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## Editorial.

### THE SPIRITUAL NATURE OF TRUE RELIGION.

The religion of our Lord Jesus Christ is distinctively and pre-eminently spiritual in its purpose and nature, and it appeals primarily to the hearts and consciences of men. We ought not, therefore, to make our ecclesiastical organizations, or our formulated Church creeds, or our rituals and ceremonies take the place of spiritual religion. These are all right and proper, and they are essential to a correct apprehension of religion and to its successful propagation throughout the world, but they are not religion. These address themselves to beliefs, and to methods, and to ends, but the pure religion of our Lord speaks to the sources of motive, of purpose and of volition. It enters the spiritual realm of men and women and demands the regeneration of the spirit and the enthronement of the law of righteousness in the heart and conscience. Its very first work is to produce a profound conviction of sin and an abiding sense of self-condemnation. This leads to a godly sorrowfulness for sin and a determination to forsake it with loathing and disgust. Then there follows a sense of pardon and reconciliation. Here the Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirits that we are born of God, that we are adopted into the heavenly family and made heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ. In these inexplicable processes we find operating the doctrines of conviction, repentance, pardon, adoption and the witness of the Spirit, all of which have to do with our spiritual natures. Through these experiences God comes into our hearts and dwells in us and we in him; and thus the whole inner man is regenerated and cleansed and made a fit temple for the indwelling of the Father of light and life. The mind, the heart, the spirit, the soul are all brought into harmony with the will of God, and old things pass away and all things become new, and we are made to cry out, "Abba, Father." Christ is formed in us the hope of glory, and we become partakers of the divine nature. This, then, is what we call spiritual religion, and without it our professions of faith are but sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. These alone are the inward signs of a true faith and a correct knowledge of God. The results of this spiritual religion are righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost, followed by a life of devotion to duty and consecration to the service of Christ. We not only have the inward experience of divine fullness, but we also bear about in our bodies the marks of the dying of our Lord Jesus Christ, and men take knowledge of us that we have been with Jesus, sharing with him the power of his resurrection life. Like the great apostle, "We are crucified with Christ, nevertheless we live yet not we but Christ liveth in us; and the life we now live in the flesh we live by the faith of the Son of God who loved us and gave himself for us." And this spiritual life is ever afterwards nurtured by earnest prayer, by reading the Word of God, by at-

tending upon the public ordinances of religion and by devout and holy meditation. Along with this means of grace we put forth all possible effort to bring other people into this state of grace and to minister, as far as possible, to the needs of those who are unfortunate and oppressed by the burdens of life. In this way we also become spiritual in our religion like our blessed Lord and Master. No human soul ought to stop short of these experiences in divine things, for a devout spiritual religion is the demand of the Gospel.

### THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS AND SUNDAY LAWS.

As we noted some time back the city ordinance here in Dallas fixing the hours for closing and opening saloons at from 9 to 4 o'clock on Sunday was recently declared null and void by the Court of Criminal Appeals purely on the ground that the Legislature has no right to delegate authority to a city corporation, through its charter, to suspend a State law. This, of course, has thrown the saloon men of Dallas into a state of great disorder. But, so far, they have not regained courage enough to fly into the face of the decision of the court. At the time we made note of the action of the court, we had not read the decision in full, but only an abstract of it as it appeared in the Daily News. Since then we have seen the decision and read it with pleasure, but the thing that astounds us is, that one of the three Judges handed down a dissenting opinion. Now, just a few months ago, the city of Beaumont passed an ordinance prohibiting pool selling as a form of gambling, whereas the Legislature had previously passed a bona fide pool selling law. So the pool sellers of Beaumont defied the city ordinance and went ahead selling pools. One of them was arrested, prosecuted and fined by the city authorities. He appealed his case to the Court of Criminal Appeals. That high tribunal took the case under consideration and reversed the decision of the city court wholly on the ground that the Legislature has no right to empower a city corporation with authority to suspend a State law. This was a unanimous decision. Now, with only a few months intervening, a saloon man was arrested in the city of Dallas for selling liquor on Sunday, under an ordinance passed by the city granting saloons the right to sell on Sunday, except between the hours of 9 and 4 o'clock. He was convicted and fined by the County Court. But he appealed his case on the ground that the city ordinance permitted him to sell at given hours on Sunday. Now the Court of Criminal Appeals took this case under advisement and as it was precisely a similar case to the one sent up from Beaumont, the court affirmed the decision of the Dallas County Court wholly on the ground that the Legislature has no right to empower a city corporation with authority to suspend a State law. This is exactly what the city of Dallas did when it opened saloons on Sunday. But to the astonishment of many good people, Judge Henderson handed down a dissenting opinion. That is, when the good people of Beau-

mont, acting under the charter granted them by the Legislature, suspended a State law in order to punish pool selling, Judge Henderson agreed heartily with his colleagues that the city of Beaumont had no such authority; but when the good people of Dallas do not want the city, acting under a charter given to it by the Legislature, to suspend a State law in the interest of Sunday saloons, Judge Henderson says the city has such authority. Now it seems that the learned Judge needs to go back and dissent from the decision in the Beaumont case, in which he acquiesced so heartily, or he places himself, with equal emphasis, on both sides of the same question. This may be good politics, but it is mighty poor law. In Beaumont he decides that the city has no right to suspend a State law and prohibit pool selling; but in Dallas he holds that the city has the right to suspend a State law and authorize Sunday saloons. Nevertheless, the decision of the majority of the court is the law in the case, and the principle is settled that no city ordinance that suspends a State law is valid under the Constitution of Texas. But it leaves Judge Henderson in a predicament.

### THE METHODIST CHURCH AND ORGANIZED LABOR.

At the recent General Conference there was brought before that body a memorial from the Typographical Union of Nashville, asking that the Church appoint an Arbitration Commission, before whom labor grievances might be brought for settlement when both parties to the grievances were willing to thus refer them and have them settled. This was debated at length, but the majority of the conference concluded that the Church ought not to mix its work with outside matters. We saw nothing wrong in the request and voted with the minority for its adoption. Now, the report has gone out through designing persons that the Methodist Church is opposed to organized labor, and so placed itself on record by the General Conference. We wish to say with emphasis that the report is absolutely false. The General Conference simply declined to take any action on the matter of appointing an Arbitration Commission. And the fact is, the vote might have been favorable even to this commission, had the request come from all the labor organizations of the country; but instead of this it came from one union located in Nashville. Were the matter of any great importance, surely the labor organizations throughout the whole country would have taken some interest in the movement, and not left it to one small organization beyond the Mississippi. Now a further fact in connection with this movement has not been made public, and that is this Typographical Union at Nashville has been having trouble with our Publishing House Agents, and long before the General Conference met, every delegate, before leaving home for the seat of the conference, was mailed a circular, asking that the General Conference take some action toward bringing the Publishing House into line with the wishes of the Nashville Typographical Union. This did not meet with

favor, as all such questions belong to the jurisdiction of the Agents; so the representatives of this union found this out and changed their tactics, and asked the conference to appoint the commission. Now many members of the conference who had received the circular above referred to supposed that the Publishing House trouble was really and adversely at the bottom of this Arbitration Commission request. For this additional reason, the majority of the delegates declined to commit the Church to something resembling which there was, at least, a suspicion that the request had other motives back of it than the appointment of a commission. For these reasons the General Conference simply declined to appoint a commission for all labor troubles when only one labor organization was making the request. The Methodist Church is not supposed to organize labor, or any other sort of human labor. Perhaps there is a larger per cent of laboring people in our Church in this country than in any other evangelical Church in America, and Methodism is the friend of them all, the wide world over. The aim of the newspaper circulating the report that our General Conference opposed organized labor tells a falsehood, either intentionally or through criminal ignorance. Of all the Church organizations upon the globe, the Methodist Church is the unsympathizing friend of the men and women who earn their bread by the sweat of their faces.

Christ not only lived a perfect life, but his compliance with the moral law in this way entitled him to the prerogative to offer himself a sacrifice for sin and thereby become our substitute in his death. Hence, "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed."

"Which of you canwithstand me if I will?" This question was propounded to the critics of Christ in his day, and it stands before them in our day; but no one of them has ever risen to point out a wrong thing in his acts or in his teachings. For two thousand years the world has been studying him, and the more he is known the better he is loved, as the one model life among men.

The earthly life of Christ was intensely human. He lived in such relation to men that the most humble and obscure—even the most sinful men and women—did not hesitate to approach him and open their innermost hearts to him. There was nothing conventional about his relation to men. He met them on the public highways, in the sanctuary, around the domestic circle, and when he spoke to them it was out of a living heart and through the tenderest forms of speech. Back of all his words there was the inspiration of a sincere love for the unfortunate, the erring and the penitent. His love was a disinterested love. He neither expected nor asked anything in return for it, except a life of consecration to righteousness and devotion to the highest ends of moral and spiritual attainments.



# PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE

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FOURTEENTH DAY.

Thursday, May 22, 1902.

(Continued from last week.)

Bishop Wilson: Mr. President: I think if you will refer to the action of the General Conference in 1890, you will discover that the purpose of that action was not the unification of the Church in Japan, but simply the unification of their educational work. There was a movement some years ago to secure the union of all the Methodisms in Japan. It was defeated, in effect, by the action of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which imposed impracticable and impossible conditions. I myself very strongly opposed it under those conditions. The state of things has altered much since then, and we are struggling with more perplexing problems in our relations to government. You cannot draw your analogies in regard to governmental interference with these things in Japan from what would be done in this, or any Christian country. You must understand that the government there undertakes to be not merely the regulator of the secular side of the religious life, but of the conscience of the people also. It proposes to erect standards of faith and everything else that is necessary to religion, and there are many difficulties that we have to encounter in the management of our work, which, under present conditions, we find it almost impossible to overcome. The organizations of Methodisms in Japan under one Church will do away, for the most part, with all the difficulties that face us. As a native Church it will have freedom and fullness of life impossible to it while it is under the direction and control of foreign ecclesiastical bodies; and it is to secure the largest freedom of action, the fullest outflow of religious life, that we aim first of all. You must take into account, further, that in proposing a basis of union, extreme care has been taken to guard the separate rights of the missions and missionaries. We shall still have our mission meeting in Japan. Funds that go from our Board will be administered by our own missionaries. The fields that we operate will be carefully limited, and it will be seen exactly what our men are doing in the work, while at the same time they constitute integral parts of the native Church. Only in regard to the forward movement, and the responsibility that they may have under the Church for the management and application of the funds, will there be that separation. In regard to the whole religious element and feature of it, the Church will be absolutely one, a thing greatly to be desired. I have been working, as Dr. Wainwright knows, and he has worked with me, for two or three years to secure a plan of incorporation, as we would call it here, by which we might hold secure against any adverse influence our property in Japan. Up to this time, after we have consulted our ministry and the best legal talent of Japan, we have been utterly unable to formulate anything acceptable to the home department of the Japanese government; and unless they change their ground very materially, I think we shall be utterly unable to do so in time to come. We have hoped that there will be a change in that regard, but at any rate it will not be for some years to come, and we are really at the mercy of the natives there. Our own people are very faithful, but sometimes you can't avoid the intrusion of a man who is unworthy of confidence, and may do us great damage on those lines; but we want to get matters in such shape as that we shall be absolutely sure that our work done, we shall secure the best results, and our expenditures made shall lead to the largest issues in the religious life of the Japanese people. I confess that there are one or two

things in the proposed basis of union that I hope to see eliminated. I could not vote for it as it stands, but I think we are perfectly safe in committing the matter to a Commission, composed as indicated in the report, who will have wisdom and grace enough to frame it so that all the rights of our own Church, as well as the religious interests of the people there, shall be thoroughly guarded and secured. There are one or two features I do not like, but I think we may safely depend upon the wisdom of a Commission, constituted as proposed in this report, to secure us against any sharp angles or any awkward situations or any embarrassment. I think it can be made to work satisfactorily.

J. H. McLean: I am sure Bishop Wilson has echoed the sentiments of this Conference on this important question. We ought to be in that field, and perhaps the same condition will obtain later in other fields, one as the sea and yet distinct as the wave. Bishop Wilson and others have indicated the necessity of oneness in certain particulars, and yet to maintain our autonomy and our distinctness in the Church in the administration of our funds. Having attended upon the Ecumenical Conference of Bishops in New York, it was very obvious from discussions there that there was need of greater comity and co-operation on the part of our several Churches in the foreign fields. Just to indicate one or two particulars: For instance, each Church acting independently and without co-operation or consultation with the others, they would try to establish two or three Protestant schools in the same town, where one might do the entire work. If they were working in harmony they could move out and establish other schools. The same obtained in reference to their medical institutes. They sometimes overlap each other. Where acting in co-operation they would not establish two or three sanitariums in the same place, but leave the field to one, and others occupy other fields.

W. P. Lovejoy: I move the previous question.

The call for the previous question was sustained.

The Bishop: Brother Swindell, as Chairman, has the right to close the debate.

F. D. Swindell: I simply want to call your attention to two or three facts. The first is that these six Methodist bodies there in consultation have all agreed that it is better for the interest of the Kingdom of God in Japan that such union be formed. Secondly, that the pending legislation there may make it necessary from a legal standpoint to have the protection of our property. Thirdly, that other missionaries who are fully identified with us in interest and spirit feel that it would be best. Fourthly, that we do not by this action form an organic union, but prepare for it, and we guard ourselves by appointing a wise Commission, who shall have the matter in hand and act for us as the Church.

The item of the report under consideration was adopted, and the subsequent items were adopted separately, and then the report adopted as a whole.

T. S. Garrison: I move to take up out of its order Report No. 4 of the Finance Committee.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary: There is also a minority report.

The Bishop: Let them both be read.

The Secretary read the majority report.

T. S. Garrison: That report was made with the understanding that the minority bring in a report, all of which we of the majority now are ready to adopt, from circumstances that we can explain later.

The Secretary read the minority report.

T. S. Garrison: I move that the minority report be adopted in place of the majority report.

A Delegate: I move it be taken up item by item.

The motion prevailed.

The Bishop: We will suspend a moment. The tellers are now ready to report. Two hundred and sixty votes were cast, 131 being necessary to a choice. The vote is as follows:

E. E. Hoss	150
Jno. J. Tigert	60
A. Coke Smith	67
James Atkins	23
Kilgo	23
Denny	65

The Bishop: E. E. Hoss having received a majority of the votes of this General Conference, is hereby declared a Bishop-elect of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (Applause).

The roll of Conferences was again called for a second ballot, and 260 votes were cast, making 131 necessary to a choice. The tellers retired to count the ballots.

The Bishop: We will now resume the business before the house.

The Secretary read the first item of the minority report of the Committee on Finance.

J. O. Willson: I move its adoption.

J. M. Mason: I move, at the point at which the beneficiaries of this proposed fund are designated as "superannuated preachers, their wives, widows and orphans," that we substitute the words, "widows and orphans of deceased preachers."

The amendment was adopted.

The Bishop: The item, as amended, is before you.

T. S. Garrison: I yield the floor to Brother Vandiver, as Chairman of the minority report, if he prefers.

W. F. Vandiver: Mr. President, I hardly think that it is necessary to discuss this question. There should be no argument about the necessity of raising this fund. There is, however, a necessity for such a business plan as will be attractive and an inspiration to those who are charitably inclined to contribute from time to time, and be sure that when a contribution has been made to this fund that it is not going to be diverted for any other purpose, but will be applied directly and forever for the benefit of our worn-out preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers. The present provision is very small, and this plan does not interfere in the least with present provisions made by the individual Conferences for this fund. This is a fund we expect to grow from year to year; in fact, the plan itself forces the growth annually by virtue of only distributing 75 per cent of the fund per annum, 25 per cent of the income being applied annually to the growth of a permanent fund until it shall have reached five million dollars. Some of my brethren have objected to retaining the 25 per cent until the amount shall have reached five million dollars. This is an evidence to the public that the Church and the plan itself is a protection to the fund and guarantees its growth with each succeeding year. I have heard several lay delegates say that on account of not being able to secure from the Publishing House \$100,000, as originally contemplated, that they would gladly subscribe to the fund, and in several instances have named \$1000 as the amount they were willing to contribute. I believe we will find at least one hundred laymen in short order who are willing to subscribe one thousand dollars each, and no doubt a great many others will give more. You may expect to see this fund grow very rapidly, in my humble judgment. The cause is a good one, and should be met with a prompt response from every member of our Church. As I said before, it is hardly necessary to argue with you the necessity of making better provision for our worn-out preachers and widows and orphans of deceased preachers. The fact that the preachers are poorly paid at best, make this the more imperative, that we should establish a permanent fund for their benefit when they become superannuates. Our mode of asking assessments for their support is one that is radically wrong

and should be abandoned. I mean to say that it is too often the case that we assess our membership according to the number in family, or the demands of the preacher in charge, instead of taking a broader view and making our assessments on the ability of our people to meet them. Mr. President, how often is it the case in your own experience, when dealing with this question in the matter of individual Conferences, you find it necessary to assign work to some old, worn-out preacher, on account of the fact that he must be taken care of? But, Mr. President, this is all wrong. We ought to raise this endowment fund and relieve the Church of the necessity of sending any man out to preach who is physically unable to do it, and who, therefore, is unacceptable in the charge.

I hope, Mr. President, that the Conference may see proper to adopt this plan, and while we do not offer it as a perfect system, the future Conferences can detect the weak points and legislate to overcome them more intelligently after the plan has been worked for the next quadrennium.

When this great Church that we represent shall have made proper provision for these grand old heroes we may then expect to see us moving forward with majestic tread, head and body erect, with eyes cast forward to grander possibilities, her every movement throwing the halo of an advanced Christian civilization around her existence.

The vote was taken upon the first item, and the same was adopted.

The Secretary then read the second item.

J. P. Strother: I raise the question whether that does not infringe upon the integrity of the sixth Restrictive Rule. That rule forbids us to use any of the produce, which means profit, of the Publishing House for any other purpose than the benefit of these beneficiaries.

Anson West: I feel sure it would be best not to adopt that item because of the very fact that it will pervert the funds of the Publishing House, I am fully in sympathy with every item that looks to a provision for superannuated preachers, but I believe that under the law, and under the sixth Restrictive Rule, you must make special application of the funds derived from the Publishing House to the support of superannuated preachers.

T. T. Fishburne: I understand the Discipline does not provide it shall be distributed annually, but it shall be used only for the superannuated preachers, their widows and orphans, and this proposes to take the money, and instead of distributing it annually, invest it in a permanent fund; and I favor it for this reason, that it will encourage the preachers to increase this fund, and laymen, too, until it reaches \$100,000, so that we will have a sufficient amount to distribute over the Conference that will supplement in some small way the allowances in the Annual Conferences. If you allow this fund to go on and be distributed and simply increase the fund here provided for it will possibly be years before we will ever reach the \$100,000; whereas, if you allow this amount that may be taken from year to year (we haven't had any for three years) from the Publishing House and add to that, we will soon have the \$100,000, and it will encourage the Church to increase it until it reaches the million mark, which I hope it will soon do. Indeed, I trust it will be a short time before we will have the \$100,000, then ten million and then five million, an amount that is worthy of Southern Methodism, in providing for these old superannuate preachers and their widows and orphans. I have been on the General Board for the past ten or fifteen years, and I declare to you I have not come in contact with anything as humiliating to me as a layman of the Southern Methodist Church so much as the meager provision we have made for our grand old heroes who have given their lives for the Southern

Methodist Church and for the cause of God, and then send them out with \$100 or \$200, and rarely ever more than \$300, to take care of them and their families in their old age.

At this point the tellers, who had retired to count the second ballot for Bishop, returned to the Conference room.

The Bishop: I have the report of the tellers for the second ballot. Whole number of votes cast, 260; necessary to a choice, 131. The following is the vote:

A. Coke Smith	76
Jno. J. Tigert	68
Collins Denny	87
Jas. Atkins	12

The Bishop: There is no election, and you will prepare your ballots again.

The roll of Conferences was called for the third ballot, and there were 260 votes cast, making 131 necessary to a choice.

The tellers retired to count the ballots.

The Bishop: The tellers are ready to report the result of the vote. The number of votes cast was 260, making 131 necessary to a choice. The vote is as follows:

Collins Denny	105
A. Coke Smith	102
Jno. J. Tigert	48

The Bishop: Prepare you ballots, brethren, again.

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Collins Denny	111
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J. A. Clifton	1

The Bishop: The Chair announces the name of A. Coke Smith as one of the Bishops-elect of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. (Applause.)

J. M. Mason: I move the pending question.

The Bishop: The pending question is on the first item of the report.

The pending question was ordered.

The Bishop: As many as will adopt—

J. E. Wright: Before the question is put I would like to ask for information. Is there no provision made in any part of this bill for the raising of a fund separate and distinct from that, from the Publishing House?

T. S. Garrison: That bill explains itself. It is as plain as can be.

The item of the report under consideration was adopted.

The remaining items of the report were read item by item, and adopted, and the report was then adopted as a whole.

Leave of absence was granted M. E. Benton and Isaac Hardeman.

Bishop Wilson: The ordination services will take place at the First Baptist Church on Saturday afternoon at half past three o'clock. Bishop Granbery will preach the sermon. We have selected this Church especially in view of the fact that Bishop Granbery's voice is not sufficient for this hall, and we desire that he shall preach the sermon. I ask, therefore, that you will order a session of the Conference at half past three o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

On motion of J. O. Willson the Conference adjourned until this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment of the morning session, the Conference met at 3:30 p. m., Bishop Hendrix in the chair. Religious exercises were conducted by Dr. E. S. Smith, of the East Texas Conference, who read the Scripture lesson from the third chapter of

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SESSION.

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who read the Scrip-  
the third chapter of

Romans, beginning with the 9th verse.  
Hymn No. 486 was sung, and the Con-  
ference was led in prayer by Dr.  
Smith.

