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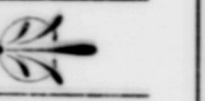
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A POLITICAL GRANDSTAND PLAY.

The Democratic State Convention met a couple of months ago in Galveston and some little effort was made by men of the Mayor Riggins' calibre to incorporate a plank in the platform against local option, but the party leaders were too wise to permit anything of the sort. They took the position that the question of local option is removed by civil statute from the realm of party politics and that no effort would meet with favor to reinstate it. This is the only ground to take on that subject and the Democratic party showed its wisdom in thus disposing of the matter. The common people of Texas are perfectly satisfied with the status of local option and they do not want it meddled with either by party politics or legislative action. Last week the Republican State Convention met in Fort Worth, and despite the advice of their wiser heads, a plank was inserted in their platform denouncing our local option laws and demanding their repeal. Is the Republican State Convention honest in this position? No, not by any means. They drifted to this extreme simply to bid for the liquor vote of the State. In other words, they were willing to prostitute their party to the cause of barrooms, dives and beer joints for what they imagine a little political capital. They forsook all principle and the traditions of their party history in order to curry favor with the cut-throat element of our Texas citizenship. But they are reckoning without their host. For whatever may be said of the barroom element, they are not unmitigated fools. Politically they are very sagacious. They know that the Republican party in Texas is only held together with its hope for spoils, in the form of offices doled out to them by the National Government, and that beyond this their existence would be precarious. Therefore the liquorites are too smart to ally themselves with an organization that has no voice in the political dominance of the State. Furthermore, the action of the convention in this matter will alienate the moral element of their own ranks from the support of their State ticket. For the better class of the Republicans in Texas, both among the whites and the blacks, are heartily in favor of our local option laws. But this action is positive proof of the fact that the Republican machine in Texas is willing to do anything for the sake of a few votes. For this action the party organization deserves the condemnation of the temperance people from one end of the State to the other, regardless of political affiliation. It is a comforting thought to the opponents of the barroom that this political organization, with the dives and doping joints of Texas now attached to it, will never get into power in this great Commonwealth. If it ever had any hope in this direction that hope is forever dispelled. The decent and law-abiding people of Texas will never turn to that sort of an organization for laws and State officers. It has put itself down

with the gutter snipe element of society and insulted the genuine manhood and womanhood of the State, and all good people will turn from it with loathing and righteous contempt.

YOUNG MEN AND BOYS WHO VISIT THE CITY.

The evils of city life are fearful to contemplate and they increase with the increase of population. The greater the number of people, the greater and the more diverse and complex are the sins that are practiced. In such conditions you find hundreds of people who do not want to follow any legitimate calling, yet they want the gratifications of the flesh, and these they will seek at all hazards. They will resort to the gaming table, visit places of evil repute, seek the vilest associations, obtain money through any sort of method except to work for it, and then indulge their passions and appetites to the fullest extent possible. Back of all these outward helps to such sinful practices is the open saloon with its attractions and incentives. It adapts itself to the lusts and depravity of men and fires them with strong drink, and then they are ready for any depths of sin to which the soul can fall. The saloon, the gaming table and questionable women are the triple alliance of the lower pit, and wherever they flourish the devil executes his deepest schemes and practices his most deceptive wiles. In the crowded city is the place where these evils congregate and accomplish their most direful results. It is a marvel if young manhood resists these evils and maintains its innocence and character. And strange to say that when most young men visit the city from the smaller towns and country places, they are inclined to visit these resorts and take in the sights. They do this without ever thinking of the peril that awaits them; and not one out of a hundred who do so returns home as pure as he was when he left. They are not capable of coping successfully with the artists who lie in wait at these places for victims. The town and the country boy who come to the city had better let the sights alone and steer clear of the entangling alliances associated with the saloon, the gambling den and the place of the scarlet woman. These places mean death to purity and manly rectitude. Better seek the place of worship and the associations of good people when you come either to visit or to make your home in the city. No other course is a guarantee of safety.

THEY ARE LEARNING SOME SENSE AT LAST.

Last week the executive committee of the brewers and wholesale dealers of Texas held a special meeting in Galveston and resolved to be good from this time forward. The object of their meeting was to take such measures as they deemed necessary to "re-levate the retail business and to eliminate such features of the traffic as are considered objectionable." One of them stated to the Daily News reporter: "We are in earnest, and if all good citizens who are honest in

the desire to reform any evils that exist will join us in an effort to arrive at a practical and sensible plan instead of wasting their energies on the impractical operations of prohibition, the desired result can be accomplished." To say the least of this announcement, it is a big improvement over the former manner of these brewers and liquor dealers in their pronouncements on this subject. Heretofore they have merely doled public sentiment and characterized our wives and mothers who are opposing the ravages of these legalized deprecators upon society as "short-haired women meddling with the affairs of other people" and our leading temperance reformers as "cranks and fanatics." But at last they have found out that such insults heap upon the temperance people of Texas do not pay, and they are witnessing the march of prohibition from the Red River to the Gulf. Now they are changing their tune and making haste to enter the role of good people. They are going to "reform the retail business." But their late undertaking is a colossal task. There is but one way to reform a carcass wracking with the effluvia of decayed flesh and putrid blood, and that is to bury it so far under ground that its stench can not reach the nostrils of humanity. This is exactly the plan adopted by the local option people to dispose of this liquor business. As a matter of fact, we have no confidence in this proposed "reform" of the brewers and wholesale whisky men of Texas. For half a century they have had charge of the public sentiment of the State and every year of their existence has marked a downward step in the lawlessness of the traffic. The breweries are back of all the dives and dipping beer joints of the State. They have established them, introduced them with licenses and bonds and stocked them with beer, and they have placed them under the charge of thieves, cardsharps and crooked politicians. There are more than fifty of these law-flung establishments in the city of Dallas and the present Grand Jury has put in one whole month in finding bills against them as disorderly houses. And not only this, but these breweries have actually been establishing their joints in the houses of prostitution in this city, and now with pomp and hypocritical cant they pose in Galveston and prate about "reforming the trade." They are simply a lot of law-breakers, operating in defiance of decency and public morals, and now they see that their infamous business is being wiped out by the vote of an outraged people and they are beginning to whimper and plead the baby act. Away with these hoisters of humanity and these destroyers of the peace and order of society! On with the battle!

THE LAWYER AND THE PREACHER.

The lawyer and the preacher have been intimately associated from time immemorial in the development of public sentiment. Moses is the first lawyer on authentic record and the progress of the world has made no improvement on the moral and civil code given through him to mankind. The fact is, the civil and criminal laws of all highly

civilized nations are based upon the precepts and commandments of Moses. The strength of the fundamental statutes of all the nations testify us keep to them the more we wish to keep the lives and the homes of our people pure and upright. But when with Moses, the lawyer, was Aaron, the priest. He was the right arm of Moses in teaching the people their relation to God, their relation to one another and their duty to obey and conserve the law. With the aid of Aaron, the preacher, Moses, the lawyer, would have made much slower progress than was registered in those far-off days. Thus they went hand-in-hand in their efforts to build up society, to develop strong manhood, to teach lofty morals and to bring mankind to recognize their obligations to Almighty God. And from that day till the present time the good lawyer and the good preacher have been and are essential to the high ideals in legislation and in the religious life of society. They are the dominant factors in molding and maintaining Christian civilization. They are the founders of the institutions that elevate and bless mankind. They are both an indispensable part of this great civil and religious structure which we call our country. True, there are evil men now and then in the legal profession and in the ministry whose influence is but for good, but they are the exceptions to the rule. The bulk of these two callings are among the foremost agencies in forwarding the best interests of mankind. May the time never come when the highland lawyer and the consecrated preacher shall be divorced from each other in the great work of leading mankind along the highways of good and righteous liberty. Like Moses and Aaron, they are brothers engaged in a great work.

The man who has weakness and sin resists his membership in the Church and honestly is making effort to live the right sort of life, and at the same time of weakness of his feelings, is not a hypocrite. Were you to speak his name, he would not hesitate to confess that he is not the man that he ought to be. But the hypocrite is the man who pretends to be better than he is, and were you to intimate anything to the contrary he would resent it as an insult. He wants people to believe that he is good, when he well knows that he is a deceiver, and a very bad one at that.

But very few people make any real spiritual preparation for public worship. They put in the most of their time in preparing their toilet and in putting their bodies in fine apparel so as to look well in the eyes of each other. Along with this bodily preparation, those who expect to get any benefit out of the public service ought to spend a little time at least in private prayer and in reading carefully a portion of the Scriptures. This will compose their minds and impart to their spirits a worshipful condition of heart. Such people will always find the house of God the gate of heaven to their waiting souls.

Christianity and the Legal Profession

By Hon. L. H. Browne

His education, training and business pursuits, the legal profession has the advantage of every other class of men in dealing with evidence and deducing correct conclusions therefrom. In all countries, the investigation of questions of fact affecting the most vital interests of men is committed to this profession. Lawyers are made not only the judges of the weight of evidence, but of what constitutes evidence; and by the most solemn compacts that nations enter into, the finding of Judges is absolute law, from which there is no appeal. It is beyond question that lawyers have an advantage over all other men when facts and circumstances are to be considered to determine results, and that this truth is universally recognized.

This being true, it should be matter of no little interest to us all to know what conclusion this profession has reached with reference to Christianity. I wish to answer this question, and add some reflections which I think appropriate to be considered. In the answer I shall make, it would perhaps be safe to include all Christian nations; but I shall only speak for the lawyers of this country, and what I must answer will no doubt astonish some who have not given attention to this matter; for the fact is that of all the classes of men—the clergy excepted, of course—none possess so great a per cent of Christians as the legal profession. And this per cent embraces a majority of the lower grades, and the majority increases as the higher grades are reached, until coming to the great Judges and great jurists, where, with only a few exceptions, all are Christians. And I can not be denied that these exceptions are men that never would have been distinguished for their legal attainments, and are lawyers chiefly noted for their piousness and enmity against the Christian religion.

As to the fact asserted that a majority of the best distinguished of the legal profession are Christians, the available proof, while tending to prove it, is not entirely conclusive. Absolute certainty could only be predicated on a general canvass, which is impracticable. I shall give my own observation bearing on the question, at the risk of its being considered indelicate by some.

For more than a quarter of a century I practiced law in the southwest portion of Texas, and my acquaintance was very general with the members of the profession in more than a dozen counties on that border. On my personal knowledge, I have carefully classed these lawyers, and found a majority to be Christian men. It is true this test is only partial, but when the fact that lawyers in a frontier region, where Christian institutions get but feeble support among the masses, are found to class thus, it is strongly persuasive that such a classification would be shown to exist everywhere, if a general canvass were made. I applied the same test to the members of other professions of my acquaintance, and the per cent of Christians proved to be lower than among lawyers. Admitting the test mentioned is partial, it is absolutely conclusive so far as it goes; and the inference drawn from it, that the same majority exists everywhere, is strengthened and rendered much more probable, in view of the extent of Christian belief existing in the higher grades, which rests on the most unquestionable proof.

As to the assertion that in the higher grades and among the distinguished members of the profession all are Christians, with very few exceptions, the proof of it, as I have said, is clear. The fact is shown in the labors of those men. Many are on record in their briefs, some in their judicial opinions, and not a few are law-writers. What I am now to state is easy of verification, and must be taken as conclusive that I am correct in this last proposition. Of all the sciences, the law has been most extensively treated, and by the greatest variety of talent; and yet, of all the books that have been written on the science—and they outnumber all the volumes written on all the other sciences put together—hardly a respectable treatise can be found that has within it the evidence that its author was an infidel, and in almost every such law book a declaration will be found somewhere of the Christian faith of the writer. Here is evidence, indeed, for those who seek to know to what extent the legal profession indorses Christianity. It is unnecessary for me to add that no such uniformity of Christian faith is to be found in the writings of the distinguished men of any other profession. Why is this so? Why is there so little skepticism among the great lawyers? There can be but one answer to this interrogatory: Undoubtedly the reason is to be found in the strength of the proofs that uphold the Christian religion and

the superior ability of this class to duly weigh those evidences. Assuming now that a large majority of the legal profession, including substantially all its greatest and wisest members, are Christians, this corollary must necessarily follow—that Christianity is proved by competent and credible testimony. Could any adverse opinion that is merely human weigh much against this finding of this great body of experts? An argument is often made for the Christian religion on the Christian faith of some distinguished jurist, like John Marshall; and it is common, on the opinion of a single wise man in favor of any proposition, to base an argument in its support. What may not be claimed, then, in the way of argument, on the almost unanimous opinion of the wise men of this great profession, concurring in support of the truths of the gospels?

I do not think I should offend the pride of any infidel, or of any number of them, to inquire here. Where can they appeal from the judgment of these men, or with what show of authority can they oppose it? As to all candid inquirers after truth, the pertinent inquiry for them is, Whose opposing opinion can, with any propriety, be put against this finding? I would not take away from any man his right to decide for himself in this important matter, but certainly I may show him, and I may appeal to him to heed, what those have determined about it whose voice in all temporal matters he treats as the voice of God. I must press this view. Can it be otherwise than dangerous—than exceeding great folly—for a man to put his opinion, supported only by the judgment of a crowd of prejudiced, fault-finding, scoffing, pestilent, so-called philosophers, against the deliberate finding of such a body of judges?

The more we reflect the more apparent the folly will become. The legal mind is acquired by special education, special training and much practice; and it differs from every other in its peculiar power to investigate a fact uninfluenced by bias, partially or prejudiced. The facts of the gospels are taken up and examined by lawyers precisely as other facts are tried—upon all the evidence available. This habit of trying issues inheres in the legal profession—belongs to it, distinguishes it from every other, and gives it its distinguished place in all human governments.

On one point let me make myself understood. The Christian faith found among lawyers to which I am referring is simply the mental net of belief, and is not to be confounded with faith in its deeper, wider and "saving" sense. The point is, the legal mind assents to the truths of the gospels. I may, however, incidentally—and should, perhaps—bear my humble testimony to the deep piety of many of the lawyers, more or less distinguished, with whom I have come in contact.

San Marcos, Texas.

THE SINGING CONVENTION.

I see several pointed articles in the Advocate on the above subject, and I would be pleased to say a few words.

Will call President W. T. Bentley's attention. He says: "Stop the singing and the Churches will dry up like the fig tree of old. Matt. 21:19." And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforth forever. And presently the fig tree withered away." And it strikes me very forcibly from what I have seen of the modern singing convention that if Jesus were passing through the country and came upon one of these institutions, it would suffer the like fate of the fig tree.

If the Churches are to depend upon the material of the singing convention for life and fruit, when such is made up largely of the unconverted of the country, she has a weak support. We question the sanctity of the singing convention. We had one at our little town a short time since, which was made up of many misguided good people. The Sabbath was spent in a worldly frolicsome way, the same as a "picnic." Besides, some of the most pious that belonged to the institution were engaged in what is known as the singing contest for "mastery," or a "prize," which seemed to be the "apex" of the singing convention.

But our friend and President (W. T. B.) of a singing convention would have us understand that out of such things as these the Church of Jesus Christ must draw her life and support, and if such be cut off the Church becomes as a barren fig tree in the world. We admit that there is great activity on the part of the young people preparing for the occasion, but it is to see that they come off champions in the great contest that takes place on Sunday. If such singing is the worship of God, the

winning class beats in the worship, let them be saints or sinners. In these conventions no class is required to be religious, not even the President. A whole class may be irreligious, and such come off victorions from the modern singing convention. Hence the ir-religious in the worship and praise of God are keeping the Church from becoming a barren fig tree.

What close observer has not noticed the same evil in church choirs, where the irreligious are very conspicuous in levity, where they may never be reached with the gospel? Some of this I learned from a young man as to his own experience in the choir.

Our young people do not aim to do wrong in the singing convention, but for the sake of novelty, applause and a big time they are carried away with the convention. I for one say relegate it to the week days.

President Bentley says that no preacher should give up any of his appointments for the convention, but in the same breath says the preacher should lecture the convention at his regular hours and whoop it up all he can.

Yes, Bro. B. make the institution a God-fearing, religious body and learn the great evil of irreverence to God, Sabbath desecration and the singing convention will find its place, if it has any.

J. C. PALMER

THE SINGING CONVENTION.

I see in the Advocate of August 21 an article from C. G. Shutt under the caption of "Where Does the Singing Convention Belong?" Now, we have in this part of Texas a singing convention known as the East Texas Singing Convention. We meet annually on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in July. As a body it is non-sectarian, and the object of this meeting is to advance the cause of sacred music. I have been chairman of that body quite a number of times, and I say right here that we never open that body without first reading a chapter from the Word of God and prayer, asking God to direct us in our deliberations, and close with prayer. Now there is a class that follows these meetings for the leaves and fishes, which proves detrimental to our meetings.

In the first place, I think singing is a divine appointment and should go hand in hand with the preaching of the gospel. And why not the singers have their annual meetings like all other organizations? We never attend to any business on the Sabbath, as the brother would suppose. We hold a memorial service in case any of our members have died during the year, and I will say that we have some as spiritual meetings as I have ever been in, and if it happens that a meeting is in progress where we meet we always give way, for we believe that the preached Word always comes first, and God forbid that I should ever raise my voice in song in his sanctuary without honoring God with it.

How are we to teach our young people to sing if we do not have some kind of song service? We are not all gifted with a musical talent. Hence it is necessary, I say, that we have a musical organization.

Now I know that the pulpits are anxious singings, and it ought not to be so, for it is doing away with the old-time congregational singing, and they won't deny that fact; and the singing is very largely conducted by non-Church members, who constitute a choir for the Church. I believe in good Church music, and whenever an opportunity presents itself I always take part in the song service.

The object of the singing convention is not to side-track the gospel or the Church, either, but should be in harmony with each other, for we want men of God at the head of these singings—as much so as in the Church. Voltaire once said, "If you will let me write the songs for the people, I care not who make the laws," and it is just that way, to a very large extent. What is more soul-stirring than a good old hymn, sung with the spirit by a whole congregation, such as we sing in the old East Texas Convention? We use nothing but the old Sacred Harp in our convention. I do not pretend to say that all of its members are religious. How often hard hearts are softened by singing some good old hymn! A beautiful voice is one of God's divinest gifts when it is properly used.

Let Bro. S and the conventions get close together, and he will know where they belong. I agree with him about attending to business on the Sabbath in our meetings. We always try to avoid that. The old adage is, "If you want to get the news, go away from home." So we are not guilty of what the brother alleges.

M. S. STEGER

Delray, Texas.

Sorrow is sent for our instruction, just as we darken the cages of birds when we would teach them to sing.—Richter.

The Mighty March of Methodism

The following article, which appeared in the Louth News of August 2, will be read with interest:

Children of darkness are said to be wiser in their generation than the children of light—whether we can fairly call the editor of a financial paper a child of darkness we do not care to say, but certainly a London financial paper, which cannot be suspected of being over friendly to Methodism, hits the nail very squarely on the head by its declaration that the purchase of the Aquarium site at Westminster for the Methodist Church House "marks an era" in the history of Wesleyan Methodism. When Mr. Perks, to whom the credit for this bold venture belongs, rose last week in the Methodist Conference at Manchester to present the report of the Twentieth Century Fund, very few persons knew what an important announcement the Treasurer of the Fund had to make. Starting with the present state of the Fund, he stated that the effort of the Methodist people to raise a million of money had succeeded, for, including the Irish Fund and the contributions abroad, £1,941,000 had been promised, and £572,000 paid. Assuming that the British promises were good, £25,000 were still needed before distribution could begin, and that amount would, if not otherwise subscribed, be provided by accumulating interest. So far, Mr. Perks stated nothing that was new, for the Methodist people are familiar with these astounding figures which mark by the way a "record" in the financial zeal of the Free Churches. It should not be forgotten that local schemes of Church, chapel, and school extension have been undertaken through the stimulus of the Twentieth Century Fund. Those enterprises involve an additional outlay of upwards of two millions sterling. Passing quickly and quietly from finance, Mr. Perks, in a few sentences, announced to the Methodist delegates gathered from every corner of Great Britain that the Executive Committee of the Century Fund had contracted to buy the famous Royal Aquarium site at Westminster for the new Connectional central buildings. He did not ask the permission of the conference, or argue the wisdom of the choice; he simply said, the die is cast and the transaction effected. We have often heard Mr. Perks in his Twentieth Century speeches say that when four years ago at the Hull Conference he expounded his famous scheme to raise one million guineas from one million Methodists, nothing struck him so forcibly or over-awed him more than the silent unanimity with which the conference accepted and endorsed his proposal. It was the same at Manchester last week. The conference listened in breathless silence, and it was not until Mr. Perks uttered the glowing words with which he closed his speech, full of faith in God and the Methodist people, that the pent-up feelings of the conference broke forth in prolonged applause—"In days to come, when we shall be forgotten, and our work will perhaps have passed into oblivion, the Methodists of future generations, gathering in that famous center of religious and philanthropic enterprise, will thank God that their forefathers were bold enough, and sufficiently trustful in the directing hand of God to acquire for their Church that magnificent center for the evangelization of London and of the whole world."

The acquired site faces Westminster Abbey. It is close to the Houses of Parliament, and within a stone's throw of the Church House of the Established Church. Hard by is the strange Byzantine Cathedral soon to be opened by the Roman Catholics. A new gladiator now enters the great arena, a new champion claims the attention of all watching the chief movements of our time. By selecting this commanding stand for its new connectional buildings, Methodism seems to say:—"I am tired of the bylanes and the side streets, I will no longer play the part of the poor relation of the State Church; I have attained my majority, I step to the front." The "spectator" does not attempt to conceal its pride at this bold forward stride made by English Nonconformity. "The position," it says, "is worthy of the services rendered to the Motherland by John Wesley and his followers. The Wesleyans are, indeed, essentially an Imperial body—they cover the whole field of Empire." No one who has heard Mr. Perks, the originator and the inspiring genius of the Methodist Million Fund, speak during his campaigns in support of this great movement will wonder at the culmination of the policy he announced to the conference. In season and out of season, with unwavering boldness, he has asserted the Methodist claim to stand in the very front rank in England as an evangelizing and moral power. The glorious example of their founder; their services to the State; their struggles for civil and religious liberty, and

for popular rights; the work of Methodism as an exponent and defender of the pure Protestant faith; the strange, blending in Methodist Church economy of democratic freedom, bordering almost on irregularity, with ecclesiastical autocracy; the living daily faith in a present Savior, and the joys of a simple experimental religion, courting no earthly favor and fearing no one but God—these are the soul-stirring topics on which Mr. Perks has spoken to tens of thousands of Methodists all through the land during the last three years' campaign.

