grove..... Aug 30, 31  
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F. O. Miller, P. E.

Bonham District—Second Round.  
Gober..... 4th Sun. June  
Fannin..... Wed. June 25  
T. R. Pierce, P. E.

Greenville District—Second Round.  
Leonard, at Orange Grove..... 4th Sun. June  
District Conference, at Caddo Mills, June 26-28.  
O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Sherman District—Second Round.  
Southmayd..... 4th Sun. June  
Gordonville..... 4th Sun. June  
J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Sherman District—Third Round.  
Denison mts..... 1st Sun. July  
Pottsville and Preston..... 2d Sun. July  
Travis Street..... 2d Sun. July  
Willow Street..... 2d Sun. July  
Howe..... 4th Sun. July  
Bells..... 1st Sun. Aug.  
Collinsville..... 2d Sun. Aug.  
Whitesboro..... 2d Sun. Aug.  
Van Alstyne..... 2d Sun. Aug.  
Pilot Grove..... 2d Sun. Aug.  
Whitewright..... 4th Sun. Aug.  
Gordonville..... 5th Sun. Aug.  
Sherman cr..... 1st Sun. Sept.  
Southmayd..... 2d Sun. Sept.  
Tugs and Gunter..... 2d Sun. Sept.  
J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Gainesville District—Third Round.  
Aubrey, at Cooper Creek..... June 21, 22  
Gainesville, Broadway..... June 28, 29  
Era and V. V..... June 28, 29  
Gainesville, Denton Street..... June 28, 29  
Pexler, at Walnut Bend..... July 5, 6  
Woodbine, at Spring Grove..... July 12, 13  
Burns, at Friendship..... July 19, 20  
North Gainesville, at Canady..... July 26, 27  
Sanger, at Bolivar..... Aug 2, 3  
Montague, at Woodland..... Aug 9, 10  
Greenwood, at Rush Creek..... Aug 16, 17  
Rosston, at Rosston..... Aug 16, 17  
Becher, at Spanish Fort..... Aug 23, 24  
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Bonita, at Illinois Bend..... Sept 6, 7  
Marysville, at Sivat a Bend..... Sept 13, 14  
Roanoke and Ponder..... Sept 20, 21  
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Geo. S. Sexton, P. E.

McKinney District—Second Round.  
Copeville mts..... June 21, 22  
Melissa mts..... June 28, 29  
F. A. Rosser, P. E.

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Kingsland mts..... June 21, 22  
Kerrville sta..... June 28, 29  
Rock Springs, at R. S..... July 5, 6  
Bandera, at Bandera..... July 12, 13  
Center Point sta..... July 19, 20  
Boerne cr., at Selma..... July 26, 27  
W. H. H. Biggs, P. E.  
San Antonio District—Third Round.  
Hendo and Devine..... 1st Sun. in July  
Cotulla..... July 19, 20  
Fearsall..... second Sun. in July  
Moore cr..... July 19, 20  
Bexar cr..... 2d Sun. in July  
Del Rio..... July 26, 27  
Eagle Pass..... July 26, 27  
Uvalde..... July 26, 27

Utopia..... 4th Sun. in July  
Amphion..... 1st Sun. in Aug  
West End..... Aug 4  
Prospect Hill..... Aug 4  
Travis Park..... Aug 4  
Sherman Street..... 2d Sun. in Aug  
South Heights..... 2d Sun. in Aug  
Comal..... 7:30 p. m. 2d Sun. in Aug  
Carrizo and Batesville..... 4th Sun. in Aug  
B. Harris, P. E.

San Angelo District—Third Round.  
Sonora and Eldorado, at S..... June 28, 29  
Sherwood, at Arden..... July 5, 6  
Ozona..... July 9  
Junction and Menard, at Copetas..... July 12, 13  
Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Cuero District—Third Round.  
Hallettsville..... 4th Sun. June  
Yoakum..... 5th Sun. June  
Clear Creek, at Seal's..... 1st Sun. July  
Nursery..... 2d Sun. July  
Cuero..... 5th Sun. July  
Jno. W. Stovall, P. E.