The Secretary announced that the  
minutes of the morning session had not  
been prepared and would be read to-  
morrow morning.

At this point Bishop Key took the  
chair.

J. H. McLean moved the report of  
the Publishing Interests Committee,  
No. 4, concerning the election of one  
Book Agent instead of two be taken  
up and passed upon before going into  
the election of the Book Agents.

Leave of absence was asked for M.  
E. Austin, which was granted.

Leave of absence was refused Dr.  
Wainwright and Dr. Park.

Leave of absence was also refused  
L. P. Brown and J. M. Doss.

On motion, the report of the Com-  
mittee on Publishing Interests, above  
referred to, was adopted, after an  
amendment offered by W. W. Smith  
to strike out the word "non-concur-  
rence," failed.

The election of Editor of the Chris-  
tian Advocate being in order, the Con-  
ferences were called and 236 ballots  
were cast, as follows:

G. B. Winton ..... 52  
Gross Alexander ..... 44  
G. C. Rankin ..... 13  
E. B. Chappell ..... 11  
M. B. Chapman ..... 15  
T. R. Pierce ..... 23  
Collins Denny ..... 29  
Jas. Cannon, Jr ..... 16  
J. S. Hutchinson ..... 1

Necessary to elect, 125.

The Bishop declared there was no  
election.

Collins Denny called attention to the  
fact that in the Discipline the words  
"Book Agents" were used, and that it  
should be "The Book Agents." By unan-  
imous consent this was ordered cor-  
rected.

He also called attention to paragraph  
429 of the Discipline concerning a  
mortgage on the Publishing House, and  
stated that as there is now no such  
mortgage, the paragraph be stricken  
out, which was done by unanimous  
consent.

W. E. Barclay asked that report No.  
6 of the Committee on Church Exten-  
sion, containing the names of the  
members of the Board of Church Ex-  
tension for the ensuing quadrennium,  
be taken up, which was done.

The second ballot for Editor of the  
Christian Advocate was here announc-  
ed as follows:

G. B. Winton ..... 108  
M. B. Chapman ..... 8  
Gross Alexander ..... 81  
T. R. Pierce ..... 31

The Bishop announced that there  
was no election.

The report of the Committee on  
Church Extension No. 6 was adopted  
item by item, and then adopted as a  
whole.

G. B. Winton called up report No.  
4 from the Committee on Boundaries,  
and considered item by item. Each  
item was adopted, and then the report  
as a whole was adopted.

The result of third ballot for Editor  
of the Advocate was here announced,  
as follows:

G. B. Winton ..... 145  
Gross Alexander ..... 94

Necessary to elect, 126.

The Bishop declared G. B. Winton  
elected Editor of the Christian Advoca-  
te.

The next thing in order was the elec-  
tion of Book Editor and Editor of the  
Review. The result of the first ballot  
was as follows:

John J. Tigert ..... 225  
E. B. Chappell ..... 12  
Paul Whitehead ..... 5  
James Campbell ..... 5

Required to elect, 127.

The Bishop declared J. J. Tigert  
elected Book Editor and Editor of the  
Review.

Bishop Wilson announced the names  
of the members of the Book Commit-  
tee.

He also announced the names of the  
members of the Entertainment Com-  
mittee of the General Conference.

B. F. Lipscomb moved that when the  
Conference adjourns, it adjourns to  
meet at 8:30 p. m. The motion pre-  
vailed.

On motion, the Conference, at 6 p.  
m., adjourned until 8:30 p. m. The Dox-  
ology was sung, and the benediction  
pronounced by Bishop Key.

EVENING SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment of the af-  
ternoon session, the Conference met at  
8:30 p. m., Bishop Key in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted  
by Dr. Horace Bishop, of the North-  
west Texas Conference, who read the  
Scripture lesson for the evening, the  
67th Psalm, and hymn 206 was sung,  
after which the Conference was led in  
prayer by Dr. Bishop.

The Secretary announced that the  
minutes of the evening session would  
be read to-morrow morning.

At this point Bishop Morrison took  
the chair.

The next thing in order was the  
election of Sunday-school Editor.

The Conferences were called, and  
230 ballots were cast, 116 being a ma-  
jority.

The counting of the ballots resulted  
as follows:

James Atkins, 203; H. Hamill, 21;  
Gross Alexander, 1.

The Bishop declared James Atkins  
elected as Sunday-school Editor.

J. B. McGehee offered a resolution.  
E. W. Alderson offered the following  
resolution, which was accepted:

"Whereas, during the limited time  
remaining at the disposal of this Gen-  
eral Conference it will be impossible  
to give to the report of the Commis-  
sion on the Constitution the thorough  
examination which its importance de-  
mands.

"Resolved, That said report be re-  
ferred to the Commission, and that  
the Commission be continued until  
the next session of the General Con-  
ference."

Motion to adopt the resolution as  
amended did not prevail.

F. D. Swindell handed in reports  
Nos. 7 and 8 of the Committee on Mis-  
sions and moved that No. 8 be taken  
up out of order and acted on immedi-  
ately, which was done and the re-  
port adopted.

Report No. 7 went to the calendar.  
W. F. McMurry offered the following  
resolution:

"Resolved, That this Conference  
learns with pleasure that the Louisi-  
ana Purchase Exposition Company  
has decided to furnish a suitable  
building for a religious exhibition in  
connection with the World's Fair to  
be held in St. Louis in 1904, and that  
it hereby recommends to its connec-  
tional boards that they arrange to  
make at said time a suitable exhibit  
of the missionary, educational and  
other interests of the Methodist Epis-  
copal Church, South.

"W. F. McMURRY,  
"GROSS ALEXANDER,  
"W. F. BARCLAY,  
"GEO. M. NAPIER,  
"J. D. HAMMOND,  
"C. E. DOWMAN,  
"B. J. CASTEEL,  
"T. SHACKLEFORD,  
"R. D. SMART,  
"JAMES ATKINS,  
"JAMES CANNON, JR.,  
"J. H. PRITCHETT,  
"W. L. NELMS,  
"HORACE BISHOP,  
"JNO. C. KILGO,  
"W. R. WEBB,  
"W. B. POWER."

Motion to adopt the resolution pre-  
vailed.

P. H. Whisner presented Report No.  
2 of Committee on Federation.

On motion it was taken up and  
adopted.

P. H. Whisner offered the following:  
"Resolved, That the Book Agents  
are hereby authorized and instructed to  
pay the expenses that may be incurred  
by the Commission on Federation in  
the prosecution of their work during  
the quadrennium."

On motion, it was adopted.

J. E. Wright moved to take up Re-

port No. 9 of Committee on Revisals  
for immediate action, but the motion  
did not prevail.

J. W. Heidt offered a resolution.  
On motion, the resolution was  
adopted.

Leave of absence was granted D. B.  
Coltarve and A. P. Pugh.

Leave of absence was refused Dr.  
Craighead.

The calendar was taken up and Re-  
port No. 3 (majority and minority) of  
Committee on Itinerancy was read.

Motion was made to take up item by  
item.

Motion to amend this so that the  
first four items be taken together was  
adopted.

The minority report was offered as  
a substitute for the first four items  
of the majority report, which motion  
was discussed facetiously by Dr. Paul  
Whitehead, who opposed the motion.

The next in order was the election  
of Epworth League Secretary. The  
Conferences were called and 239 bal-  
lots were cast, 120 being a majority.

The Bishop declared there was no  
election.

The second ballot was taken and 240  
ballots cast.

The Bishop: There was no election.  
The Bishop states the point that there  
was a majority report and minority  
report, and motion was made to adopt  
the minority report for the first four  
items of the majority, and that was  
the motion before the house.

A motion to adjourn at this time did  
not prevail.

The third ballot for General Secre-  
tary Epworth League was taken.

The Bishop declared there was no  
election.

At 10:25 Conference adjourned until  
to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

The Doxology was sung, and benedi-  
ction pronounced by Bishop Gran-  
bery.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Friday, May 23, 1902.

Pursuant to adjournment of yester-  
day evening, the Conference met at 9  
o'clock a. m., Bishop Morrison in the  
chair.

Religious exercises were conducted  
by J. T. Sawyer, of the Louisiana Con-  
ference, who read the Scripture lesson  
and announced hymn 440—

"Oh, for a heart to praise my God,  
A heart from sin set free."

The Conference was then led in  
prayer by Dr. Sawyer.

The minutes of the morning, after-  
noon and evening sessions of yester-  
day were read and approved.

Leave of absence was asked for and  
granted Gilbert J. Hunt and Thomas  
Bradford.

Leave of absence was asked for, but  
refused, J. D. Clary and Geo. M. Nap-  
ier.

The vote by which the Conference  
refused to grant leave of absence to J.  
D. Clary was reconsidered and leave  
granted.

Leave of absence was asked for, but  
refused, J. P. Strother and F. Stike-  
leather.

The Bishop: We will take up the  
regular order.

The roll of Conferences was called  
for the fourth ballot for Secretary of  
the Epworth League. Two hundred  
and twenty-four votes were cast, mak-  
ing 113 necessary to a choice.

The tellers retired to count the bal-  
lots.

The Bishop: The Chair will ask the  
Secretary to state the status of the  
question before the house.

The Secretary: It is report No. 3 of  
the Committee on Itinerancy. A mi-  
nority report is submitted in connec-  
tion with the report as a substitute for  
the first four items of the majority re-  
port.

J. H. McLean: I think we are about  
ready for a vote on that question. It  
has been thoroughly discussed. We  
have had wise things wittily said, and  
I hope we are ready for a vote. If I  
understand the status, the minority  
report proposes to allow the Discipline

to remain as it is. That report I very  
much favor.

B. F. Lipscomb: I do not wish to  
detail the Conference with any ex-  
tended remarks; but as one of the  
authors of that memorial sent up from  
the Virginia Conference, on this sub-  
ject, I feel I ought to say a few words.  
I wish it understood that this is no at-  
tack upon the presiding elders. It is  
rather made, we think, to increase the  
efficiency of the office. We believe  
that men who change from the pasto-  
rate to the presiding eldership, and  
then back to the pastorate, are more  
efficient men than they would be pre-  
siding elders remaining in the office  
indefinitely. This is in some sections  
of our Church by no means a theory,  
but an urgent condition. Such things  
happen as that. There are a certain  
set of men who get into the presiding  
eldership and stay there indefinitely,  
ten, fifteen or twenty years, or even  
longer, and by reason of that fact be-  
come, as many of us think, in a mea-  
sure disqualified for the discharge of  
the duties of that office. We think this  
action now contemplated is for the re-  
lief of the Bishops. A Bishop comes  
to a certain Conference and finds a  
certain set of men who are presiding  
elders, and who have been such for  
fifteen or twenty years, and it requires  
a good deal of moral courage on the  
part of the Bishops to put those men  
out. Bishops are men, as the rest of  
us. They need all the support they can  
get, and I think this action, if taken,  
so far from hampering the Bishops,  
will free their hands and let them fol-  
low their best judgment. If there be  
a special reason, the Bishop may con-  
tinue them. Further, we think that  
this present arrangement, in its prac-  
tical operation, is unjust to the rank  
and file of the Conference. The pre-  
siding elders stay in so long that they  
get a certain set of men, who are their  
protoges, as it were, men who follow  
them around from district to district,  
wherever they go. Without any inten-  
tional injustice, these elders get to  
look upon a certain set of men as the  
men to put in, and the men who are  
not in favor with these presiding el-  
ders are placed at a great disadvan-  
tage. We think, therefore, both to free  
the hands of the Bishops and improve  
the quality of the presiding elders  
themselves, and also to protect the  
rights of the rank and file of the Con-  
ference, this change ought to be made.  
There may be brethren here who think  
four years is too short; they would like  
to have an absolute limit of eight  
years. If that be true, I say to them  
to vote down this minority report, and  
then, when you get the minority re-  
port, which is a limitation of four  
years, with a proviso, then, if you  
want eight years, you can introduce  
that as an amendment to the majority  
report.

P. H. Whisner: It is understood  
that it is very important that the com-  
mittee appointed to nominate the  
Book Committee to retire to attend to  
their duty, and I ask that privilege.

There being no objection, the priv-  
ilege was granted.

T. E. Edwards: In order that there  
may be no misunderstanding of this  
matter, and the law may stand as it is,  
I move that both the amendment and  
the substitute be laid on the table.

W. C. Black: There is no amend-  
ment. The minority report is offered  
as a substitute for the first four items  
of the majority report.

The Bishop: There is no amend-  
ment pending; therefore, your motion  
is to lay on the table the substitute.

T. E. Edwards: All the things that  
refer to changing the presiding elder-  
ship.

The motion to lay on the table pre-  
vailed—ayes 137, noes 64.

Paul Whitehead: I ask leave to file  
Report No. 11 of the Committee on  
Revisals. It is nothing more than  
non-concurrence on 25 items.

The report was received and placed  
upon the calendar.

The tellers who had retired to count  
the fourth ballot for Secretary of Ep-  
worth Leagues returned to the Con-  
ference room.

The Bishop: There were 224 ballots

A Quart Baby.

Now and again there is an item in the  
newspapers concerning the birth of a  
puny baby so small that a quart cup  
holds it comfortably. If the article told  
all the facts it would probably tell also  
of a mother who in weakness and misery  
had looked forward to the baby's advent  
with shrinking and fear.

To have fine, healthy children the  
mother must be healthy, and it is the  
common testimony of mothers that the  
use of Dr. Pierce's  
Favorite Prescription  
not only pro-  
motes the mother's  
health but also gives  
her strength to give  
her child.



"Favorite Prescription"  
fulfills these results  
by tranquilizing the  
nerves, promoting a  
healthy appetite,  
and giving refresh-  
ing sleep. It increases physical vigor  
and gives great muscular elasticity, so  
that the baby's advent is practically  
painless. It is the best of tonics for  
nursing mothers.

"I gladly recommend Dr. Pierce's Favorite  
Prescription," writes Mrs. J. W. G. Stephens of  
Mills, Northumberland County, Va. "I have  
my third child, but was born I look six months.  
He is the finest child yet, and has been born both,  
and I suffered very much less than I ever did  
before. I unhesitatingly advise expectant  
mothers to use the 'Favorite Prescription'."

The dealer who offers a substitute for  
"Favorite Prescription" does so to gain  
the little more profit paid on the sale  
of less meritorious medicines.

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical  
Adviser, containing 300 pages, is sent  
free on receipt of stamps to pay expense  
of mailing only. Send 31 one-cent  
stamps for the cloth-bound volume, or  
only 21 stamps for the book in paper  
covers. Address Dr. K. V. Pierce, Buf-  
falo, N. Y.

cast, making 113 necessary to a  
choice. The ballot is as follows:

H. M. DuBose ..... 136  
J. A. Barrow ..... 64  
S. B. Turrentine ..... 1

The Bishop: H. M. DuBose having  
received a majority of the votes, is  
your Epworth League Secretary. The  
Secretary will call the next order.

The Secretary: The next in order  
is the election of Book Agents.

S. B. Adams: Shall we vote now  
for two Book Agents or for one?

The Bishop: The house has not  
taken the order. It is competent for  
the house to order.

Collins Denny: I move we vote for  
Senior Book Agent and Junior Book  
Agent on the same ballot.

S. B. Adams: I should like to move  
as a substitute that we vote for the  
Senior Book Agent. It is better to  
vote for one at a time.

The substitute was adopted, and the  
roll of Conferences was called, and 223  
votes were cast. The tellers then re-  
tired to count the vote.

The Bishop: The report before us  
was laid on the table if the Chair re-  
members correctly.

The Secretary: Four items of Re-  
port No. 3 were laid on the table, to-  
gether with the minority substitute.  
There are three remaining items of  
the majority report still before us.

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PROPER FOOD

Better Than Ocean Breezes.

It makes a lot of difference in hot  
weather, the kind of food one eats.

You can keep the body cool if you  
breakfast on Grape-Nuts, for in its pre-  
digested form, it presents the least re-  
sistance to the digestive organs and  
contains as much nutriment as heavy  
body heating food, such as meat, pota-  
toes, etc.

Grape-Nuts is probably entitled to  
the claim to be the most perfectly  
adapted food for human needs now ex-  
tant. The meat eater and vegetarian  
are alike charmed with its crisp taste,  
the delicate flavor of the grape-sugar  
and the nourishment to body and brain  
while the housewife is attracted by its  
being thoroughly cooked at the fac-  
tory and obtained from the grocer  
ready for instant use with the addi-  
tion of cream, making it a cool, deli-  
cious dish, requiring no hot stove and  
cross cook on a hot morning.

When Grape-Nuts and Postum Food  
Coffee constitute the summer break-  
fast with the addition of a little fruit,  
it is not necessary to seek the ocean  
breezes for comfort, for external heat  
is unnoticed when internal coolness  
from proper food is felt. The recipe  
book in each package of Grape-Nuts  
gives dozens of delicious dishes.



PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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The Bishop: The Secretary will call the items.

The Secretary read the 5th item of Report No. 2 of the Committee on Itinerancy, and the item was adopted.

The 6th item was then read. A motion to lay the item upon the table was lost, and the item was adopted.

The 7th item was then read.

J. J. Tigert: The Book Editor would remark as to that item that no instruction is given as to the point at which this question is to be inserted.

J. H. McGehee: I move to leave it to the Book Editor to attend to that.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary: Item 7 was referred to another committee.

The Bishop: You have adopted the report in such shape that it is not in order to adopt it now as a whole.

J. R. Nelson: I move we take up Report No. 5 from the Committee on Boundaries. There is a question of readjustment of boundary lines that we agreed upon, and there will be no discussion on this point. I hope we will consider the report, as it is very vital to our Texas Methodists.

The motion to take the report up out of its order prevailed.

The Secretary: Allow me to read a paper which is merely a report to the General Conference.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

Your General Conference Entertainment Committee met and organized by electing Major R. W. Millsaps, Chairman and Rev. W. F. McMurry, Secretary, then adjourned to meet in Nashville, Tenn., May, 1902, to fix the place of holding the Fifteenth General Conference.

R. W. MILLSAPS, Chairman.

W. F. McMURRY, Secretary.

The Bishop: This does not require a vote, and without objection it will go to the journal. The Chair hears no objection.

Report No. 5 of the Committee on Boundaries was then taken from the calendar.

J. R. Nelson: I move we consider item 7 first of the report, as there is no discussion.

The motion prevailed and the Secretary read item 7.

J. R. Nelson: I offer the following amendment, which will provoke no discussion, having been agreed upon by all the parties concerned.

The Secretary read the amendment offered by J. R. Nelson to item No. 7 of the report.

Seth Ward: I move the adoption of the amendment.

The motion prevailed.

Seth Ward: I wish to offer just a simple amendment to the report to make this law become effective at the session of the West Texas Conference, so that our Boards and committees will be intact until the meeting of the Conference this fall.

The Secretary read the amendment, as follows:

"This law shall become effective at the next session of the West Texas Conference."

The amendment was adopted, and the item as amended was, on motion of Seth Ward, adopted.

The Secretary read the first item of the report.

J. H. Pritchett: There is a minority report.

The Bishop: Without objection the minority report will be read.

The Secretary read the minority report to Report No. 5 of the Committee on Boundaries.

Thos. Shackelford: I move that the resolutions of the minority report be adopted as a substitute for the majority report.

The motion was seconded.

The Bishop: The Chair will now announce ballot for Senior Book Agent. Whole number of votes 274, making 112 necessary to elect. It has been reported by the tellers to the Chair that three ballots contain two names, which is, therefore, contrary to the order of the house, and the Chair is not able to tell which one the brother

voted for. Therefore, they cannot be counted. I announce the first ballot as follows:

- R. J. Bigham ..... 73
W. F. McMurry ..... 24
R. F. Lipscomb ..... 39
J. D. Barbee ..... 34
W. C. Black ..... 1
D. M. Smith ..... 2
C. H. Briggs ..... 9
J. P. McFerrin ..... 10

The Bishop: There is no election, and you will prepare your ballots again for Senior Book Agent, voting for one.

The Conferences were again called and 225 ballots were cast for Senior Book Agent, making 112 necessary to elect.

The tellers retired to count the vote, W. S. Baker, one of the tellers, asked to be excused in the counting of the vote, and the request was granted, the Chair appointing in his place J. R. Bingham.

The Bishop: The Chair will announce the second ballot for Senior Book Agent. The tellers report whole number of votes cast, 226; necessary to a choice, 114. The vote is as follows:

- R. J. Bigham ..... 128
R. F. Lipscomb ..... 42
W. F. McMurry ..... 29
J. D. Barbee ..... 16

The Bishop: R. J. Bigham having received a majority of the votes cast, is declared elected to the office of Senior Book Agent. We will now take the ballot for Junior Book Agent.

The Conferences were called, and 222 ballots were cast, making 112 necessary to elect. The tellers retired to count the vote.

The Bishop: The Chair is ready to announce the first ballot for Junior Book Agent. Whole number of votes 222; necessary to a choice 112. The vote is as follows:

- D. M. Smith ..... 99
J. R. Pepper ..... 17
A. B. Tarpley ..... 19
J. W. N. Burkett ..... 17
J. F. Quillian ..... 20

The Bishop: There is no election; prepare your ballots again.

The Conferences were again called and 222 votes were cast for Junior Book Agent, making 112 necessary to a choice.

The tellers retired to count the ballots.

The Bishop: The house will resume consideration of the report of the Committee on Boundaries. Read the next item.

The Secretary read the second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth items, serialim, in which order they were adopted, and the report, as amended, was adopted as a whole.

W. F. McMurry: As report No. 3 from the Committee on Epworth Leagues nominates the board, I would like for it to be considered at once.

The Bishop: Without objection, it will be read for present action.

The Secretary read the report referred to and it was, on motion, adopted.

F. D. Swindell: I would like to call up report No. 4 of the Board of Missions, out of its order, and pass upon it now. It has reference to a matter that our board, which is called together to-night, should act upon, and it is quite important that we should consider it this morning, so that the board may know how to act. Part of it has already been adopted and I would like for the remainder to be adopted, in reference to the Publishing House in Shanghai. I move that it be taken up and considered now.