Architectural critics need not fear that the Methodists should fail to erect on the Aquarium site a worthy and monumental building. Possibly they may leave something for posterity to do for the adornment and extension of the edifice. If so, they will only follow the example of the builders of our cathedrals, or the masterpieces of continental architecture. The Wesleyan Conference acted with a good deal of worldly wisdom in stating in their minutes of conference, four years ago, when they started their fund, exactly what the new London Hall was to be. It is to be connectional. The administrative departments of modern Methodism are to be housed there. The great Sunday-school Agency, the Temperance organization, the new Wesley Guild, the rapidly growing Home Mission Agencies, will all be centered in the new buildings. It is to be the Young Men's Christian Association and the Memorial Hall of Methodism. There is to be a great Assembly Hall to hold 3,000 people, and a small hall to seat 1,000; a great library, for which there is already waiting one of the most costly and famous collections of ecclesiastical literature that have been got together; there will be also numerous committee rooms and offices, Ecumenical Conferences, Religious Congresses, and possibly the Wesleyan Conference itself will meet in the new hall.

The trustees are specially empowered to let portions of the buildings for the great evangelistic services conducted by the London Mission. No branch of modern Methodist Church enterprise has struck the popular mind more forcibly than the Missions of the Wesleyan Church, not only in London, but in the great provincial centers. Vast halls, some like huge music halls, have been opened recently by the Methodists in Southwark, Wandsworth, Deptford, Bolton, Nottingham, Edinburgh, and elsewhere; many more are being erected; and wherever opened they are crowded with working men and women.

The new Church house cannot rival the Abbey opposite in antiquity, nor in gorgeous ritual, nor in the retinue of sculptured heroes that crowd the Abbey aisles; possibly not in the learning of its clergy, but one thing is certain, there will ring forth from the platform of the Methodist new preaching place the old evangel, the proclamation of a full and free salvation, of the same life-giving message of redeeming love which regenerated society long ago, and which is still mighty to save to the uttermost both individual man and the nations of mankind.—London Methodist Record.

THE DENVER ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Denver Annual Conference was held by Bishop A. W. Wilson, August 28 to September 1. As usual, the Bishop presided to the satisfaction and delight of all the brethren. He preached a strong, helpful and inspiring sermon on Sunday at 11 a. m.

So far as I am capable of judging, after a stay of only nine months, the conference is in better condition and the brethren more hopeful than for years past.

I suppose the Secretary will give the Church press an account of the proceedings.

On account of my wife's health the Bishop transferred us back to the Northwest Texas Conference. I am now in Tennessee for a few weeks. My wife had not had one good night's rest for over seven months until I reached a low altitude. Now she is sleeping well, and has already begun to improve. We hope and have reasons to believe that she will soon regain all she has lost. We will return to Texas by September 28, and will spend October helping those brethren who have so kindly invited me to do so in their meetings. I will be ready to cast my lot with them in November. I regret to leave Colorado at this time. The field is open and is ripe unto harvest. We need more men in that field, and we would have remained there for a number of years but for my wife's health. However, it will be a great pleasure to again labor with and among those brethren who have been so exceedingly kind to us in the past.

ROBT. B. BONNER

Rives, Tenn.

Devotion

THE HARP STRING

In the 19th psalm, pictured with much beauties and glories the goodness of God his creatures. It is much is packed with talks of God who is light, who stretches like a curtain; who out of the clouds and for wings. It is a turquesque psalm. The burst out of the light down through the that build their nest the water courses, the that find pasture vineyards and olive the cedars of Lebanon where the storks build wild goats and come seasons of the year, night, in whose darkness go out seeking all enumerated. Re these things, the psalm ed anew with the fact for and feeds each of that none of them God's ceaseless pro his heart overflows and goodness and bursts forth into a melody of thanksgiving.

I think it would notice the strings of cause every reason for its grateful melody. The first of these is meditation of him. How much we lose a wing along through the so mastering ourselves time to meditate upon dealings with us, many lives are barly uninteresting is have no time of such heavenly things. Do mistake of supposing always have ideal cirrounding you in ordinations that are per atmosphere of heaven many of the sweet evidences of having times of great trial. Many of those writers composed when he and had to hide him or in the mountains; circumstances he wate upon God and. Though he was driven he could not thus b from God. When building her nest in wild goat standing jutting crag or hear roar of some young prev, David said to meditated: "The God these things and do them will surely ne. And, as he meditated went out of his heart, came in and his w sweetened.

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Methodism

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Annual Conference was
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ROBT. B. BONNER.

Devotional and Spiritual

THE HARP STRINGS OF THE SOUL

In the 104th psalm we have pic-
tured with much care and detail the
beauties and glories of nature and
the goodness of God in dealing with
his creatures. It is wonderful how
much is packed into that psalm! It
talks of God who covers himself with
light, who stretches out the heavens
like a curtain; who makes a chariot
out of the clouds and uses the winds
for wings. It is a wonderful pic-
turesque psalm. The springs which
burst out of the hillsides and run
down through the valleys, the birds
that build their nests along these lit-
tle water courses, the droves of cattle
that find pasture on the hills, the
vineyards and olive groves and fields,
the cedars of Lebanon, the fir trees
where the storks build their nests,
wild goats and conies; the changing
seasons of the year, the day and the
night, in whose darkness the young
lions go out seeking their prey, are
all enumerated. Reflecting on all
these things, the psalmist is impress-
ed anew with the fact that God cares
for and feeds each one of them, and
that none of them could live without
God's ceaseless protection; and as
his heart overflows at the majesty
and goodness and love of God, he
bursts forth into a most delightful
melody of thanksgiving.

I think it would be well for us to
notice the strings on this harp, be-
cause every reason that then existed
for its grateful melody exists to-day.
The first of these is meditation: "My
meditation of him shall be sweet."
How much we lose when we go rush-
ing along through the world without
so mastering ourselves as to take
time to meditate upon God and his
dealings with us. The reason so
many lives are barren and spiritual-
ly uninteresting is because they
have no time of sweet meditation on
heavenly things. Do not make the
mistake of supposing that you must
always have ideal circumstances sur-
rounding you in order to have medi-
tations that are perfumed with the
atmosphere of heaven. A great
many of the sweetest psalms bear
evidences of having been written in
times of great trial and hardship.
Many of those written by David were
composed when he was a wanderer
and had to hide himself in a cave
or in the mountains; but under such
circumstances he was able to med-
itate upon God and his goodness.
Though he was driven into the hills,
he could not thus be driven away
from God. When he saw a stork
building her nest in a fir tree or a
wild goat standing aloft on some
jutting crag or heard at night the
roar of some young lion seeking his
prey, David said to himself, as he
meditated: "The God who cares for
these things and does not forget
them will surely not forget me."
And, as he meditated, the bitterness
went out of his heart, love and hope
came in and his whole life was
sweetened.

Touching this string of medita-
tion jars another string, and that
is gratitude: "I will sing praise to
my God." I am sure we shall al-
ways be grateful after any genuine
meditation on God's goodness. It is
when we act or say things in haste
that we are not grateful. It is im-
possible to count up God's mercies
and to take account of all the things
that are still left which, through
God's kindness, may yet minister to
our happiness even on the darkest
and most trying day, without there
rising up in our souls an anthem of
praise to God. When we address
God, nothing, unless it be confession
of sin, so befits our lips as gratitude.
We ought not always be asking and
never thanking the Lord. The
thankful soul is the happy soul.
Show me a man who is ungrateful,
who is always receiving and never
giving back in words of gratitude,

and I will show you one who in the
very nature of things can never
know real genuine happiness.
A thankful spirit is as great a bless-
ing to the giver as it is to the one
who receives the gratitude.

In these two strings of your harp
are touched, I am sure they will
arouse a third: "I will sing unto
the Lord." How natural it is for a
heart that is grateful and is com-
muning with the Lord in meditation
to burst forth into happy song.
Christianity is the greatest singing
religion in the world. This is be-
cause there are more hope and good
cheer, more promises of good things
to come, more present gladness in
the heart of the sincere Christian
than in the disciple of any other re-
ligion the world has ever seen.
Christ is the great hope-bringer.
When the angels come to sing at his
birth they said to the shepherds that
they brought great tidings, and
wherever Christ is preached men are
made glad. It is not only our privi-
lege but our duty to live glad lives,
and song is the most natural expres-
sion of gladness. I think we ought
to sing more than we do. We ought
to sing more in our homes. Ours is
a singing religion and we ought to
live up to it. Christian song has
great power to banish the blues and
brighten our outlook on the future.

If we strike all these notes we
shall get courage to go on our way
rejoicing. The psalmists felt so up-
lifted as he meditated and praised
and sang that he determined to keep
on in that good way as long as he
lived.

If we give ourselves up to the
fascination of soul-music that is
aroused by meditation upon God and
communion with him, our hearts
will be made so glad and we shall be
so charmed with our heavenly con-
versation with Christ that we shall
be saved from many of the haunting
fears of life.—Louis Albert Banks,
D.D.

MAKING THE MOST OF HIS LIFE.

They who live longest do not
necessarily make the most of life.
Long life is desirable provided the
years are all filled with that which
is good. But an empty life can not
be redeemed from vanity by length
of days. A life filled with good
fruit is better than a long life.
Jesus, who made more of life than
any other did not live long. His life
was cut short by violence while he
was yet a young man. A life poured
out in blood for the sake of right-
eousness is far better spent than one
which has been carefully guarded
and preserved even down to old age
at the expense of righteousness
and truth. In order to make the
most of life it may be necessary to
lay it down as a sacrifice.

One who finds most pleasure does
not necessarily make the most of
life. Some think there is nothing
better in the world than to have what
they call a good time. They count
that day lost which does not bring
them some social delight or worldly
gratification. But all wise men
agree that mere pleasure should
be sacrificed to some higher good.
They who live in pleasure are dead
while they live. Jesus, whose life
was a perfect model, never ran after
pleasure. We do not know that he
ever sought it for a moment. It
was his meat and drink to do his
Father's will and finish the work
which was given him to do. The
joy of good conscience and the
approval of the heavenly Father are
infinitely superior to all worldly
pleasure.

The man who makes the most
money does not always make the
most of life. Money is not to be
despised nor thrown away. Money
is a means of great good when prop-
erly used. But "a man's life consist-
eth not in the abundance of the

things which he possesseth." A mil-
lionaire may live a narrow and un-
satisfactory life. His millions will
be a millstone about his neck unless
they are used for some good purpose
in the world. It is better far to be
rich in good works, rich in faith,
rich toward God, rich in character,
than to be rich in gold and silver.

It is thought by some that learn-
ing is the thing that makes life rich
and grand. But one may be learned
without making much of life.
Learning is a good thing. The
study of science affords wonderful
satisfaction. Few things contribute
more to the enrichment of life than
a well-stored and well-disciplined
mind. But knowledge and learning
are not the principal things. Some
men are wiser and stronger without
learning than others are with it.
Jesus was not a learned man accord-
ing to the standards of this world;
yet when he opened his mouth and
spoke, such streams of truth and wis-
dom proceeded from his enlightened
mind that his learned enemies said,
"Whence hath this man these things,
never having learned?" Peter and
John were unlearned fishermen, yet
they made the world richer by their
wisdom. John Bunyan was not a
learned man according to the stan-
dards of this world, yet what scien-
tist or philosopher ever did so much
as he to enlighten the world? The
wisdom that cometh from above is
superior to the wisdom of this world.
It is not the scientist, but the saint,
that lives that life which is life in-
deed. It is not the philosopher, but
the Christian, that is the light of the
world. It is not the scholar, but the
good man, that makes the most of
life.—Christian Advocate.

KEEN APPRECIATION.

He gave a high value to every-
thing which was done in love. I
have never heard of anyone who ap-
preciated every favor, however small,
so much as he. You give a cup of
water to a man in His name and it
will appear to your credit in the day
of judgment. His memory of love
holds every loving thing we do. "In-
asmuch" has become the chain by
which reluctance is drawn into
Christy service.

The whole life of Christ was
healthful, simple—natural. I con-
fess that I like the word. He was
thorough, yet we do not call him an
extremist, or think him radical and
visionary. He believed in life and
enjoyed it. He was not an ascetic
in any degree. He did not seclude
himself from men, but walked
among them and sat at their tables.
His herald in the wilderness had a
life of austerity. This well became
him. But Christ began his miracles
at a wedding and saved the
marriage feast. His work took
a common form. He fed men
with bread; he saved the fish-
er's boat; he gave the palsied
man strength to carry home the
bed he lay upon. They called him
the "friend of publicans and sin-
ners," and the name pleased him. He
always liked the truth. His para-
bles interpreted common things;
sparrows, grass and flowers, leaves
and seed, money and pearls. He
gave a new value to all that men
huddled. There is no great teacher
who approaches him in this use of
common things, in the hallowing of
the ways of men, in the ennobling of
our daily life.—Alexander Mc-
Kenzie, D.D.

THE SIN OF JEALOUSY.

How shall I keep my heart from
jealousy, O Lord? Only by loving
my brother as myself. I can never
be free from jealousy by fleeing
from the prize I covet. Often in my
hour of envy I have said to myself,
"Give up the world and you will have
peace." I forget that the thing I
covet is not the thing in the hand,
but the object in the fancy. In vain I
summon the wings of a dove to flee
away; I carry in my heart the glitter
of my brother's gold. Not by the

wings of a dove shall I find rest, O
Lord; only by the wings of thy
Spirit—love's wings. Not even by
depreciating the prize shall I find
rest. Thou wouldst have me rejoice
that its beauty is in the possession of
my brother. I need, not less glitter,
but more love. I should not wish
to reach peace by disparaging my
brother's possession—by saying, "It
is not pretty." Nay, rather, for his
sake, would I revel in its loveliness,
would I admire it more and more. I
would feel that my brother is a part
of myself; I would rejoice in his
pleasures as a pleasure of my own. If
he is taken up to the mount, and I
am left on the plain, I would not so-
lace myself by saying, "The mount
is cold." Rather would I say, "I
thank thee, O Lord, that a member
of my body has been inaugurated by
a stream of thy glory." So shall I
lose the jealousy and still preserve
the joy.—George Matheson, D. D.

"WHERE I FAILED BEFORE"

I was watching a carpenter once
as he worked at a board set on one
edge in his vice. The edge of the
piece of lumber was quite crooked
and he was trying with his plane
to make it straight. Carefully he
would push the plane along the edge,
and then going back he would look
across it, his eyes on a level with the
top of the board. Over and over
again this was repeated, until at last
the carpenter seemed satisfied. Once
across would not do. There would
be places where he failed at first to
bring the edge down to a level.

"I was compelled to work a long
time before I could do that appar-
ently simple thing as it should be
done," he said in response to my
question. "It looks easy enough, but
try it. There will be so many places
where you will fail at first."

"Where I failed before?"
"Ah, yes. That is the story of so
many things."

"I wish I had my life to live over.
Do you suppose I would do as I
have? I can see now just where I
failed before. I would like to try
again."
"God does not think it best we
should go back and begin over, but
but he does give us a chance to make
right the wrong we have done; and
is not that a blessed privilege? Think
what it would mean if we
never could say to the one we love,
but whom we have injured, "For-
give me! I did not mean to say the
unkind word. It came before I
knew it. I do love you. I am so
sorry!" Think how the heart would
ache if the one we have wronged
were to be snatched away, leaving
us no time to make right the mis-
take we made! So I say, God is very
kind to give us a chance to go over
the board again, and take out the
crooked places.

But think how wise it is to wish
that one could live his life all over
again! What reason is there for
thinking that we would be any wiser
than we were when we first began?
No; there would be too many hard
and bitter things all along the way.
Let us not ask to go back, and begin
again. Let us rather ask for wisdom
to shun the evil places where we fell
before. And then? Then go on
bravely to the end.

Up in the Adirondack region,
deep in the heart of the woods, there
is a deep well worn right down into
the solid rock. Very true and even
are its sides and the traveler wonders
what ever could have caused such a
strange formation in the rock. But
if he dives deep down into the well
he will find a single stone, round as
a marble and worn almost to the
size of one's thumb. That little
stone, carried round and round by
the tiny brooklet which made its way
down the ravine, ground its way
through the flinty stone year after
year until it dug that deep cistern.
The chafing of the stone as it worked
away to get out did it all, but never
was that pebble able to rise above
the brink and escape the wearing of

THE MAN IN ARMOR

Was no match for the microbe. Giama
he might slay but this microscopic or-
ganism defied him, and in many a cam-
paign more men were destroyed by camp
diseases than by the enemy's sword.



The one way to
arm against micro-
bic disease is to
keep the blood pure.
Impure blood both
breeds and feeds
disease.
The signs of im-
pure blood are easy
to read. Pimples,
boils, and eruptions
generally proclaim
the blood to be im-
pure. Scrofulous
sores and swellings,
salt-rheum, eczema,
etc., are other signs
of a corrupt con-
dition of the blood.
Doctor Pierce's
Golden Medical Dis-
covery purifies the
blood and cures dis-
eases caused by the
blood's impurity. It
cures scrofulous sores, boils, pimples,
eczema and other defiling and disfiguring
diseases.

"It gives me great pleasure to express my
faith in the virtue of Dr. Pierce's Golden Med-
ical Discovery," writes Mr. E. K. Clark, of
Graytown, Ontario, Canada, "I suffered every-
thing for two years with scrofulous skin, and
which baffled the skill of some of the most
noted physicians. Was it ever advised to go to
the hospital, was I advised that for three
months without success. Came home discour-
aged. Then began to doctor with a chemist.
He also failed to help me. Then I began Dr.
Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, with no
faith whatever in it. Did it only to please my
wife, but I am happy to tell you that after tak-
ing five bottles I am entirely cured."
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the current as it pushed generously
against its side.

Just like that would be the pain
and trouble of living life over, if
we were given the power to do so
after every mistake we made. Our
whole lives would be worn out try-
ing to get away, and all we would
do would be to dig deeper and deep-
er the tomb which hold us prisoners.

Let us not ask such a thing, but
do let us pray the Father for
strength and grace to live better to-
day than we lived yesterday, for
courage to say from the heart, "I
am sorry; forgive me." Our strength
to shun by our everyday walk that
we were earnest in saying what we
did; and finally for the guiding
hand to keep us from slipping where
we did before.—Edward Howell.

Time, like law, admits no excuse
for the man who misuses it.
—Balzac.

He who is to bless the Lord of
God must live near to the God of
Israel.—Matthew Henry.

A DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE

Medicine Not Needed in This Case.
It is hard to convince some people
that coffee does them an injury. They
say they had feelings to almost every
case but they are true and unimpaired
one.
But the doctor knows, for with ex-
perience has proven to him that to
some systems coffee is an injurious in-
gestion that undermines the health.
Ask the doctor if coffee is the cause
of constipation, stomach and nervous
troubles.
"I have been a coffee drinker all my
life. I am now 42 years old and when
taken sick two years ago with nervous
prostration, my doctor said that my
nervous system was broken down and
that I would have to give up coffee. I
am so weak and shaky I could not
work, and reading your advertisement
of Postum Food Coffee, I asked my-
self if he had any of it. He said
"Yes," and that he used it in his family
and it was all it claimed to be."
So I quit coffee and commenced to
use Postum steadily and found in about
two weeks time, I could sleep soundly
at night and get up in the morning
feeling fresh and well. In about two
months I began to gain flesh. I only
weighed 140 pounds when I commenced
on Postum and now I weigh 160 and
feel better than I did at 20 years of age.
I am working every day and sleep
well at night. My two children were
great coffee drinkers, but they have not
drank any since Postum came into the
house, and are far more healthy than
they were before." Stewart M. Hall,
Fairfield, W. Va.

Secular News Items.

Secretly Moreno, a timber dealer of Pensacola, Fla., has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy...

At Merkle, Texas, in a disagreement over alleged mistreatment of his mother, Tom Brown, aged 17, shot and killed his stepfather, Justice of the Peace York...

Dr. P. H. Mell, professor of the chair of zoology in the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, has been unanimously elected President of Clemson College...

The Russian Government does not take kindly to trusts. M. De Witte, Russian Minister of Finance, has rejected the petitions of the oil owners...

The little island of Torishima, one of the Japanese group, was overwhelmed by a volcanic eruption August 27. The entire population, supposed to be about one hundred and fifty persons, is reported, perished.

Sociologists in London are disturbed by the vital statistics issued this week. London shows a decrease since 1881 from 27.4 to 29.6 per cent of married women at the age of 45.

Secretary Chamberlain's plan for seceding \$250,000,000 to \$500,000,000 out of the Transvaal gold mines, to help pay the cost of the South African war, causes a groan from the mining interests...

In the Interior of August 11, 1902, it is claimed by a writer, that the women in our colleges far outnumber the men, and expresses the verdict that eventually the women, and not the men, will constitute the educated bodies of society...

According to statistics recently gathered and published in Germany, the total import and export trade of 30 countries in the world, for 1901, was approximately \$23,800,000,000.

The irrigation of the arid lands of the West under the system provided for by Congress at its late session, is now in its initial stage. Surveyors and engineers are on the ground, and plans will soon be settled.