Beeville District—Third Round.  
Stockdale, at Riddleville..... June 21, 22  
Beeville..... June 28, 29  
Rockport..... July 5, 6  
Dallas cr., at Lebanon..... July 12, 13  
Corpus Christi..... July 26, 27  
Blancoita, at Normanna..... Aug 2, 3  
Joe F. Webb, P. E.

San Marcos District—Third Round.  
Dripping Springs cr., at Driftwood..... 5th Sun. June  
San Marcos sta..... 1st Sun. June  
Belmont cr., at Oak Forest..... 2d Sun. July  
San Marcos cr., at Long Branch..... 2d Sun. July  
Kyle and Pleasant Grove, at P. G..... 1st Sun. July  
Gonzales sta..... 1st Sun. Aug.  
Sterling Fisher, P. E.

**EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.**  
Tyler District—Third Round.  
St. Paul, at Chandler..... May 21, June 1  
Candler, at Pleasant Ridge..... 1st Sun. June  
Belmont cr., at Oak Forest..... 2d Sun. July  
Tyler cr., at Pleasant Retreat..... June 14, 15  
Cedar Street..... June 15, 16  
Wills Point, at Waco Chapel..... June 29  
Lindale, at Sibley..... July 6  
Wills Point sta..... July 6  
Maback, at Price's Chapel..... July 13, 14  
Grand Saline, at Oakland..... July 13, 14  
Canton, at Canton..... July 19, 20  
Emory..... July 26, 27  
Albion..... Aug 2, 3  
Neworth, at Gladon..... Aug 2, 3  
Travis and Overton..... Aug 9, 10  
Edom, at Holly Springs..... Aug 16, 17  
New York..... Aug 23, 24  
Big Sandy, at Hawkins..... Aug 23, 24  
Marvin..... Aug 30, 31  
Wills Point, at Lane's Chapel..... Aug 30, 31  
The brethren will take due notice of the times of the quarterly meetings, as I will not send out postal cards for this round. I would respectfully suggest to preachers and people to do their best on this quarter. Two reasons for this will relieve the present and pressing need of pastors and will make final settlement easier this fall.  
J. T. Smith, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Third Round.  
Cason, at Ebenger..... June 21, 22  
Queen City, at Red Lick..... June 28, 29  
New Boston, at New Boston..... July 5, 6  
Gimer, at Hopewell..... July 12, 13  
Pittsburg..... July 12, 13  
Texarkana, State Line..... July 19, 20  
Texarkana, Fairview, p. m..... July 26, 27  
Winfield, at Winfield..... Thu. July 24  
Quitman, at Stinson's Chapel..... July 24, 25  
Lonsburg, at Union Ridge..... Aug 2, 3  
Lonsburg, at Hamill's Chapel..... Aug 2, 3  
Linton, at Jones Chapel..... Fri. Aug 12  
Atlanta..... Aug 12, 13  
John Adams, P. E.

Palestine District—Third Round.  
Rock sta..... July 5, 6  
Jacksonville cr., at Antioch..... July 12, 13  
Eikhart cr., at Shades..... July 19, 20  
Grasland cr., at Prospect..... July 26, 27  
Palestine..... July 26, 27  
West Palestine, at Pleasant Grove..... July 26, 27  
Jacksonville cr., at Antioch..... Aug 2, 3  
Schubert cr., at Shades..... Aug 9, 10  
Crockett cr., at Bethel..... Aug 16, 17  
Brushy Creek, at R. C..... Aug 16, 17  
Groveton, at Saron..... Aug 23, 24  
Trinity, at Lovelady..... Aug 23, 24  
Augusta..... Aug 30, 31  
Alto..... Sept 6, 7  
W. F. Davis, P. E.

Beaumont District—Third Round.  
Liberty cr., at Smith's Chapel..... June 21, 22  
Wallisville mts, at Bolivar..... June 28, 29  
Beaumont, North End..... July 5, 6  
Shine Pass..... July 5, 6  
Beaumont, South End..... July 12, 13  
Chester cr., at Woodville..... July 19, 20  
Woodville cr..... July 19, 20  
Kountze cr..... July 19, 20  
Silsbee mts..... July 19, 20  
Beaumont, First Church..... July 26, 27  
Beaumont, Second Church..... July 26, 27  
J. W. Johnson, P. E.