The motion prevailed and the Secretary read the item referred to, which was adopted, and the report as a whole was then adopted.

J. M. Robertson: I move to take up report No. 4 of the Committee on Publishing Interests, as it has some very important items in it that ought to be disposed of.

W. F. Barclay: There are a number of very important matters here. Some of our committees have shown great diligence in getting their business before the Conference; but it seems impossible to reach anything unless

these special privileges are granted. I hold that some means should be devised by which we can get at the business systematically.

The Bishop: Are you speaking to this proposition?

W. F. Barclay: I am. I hope this proposition will not be adopted by the Conference.

R. F. Lipscomb: I move, as a substitute, that we adhere to the calendar.

The Bishop: It is not competent as a substitute, because that is what your rule is, and the motion is to suspend the rule.

H. E. W. Palmer: There is one reason, particularly, in addition to the one given by the Chairman of the committee, and this motion is made by the Chairman of the committee. It is this, if we do not take this report up now by reason of the fact that it is so far advanced on the calendar, the Secretary says we may not reach it. I understand that the Bishops recommend that the Pacific Advocate have an appropriation made to it. That is one of the items of this report, and the Chairman tells me that that was one of the controlling reasons why he asked that it be taken up.

The motion to take up the report prevailed, and the Secretary read the first item of report No. 4 of the Committee on Publishing Interests.

T. L. Mellen: I think that is the most unreasonable proposition. There are advertisements and there are advertisements. There are some that there can be no objection to, to their appearing on the cover of our Sunday-school publications, and these advertisements, as is well known, are a source of income to the Publishing House, and we ought not to cut off that source of income. I move that we do not concur.

The Bishop: It is moved to insert the word "non-concur" for "concur;" but the Chair ventures to say it encumbers the proposition.

T. L. Mellen: I do not want to argue it at all. I think we had better leave all that to the Book Agents and the Book Committee; they will act wisely.

W. R. Peebles: Mr. President, I am in favor, at this juncture of our proceedings, of not stopping to kill any lizards.

B. M. Burgher: I am informed, if you adopt that paper, it will cut off about \$2000 a year, and I do not see why we should do that.

H. E. W. Palmer: Just hear me, and then, if it is the sense of the Conference to do it, it will be another thing. This matter has been considered by your former Secretary, and I hold in my hand two letters from Dr. W. D. Kirkland, in which he gives his most cordial approval and states that he doubts not that the matter will finally reach just what now is being sought to be reached. Now, you say to leave it—just let me say one thing. This is the Bible. This is not an arithmetic; this is not Webster's Blue-Backed Spelling Book; and yet in Webster's Blue-Backed Spelling Book and in the arithmetic you will not find all these kinds of advertisements. I submit to you that at a time we are talking so much about the sacredness of the Bible, that it is a distinct book whose origin is from above, and when we remember that this is a part of the Bible used in the Sunday-school for children to study, that it will be unfortunate while they are growing up if they get impressions that it is mixed up with all kinds of advertisements. I grant you that it pays, but I think it will be a very sad day when that is the reason why we should have put on the backs and on the inside of the Sunday-school Quarterly, and the Magazine, advertisements of a miscellaneous character. The reason that they are there is because of the large circulation. I do not say it has been done intentionally. I can not say, but I am going to read a little thing that a good brother gave me as an illustration of it. That good brother said that at one time there was a patent medicine vendor in a town in which the Church did not have quite enough money to print its hymn-books, and

AN OLD SORE

months of diligent and faithful use of external remedies that the place remains as defiant, angry and offensive as ever. Every chronic sore, no matter on what part of the body it comes, is an evidence of some previous constitutional or organic trouble, and that the dregs of these diseases remain in the system; or, it may be that some long hidden poison—perhaps Cancer—has come to the surface and begun its destructive work.

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Several years ago, my wife and a severe sore leg and was treated by the best physicians but received no benefit. Our druggist advised her to try S. S. S., which she did. Fourteen bottles cured her and she has been well ever since. J. R. MAROLD, 22 Canal St., Cohoes, N. Y.

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Will sour the sweetest disposition and transform the most even tempered, lovable nature into a cross-grained and irritable individual.

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I hope it will be the sense of this Conference that we would say that the Bible as taught in our Sunday-schools shall not have any advertisements on it except those relating to our publications and our institutions of learning.

The Bishop: I will announce the second ballot for Junior Book Agent. The whole number of votes cast 224; necessary to a choice 112. The vote is as follows:

- D. M. Smith ..... 111
A. B. Tarpley ..... 30
J. W. N. Burkett ..... 31
J. F. Quillian ..... 22

The Bishop: There is no election. A Delegate: I move we now adjourn.

The motion did not prevail. J. M. Barcus: I move the pending question.

The Bishop: We are about to take the ballot, but I suppose your motion on the pending question is like the previous question.

The vote was taken, and the call for the pending question was not sustained.

The Conferences were again called, and 213 ballots were cast for Junior Book Agent, making 107 necessary to a choice.

The tellers retired to count the ballot, and on motion, the Conference by a vote of 82 in the affirmative to 77 in the negative, adjourned at 12:55 p. m., until this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment of the morning session the Conference met at 2:30 p. m. Bishop Candler in the chair.

Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. James Campbell, of the Northwest Texas Conference.

After reading the Scripture lesson hymn 525 was sung, and the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. Campbell.

At this point Bishop Wilson took the chair.

The result of the third ballot for Junior Book Agent was announced, as follows:

- D. M. Smith ..... 111
J. W. N. Burkett ..... 47
A. B. Tarpley ..... 28

The Bishop declared David M. Smith elected as Junior Book Agent.

The next thing in order was the election of Missionary Secretary. The Conferences were called, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The pending question was called, which was the motion to strike out the word "concur" and insert "non-concur" in the first item of Report No. 4 of the Committee on Publishing House Interests.

The motion prevailed, and on motion the item was adopted.

Item 2 of said report was read and adopted.

Item 3 was read and adopted.

Item 4 was read and adopted.

Item 5 was read and adopted.

Item 6 was read. Motion was made to strike out "non-concurrence," and insert "concurrence."

The motion was laid on the table. The item was then adopted.

Item 7 was read and adopted.

Item 8 was read and adopted.

Item 9 was read: it was moved to amend this item.

On motion, Bishop Galloway was requested to address the Conference on the question, which he did.

The amendment was accepted and then item 9 was adopted.

The tellers here announced the result of the ballot for Missionary Secretary, as follows:

- W. R. Lambuth ..... 156
J. H. Pritchett ..... 12
A. J. Lamar ..... 9

The Bishop declared W. R. Lambuth elected Missionary Secretary.

The next thing in order was election of Secretary of Board of Church Extension.

The Conferences were called, and the tellers retired to count the ballots.

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PRESSED HARD.

Coffee's Weight on Old Age.

When prominent men realize the injurious effects of coffee and the change in health that Postum can bring, they are glad to lend their testimony for the benefit of others.

Mr. C. C. Wright, superintendent of public schools in North Carolina, says: "My mother, since her early childhood, was an inveterate coffee drinker and had been troubled with her heart for a number of years and complained of that weak all over feeling and sick stomach."

Some time ago, I was making an official visit to a distant part of the country and took dinner with one of the merchants of the place. I noticed a somewhat peculiar flavor of the coffee, and asked him concerning it. He replied that it was Postum Food Coffee. I was so pleased with it, that after the meal was over, I bought a package to carry home with me, and had wife prepare some for the next meal; the whole family were so well pleased with it, that we discontinued coffee and used Postum entirely.

I had really been at times very anxious concerning my mother's condition, but we noticed that after using Postum for a short time, she felt so much better than she did prior to its use, and had little trouble with her heart and no sick stomach; that the headaches were not so frequent, and her general condition much improved. This continued until she was as well and hearty as the rest of us.

I know Postum has benefited myself and the other members of the family, but not in so marked a degree as in the case of my mother, as she was a victim of long standing."

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### Notes From the Field.

#### NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

##### Garland.

J. J. Morgan, June 26. We rejoice to report eleven conversions and the Church greatly revived as the result of our recent meeting at Garland. We are devoutly thankful for all the Lord has done for us. Bro. L. P. Smith and M. L. Hamilton did the preaching. They are a good team. We pray God's blessings upon both these brethren for their faithful and efficient services.

##### Leonard and Orange Grove.

S. L. Ball. The second Quarterly Conference for Leonard and Orange Grove charge has just been held. Bro. O. S. Thomas, our presiding elder, was on hand looking well after the interests of the Church. The stenographer made a splendid report, having collected for the support of the ministry during the quarter \$188.19. Bro. W. H. Stephenson, of Celeste, was with us Saturday, and preached a most excellent sermon. Bro. McWhorter, of the Leonard Mission, was also with us and preached a good sermon in the afternoon. Bro. Thomas preached two splendid sermons—one at Orange Grove, the other at Leonard. All in all, it was a splendid Quarterly Conference occasion. Everything in God's charge was true to the kingdom of God as being enlarged.

##### Floyd Street, Dallas.

L. S. Barton. We have just closed a tent meeting in East Dallas, lasting for two weeks. Bro. Clark, our presiding elder, did the preaching at night and Bro. W. F. Cummins preached in the morning. To any who know these brethren, it need not be said that the preaching was of the highest order. We had some eighteen professions of religion. Had it not been that we were unfortunate in securing a tent, the meeting would have closed where the Leonard Mission were many previous services during the meeting. We are still doing what we can to forward the interest of church building in East Dallas, and have met with much encouragement. It is not now our purpose or plan to try to dispose of Floyd Street Church. The impression grows on us that there is a mission point where Floyd Street Church stands that should always be occupied. It is very probable that when the new church is built in East Dallas and at Trinity there will be sufficient strength to have a self-supporting charge at Floyd Street, but, as said, there will be room for a mission, if no Church membership. But this matter will be left to settle itself. It is not the purpose now to sell Floyd Street Church. We are endeavoring to raise one dollar per capita for missions this year, and it now looks as if this would be easily done. We have had sixty additions up to date. We expect to begin a revival at or near Floyd Street in a few days.

#### NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

##### Troy.

F. S. Cameron, June 5. We are making some progress on Troy charge. The interest of the Church is being looked after, notwithstanding the drought which has prevailed here for five weeks or more. We are doing well on material lines. Our officials are faithful men. Now we are looking for old-time revivals all over the work. Have just closed a meeting at Shiloh, with eighteen professions and twenty additions to our Church, all by profession of faith and by ritual. Bro. John Owens, of Marysville, Texas, assisted me very acceptably. Now that we have had a good rain, we take fresh courage, in thankfulness to Him who sent it. We press forward.

##### Palo Pinto.

Jas. O. Gore, June 21. Palo Pinto is not getting along as it should. Our confer-

ence collections are coming slowly, but we are hoping to meet them with a surplus. We closed our first meeting at Palo Pinto last night, with a good service and three conversions, making four in the meeting, and the Church greatly revived. The field is in good condition for work, but circumstances rendered it necessary for closing it, but we are hoping to finish the good work that the Lord has begun in the not far distant future, for the field is ripe already to harvest. Bro. Frank Neal did the preaching for us in our meeting last week, and he made a grand fight in the fear of God and fearlessness of man. We heartily recommend him for a hard pull. We wish to thank Bro. Neal for his efficient work—to thank him for all our people.

##### Whitt.

L. P. Towler, June 29. We have just closed one of the most successful revivals that this community has ever known. Rev. C. L. Ballard, of Sherman, came to us June 7 and remained two weeks. His preaching was logical, scriptural, spiritual. His work is deep and abiding, and as a result sinners of all classes were converted, from the seven-year-old child to the hardest skeptic. From the very beginning we had opposition of the dearest day. Church members (not Methodists) would stand on the streets and object to the work, saying the hardest thing possible. But out of it all we had a great victory. Bro. Ballard closed the meeting with two strong sermons on the mode of baptism. We now stand in the lead, not only in number, but in influence. Results, thirty-one conversions and twenty-two accessions to the Church.

##### Cleburne.

John M. Evans, June 26. We have just closed a three weeks' meeting, which resulted in a great spiritual uplift to our Church and community. We received thirty-seven into the Church, and several others were converted or reclaimed. Rev. W. D. Bradburn, of Austin, came to us on the 11th and remained until the 21st. His ministry was earnest and faithful. His sermons were scriptural, logical, literary and religious. My people enjoyed him very much, and his influence for good will abide with them many days. Rev. J. H. Colford, who is in Cleburne temporarily with his family, did us much credit by his preaching at the meeting. We are grateful that God has thus signified his acceptance of the new and beautiful home his people have erected here by converting sinners at its altars.

#### WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

##### Carrizo Springs.

H. B. Watson. We have observed Children's Day here. Our Ladies Aid Society "made hay while the sun shone" during the week of the political convention, sooting and reading the heated hordes and spirits of Tarrant County electors with ice cream and lemonade. Every one complains of the continued drought and shortness of money, but twenty odd dollars were raised in aid of the church improvement account. By request the pulpit was vacated on the 10th Sunday in June in favor of Rev. W. W. Rankin, a retired Presbyterian minister, while I arranged to give the Loma Vista folks a preaching. We are indebted to Sister I. Parker for making us a hard-earned new Sunday school attendance banner.

#### FROM DURANGO TO MAZATLAN.

We reached here Sunday morning after two weeks' travel. The journey was a trying one for the mother and the little one. Our first break in the journey was at El Paso, where we stayed two days. As Bro. Corbin had diphtheria in his hotel, we went to another. However, the quarantine was raised the day of our arrival, so that we were permitted to visit them. The second break in our traveling occurred at Benson. Our train reached

there two hours and three-quarters late, owing to high winds and an accident by which a poor Mexican lost his life. We left the next evening, and at Nogales Bro. Marston and family and Bro. Bustamante met us. Next morning (Sunday) we reached Guaymas, and Bro. Oglesby took us to the parsonage. We expected to leave Guaymas on Monday, but owing to the steamer being delayed we did not get out until Thursday evening. Although very anxious to get to my work, I think the few days spent with Bro. Oglesby and his people were not without profit to us all. I preached four times to his people.

The Carrasco landed us here at Mazatlan early on Sunday morning, and after a third examination of our baggage, we went directly to the house that Bro. Fitzgerald occupied, and which we will continue to occupy. Bro. Montebongo and sister have been here for about two weeks and had things in readiness for us. We had a fair Sunday-school, followed by preaching. At night I had a good congregation. The service was very spiritual one, also the consecration meeting that followed it. I feel very much encouraged after my first Sunday, and am full of hope for my new work.

I am pleased to say that we received the greatest kindness from the dear people of Durango before leaving. Catholic and Protestant vied with each other in entertaining us. Shortly before leaving we were invited to meet a few friends at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Marybank. A good number of the congregation were present. After an excellent supper, to our very great surprise, the good people presented Mrs. Elliott with a beautiful alligator pocket-book containing Bro. together with the accompanying letter:

"To Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, on Leaving Durango to Make Their Home in Mazatlan."

"We wish to express our gratitude for the many pleasant hours we have enjoyed through having them in our midst. We hope that they may always find friends as true and kind to them as they have been to us, and we desire that in the near future they may once more return to us to bless our lives."

This follows a long list of names that will remain stored in the chamber of memory for a long time to come.

I think we all came near breaking down together. I realized as best I could under the circumstances, by the hearty thankings from for this and many other great kindnesses, glancing briefly over my ten years' ministry among them, social and religious. I may add that the wish of our friends is that we use this sum in moving to some healthy place during the winter months, when coast fever is a prevalent ailment in Mazatlan.

A very large number of both congregations were at the station to see us leave. We parted with the well-wishes of all, and with impulses of all kinds and sizes. We do not see what we have done to merit such kindness and generosity. You may be sure that it went to our hearts, and their prayers follow us to our new work. R. C. ELLIOTT, Mazatlan, Sonora, Mexico.

If your brain won't work right and you miss the snap, vim and energy that was once yours, you should take FRED'S LIVER BITTERS. It cleanses the system and invigorates both body and brain.

#### A NEWSY LETTER.

I have wanted to tell you how much we appreciated the recent visit and letters of Dr. Rankin to our town on the 10th of this month. Just a rich eye experience similar to the one of Job in the long ago has unfolded it impossible until now. Allow me to say to you, "Veni, vidi, vici." This famous message of the great Roman very correctly expresses the feelings of the large and delighted congregation whose chief joy it was to hear him in his inimitable lecture on "Sights and Scenes on Land and Sea." He promised, if possible, to give us a Sunday some time as soon as convenient, and we all hope he may not defer so long. We are particularly hoping for rain. Everything is dying, and stock water is getting scarce.

We were somewhat amused to read in the Dallas News of Thursday that large liquor concerns are thinking of leaving Texas to avoid the recent prohibition victories in some of the large North Texas counties, and now today we find the same advertisement, with slight verbal changes, in the News again. They say they will leave Texas if we do it again. This is a ridiculous notion, and they say to each other, "Well, let them go and may their joy go with them. We will have peace behind them. Texas can well spare a few more thousand of such citizens and be all the better and more prosperous after they are gone. Let us keep up the fight until every one of those murder-mills is closed, and if their promoters and abettors can't make up their minds to stay with us under the circumstances we will bid them good-bye and let them follow their idols to some other part of Texas, but not beyond our eyes' experience with them, anyhow. One of the advertisements above referred to says that over 3000 persons are directly dependent upon them for a living. They do not include those who indirectly are furnished with employment by or because of them. This would include nearly all the police officers of the State, penitentiary guards, etc. to say nothing of the army of thugs, gamblers and such trash who are closer joined to these institutions than were the Spaniards to their country. Neither do they tell us how many thousands are deprived of the comforts of life that they may subsist. God only keeps that record. But they will see that side of the balance-sheet by and by. This un-biblical demon must die. It won't hurt Texas if they go, but let us remember God's word, "Was unto the nation that buildeth a town with blood." "Was unto him who putteth his bottle in his neighbor's lap." God send the good rain, until whisky selling will be looked upon as a crime and disgrace, and when Ishmael like, every man's hand will be against it—always and in all ways. J. E. TERRENTINE, Whitt, Palo Pinto, Texas.

#### A CALL FOR MEN.

We will need more preachers for Montana August 25. Our Church is established here, and the people are looking to us for the gospel. Nowhere is wise and faithful service rewarded with greater evidences of success in the ministry. The climate is superb, and the salaries afford a living in writing, send recommendations. G. C. RECTOR, P. E., Deer Lodge, Montana.

#### THE LOCAL OPTION REVOLUTION.

The campaign for local option is in many respects, one of the most phenomenal in the history of any State in the Union. It seems born of a deep conviction in the public mind that the great evil of the liquor traffic must die. It is not partisan in any political sense. It is not confined to any race or color. The impression is deeper in the conviction than any ordinary political conviction can be. We have made rapid strides. The movement is almost everywhere successful. Now a word to the friends of local option. We must not be diverted from our purpose. We must not let any narrow political ambition cost us our crown. There ought to be no man run for anything on the face of the earth with any prohibition for his platform. We have been dependent on Democratic Republicans, Populists and Prohibitionists for our success so far. It will be so to the end. True Democracy is "good self-government," if it be anything. All efforts to use the party label prove unavailing. The leaders here are unable to whip the women of Texas into any party line that is drawn in favor of the liquor traffic. So may it ever be until the last drop of intoxicating liquor has been impounded within the walls of the drug stores as a morphine, opium and cocaine. Let every man who heartily desires the prohibition of this traffic bury his ambition for power, or run on some other ticket than the Prohibition ticket. The experience of those who have a right to know is that not once in ten years do those who really favor prohibition will leave their party affiliations to vote for any man who seeks to ride into office on a question that stands separate and alone from almost all other questions affecting the well-being of the State. Down with candidates and candidates with local option! T. J. DONNAN, Ennis, Texas.

#### LEAGUE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

On the afternoon of June 11, the Wicket District Sunday School and League League Conference met in the Methodist Church in Ennis, Texas, with about eighty-five delegates in attendance. After a very helpful devotional service, the presiding elder, Rev. O. F. Seaman, opened the Sunday School Conference. Some of those on both the Sunday school and League program were absent, but all who came showed by their papers and addresses a thorough preparation for the work that had been assigned them. No effort was made to arrange an address for the occasion, but each speaker seemed anxious to get out of each subject all that was possible. Altogether the program was most helpful and interesting to those in attendance. It was a working conference, and every delegate seemed to be in a working spirit.

In both the Sunday school and League work the reports showed healthy growth throughout the district. The Sunday school showed an increase of about 20 per cent, both in enrollment and in attendance. The average of the League League President, Mr. Elliott, showed an increase of about 10 per cent in League enrollment throughout the district.

The conference showed a deep interest in missions, and when it was stated that the Wicket District intended to increase the missionary collections this above the assessment, the conference unanimously voted the support of the League throughout the district.

Wednesday evening, Thomas H. Cameron, of Shanghai, China, and his wife, a most interesting address on China and the Chinese. The following officers were elected for the next year: President, W. F. Deane; Directors, S. C. Jones, Miss E. A. Arnold, W. A. B. B. First Vice-President, Mrs. J. C. Varborough; Ennis, Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. Tom Smith; Dallas, Third Vice-President, W. C. Bryant; Waxahatchie, Junior President, Miss Sam Cummings; Dallas.

#### RECUPERATIVE EFFECT.

Considered with reference to its recuperative effect, there is not so much good in the ordinary vacation as there is in a single bottle of Wood's Sarsaparilla. The latter costs but a few cents, and depends how much old years cost last year?

Wood's Sarsaparilla refreshes the tired blood, restores the dulled appetite, restores the lost courage.