Just off the northwestern coast of Africa is a group of small islands called the Canary Isles and the Cape Verde Islands. These are the native home of our favorite song-bird, the canary, which was first taken to Europe in the sixteenth century.

CRUEL METHODS

Of Treating Piles and Rectal Diseases. The old methods of treating piles by the knife, by ligature or dilatation, besides causing intense pain and frequently relapse and death...

The Washington Post's report of the annual banquet of the Alumni Association of the American College at Rome, some time ago in Washington, makes the statement that "Bishop Kelly said, among other things: I am a Catholic first, an American after—and a long way after. I am not an American Catholic, but a Roman Catholic."

The total population (including Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands), at the last census of the United States, was 76,363,387. This comprises: (1) the 75,477,467 residents of the United States proper; (2) the 91,219 military, naval and civil employees serving abroad or at sea; (3) the 63,592 residents of Alaska; (4) the 154,001 residents of the Hawaiian Islands; (5) the 125,948 Indians not taxed and 252,962 other residents in the Indian Territory.

Liquor is no respecter of age or sex. It performs its devilish and heartless work with children and women as well as with men. A New Jersey policeman recently found a three-year-old golden-haired little girl staggering in front of the city hall. He took her in charge and was followed to the police station by a crowd of children, crying, "Look at the drunken baby!"

and was followed to the police station by a crowd of children, crying, "Look at the drunken baby!" The child's mother later came after her and admitted that she had been giving the baby wine, but said the child did not drink enough to make her drunk.

Charles Payne, of Wichita, Kan., recently presented the Zoological Garden of St. Louis a pure white quail caught in Southern Oklahoma. He expresses the opinion that of every 2,000,000 quails not more than one is an albino.

Rafael Montoro, just confirmed by the Cuban Senators as Minister to Great Britain, is probably the most influential member of the Conservative party in the island, and the Radicals are more than willing to see him go to London. His salary as Minister will be \$8000 a year.

By using larger freight cars and more powerful locomotives, and by paying careful attention to loading of trains, the Northeastern Railway of England in the first half of the current year reduced its freight train mileage by 7.7 per cent, while increasing its freight train carmiles per mile by 8.9 per cent over the results in the like period of 1901.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy visited the Emperor William of Germany last week at Berlin, and the two monarchs "fraternized" with much cordiality. The Kaiser made a speech declaring that the triple alliance between Germany, Italy and Austria has for several decades assured the peace of Europe, "as, by God's will, it will continue to do." So may it be.

Secretary Chamberlain's plan for seceding \$250,000,000 to \$500,000,000 out of the Transvaal gold mines, to help pay the cost of the South African war, causes a groan from the mining interests and those dependent upon them. They say even the smaller sum would permanently hamper the resources of the Transvaal. A popular protest is being made.

In the Interior of August 11, 1902, it is claimed by a writer, that the women in our colleges far outnumber the men, and expresses the verdict that eventually the women, and not the men, will constitute the educated bodies of society, and ultimately dominate the intellectual, social, moral, and religious world, and the proposed college equipment should fit her for the broadened sphere of usefulness and service.

According to statistics recently gathered and published in Germany, the total import and export trade of 30 countries in the world, for 1901, was approximately \$23,800,000,000. Great Britain and her colonies had the largest with the great total of nearly \$7,000,000,000. Germany is placed second with \$2,815,000,000, and the United States third with \$2,118,200,000.

Unregenerate human nature is pretty much the same the world over. An epidemic of fraud reigns in Portugal, robberies, bribes and forgeries being reported from all parts of the country. Forgers of bank notes on a large scale have been arrested. Robberies of ammunition and war material from the arsenal at Lisbon have been discovered, and the Government has been defrauded to the extent of \$500,000 by excise men accepting bribes and enabling large breweries to evade duties.

The Washington Post's report of the annual banquet of the Alumni Association of the American College at Rome, some time ago in Washington, makes the statement that "Bishop Kelly said, among other things: I am a Catholic first, an American after—and a long way after. I am not an American Catholic, but a Roman Catholic." He had, he said, no sympathy with nationalizing Catholicism. Well, that is about what we have ever believed as to the real spirit of a very large number of the leading members of the Roman Catholic hierarchy in America. Americans, take notice!

The bicycle fad has completely collapsed, involving several large dealers in heavy loss. Judge Kirkpatrick in Newark last week appointed Col. Albert A. Pope, R. Lindsey Coleman and John A. Miller receivers for the American Bicycle Company. Col. Pope and Mr. Coleman are officers of the company. The company has defaulted the payment of interest on outstanding bonds amounting to \$225,000. The company is said to owe \$150,000 to Baring, Magoun & Co., \$50,000 to the Federal Manufacturing Company and \$85,000 to Smithers & Co., besides other debts. The company in addition owes \$9,500,000 as principal on outstanding bonds. The assets are given as \$7,751,000, a portion of which, how-

ever, is considered of uncertain value. During the height of the bicycle fad a census of wheelmen was taken in Chicago by representatives of cycling societies. At the end of the season it was estimated that there were between 200,000 and 300,000 wheelmen in that city alone. The automobile fad will be shorter lived. Both inventions, however, will prove to be of practical value.

The French Premier declares his purpose to resign, having accomplished the task for which President Loubet appointed him to office—the suppression of the unauthorized "congregationist" schools of the proscribed "orders." M. Combes has certainly done his work in blunt, straightforward fashion. He assumed the duties of the premiership only in June, and now in about two months the mission entrusted to him has been finished and the schools closed. There has been some popular feeling and frequent local disturbances, but the strong hand of the military has promptly and rigidly suppressed them, the schools are wiped out, and the teachers are looking up pastures in other lands. Rome has reacted exceedingly, but has kept her hands off either through policy or helplessness.

The Christian Advocate had a little story last week about a young school teacher in a New England town. She is a "Churchwoman," but when she got a chance to sing (on a salary) in the Congregationalist choir she jumped at it—the money being decidedly an object to her. Last May she received a note from the local rector. "I consider that this matter of your singing for the Congregationalist denomination every Sunday has just gone too far," wrote the reverend man, "and I have therefore to respectfully request that you attend the 11 o'clock services at the Parish Church here every Lord's Day, during the remainder of your stay in X, and thus save any further trouble." The note was marked "official." Nevertheless the contumacious young person is still singing in the choir and drawing the salary.

George Zelle, an esteemed citizen of the Island of Manhattan, was a methodical man and he carried his business-like methods as close to the grave as possible. When his will was filed for probate last week it was found that he had decided to allow \$118 to be expended upon his funeral, and that he had itemized the figures as follows: Casket of black cloth, \$50; laying out, \$5; cremation, \$35; hearse to crematory, \$6; ferry fares, \$1; removing body to store, \$3; four gentlemen porters, \$4; Newton permit, \$1; attendance, Board of Health permit, etc., \$3. The final charge of \$3 for incidentals is not large enough. The Boston Journal suggests that "four gentlemen porters at \$1 each would reasonably expect something liberal in the matter of refreshments. No porter who is also a real gentleman would consent to mourn for so small a figure."

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NORTH TEXAS

K

D. F. Fuller, former member since my date. Had a good Sunday. The old class year on the this is far the best matters.

B

J. T. Hildner, Secretary in August meeting in Elgin. A very good meeting. Six members of the class. Rev. H. S. Gaudin, who for us. This was done by Rev. Dr. T. H. Hildner, who has more than five years school, leaves this Theological Department University at Nashville, Tenn. Hildner, having entered very earnestly with a determination to push his way for this year with honor, but he has a pleasure for me to be provided as early the gospel of Christ. I have been able to do his life-work, everything in a full

Sherman

Jan. O. Davis, Secretary in August meeting. Throughout four of preaching myself as a member of the class. Those three were of the many others I believe. In the fifth Thomas of Southern was at Elgin. He and a few others, and a few others, that matter, of the was a failure. W. H. Hildner, both men, on point and Rev. D. E. Hildner at Greenwood, to make victory easy. thirty-six into the class. It is just for me to say that of the material fine as the country much for Methodism four Sunday-schools, our own literature, it would call thorough. Elworth League at and said for a congregation. A stern school church, but the once raised the money putting also, now pay course our conference said in full with the. The weeks will soon be found entire together. The Lord giving.

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NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Kemp. D. F. Fuller: Have received sixteen members since my last card to the Advocate. Had a good day at Wilson's Chapel Sunday. The old chapel will go ahead of last year on the collections, although this is far the hardest year in financial matters.

Brookston. J. T. Hildworth, Sept. 10: On the third Sunday in August we closed a two week meeting in Brookston; eight or nine conversions; six accessions, and most of all the members of the Church greatly revived. Rev. H. S. Gorman, of Peary, preached twice for us. The rest of the preaching was done by Rev. C. T. Tally and myself. He is a man of faith and power. His work among us was wonderfully blessed of God. There were thirty reclamations and conversions, and twenty joined the Methodist Church. Eight heads of families agreed to erect family altars.

Sherman Circuit. Jas. O. Davis, Sept. 12: My meetings have all been held in number. Throughout four of them I did all the preaching myself except three sermons. These three were good sermons, but of the many others I am an incompetent judge. In the 5th meeting Rev. W. A. Thomas, of Shattuck, assisted us. This was at Pecos. He did good, solid work, and a fine meeting was the result. For that matter, of the five meetings not one was a failure. Willing workers of the both men and women, at every point, and Rev. D. E. Starr, my legal adviser at Greenwood, to help at that place makes victory easy. We have received thirty-six into the Church this year. It is just for me to say, in this connection, that of the material received some is as fine as the country affords. They mean much for Methodist hereafter. We have four Sunday-schools, well supplied with our own literature, and some teachers one would call thoroughly consecrated. The Presbytery, located at Pecos, has bought and paid for a fine organ for that congregation. A storm wrecked our Greenwood church, but that plucky people at once raised the money and repaired it, putting their own paper on the walls. Of course our collections will be increased in full with probably a nice surplus. The weeks will soon fly by, and we will be found coming together yonder at Terrell. The Lord give us a gracious gathering.

Dexter. J. H. Marchand, Sept. 10: Our protracted meeting at Dexter closed last night, after continuing twelve days and nights. We had a great victory. This has been a hard week, with a great deal of preaching. A storm wrecked our Greenwood church, but that plucky people at once raised the money and repaired it, putting their own paper on the walls. Of course our collections will be increased in full with probably a nice surplus. The weeks will soon fly by, and we will be found coming together yonder at Terrell. The Lord give us a gracious gathering.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Elgin. C. H. Drakes, Sept. 12: We had a good day in Elgin yesterday. After preaching in the morning, we had a glorious victory; twenty-six conversions and thirteen accessions to the Church. This people say this was the best meeting they have ever had in that part of the country. This is one of the best places in North Texas. Here, not but a week ago, here for many years, but thank God, the tide is now changed. In all, we have had an Dexter Circuit this year fifty conversions, forty-three accessions, quite a number of reclamations and the Church greatly revived; and all why? Know Dexter Circuit will say that this is a great victory.

Bullard.

C. H. Smith, Sept. 10: I send my report up to date of White House charge. A gracious revival nearly all over the circuit about eighty professions, thirty-nine accessions, and one or two meetings to stand by the reclamations. I have but little idea, but a great many, and a number have promised to hold family prayer and live better lives. Our conversions were all-fashioned—at the mourners' bench. Bros. Remond, of Cedar Street, Henderson, of St. Paul's, Tooke, Ross, Kern, Hunt and Burks, local—all helped some, and did good work, and I thank them kindly for their timely aid. God bless the Advocate.

Titus County Dry.

W. J. McCrary, Mt. Pleasant: Rejoice, all ye people, and be glad, all ye lands! for on the 5th inst. our county (Titus) went dry by a good majority, notwithstanding the anti worked hard. Oh, then King Alcohol! thy days are about numbered. thy life-blood is oozing out at every

pore; already thy bleeding wounds may be seen and thy death-moan heard. Broad has been thy way; long has been thy reign of terror, causing ruin and desolation; but, alas! thy days will soon be done. You may die hard, and doubtless will, but nevertheless you must go. Your friends may gather about thee and try to bind up thy bleeding wounds, but all in vain.

Hallville. W. I. Pater: I have completed my round of protracted meetings except at one appointment. We have had good results at each Church. The Church people have worked faithfully. We have had about sixty conversions and forty-three accessions. T. T. Bush and W. W. Nunn assisted me in two meetings. They did faithful work, and endeared themselves to the people. We closed last night at Hallville. The meeting began the fifth Sunday in August, and lasted five days of continuous work with me eight days. He is a man of faith and power. His work among us was wonderfully blessed of God. There were thirty reclamations and conversions, and twenty joined the Methodist Church. Eight heads of families agreed to erect family altars.

Frankston Charge. J. W. Griffin: The third Quarterly Conference for Frankston charge met at Concord Church Saturday and Sunday, the 6th and 7th inst. We met at 10 o'clock for a dinner. Bro. Davis, our presiding elder, was on hand, and preached three good sermons. At 11 o'clock Sunday we took our missionary collection. We received in cash and subscription \$24.25. We feel that we are going to be able to more than double our present collection by the district. Our revival at Nixon closed with sixty conversions, all of whom joined the Churches in the community. We left for a revival at Kik-Kapoo on Monday, the 9th inst. We are doing great things for us, of which we are glad. Have three meetings to hold at Nixon, and to commence the second Sunday in this month at Pleasant. From there we go to Mt. Selman the third Sunday. Will return to Frankston the second Sunday in October. We select the services of the readers of the Advocate for Q. C. Meetings on the people at the meetings that they may be saved from sin.

Big Sandy Mission. Jesse Lee, Sept. 11: The Sandy Mission is gradually growing. We have recently taken a great stride forward. When we came to this charge we found in it two churches and three saloons. When we stepped off the train at Hawkins last December, the first thing we saw that attracted our attention was a dirty, nasty little old building and eleven drunk men lying on the front of a saloon sign and staggering around with ungodly greetings. I soon found an old church nearby. I found one of the best men in the land. We were able to get to the heart of the matter. We were able to get to the heart of the matter. We were able to get to the heart of the matter. We were able to get to the heart of the matter.

Cason. J. N. McCain, Sept. 10: We have held two meetings on the Cason Circuit, and have received forty members into the Church. We began our meetings at Allen the third Sunday in July, and we labor under discouraging circumstances, as it rained out several sermons. However, there were some good accompaniments. Among those received into the Church were a bright and promising young lawyer (Mr. Joe Phillips). We are expecting great things of Joe, as he is a young man with an extensive influence. On the second Sunday in August we began our meetings at Bradfield's Church, and had a beautiful revival. We were assisted by Rev. J. C. Camp and S. S. Rich. They both did good preaching. As a result, we had two accessions to the Methodist Church and the members were greatly revived, and some thing over \$500 secured in the collection. Rev. J. C. Camp is chairman of the Building Committee, and he is the right man in the right place. They are pushing the work of the revival, and many more Sundays pass by, we expect to have in our new church, and when complete it will be an honor to any community. The good people of Ebenezer have stood about Eben in reviving and painting their church. On account of it, we have not held our meeting at Ebenezer yet. Our church here in Cason is not completed, but we are using it. Bro. D. A. Russell is chairman of the Cason Building Committee, and when we have such good and energetic men as Bro. Russell for chairman things move. When our Cason church is completed it will not be an old building, but a beauty—something to be proud of. Cason charge is a new one, but preachers need not dread coming to serve its people, for they are noble and intelligent, and understand giving their preacher a good dish of welcome.

Forest Home. Lolla Daniel, Aug. 20: Never before in the annals of time has such a wave of Christian influence passed through this neighborhood as was manifested in our meeting at Forest Home, which began the first Sabbath in August, closing the second Sabbath. Our pastor, Bro. Morgan, was assisted by Bro. Moxley, and we bless the Lord for such devoted, consecrated preachers. Bro. Morgan endeavored himself to this people, and worked faithfully for the Lord, and Master Bro. Moxley, a local preacher, did good work. God bless them, and we trust that they may each be continued in their present relation next year. Eternally alone will tell of the precious seeds that were sown in the hearts of this people during our series of meetings. God was with us in every service, convicting and converting sinners, reclaiming those that were backslidden in heart, and abundantly blessing his children. I never saw the power of God fall on a community so in my life, converting both the old and young, from 25 to 65 years of age. God graciously blessed us in every service, and bless his holy name. It seemed that all these blessings we had been praying for for many years were showered down on us every

time we met to worship. Oh, what a beautiful sight to see almost every unconverted soul in our Sabbath-school coming into the fold of Christ. Truly it was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. There were a large number of conversions and reclamations and forty additions to the Church. I think every corner talked, no singing, personal and altar work, and some leading services. A young man's prayer-meeting was organized at the last service, and continues to grow in interest and help. Truly it is a great deal for the advancement of God's Kingdom. No Church was ever blessed with a more zealous band of young Christian workers than we. It is not only in faith and hope, but in love and your father and children, testifying to what God has done for them, and cheerfully do whatever work was put upon them, and see them moving out among their friends, begging them to become people of prayer, and to be followed by other ones. God will with us and blessed us, and the Church has been greatly edified. We are earnestly praying and looking forward to our quarterly conference, beginning the 14th and 20th of October, trusting our people shall become more devoted, spiritual, and there shall be a greater ingathering of souls.

Prohibition in the "Free State." J. B. Tarver, Wills Pater: After a fairly successful battle on Friday, August 29, the anti-saloon cause in Wills County by a majority of 27 defeated the saloon. The saloon should no longer be a legalized business in this county. The victory is all the more encouraging when it is a prohibition by a majority nearly as large as the present prohibition, showing a change in sentiment among the voters to nearly 80 per cent in one year. This change is accounted for in at least two ways. The longer a community is afflicted with the saloon, the more bitterly it is despised and hated. The day will come when people will look back upon the saloon of the twentieth century much as we do now upon the cruelties of the medieval period. The saloon is a source of much refinement and luxury for a moment, but it is a source of much degradation and suffering for the rest of the day. The saloon is a source of much degradation and suffering for the rest of the day. The saloon is a source of much degradation and suffering for the rest of the day.

Springtown. J. I. White, Sept. 11: The Lord has graciously blessed our revival here. The reports from every corner have been so full of joy and praise that we are all rejoicing. Bro. Davis, our presiding elder, has been here, and we are all rejoicing. Bro. Davis, our presiding elder, has been here, and we are all rejoicing. Bro. Davis, our presiding elder, has been here, and we are all rejoicing.

Grand Saline Circuit. A. Methers: To date we have had five protracted meetings. Three of these have been successful ones. The other two were not failures, but not what we desired. The results to date are: 150 conversions, 100 accessions, and 1000 members into the Church. We began our meetings at Allen the third Sunday in July, and we labor under discouraging circumstances, as it rained out several sermons. However, there were some good accompaniments. Among those received into the Church were a bright and promising young lawyer (Mr. Joe Phillips). We are expecting great things of Joe, as he is a young man with an extensive influence. On the second Sunday in August we began our meetings at Bradfield's Church, and had a beautiful revival. We were assisted by Rev. J. C. Camp and S. S. Rich. They both did good preaching. As a result, we had two accessions to the Methodist Church and the members were greatly revived, and some thing over \$500 secured in the collection. Rev. J. C. Camp is chairman of the Building Committee, and he is the right man in the right place. They are pushing the work of the revival, and many more Sundays pass by, we expect to have in our new church, and when complete it will be an honor to any community. The good people of Ebenezer have stood about Eben in reviving and painting their church. On account of it, we have not held our meeting at Ebenezer yet. Our church here in Cason is not completed, but we are using it. Bro. D. A. Russell is chairman of the Cason Building Committee, and when we have such good and energetic men as Bro. Russell for chairman things move. When our Cason church is completed it will not be an old building, but a beauty—something to be proud of. Cason charge is a new one, but preachers need not dread coming to serve its people, for they are noble and intelligent, and understand giving their preacher a good dish of welcome.

Coleman Station. H. J. Hildworth: I am just home from a great meeting at Allen, Texas, where we had a glorious victory. This has been a hard week, with a great deal of preaching. A storm wrecked our Greenwood church, but that plucky people at once raised the money and repaired it, putting their own paper on the walls. Of course our collections will be increased in full with probably a nice surplus. The weeks will soon fly by, and we will be found coming together yonder at Terrell. The Lord give us a gracious gathering.

Burkett Circuit. J. K. Watson, Sept. 7: We have a good report of meetings in this circuit, and feel that we have much to thank God for. Bro. Morgan, our presiding elder, was here, and we are all rejoicing. Bro. Morgan, our presiding elder, was here, and we are all rejoicing. Bro. Morgan, our presiding elder, was here, and we are all rejoicing.

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A NOVEL EXPERIENCE MEETING.

Recently while waiting at an agreed-upon corner of Broadway for a friend with whom I had an engagement I stepped through the open door of a Methodist Church, and sat down on a bench near the entrance.

"Now, last Sunday I had for company Mrs. So-and-So and her daughter, Miss Charity; Mr. and Mrs. Indifference, who are not regular; Mrs. Propriety, who is never absent from 11 o'clock service, sat near Mr. Apathy, a brother who is visiting her; Miss Innuendo was more charming than usual, though she did move twice; Mr. and Mrs. Whist and their two children, Good-Enough and Please-Everybody, completed my morning crowd. But at night, sir, I had a genuine surprise.

"It might have done their proper souls good, Bro. Middle-Bench, to have been sensationed as you were," observed the Chair.

"What have you to say, Bro. Back-Corner-Bench?" "My burden is a heavy one, sir. I try to impress all who come to me with the sacredness of the Church, but when I am sandwiched with such people as the Misses Gizzle, Miss Rapid, Mr. Augustus Fast, Daddy Gossip, the Messrs. Swell-Mashers, Miss Love-Sick and Mr. Love-Lorn, Miss Tell-It-All,

that lightheaded Mr. and Mrs. Don't-Care, Mr. and Mrs. Leaders-in-Dancing, Set, Miss Cleopatra Whist, Baddy Whist, Sissy Don't-Care, Mr. Look-at-Me, and Miss Beaut Flirty-Flop, why I think it is enough to make one lose his religion. The only consolation I have is when some kind stranger comes in and sits upon me and listens and sings and prays. None of my crowd ever do either or any."