San Augustine District—Second Round.  
Clayton cr., at Bethlehem..... June 21, 22  
Sexton cr., at Miami..... June 21, 22  
Hemphill mts, at Lowe's Chap. June 21, 22  
A. J. Weeks, P. E.

Marshall District—Third Round.  
Henderson sta..... June 21, 22  
Harrison cr., at Union..... July 5, 6  
Bockville, at Tatam..... July 12, 13  
Harrison, at Mims..... July 19, 20  
Carrick Hill, at Pleasant Hill..... Aug 2, 3  
Henderson, at Good Springs..... Aug 2, 3  
Halvile, at Summerfield..... Aug 9, 10  
Longview..... Aug 16, 17  
Kilgore..... Aug 16, 17  
Harmony, at Midport..... Aug 23, 24  
Arbore, at Bethel..... Aug 23, 24  
First Church, Marshall..... Aug 23, 24  
Northside, Marshall..... Aug 30, 31  
Jefferson sta..... Aug 30, 31  
Kellyville..... Aug 30, 31  
District Conference meets at Northside, Marshall, June 25, at 4 p. m.  
C. R. Lamar, P. E.

Palestine District—Second Round.  
Augusta..... June 21, 22  
Alto..... June 28, 29  
District Conference, at Alto..... June 28, 29  
W. F. Davis, P. E.

**TEXAS CONFERENCE.**  
Calvert District—Third Round.  
Franklin cr., at Macy..... Sat., June 28  
Rogers Prairie cr., at Hopewell..... Sat., June 28  
Harmony, at Midport..... Sat., June 28  
Bexar cr., at Lake's Ch..... Sat., July 6  
Fairfield cr., at Steward's Mill..... Sat., July 6  
Leon cr., at Tubbs' S. H..... Fri., July 11

Centerville cr., at Leona..... Sat., July 12  
Calvert sta..... Fri., July 19  
Heatrice and Wheelock, at M. Vernon..... Sat., July 19  
Pottsville cr., at Harmony..... Sat., July 26  
Roseland sta..... Fri., Aug 1  
Travis cr., at Cedar Springs..... Sat., Aug 2  
Lott cr., at Goldino..... Sat., Aug 9  
Marble sta..... Fri., Aug 9  
Remond and Reagan, at R. Sat., Aug 16  
Kosse cr., at Stranger..... Sat., Aug 16  
Franklin sta..... Mon., Aug 18  
H. M. Sears, P. E.

Austin District—Third Round.  
Columbus..... June 21, 22  
Eagle Lake..... June 21, 22  
Wetmar and Omgang..... June 28, 29  
West Point, at F. Prairie..... July 5, 6  
Ft. Worth..... July 5, 6  
Hastrop..... July 12, 13  
Cedar Creek, at Watterson..... July 19, 20  
Melode..... July 19, 20  
Webberville..... July 26, 27  
Manor..... Aug 2, 3  
Ligin..... Aug 2, 3  
Marcham..... Aug 9, 10  
South Austin..... Aug 16, 17  
First Street, Austin..... Aug 16, 17  
Walton..... Aug 16, 17  
Tenth Street, Austin..... Aug 16, 17  
Hotchkiss Memorial, Austin..... Aug 16, 17  
The District Conference will be held at Hotchkiss Memorial, Austin, June 26-29. Quarterly Conference records should be present for examination by committee.  
E. S. Smith, P. E.

Houston District—Third Round.  
Columbia and Brazoria..... 1st Sun. June  
Wharton and Hungerford, at H..... June 28, 29  
El Campo, at Domingo's Bridge..... July 5, 6  
Angleton, at Phyllis..... July 12, 13  
Cody Point, at Parkers..... July 19, 20  
Aledo..... July 26, 27  
West End Galveston..... Aug 2, 3  
Central Church, Galveston..... Aug 2, 3  
Long City, at Pasadena..... Aug 9, 10  
Mori Baylon, at Barber's Hill..... Aug 16, 17  
Cedar Bayou..... Aug 16, 17  
McAhee..... Aug 23, 24  
McKee Street..... Aug 23, 24  
Tabernacle..... Aug 23, 24  
Washington Street..... Aug 23, 24  
Stewart..... Aug 30, 31  
Richmond..... Aug 30, 31  
Matagorda..... Sept 6, 7  
Geo. A. LeClair, P. E.