#### CLARENDON COLLEGE.

The Clarendon College commencement was a pleasant and profitable occasion. The exercises opened Friday evening and closed the following Tuesday morning. Sunday at 11 o'clock, June 1, the commencement sermon was preached by Rev. J. T. Fremont of Rowell, N. M. Phil. 2:12. It was the text. The sermon was a presentation of the elements that enter into and make up the ideal character. An immense audience filled the Methodist Church, recently enlarged. The preacher had energy, and the discourse was most appropriate and edifying. In the afternoon, Rev. B. G. Mood, of Henrieville, Texas, talked to the Junior League. Afterward Bro. French delivered his lecture on "China Town" to the Senior League. Both were good, and will bear fruit. At night Bro. Mood preached a thoughtful and impressive sermon from the "Choice of Moses"—a sermon calculated to be especially helpful to the young people. Mood impresses his hearers as a man of strong personality and foresight of character.

Tuesday morning the annual address was delivered by Rev. W. Wallace Kiser, of Channing. If I should name his subject at this distance from memory, it would, it would be "Work." The speaker said the object of an education was not to prevent toil and labor, but to make the workman more efficient in every line of labor. The address was eminently practical and full of good common sense.

The debate between retrospective young men from the 1848-49 election on the question of amending the Constitution of the United States so as to allow Congress to control the trusts by legislation, reflected great credit on the boys. Their research among the decisions of the courts, statements of Congress and the State Legislatures were extensive. But time and space would fail me if I should speak particularly of all the excellent parts of the program. It is sufficient to

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Rev. J. F. Bonanza, of Waxahatchie, Tex., is still writing now on "brothers and sisters." There is one a half dozen more I think I can get. The man that is working harder than I am is working harder than I am. I hope the Advocate will help me to reach you and give you when I am gone.

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PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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Item No. 19 of the report under consideration was read and laid on the table.

Item 11 had already been disposed of.

Item No. 12 was read.

A substitute was offered that the amount of \$7000 be appropriated. The substitute was adopted.

Section 1 of the item was then adopted.

The tellers here announced the result of the balloting for Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, as follows:

- Peter H. Whisner .....141
- Seth Ward ..... 45

P. H. Whisner was declared elected, 100 being necessary to election.

The next thing in order was the election of Secretary of the Board of Education.

The Conferences were called and the tellers retired to count the ballots.

A motion was made that a committee of three be appointed to sift the calendar and bring forward important legislation.

The motion prevailed.

The following were appointed by the Chair as the said committee: E. W. Alderson, Paul Whitehead and Collins Denny.

Section 2 of the item under consideration was read, as was also the minority report of the committee on the same subject.

Motion was made to substitute the minority report for the majority report in this respect.

Motion was made to lay the substitute on the table, which was seconded. A call for the pending question did not prevail.

The matter was discussed by Drs. Denny, Keller, Hutchinson and others.

The tellers here announced the vote for Secretary of Board of Education, as follows:

- John D. Hammond .....129
- A. J. Lamar ..... 47
- Seth Ward ..... 14

J. D. Hammond was declared elected.

The previous question is called and the call sustained.

Motion to adopt the minority report was lost.

Motion to adopt the majority report prevailed.

The committee to nominate the Board of Education reported the following as members of the Board:

- Bishop C. B. Galloway.
- Bishop E. B. Hendrix.
- J. H. Kirkland, Tennessee Conference.

W. W. Smith, Virginia-Tennessee Conference.

W. B. Murrah, North Mississippi Conference.

C. E. Dowman, South Georgia Conference.

J. C. Klige, North Carolina Conference.

W. R. Webb, Tennessee Conference.

W. H. LaPrade, Louisiana Conference.

John Massey, Alabama Conference.

R. S. Hyer, Northwest Texas Conference.

H. N. Snyder, South Carolina Conference.

H. P. Hamill, Baltimore Conference.

R. G. Waterhouse, Holston Conference.

S. G. Thompson, Indian Mission Conference.

The report was adopted.

At 6 o'clock p. m. the Conference, on motion, adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, and the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Wilson.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Saturday, May 24, 1902.

Pursuant to adjournment of last evening, the Conference met at 9 o'clock a. m., Bishop Wilson in the chair.

Religious services were conducted

by Rev. Jno. R. Nelson, of the Northwest Texas Conference, who read, as the Scripture lesson, a part of the 14th chapter of St. John, and announced the 19th hymn—

"I love Thy Kingdom, Lord,  
The house of Thine abode."

After the singing of this hymn, the Conference was led in prayer by Dr. Nelson.

The minutes of yesterday morning's session were read and adopted.

The minutes of the session of yesterday afternoon were read and approved.

W. E. Arnold: I have a privileged resolution I would like to offer.

The Secretary reads the resolution.

"Resolved, That hereafter until the final adjournment of this General Conference, all speeches shall be limited to five minutes each unless the time be lengthened by vote of the body."

Paul Whitehead: I call attention to the fact that is a change of the rule and will require two-thirds majority.

J. M. Gross: I want to ask—

The Bishop: If you please, let us dispose of this resolution. If you will adopt this resolution, say aye. It requires two-thirds.

A Delegate: I raise a point of order. It must go to the Committee on Rules and be acted on.

Paul Whitehead: That is not in place of any rule. This is only to change the rule from fifteen minutes to five—nothing but a change of the rule, and therefore the rules do not have to be suspended.

The vote was put and a division called for. On the division the resolution was declared adopted.

J. M. Gross: I ask for leave of absence for N. B. Ainsworth.

On motion, leave of absence was refused.

J. M. Gross: I hope that will be granted. Important business demands it, and he will not leave without it. I move to reconsider.

The motion to reconsider prevailed and leave was granted.

J. W. Heldt: The committee appointed to nominate the Book Committee beg leave to report the following:

The committee appointed to nominate the Book Committee beg leave to report the following nominations: Rev. O. E. Brown, Rev. Collins Denny, Rev. J. M. Mason, Rev. R. A. Child, Rev. Paul Whitehead, Rev. James Campbell, Gov. J. R. Hindman, Mr. W. C. Dibrell, Mr. J. B. Ransom, Mr. J. B. Morgan, Mr. R. W. Millsaps, Mr. D. B. Coltrain, Mr. Sidney Bass.

Respectfully submitted,  
P. H. WHISNER, Chairman.

J. E. GODBEE, Secretary.

P. H. Whisner: You will notice Gov. Hindman was on the Committee to Nominate the Book Committee and was nominated by the committee. I will say to the Conference that the committee did so over his head and not by his consent. He is a modest gentleman, and does not want anybody to assume that he is seeking this

position. He opposed it and the committee overruled him in the matter.

On motion, the report was adopted.

E. W. Alderson: I desire to offer the report of the committee appointed to sift the calendar. There may be one or two bills in which we made a mistake. It was not absolutely possible to find out every time whether it had been adopted or not. The Secretary may correct.

J. J. Tigert: Allow the Secretary to call attention, in this matter, to an order of the General Conference, on the third day of the session, that the record books of all the committees be returned to the Secretary of the General Conference, together with all official papers remaining in the hands of the committees. Some four or five of the Secretaries have returned these books, but the major portion remain in the hands of the committees. It is very important that all these books and papers should come in.

Paul Whitehead: I would like to say that I have myself returned all the papers to the Secretary's table that were referred to us. The record book is in the hands of the Secretary, who, I suppose, is here and will return it.

The roll of committees was called for reports, and a report was received from the Committee on Fraternal Introductions and Correspondence.

On motion of J. M. Barcus, the report was adopted.

J. J. Tigert: I should like to receive instructions from the General Conference on a particular point with reference to the Discipline. In 1890 the General Conference appointed a special committee to prepare an address to the Church on worldly amusements. I chanced to be Chairman of that committee and prepared the document as it now stands in the Discipline, with the exception of a single word. I forgot to put in "eternus" as among the prohibited things, and the committee added that word. In 1894 I introduced a resolution that this address on worldly amusements be continued in the Discipline of that year. In 1895 I failed to do so from some oversight, but on the assumption that the will of the General Conference had been expressed only in one way I continued it in the Discipline. I remember a memorial touching the address on worldly amusements presented to this General Conference to the effect that it be inserted in the body of the Discipline. So far as I recollect action was not taken on that. If this General Conference desires that the address on worldly amusements should be continued in the Appendix, I think it would save the Book Editor a certain responsibility if it would so order; and I therefore move that the address on worldly amusements be continued in its present place in the Appendix of the Discipline of 1902.

The motion prevailed.

Report No. 5 of the Committee on Publishing Interests was read and went to the calendar.

B. F. Lipscomb: May I ask a ques-

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tion in reference to the report which is placed on the calendar? Do I understand that the appointment of this sifting committee prevents us considering any report not recommended by them?

The Bishop: This has just been handed in.

B. F. Lipscomb: What I want to ask is, Are we prevented from considering any bills except those recommended by the sifting committee?

The Bishop: No; you could take up any out of its order.

The Secretary: They present all the bills, but simply change the order.

Paul Whitehead: We arranged the calendar. If our report be adopted that is the order.

The Bishop: Therefore the Chair calls for the first bill on the rearranged calendar.

S. S. Keener: I move we take up out of its order the report just read.

W. T. J. Sullivan: I move to lay that on the table.

B. F. Lipscomb: How can it lie on the table if it goes to the calendar?

The motion to lay on the table the motion to take the report up out of its order prevailed.

The Secretary read Report No. 4 of the Committee on Episcopacy.

A. J. Lamar: I am informed that it is the duty of the Committee on Episcopacy not to recommend but to fix, and I wish unanimous consent to amend that report so that it shall read "We fix" the salaries instead that we recommend that they be fixed.

The Secretary was directed to make the correction in the report.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Episcopacy was read and adopted.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Boundaries was also read and adopted.

Report No. 8 of the Committee on Itinerancy and the minority report accompanying same were read.

R. H. Mahon: We have two reports here. I favor the adoption of the minority report, which is simply to transfer back to the Quarterly Conference all power to license persons to preach, and to renew their license, and to recommend persons to the Annual Conference for admission for ordination. Now this power to grant license to preach by District Conferences has not worked very well. It has proved to be somewhat of a hardship to some of our local preachers. Our Bishops, who have general supervision of the whole work and have looked after it during the past quadrennium, in fact during the past eight years, have taken pains in their quadrennial address to suggest this very action to us. They understand it very well, and know it better than some of us, and because of this it would be well for the General Conference to take this action.

J. J. Tigert: Mr. President and Brethren—It is with diffidence that I present my opinion upon a subject like this, wherein I have had very little experience, and particularly when I find my opinions differ from those of experienced presiding elders like Dr. Mahon, yet I have given, I

think, very careful attention to this question of the relation of local preachers to the Quarterly and District Conferences. When I went abroad last summer as one of your representatives at the Ecumenical Conference, there was nothing in European Methodism that struck me with greater force than the wide difference between the status of the local preacher in English and American Methodism. As Dr. Mahon has indicated, we have for eight years, since the General Conference at Memphis, been in this condition. We have part of the supervision of the local preacher in the Quarterly Conference and part in the District Conference, so that this member of our ministry has had two different courts to which he might appear and to which he might be answerable. Now the question is as to whether we shall take a step further and put everything in the District Conference, or, as I see it, whether we shall take a step backward, and put everything in the Quarterly Conference? I believe that we shall do the local preacher a very useful service, and greatly dignify and enlarge the functions of the District Conference, if we put everything surrounding local preachers under the jurisdiction of the District Conference; and I will tell you why. One argument against this is that we have had a decrease of the number of local preachers since the law has been in operation. Now, I regard that as one of the great merits of the law, and I mean no disrespect to my local brethren. Hear me; I do not mean that I do not desire an increase in the rank of our local preachers. On the contrary, the measure that I advocate will in the long run secure that increase, and at the same time secure the efficacy of the local ministry. And whatever you may think about it, it seems to me the facts are something like this: Just as occasionally we have a traveling preacher who is indifferent to attendance on the Annual Conference and does not watch his duties and his interests there, so we have a class of local preachers who do not sufficiently interest themselves in Church matters to note the time when their District Conference meets; and whenever a man carelessly allows his District Conference to go by and does not take interest enough to be present and look after the renewal of the license, I say it is a blessing to the man and a blessing to the Church that his license lapses. Therefore, this law, though not designed to do so, is performing a useful service in eliminating from the local ranks a good many brethren (not a large number proportionately to the whole) who are really inefficient. They wake up at the close of the year and find out that they are no longer ministers, and then they begin to raise a row about this law. I think the law has very quietly and very effectively done a most useful service to the Church. Now, as to the District Conferences, I say that the difficulty about that tribunal is that it

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DALLAS NOTES.

W. C. Everett, of the Branch House, has returned from Nashville, where he made a satisfactory showing before the new Agent and the new Book Committee.

The hot season is telling on the congregations at this time. The weather has been excessively warm, and about all the people have been able to do is to exist. But the churches are all open and the services go steadily on.

Rev. W. C. Young and Rev. W. H. Howell, local brethren in First Church, filed the appointments for Rev. J. L. Pierce last Sunday. The pastor was preaching a missionary sermon for the Missionary Society at another point.

The liquor men of the city are giving heed to the mandate of the Court of Criminal Appeals, and we are now having a very civilized Sunday in Dallas, the first in several years. The saloon men are afraid of a local option election in this county, and their fears have some ground.

The recent rains throughout the State have revived the business confidence of the city to a very marked degree. While the corn crop is cut short in the most of the northern part of the State, it is good through the Territory and on through the corn belt of Illinois, and the other crops of this section are promising.

The Police Commissioner has gotten rid of several of the best men on the force of late, and the saloons and gambling dens are happy. But the editor of this paper and twelve other men, mostly of like mind, make up the Grand Jury for the next three months, and the saloons and the dens are struck with great confusion. They know that something will happen when that sort of a Grand Jury is installed.

The meeting conducted by Rev. L. S. Barton and Rev. I. W. Clark under the tent in East Dallas has closed at that point with good results. It will begin at another location soon. The Church building project out that way is still occupying the attention of East Dallas Methodists and it will materialize in due time. The interest of the Church in this city demands it and the enterprise must and will be accomplished. But the brethren have concluded that this enterprise will not interfere with the present Floyd Street property. It was at first thought best to dispose of this and put the proceeds into the new building, but on reflection it is now determined to leave that alone and build the other one independent of it. Where Floyd now is, there is room for a good work yet, as it is located in the midst of a large population and we will not surrender this point by building at the other.

EDITORIAL BIRDSHOT.

Bluster is no part of moral courage.

Transparency is an admirable trait of character.

A crank is the man who successfully turns things round.

There is nothing accomplished outside of cold business without sentiment.

The rising man in the General Conference is one who was on his feet too frequently.

They say that "prohibition does not prohibit," nevertheless the liquor men are seized with the rabies when you mention a local option election.

Christ was a plain man who spent his life among the common people, and he was never known to adorn himself with anything akin to modern parsonic trimmings.

The man who dresses himself in the style of the fop has no place in the pulpit; neither has the man who delights in sloven and seedy clothing.

The preacher who habitually wears mourning under the lower edge of his finger nails needs to be supplied with a small pen-knife and a pan of clean water.

A good, stiff tooth-brush is an inexpensive part of the toilet, but when systematically used it adds greatly to the cleanliness and attraction of the mouth.

A LIQUOR DEFENDER SEIZED WITH NEEDLESS ALARM.

The Executive Committee of the State Prohibition party, with headquarters in Dallas, has sent out circulars to its leaders to meet in this city at an early date to nominate a ticket for State officers to be voted on next November. With this matter, as a party movement, we are not concerned, but it so happened that one of these circulars has fallen into the hands of Mayor J. W. Higgins, of Waco, and as a result he is now in the toils of political spasms. For some reason or other, he is laboring under the innocent hallucination that he is the Democratic party in Texas, and that this party is the wet nurse of the liquor dealers of the State. So he has organized himself into a State Democratic Executive Committee, with headquarters in Waco, from which he is issuing pronouncements to the leading Democrats of the State, warning them of the impending dangers now threatening the party on account of this call for a meeting of the Prohibitionists in Dallas. We happened to pick up one of his lurid deliverances the other day, and for the amusement of sensible people we here reproduce a few of its paragraphs: "Do you believe, from a Democratic standpoint, that the anti-prohibitionists should organize against this movement? Would you be willing to become a member of the Executive Committee in the State to take up this question? If not, will you kindly suggest a good man in your community who would do so? Would you be willing to attend a meeting in Waco to go over this proposition and see what can be done and what ought to be done in the interest of the Democratic party, or in the interest of the prosperity of Texas, and to avoid a prospective bitter contest, sowing seeds of animosity in every county in the State? No matter which way the question should terminate, it would be a contest very undesirable." Now, the truth is that this self-constituted defender of bar-rooms and would-be leader of Democracy has not common sense enough to know that this call by the Prohibition Executive Committee has nothing to do with a general election, like the one on the amendment issue several years ago; but he recently fell into the hands of the local op-

tion leaders in Hill County and got so terribly done up that he is looking for prohibition phantoms to rise up and smite him from every bush in the State. Who is this modern liquor Warwick, any way? Well, he was elected Mayor of Waco awhile back, but instead of staying at home and running his job, he was induced by the honories to go out into the several counties where local option elections were pending to represent the Waco bar-rooms. This so inflated him that, notwithstanding he has been whipped on every stump in these elections, yet he imagines that he is a leading Democrat and that his Waco bar-rooms make up the Democratic party. And it is barely possible that he has so wrought upon his fancy that Congress or the State Capitol is looming up before his distempered dreams! Now this Mayor of the town of Waco is assuming to pull the great Democratic party into the support of the liquor trade in its coming State contest. He seems not to know that this very party has given to us all of our laws regulating the whisky business in Texas, and that it accords to the people the right to say whether or not they will tolerate bar-rooms in their local communities, and that in the local option elections to settle these matters the Democratic party keeps its hands off. In fact, it is only here and there that you find a Democrat that has little enough sense to rush into one of these contests and try to make a party issue out of it, and he always gets the political life mashed out of him. And in every instance where he is so foolish as to rush into such troubles he is the paid tool of the liquor business. The Democratic party is too wise to meddle with this question, and the Mayor of Waco will awake to find himself all alone in his gymnastic performances on this subject. Hence we advise him right now to apply some poultices to the wounds produced upon his mind and spirit by the blows of the local optionists in Hill County and try to recover his normal state of mind, so that he can look after the job incidentally placed in his hands by a small majority of the voters of Waco, and at once disabuse his anxious soul of the distorted thought that he is the Democratic party of Texas. As it is, he is simply one unimportant man standing on the great local option railway to be further mangled as the cars of temperance roll by.

KING EDWARD VII.

King Edward VII was to be crowned King of England last week but a serious attack of illness, followed by a heroic surgical operation, has postponed the coronation ceremony indefinitely. At first his life was almost despaired of, but he rallied from the effect of the operation and has been steadily improving since then. While all danger is not yet passed, nevertheless without unforeseen complications should arise, he will probably recover and at some future time be crowned King. The illness called forth expressions of sympathy from all over the world, and while the postponement of the coronation ceremony is a source of great regret, still the hope of his Majesty's final recovery is a source of great joy and thanksgiving to the people of his realm. He is now about sixty-one years of age, and ought to be in the prime of life; and harrng the enfeebled condition of his physical organism by high living and a somewhat irregular mode of living, his ability to resist disease and to recuperate is measurably good.

Rev. M. F. Daniel, of Sealy, found only five subscribers to the Advocate when he went to the charge. Now there are 49, leaving only 10 Methodist families where the Advocate does not go, and he will put it in those homes before the year is out.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. J. W. Hill, of Greenville, has been indisposed with fever for a few days, which has kept him from his pulpit for the past two Sundays.

We are pleased to have had a pleasant visit from Rev. J. F. Archer, of Lancaster. He was in the city this week and called on the Advocate force.

Rev. J. P. Callaway, of the Northwest Texas Conference, recently received a fall which resulted in a broken arm, but he is doing well and we hope will soon be all right.

Rev. J. M. Barcus and his people, aided by Rev. W. D. Bradford, of Austin, have just closed a most helpful protracted service. A good increase in membership and a great spiritual uplift are the results.

At the San Angelo District Conference \$1000 was subscribed to the endowment fund of San Antonio Female College, and this has been duplicated by one man, making it \$2000. The whole amount is on the Twentieth Century Fund.

We are sorry that a slight indisposition, coupled with the fact that seven or eight conferences met the same date, prevented the editor from taking in any of the District Conferences last week. Reports of them all will be furnished by the Secretaries, and we will publish them at our earliest convenience.

CHURCH NEWS.

Dr. A. F. Watkins recently tendered his resignation of the presidency of Whitworth College, and Rev. J. W. Cooper, D. D., was elected to fill the vacancy.

Rev. W. G. Starr has resigned the presidency of Randolph-Macon College, Virginia, on account of failing health. He has held the position three or four years.

Rev. Nathan Head, D. D., of the Baltimore Conference, is dead, at the age of 92 years. He was long a prominent minister in our Church, and wrought well in his generation.

Dr. W. H. Milburn, Chaplain of the United States Senate, is in poor health, and has gone to the Pacific Slope to recuperate. He is one of the most remarkable men of the present generation.

Toward the last of this month, Bishop Galloway will sail for the Orient to look after our work in China, Japan and Korea. Mrs. Galloway will accompany him on this long and interesting trip.

Rev. Collins Denny, D. D., was recently elected Chairman of the Book Committee by the unanimous vote of that body. Rather, he was re-elected, for he had just finished a four-year term in the same position.

The Wesleyan Methodist Mission in Birmingham, England, has a wood-chopping yard, where a man can earn his supper and lodging if he is hard put. That sort of an arrangement in this country would be a holy terror to tramps.

A man by the name of R. D. Coffman some time ago shot and killed Rev. J. W. Bradford, of the Alabama Conference, seemingly without cause. The deed aroused intense indignation, but the law was allowed to take its course. The cowardly ruffian was brought to trial before an incompetent jury and went scot-free. This is why we often have to deplore lynch law.