"Bro. Chair"— "Bro. Amen-Corner-Bench." "I sympathize with my opposite, I do, sir. And though it is generally supposed that the concentrated essence of the best that is in the Church sits upon me, I want to tell you, sir, I don't believe it is true.

As his heavy wooden voice ceased, the very crackle of sound yet heard came from right under my arm. It was the bench nearest the vestibole.

"Well, upon my word! Here I have been waiting on the steps for—" "Sh! You'll disturb the meeting," I replied, raising my head.

"I was wonderfully realistic, and I've been conjuring ever since as to where I belong." "MRS. GEO. LANGSTON. Cisco, Texas.

It was twilight of a warm May night. The children were playing in the quiet, or avenues of the western part of our city. The electric lights shone white among the pale green of the young leaves, and the bluish shadow of evening stole silently over everything.

"Good-evening, Tommy, Johnny, Mary, Andrew, etc.," as we passed the little groups.

We passed on. A poorly-clad man and woman approached. The woman looked at my companion wistfully. The man would have passed without speaking. But Miss Arnold recognized them suddenly, stopped, shook hands cordially, inquired about the children, each by name. I watched her more interestedly than ever. There was no touch of patronage in her manner. She was the same girl I had seen in the draw-

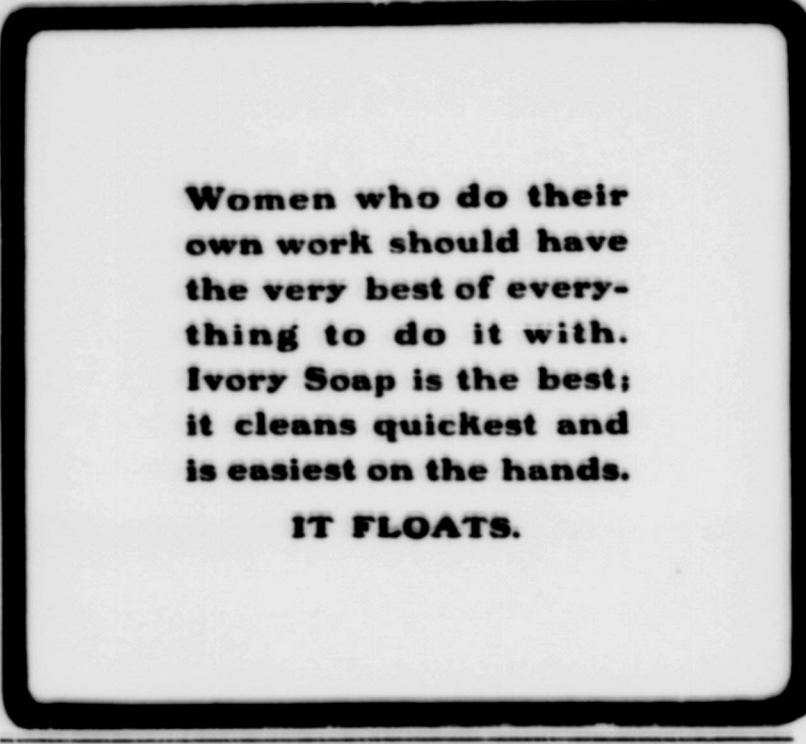
ing-room. With the same spontaneous, natural manner she greeted these people as old friends.

We passed on again into a poorer district of the city. As I had no particular object in my walk, I accepted the invitation to accompany her. The evening shadows were thickening in the narrow streets, but the little ones were still out at their play. We climbed narrow stairways to stuffy rooms where crippled old women sat, looking out over the roofs of the city. We visited cheery little parlors where the struggle to make both ends meet had not put out all the sunshine. We visited a pair of lonely little women who, while maintaining themselves independent of charity, yet were too poor to afford books and magazines and other such luxuries. To these I noticed Miss Arnold had a new book to lend, and some current magazines. Me! I had all the newest things in books and magazines stored up on my shelves at home. I had not thought of using them except to lend to the friends of my own set, who had a multitude of other interests to occupy their time.

"That night I sat by the window, and thought: 'Was my life lonely?' Was it narrow? Whose fault was it? True, I had not wealth to distribute. I had little money to give, and not a great amount of discarded clothing. But I might have given a little of myself. Was I lonely at times in my boarding-house home? Others in that great city were lonely, too, and in cheering their loneliness I would have forgotten my own. There were many people who were not poor enough to need one's left-over soup, yet they led narrow, toilsome lives and would be glad of a cheery caller, a bright book or paper, a little Christian sympathy. I had read of beautiful women in books who reached out and touched the lives of those around them. But now I had had a lesson from a living girl. No parade in her efforts. In fact, they were not efforts. These people were simply among her friends. She enjoyed seeing them. They enjoyed seeing her—the same Miss Arnold that people welcomed so gladly in the mansions on the most elegant avenues. Before I went to bed I laid aside three of my latest books for the two lonely little souls on X—street, and that primrose in my crowded window for the dear little old women above the roofs. Then I decided to take those three little sweet-faced Darwin children out to the park with me next time I went. I could at least afford cart-tickets. Evelyn Arnold doesn't know yet that I slept a happier woman that night for my walk with her. Someday I shall tell her.—Christian Guardian.

"Fighting Joe Wheeler," a veteran of both the Civil and the Spanish-American war, recently delivered an address in New York before the Church Temperance Society in the course of which the following striking paragraphs occur:

"During all my life I have had requests from young men for letters which would help them to get situations. I always say to them: 'Go to the place of business where you want to get work, and tell the proprietor that you have come to make your fortune, and are willing to work hard for it; and that if he will give you a trial you will come without pay for a month. After you have got a place, you must not go to the theater; you must go to bed early and get up early, so as to be at your place of business five minutes before you have to. Then when you are told to do something, do it and come back so quickly that they don't know you've been gone. In a year you, not they, will be dictating salaries. In the last few years business conditions have undergone a great change. These big combinations have been created, and while some people believe they have done a great deal of harm, my advice to young men is to adapt themselves to conditions as they find them, and not try to change them because they can't do it. I meet every night a man who nineteen years ago had no better chance than any man in this hall. He had a place at six dollars a week in the Homestead iron-works. There he did his duty to the best of his power, and every time a man was wanted for a place a little better than the one he held, he seemed to be the man selected. In that nineteen years he has climbed up till now he controls a corporation with a capital of eleven hundred million dollars, a sum as great as our country spent in the first forty



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years of its existence. I learned from this man, Mr. Schwab, that he has never used any tobacco or liquor in his life. The other night I said to him: 'I've been told that in these big corporations, all other things being equal, a man is preferred for promotion who neither drinks nor smokes.' That is my invariable rule with the two or three hundred thousand men I employ," he said. I find that when two men are equal otherwise the one who doesn't drink or smoke is the more valuable. There was never an instance on earth of a man's working himself to death. It's the most harmless dissipation a man can go into. General Wheeler went on to say that many a man killed himself by whisky and tobacco whose death was assigned by the doctors to overwork. 'No man can succeed,' he earnestly declared, 'in following frivolity instead of duty.'—The Classmate.

"Hip-hip-hurrah" has always been regarded as a thoroughly British cry, typical of the exuberant temperament of the race. Compared with it the 'Vive' of the Frenchman, the 'Heil' of the German, and the 'Slava' of the Russian are tame and expressionless; but the 'Hip-hip-hurrah' from Anglo-Saxon throats rings through the spheres and carries everything before it. It is a cruel blow to find that the words are not English at all. The one consolation left us is that they were not 'made in Germany.'

A gentleman named Adams has been investigating the mysteries of the pyramids and monuments of Egypt and has found the phrase 'Hip-hip-hurrah' among the early hieroglyphics of that country. The only consolation derivable from this remarkable discovery is the argument which may be reasonably be deduced, that the presence of these British words among the etymological treasures of Pharaohland give us an 'a priori' right to the whole of the Nile valley. And this theory is strengthened by the fact that, according to Mr. Adams, the hieroglyphic 'Hip-hip-hurrah' means, when translated, 'On, on to plunder.'—London Telegraph.

The old superstition, which has grown into an adage, that rats desert a ship which is no longer seaworthy, is still an article of faith with the fresh water sailors of the Great Lakes. Sundry well-authenticated instances seem to justify this belief. Here is one. The Vernon was a three-master which did a tramp business. Built in Buffalo in 1859, she was for many years regarded as one of the best craft on the lakes.

Late in the fall, about fifteen years ago, she unloaded a cargo of grain in Buffalo, and reloaded with package freight for Chicago. She was about to sail one rough November night, says a contributor to 'Household Words.' Just before the lines were let off one of the seamen saw a rat run over the hawsers to the wharf. In a moment another was seen. The seamen called others of the crew to see the usual sight. Between fifty and seventy-five rats poured out of the ship and took refuge along the wharf. The crew refused to sail, but the captain was obstinate, shipped a fresh crew, and sailed forthwith. The ship was lost with all hands.—Exchange.

A Key West (Fla.) dispatch says: Saturday morning the Galena swung out into the channel to give place to the Yantic at the pier. Just as the

last line was cast off, a sailor forward, who undoubtedly had a grudge against the ship's pet cat, seized her and threw her upon the pier.

It was too late for pussy to regain her place, and in her distress at seeing the ship slowly moving away she ran frantically up and down the dock, crying sufficiently loud to be heard distinctly above the bustle incident upon getting the vessel in motion.

The ship was fifty feet away when puss suddenly turned and, springing from the pier, struck out boldly for the vessel, making for a ladder which was still hanging over the side. In a moment she was clinging to the lowest step, unable to raise herself out of the water. Something like a cher went up from the crowd who had witnessed her heroic action, and a sailor stationed near, dropping down the ladder, seized the half-drowned cat, and landed her safely on deck.

Puss had earned promotion, and if she fails to walk the quarter-deck, it will be because heroism is not appreciated in the navy.—Our Dumb Animals.

God often strikes away our props to bring us down upon His mighty arms. What strength and peace it gives us to feel them underneath us! Far as we may sink, we cannot go farther down than those stretched arms. There we stop; there we rest; and the everlasting arms not only sustain us, but carry us along as on eagle's wings.—Dr. Cuyler.

That statement brings up a picture of long hours of tiresome indoor confinement, close mental concentration and subsequent exhaustion and brain fog. Then comes up the food question.

I was speaking of my illness one day to a trained nurse, who recommended that I begin a systematic diet of Grape-Nuts; at once, as she had seen its beneficial effect upon several of her patients who had suffered as I did.

My work grew smoother and easier and after seven months of this diet I could do almost twice the amount of work in a day and do it easily and without feeling exhausted.

THE ENDOWMENT WESTERN

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"THE ENDOWMENT OF SOUTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY."

Much said, little done, has been the history of the so-called movement in the past. Much done, little said, must make the history of the future of the movement that endows Shakespeare says that "Talkers are not good doers; we must use our hands and not our tongues."

"How far so numerous is the herd of such That do too little and talk too much."

Nothing is impossible to faith and industry, not even the endowment of the Southwestern University. Our words have been as tumultuous as ocean billows, smiting only each other, and with the same result to date—producing only foam. Our words were meant for deeds. But where are the deeds? It is so easy to talk. It requires sacrifice to give our money. The trouble is we are all ready to do the talking, but we want the other man to do the giving.

Dr. Moore's article opened the discussion. That was necessary. The plan he suggests is by assessment. To my mind, this plan is the least desired and the least possible way to accomplish the much-desired object. Dr. Solomon's plan is in the right direction, and if it were definite and complete would require nothing more than faith and diligence to a speedy and grand consummation.

Dr. Nathan Powell says some things to think about, especially as to the Board of Curators. His proposal: There ought to be a board of trustees or rotation by which a curator goes in and out—say at four years. If he is efficient, let him be reappointed unless superannuated.

Dr. Powell writes a splendid article, but does not go far as to the final makes no point. Dr. B. H. Greathouse is a new curator, and like all new members he takes the itch of correlation or convention. He is the rich of convention. He is more than twenty years behind the times. He says nothing and does nothing. Selah! Dr. Bradford's plan is statistical only. Hear him: "We have 200,000 Methodists in Texas. Let 400,000 Methodist shoulders push as one for the Southwestern."

Dr. Nathan Thompson speaks briefly, comes up to the point, is magnificent, but leaves the subject with you. Dr. J. W. Hill is bright and brainy, says he is anxious to get up a row and get his name in the papers. I love to read his sayings, but he suggests no plan and gives no money. In that he is in the succession Dr. Oxley suggests a plan that Bishop Pierce suggested nearly thirty years ago. It failed. When Bro. Oxley signed his name, the S. W. U. was still not endowed. Bro. Jno. M. Borens very wisely wants to have the whole matter as to plans and methods in the hands of those who have the authority to decide. Bro. J. W. Madden's plan is unique. To work the matter by committees would depend largely on the strength of Methodism in each county. Bro. Jno. R. Morris is evidently seeking light.

The recent articles on the "endowment" of the Southwestern University to which I have referred in the above are not to be discount. They are splendid, wise, timely. They show that there is a tendency to unanimity as never before; that there is a desire for a wise and definite plan of action; that if brainy talk and thoughtful suggestions were sufficient to endow, the thing would be done. It seems to me that it is now time for us to lay aside our pens and paper, only when we write out bona fide checks for the endowment of the Southwestern. Drs. J. R. Mood and J. E. Harrison have proven their faith by their works. Hear these brethren. Bro. Mood says: "I will be one of 500 to raise \$500 by January 1, 1903." Bro. Harrison says: "It is high time to endow Southwestern. Let us start it now. Two hundred thousand dollars can be secured. I will give \$500 when the full amount is subscribed." He wrote five lines and gave \$500. If all of us who have written had done as well, the S. W. U. would be endowed. I am willing to adopt either plan, according to my ability. Or I will be one of 1000 that will put \$100 cash in the S. W. U. by May 1, 1903. There is one condition to what I am willing to do—namely: Concentration. The difficulty I have in reaching our wealthy members is, they say we have no definite plan in raising money, and definite place to put it. If the authorities will formulate a definite plan—concentrate—I believe the work of endowment will be speedily accomplished.

D. F. C. TIMMONS, Tennyson, Texas. SUPERANNUATES AND SOUTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY. For some time the Advocate has been publishing arguments in favor of the endowment of the Southwestern University, all of which are strong and convincing. In fact, I do not see how any one who has the good of the country, especially of the Methodist Church, at heart can fail to see the absolute necessity of this work. But talking and argument alone will not accomplish the object. There must be action. I am an old-fashioned Methodist. After there has been preaching to convince the people, I believe they should be given an opportunity to show their conviction. I assume that all are convinced. I therefore move that we give all a chance to show their faith by their works, and in order to start the ball to moving I will make a proposition. Before making my proposition, however, there is another matter of even greater importance, in my opinion, than the endowment of our schools, and that is the support of our superannuated preachers, which noble work has at last been undertaken by our Church.

able to labor for us. I say by all means educate our young people, but at the same time let us make ample provision for those who have worn themselves out in our service. The endowment of the Southwestern University should not be less than \$500,000. The fund for the support of superannuated preachers for the entire Church should be not less than \$2,000,000. We can not hope to raise the whole amount at once, but should begin at once to do something, and continue the work until a sufficient amount has been raised for both purposes; but there must be a beginning, and for this purpose I write. The endowment for the University must be raised by the Methodists of TEXAS; that for the superannuates by the Church at large.

I think we should at once raise one-fifth of both amounts—that is, for the superannuates \$1,000,000 and for the University \$100,000. To assume for West Texas one-tenth of the amount for the University and one-hundredth of the amount for the superannuates would be a safe and at the same time a liberal assessment for this conference. This would call for \$10,000 from this conference toward each fund. After we have raised this we can begin again to raise another amount, and thus by degrees both of the objects may be satisfactorily accomplished. Of course, to accomplish this or any other work every one must do his whole duty, each giving as he is able. Some may be able to give thousands, some hundreds, while others must be content with giving smaller amounts. It is for the latter class that I make my proposition, which is as follows: I will be one of 100 to give \$2.50 each to each of these funds—\$1000. I will be one of 200 to give \$5 each to each of these funds—\$1000. I will be one of 100 to give \$10 each to each of these funds—\$1000. I will be one of 50 to give \$20 each to each of these funds—\$1000. I wish it understood that each of these propositions is a separate and distinct proposition, and hold myself ready to pay the amount indicated as soon as the \$1000 has been subscribed for either fund.

Without consulting him, I will name Dr. John M. Moore, pastor of Travis Park Church, San Antonio, Texas, to receive subscriptions on either of these propositions, and authorize him to draw on me when \$1000 has been subscribed on either proposition. If all of these propositions are accepted, one-half the amount named to be raised by the West Texas Conference will be provided for, and I have no doubt the other half will be easily raised. Hoping to soon be called on for the whole amount here conditionally pledged, I will close.

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TEXAS NOTES.

Collinsville and Tiona, two large precincts in Grayson County, voted on local option last Saturday, and by a large majority the saloons were again allowed under. For several years this territory has been under local option rule, and they were more than satisfied to remain. The liquor men brought on the election, with the above result.

Danby County voted last Saturday on local option, and went dry by a good majority. The people of Texas are thoroughly aroused on this question, and in almost every instance where they get to vote on it they send the barrooms to the rear. Let the good fight continue until the dramshop becomes a thing of the past.

We spent last Sunday night with a staunch member of the Republican party. He says he never voted with any other party, but that since the late Republican State Convention went over to the barrooms, he will not vote for a man on their ticket next November. These white leaders of this party will find out that the moral element in their ranks will go back on them in the coming election.

The other day we spent a few hours at the North Texas Female College, and we are glad to report a splendid opening for that institution. It has the largest attendance in all its history. Mrs. Key has every department well organized, and things are moving like clock work. She has made many substantial improvements during the vacation, and the condition of the college was never so prosperous and hopeful.

The lawlessness of the liquor fiend will always show itself on the slightest pretext. Last Saturday night a Deputy Sheriff in Greenville went to serve a warrant on an ex-saloon man for violating the local option law, and the brute whipped out a pistol and shot him dead. These liquor devotees not only do not want to obey the expressed will of the people, but they want to kill everybody who interferes with their illegal privileges.

A SUNDAY IN BELLS.

We spent last Sunday with the good people at Bells, a godly community on the M. K. & T. Railway a few miles this side of Denton. At this point the M. K. & T. crosses the Texas and Pacific Road, which gives to the place an advantage. The town has a population of seven hundred people, and they are prosperous and orderly. Some time back they voted liquor out of the town, and since then the town prison has been a habitation for bats and spiders. And, contrary to the predictions of the anti-prohibitionists, those people determined that it should prohibit, and nothing else was necessary. Now the men from the surrounding country who used to go to the town, sell their produce and go home drunk, take their money and invest it in things necessary for home comforts. The resources of the town are drawn from a wide area of country, in the way of wheat, oats, corn, cotton and fruits. The town is situated in the timber belt, but the black land is within a mile of it. Hence, fruits and vegetables grow in the sandy section and the other products in the black land.

I found a number of my old East Tennesseans living there, such as the Roddys, the Kimbroughs and the Fergusons. It was my delightful privilege to be entertained at the home of Bro. N. C. Ferguson, with whose family I had sweet communion. They came from Meigs County, just above Chattanooga, and have been living in Bells for a number of years. Bro. Ferguson is a prosperous merchant of the place.

I anticipated a good time with Rev. J. D. Whitehead, the pastor, but to my regret I found him confined to his bed with serious illness. He has been sick over two weeks, but he was slightly improving, and I hope he will soon be well again. For several weeks he has been constantly engaged in his protracted meetings, and the work has been too much for him. Bro. Whitehead is deservedly popular with his people, and they are showing him much kindness. They esteem him a fine preacher, and they love him devotedly as a pastor. He mixes with them well, and they regard him as a truly good and sympathetic man. And they want him back next year.

At the 11 o'clock service the house was filled with intelligent and appreciative people, and we had a delightfully spiritual service. It was an inspiration to preach to them. Many of the members live in the country, hence buggies and carriages were in evidence. The Baptists and the Methodists live in harmony, and they attend each other's services, as their appointments come on different days.

There was a so-called holiness meeting in progress at the town park, conducted by a man and his wife from Arkansas, but their presence did not interfere with the services at the church.

Our people are in good spiritual condition, and the Church is making progress. Many of the leading business men and farmers are members of it. We had a pleasant time, and would love to have an opportunity to repeat the visit. G. C. R.

MAYOR J. W. RIGGINS IN TROUBLE.

Mayor J. W. Riggins, of Waco, the leader of the Texas anti-prohibition forces, is involved in some home troubles. We take no pleasure in his misfortunes, but had he remained in Waco and looked after the little job to which a narrow majority of the voters of that city elected him, it would now be better for him and his people. The City Council, at its last meeting, instituted impeachment proceedings against him, and in doing so they did not mince matters. What the outcome will be awaits to be seen, as the trial is yet to come off. For some time his administration of the affairs of the city has not been giving satisfaction, so the trouble came to a head last week. From last Friday's issue of the Waco Times-Herald we

clip the following summing-up of the charges, the entire specifications of which are rather lengthy:

The friction between the Mayor and the City Council came to a culmination last night, and a resolution signed by seven of the Aldermen, preferring charges against him and demanding his removal from the office of Mayor of the city of Waco, was presented. The instrument has nine counts in it, and makes some strong allegations. It charges incompetence, neglect of duty to accept employment as the chairman of the anti-prohibition campaign, misappropriation of public funds, failure to carry out the orders of the Council and several other things.

DR. J. W. BOSWELL INDULGES IN IRONY.