Huntsville District—Second Round.  
Zion..... June 21, 22  
Huntsville..... July 5, 6  
Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

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PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ELEVEN. Publishing interests were read, and, under the rule, went to the calendar.

Report No. 4 of the Committee on Education was read and sent to the calendar.

Report No. 5 of the Committee on Missions was read and placed upon the calendar.

Reports Nos. 6 and 7 of the Committee on Itinerancy were read and placed upon the calendar.

Reports Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the Committee on Revisals were read and sent to the calendar.

H. E. W. Palmer: Judge R. T. Daniel, on account of very important business, finds it necessary that he should return home. He asks leave of absence from attendance upon this Conference after to-day.

On motion leave was granted.

G. H. Bates: I beg leave at this point to submit a minority report to the majority report No. 6 of the Committee on Revisals just submitted. I will state, Mr. President, that all the members who voted for concurrence have not signed the paper, from the fact I was not personally acquainted with them and have not been able to see them.

Committee on Boundaries. Report No. 4, was read and placed upon the calendar.

J. H. McLean: The time has arrived for the special order, but I will be glad, however, if we could extend the time until we finish the call, and simply announce the reports by caption and let them go to the calendar.

The motion prevailed. The following reports were then submitted, read by caption and placed upon the calendar:

- Committee on Temperance, No. 2. Committee on Sunday-Schools, No. 3. Committee on Finance, Report No. 6. Committee on Church Extension, No. 1, and Report No. 5 from same committee, and No. 6, from same committee.

The Bishop: We now come to the order of the day.

The Bishop: Now, brethren, allow me to congratulate the body upon the perfect order this morning. We have been quiet and I think our visiting friends have been able to hear. I think they will preserve order if we are quiet in the Conference bounds.

The Secretary read the majority report of the Committee on Publishing Interests.

G. C. Rankin: I rise to a question of personal privilege. I represent the majority report in that I voted with the members of the committee who passed this majority report. Bishop Candler, who had the correspondence with the Senators to whom reference is here made in the 4th resolution, has informed me that in the use of the language in this resolution we have placed the Senators in an attitude that they did not assume, and I am sure no one will object to so changing the verbiage of that resolution as to put the Senators exactly in the light in which they stand. And I suggest this verbal change: "That, inasmuch as the Senate, after receiving the conditional proposition of the Bishops above referred to, by their official action, discouraged the return of the money; and since eighty per cent of the present members of the Senate

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offer a paper as a substitute for the whole matter, if that is in order. The Bishop: We have a substitute before us. W. F. McMurry: So I understand. A. B. Pugh: It would certainly be in order to offer the paper as an amendment to the substitute. A Delegate: I move the paper in the hands of Bro. McMurry be read for the information of the Conference. Paul Whitehead: That is clearly out of order; no paper can be read for information in that way. The Bishop: Except by order of the body. Paul Whitehead: You must amend the substitute and he must vote with the people that are against the substitute and vote it down and then put his own paper in. A Delegate: It seems to me this Conference can have any information before it that it desires, and if this be read as information, I do not see that it would be out of order. W. G. Sykes: Let us have the paper read. We are anxious to hear it. The Bishop: It is within the province of this body, if it chooses to order the reading of the paper for information. A Delegate: I move it be read. The motion prevailed. The Bishop: Are you ready for the vote? W. F. McMurry: I desire to say for a number of gentlemen, as well as for myself, that while we agree with the sentiments expressed in some of these items, we may be compelled to vote against them because we propose to bring in a paper the whole of which better expresses our sentiments than the whole of this. I say this, that we may be understood in voting against some items here, that if they were in a different shape and not attached to some conclusions that follow after, we might support them.

The Bishop: Will you give consent? J. J. Tigert: I move it be granted. The motion prevailed. B. F. Lipscomb: Let us have the reading of the resolutions, not the entire paper, but the resolutions offered by the minority of this committee. J. J. Tigert: If there is no objection the resolution will be read from this printed minority report, which is in the hands of every member of this Conference, though, of course (holding up a paper) this is the document that is before you.