LITERARY REVIEWS.

The July number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly is fresh and up-to-date. We may justly call it a Coronation Number, since it has elaborate articles on King Edward VII—"Crowning a British King," "The Coronation Ceremony," and a supplemental feature containing further information concerning King Edward and Queen Alexandra. Another communication of thrilling interest is "The Destruction of the Borains," which contains a graphic account of the great volcano on the Island of Martinique. Both of these articles are finely illustrated. If this number of the magazine had nothing more in it, these two communications are enough for one good reading. But it has several features of large merit.

The illustrated prose articles in Scribner's for July represent the best work of such artists as Will H. Low, Walter Appleton Clark, A. R. Frost, and others among the younger men. Mr. Low is represented in an unusual way, in that he furnishes both text and the pictures, and moreover the pictures are reproduced in color. His article, "In an Old French Garden," chronicles a unique experience. Mr. Low and his friend MacMonnies, the sculptor (who has recently taken up painting), decided to take a house to-

gether in rural France in order to spend nine months in painting direct from nature. To their delight they found a house with an old garden which furnished within its bounds all the subjects for their art, and this article reproduces the emotional and aesthetic side of an artist's life while creating his works directly from nature. The paintings reproduced give many phases of life in the old garden.

We have before us the July number of Success, a splendid monthly issued for boys and young men. It is replete with fine articles on all phases of themes in any way related to the world of young men, and they are written by men who are experts in their particular lines of industry. Then, too, the periodical is beautifully illustrated, so that it speaks pleasantly to the eye as well as to the mind, and no young man can read it without being wonderfully benefited. For instance, this number has a fine article from Grover Cleveland on "The Evolution of Self-Made Men," and the picture of the writer stands out as an illustration of the subject-matter of the communication. It is worthy of a place in all our homes.

AN IMPORTANT LETTER

From Bishop Hendrix and a Call to the Preachers and People of Greer County.

According to the letter here presented, the Greer County conference year will close October 22. Let an earnest effort be made to close the year's work without confusion or deficit.

J. H. WISEMAN, P. E.

Kansas City, Mo., June 21, 1902.

Rev. J. H. Wiseman, Vernon, Texas:

Dear Brother—In response to your letter of the 18th inst., I will say that the preachers and the collections go with the territory set off by the General Conference, and the division will take place at the holding of the session of the first conference affected in its lines by the division. In this instance it will be the Indian Mission Conference, held October 22, to which eight charges in your district fall. The preachers in charge of those charges will report at the Indian Mission Conference, and due account will be taken there of their collections. Should any question arise about the final direction of the collections in view of appropriations for domestic missions within the separated territory, the matter shall be left open until the session of the conference within whose bounds the charges were when the appropriations were made and which may distribute the money. Some conferences appropriate only the collections of the previous year. The preachers who, with their charges, fall into the bounds of another conference will receive their appointments at the session of such conference, having the privilege of being transferred back to their former conference if they desire.

Your jurisdiction over the eight charges continues only until the session of the Indian Mission Conference. It will be fitting that you attend the Indian Mission Conference to represent your charges and preachers, and your presence will doubtless be much appreciated for that purpose.

E. R. HENDRIX.

THE SALOON AND CRIME.

If, as has been shown in a previous paper, the saloon is herself a criminal, it is but reasonable to suppose that her offspring would be of the same sort. Nothing, perhaps, is truer than that "like begets like." In the present paper we expect to bring forward a few of the innumerable facts and figures which show the saloon to be the most prolific producer of crime and criminals on the earth. We stated before that "the census reports and the every-day statistics of crime show that more than three-fourths of all the crime that curses this fair land of ours is born and bred in the saloon." Is this statement true? That it is, we shall now attempt to show by an examination of facts and statements gathered from the most reliable sources. In this investigation we shall seek to give positive and particular information about some things which, by many, have been but dimly and vaguely discerned. It is our purpose to present a number of statistics which have been collected chiefly from official sources, and which will enable us not simply to suppose, but to know, that the saloon is the greatest crime-producing agency in existence. Let us now look at some facts as disclosed by official statements made both in England and America. Perhaps the fullest investigation ever made into the results of intemperance was instituted by a special committee appointed in England by the House of Lords. The evidence laid before that committee was published in four large quarto volumes, from which Prof. E. G. Wheeler has gathered the following important facts concerning crime in England and England by the House of Lords. The year 1871, cases of assault and disorder. All of those except 227 were committed by persons under the influence of drink. Concerning this state of things, Judge Davis, counsel for the Police Commissioners of London, said:

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"I do not dispute for a moment the great connection there is, beyond doubt, between the charges of drunkenness and all those associated crimes resulting in death, and involving charges of manslaughter or murder; that is obviously so." In Liverpool the statistics presented to the Commission by Wm. Hoyle, a statistical specialist, show that out of 62,831 persons arrested in two years for crime, 941,942 (about two-thirds) were drunk when arrested. In Manchester the total number of those arrested during five years was 106,424. Of this number nearly two-thirds were drunk when arrested. The statistics furnished the committee for twenty-six counties in Scotland show that during three years there were 66,346 arrests, and that more than half of these (34,896) were drunk when arrested. These counties, too, were chiefly rural districts, where drunkenness is not so prevalent as in the cities. Lord Chief Baron Kelly said, at a convocation at Canterbury: "Two-thirds of the crimes which come before the courts of law of this country are occasioned by intemperance." So much for England and Scotland.

Let us now see whether the state of things is any better in America. A report made to the Dominion House of Commons in Ottawa, Canada, says: "Your committee find, on examining the reports of the prison inspectors for the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, that out of 28,289 commitments to jail, 21,236 (about three-fourths) were committed either for drunkenness or for crime perpetrated under the influence of drink." These figures fully justify the statement of Prof. Nordhoff when he says: "Intemperance is the cause of at least three-fourths of the vice, crime, pauperism and misery to be found in our country. . . . If you trace to its source any case of crime, poverty or extreme misery, the chances are at least four to one that rum did it." Just here we wish to introduce two extended statements from two prominent men who have been intimately connected with prison work. Let us listen first to the definite declarations of G. S. Griffith, Esq., who for more than twenty years was President of the Maryland Prisoners' Aid Association. The following is an extract from an address of his delivered before the Maryland State Temperance Alliance:

"I have had a good opportunity in my visits to the penal, pauper and reformatory institutions to judge of the demoralizing, blighting, and withering effects of intemperance. It has created the largest percentage of all the misery, poverty, insanity and crime. Statistics show that at least 90 per cent of those incarcerated in the prisons of Maryland can trace their downfall either directly or indirectly to strong drink. During the past ten years I have kept an accurate account of the number of serious fights, riots, murders, suicides, etc., as reported in our daily press, and it shows that out of 460 cases, 326 were caused by drunkenness. But the wrecks of sin are not confined to men, for in our city jail there were received during one year 1520 female prisoners, of whom 1330 were committed for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. About 100 of these were arrested ten or twelve times during the year. There is a woman in our city who has been confined in the city jail, House of Correction and Bay View Asylum, and recommitted to all these institutions over 300 times, and always on the charge of drunkenness. . . . We need only to look into our prisons and almshouses to learn how many lives have been blasted by strong drink. More than to any other evils, the jails and almshouses are the living advertisements of the disaster and ruin wrought by intemperance."

Now let us notice the other important testimony of Dr. Elisha Harris, Corresponding Secretary of the Prison Association of New York. He says: "During a period of eighteen months of inspection of penitentiaries, jails and prisons I have conversed privately with seventeen persons, each of whom had wilfully and intentionally killed a fellow-being." Then, after describing each case separately, and showing that each crime had resulted from drunkenness, he concludes by saying: "Let these instances of terrible crime suffice to show precisely what part alcohol plays in the murders, arsons and nameless outrages that shock the public ear and send thrills of horror throughout the land. . . . The fact is here to be declared boldly that the intoxicating effect of alcohol prepares the way for the commission of crimes of every kind, and that even for those which require a steady hand and a clear head there is need of the paralyzing effect of the alcohol upon the conscience; and that such an effect is desired and sought by the professional criminal as a well-known fact. . . . After a careful inquiry into the history and condition of the criminal population of the State of New York I find that the conclusion is inevitable that, taken in all its relations, alcohol drink may justly be charged with far more than half of the

crimes that are brought to conviction in the State; and that fully 85 per cent of all convicts give evidence of having, in some large degree, been prepared or enticed to do criminal acts by the physical and distracting effects of alcohol." This important statement concerning crime in the State of New York is fully justified by the following extract from the annual report of the police justices of New York City: "We are satisfied that intoxication is the one great leading cause which renders the existence of our police courts necessary."

This state of things exists, not only in a few sections here and there, but throughout the entire land. Listen to this statement from "The National Temperance Almanac" for 1901: "The statistics obtained from the replies of over 1000 prison Governors in the United States to a circular letter addressed to them show that the general average of 909 replies gives the propor-

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tion of crime due to drink at no less than 72 per cent."

Some time ago there was published in "The Political Prohibitionist" a table giving the number of arrests in one year in fifty-eight American cities. The figures were obtained partly from the published reports of police officials and partly from direct correspondence with them. In these fifty-eight cities, located in seventeen different States, the total number of arrests was 394,478, and of these 191,460 were for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, and assaults. After a very small deduction of assaults, not due to drink, the figures show that in these fifty-eight cities nearly two-thirds of all the offenses committed in one year were due solely to drink.

Now let us notice another strong statement from the pen of Dr. Elisha Harris, who knows not only what drink is doing in New York, but what it is doing all over the United States. After personal investigation of prison affairs, as Secretary of a prison association, he states definitely: "More than half of all the convicts in the State prisons and penitentiaries voluntarily confess that they were intemperate and often drunk previous to the crimes for which they were imprisoned, and that such intemperance had an essential influence in preparing them for the acts of crime which they committed."

About 82 per cent of the convicts in the United States privately confess their frequent indulgence in intoxicating drinks. The Superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction found that only 18 per cent of the convicts in fifteen State prisons and in a large number of county jails even pretended to be temperate at all. This may be taken as a fair statement of percentages of the temperate and intemperate in the prisons and jails of the United States."

Now let us see how these positive statements are corroborated by the declarations of some of our eminent jurists. Chief Justice Fuller, of the Supreme Court, said in 1899: "The statistics of every State show a greater amount of crime and misery attributable to the use of ardent spirits obtained at these retail liquor saloons than to any other source." Judge Colridge declares: "There is scarcely a crime before me that is not directly or indirectly caused by strong drink." Hon. Noah Davis, Chief Justice of New York, asserts: "Among all causes of crime intemperance stands out the unapproachable chief. The saloons create nine-tenths of the criminal courts; and nearly all who have carefully observed those who have been tried in the criminal courts recognize the fact that liquor is almost always the concomitant of crime."

From an examination of all the foregoing facts and statements we feel fully assured of the truth of our for-

mer assertion that "more than three-fourths of all the crime in this fair land of ours is caused by the saloon." None of these statements has put the proportion of drink to crime at less than one-half, while most of them have placed it at more than three-fourths; and those from the most eminent and reliable sources place it highest of all. It should be noted as quite significant that both Judge Colridge and Chief Justice Davis charge the saloon with over 90 per cent of our crimes. Mr. Wesley was not at all extravagant when he said of the liquor dealers: "A curse is in the midst of them. Blood, blood is there! The foundations, the floors, the walls of their palaces are stained with blood." Imagine then the benign consequences which would follow the removal of this gigantic evil! Who could estimate the blessed effect it would have on all the social, educational and religious interests of our land? No other economic



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question has so much to do with the prosperity and happiness of the people. With this evil once removed all other social and economic problems would be easily solved. We believe with Dr. Joseph Parker that "a sober nation would have no difficulty in settling all its own social questions." But how shall this infernal institution be abolished? We know of no better answer to this question than the following vigorous words of Bishop Foster: "There is but one road of deliverance from this pestiferous evil. It is not obscure; it is the plain road of simple honesty in dealing with a case of pronounced crime. The rum-seller is a criminal pure and simple, he must be treated as such in law and administration. He is an unmitigated enemy of society, dangerous to public welfare; there is no criminal of deeper dye. The traffic must cease to be treated as a question of rights and liberty, as much so as theft, or murder, or any other crime. This is the position the Christian Church must assume, and to which the Christian State must be brought by right-minded people. It must be made impossible for legislators and courts and the police to be complicated with crime. No man in his senses can say that there is any other remedy, or that this is too severe. All that is demanded is concert of action. There are men enough not hopelessly debauched to vote such laws. They will yet unite and rid the earth of this foul monster. It lives, not because it cannot be put to death, but because we have not the will to strangle it. Let Christendom arouse, and in a single day of brave work the land will be freed of this vilest gang of criminals that has ever cursed it, and the prisons will be empty, and the vicious classes will vanish, and the miseries of poverty and wretchedness will cease." C. W. MEYERS.

Rev. D. L. Coale, who was appointed to the Grand Prairie charge at the last session of the North Texas Conference, but who had to give up his work some time back on account of impaired health, is now engaged in canvassing Dallas and Johnson Counties in the interest of the Twentieth Century New Testament. He has the exclusive right of this work in these counties. His home is now in Oak Cliff.

ADVOCATE AGENA ABROAD.

In the visit I made to San Angelo, Bro. Scott dropped everything else and took me around on his work to get Advocate subscribers. He certainly has the work in hand out there, and is in high favor with those people.

San Angelo is in the midst of prosperity and that country is improving with marvelous rapidity. Cattle and sheep raising is the chief industry, and cool breezes make that healthful climate one desirable to live in. The streams never go dry, and abound in game fish. Methodism is for-

ing to the front, and Bro. and Sister Scott are the right ones for the place. Out of seventy-nine calls Bro. Scott and I made, we put the Advocate out into the hands of seventy-six families.

At Richmond I found many old historical facts not generally known. Here is the same church that was built in 1852, and Bro. Hickman, who helped to build the church, is still one of the church members there. Bro. Worthington, who used to be superintendent of bridges on the old Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorado Railroad, now the great "Sounder Route" which it ran down the bank at Richmond and crossed the river on a pontoon bridge, is still there with his good wife, and they still insist on having good reading, and of course took the Advocate. The grave of President Mirabeau B. Lamar is here. Bro. J. H. Garrett is a fine man, a good preacher, a student, and is much loved already by the people of Richmond. Bro. Garrett will always command confidence and build up a charge. From his youth he has been one to work and study and has kept out into winter and he undertook. We made thirty calls and secured twenty-nine subscribers for the Advocate. This was in addition to the Sunday-school picnic he had at the Sunday-school superintendent gave me the pleasure of attending on the school grounds where Methodist have held picnics since 1847. Bro. Fields is not only one of the five Sunday-school superintendents of Texas, but his standing in the Church may be assessed by his being a delegate to the last General Conference. Richmond is out for a set of good officers, Bro. Fields being also Clerk and Bro. W. H. Smith being candidate for Sheriff, now being a chief deputy. For a number of years the best citizens of the county have determined that the office of old Post Bend should be administered in a straightforward manner and they have succeeded.

WM. A. BROWN.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father, in his inscrutable providence, has taken unto himself our friend and sympathizer, Mrs. Emma Price, wife of our beloved Sunday-school superintendent, Bro. V. A. Price, we present these resolutions as an earnest of our regret and sympathy. We realize that not only have we lost a Church member, a valued member, but also a Sunday-school teacher, who has been bereft of an ardent friend and helper. We are not always sure the reasons for these sad bereavements, and it is natural that we should grieve at the loss of such pure and dear ones, while the loss of citizens and of death is the lot of all things here, yet we sorrow not as those without hope. For many years she has gone in and out before us as a quiet, unobtrusive Christian, helpful and kind to those who needed help in wearing a garment "the garment of a meek and quiet spirit." We have watched her growth and development in the Christian life with pleasure and profit to ourselves. Naturally kind and retiring, she grew into more and more likeness to Christ, her Savior, becoming more and more interested in spiritual things and a more zealous worker in the Master's vineyard. She was a tender mother and a most faithful and devoted wife, living her home and home life with a beautiful consistency. Her place in the home circle is vacant; the Sunday-school has lost a faithful friend, her place in our church school know her no more, and we shall miss her sorely. Only time, the great healer and God, our Savior, can heal the wounds made by her untimely demise. But we are comforted with the thought that while we linger on here in sorrow, shedding natural tears, though unwilling, she is basking in the full light of heaven, with Jesus for an intercessor and an eternity of joy and gladness as her portion. Her death was peaceful as her life had been, and her friends and family were permitted unimpaired enjoyment of her acceptance with God and that she had a "little clear to mansion in the sky." Such a death is an inspiration to those she loved and left behind her, and a steadfast comfort as well as an enduring example to other Christians. Let us as a Sunday-school and as a Church strive to emulate her, so that in our last hours we may "give no uncertain sound," but go to meet death as our best friend. We extend to our dear Bro. Price his heartiest sympathy, and we suggest that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Texas Christian Advocate for publication. Respectfully submitted, MRS. TRIMMER, Mrs. F. ADAMS, J. E. S. SPAIN, Pastor, First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Marshall, Texas.

Greenlee District—Third Round. Merrill, at Harrod's Chapel, July 2, 8. Wolfe City, July 2, 7. Celeste and Lane, at Celeste, July 2, 12. Nooks, at Meadow View, July 2, 25. Kavanough, July 2, 25. Farris, at Olive Branch, July 2, 25. Campbell, at Jackson, July 2, 25. Commerce, at Smith's Chapel, Aug. 2, 1. Commerce, at, Aug. 2, 1. Kingston, at White Rock, Aug. 2, 1. Lone Oak, at Twin Oaks, Aug. 2, 20. Leonard, at Grace Hill, Aug. 2, 20. Gorman, at Union Valley, Aug. 2, 20. Greenville, at Concord, Sept. 2, 8. Wesley, Greenville, Sept. 2, 8. Leonard and Orange Grove, Sept. 2, 14. O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Vernon District—Fourth Round. Quannah, Sat. Sun, Aug. 9, 9. Vernon, Sat. Sun, Aug. 9, 10. Granite, at Granite, Sat. Sun, Aug. 9, 9. Crowell, at Marquette, Aug. 9, 10. Yell, Sat. Sun, Aug. 20, 25. Willow Vale, Sat. Sun, Aug. 20, 25. Mangum, Thurs, Sept. 1. Deer Creek, at Francis, Sept. 1. Blair, at Blair, Sat. Sun, Sept. 6, 7. Blair, at Blair, Sat. Sun, Sept. 6, 7. Eldorado, at Dryden, Sept. 6, 7. Seymour, Sat. Sun, Sept. 20, 25. Bonjomin, Thurs, Sept. 20, 25. Monday, Thurs, Oct. 2. Round Timber, Sat. Sun, Oct. 2, 7. Threeknott, Sat. Sun, Oct. 2, 7. Chillicothe, at Big Valley, Sat. Sun, Oct. 2, 7. Haskell, Sat. Sun, Nov. 1, 2. Haskell, Sat. Sun, Nov. 1, 2. Vernon, Sat. Sun, Nov. 1, 2. J. H. Wiseman, P. E.

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A table listing various locations and dates for church conferences or events, including names like Stamford, Anson, Midland, Galt, Colorado, etc., with corresponding dates in July and August.



PROCEEDINGS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE SEVEN. question. Will you extend the time of Dr. Alderson?

The Conference, on motion, agreed to extend Dr. Alderson's time.

R. H. Mahon: I raise the point of order that after the previous question has been ordered it is out of order to inject any other motion.

The Bishop: This is for an extension of time.

R. H. Mahon: I understand that. He has no more right to make that motion—

The Bishop: The Chair thinks you are not in order.

Paul Whitehead: Did you decide Brother Mahon was not in order?

The Bishop: I say he is not in order in the statement that you can't extend the time of Dr. Alderson.

Paul Whitehead: I agree with you.

The Bishop: Thank you, sir. (Laughter.)

E. W. Alderson: I am not going to take any more time than I can possibly avoid. I just want to clear up any misunderstanding. Dr. McLean, will you state your question?

J. H. McLean: I will be glad to do so. Suppose that at a District Conference there is complaint against a local preacher and his character is held up and the District Conference fails to renew his license; then what is it and how can you try him? Will you try him as a local preacher when you fail to renew his license?

E. W. Alderson: I think the competent motion in that case would be to renew the man's license subject to the verdict of the committee on trial. The law says nothing about it one way or the other; there is no provision for it or against it. It creates no serious difficulty. The same difficulty would result from a trial in the Quarterly Conference as far as that is concerned. Now one or two other points. In the case of a large and sparsely settled district, and especially in our mission fields, there is a provision that in cases of imperative necessity of this sort the presiding elder himself may make the examination and report to the District Conference. Now it seems to me that in this arrangement we have obviated the evils of the law as it now stands; we have given a unified jurisdiction. We are not taking a step backwards, but if the law as we put it into operation to-day does not prove a success, then the men who have advocated a transfer of the jurisdiction over the local ministry to the District Conference, can't complain if their brethren come forward and demand a change; but I do persist that we should not take a backward step when it has not been proven on this Conference floor that one solitary efficient man has been lost to the local ranks. On the other hand it is palpably certain that the general condition of the local ministry has been developed and uplifted. We ought not to take that backward step until we have given the law a fair chance. I hope you will pass the majority report, and then, after a few years, if it does not work well, I, for one, will not contend for a continuation of any law that does not work well for the Church.

The vote was taken upon the adoption of the minority report, and the same was not adopted—ayes, 66; noes, 107.

The majority report was then adopted—ayes, 120; noes, 55.

W. F. Vandiver: I rise to a point of personal privilege. When I was elected to the General Conference two years ago, I felt like the Church expected me to do something. I looked somewhat over the situation and it occurred to my mind that the one something that I ought to undertake was a better provision for our superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers. I worked very hard in the committee, but failed to get the report on the calendar as early as it should have been done. When I came to this Gen-

eral Conference I said that the first thing I would undertake to do is to get that bill passed and on the calendar. You know the result of it. A few days since it was adopted. Now that plan itself cannot become a success unless it is followed up vigorously by every brother, and, if you please, by every Bishop of the Southern M. E. Church.