Some issues back we had occasion to call attention to the fact that many brethren beyond the Mississippi were turning their eyes toward Texas, which fact came to us through the proper medium. We did not want them to come to Texas with wrong ideas, and so we dropped them a few words of admonition. We did this candidly and brotherly, and we take this occasion to emphasize all that we said in that editorial. Now Dr. Boswell, of the New Orleans Advocate, takes the matter up and endeavors to grow facetious and ironical, and among other things says: "If not mistaken, we heard that same warning from both Texas and Arkansas a score of years ago. Notwithstanding, Bro. Rankin went to Texas, and has done fairly well." But we may add that Dr. Boswell heeded the warning of twenty years ago, and how has he done? In the editorial of which he complains, the Doctor was not in our mind, and hence there is no need for his taking our "warning" so seriously. Had we been thinking only of him, we would have used a postal card, with proper direction, instead of an editorial. Nobody ever dreamed that he was trying to "break over into Texas," since he is making literature for several conferences beyond the flood. But if he is casting a "wistful eye" this way we will open the gate and bid him welcome, regardless of "talent" or previous condition, etc. For several years he had good training at the hub, under the best of tutors, and such a man ought to succeed anywhere. True, it is rather late in life for him to make such a radical change, but if he can stand it we are willing for him to make the experiment. Therefore, Doctor, do not make application of the aforesaid editorial, for it had no reference whatever to you.

ARKANSAS AND TEXAS.

In the last issue of the Arkansas Methodist, Dr. Godbey actually institutes and proceeds to argue a comparison between Texas and Arkansas! Did any editor ever attempt such a piece of audacity? Yet, the Doctor actually goes at the business in a serious sort of manner. We presume that wasters will never cease, and hence it is no longer prudent to be surprised at anything that may find its way into the fertile brain of the average Church editor—outside of Texas. Just read what this imaginative Arkansas editor has to say on this unheard-of subject:

Great is Texas.

Our good brother, Dr. Rankin, editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, has a cozy home in Dallas, and wields the sceptre over a wide field from his throne on the tripod of the Methodist State paper. No wonder he brags on Texas. Two hundred thousand Methodists in Texas was the report they made at the General Conference last May. Great is Texas, we all know. We have been across it. We thought, when we viewed its vast prairies, of what the little girl said to her papa when she saw the ocean: "Papa, it's the first time I ever saw enough of anything." Now, how shall we compare Texas with this miserable State of Arkansas? Will Dr. Rankin allow such a thing? Get your map and the last census, Doctor.

Arkansas has twice as many Methodists per area as Texas. That is good to begin with. It has 21 population per square mile; Texas 11. It produces more lumber than Texas, five times the size, though Texas is reckoned, next to Arkansas, the greatest lumber State of the South. Arkansas produces a larger potato crop than Texas, though Texas is reported fine for potatoes.

Arkansas goes ahead of Texas in fruits and vegetables. It produces more cotton per acre by nearly one-third, year by year. Texas grows more corn and long-horned cattle. So far as I am able to understand the figures, Arkansas people get considerably more money, per capita, for their marketed products than the people of Texas. I think the people abroad generally understand that Arkansas is a better place to live than Texas, for, as compared with the area of the two States, Arkansas received a larger influx of population in the last decade than Texas. Texas is almost five times the size of Arkansas. Could you divide it into equal parts, Doctor, and get a State out of it the size of Arkansas equal to her in population, marketable products and taxable wealth? We think not. In comparing States, area is the just basis of comparison.

GOLIAD CHURCH FUND.

Brought over from last report	\$295.13
From Rev. Nath Thompson	10.00
From Rev. J. D. Burk, Burk, Texas	2.00
Total	\$317.13

All the above amounts have been forwarded to Rev. B. H. Passmore, Goliad, Texas. G. C. RANKIN, Treasurer.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. W. N. Curry, of Arlington, was in the city last week, and paid his respects to the Advocate household.

Rev. B. H. Webster, of Wheatland, was in to see us the other day. He has just closed a fine meeting at his home Church.

Rev. S. P. Ulrich, of Caruth, looked in on us recently. He is already beginning to shape his work toward the conference session.

Rev. R. E. Bryant and little daughter, Ruth, of Boyd, were down last week to see the home folks, and made the Advocate a pleasant visit.

W. R. Knight, of Milan County, was in Dallas this week and made us a brotherly visit. He is an excellent layman in his home Church and a friend to the Advocate.

Rev. J. E. Anderson, President of Grayson College, Whiteswright, Texas, reports 301 students in attendance on Sept. 15, with others coming in daily. A fine showing.

Rev. W. F. Packard, D. D., of the Missouri Conference, was transferred, at the session just adjourned, to the Texas Conference. He is a strong man, and has been a success in his own conference.

Rev. L. P. Smith, of Louisville, has finished up a few days of rest at Canyon City and returned to his work refreshed. He called pleasantly on the Advocate force as he passed through the city.

J. O. Leath, of Pirtle, was on his way to the North Texas Normal School this week, and dropped in to see us. He is a bright young member of the Church, and he is preparing to make a teacher of himself.

We are pleased to have had a visit from Bro. and Sister J. M. Clower, of Clarendon, last week. They make good report of the opening of Clarendon College. They came to the city to attend the marriage of their niece, Miss Louise Clower, to Mr. J. H. Joffin.

In a note from Rev. T. H. Morris, of Farmersville, he tells of the continued illness of Rev. H. M. Pirtle and family. He has had to temporarily give up his work, and he is resting a while at the home of his wife's father. Typhoid fever is the trouble, and he is still quite ill.

We note among the press dispatches that Rev. J. R. Murray, of Chappell Hill Station, Texas Conference, has transferred to Montana Conference and has been appointed to Butte Station. The reporter adds these comments: "His departure is greatly regretted. He has been a faithful and earnest worker. Only through his pluck and energy has the new church been advanced to a state of completion fit for occupancy, and it was hoped he would remain here to see to its finish."

Rev. Geo. S. Sexton, the "venerable" presiding elder of Gainesville District, was in Dallas this week. It is presumed he was "looking after the interests of his district." He did not say what preachers he expected to draw from Dallas District. But when the presiding elder of Dallas District

gets through with him it may be "Bro. George" will abandon his recruiting station in this locality. At any rate, Gainesville District is moving under the leadership of its presiding elder, notwithstanding the drought.

Rev. W. S. May, supernumate of the North Texas Conference, was a visitor at the Advocate office this week. He is enjoying himself as best he can, preaching as opportunity offers and living, as he says, in his valise. He is looking well and is cheerful. This, however, was always one of his peculiar characteristics.

We are in receipt of a handsomely engraved invitation to the wedding of Mr. Jno. H. Griffith, of Taylor, and Miss Margaret McLean, of McKinney, which happy event will take place October the first at the home of the bride in McKinney. Miss McLean is the accomplished daughter of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Jno. H. McLean, of the North Texas Conference, and Mr. Griffith is a young man worthy of the treasure which he has won. We congratulate all parties to this pleasing transaction.

Rev. E. L. Shettles, preacher in charge of Bryan Station, Texas Conference, has been spending a few days in Dallas recuperating his failing strength. He has had on his hands the erection of a beautiful church building, and this, in addition to his other duties, has drawn heavily on his vitality. He is vain enough to believe he has the most beautiful building within the bounds of the Texas Conference. When pressed a little closely he promptly asserted that he would include the North Texas Conference in his claim. And in addition to all this he is going to install an organ which will eclipse any instrument in the State. He then expects the Texas-East Texas Conference to meet in Bryan in 1903, when they will be able to verify his claims.

CHURCH NEWS.

Bishop A. W. Wilson will preach at the jubilee of the Wilmington (N. C.) Fifth Street Church on October 5, when the members will relate that a long standing debt is at last removed.

After a long and useful career, the Rev. John Spurgeon, the father of the late Charles Haddon Spurgeon, died on July 17, aged 91 years. The cause of death was dropsy, followed by heart failure.

Rev. J. H. Pritchett, for four years one of the Missionary Secretaries, has re-entered the pastorate, and at the session of the Missouri Conference was appointed presiding elder of the Mexico District.

Rev. W. R. Richardson, D. D., editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, is at White Stone Lithia Springs, Spartanburg County. Dr. Richardson is not in good health, and has been ordered by his physician to rest.

Rev. A. C. Graham, of Pocatontos charge, White River Conference, Arkansas, is visiting Texas. He is much pleased with the State and the outlook for Methodism in the Southwest. He was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office.

The St. Louis Advocate says that Rev. Edgar C. McVoy has done a great work at Chillicothe, Mo., and that he is one of the most popular pastors in the conference. We are not surprised at this, for we started him off well in Texas some years ago.

Says the St. Louis Advocate: Bishop A. W. Wilson was quite sick during the conference, and was unable to preach Sunday morning. He is such a willing worker as to be in danger of overwork in such large conferences, where so many are anxious to hear or have him speak on all occasions.

Rev. J. W. Tarboux, D. D., has at last decided to return to his mission field alone. Mrs. Tarboux will remain in Spartanburg with the children that are to be educated. This reminds one of the pathetic picture of Mrs. Judson that Bishop Galloway gives us in his great sermon on "Lessons from Master Missionaries."

It is announced that Rev. R. N. Price, D. D., of the Holston Conference, has one volume of his contemplated history of Holston Methodism ready for the press. We venture the assertion that Dr. Price will get out one of the most interesting and readable books on that subject ever issued from the Methodist press.

Rev. J. T. Wightman, D. D., well known to the Church at large, is living in Baltimore, 1821 Mount Street. The

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We clip the following item from the St. Louis Advocate: "Dr. W. F. Packard, after fourteen years of splendid service in Missouri, will return to Texas, where he began his ministry, found his wife and where both of his children were born. He will remain in Missouri two or three months, with headquarters at Fulton, Mo. Our pastors who know so well his pulpital ability, will doubtless keep him busy assisting in revivals."

THE SOUTHERN YOUNG PEOPLE.

The September number of Southern Young People, published by Mr. Fred E. Johnston, of this city, is before us, and it is even an improvement on the first issue. This is saying a good deal for the initial number was first-class in its matter and in its mechanical execution. The first page of the present number is exceedingly striking and it at once arrests attention. It presents a splendid portrait of Judge Jno. H. Reagan, the old tribune of the people, standing erect, with his right hand extended, addressing the boys and girls of Texas. Then underneath are the burning words of this grand old man, telling the young people how to live so as to develop their manhood and womanhood and to be an honor to the great State in which they are being nourished. This one feature of the periodical is worth more to our rising young men and women than twice the year's subscription. The following pages are freighted with fine illustrations and most helpful subject matter. The publisher has shown rare tact and good sense in the get-up of this excellent monthly.

The September number of Success is replete with valuable matter, and among its rich contents we note the following list of articles: "The Roof Trail and the Public," John Gilmer Speed; "The Passing of Gamaliel," E. Benjamin Andrews; "I Reckon We'll Pull Through" (a poem), Roy Farrell Greene; "Invincible Southern Heroes Who Struggle to Learn," T. W. Reed and G. Sumner Baskerville; "American Women Artists in the Paris Salon of 1902," Comtesse de Montagu; "The Unknown Edison," W. R. Northrop; "My Impressions of America," Wu Tingfang; "Building the Panama Canal," John M. Thurston; "Education by the Way," Hamilton Wright Mabie; "The Editor's Talk With Young Men," "The Correct Method of Training Horses," David Euffam; "Should Women Work?" Charlotte Perkins Gilman; "Financial Success Won After Sixty," Rufus Rockwell Wilson; "A Song to Brave Women" (a poem), Alfred J. Waterhouse; "How to Be Beautiful," Marguerite Brooks; "Do Dogs Reason?" G. Warman; "The Truth About My New Battery," Thomas A. Edison; "A Homeward Call" (a poem), Ernest Neal Lyon; "Concerning Sick Children," Christine Tethune Herrick; "The World of Science," Arthur E. Bostwick; "The Voice of Progress" (a poem), Nixon Waterman; "A Four-Year College Course Is Not Always Necessary," Henry Van Dyke.

The reappearance of the author of "The Workers" marks the September number of Scribner's Magazine. When Walter A. Wyckoff began that narrative every newspaper of importance in the country commented on his remarkable experiment. Last summer Mr. Wyckoff transferred the field of his investigations to England. At the same time that Mr. Wyckoff was investigating the financial and commercial conditions for the Magazine, Mr. Wyckoff was studying the social effects of the American invasion upon British workmen. Having been a workman himself, and moreover having the training of a scientific student of social questions, he was able to gather and in his first article to present with vigor the London wage-earner's present conditions and prospects. This introductory article will be a revelation to those who look on East London as a vast slum. Mr. Wyckoff found there a clean, orderly, self-respecting and progressive body of wage-earners, ready to compete intelligently with the American workman. More of Mr. Wyckoff's remarkable deductions will be published in coming numbers.

Following are the contents of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly for September: Miss Amelia Bingham (frontispiece)—portrait in colors drawn from life by John Cecil Gray; "The American Negro," Cuyler Smith; "Joe Lewis," Lawrence Perry, with drawings by H. G. Edwards; "Lightning," Frederick Street; "The Autobiography of a Thief—A True Narrative," edited by Hutchins Hargood; "A Daughter of Raasay," chapter IX-N. William MacLeod Raine; "The Paganism of Deceit," Edna Kenton, with drawings by R. Cory Klycott; "The Run of the Charter Car," A Story, J. George Frederick; "The Humbert Swindle," Eugene P. Lytle, Jr.—the true story of a great fraud; "At Camp First Butte—A Story," William R. Lighten; "Glenngary School Days," Ralph Connor—"The Spelling Match—The Despoiler," "Amelia Bingham," Adolph Klausner; Marginalia.

THE CROSS SADDLE FOR WOMEN.

"The advisability of women's riding astride has been much agitated lately, and the proper costume to wear discussed at length," says Miss Belle Beach, the well-known riding mistress, writing on "Equestrianism in The Delineator" for October. "But for my part, I think and hope that the cross saddle for women is more or less a fad, for I can not see a single advantage it possesses over the side saddle, for looks, good riding or safety; and I can see innumerable reasons why the side saddle is preferable. Many women at Alken and other fashionable resorts have adopted the cross saddle for polo

and hunting. In a game like polo, where much depends upon getting away rapidly, guiding quickly and riding straight at an object, a leg on each side of the horse is undoubtedly a help. Still, the game of polo, especially for women, is a very small item in connection with the art of riding. If a woman sits on her side saddle properly, she is in no way distorted or strained. The position is perfectly normal and comfortable. She can get a better grip with the legs, and with these properly held her balance is assured. Most women are too heavy and wide at the hips and too short and thick from the hip to the knee either to look well or ride well astride. As for accidents in the side saddle, caused from hanging or dragging by skirt or stirrup, I can see no necessity for them if proper precaution be taken to have both of the safety kind."

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father, in His wisdom, has taken to himself one of our most faithful members—our beloved sister, Mrs. May Sinex—we, as members of the Georgetown Auxiliary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, adopt the following resolutions:

- 1. That we will sadly miss Sister Sinex in our society, and we can only trust that our Father will in time make clear why we have been bereft of so earnest a worker.
2. That we are grateful for her beautiful life of service, and we feel that the hallowed influence of her eager zeal for the Master's cause and her heroic bearing of the cross can but make life more sacred to those of us who have known her.
3. That we extend to the heart-broken family our tenderest sympathy, and we pray especially that the Holy Spirit, who so abundantly blessed our dear sister in her weeks of suffering, may be ever present to guide Bro. Sinex and the two dear little boys into closer touch with God and so lives of richer service.
4. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Bro. Sinex, to the Georgetown papers and the Texas Christian Advocate for publication, and that they be recorded in our minutes.
MRS. LULU HARPER,
MRS. M. W. RICHIE,
MRS. R. B. McSWAIN,
Committee.

MEMORIAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Theo. Lee, who also led the devotional service. For the love of our deceased sister, Mrs. J. C. Landon, twice the number of members had met to offer their last tributes of love and respect. Several appropriate songs were rendered; also solo by Mrs. J. B. Taylor and duet by Mesdames J. R. Taylor and J. W. Hill. Two touching prayers were offered, and several ladies made talks on the sweet and helpful life of Mrs. Landon.

Miss Foreman and Mrs. C. C. Kirkpatrick read very sweet and appropriate selections. The following ladies had been put on the Committee of Resolutions: Mesdames Hill, Conery and Broome, and the resolutions read thus:

- Resolved, That our heavenly Father has called from earth's labors to rest our beloved sister; therefore, be it
Resolved, That on the death of Mrs. J. C. Landon the Home Mission Society has lost a most able, zealous and efficient member, and the Church a worthy supporter.
Resolved, That while we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, we deeply deplore the loss of our late sister.
Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved husband and family our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to Him who taught us to say "Thy will be done."
Resolved, That a memorial page be set apart in our Secretary's book and a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of the deceased.
This was a sweet but sad service, and I think all resolved in their hearts to live the life our deceased sister has set as an example for us.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 5, 1902.

To the Bishop and Members of the Annual Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South:
Dear Fathers and Brethren—As you are well aware, the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its recent session in Dallas, Texas, enacted a law providing for the raising of an Endowment Fund for the more adequate support of our superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of our deceased preachers. They showed their appreciation of the importance of the measure by raising more than twenty thousand dollars as the beginning of a fund of five million dollars to be raised and set apart for this sacred purpose. This amount in cash and notes the conference ordered put into the hands of the trustees of the Church, and instructed that heard to undertake at once the raising of the fund.

In accordance with this action, the Board of Trustees, on the 27th of August, 1902, elected the Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., of the Mississippi Conference, General Agent for the Superannuated Endowment Fund and instructed him to represent them throughout the Church in the work of raising this amount. We hope Dr. Watkins will be able to visit your conference during the present session, and we bespeak for him your cordial co-operation in the work committed to him.
In order that you may aid us in carrying out the instructions of the General Conference, we respectfully solicit your favorable consideration of the following requests:
(1) That you will by formal action give this enterprise the indorsement of your body.
(2) That you will, if possible, provide for a mass-meeting to be held during the session of the conference, at which addresses shall be delivered in the interest of this cause, and a collection taken for this fund.
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gust, 1902, elected the Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., of the Mississippi Conference, General Agent for the Superannuated Endowment Fund and instructed him to represent them throughout the Church in the work of raising this amount. We hope Dr. Watkins will be able to visit your conference during the present session, and we bespeak for him your cordial co-operation in the work committed to him.

In order that you may aid us in carrying out the instructions of the General Conference, we respectfully solicit your favorable consideration of the following requests:

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A DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

We have been in deep distress here owing to the death of our young brother, Sylvester Conrad Pincham, under sudden and painful circumstances. Conrad would have been 17 years old in December. He was a good, Christian boy, of a particularly amiable disposition. One more prepared for the change to a better world could scarcely be found among us. All loved him, even those still under the bondage of sin. The cause of death was a gunshot in the abdomen from the rifle of a companion. The boys had been resting together, before deer hunting on the gallery of an old ranch house. On rising, the gun of the boy who was with Conrad accidentally discharged, inflicting the wound mentioned. Conrad lingered until next day when he was mercifully relieved by death. Two doctors attended him from Uvalde. The sufferer's lucid moments were spent in prayer and utterances of affection for his relatives. He had no ill-will for the boy who accidentally, but so fatally, injured him. There were sad scenes at the funeral.
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Texas made a valuable contribution to the missionary cause in Dr. Seth Ward. I reside in the fellowship and hearty co-operation of my colleague. He brings intelligent interest, common sense and diligent, masterful effort to the work of the office. The responsibilities of Missionary Secretaries are heavy and increasing with the growing demands of the fields. We bespeak in our behalf the prayers of our people in Texas and throughout the connection. If we maintain the work already enterprised in our fields so white to the harvest, we must rally our forces to full collections, backed by that missionary conviction which is essential to all permanent effort in advancing the Kingdom.

The Montana Conference is in session here at Butte, under the presidency of Bishop Duncan. A hopeful, resolute, devoted body of preachers—these men who press the battle among the people of this State. No man who has not visited the conference can realize the difficulties of the situation. Men of less heroic mould would despair. These preachers do not know how to beat a retreat. In the face of high prices, meager salaries and hard fare in many cases, they have brought up magnificent financial reports. Almost every connectional claim has been met in full. For the third time the plucky little Montana Conference has paid every cent of its apportionment for foreign missions. This year they report a surplus of twenty-five dollars.

Brother G. C. Rector, the presiding elder of the district (for the conference has but one), is a tower of strength to the Church. Quietly, modestly, but with good judgment and forcefulness, he carries on his work, commending himself to his brethren and to our Methodist constituency. Would that we had more men like him and his brother of the German Mission Conference, in our mission fields.

Dr. J. D. Hammond is with us representing his department. We go to Stevensville next week to look into our school there, and then with the Bishop on to the East Columbia Conference at Milton, Oregon.

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Estes-Orr.—At the bride's residence, August 17, 1902, at 8 p. m., Mr. W. H. Estes and Miss Ollie M. Orr, both of Tyler, Texas, Rev. V. A. Godbey performing the ceremony.
Bryan-Williams.—At the bride's residence, August 29, 1902, at 8 p. m., Mr. Chas. S. Bryan and Miss Leo Williams, of Tyler, Texas, Rev. V. A. Godbey officiating.

Bryant-Ezell.—By Rev. V. A. Godbey at his residence in Tyler, Texas, on September 7, 1902, at 7:30 p. m., Mr. B. M. Bryant, of Portland, Oregon, and Miss Mittie B. Ezell, of Tyler, Texas.

McKinzle-Lane.—In their buggy, near the arbor, Moran Mill, Texas, Sunday afternoon, September 7, 1902, Mr. G. W. McKinzie and Miss Dovie Lane, Rev. M. S. Leveridge officiating.

Nelson-Acree.—On July 13, 1902, at the residence of the bride's parents near Immermore, Texas, Mr. J. A. Nelson and Miss Mattie Acree, Rev. M. S. Leveridge officiating.