Secretary here read resolutions contained in the minority report. B. F. Lipscomb: I move the adoption of these resolutions as a substitute for those contained in the report of the majority, and that they be taken up item by item. The Bishop: The substitute is before you, and the first item the Secretary will please read, if it be the pleasure of the Conference that they be taken item by item.

The Secretary read the first resolution contained in the minority report of the Committee on Publishing Interests, as follows: "Resolved, 1. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, must stand and does stand for the highest honor, and a scrupulous regard for the demands of truth and frankness. While no question has been, or can be, made as to the justice of the claim commonly known as the War Claim, we greatly deplore the fact that statements by the representatives of the Church which were misleading and deceptive, were made to secure the passage of the bill for its payment. We recognize the Book Agents had no selfish purpose in making the statements made by them, and did not personally profit by the money, but we greatly deprecate the fact that they permitted their zeal for the Church, which they had served with great fidelity for many years, to cause them to be betrayed into a lack of that frankness and candor which had previously characterized them, and that they thus did themselves and the Church, which they and all of us love, great injustice. This General Conference, as the supreme representative of the Church, is constrained to express its condemnation of the statements, and to say that in making them these representatives did not properly represent the Church, and were not its exponents on the ethical questions involved."

Collins Denny: Do I understand that the motion to adopt this resolution has any bearing whatever on the preamble contained in this report? The Bishop: The preamble will come as a final matter. Collins Denny: This motion does not in any sense include the preamble? The Bishop: I think not. E. E. Hoss: I wish to be perfectly clear about that. If this motion carries all or any part of the preamble with it I wish to know the fact now. The Bishop: I think it does not. B. F. Lipscomb: I distinctly called for the reading of the resolution and not the preamble, and that these resolutions, or this one just read, be substituted for the resolution from the majority. No reference was made in my motion at all to anything about the preamble. E. E. Hoss: I accept that. I was anxious to get that perfectly distinct before the Conference. W. F. McMurry: I will be glad to

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(Further Proceedings Next Week)

TO THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHER.

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Hamilton-Winfree.—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lish Winfree, Webberville, Texas, May 15, 1902, Mr. Tom Hamilton, of Creedmore, Texas, and Miss Birdie Winfree, of Webberville, Texas, Rev. E. G. Hocutt officiating.

Culver-Booth.—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Booth, Creedmore, Texas, June 4, 1902, Mr. George H. Culver and Miss Mamie Booth, all of Travis County, Texas, Rev. E. G. Hocutt officiating.

Ashburn-Moore.—June 4, 1902, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gillespie, near Forney, in Kaufman County, Texas, by Rev. W. M. Leatherwood, of Rockwall, Texas, Mr. L. S. Ashburn, of White Rock, Texas, and Miss Pearl Moore, of Bryson, Texas.

Shaw-Dickerson.—At Virginia Point Church, four miles from Bells, Texas, June 1, 1902, Mr. John Shaw and Miss Florence Dickerson, Rev. J. D. Whitehead officiating.

Myers-Rhodes.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Atascosa County, Texas, June 2, 1902, Mr. Norman Myers and Miss Mattie Rhodes, Rev. A. W. Wilson officiating.

McElroy-Williams.—At the home of the bride's brother, Mr. David Williams, in Williamsburg, Texas, Mr. Albert McElroy and Miss Carrie Williams, on the 21 day of June, 1902, at 7 o'clock p. m., Rev. A. G. Nolen officiating.

Williams-Morgan.—At the home of the bride, five and a half miles south of Hallettsville, Texas, on the evening of June 4, 1902, at 6 o'clock, by Rev. A. G. Nolen, Mr. John Williams, of Williamsburg, and Mrs. M. J. Morgan, of the Mossy Grove congregation.

Roberts-Morgan.—May 11, 1902, at the residence of the bride's father, near Krum, Texas, Mr. Chas. E. Roberts, of Krum, and Miss Myrtle Morgan, Rev. Atticus Webb officiating.

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