B. F. Lipscomb: I raise the point of order that the brother is not speaking to a question of personal privilege.

W. F. Vandiver: If he will give me a minute I will show him that it is a point of personal privilege. I want to be, Mr. President, the first man to subscribe \$1,000 to that fund. (Applause.) Now, Mr. President, if that does not satisfy the brother's objection to my point of personal privilege I will go him one more. (Applause.) I would say, Mr. President, that we have in the Alabama Conference, and a member of the same Church with myself, a gentleman to whom I submitted this matter. I said to Capt. J. J. Flowers, "How much will you do, Captain?" He said, "Brother Vandiver, whatever you do, do for me." Therefore I ask you to enter for Capt. J. J. Flowers, of the Alabama Conference, \$1,000 also. Now, Mr. President and gentlemen, I am not prepared to go home until I see a good, first-class old Methodist collection taken up for this purpose. Now, is there anybody else in this audience who wants to give a thousand dollars to this fund?

Bishop Galloway: I have heard with very great pleasure the statement of Brother Vandiver, and he claims the privilege of being the first to subscribe \$1,000. I am sorry that he cannot carry away that honor, for I have had a letter in my pocket for the last six days from an old friend of mine in Louisiana, 52 years of age, who, after reading the address of the Bishops to the General Conference, authorizes me to subscribe for him \$1,000 to the fund. (Applause.)

W. F. Vandiver: I shall have to yield to age. I want to say that I have not been totting this thing around in my pocket, but I have had it in my heart. (Applause.)

Paul Whitehead: The point of order is that Brother Vandiver has the advantage—he executed his power of attorney and the other man did not. (Laughter.)

W. F. Vandiver: There are other brethren here who I am satisfied will give this fund \$1,000. There is nothing in this world that will so encourage and bring success to the plan which we have adopted as a substantial demonstration of an endorsement of the plan by this Conference by your action. Now who else will give a thousand dollars to this fund?

Tipton T. Fishburne: I want to say that I am heartily in sympathy with this movement and am willing to give a thousand dollars, but I have not the money; I mean to say I have not the ready cash, but if the brother will take \$1,000 in stock that I think I can guarantee him 6 per cent dividend on I will give that.

W. F. Vandiver: That is acceptable.

T. T. Fishburne: But for the fact that I have felt called on to make some other subscriptions in the last month I would make it \$5,000. I would, from my heart; I would rather give \$5,000 to-day to it than to give \$1,000, and if I see the way clear I mean to add to it. (Applause.)

Mr. Vandiver made further appeals for contributions, and the following responses were made:

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Bishop Hendrix ..... 100  
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J. W. Kemper ..... 100  
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W. H. Winton ..... 100  
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In addition to the above contributions, Bishop Hendrix announced that he would make every possible effort on his part to raise \$10,000 more during the next coming quadrennium.

W. F. Vandiver: I will turn over all the cash I receive to Brother Scales, who is Secretary and Treasurer, to whom all these donations will be paid. Remember to report the subscriptions to your local Church, to be reported to the Treasurer of your Joint Board of Finance of the Annual Conference, so that it will be of record in your Annual Conference and also forwarded to the Board of Trustees, D. C. Scales, Treasurer.

J. J. Tigert: As a member of that board, I will announce that the headquarters of the board are at Nashville, and Brother Scales will receive the money there.

S. B. Adams: Here is a resolution that will provoke no discussion, and I would like to have consent to offer it at this time.

The Secretary read, as follows: "Resolved, That in cases of connection officers not re-elected at this Conference, their salaries be continued until the meeting of their respective Annual Conferences, unless such officer shall, before the meeting of his Conference, receive a salary from some other office or employment, in which latter event his salary first mentioned shall cease."

On motion of Collins Denny, the resolution was adopted.

Collins Denny: I have a resolution here that I have been asked to present, sending greetings to Dr. Andrew Hunter and Jerome C. Berryman, the only surviving members of the General Conference of 1844.

The Secretary read as follows: "Resolved, That the Secretary of this Conference be and hereby is instructed to send the love and affectionate greetings of this body to Dr. Andrew Hunter and the Rev. Jerome C. Berryman, the sole surviving members of the General Conference of 1844."

The resolution was adopted.

The Bishop: We will go on with the work of the calendar.

C. B. Mann: I move a reconsideration of the motion made by Dr. Tigert this morning in reference to the address in the Appendix of our Discipline on wordly amusements. I do think that, owing to certain things that have happened here during this Conference, that we should be very cautious in our deliverances on the subject of morality, and I do hope we will reconsider this in order that this address be eliminated from the Appendix.

J. J. Tigert: Did Brother Mann vote for the motion?

C. B. Mann: I did not vote at all.

J. J. Tigert: He is not eligible to make a motion to reconsider. I make

the point that it is not before the house.

The Bishop: The point is well taken.

T. L. Mellen: I think Dr. Tigert's point is not well taken, because the aye and nay vote was not called, and that rule is only applicable, as I understand parliamentary tactics, where the aye and nay vote is called.

The Bishop: I am sorry to differ with Brother Mellen; but I think the point is well taken by Brother Tigert. Report No. 7 from the Committee on Missions was taken up and the first item read and adopted.

The second item was then read.

S. S. Keener: Does this report have reference to Church Extension Societies in our various cities, or does it mean the parent Board?

The Bishop: Will the Chairman give the information to Dr. Keener?

A. Coke Smith: We have in view in that report the parent Boards and all the work of Church Extension, local as well as parent.

Frank Richardson: As I understand it we are going to have a system of city missionaries in the city which shall be controlled by the parent Board, by the Conference Board, by the Missions Board, by the Church Extension, and by every society we have got in the Church. I do not see how we can run a thing of that kind without getting into endless confusion. I had never known any enterprise of that kind to succeed that did not have a single intelligent head. There is another reason why I do not

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like that provision. There is a tendency continually to centralization among us that ought to be resisted. I hope the Conference will not adopt a thing of this kind. Our Board of Domestic Missions in the Annual Conference (at least in our Conference) has been studying this question and bringing their minds and hearts to bear upon it as never before during the past few years. There is promise of greater success among us than we have ever known or thought of, but if you adopt this hydra-headed measure you will put it out of their power to control the missions within their own bounds.

A. Coke Smith: I wish to read the report that the brother will hear and understand it.

That does not take anything out of the hand of the Conference Board. It simply means in places where the Conference Board is not able to meet the requirements, then the parent Board can come in co-operation with that Board. Now, that is not giving two heads or three heads, but it is three heads only.

Paul Whitehead: It is not a hydra-headed machine; it is a Briareous-armed machine—the monarch of the plains spreads out his arms—a hundred of them.

On motion of W. F. Barclay, the previous question was called, and the item of the report as read was adopted.

S. S. Keener: I move that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock to-night.

W. L. Neims: I move to lay that on the table.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary then read Report No. 3 of Committee on Revisals and the minority report accompanying the same.

S. S. Keener: I move the adoption of the majority report.

Paul Whitehead: I move to substitute the minority for the majority report.

The motion was seconded.

Paul Whitehead: I claim to be one of the oldest advocates of this movement in the Southern Church. Immediately after the action of the Northern Methodist General Conference in 1890 on this subject I wrote an article in the Richmond Christian Advocate advocating the establishment of the order of Deaconesses, and I have never changed my mind.

The vote of 13 to 13 in the committee was on a motion to concur in the establishment of the office of deaconess, which failed on a tie, and the committee reported against it; but 13 were in favor as well as 13 against. I think the whole subject is most cleverly covered by the little leaflet written by Miss Held. The very same objection to the work of trained deaconesses in this business was made to the working and employment of trained nurses—the Southern prejudice against women being anything else but a member of the household and working in a social sphere according to her sweet will. I have known a great many men to object most seriously to the education and training of their sisters, though they were poor and dependent, as trained nurses. They would say that they would work their fingers to the bone to support their sisters before they should ever go to any such employment. But the common sense of the age and the necessities of the situation

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tion and the demands of the people have swept away all this prejudice. I contend there is a demand for trained workers of this kind. We have plenty of work for them to do. We have got a work they love to do—a work that has been already done to some extent; but we want this provision for their training just like we want institutions for the graduation of trained nurses. We want to know where we can get them when we want them, and lay our hands upon them and willingly support them and give them our endorsement and help in this work, and we cannot do it until we have some arrangement of this kind. We say expressly that this office of deaconess is no order of any kind, and there is no provision for a woman preacher or a woman expounder on the platform, but to give authority to the office and significance to the woman who consecrates herself to this benevolent work. I cannot see any harm in it; it seems to me I see a good deal of good, and, by God's blessing, I hope this General Conference will order it.

W. R. Peebles: I do not think there is any need developed for the office of deaconess to be created that is not met fully in the report of the committee, or rather in the majority report of the committee. It is claimed that certain sections need just such work as it is claimed the deaconesses can do. This majority report provides not only that you can have them, but there is a factory where you can get them from. I do not know any women that want this scarcely at all. I have taken pains to inquire into it. I am opposed to it because it is an undemocratic measure. According to that paper, it is class legislation. She can't be a married woman. It is in the interests of these long unappropriated blessings. I oppose it, again, because when you get a special lot of women to do a work it will encourage the women to unload on us. It suppresses individual activity. It is taking away spontaneity and crushing out individualism, and putting everything in orders.

A. Coke Smith: I come from one of the largest pastoral charges in Southern Methodism. For two years that Church has employed a city missionary who is doing the work that is provided in this bill for deaconesses. I stand here to say that there is a work in our cities that only women can do, and only women that have been trained to do that kind of work are fitted to do it. She must be trained for it, and this is simply the name given an order of deaconesses. Brother Peebles talks about class legislation. Why, when a woman marries and has a family of her own, she has already legislated herself out of that kind of work. She cannot attend to her own household work and attend to work of this kind.

C. F. Reid: If ever there has been a question before this Conference from which ridicule should be debarred, certainly this is the question. In the name of our mothers, in the name of our sisters, in the name of that great host of Godly women, without which there would be no Church, let us consider this question as in the presence of God. It has been said here that they do not want it. They do want it. What is this petition before us but an asking at our hands consideration? They say, in the first place, they are not asking to be preachers. It is not petticoats in the pulpit that we have to deal with now. They do not ask us to ordain them. They simply ask to be recognized by us, that as they go forward in their labors they may not stand alone; that they may have the endorsement of their brethren upon them. Is this too much to ask at our hands? Another thing I would like to have considered, and that is that this majority report makes no provision for the training and education that is necessary for this work. They ask us to put into their hands the facility for enabling them to do this work in the very best possible way. Unless they have that facility and that study and training which will

enable them to be most effective, they cannot meet with that success which they desire.

W. R. Webb: In July, 1862, in front of the batteries in Malvern Hill, I was shot down and left upon the battlefield for three days, unattended and uncared for, as hundreds of others were. The priests and the Sisters of Charity were there. I had been reared among the old Scotch Presbyterians, who dissented from those who suffered persecution who had taught me when I was simply a lad in my teens that the Catholic Church was the Great Beast spoken of in Revelations. When I saw the old Roman priests and the Sisters of Charity, and I saw no Methodists or Baptists, or any other of the great denominations, I realized what a great work these people were doing for humanity. That may be simply a personal illusion, but it had its weight upon my character. You will pardon me for another. I never knew what it was to have the advice of a father. A mother, a widowed mother, an unappropriated blessing, was the greatest teacher of a Sunday-school I ever had the honor of attending. I thank God for these unappropriated blessings. The finest piece of literature ever produced to the South was Thomas Nelson Page's "Cousin Fanny." Bro. Peebles made his speech. He comes from my Conference, that passed a memorial asking this General Conference to establish this order of deaconesses according to the minority report; and I want the Tennessee Conference properly represented before this body. Our delegates who are here—each one that appeared upon the floor—made speeches upon that order. He fights against it because it is undemocratic. If I understand democracy (and I tried to learn it) it is local self-government. My conscience! Can't a good woman have local option on her matrimonial state without being charged with being undemocratic? My brethren, I believe that this is the great question that is now left before us for this General Conference, and unless we adopt that minority report I will return to the Tennessee Conference feeling that we have not taken the best forward step that was before us.

S. B. Adams: Permit a few words in favor of the deaconess movement. I came from a city where an order of this kind is extremely important. I believe that one of the sources of the strength of the Roman Catholic Church, a Church that is very close to the masses, and is doing an immense amount of good among the masses, is in the existence of the Sisters of Charity. I am proud to say, Methodist though I am, that I am one of the managers of a hospital in Savannah controlled by the Sisters of Charity, and belonging to their great Church, and the son of a Methodist preacher is the house physician. I have had occasion to know these Godly women, and I bow before them always in grateful and glad recognition of their piety and of their devotion to the cause of the sick and the poor and the afflicted. I would rejoice to know that my own Church, in some practical way, will attest its interest in the sick and the suffering by an order of this kind. It seldom happens to busy men that they can discriminate. Ladies can enter homes and become familiar with the children, their mothers and their needs, and can know better who are worthy and who are not worthy as men cannot know; and they can be of great assistance in this discrimination in the wise use of money for practical religion. I would like to see them distinguished so that they can be recognized anywhere and everywhere. Let us encourage these good women in their great work for practical religion.

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A. J. Lamar: Sentiment is a very beautiful thing; I wouldn't say a word against it; but sentiment ought not to govern a grave Church council in the decision of practical questions. We have heard eulogies this morning on the Sisters of Charity, and I would not take one laurel from their brows. But if you please, there are certain things in connection with the Sisters of Charity that we should remember. These good women are profoundly convinced that they can work their way to the kingdom of heaven, and they are working under that conviction. Again, what has been the effect upon the Roman Catholic Church of these various orders? Have not the energies of this Church been absorbed in these various orders? Is there not a strong tendency in human nature, be it Romanist or Protestant, when you have organized a society charged with a specific duty to turn over the performance of that duty to that society, and all others abate themselves of any responsibility whatever? We have thousands of good women in Southern Methodism who are doing the work of our Lord and his Church in the cities, as well as in the country. Now you single out from their number two or three, or a half dozen, and say these are the people to do that work, and you are going to stop a great deal of good work that is going on; you are going to rob a great many of our good

women of that which is a great blessing to them, the doing of this great work, which ought to be the work of all Christian women, and not of a selected few. There is no great demand in Southern Methodism for the establishment of this order. I honor some of the women who are heartily in favor of that movement, but they are not representative of the great sisterhood of Southern Methodism. There are sections where all of our women practically are opposed to establishing this order. We ought to remember that. I do not like, personally, the uniform business. I do not believe in advertising piety, and I do not want to see the Southern Methodist Church establish an order of women who, by their garb, shall go out advertised as something superior to their sisters.

(Further Proceedings Next Week.)

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NOTICE.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of the Terrell District will hold its district meeting at Forney, July 5 and 10. Delegates and visitors will please send their names to Rev. J. P. Lowry, MRS. A. S. HOLMES, District Secretary, Terrell, Texas.

NOTICE.

The district meeting of the W. H. M. Society of Bowie District will be held at Bridgeport July 15-17, 1902. Every auxiliary in the district is urged to send two delegates. Let all corresponding secretaries and treasurers send their books to be approved. Come expecting and praying for a great spiritual uplift.

MRS. JAS. F. CARTER, District Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

I take pleasure in announcing to you that at our annual meeting held in Granbury, Texas, Mrs. W. F. Barnum, of Fort Worth, was elected Corresponding Secretary of the W. F. M. Society of the Northwest Texas Conference. All information can be obtained from her concerning the work. Address her, 509 5th Avenue. Let us all heartily cooperate with her and seek to advance the work more than ever before. Your co-worker,

MRS. J. P. MUSSETT, Grapevine, Texas.

ANNUAL MEETING W. F. M. S.

The annual meeting of the W. F. M. Society of Northwest Texas Conference, held at Granbury, June 14-17, was pleasant and profitable throughout. We were made welcome by bright faces and hearty hand claps at the depot, conveyed to our homes and elegantly entertained. Miss Harper LeMaster gave us a beautiful address of welcome at the Church Saturday night to which Mrs. W. F. Barnum responded in her own earnest way. Bro. H. Bishop, who was to have preached our annual sermon, was kept away by illness, but in his place we had Bro. Boaz, the new president of the Polytechnic College, who gave us a very fine and forcible sermon on Sunday. Sister Boaz was with him and added much to our meeting by her singing, as did Mrs. Barnum and others. While all regretted not hearing Bro. Bishop we were delighted to have the place so ably filled. We had a sweet, solemn service on Sunday afternoon in memory of our dear departed Sisters Munger and Blanchard, afterward including several others who had "passed over" among them. Sisters Bebling, Sloan, Chew, and others, whose names I can not recall. We felt very near the border land as we talked of these dear workers. So often had we met them at the annual meetings we could hardly realize they were not with us and indeed were not certain but they were. "Are they not all ministering spirits?"

On Sunday night we had our president's annual address, breathing the energy and hope in the work which is characteristic of her; also a fine paper from Mrs. John Nelson, of Waco, subject, "The Influence of Foreign Missions on the Spiritual Life of the Church."

On Monday morning our business session began, with a fine attendance of delegates, of which the juvenile formed a strong and pleasing feature. I never saw a more earnest, attentive body of young girls at a meeting. What a grand beginning they are making for a useful life. One profitable feature of the meeting was Sister Mussett's account of the Board meeting at Charleston, S. C. Truly she brought us a breath of the energy and consecration with which those meetings are generally marked. But Sister Mussett did not need to go there for missionary enthusiasm. All who know her are aware that it is her normal state.

The reports from the Board meeting showed total collections for last year to be \$109,780.90—more than any previous year except the twentieth century year. Five missionaries received their marching orders at the meeting of the Board and will soon be at their posts spreading the light and liberty of the gospel of our Christ. At that meeting Sister Mussett pledged \$1000 for support of Miss Lucy Harper and part of the salary of Miss Stradley. Also \$75 toward a loan fund in the Scarritt Training School. Both of these pledges we endorsed and will doubtless redeem them in our auxiliaries.

A comparison of reports showed Waco to be the banner district of our

Conference and Corsicana the banner auxiliary—the latter paying last year \$185.15 and taking 45 copies of the Woman's Missionary Advocate. Truly this tells a story of earnestness and endeavor. At a later date this report will be given in full to the Advocate readers as an inspiration. But I believe it was the verdict that of only one of us at the meeting could it be said, "She hath done what she could." That was of Sister Barnes, of Bluffdale. Being called out by our president she told how she and her daughter had worked in the field to get money to pay their dues. Then she had a dozen tomato seed sent her by the aunt of a missionary. From these she sold one dollar's worth of tomatoes the first year with which she paid her dues. Then she advertised the seed for sale and I think realized two dollars the first year. The next her tomatoes were burned up by drought, and no other way being open she found she could no longer pay her dues. With a heart burning with missionary zeal this was a great trial, as she told us with faltering voice. But these words of hers were taken up by Him who multiplied the loaves and fishes and brought first such a sense of reproof and unfaithfulness to us all that every face was suffused with tears of contrition that we had done so little. Then we made an offering of \$20 to make Sister Barnes a life member. Truly we feel that Sister Barnes brought more to the meeting than any of us. May God still use her to fire zeal for his cause.

We had another inspiring presence—Sister Davidson, of Georgetown, and a paper from her; also one from Sister Sines, who was unable to be with us. The latter will appear in the Texas Advocate. A pure, sweet, tender message from an invalid's pen. Our election resulted as follows: President, Mrs. M. E. Bullock; Vice-President, Mrs. J. P. Mussett; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. F. Barnum; Recording Secretary, Miss Mimms, of Waxahachie; Treasurer, Mrs. Lila Harper, District Secretaries as follows: Abilene, to be supplied; Brownwood, Mrs. Overall; Clarendon, Mrs. Coulter; Corsicana, Mrs. Geo. Jester; Dublin, Mrs. Marr; Fort Worth, Mrs. Booty; Gatesville, Mrs. Charles Daniels; Georgetown, Mrs. Robert McSwain; Vernon, Mrs. Wiseman; Waxahachie, Mrs. O. F. Sensabaugh; Weatherford, Mrs. J. P. Wills; Waco, Mrs. J. R. Nelson. Truly we ought to obey our year's motto and "Go Forward."

It was a touching moment to us all when our dear faithful Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. P. Mussett, told us with faltering voice that we must elect some one else to the office of Corresponding Secretary of Conference Society, her strength being no longer equal to its labors. It reminded me of the superannuation of a preacher. How hard to give up a long loved work. We shall miss her kind, helpful letters through the year, but are grateful that so competent a worker as Mrs. Barnum was found for the place. We missed the familiar faces of Miss Rawlings and Mrs. Harper from our circle. An ideal reception was given us at the pleasant home of Bro. Gordon on Wednesday afternoon. It was truly a time of social refreshment and good cheer. Our meeting had a fitting close in an able address from Bro. R. F. Dunn, of Cresson. On the whole we felt we had a successful meeting and that we did better in our deliberations than the General Conference. We had perfect harmony—no one "rose to a point of order" or to a "question of personal privilege" throughout.

MRS. C. C. ARMSTRONG.

P. S.—It is said a woman's letter must always have a postscript. This shows careful afterthought. I omitted the place elected for our next meeting which is Temple, First Church. I also want to add that we had an ideal conference host in Bro. Rucker. By continual attention and courtesy he won our gratitude. We shall not soon forget the coolers of ice-water he brought each session in his own buggy nor his many helpful words. MRS. C. C. A. Weatherford, Texas.

ANNUAL MEETING W. H. M. S.