Strother-Snead.—In the Methodist Church in Wheatland, Texas, September 19, 1902, by Rev. R. H. Webster, Dr. E. B. Strother and Miss Lena H. Snead.

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Sunday-School Department.

Third Quarter, Lesson 13, Sept. 28.

QUARTERLY REVIEW.

Golden Text: "Thou shalt remember the Lord thy God." Deut. 8:18.

We take the following comments on the last quarter's lessons from the International Evangelist:

The story of the Exodus is the story of the moral training of a people out of whom a nation might be founded that would stand as a witness in the world for the one true God.

1. In Lesson Six there is a beautiful picture of the shed blood which typifies the shedding of his blood by means of which we may be clean.

2. In Lesson Seven we have the type of Christ in the Ark of the Covenant and in the cloud over the Tabernacle.

3. In Lesson Eight there is given to us the idea of men refusing to enter into the fulness of Christ when all they have to do is to believe and when all that is necessary in order to link themselves to him is simply not to have the spirit of unbelief.

4. In Lesson Nine the truth is most apparent. The brazen serpent lifted up is a picture of him who must be lifted up and must be accepted if men are to be saved.

5. In Lesson Ten Moses comes to us as a type of Christ and in his wonderful leadership of the people we have a representation of Christ who will lead at last into the presence of His Father with exceeding joy.

6. In Lesson Eleven Christ is presented to us in God's word.

7. In Lesson Twelve we have Christ made a prophet like unto Moses who has not yet come.

him, and in the beautiful representation of Moses acting as Israel's intercessor, we have a representation of him who is ever at God's right hand making intercession for us, and who never for a moment forgets us, but on the basis of his shed blood and finished work makes an appeal in our behalf from which God can not turn away.

8. In Lesson Thirteen we have a picture of Christ. No man looking at the Tabernacle from without could appreciate its beauty; he must pass within to be overwhelmed with its splendor, and the men viewing Christ from an intellectual standpoint without there is great power in his life never appreciates his matchless character until they pass by faith into Christ life and feel his power to save.

9. In Lesson Fourteen there is a beautiful picture of the shed blood which typifies the shedding of his blood by means of which we may be clean.

10. In Lesson Fifteen we have the type of Christ in the Ark of the Covenant and in the cloud over the Tabernacle.

11. In Lesson Sixteen there is given to us the idea of men refusing to enter into the fulness of Christ when all they have to do is to believe and when all that is necessary in order to link themselves to him is simply not to have the spirit of unbelief.

12. In Lesson Seventeen the truth is most apparent. The brazen serpent lifted up is a picture of him who must be lifted up and must be accepted if men are to be saved.

13. In Lesson Eighteen Moses comes to us as a type of Christ and in his wonderful leadership of the people we have a representation of Christ who will lead at last into the presence of His Father with exceeding joy.

14. In Lesson Nineteen Christ is presented to us in God's word.

15. In Lesson Twenty we have Christ made a prophet like unto Moses who has not yet come.

Epworth League Department.

Topic for September 28. Missions; Missionary Heroes. "Cheerful Amid Adversity." - Acts 22:36.

HOME READINGS

- Monday Sept. 22--The face of an angel. Acts 6:9-15.
Tuesday Sept. 23--Asleep in prison. Acts 12:1-17.
Wednesday, Sept. 24--Worship and stones. Acts 14:8-20.
Thursday, Sept. 25--Songs in prison. Acts 16:25-34.
Friday, Sept. 26--"Be not afraid." Acts 18:1-11.
Saturday, Sept. 27--"Be of good cheer." Acts 23:1-11.

A day or two ago I heard a lady from Palestine say that the Oriental shepherd is a hero. A hero, because he despises ease, endures hardness, braves dangers, and risks his life for the sheep.

I. READINESS

"Be instant in season, out of season," writes the apostle. This is in line with Paul's whole ministry. He is the prepared soldier, waiting for his captain's orders.

THE SPIRITUAL LESSON.

The lessons for this quarter through which we have passed extend over forty years of time, and while they are taken from the Old Testament they are full of Christ. It is said that in Rome all roads lead to the Eternal City. It may be said also with truth that in the Bible all roads lead to Christ.

1. In the lesson of the Manna we have Christ presented as the living bread, and in the thought that it must be gathered each morning an illustration that we can not live to-morrow upon the blessings of to-day.

2. In the second and third lessons of this quarter, we have presented to us the law. We have all of us broken this law, for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

3. In the picture of Israel wandering from God, we have an illustration of our own disposal to wander from

Paul's exhortation to Timothy to be instant in season, out of season, implies not only readiness, but faithfulness. Further along he exhorts him to endure affliction. He closes by a

brief word regarding himself: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." Was there ever a more faithful servant of God than the apostle Paul? Who can doubt for a moment, after reviewing his life, that he spoke the exact truth when he said, "I have kept the faith?" This does not mean, simply, that he preached the pure word of God, but that he kept his faith with God. His was the true consecration, for it covered his whole life. No one can say, looking at the work of Paul, that he ever for a moment flinched from duty. O, there is nothing that is so much needed by the church to-day as downright faithfulness!

III. COURAGE

How truly Paul could say, "I have fought a good fight!" One of the elements of faithfulness is courage. And yet it is often distinguished in our minds from that of virtue. It was because Paul was so true to his first pledge to Christ that it could be said of him that he absolutely feared nothing. And his courage was not of that sort which manifests itself under excitement, and has for its motives the praise of men.

IV. HOPEFULNESS

There is always danger that those who are put into hard places, and are obliged to bear many afflictions, will develop a kind of doggedness which may degenerate into bitterness and cynicism. Persecution, while it may develop patience, has also a tendency to embitter the life. But with Paul trials served to bring him more and more into close union with Christ, and so to mellow him. At the last he could say: "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

V. ZEAL

We may be sure that Paul was writing out of his own experience when he said to Timothy, "Do the work of an evangelist." And then he explains what he means. It is not simply preaching, though he does exhort him to preach the Word. He also tells him to be "instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long suffering and doctrine."

VI. STIMULATION

As young Timothy read the Christian counsel of Paul, he was no doubt stimulated to greater endeavor than ever before in the work of the Lord. These heroic qualities--readiness, faithfulness, courage, hopefulness, zeal--as they appeared before his mind became stimuli to his will, leading him to worthy achievement.

WHITE ROCK CAMP GROUND.

Campers of White Rock Camp Ground met August 14, with Rev. D. J. Martin in the chair. The Committee of 1901 and 1902 made their report, which was accepted and the committee discharged. The same committee was selected for 1902 and 1903, consisting of Henry Johnson, Jim Cochran, Geo. Canaday and J. L. McKamey (who was also elected Treasurer). John Choistler, Tom Houston and F. V. Jackson, Secretary, Frank Starks, Moved and approved that Thursday before the second Sunday in August be the day to move into grounds, with services that night and continuing until Thursday night following. Moved and seconded that on Saturday before first Sunday in August, the committee and others interested meet at the grounds, for cleaning of same, selling privileges and attending to all business necessary for the meeting. Also moved and seconded

that the preachers of the charge meet as soon after the Annual Conference as convenient and arrange, as they think best, for the conducting of said meeting of 1903. Moved and seconded by Bro. Jim Cochran that all secular affairs be left with the committee. Moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given to the committee for their faithful work. It was the unanimous expression of the campers and the committee that thanks be given Rev. D. J. Martin for the success of the meeting and for the harmony also. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned with hearty good will from all and a full determination that all who could would be there at the next meeting in August, 1903. We would add, for the benefit of all, that we have forty acres of ground, and no debts, about \$100 in the treasury, four good wells for water, and if they run short, we finish with tanks. All lots not occupied are free to all, and when not occupied for two years in succession, the claimants are notified that they will be assigned to others. If not used the succeeding year. We had in attendance 83 tenters this year. All of our active preachers with teams are furnished free. Tenters are furnished water, in addition to ground occupied. F. W. JACKSON.



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GOD'S PLAN.

As stars shine not in broad daylight, But spangled skies adorn the night, So some bright souls now stay concealed, At judgment day to be revealed.

DID THE PERFECTIONS OF GOD DEMAND THE CREATION OF MEN?

No. 1. It was said that if the proposition was established God's love would be put on a higher plane, and his extravagant regard for us assume a more reasonable form.

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eyes put out and submitted to the loss of one of his own. He would not have done as much for a subject only.

After the transgression the penalty, death, was impending; and so far as the sovereign side of the divine character was concerned, the matter ended. Let the penalty fall!

And so the Heart of God, called in the scriptures the Everlasting Father, and by us the Second Person in the Holy Trinity, took the form and nature of his child, threw himself, soul (Isa. lili. 12, Mark xiv. 24) and body (Mark xv. 25), under the descending stroke, and died in his stead—and will remain dead in the eyes of justice till the last child of God on earth gets the benefit of the stay of execution.

Whatever may be the difficulties that surround the case, it is generally admitted that it was right to create man; and if right, it would have been wrong not to create; and as it would be blasphemous to charge God with wrongdoing, we must oblige him. We put him under a loving and just and heartily indorsed obligation to give us life.

This view does not limit the power of God, for there is no limit in doing right. There is no limit in God's love. Had there been, it would have been found when the cross and man's ingratitude came in view.

The New England Farmer has recently made an investigation of the cost of a course at the various agricultural colleges of New England. The Massachusetts State Agricultural College at Amherst estimates the cost of a course in that institution at \$186.75.

We say the old way, but really it is the common and usual one at the present time, and many dyspeptics, and physicians as well, consider the first step in attempting to cure indigestion is to diet, either by selecting certain food and rejecting others, or to greatly diminish the quantity of food usually taken.

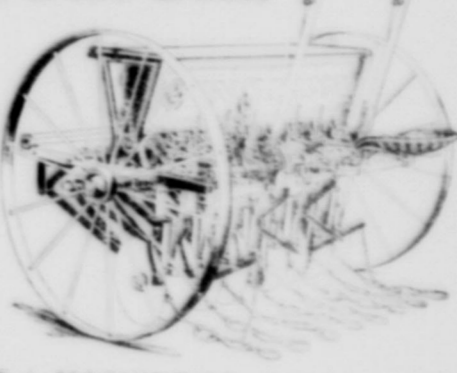
All this is radically wrong. It is foolish and unscientific to recommend dieting or starvation to a person suffering from dyspepsia, because indigestion itself starves every organ and every nerve and fibre in the body.

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WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Week of Prayer—October 6-12—does upon us. It is hoped that not one of our auxiliaries will let this season go by unimproved. We can not afford to do it, for it comes but once a year. It is, we might say, in a sense our revival time, when the whole army unites in a season of study, prayer and thanksgiving to God. Our work is brought before the public, the study of its difficult phases and facts kindles a deeper interest in our own hearts, while prayer and self-denial give us a rebalancing for service.

If you can not observe the entire program, at least have a part and do your best.

OUR MINUTES.

The minutes of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Northwest Texas Conference are now in the hands of the auxiliaries. The outside is inviting in a dress so trim and demure as to involuntarily suggest the uniform of a deaconess. The inside is not disappointing. Sister Barnum has done a beautiful work, and we bespeak for her the gratitude of the sisterhood, not forgetting a nod of recognition for the unnamed member of that committee who so uncomplainingly gave up the enjoyment of his evenings and narrowed his occupation to patiently standing behind his wife's chair while she corrected proof.

And now the question comes, What shall we do with the minutes?

Study them as a lawyer does his briefs until we have them on our hearts. Place a copy on the table for reference, and never go to the meeting without it.

Let selections from it form a part of the program of each meeting. Put a copy in the hands of the pastor, and pass them around among those whom you would interest. Study thoroughly pages 24-29. There are things recorded here in which for aught we know, the angels had enactment.

Read the reports of the committees for the plans of the work, and the address of the President, for its possibilities.

Turn to the list of the departments and study the subject of tithing until your women are persuaded that it is a blessed thing to be in partnership with God. He intended giving to be one of the sweetest features of our religion—the very sweetest act of worship next to praying. Then send a list of names to Sister Sensabaugh.

We want this to be a great year for the Baby Roll, and if it is not it will be because some woman or women have neglected their duty.

A little woman in the Episcopal Church was given to extravagant worldliness. God took a lovely babe from her and she became devoted to the work of the Church. She keeps the Baby Roll in a small congregation which we could name. Not one is left off her list and every new arrival is duly enrolled. Recently she finished her quarterly round for gathering mite boxes and the amount was \$17.

We now raise all under five. Delectable work to gather them in! Next year at Brownwood we want a corner set off for a picture gallery to display the photos of those little folks, with Sister Bloodworth in the center in the character of maver families.

We would suggest that some of the mothers of these interesting folks who have a taste for the artistic at once set about getting up the sweetest, cutest, silken banner it is possible for them to contrive, to be given to the auxiliary reporting the largest increase by the next annual meeting. Write to Sister Bloodworth about it.

Now is the time to work up the Supply Department, and not a whit too soon, for away in the far north already the snows have begun to fall. Write to Mrs. Yarbrough and find out the needs, and then get up such a box—well, as you would like should be sent to your very ones if they were in circumstances as needy. Put in the substantial, and then add some new books for the preacher's shelves—such books as he has read about with a little patient sign of longing. Put in a box for the wife filled with such things as women love—soft, filmy, odoriferous things that will revive memories of the days when life was young. It will

do good like a cordial. Remember the children, and do not forget the taste of the boy and girl. Pack that box under the evening lamp, and invite everybody to come. If the good spirit is abroad and somebody suggests to make up a purse, put it in, pay the express, and send it on its way.

But the preachers are not the only claimants upon the Supply Department. The Dallas Home is especially needy at this season of the year. I sometimes sit down and try to compute the needs of that household, all to be clothed and fed and warmed, and as, in imagination, I hear the winter storms begin to howl, I am filled with consternation. Surely God keeps his own, or they would never be provided for. Sisters, see that the Home has no lack. I might write of the Orphanage, but with Bro. Vaughan and Bro. Mulvey and the host of others to plead their cause my voice would never be heard.

What of the Loan Fund? Are there not in your midst those who would count it a privilege to enter the name of some loved and lost one on the list of the Memorial Loan Fund?

When all your departments are rolling, be sure to have a wide-awake local press reporter who shall keep your community in touch with your work, and when you have something particularly toothsome send it to the press correspondent for the Advocate.

One sister writes that she has organized her Sunday-school class into a Young People's Society, and meets them once a week for study, to train them for the work. If this continues, we will give of these days by turning our eyes to Meridian when there is a call for young women at the forefront.

So much for the Reading Course. Death has already invaded the ranks of the Executive Board of our conference. Mrs. McClanahan, District Secretary of Waxahachie District, returned from the meeting at Waco, took her bed and died in ten days. One who wrought by her side says: "She was the embodiment of all that is good and noble." MRS. S. C. FOLLIN, Fort Worth, Texas.

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF DENIAL, OCTOBER 6-12.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6.

Parsonages and Supplies.

Devotional exercises. (Scripture lesson, Luke 10:1-12; II Kings 4:8-10.)

1. Origin of Parsonage Department. ("Life and Work of Lucinda B. Helm," by Arabel W. Alexander, pages 61-74.)
2. Conditions Necessary to Secure Aid for Parsonages. (October leaflet: "A Talk About Parsonages.")
3. What Does the Supply Department Mean to the Church? (See Mrs. Yarbrough's report in the Sixteenth Annual Report.)

There are now one thousand and ninety-two men in the Church serving churches which pay salaries ranging from one hundred to three hundred dollars. There are one hundred and eighty-two men on circuits which pay salaries of less than one hundred dollars. Very many of these men have families.

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The society has distributed \$14,921.06 through the Supply Department.

Pray for the ministry of the Church that it may indeed be "approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Pray that the womanhood of the Church may be true allies in the effort to save a lost world.

Discussion. Call for reports of new members and of new subscribers to Our Homes.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7.

Schools.

Devotional exercises. (Scripture lesson, Deut. 6:1-13.)

1. Our Schools for Foreigners. (Sixteenth Annual Report, pages 15-23.) The total population of the United States, including residents of Alaska and Hawaii, but not including Porto Rico or the Philippines, is 76,593,287. Of these 10,460,687, or 13.7 per cent, are foreign born. But these figures do not convey an adequate idea of the magnitude of the foreign element in this country, since they take no account of the children of foreigners born here, who may be said to be foreign in the second degree. These children are classed in the census with the native-born. Of this latter class there are 17,788,854, and combining the two we have a total of 26,178,939, or more than one-third of our population.
2. Our School in the Mountains. (Sixteenth Annual Report, pages 23-25.)
3. The Ann Browder Cunningham Home and Training School. (Sixteenth Annual Report, pages 26-28, 29, 59.)

Pray that our teachers may be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, and that souls may be born into the kingdom of heaven from our school-rooms.

Five minutes' paper, to be followed by the pledging of members present to canvass the Church membership during the week for new members to the society and for new subscribers to Our Homes. Let the names of these members be recorded by the Secretary, who shall call them out by name at the close of each day's meeting during the week, and make a record of the number of members and subscribers secured from day to day. Collection.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8.

City Missions.

Devotional exercises. (Scripture lesson, Luke 15.)

1. Why Is the City the Neediest Home Mission Field of Our Country? (Mrs. Alexander's leaflet, "Need of City Missions.")
2. The Part of the Woman's Home Mission Society in This Field. (Sixteenth Annual Report, pages 28-37.)
3. Day Nurseries, Kindergartens and Industrial Schools as Factors in City Mission Work.

Pray for city missionaries and kindergartens that they may have the gift of tact and the power of the Holy Spirit in their work.

Call for reports of new members and of new subscribers to Our Homes. Collection.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9.

Literature and Tithing.

Devotional exercises. (Scripture lesson.)

1. Books That Have Helped Me to Understand the Need of Home Missions.
2. The Value of the Reading Course.
3. Our Homes and Its Mission.
4. Is Tithing a Bible Doctrine?

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Pray for the quickening of the womanhood of the Church through the printed word.

Call for reports of new members and new subscribers to Our Homes. Collection.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10.

New Work.

Devotional exercises. (Scripture lesson, Matt. 25:2-16.)

1. The Value of the Deaconess Movement to Our Home Mission Society. (May and July issues of Our Homes.)
2. The Choctaw Indians of Mississippi. (Miss Adie Purnell's paper in June issue of Our Homes. The Review of Missions, September, 1901.)
3. Work Among the Miners. (Letters from Mrs. MacDonell in December and January issues of Our Homes. Sixteenth Annual Report, pages 24, 25.)
4. Palm Annex. (Mrs. Clark's paper in August issues of Our Homes.)

Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in each of these new enterprises.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11.

Consecration Service.

Hymn. Prayer. Hymn.

Scripture lesson. ("Consecrate yourselves to-day to the Lord." Ex. 22:29.)

1. Submission to the Divine Will. ("I delight to do thy will, O my God." Ps. 41:8.)
2. "The Yielding Up of Self." (II Chron. 20:8; Rom. 6:12-19; I Cor. 6:19, 20.)
3. Humility.
4. Service. (Isa. 6:8.)

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Pray very earnestly for the officers of the board, of the Conference Societies, and of the local auxiliaries. Collection.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12.

Sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m. Supply your pastor with the proper literature in ample time, and request him to inform himself thoroughly about our work, and to preach as specifically in regard to it as possible.

The Sunday night service is left optional. If desired, the best papers of the week may be repeated Sunday night, and an effort be made to secure new members and subscribers.

Collect self-denial and free-will offerings for the general work. No offering should be directed to any special object. Life members may be made, and names placed on the Baby Roll.

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JORDAN—Rev. William Elmo Jordan was one of eight sons of Jas. A. and Hannah A. Jordan. He was born near Glenfalls, Rock County, Texas, March 2, 1861. The family moved to Rockwall County when he was a small boy. His father died a few years after this move. To his widowed mother belonged the task of rearing these eight boys and three girls. She died in 1881 after seeing all her children in the Church and this son in the ministry. Brother Jordan lived on the farm until he went into the itinerant work of the ministry; was reared in easy circumstances; educated in the common schools; possessed a fine memory and a practical mind. Farm environments helped to develop in him the noble elements of a many character. He was converted at Chisholm Chapel, Rockwall County, when he was 19, under the ministry of Rev. Jas. McDugald, at which time he joined the M. E. Church, South, March 9, 1882. He was married to Miss Jennie E. Riggs at her parents' old home in Rockwall County. Rev. Job Hornbrook, a C. P. preacher, officiated. From conversion he felt that he was called to preach. It was nine years before he yielded to these impressions. Was licensed to exhort June 15, 1888, by the Quarterly Conference of the Forney charge, Rev. C. I. McWhirter, P. C.; Rev. W. H. Hughes, P. E.; and in 1887 was licensed to preach at the same place under the same administration. Here, where he lived from boyhood, he was an exceedingly useful local preacher. In 1890, at great sacrifice to himself and family, he traveled the Wills Point circuit as supply. It was a good year's work. At Ferris, in 1891, he was received on trial in the North Texas Conference, and also ordained deacon by Bishop E. R. Hendrix. Was appointed to the Kemp circuit, where he remained two years. The developments on the charge were marvellous, his work there still abides. In 1893 he was sent to the Forney and Allen Chapel charge. At Busham, in 1894, he was received into full connection and returned to the Forney and Allen Chapel charge. These were the people with whom he had been raised and who had licensed him to preach. His two years' ministry here was abundantly blessed in the salvation of sinners and the general uplift of the Church. The people knew him, loved him and co-operated with him, and the Lord graciously blessed them and him. In 1895 he was sent to the Era and Valley View circuit, in Cooke County, Gainesville district. In 1898 at Greenville, he was ordained elder by Bishop C. B. Galloway. In 1899, his fourth year on the Era and Valleyview charge, his health failed, and that fall, at Honey Grove, he was given a supernumerary relation. At the conference of 1900, believing his health was restored, he asked for work, and was again appointed to the Era and Valleyview charge. During the year his health failed again, and that fall (1901) he was again given a supernumerary relation. His seven years' ministry on the Era charge (for he was pastor five and supernumerary two years) was indeed a fruitful ministry. Many souls were converted and hundreds of Christian lives were helped through his instrumentality. When the news of his death reached these people three congregations of the charge met and held memorial services in honor of their former friend and pastor. Last winter, with the hope of recovering his health, he moved to Canyon City, on the plains. Thinking his health sufficiently restored, he consented to supply the Childress station until Conference. He reached his charge, preached once, was violently attacked with appendicitis, and was carried to Fort Worth for a surgical operation. He was never in a condition for the operation to be performed, and after being in an unconscious state for a day and night, he died Sunday, July 13, 1902. His body was interred at

Canyon City. It was Brother Jordan's intention to transfer to the Northwest Texas Conference, with the hope that he might have health in that country. He said, "I can't think of giving up the work; my heart and my life are bound up in it. I had rather give up my life than to give up the work." One of our best and most useful men is gone. No man knew him better and loved him more than I did. We lived close together on the farm, and afterwards preached and labored together much. I had every opportunity to know him. He was a noble character. He was a fine preacher, clear, practical, scriptural and filled with the Holy Ghost. He died young, but wrought well and accomplished much. He loved God, loved his fellowman, and loved to do good in his Master's name. God has translated him, but his work will abide. I miss him so much. He was so helpful to me. But after awhile I expect to see him again. I invoke the blessings of the God whose he was and whom he served upon his beloved widow and children, brothers and sisters. A. R. NASH, Jackboro, Texas.

BATES—Samuel Patton Bates was born July 6, 1831, near Greensboro, Ala. At the age of 21 he embraced religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Soon after his accession to the Church he entered the Confederate service, and was a faithful soldier for four years. At the close of the war he moved to Texas with his mother, brothers and sisters, and was a leader of the family. He was one of the charter members of the Methodist Church at Union Ridge, Leesburg Circuit, in Uphor County, Texas. I was intimately acquainted with him for eighteen years, and was his pastor nine years of that time. He was a model Christian gentleman. I never know him to speak evil of any one, nor did I ever hear any person speak evil of him. He was everybody's friend. He was always at his place in the church—seldom ever missed an appointment. While he was deeply pious, he never made any public demonstration. He was taken down with slow fever some time in July, and was confined to his bed for over forty days. During that time he never murmured nor complained at his lot, but bore his afflictions with Christian fortitude. The writer visited him during his affliction and talked with him about his future prospects, and he said that all was well. On Saturday night, August 20, 1902, at 9 o'clock, he was released from suffering and his spirit took its flight to the spirit land, to meet with loved ones gone on before. Age 71 years, 1 month and 21 days. The writer preached his funeral sermon Sunday, August 21, at Pleasant Grove Church to a large and attentive congregation, and laid his remains in Pleasant Grove Cemetery to await the resurrection morning. S. W. JONES.

EASLEY—On September 1, 1902, the death angel visited the home of Bro. Henry Easley, of Pendletonville, Bell County, Texas, and released the loving wife and mother of a long-protacted suffering from consumption. Lizzie was born near Kenton, Tenn., in 1870; professed faith in Christ at the age of 14. Her mother, Mrs. Martin, who lived with her, came to Texas when Lizzie was but a small girl. The writer has known her from childhood; have witnessed her rejoice in the hope of the glory she now enjoys. In early womanhood she was married to Mr. Henry Easley. She has always been true to her God. God gave to her five children. She was a devoted Christian wife and mother. She told her broken-hearted mother, husband and children her prospects for heaven were the brightest, and not to weep for her. Just before the soul took its flight for its sweet rest she said: "Mother, the Lord has come." May the God of all grace help the broken-hearted family to so live that, when death shall come, they may be ready to meet the loving wife, mother and daughter in that rest that remaineth to the people of God. The writer preached the funeral of a life-long friend and Christian sister to a very large crowd of friends who had gathered in the Pendletonville Cemetery to pay the last tribute of respect to the departed. J. M. LUDWICK.

MOORE—Sarah Hall was born in Orange County, N. C., January 20, 1810. Was married to John Moore in Tennessee in 1831; came to San Augustine, Tex., in 1837; moved to Newton County in 1839, in which county she resided until she removed to her father's house on high, which event took place September 5, 1902. Sister Moore joined the Baptist Church when she was 18 years old, in which Church she lived a consistent member until death. The writer of this visited her several times during her last sickness. He found her ready to depart and he with her Lord. Her end was peace. She leaves a very good sized family to mourn their loss; but they know where to find her. J. T. KIRKPATRICK, Proctor, Texas.

PATTERSON—Lela Patterson was born in Hillsboro, Texas, November 4, 1882; baptized and received into the M. E. Church, South, April 5, 1891, and died in full triumph of the Christian faith August 6, 1902, loved and lamented by all who knew her. The removal of this bright young Christian woman was like Paul's—a departure rather than what we term a death. Too often we yield to that subtle, form of doubt which would demand of God the proof of his faithfulness before the hour of need. It was not so with Lela. Though for months she suffered, the processes of grace were gradually wrought in her by the Holy Spirit, and when grace to die was her special need her Father bestowed this grace in measure abundant. When assured that the end was near, instead of collapse or dread, it was a token of her great triumph through grace. I speak reverently of the marvellous displays of God's sustaining grace in her dying hour. So I shrink from recording them in cold type, and yet there are many loved ones who will ever cherish the memory of the songs she sang, the prayers she offered, the Scriptures she quoted, the exhortations she delivered, and the farewell messages she uttered during those last few days she spent on earth! It was my privilege to spend much time with her, and to receive even more than I was able to give of inspiration. The Holy Spirit was clearly preparing her for the change. Her responses during our seasons of prayer frequently extended into earnest petitions for herself and her loved ones, and when she would burst forth in soulful song, "Thy so sweet to trust in Jesus," or "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine," it seemed as if the Spirit indeed gave utterance to her dying lips! Never to our latest breath can we forget those tender messages to those who were dearer to her than life itself! The veil must be drawn here! May the Holy Spirit's impress abide on their hearts, and may we all be true to the pledges which she carries from us to her home on high! She prayed earnestly for a calm passage across the last river. The Lord graciously heard her prayer. Slowly her feet pressed the brink of the dark stream; steadily her spirit moved on to meet her Lord; the chilling waves gathered round her fragile form, but could not stay her heaven-bound spirit! Farewell, dear sister, daughter, friend, till we meet at Jesus' feet. JEROME DUNCAN.

MCCULLOUGH—Edward McCullough, son of John and Mary McCullough, was born in Hampshire County, Va., April 15, 1831, and died at his home at Mooreville, Texas, June 26, 1902. At the age of 15 he began work on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, where he stayed for several years. In 1855 he moved to Washington County, Mo., and engaged in the mercantile business, trading with the Indians. In 1861 he enlisted as a soldier in the Southern Army, and was in the battles of Lexington and Peairidge. He was afterward captured and held prisoner for some time at Fort Lincoln. He was married the first time in 1857 to Miss Sophia Irwin. She died in 1861. To this union there was born one daughter, who still lives. Was married the second time in 1867, to Miss Eliza Fisher, and there was given to them eight children, seven of whom still live. Captain McCulloch joined the M. E. Church, South, some thirty-five years ago at Mooreville, and lived a good and true member till the day of his death. He was a man among men. Began life as a poor boy and lived to be worth over \$150,000. In his will he left to the Methodist Orphanage at Waco \$1,000, and while he lived he was a large giver to the Church he loved so well. I never knew a man that was more scrupulously honest than he. He possessed a splendid intellect, but he was retiring in his disposition. He was a man of understanding and acquitted himself like a man. He honored his God, loved his country and was a prince in his home. His death was unexpected. His wife and two of his children were in Colorado, and it was a sad blow to his companion. It was 4 p. m. on June 25th, he said, "I am tired, let me go to bed," and, blessed saint, he lay his head upon his Master's breast and breathed out his life sweetly there. He sleeps now in the Mooreville cemetery awaiting the resurrection morn. God bless the family left behind, they are all on the way to heaven, and some day they will meet him again. J. W. FORT.

TUMBORO—Willie Tamboro, son of J. T. and E. J. Tamboro, was born April 28, 1898, and died April 9, 1902. He lacked only a few days of being 4 years old. This precious little boy, whom they familiarly called "Brother," was thus early taken away. May the Lord comfort the bereaved parents, and may their hearts be drawn closer to Him who doeth all things for the best. Weep not, dear friends; Willie can not come back to you, but you can go to him. Your friend and pastor, J. C. CARTER, Proctor, Texas.

HARRISON—Hugh M. Harrison was born April 11, 1845, in Marshall County, Miss., and came to Texas in early days. About twenty years ago he moved to Millsap, Texas, and went into business. This last winter he sold out and went to Milburn, I. T., where he lived until June 26, 1902, when he died and was brought back to Millsap for burial. Bro. Harrison was for several years a devout, consecrated and acceptable member of the M. E. Church, South. He was a quiet disposition, but his every-day life was a living testimony of his fellowship with Christ. The day he was buried you could hear it from young and old, "We had no better man in our community than Bro. Harrison." He was a true citizen, and above all a true child of God. The world needs just such men. He has gone from us, yet we would not call him back, but strive to go to him and share the eternal joys with him. To the bereaved wife and heart-broken daughters, we would say, Weep not as those who have no hope, but trust that in God, knowing that all things work together for good to them that love God. GEO. W. LEWIS, P. C., Millsap, Texas.

WILSON—Jas. M. Wilson was born August 16, 1844, died at his home in Lee County, Texas, May 5, 1902. He leaves one daughter, three sons, several brothers and sisters. Bro. Wilson consecrated the strength of his manhood to God, and all succeeding years of his life were given to His service. He became a member of the M. E. Church, South, serving in official relation for many years. Billing the office of trustee and steward at the time of his death. But whether his relation was official or private, the Church was dear to him, and to promote her welfare was his ardent aim and chiefest joy. There was victory in his death. The last hour was marked by a calmness that was sublime—another instance that "Our people die well." His last wish, tender words were a benediction to his family and friends. Bro. Wilson's wife had preceded him to the spirit world by two months and a few days. How happy their meeting; how enduring their association. To the bereaved family we recommend the consolation of the gospel and the splendid example of this faithful man. T. R. CAIN, Italy, Texas.

KITTLEBAND—George Lewis Kittleband was born June 3, 1883, and died August 12, 1902. He leaves father, three brothers, two sisters and many friends with bleeding hearts. Lewis was sick only one week, yet suffered the most acute pain. Lewis had not fully entered into manhood, yet had met face to face the trials, troubles and responsibilities of life. Twice with typhoid fever he battled with death. His mother died when he was 11, leaving one brother and two sisters younger than himself. This was the darkest shadow of his life. The death angel called the one to whom he had looked for those heavenly virtues—patience, kindness, sympathy and love. Lewis was equaled by few and surpassed by none in his devotion to the entire family, especially his little sisters. He was happily converted and joined the Methodist Church about three weeks before death. He often said he was happy, and would soon meet mother in paradise. Loved ones, do not weep for Lewis. He is waiting for thee in heaven. Oh! what a wonderful reunion when we meet on that beautiful shore. W. L. ROBINSON, Cosmos, Texas.

FERGUSON—On August 23, 1902, at her home near Buda, Texas, Mrs. Sarah E. Ferguson fell on sleep in Jesus. We laid her to rest at the Live Oak Cemetery August 24. She was born in Coffee County, Tenn., April 12, 1834; was converted at the age of 18, and was a consistent Christian till death. She had her two youngest children—two bright little boys—dedicated to God in baptism the evening before she died. She leaves one married daughter and one single daughter and three sons, with their father, to mourn their loss. All save the two little boys are consecrated Christians, and surely, when their mother has left her record behind, the boys will not go off in sin, but will early in life remember the day when mother had them turn so

she could see their faces when the pastor baptized them, and give themselves over to the one task of meeting mother in heaven. She had been a great sufferer for the last two years, but many times she assured us she was just waiting to do His will. We shall see her again. Her pastor, J. J. FRANKS, Buda, Texas.

BARRETT—C. W. Barrett was born in South Carolina, April 15, 1837; married to Roxie M. Stephens, daughter of Rev. E. L. Stephens, in 1862; converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1879; departed this life from his home near Bright, Texas, August 20, 1902. A kind father, an affectionate husband, a good citizen and a noble Christian character. He leaves a wife and two sons, all of whom are on the Christian highway and going to meet him bye and bye. His pastor, C. G. SHUTT.

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Table listing Abilene District-Fourth Round: Big Springs, Sept 20, 21; Aspermont, at A., Sept 27, 28; Anson, at Anderson Ch., Sept 27, 28; Stamford, at Spring Cr., Sept 27, 28; Midland, Oct 1; Colorado, Oct 5, 6; Gall, at York, Oct 5, 6; Claiborne, at Elkin, Oct 11, 12; Snyder, at S., Oct 11, 12; Eula, at Eula, Oct 19, 20; Putnam, at P., Oct 19, 20; Baird, Oct 19, 20; Eastland, at Staff, Oct 25, 26; Albany and M. at A., Oct 25, 26; Crystal Falls, at Baker, Oct 25, 26; Cisco, Oct 25, 26; Merker, Oct 25, 26; Truby, at Melrose, Oct 25, 26; Buffalo Gap, at Caps, Nov 1, 2; Colorado, at Lorraine, Nov 1, 2; Roby, Nov 1, 2; Saw-water, at S., Nov 8, 9; Abilene, Nov 8, 9; E. A. Smith, P. E.

Table listing Dublin District-Fourth Round: Sipe Springs, at S. S., Sept 20, 21; Rising Star, at Pisgah, Sept 27, 28; Huckaby, at Huckaby, Oct 4, 5; Morgan Hill, at M. M., Oct 4, 5; Huff Dale, at Marvin, Oct 4, 5; Glen Rose, at G. R., Oct 12, 13; Granbury, Oct 12, 13; Buffau, at Buffau, Oct 17, 18; Iredell, at Fairly, Oct 17, 18; Hico, Oct 18, 19; Carlton, at Carlton, Oct 25, 26; Proctor, at Oak Grove, Oct 25, 26; Deadmonia, at Deadmonia, Nov 1, 2; DeLeon, Nov 1, 2; Carbon, at Carbon, Nov 8, 9; Carben and G. at Carbon, Nov 8, 9; Green's Creek, at Ling, Nov 8, 9; E. F. Boone, P. E.

Table listing Waxahatchie District-Fourth Round: Venus, at Mt. Peak, Sept 20, 21; Ferris, Sept 27, 28; Bristol, at Carral, Sept 27, 28; Milford, at Herry's ch., Oct 4, 5; Foreston, at Foreston, Oct 11, 12; Italy, at Italy, Oct 11, 12; Lovelock, at R., Oct 17, 18; Lewisboro, Oct 17, 18.

Table listing Hasca, Grandview, Red Oak, I. Branch, Midlothian, Bardwell, Alma, Ennis, Waxahatchie, Bog, Palmer, at Dixon, O. F. Sensabaugh, P. E.

Table listing Weatherford District-Fourth Round: Feaster, at Peaster, Sept 20, 21; Springtown, at Springtown, Sept 27, 28; Aledo, at Aledo, Sept 27, 28; Farmer, at Farmer, Oct 4, 5; Graham, Oct 6; Graham, Oct 6; Hillsville, at Goswoneck, Oct 7; Breckenridge, at Pisgah, Oct 11, 12; Gordon and Strawn, at Gordon, Oct 18, 19; Ranger, Oct 18, 19; Santo, at Brazos, Oct 25, 26; White and Bethesda, at Whit, Oct 25, 26; Pale Pinto, Oct 25, 26; Mineral Wells, Nov 1, 2; First Church, Nov 8, 9; Jno. R. Morris, P. E.

Table listing Gatesville District-Fourth Round: Lampasas, Sept 20, 21; Coperaa Cove, 11 a m, Sept 25; Brookhaven, 11 a m, Sept 25; Kilien and Nolanville, Sept 27, 28; Evant, 11 a m, Oct 2; Hamilton, Oct 4, 5; Jonesboro, 11 a m, Oct 12; Harmony, 11 a m, Oct 12; Coryell City, 11 a m, Oct 15, 16; Bee House, Oct 18, 19; Crawford, 11 a m, Oct 24; Valley Mills and Chilton, Oct 25, 26; China Springs, Oct 25, 26; Gatesville, 11 a m, Oct 25; Gatesville, Nov 1, 2; Oglesby, Nov 8, 9; J. G. Putman, P. E.

Table listing Llano District-Fourth Round: Kerrville, at Kerrville, Sept 21, 22; Buda and Medina, at Medina, Oct 1; First Point, at Center Point, Oct 4, 5; Bowers, at Bowers, Oct 11, 12; Kingsland, at May's Chapel, Oct 11, 12; W. H. H. Buggs, P. E.

Table listing Cuero District-Fourth Round: Leesville, at Union Hill, 3d Sun Sept; Runge, at Runge, 4th Sun Sept; Edna, at Edna, 1st Sun Oct; Clear Creek, at Clear Creek, 2d Sun Oct; Sweet Home, at Shiner, 2d Sun Oct; Nursery, at Concrete, 4th Sun Oct; Cuero, Oct 31; Hallettsville, at Moulton, 1st Sun Nov; Jno. W. Stovall, P. E.

Table listing San Angelo District-Fourth Round: Menard and Junction, at London, Sept 20, 21; San Angelo, Sept 20, 21; Sherwood, Oct 4, 5; Sonora, at Eldorado, Oct 11, 12; Ozona, Oct 18, 19; Theophilus Lee, P. E.

Table listing San Antonio District-Fourth Round: Eagle Pass, 3d Sun Sept; Uvalde, 4th Sun Sept; Utopia, Oct 1; Laredo, 1st Sun Oct; Wearsall, Oct 1; Bexar, Oct 12; West End, 2d Sun Oct; Prospect Hill, 7:30 p m, 2d Sun Oct; Ampilton, 3d Sun Oct; Carrizo and Batesville, 4th Sun Oct; Travis Park, Oct 19, 20; Sherman Street, Oct 25, 26; Comal, Oct 29; South Heights, Nov 1; B. Harris, P. E.

Table listing San Marcos District-Fourth Round: Lockhart, at Harrison's Chapel, 11 a m, 3d Sun in Sept; Lockhart sta., 3 p m, 3d Sun in Sept; San Marcos, at Harris Chapel, 11 a m, 3d Sun in Oct; San Marcos sta., 8 p m, 1st Sun in Oct; Belmont, at Nixon, 2d Sun in Oct; Kyle and Pleasant Grove, at Kyle, 4th Sun in Oct; Sterling Fisher, P. E.

Table listing Beeville District-Fourth Round: Rockport, Sept 20, 21; Wade City, at Mathis, Sept 27, 28; Oakville, Oct 4, 5; Sutherland Springs, at Caddo, Oct 11, 12; Stockdale, Oct 18, 19; Bismarck, Oct 18, 19; Corpus Christi, Oct 25, 26; Beeville, Nov 1, 2; Joe F. Webb, P. E.

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Table listing Bonham District-Third Round: Brookston and Migh, 3d Sun Sept; Goyer, at S., 4th Sun Sept; Randolph, 1st Sun Oct; Fannin, 2d Sun Oct; T. R. Pierce, P. E.

Table listing McKinney District-Third Round: Weston, Sept 20, 21; Copeville, Sept 27, 28; Melissa, Oct 4, 5; Frank A. Rosser, P. E.

Table listing Greenville District-Fourth Round: Merit, at Dulaney, Sept 27, 28; Celeste and Lane, at Lane, Sept 28, 29; Floyd, at Floyd, Oct 4, 5; Wolfe City, Oct 5, 6; Nevada, at Vansickle, Oct 11, 12; Campbell, at Shady Grove, Oct 18, 19; Kavanaugh, at night, Oct 18, 19; Commerce, at Mt. Zion, Oct 25, 26; Commerce sta., Oct 26, 27; Kingston, at Salem, Nov 1, 2; Wesley, at night, Nov 8, 9; Quinlan, at Union Valley, Nov 8, 9; Fairlie, at Fairlie, Nov 12, 13; Leonard, at Blanton Chap., Nov 15, 16; Leonard and Orange Grove, Nov 16, 17; Greenville, at Kelling, Nov 19, 20; Lone Oak, at Miller Grove, Nov 22, 23; O. S. Thomas, P. E.

Table listing Dallas District-Fourth Round: Haskell Avenue, 11 a m, Sept 21; Ervay, 8 p m, Sept 21; Dallas, 11 a m, Sept 28; Oak Cliff, 8 p m, Sept 28; Dallas, at West Dallas, Oct 4, 5; Trinity, 8 p m, Oct 5; Wheatland, at W., Oct 11, 12; Cedar Hill, at C. H., 3 p m, Oct 15; Lancaster, at L., Oct 18, 19; Aryle, at Garza, Oct 25, 26; Denton, Oct 25, 26; Grand Prairie, at G. P., Nov 1, 2; First Church, 3 p m, Nov 2; Lewisville, 3 p m, Nov 8; J. W. Johnson, P. E.

Table listing Cochran and Caruth, at Cochran, Nov 8, 9; Alvarado, at Estell, Nov 15, 16; Farmers Branch, at Estell, Nov 15, 16; Oak Lawn, 11 a m, Nov 22; I. W. Clark, P. E.