The eighth annual meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Northwest Texas Conference was held in Fifth Street Methodist Church, Waco, Texas, June 1, 5 and 6, 1902. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, pastor of the Church, who delivered an appropriate address. The President, Mrs. A. T. Patton, of Alvarado, was absent on account of ill health and Mrs. Fred Fleming, of Corsicana, First Vice President, presided, winning admiration and esteem by her quiet dignity and just rulings. Mrs. J. M. Long, of Mexico, Recording Secretary, was unavoidably absent, and Mrs. A. V. Honeycutt, of Cleburne, was elected Secretary pro tem. Mrs. W. H. Barnum, of Fort Worth, assistant. A message of sympathy was sent to Mrs. Patton. The other officers present were: Second Vice-President, Mrs. O. F. Sensabaugh; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Flora N. Hey; Treasurer, Mrs. N. G. Rollins; District Secretaries—Mrs. W. H. Purcell, Fort Worth District; Mrs. L. B. Duvall, Waco District; Mrs. J. B. Price, Weatherford District. Forty-eight delegates were present. Reports of children's work showed a de-

crease in membership and number of auxiliaries. Discussion proved that the Junior Epworth League is absorbing our juvenile department. The society pledged a more faithful work among the children by a rising vote.

Superintendents of Departments of Supplies, Parsonages, Baby Roll, Loan Fund and Training made fine reports, showing that much good work is being done with gratifying results. When we heard that parsonages are being built and maintained in almost every town and hamlet, that boxes of substantial clothing, bedding, etc., are being sent to struggling ministers on mission work, to the Dallas Mission Home and to the Waco Orphanage; that many women are paying a tenth to the Lord, that money is being appropriated to Churches in need of help, and that mothers are consecrating their children to God's service—we felt deeply thankful for all these evidences of progress.

Mrs. W. H. Purcell, agent for Our Homes, reported a decrease in subscriptions. The night session was opened by Rev. J. R. Nelson. Mrs. Mattie Wills Kellett welcomed the society in behalf of the Woman's Home Society, and Mrs. W. J. Wigley spoke for the Foreign Missionary Society. Response by Mrs. Flora N. Hey, of Waxahachie. Mrs. Fred Fleming, of Corsicana, read the President's annual address, which was able, comprehensive and instructive paper. Rev. J. R. Nelson spoke. He is an ardent advocate of missions and woman's work, and endorsed the action of the recent General Conference creating the office of Deaconess, and predicted great results from this new department of Church work.

Mrs. S. C. Follin, of Fort Worth, opened the second day's session with Scriptures and prayer. The question of representation at the annual meeting was delegated for every twenty-five members or fractional part thereof not less than seven. The honor roll for membership is: February 20, Georgetown, 21, Fifth Street Church, Waco, 29. Laredo was first in subscriptions to Our Homes.

Mrs. Flora N. Hey, Corresponding Secretary, made her report, which showed that many auxiliaries are careless in making their quarterly reports, some not reporting at all. Her work is retarded by this, and she appealed to the delegates to stir up their auxiliaries to send reports quarterly, and to fill blanks correctly. She had reports from only 215 of our auxiliaries, while Mrs. Rollins, the Treasurer, reported from one hundred. Mrs. Rollins explained the difference by saying that our women are honest and will send their dues reports, but are careless about reporting to Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Rollins' report was fine, and showed business well up.

Thursday night the annual sermon was preached by Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker of Temple, that justly popular pulpit orator of whom all Texas Methodists are proud. Friday's session was opened by Mrs. W. H. Purcell, of Cleburne. A short testimony service followed. Reports of auxiliaries continued from preceding day. At 10 o'clock election of officers was taken up, by previous agreement. Mrs. Fleming was elected President by unanimous vote, but being unable to attend, some home duties. Mrs. W. H. Johnson, of Dallas, appeared to her to accept the office, speaking so feelingly that many tears were shed. Mrs. Fleming finally accepted and a beautiful prayer was offered by Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth.

Officers for ensuing year: President, Mrs. Fred Fleming, Corsicana; First Vice-President, Mrs. S. C. Follin, Fort Worth; Second Vice-President, Mrs. E. B. Brown, Waxahachie; Third Vice-President, Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, Cleburne; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. V. Honeycutt, Cleburne; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. D. Knickerbocker, Temple; Treasurer, Mrs. N. G. Rollins, Aspermont; District Secretaries: Georgetown District, Mrs. Richardson, Georgetown; Corsicana District, Mrs. A. Johnson, Corsicana; Fort Worth District, Mrs. L. B. Duvall, Fort Worth; Waco District, Mrs. L. B. Duvall, Waco; Waxahachie District, Mrs. W. McCamahan, Waxahachie; Gatesville District, Mrs. S. H. Lumpkin, Meridian; Abilene District, Mrs. E. B. Brown, Brownwood; Abilene District, Mrs. C. C. Bondford, Colorado; Clarendon District, Mrs. G. S. Hardy, Clarendon; Dublin District, Mrs. J. G. George, Stephenville; Vernon District, Mrs. J. E. Bloodworth, Vernon; Dallas Mission Home and School, Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Financial Agent; Miss Mary Moore, Superintendent and Treasurer. Superintendents of departments will be reported by the Executive Board, which is composed of officers and District Secretaries.

Brownwood was selected as place of next meeting. Mrs. Johnson and Miss Moore, of the Dallas Mission Home and Training School, reported a new building completed, valuable land purchased, increased and improved equipment in industrial departments, and the Home full. This school is doing incalculable good. Many good incidents of the daily life and reformations were related. Mrs. J. T. Bloodworth, who had recently spent a week visiting Home, paid high tribute to the institution and management. A resolution was adopted pledging the society to raise one dollar per member, or not less than \$200, to establish a Deaconess Home within the bounds of the Northwest Texas Conference during the next year, the money to be raised by the city raising \$500 as a bonus. If it should be impossible to establish such home, the money to be used to establish a Methodist hospital. Committee appointed from the floor to raise this fund: Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Barnum, Mrs. Duvall, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Bloodworth, Mrs. Hey and Mrs. Rollins. Rev. J. R. Nelson read a proposition, signed by all the Methodist ministers of Waco and many leading women Home Mission workers, agreeing to raise the \$500 to establish the Deaconess Home or Methodist Hospital in Waco, which was accepted. The name is to be "The Rebecca Sparks Deaconess Home," after Rebecca Sparks, Methodist Hospital, in honor of a noble mother in Israel, who, in spite of years, is a faithful worker in Waco. She has devoted much time and means to establishing a Day Nursery in that city, and spends a part of every day teaching and caring for the little ones left there by working mothers.

The entire session was harmonious, a sweet spirit and a plain earnestness and profound consecration being evident at all times. Waco Methodists kept open house, and the delegates were graciously entertained. Good music was a feature of all the sessions. A beautiful reception was given in the parlors of the handsome new church on Austin Avenue, which is finished and occupied, but not furnished. It is almost perfect in every detail and in the city, with steps at Day Nursery and Methodist Orphanage, was a sweet and tender close of a pleasant and profitable meeting. MRS. A. C. JOHNSON, Reporter.

Report of Treasurer, of H. M. S. North Texas Conference, for the quarter ending May 31, 1902.

Table with financial entries: Dues, Conf. Pledge, Cur. Ex. Mission Home, Week of Prayer, Preachers Wives Loan Fund, Baby Roll, Baby Mite Boxes, Home Fund (For M. H.), Wolf Record Books, Contingent, Total, Local Work, No. of Parsonages reported, Amt. spent on Station Parsonages, Amt. spent on Circuit Parsonages, Amt. spent on Church furnishing, Amt. spent on Local Mission work, Amt. of Supplies given Locally, Amt. expended for needy.

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MARRIAGES.

Clark-Sloan.—At the residence of the bride's parents, at Lantana, Texas, June 25, 1902, Mr. C. M. Clark and Miss Florence Sloan, Rev. W. A. Pritchett officiating. Layne-Drumfield.—At the home of the bride, near Gladson, June 25, 1902, Rev. J. R. Layne and Miss Minnie Drumfield, by Rev. J. A. Rogers, all of McLennan County, Texas. Rabe-Karbach.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Karbach, near Goodwin, Texas, on June 28, 1902, Rev. Chas. M. Rabe, of Devine, and Miss Martha Karbach, Rev. J. A. G. Rabe officiating. Innes-Moore.—At the residence of the bride's father, W. W. Moore, at Frost, Texas, Mr. J. C. Downey and Miss Clara Moore, at 5 p. m., June 22, 1902, Rev. W. H. Crawford officiating.

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UNANSWERED LETTERS.

June 25—O. A. Shook, sub. Nathan Powell, sub. J. J. Callaway, sub. T. J. Milton, sub. J. P. Skinner, sub. June 27—M. H. Major, sub. B. S. Gore, sub. C. H. Ledger, sub. E. P. Angell, sub. June 28—L. T. Morris, sub. June 29—P. P. Ray, sub. July 1—W. F. Clark, sub. S. J. Vaughan, sub. July 2—W. B. McKeown, sub. A. E. Caraway, sub. H. C. Shutt, sub.

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The 15 cows sold brought \$965, an average of \$64.33; and calves sold for \$208, and 25 bulls and bull calves brought \$280. Thirty head by the great show bull Hood Farm Pops sold for \$300, 15 by Torron for \$297, 5 by Sophie's Tormentor for \$278, an average of \$277, 3 by Brown Bessie's Son \$120, and 3 by Chromo, \$82. Three young heifers by Hood Farm Pops 9th, brought \$65, an average of \$21. The remarkably good prices brought by the young heifers of Hood Farm Pops 9th show that breeders appreciate the great breeding represented in this young bull and his progeny. None of these heifers are in milk, their average age being about 11 months. One of them brought \$25, this being the highest price paid for any female not in milk. Hood Farm Pops 9th is retained at the head of the Hood Farm herd. He is a son of the famous cow Figgis, by the great show bull Hood Farm Pops. Figgis herself was the great plum of the sale and was bought by the well known banker and copper magnate, Mr. Thomas W. Lawson of Boston. The price paid was \$25.

This sale reduces the Hood Farm herd to a more convenient basis for business and young stock from the great producing stags and dams at Hood Farm will continue to be in demand among progressive breeders. Besides others, the herd now contains 20 daughters and granddaughters of Hood Farm Pops, 20 daughters and granddaughters of Sophie's Tormentor and 19 daughters of Hood Farm Pops 9th. The famous imported Berkshire boar Nambu, which Mr. Hood himself bought in England two years ago, was purchased by Charles F. Mills of Springfield, Ill., for \$150, and about 50 other choice Berkshire sows sold at average prices, which showed that the demand for this breed of hogs is good.

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SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.

The District Conference for the San Marcos District after A. King the night of the district. Gregory, of Georgetown, the laymen also attend. The first day was spent in the Epworth schools, with especial attention to the programs of Prof. Institute, which the members, resulting in the victory of the impregnable arm of the Church. The subject of mission work on the second day, an exceptional feature of the conference to date. In seven of the twelve Sunday schools in our district the best informed at is a more effective than one of their own. Friday was given in the interests of the Fisher, wife of our District Secretary, a Society for the district very gratifying the last year. I and four Foreign. Also two journals of Mrs. J. E. Ellis and Mrs. J. E. Esting and instructible co-workers, at that preacher who grew less. Bro. I mon in the interest. The following are to the Annual Conference: J. E. P. E. FISHER, W. P. RYLAND, H. C. Wallace, J. T. Howard, A. V. Old and W. recommended for M. Crutchfield was ordered as a local preacher. The trustees of I were authorized to property for other Segin was selected holding the next week. Among the visited Georgetown, Rev. San Antonio, and St. Sister M. L. Vallin, trustees of the San A. Rev. W. M. Crute Ing the Kyle Church our lamented brother girl, but just are in great favor hospitable people.



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SAN MARCOS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The District Conference of the San Marcos District for the year 1902 convened in Kyle, June 15, after a sermon by Rev. J. A. King the night before. All the pastors of the district were present except Thos. Gregory, of Gonzales. A goodly number of the laymen also attended.

The first day was devoted to the interests of the Epworth Leagues and Sunday-schools, with especial emphasis on the latter. Questions similar to those on the programs of Prof. H. M. Hamill in his institutes were discussed by different members, resulting in a deepening conviction of the importance of this strong right arm of the Church.

The subject of missions had right-of-way on the second day. Only about 25 per cent has been paid on the assessments to date. In seven of the churches out of the twelve the Sunday-schools are organized into missionary societies, and most of the Leagues are doing some missionary work. Bro. A. P. Bradford, student missionary campaigner, from Southwestern University, was present at the conference and arranged an itinerary of missionary work in the district. The reports indicated very gratifying advancement during the last year. There are seven Home and four Foreign Societies in the district. Also, two juvenile organizations. The papers read by Mrs. J. W. Sims, Mrs. L. E. Ellis and Mrs. J. E. Pritchett were interesting and instructive. All honor to our noble co-workers, and may the shadow of that preacher who opposes them continue to grow less! Bro. Ellis preached the sermon in the interest of these societies.

The following are the delegates elected to the Annual Conference: FROF J. E. PRITCHETT, REV. W. A. SCOTT, J. E. FISHER, W. P. RYLANDER.

Alternates: H. C. Wallace, J. T. Howard.

A. Y. Old and W. M. Crutchfield were recommended for admission on trial. W. M. Crutchfield was also elected to elder's orders as a local preacher.

The trustees of the district parsonage were authorized to exchange the present property for other more desirably located. Seguin was selected as the place for holding the next session of the conference.

Among the visitors were Dr. Hyer of Georgetown; Rev. J. M. Alexander, of San Antonio, and Rev. H. B. Phillips, of Palestine; also Sister A. M. Ireland and Sister M. I. Volino, who spoke in the interests of the San Antonio Rescue Home.

Rev. W. M. Crutchfield, who is supplying the Kyle Church since the death of our lamented brother, J. T. Graham, is a Vanderbilt man. His wife is a Tennessee girl, but just suited to Texas. Both are in great favor with their noble and hospitable people, whose generous enter-

TYLER DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The nineteenth session of the Tyler District Conference met in Malakoff, Texas, June 12, 1902, under the presidency of the presiding elder, J. T. Smith.

In the main, a more harmonious and profitable District Conference rarely sits. The spirit of brotherly love and Christian fellowship was marked throughout the entire session. The preaching was all of a high order and was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, saying "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost; for the promise is unto you, and to all that are afar

off." And with many other words did they testify and exhort. Then they that gladly received their words were baptized. And they continued steadfastly in the apostolic doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. And fear came upon every soul, and all that believed, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, and eating their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the Church such as should be saved.

The influence of the conference was far-reaching, and its spirit of unity and brotherly kindness was a subject of common remark. We all experienced how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity; that it is like the precious ointment upon the head and that it enervates the whole being as the dew of Hermon; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life forevermore.

Such was the interest that Bro. Willis, the pastor, continued through the week. Rev. R. W. Thompson was with us, and preached an earnest, telling sermon, followed by a collection for the Orphanage. Among other visitors were Revs. W. A. Sampson, President of our conference Board of Education; A. A. Kidd and W. P. Garvin; Prof. J. H. Bishop, of Polk College; Prof. J. E. Williams, of Alexander College; and others.

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The conference revealed the spiritual state of the Church to be hopeful, the attendance upon the ordinances good, while the social meetings are in some parts neglected.

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The conference took high ground in the adoption of several papers, notably those dealing upon such lines as Sabbath observance and education, copies of which have been forwarded to the Advocate in a separate communication. H. B. LEIGHTON, Secretary, Marchison, Texas.

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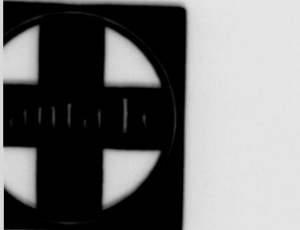
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Vernon District—Third Round.  
Deer Creek, at Francis, Sat., Sun., July 5, 6  
Granite, at Granite, Mon., Tues., July 7, 8  
Benjamin, at Level View, Sat., Sun., July 12, 13  
Round Timbers, at Morgan, Mon., Tues., July 14, 15  
Throckmorton, Wed., Thurs., July 16, 17  
Monday, at Shady, July 19, 20  
Haskell, at Bethlehem, July 21, 22  
Haskell, at Bethlehem, July 23, 24  
Chillicothe, Sat., Sun., Aug. 2, 3  
J. H. Wiseman, P. E.

Brownwood District—Third Round.  
Bangs, at Bangs, July 5, 6  
Santa Anna, at Rockwood, July 12, 13  
Franklin, at Turkey Peak, July 19, 20  
Indian Creek, at McAnally, July 26, 27  
Burket, at Cross Plains, Aug. 2, 3  
May, at Cross Cut, Aug. 4, 5  
Comanche, at Cross Cut, Aug. 9, 10  
Pleming, Aug. 11, 12  
Zephyr and Melvin, Aug. 18, 19  
Goldthwait, Aug. 17, 18  
Lometa, Aug. 24, 25  
Center City, Aug. 25, 26  
Brownwood, Aug. 29, 31  
W. H. Matthews, P. E.

Corseanna District—Third Round.  
Lone Cedar, July 5, 6  
Blooming Grove, July 6, 7  
Dresden, July 12, 13  
Barry, July 19, 20  
Thornton, July 26, 27  
Horn Hill, July 29, 30  
Wortham, Aug. 2, 3  
Armour, Aug. 9, 10  
Rouse, Aug. 16, 17  
Kerens, Aug. 23, 24  
Corseanna, Aug. 23, 24  
Hubbard, Aug. 30, 31  
Eureka and Birdston, Aug. 30, 31  
E. A. Bailey, P. E.

Waco District—Third Round.  
Lorena, at Oak Grove, July 5, 6  
Mount Calm, at New Hope, July 11, 12  
Abbott, at Bell Springs, July 12, 13  
West, July 12, 13  
Eddy, at Eddy, July 19, 20  
Moody, July 19, 20  
Peoria, 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  
Elfin Street, Aug. 17, 18  
Morgan, at Eulogy, Aug. 23, 24  
Whitney, Aug. 23, 24  
Riesel, Aug. 29, 31  
E. R. Bolton, P. E.

Georgetown District—Third Round.  
Belton, June 29, 29  
Seventh Street, July 6, 7  
Moffatt, July 7, 8  
Salado, July 12, 13  
Belton, July 19, 20  
Granger, July 19, 20  
Taylor, July 26, 27  
Hutto, Aug. 2, 3  
First Church, Aug. 6, 7  
Florence, Aug. 9, 10  
Bertram, Aug. 16, 17  
Liberty Hill, Aug. 16, 17  
Earlhart, Aug. 23, 24  
Burnet, Sept. 5, 6  
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Maxdale, Sept. 12, 14  
Rodgers, Sept. 20, 21  
W. L. Nolms, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Third Round.  
Cresson, at Long Creek, July 5, 6  
Smithfield, at Haslet, July 12, 13  
Manfield, at Britton, July 12, 13  
Azle, at Silver Creek, July 26, 27  
Cuba, at Chappell Hill, Aug. 2, 3  
Lancaster, Aug. 9, 10  
Joshua, Aug. 2, 3  
Bono, at George's Creek, Aug. 9, 10  
Covington, at Philadelphia, Aug. 16, 17  
Blum, at Kopperl, Aug. 23, 24  
Kennedale, at Kennedale, Aug. 23, 24  
Jas. Campbell, P. E.

Weatherford District—Third Round.  
Preston, at Poodville, July 5, 6  
Milsap, at Brock, July 9, 10  
Aledo, at Benbrook, July 12, 13  
Farmer, at True, July 17, 18  
Graham, at Eoslin, July 19, 20  
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Eilasville, at Goosecreek, July 26, 27  
First Church, July 26, 27  
Ranger, at Necessity, Aug. 2, 3  
Gordon and Strawn, at Strawn, Aug. 9, 10  
Whitt and Bethesda, at B., Aug. 9, 10  
Breckenridge, at Eoslin, Aug. 16, 17  
Santo, at Tarleton, Aug. 16, 17  
Palo Pinto, Aug. 23, 24  
Mineral Wells, Aug. 23, 24  
John R. Morris, P. E.

Dublin District—Third Round.  
Stephenville, July 5, 6  
Granbury, July 12, 13  
Huckabay, at Oak Dale, July 19, 20  
Morgan Hill, at M. M., July 26, 27  
Bluff Dale, at Post Oak, July 26, 27  
Glen Rose, at Paluxy, July 26, 27  
Hico, Aug. 2, 3  
Duffall, at Skipper's, Aug. 9, 10  
Carlson, at Flat Rock, Aug. 9, 10  
Proctor, at Oak Grove, Aug. 16, 17  
Green's Creek, Aug. 16, 17  
Iredell, at Latham, Aug. 16, 17  
Stephenville, Aug. 23, 24  
Dublin, Aug. 23, 24  
DeLeon, Aug. 23, 24  
Desdemonia, Aug. 23, 24  
Carbon, Aug. 23, 24  
Carbon, at G., Sept. 2, 3  
E. F. Boone, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Third Round.  
Venus, at Cahill, July 5, 6  
Palmer, at Boyce, July 11, 12  
Ferris, July 13, 14  
Itaska, July 19, 20  
Foreston, July 26, 27  
Italy, at Byrd, July 26, 27  
Bardwell, at Byrd, July 26, 27  
Midlothian, Aug. 2, 3  
Grandview, Aug. 9, 10  
Boz, Aug. 17, 18  
Milford, Aug. 21, 22  
Alvarado, Aug. 24, 25  
Alma, Aug. 25, 26  
Ernie, Aug. 29, 31  
Waxahachie, Sept. 6  
O. F. Sensabaugh, P. E.

Ablene District—Third Round.  
Stamford, at Stamford, July 5, 6  
Anson, at Fairview, July 12, 13  
Midland, July 12, 13  
Oak, at Signal Mount, July 19, 20  
Colorado, at Union, July 19, 20  
Big Springs, July 19, 20  
Eula, at Clyde, July 26, 27  
Balrd, July 26, 27  
Truby, at Midway, July 26, 27  
Colorado, at Union, Aug. 2, 3  
Snyder, at Dunn, Aug. 9, 10  
Clairmont, at Elkin, Aug. 9, 10  
Clisco, Aug. 16, 17  
Putnam, Aug. 16, 17  
Roby, at Avalon, Aug. 23, 24

Buffalo Gap, at Elm Grove, Aug. 28  
Merkel, Aug. 28  
Sweetwater, Sept. 6, 7  
Ablene, Sept. 13, 14  
E. A. Smith, P. E.

Gatesville District—Third Round.  
McGregor, July 5, 6  
Kilren and Nolanville, July 4, 5  
Brookhaven, July 5, 6  
China Springs, July 12, 13  
Valley Mills and Clifton, July 13, 14  
Harmony, July 19, 20  
Coryell City, July 19, 20  
Hamilton, July 26, 27  
Evant, July 28, 29  
Jonesboro, Aug. 2, 3  
Bee House, Aug. 9, 10  
Gatesville, Aug. 12, 13  
Gatesville, Aug. 16, 17  
J. G. Putman, P. E.

San Antonio District—Third Round.  
Hondo and Devine, 1st Sun. in July  
Cotulla, July 19  
Laredo, July 19  
Parrissall, second Sun. in July  
Mosco, 1st Sun. in July  
Bexar, 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. 2, 3  
Prospect Hill, Aug. 7, 8  
Travis Park, Aug. 7, 8  
Sherman Street, 2d Sun. in Aug.  
South Heights, 3d Sun. in Aug.  
Comal, 7:30 p. m. 3d Sun. in Aug.  
Carrizo and Batesville, 5th Sun. in Aug.  
B. Harris, P. E.

San Angelo District—Third Round.  
Sherwood, at Arden, July 5, 6  
Ozona, July 9, 10  
Junction and Menard, at Copetas, July 12, 13  
Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Cuero District—Third Round.  
Clear Creek, at Seale's, 1st Sun. July  
Nursery, 2d Sun. July  
Cuero, 3d Sun. July  
Jno. W. Stovall, P. E.

Beeville District—Third Round.  
Rockport, July 5, 6  
Alice, July 12, 13  
Oakville, at Lebanon, July 19, 20  
Corpus Christi, July 26, 27  
Bianconia, at Normanna, Aug. 2, 3  
Joe F. Webb, P. E.

San Marcos District—Third Round.  
San Marcos, 1st Sun. July  
Beimont, at Oak Forest, 2d Sun. July  
San Marcos, at Long Branch, 3d Sun. July  
Lancaster, 4th Sun. July  
Kyle and Pleasant Grove, at P. G., Aug. 2, 3  
Gonzales, 4th Sun. July  
Sterling Fisher, P. E.

Dallas District—Third Round.  
Oak Cliff, 11 a. m. July 6  
Floyd, 5 p. m. July 6  
Dallas, 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, Aug. 9, 10  
Trinity, 3 p. m. Aug. 16, 17  
Argyle, at Chin's Chapel, Aug. 16, 17  
Lewisville, 5 p. m. Aug. 17  
Grand Prairie, at Bethel, Aug. 23, 24  
First Church, 11 a. m. Aug. 23, 24  
Denton, Aug. 23, 24  
Cochran and Caruth, at Caruth, Sept. 5, 6  
Farmers Branch, Sept. 12, 14  
I. W. Clark, P. E.

Terrell District—Third Round.  
Mesquite, at Pleasant Ridge, July 5, 6  
Terrell, July 12, 13  
Reinhardt, at Pleasant Mount, July 19, 20  
Kemp, at Wilson Chapel, July 19, 20  
Garland, Aug. 2, 3  
Kaufman, at Pleasant Val., Aug. 9, 10  
Royce, Aug. 9, 10  
Crandall, at Crandall, Aug. 16, 17  
Terrell, at Eden, Aug. 23, 24  
Kaufman, at Eden, Aug. 23, 24  
Fate, at Mt. Zion, Aug. 23, 24  
Chisholm, at Bethel, Sept. 5, 6  
Mabank, at Prairieville, Sept. 12, 14  
J. M. Peterson, P. E.

Sulphur Springs District—Third Round.  
Mt. Vernon, at Center Point, July 5, 6  
Cooper, at Cooper, July 12, 13  
Cumby, at Gafford's Ch., July 19, 20  
Cold Hill, at Divide, July 26, 27  
Birthright, at Lone Star, Aug. 2, 3  
County Line, at Pecan, Aug. 9, 10  
Ben Franklin, at E. F., Aug. 16, 17  
Sulphur Bluff, at Prairie Academy, Aug. 23, 24  
Lake Creek, at Anderson Chapel, Aug. 23, 24  
Como, at Harmony, Sept. 6, 7  
Klondike, Sept. 12, 14  
Relly Springs, at Shook's Chapel, Sept. 20, 21  
E. H. Casey, P. E.

Bonham District—Third Round.  
South Bonham and Savoy, 1st Sun. July  
Ector, 2d Sun. July  
Ladonia, 3d Sun. July  
Bonham, 4th Sun. July  
Honey Grove, 1st Sun. Aug.  
Haley, 2d Sun. Aug.  
Dodd and Windom, 3d Sun. Aug.  
Petty, 4th Sun. Aug.  
Lannus, 5th Sun. Aug.  
Trenton and Marvin, 1st Sun. Sept.  
Honey Grove, 2d Sun. Sept.  
Brookston and High, 3d Sun. Sept.  
Gober, 4th Sun. Sept.  
Randolph, 1st Sun. Oct.  
Fannin, 2d Sun. Oct.  
T. R. Pierce, P. E.

McKinney District—Third Round.  
Farmersville, July 5, 6  
McKinney, July 12, 13  
Bethel, at Prosper, July 19, 20  
Nevada, at Bear Creek, July 26, 27  
Allen, at Lebanon, Aug. 2, 3  
Princeton, at Bisthe's Ch., Aug. 9, 10  
Piano, at Briar, Aug. 16, 17  
Romer, at Richardson, Aug. 23, 24  
Blue Ridge, at Pleasant Gr., Sept. 6, 7  
Wylie, at Murphy, Sept. 13, 14  
Weston, Sept. 20, 21  
Copeville, Sept. 27, 28  
Melissa, Oct. 4, 5  
Frank A. Rosser, P. E.

Bowie District—Third Round.  
Bellevue, at Vashit, July 5, 6  
Bowie, July 6, 7  
Paradise, at Bethel, July 12, 13  
Bridgeport, at Bridgeport, July 19, 20  
Rhombus, at Briar, July 26, 27  
Boyd, at Boyd, July 26, 27  
Alford, at Rush Branch, July 26, 27  
Fruitland, at Sunset, July 27, 28  
Chico, at Sand Flat, Aug. 2, 3  
Craffon, at Valley View, Aug. 2, 3  
Decatur, at Decatur, Aug. 9, 10  
Decatur, at Sand Hill, Aug. 16, 17  
Bryson, Aug. 16, 17  
Jackboro, Aug. 17, 18  
Holiday, Aug. 23, 24  
Archer City, Aug. 23, 24  
Blue Grove, Aug. 23, 24  
F. O. Miller, P. E.

Sherman District—Third Round.  
Waples Memorial, 1st Sun. July  
Denison, 1st Sun. July  
Portersburg and Preston, 2d Sun. July  
Travis Street, 3d Sun. July  
Howe, 4th Sun. July  
Bells, 1st Sun. Aug.  
Collinsville, 2d Sun. Aug.  
Whitesboro, 2d Sun. Aug.  
Van Alstyne, 3d Sun. Aug.  
McIntosh, 4th Sun. Aug.  
Whitewright, 4th Sun. Aug.  
Gordonsville, 5th Sun. Aug.  
Sherman, 1st Sun. Sept.  
Southmayd, 2d Sun. Sept.  
Tioga and Gunter, 3d Sun. Sept.  
J. A. Stafford, P. E.

East Texas Conference.  
San Augustine District—Third Round.  
Garrison, at Mt. Pleasant, July 5, 6  
Tenaha, at Concord, July 12, 13  
Center, at Newburn, July 19, 20  
McKinney, at Wallace Chapel, July 26, 27  
Burke, at Stanley Creek, July 26, 27  
Lufkin, Aug. 2, 3  
Nacogdoches, Aug. 9, 10  
M-Irree, at Fairview, Aug. 16, 17  
Appleby, at North Street, Aug. 16, 17  
Other notices to follow, Aug. 16, 17  
A. J. Weeks, P. E.

Tyler District—Third Round.  
Lindale, at Sabine, July 5, 6  
Wills Point, July 5, 6  
Malakoff, at Peace Chapel, July 12, 13  
Grand Sabine, at Oakland, July 12, 13  
Canton, at Canton, July 19, 20  
Emory, July 26, 27  
Athens, Aug. 2, 3  
Merodith, at Goshon, Aug. 9, 10  
Troupe and Overton, Aug. 9, 10  
Edison, at Holly Springs, Aug. 16, 17  
New York, Aug. 23, 24  
Big Sandy, at Hawkins, Aug. 23, 24  
Marvin, Aug. 23, 24  
Whitehouse, at Lane's Chapel, Aug. 23, 24  
J. T. Smith, P. E.

Beaumont District—Third Round.  
Beaumont, North End, July 5, 6  
Sabine Pass, July 5, 6  
Beaumont, South End, July 12, 13  
Chester, at Woodville, July 19, 20  
Woodville, July 19, 20  
Wagner, at Woodville, July 19, 20  
Slidest, July 19, 20  
Jasper, July 26, 27  
Beaumont, First Church, Aug. 2, 3  
Orange, Aug. 9, 10  
Jasper and Kirbyville, at K., Aug. 16, 17  
Barkley, at Farr's Chapel, Aug. 23, 24  
Call, at Laura's, Aug. 23, 24  
Livingston, at Corrigan, Aug. 23, 24  
Leggett, at Goodrich, Aug. 23, 24  
J. W. Johnson, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Third Round.  
New Boston, at New Boston, July 5, 6  
Glimmer, at Hopewell, July 12, 13  
Pittsburg, July 12, 13  
Texarkana, State Line, July 26, 27  
Texarkana, Fairview, p. m. July 26, 27  
Winfield, at Winfield, July 26, 27  
Quittman, at Stinson's Chapel, July 26, 27  
Terrell, at Union Ridge, Aug. 2, 3  
Napier, at Hamill's Chapel, Aug. 9, 10  
Linden, at Jones Chapel, Fri. Aug. 15  
Atlanta, Aug. 17, 18  
John Adams, P. E.

Palestine District—Third Round.  
Rusk, July 5, 6  
Palestine, July 12, 13  
Elkhart, at Shades, July 19, 20  
Grapeand, at Prospect, July 26, 27  
Palestine, July 26, 27  
West Palestine, at Pleasant Grove, July 26, 27  
Jacks-ville, at Antioch, Aug. 2, 3  
Crossett, at Crossett, Aug. 9, 10  
Rockets, at Bethel, Aug. 16, 17  
Brushy Creek, at B. C., Aug. 16, 17  
Groveton, at Sharon, Aug. 23, 24  
Harrison, at Lovelady, Aug. 23, 24  
Augusta, Aug. 23, 24  
Aito, Sept. 6, 7  
W. F. Davis, P. E.

Marshall District—Third Round.  
Harrison, at Union, July 5, 6  
Beckville, at Tatum, July 12, 13  
Harleton, at Mims, July 19, 20  
Church Hill, at Pleasant Hill, July 26, 27  
Henderson, at Good Springs, Aug. 2, 3  
Longview, at Summerfield, Aug. 9, 10  
Kilgore, Aug. 16, 17  
Harmony, at Midgett, Aug. 16, 17  
Arleston, at Bethel, Aug. 16, 17  
First Church, Marshall, Aug. 23, 24  
Jefferside, Marshall, Aug. 23, 24  
Kellyville, Aug. 23, 24  
C. R. Lamar, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.  
Calvert District—Third Round.  
Freestone, at Lake's Ch., Sat., July 6  
Fairfield, at Steward's Mill, Sat., July 6  
Leon, at Tubbs' S. H., Fri., July 11  
Centerville, at Seona, Sat., July 12  
Calvert, at Leona, Fri., July 15  
Hearne and Wheelock, at Mt. Vernon, Fri., July 19  
Petteway, at Harmony, Sat., July 26  
Rosebud, Sat., July 26  
Travis, at Cedar Springs, Sat., Aug. 2  
Lott, at Gollindo, Sat., Aug. 9  
Durango, at Blevens, Sat., Aug. 9  
Marlin, at Marlin, Sat., Aug. 15  
Bremont and Resgan, at R., Sat., Aug. 15

Kosse, at Stranger, Sat., Aug. 15  
Franklin, at H. M. Sears, P. E.  
Huntville District—Third Round.  
Cold Springs, at Mickle Chapel, July 12, 13  
Millican and Courtney, at Welborn, July 19, 20  
Nacato, July 19, 20  
Anderson, at Fairview, July 26, 27  
Waller, at Waller, 10 a. m. July 26, 27  
Hempstead, Aug. 1, 3  
Prairie Plains, at Johnson's Ch., Aug. 8, 9  
Zion, at Alexander Chapel, Aug. 15, 16  
Bryan, at Union, Aug. 15, 16  
Madisonville, at Union, Aug. 22, 23  
Dodge, at Waverly, Aug. 22, 23  
Conroy, Aug. 29, 30  
Montgomery and Plantersville, Aug. 29, 30  
Wills, at Stoneham, Aug. 30, 31  
Huntville, Sept. 7, 8  
Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

Brenham District—Third Round.  
Caldwell, at Cook's Point, July 5, 6  
Lyons, at Somerville, July 5, 6  
Fulbarr and Brookshire, at Katy, July 9, 10  
Webberville, at Webberville, July 12, 13  
Chappel Hill and Bellville, July 12, 13  
at Camp Ground, July 16, 17  
Lexington, at Early Chapel, July 19, 20  
Rockdale, July 26, 27  
Pleasant Hill, at Pleasant Retreat, July 26, 27  
Maysfield, at M., Aug. 2, 3  
Benarold, at Ward's Chapel, Aug. 9, 10  
Cameron, Aug. 16, 17  
Milano, at Gause, Aug. 23, 24  
Dovilla, at D., Aug. 23, 24  
J. B. Cochran, P. E.

Austin District—Third Round.  
West Point, at F. Prairie, July 5, 6  
Flintonia, July 5, 6  
Hastrop, July 12, 13  
Cedar Creek, at Watterson, July 19, 20  
McLade, July 19, 20  
Manot, July 26, 27  
Elgin, Aug. 2, 3  
Mancha, Aug. 9, 10  
South Austin, Aug. 16, 17  
First Street, Austin, Aug. 16, 17  
Walnut, Austin, Aug. 23, 24  
Tenth Street, Austin, Aug. 23, 24  
Hotelkiss Memorial, Austin, Aug. 23, 24  
E. S. Smith, P. E.

Houston District—Third Round.  
El Campo, at Deming's Bridge, July 5, 6  
Angleton, at Phair, July 12, 13  
Sandy Point, at Parker's, July 19, 20  
Alvin, July 19, 20  
West End, Galveston, Aug. 2, 3  
Central Church, Galveston, Aug. 2, 3  
League City, at Pasadena, Aug. 9, 10  
Mont Belvieu, at Barber's Hill, Aug. 16, 17  
Cedar Bayou, Aug. 16, 17  
McAsh, Aug. 23, 24  
McKee Street, Aug. 23, 24  
Tabernacle, Aug. 23, 24  
Washington Street, Aug. 23, 24  
Shearn, Aug. 23, 24  
Richmond, Aug. 23, 24  
Matagorda, Sept. 6, 7  
Geo. A. Lechere, P. E.

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**LETTER FROM CHINA.**

The action of the Chinese Government in requiring the worship of Confucius in the newly-established colleges throughout the Empire, whereby Christian students are excluded from these institutions, is causing wide-spread discussion and rancor among both foreigners and Chinese in this country. As intimated in a previous letter, the government college established in Tai Nanfu, under the leadership of Governor Yuan, of that Province, has become the main battleground of this question. The rules that were first drawn up for the government of the college were quite liberal in regard to Christianity. Dr. Hayes, who was appointed by Governor Yuan as President of the college, succeeded in having certain clauses inserted in the rules whereby the Sabbath was to be observed by the students of the college, and entire liberty of conscience was to be granted to all members and scholars alike. But after the rules left the hands of Dr. Hayes they were altered and a clause was inserted requiring that all pupils and members should worship the tablet of Confucius on the 1st and 15th of every month, and it was further stated that a refusal to do so three times would result in the expulsion of the student. The matter has now come to a crisis. A Christian student having refused to worship the tablet of Confucius has actually been expelled from the college, and Dr. Hayes has given notice to the new Governor of Shantung, who is now in charge of the college in place of Governor Yuan, who was transferred to the Viceroyalty of Chili, that unless this regulation is modified he will resign his position as President of the college at the end of six months, which is the time required to give notice by his agreement with the Governor. Every one regrets exceedingly this turn of affairs, but Dr. Hayes is universally upheld by foreigners and progressive Chinese for his decided stand on the question. Some express a doubt as to whether the rule will be modified or not, believing, as they do, that the conservative element in the Government at Peking are rather anxious than otherwise to destroy the college and stop all such work in the country. But recent news from the north indicates a more hopeful state of affairs. Dr. Timothy Richard, who has been appointed by the Governor of Shantung to assist in the organization of a Government college in Tai Yuan Fu, had an interview with Prince Ching in Peking recently, on his way to Shanghai, and Prince Ching, heartily endorsing Dr. Richard's plan for toleration in Government colleges, and promising to do all he can to secure such toleration everywhere. I also learn that Mr. C. D. Tenney, who has re-established the Government college at Tientsin, which was destroyed by the Boxers in 1900, is also making a strenuous effort to secure religious toleration in his institution. Further, it is reported that Dr. Hayes himself is quite hopeful that this rule will be modified and that liberty of conscience will be allowed in the Government schools, notwithstanding the efforts of the old fogies to hinder progress in this country. Let us earnestly hope that such may be the case. This effort to promote Christian students amounts to a covert persecution, and is directly in violation of the treaties between China and foreign countries, and is therefore properly a subject for diplomatic action. However, it is in money, and it is the part of the Government, as they are thus depriving themselves of the services of the very best class of men in the country—that is, the Christian young men, who have been trained under the influence of missionary educators and who will be by all odds the best qualified men to take positions of honor and trust in the management of Government affairs in future years. The battle is on, and it must be fought to the finish. Let prayer go up from the Churches in the homeland that China may be freed from the terrible results of religious proscription and persecution on the part of the Government and leaders in public opinion throughout the country. **A. P. PARKER,** Anglo-Chinese College, 18 Quinson Road, Shanghai, May 16, 1902.

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Dear Brethren of Texas Conference: I have been thinking for some time that I would write to you, but have postponed from time to time. Now I feel in my heart to say to you, one and all: "May God bless the noble preachers of our Texas, especially those of my own Texas Conference." It was in her ranks that I started on the itinerant labors, and from her noble corps of preachers that I received warm brotherly welcomes. Not least among them stand South, Ward, F. L. Allen, E. B. Sears, W. W. Horner, and oh-so many! How can I mention all by name! Often, in my Florida home, I think of them all. Only this morning I took down the "conference picture" and looked upon your dear faces and wept like a child; it was the group taken in Brethman in 1896 when our own esteemed G. C. Rankin was with us, but from us, that year, was taken in all the places he now so nobly fills. He is long, but I know him. But if I should speak all I feel in my heart, along this line, knowing as I do the modesty of the man, this scribble would not find a place in the grand periodical in which you edit. So here I leave the brethren to their own already excited opinions of the man who surely needs no recommendation from me. Glazing still upon our group of 1896, I am reminded that "Part of the host have crossed the flood," for there are the faces of C. M. Keith, H. V. Pilpott, H. M. Haynie, J. M. Weston, A. E. Goodwyn—all gone from us to try the realities of the great beyond. These nobles of the church militant are missed, but thank God, their memory is cherished in our hearts.

Looking again, I see the faces of some who have borne the "heat and burden of the day" and have asked for the superannuated relation, notably of those F. L. Allen and J. C. Mickle, grand men under whom I served in the conference—Allen a true, strong friend, Mickle to know, and as teacher and caretaker in spirit as a woman! How can I forget the sweet association of these brethren as we worked and worshipped together? Dear brethren, I look on your faces, one and all, and pray that we may all be faithful and meet again by and by. My transfer from you has been all, and more, than I could ask for. I have had

"a goodly heritage" here in this Southland, and it gets better and better all the time. I am more and more impressed with the great necessity of making "full proof of my ministry." God is blessing me in my work, and we are striving to build up the cause of Christ and win souls for whom Jesus died. Of one thing I am sure, brethren, and that is that while I am so determined and so laboring here, you are all doing your best for grand old Texas. I can not refrain from speaking of other citizens of the fair West—to my heart dearest still than all—two as sweet sisters as God ever gave a boy, the influence of whose prayers brought me to Christ when the world seemed, oh, so dark and trials pressed heavily upon me! How can a boy love a pure, good sister enough to gether earnestly, and devote his mother a son older than myself, one of whom is truly a pillar in the Church below, as truly as he shall be and by "be a pillar in the temple of God." How I wish our fortunes could be linked together in the same Star! But it seems otherwise ordered, this climate being more congenial for me, and other environments that draw me to "the land of flowers." And now to all that have seen my face in the fair land of Texas, let me say, whatever may have been your esteem or disesteem of our labors among and for you, we did the best we could with and for you, all things considered, and we do earnestly and devoutly pray that you all may make the harbor in safety, and that after awhile we may all gather in the great "General Conference" in "our Father's house." **J. L. YEATS,** Mayo, Fla.

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