Table listing Terrell District-Fourth Round: Reinhardt, at Locust Grove, Sept 27, 28; Mesquite, at Mesquite, Sept 28, 29; Forney, Oct 4, 5; Rockwall, Oct 5, 6; Kaufman, at Rose Hill, Oct 11, 12; Kaufman sta., Oct 12, 13; Crandall, at Lone Elm, Oct 18, 19; Garland, Oct 25, 26; Royse, Oct 25, 26; Chisholm, at Chisholm, Nov 1, 2; Fate, at Fate, Nov 1, 2; Mahank, at Mahank, Nov 8, 9; Kemp, at Kemp, Nov 8, 10; Terrell, at Elmo, Nov 15, 16; Terrell sta., Nov 15, 16; J. M. Peterson, P. E.

Table listing Sherman District-Fourth Round: Pottersboro and Preston, Sept 27, 28; Denison, Oct 4, 5; Collinsville, Oct 11, 12; Bells, Oct 18, 19; Whitesboro, Nov 1, 2; Pilot Grove, Nov 8, 9; Yacator, Oct 25, 26; Southmayd, Nov 15, 16; Tioga, Nov 16, 17; Call session at Pottersboro, 5 a m, Nov 17; Willow Street, night, Nov 19; Travis Street, night, Nov 19; Sherman, Nov 22, 23; Waples Memorial, Nov 22, 24; J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Table listing Bowie District-Fourth Round: Benavente, Sept 20, 21; Henrietta, Sept 27, 28; Bellevue, Sept 27, 28; Bridgeport, Oct 4, 5; Paradise, Oct 5, 6; Boyd, Oct 11, 12; Home, Oct 12, 13; Fruitland, Oct 18, 19; Alvord, Oct 19, 20; Crafton, Oct 25, 26; Chico, Oct 26, 27; Gibtown, Oct 26, 27; Decatur, at night, Nov 1, 2; Decatur sta., Nov 2, 3; Blue Grove, West, Nov 8, 9; Bryson, Nov 8, 9; Jackboro, Nov 2, 3; Holliday, Nov 15, 16; Archer City, Nov 22, 23; Atter, Nov 22, 23; F. O. Miller, P. E.

Table listing Sulphur Springs District-Fourth Round: Winthrop, at Winthrop, Sept 27, 28; Sulphur Springs, at Sulphur Springs, Oct 4, 5; Sulphur Springs, at First Home, Oct 11, 12; Cooper, at Cooper, Oct 11, 12; Sulphur Hill, at Pleasant Hill, Oct 18, 19; Hightower, at Lone Star, West, Oct 18, 19; Mt. Vernon, at Saffill, Oct 25, 26; County Line, at Bethany, Nov 1, 2; Ben Franklin, at B. F., Tues, Nov 11; Lake Creek, at Endo, Nov 15, 16; Klondike, at Klondike, Nov 22, 23; Some, at Forest Academy, West, Nov 22, 23; Red Springs, at Red Springs, Nov 22, 23; E. H. Casey, P. E.

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Table listing Pittsburg District-Fourth Round: Gilmer, at Mt. Gilard, Sept 20, 21; New Boston, at Godley Prairie, Sept 27, 28; Quitman, at Forest Home, Oct 4, 5; Winfield, at Bridges Chapel, Oct 11, 12; Pittsburg, at Reeves Chapel, Oct 18, 19; Pittsburg, at Saffill, Oct 25, 26; Dainbergerfield, Oct 25, 26; Texarkana, State Line, Oct 26, 27; Texarkana, Rose Hill, p m, Oct 26, 27; Queen City, at Queen City, West, Oct 29, 30; Atlanta, Nov 1, 2; Atlanta, Nov 2, 3; Naples, at Naples, Tues, Nov 4; Redwater, at Redwater, Nov 8, 9; Musgrove, at Song Chapel, Nov 15, 16; Mason, at Mason, Nov 22, 23; Dalby Sp. and DeKalb, at DeKalb, Nov 22, 23; John Adams, P. E.

Table listing San Augustine District-Fourth Round: Garrison, at Caledonia, Sept 20, 21; Tenaha, at Tenaha, Sept 27, 28; Lufkin, at Lufkin, Oct 4, 5; Burke, at Burke, Oct 11, 12; Nacogdoches, Oct 12, 13; Melrose, at Melrose, Oct 18, 19; Groveton, at Redland, Oct 25, 26; Shelbyville, at Shelbyville, Nov 1, 2; Center, at Center, Nov 2, 3; Center, at Lone Oak, Nov 8, 9; Appleby, at Appleby, Nov 15, 16; Other notices to follow in due time. A. J. Weeks, P. E.

Table listing Palestine District-Fourth Round: Rusk, Sept 27, 28; West Palestine, at Howard Avenue, Sept 27, 28; Palestine, at Centenary, Sept 27, 28; Elkins, at Elkins, Oct 4, 5; Grapeland, at Grapeland, Oct 5, 6; Jacksonville, at Pierce's Ch., Oct 11, 12; Jacksonville, Oct 15, 16; Crockett, at Wesley Chapel, Oct 18, 19; Groveton, at Groveton, Oct 18, 19; Trinity and Lovelady, at T., Oct 25, 26; Brushy Creek, at Neches, Nov 1, 2; Kennard, Oct 15, 16; Augusta, Nov 15, 16; Alto, at Alto, Nov 22, 23; Frankfurt, Nov 22, 23; W. F. Davis, P. E.

Table listing Marshall District-Fourth Round: Harleton, at Coffeeville, Sept 20, 21; Longview, Sept 27, 28; North Side, Oct 4, 5; First Church, Oct 4, 5; Henderson, Oct 11, 12; Hallville, at Winterfield, Oct 18, 19; Arleston, Oct 25, 26; Harmony, Oct 25, 26; Church Hill, Nov 1, 2; Beckville, Beckville, Nov 15, 16; Kellyville, Nov 15, 16; Kilgore, at Bellview, Nov 22, 23; C. R. Lamar, P. E.

Table listing Beaumont District-Fourth Round: Chester, at Camden, Sept 20, 21; Silsbee, at Hook's Switch, Sept 27, 28; Woodville, at Rockland, Oct 4, 5; Wallisville, at Wallisville, Oct 4, 5; Beaumont, South End, Oct 11, 12; Beaumont, North End and China, Oct 18, 19; Beaumont, First Church, Oct 18, 19; Sabine Pass and Port Arthur, at S. P., Oct 25, 26; Orange, Nov 1, 2; Jasper and Kirbyville, Nov 8, 9; Jasper, at Raganville, Nov 15, 16; Burkeville, at Survey, Nov 15, 16; Call, at Call, Nov 22, 23; Livingston, Nov 22, 23; Leggett, Nov 22, 23; J. W. Johnson, P. E.

Table listing Tyler District-Fourth Round: Willis Point, at Wesley C., Sept 20, 21; Willis Point sta., Sept 27, 28; Lindale, at Lindale, Sept 27, 28; Malakoff, at Malakoff, Oct 4, 5; Grand Saline, at Grand Saline, Oct 11, 12; Emory, at Point, Oct 18, 19; Morsmith, at Phillips Chapel, Oct 25, 26; Athens, Oct 25, 26; Troupe and Overton, at Omen, Nov 1, 2; New York, at Murchison, Nov 15, 16; Big Sandy, at Gladewater, Nov 15, 16; White House, at Liberty Hill, Nov 22, 23; Marvin, Nov 22, 23; J. T. Smith, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing Brenham District-Fourth Round: Brenham, Sept 20, 21; Lyons, Sept 27, 28; Caldwell, Sept 27, 28; Bellville, Oct 4, 5; Sealy, Oct 5, 6; Fulshear, at Brookshire, Oct 11, 12; Pleasant Hill, at Center Point, Oct 18, 19; Lexington, at Lexington, Oct 18, 19; Cameron, at Cameron, Oct 25, 26; Milano, at Minerva, Nov 1, 2; Mayfield, at Fort Sullivan, Nov 8, 9; Ben Arnold, at Steed's Ch., Nov 15, 16; Davilla, at Tracy, Nov 22, 23; Rockdale, Nov 22, 23; J. B. Cochran, P. E.

Table listing Houston District-Fourth Round: Columbia and Brazoria, at C., Sept 20, 21; Angleton, at Angleton, Sept 27, 28; Sandy Point, at Parker's, Oct 4, 5; El Campo, at El Campo, Oct 11, 12; Central Church, Oct 18, 19; West End, Oct 18, 19; Alvin, Oct 25, 26; League City, at Dickinson, Oct 25, 26; Mount Belvieu, at Fisher's Chapel, Nov 1, 2; Cedar Bayou, Nov 1, 2; Richmond, Nov 8, 9; Matagorda, at Bay City, Nov 15, 16; Washington Street, Nov 22, 23; M-Ashlan, Nov 22, 23; Mabaker, Nov 22, 23; McKee Street, Nov 22, 23; Rosenberg, at Rosenberg, Nov 22, 23; Geo. A. LeClere, P. E.

Table listing Calvert District-Fourth Round: Jewett, at Buffalo, Fr., Sept 21; Preston, at Mt. Zion, Sat, Sept 21; Fairfield, at Fairfield, Sat, Sept 21; Leon, at Nineveh, Sat, Sept 21; Centerville, at Redland, Fr., Oct 3; Rogers Prairie, at R. P., Sat, Oct 4; Calvert sta., at R. P., Fr., Oct 11; Hearne and Wheelock, at H., Sat, Oct 11; Franklin, at Franklin, Fr., Oct 17; Pottaway, at Boon Prairie, Sat, Oct 17; Roseland, at Roseland, Fr., Oct 24; Travis, at Travis, Sat, Oct 24; Durango, at Durango, Sat, Nov 1; Lott, at Lott, Sat, Nov 1.

Table listing Huntsville District-Fourth Round: Walter, at New Hope, Sept 20, 21; Homestead, Sept 27, 28; Mulliken, at Courtney, Sept 27, 28; Prairie Pines, at Day's, Oct 4, 5; Cold Springs, at Point Blank, Oct 11, 12; Zion, at Zion, Oct 11, 12; Madison, at Madison, Oct 18, 19; Anderson, at Brown's, Oct 25, 26; Bryan, Oct 25, 26; Crouse, Nov 8, 9; Dodge, at Riverside, Nov 15, 16; Montgomery, at Montgomery, Nov 15, 16; Willis, at Willis, Nov 22, 23; Huntsville, Nov 22, 23; Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

Table listing Austin District-Fourth Round: Cedar Creek, at Young's S. H., Sept 20, 21; Eastrop, Sept 27, 28; Melrose, at Melrose, Sept 27, 28; Elgin, Sept 27, 28; Manor, Oct 4, 5; First Street, Austin, Oct 4, 5; Webberville, at Hays's Ch., Oct 11, 12; South Austin, Oct 18, 19; Walnut, at Walnut, Oct 18, 19; Hotchkiss Memorial, Austin, Oct 18, 19; Manchaca, at Manchaca, Oct 25, 26; Tenth Street, Austin, Nov 1, 2; J. S. Smith, P. E.

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NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

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Hirdwell, of Coleman, came to us on Tuesday, and from then until the following Monday night preached to ever-increasing congregations. As a revivalist, the Hirdwell stands second to none. Result of this meeting: sixty conversions and twenty-two additions. Our meeting at Burket commenced on Saturday before third Sunday in August, resulting in fifty-seven conversions and forty-two additions to the Church. In all our meetings good interest has been manifested, but in this last one the old-time power was felt. Rev. T. C. Thern, our local preacher, was with us the entire round. His work was effective and appreciated. Rev. E. C. Austin, L. E. and Rev. D. N. Patterson, I. D., also rendered us valuable help in the last three meetings. Burket Circuit is on rising ground. We are now planning to build a parsonage by conference. The preacher who is read out in this work next year may rest assured that he has a magnificent charge.

Stratford and About.

W. B. McKeown, Sept. 11: Stratford Mission is still an appointment in North-west Texas. We began the year with fifty-eight members, and number now 106. Had a good meeting at Dumas in Moore County. Held a meeting in Hutchinson County, where no church work is being done. Had a good work; think we can organize there before conference. At Hansford and Stratford we had the best meetings I have been in for years. Will have all finances in full at conference. We have a nice parsonage at Stratford and a good strong church under construction. We organized, August 21, the first Epworth League north of the Canadian River. We have forty-five members and start well. Stratford proposed to be a school and church town, which has drawn to us a very desirable people. The cheap lands of this upper Panhandle country is a guarantee that we will not long be a frontier country, but a people living in ease and plenty. Good crops are again fine, and some Indian corn has been raised. As a stock-raising country this is no longer an experiment. Many believe it to be a fine wheat country. So far the experiments with wheat are quite encouraging. My constant prayer is that the territory embracing four counties may continue to be settled by people who love and fear God.

Proctor Mission

J. C. Carter: Our meetings on the Proctor Mission are over. We had some good meetings, but no good revivals such as we need and would like to see. The meeting at Purvis was the best; not quite so many conversions, but a more general interest. There were thirteen conversions and five accessions by ritual and three by certificate. Bro. Capell, a faithful local preacher, helped me through the meeting. Bro. Beaman and Johnson, Baptist preachers, preached one sermon each. At Proctor we had six conversions and three accessions. Bro. Goodrich, from Dublin, did us some good preaching. He is an excellent young man, and made a fine impression on our young people. Bro. T. S. Ewell, the old bachelor Texas frontier local preacher, was with us and preached a good sermon at 11 a. m. Sunday, and Bro. Brown, local preacher, preached at 7 p. m. At Proctor we had four conversions and four accessions, and four children baptized. Bro. Boone, the presiding of the Dublin District, preached us three excellent sermons, and did us faithful service while with us. Bro. Ewell did some faithful preaching in this meeting, and Bro. Brown preached one time. At Oak Grove we had fifteen conversions and six accessions. Bro. C. D. West, from Carbon and Gorman, was with us several days, and did some strong plain, earnest preaching. This is Bro. Capell's home Church, and he continued the meeting for three services after I had to leave. Bro. Partrick, father and son, Baptist, preached one time each in this meeting. At Graham's Chapel we had eight conversions and five accessions by ritual and three by certificate. Bro. Capell preached three times, Bro. Ewell twice and Bro. Williams once. So in all we have had forty-six conversions, twenty-three additions by ritual and six by certificate. Our finances on all lines are away behind, but we want to make a faithful effort to bring them up.

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Lyons.

H. G. Williams: Thus far I have held four meetings this year on the Lyons charge. The first was at Somerville. W. E. Tynes, a Baptist preacher, did all the preaching, though it was strictly a Methodist meeting. He is a fine preacher, and he did as good work for us as if he had been a full-fledged Methodist preacher. There were six conversions, all of whom joined our Church. Two joined by letter. The meeting was a great success. My second meeting was at Lyons. After I had been running about one week, Bro. S. S. McKenney, of the Cameron Circuit, came and stayed four days. If he could have stayed longer we would have had a good meeting. He is an excellent young preacher and a fine man. There were no conversions. After this I went to Yellow Prairie. Bro. H. R. Kimbler, of Caldwell, was with me here for the first four days. Then I ran ten days longer by myself, and there were more than forty conversions and reclamations. Twenty-two joined our Church and three joined the Presbyterians. The reclaimed were all members who had gone wrong. This Church was in bad shape. It had not had a revival since S. P. Brown was here several years ago. In addition to the meeting, we put a nice new roof on the house, and now everything is in good condition. After closing at Yellow Prairie I came home, rested two nights, and decided I would try Lyons again. I do not think I ever saw a Church in worse fix than this one. There were not more than six members, if that, in the entire Church that were guilty of being much religious. So, after talking to get any help, we turned the home battery loose and shelled the woods and the people that were in the brush, and the result was a great victory. I think most of the Church was reached, and now we have a good live membership. In fact, we have got nothing much but religion, as we have made almost a failure in crops for three or four years.

SAN ANTONIO RESCUE HOME.

Fortunately for me in my city mission work, the good women in charge of the Rescue Homes, whenever I find a poor, fallen woman who wants to lead a new life, never say no when I call. Last week a poor working girl who had been led astray called, and I went to the den in which she was caged and as soon as possible took her therefrom and brought her to this home. And what a change for her, and what an opportunity for her to escape for her life out of the hell she was in and away from the influence of the fiend who was the cause of her ruin, and as she said, "This seems a heaven to me." What possibilities these places give no one can tell. Those of us who are in direct touch with them think we know, but I doubt if we begin to conceive of the real benefit they are to the Church for prohibition.

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The Railroads in Immigration.

At the present day, when the eyes of the world are on Texas, it must not be forgotten that this condition is to some extent due to the railroads by reason of the widespread publication these important factors in progress have made of Texas facts and Texas advantages. The great extent of Texas and the wonderful variety of products, climate and conditions gives the railroads something to talk about and a series of powerful levers with which to pry the State into the attention of the world. Thousands of dollars are being spent in advertising the facilities and possibilities of the Lone Star State in sections of other States in which the overflow of humanity is groping towards prosperity and wanting a new atmosphere in which to try its cramped wings. The propaganda is almost strenuous in the Middle Western States, and the slogan of Texas is ringing in the corners of communities with telling effect. Every effort is being made to get the best farming land of the crowded centers into this State, where there is room for everybody with energy and room for agricultural expansion as well. The magnificent work accomplished by the Southern Pacific lines in the direction indicated is evidenced by the manner in which both inquiries and individuals are flocking into the territory traversed by these lines. North, East, South and West Texas is feeling the impetus which has been given to immigration, and each new-comer is a standing advertisement which will attract others, eager to share in a prosperity that equals, if it does not exceed, the prosperity of its sister States on every hand.—Literary Bureau Southern Pacific, H. & T. C.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

- Sept 11-C. W. Glanville, change made. P. L. Smith, sub.
Sept 12-T. R. Cain, o. k. J. B. Gregory, sub. W. W. Horner, has attention. V. A. Godbey, sub. A. F. Hendrix, sub. J. L. Russell, sub. Chas. U. McLary, trial sub. J. L. Massey, sub. H. R. Kimbler, sub.
Sept 13-J. B. Sims, trial sub. C. S. Cameron, sub. J. W. Griffin, sub. F. B. Buchanan, has attention.
Sept 15-B. R. Goodwin, sub. W. D. Wheeler, sub. J. M. Adams, sub. C. W. Meyers, has attention.
Sept 15-W. F. Davis, sub. W. C. Hillburn, sub.
Sept 17-C. G. Shutt, sub. I. K. Waller, sub. J. T. Hudworth, sub. J. W. Dickenson, sub. C. Williamson, sub. Frank Hughes, sub. C. A. Tower, sub. L. L. Naugle, sub.

A. C. I. OPENING.

The Alexander Collegiate Institute opened up on the 2d inst., with 100 pupils present first hour. This was increased daily till now we have 127 enrolled. This is 30 to 40 per cent better than last year, and last year was 25 to 30 per cent better than previous years. The number of boarding pupils is in excess of last year, which was best in our history. It is worthy of note that the increase is larger in boys than in girls. What is needed now is more room. We must have larger buildings, and this we hope to have next year. W. F. DAVIS, Jacksonville, Texas.

Stability wins.—Ram's Horn.

THE ORPHANAGE.

- The Orphanage is located in the center of Waco District, which was assessed for its support this year \$25, upon which has been paid as follows:
Austin Avenue, Rev. J. R. Nelson, \$19.00
South Fifth Street, Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, 28.50
Morrow Street, Rev. J. G. Miller, 17.00
Elm Street, Rev. J. A. Ruffner, 10.00
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Bruceville, Rev. A. E. Carraway, 11.00
Troy, Rev. C. S. Cameron, 13.00
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Morgan, Rev. N. M. McLaughlin, 13.00

Total \$245.50

I very much desire to publish in the Advocate, in advance of the sessions of the conferences, the receipts from all the districts. We need the money now. Winter will soon be upon us. Our people will be interested in this exhibit. It will do good. Now, Brother Preacher, let the next mail from your office bring the collection for the Orphanage.

We need boxes of clothing and shoes for children 10 to 14 years of age. We need a middle-aged Christian woman to help us in the domestic affairs of the home.

We are well. We have your sympathy and prayers. We appreciate them heartily, but for winter purposes please have them materialize. Materialize.

Waco, Texas. W. H. VAUGHAN.

NOTICE.

The Board of Trustees of the Southwestern University are requested to meet at 2 p. m., October 1, in the University building at Georgetown.

JOHN E. PRITCHETT, President, Board of Trustees.

San Marcos, Texas.

Paris District—Fourth Round.

- Blossom and Reno, at Blossom, Oct 4, 5
Lupton, at Lupton, Oct 5, 6
Roselle, at McKenzie's, Oct 11, 12
Clarksville sta., Oct 12, 13
Anna, at Anna, Oct 13, 14
Woodland and Kanawha, at W Oct 18, 19
Lupton, at Detroit, Oct 19, 20
Douglas, Oct 20, 21
Hagwell, at Lone Star, Nov 1, 2
Clarkville cir., Nov 2, 3
Marvin, at Marvin, Nov 8, 9
Lamar Avenue, Nov 9, 10
Canton, at Canton, Nov 11, 12
Chilota, at Chilota, Nov 15, 16
Emberson, at Sumner, Nov 16, 17
West Paris, Nov 17, 18
Maxey, at Maxey, Nov 21, 22
Roxton, at Roxton, Nov 22, 23

Gainesville District—Fourth Round.

- Gainesville sta., Sept 25, 26
Broadway, Sept 27, 28
Ashby, at Friendship, Oct 4, 5
Pilot Point, Oct 5, 6
Burns Mills, at Bethel, Oct 6, 7
Woodbine, at Whittier's, Oct 7, 8
Sagey, at Wesley's Chapel, Oct 11, 12
Eva and V. V., at V. V., Oct 12, 13
Rosston, at Forestburg, Oct 18, 19
Greenwood, at Greenwood, Oct 19, 20
Roanoke and Ponder, Oct 21, 22
St. Jo, at St. Jo, Oct 22, 23
Montague, at Montague, Oct 26, 27
Belcher, at Ringgold, Nov 1, 2
Novena, Nov 2, 3
Bonita, at Liberty, Nov 3, 4
Dexter, at Dexter, Nov 13, 14
Marysville, Nov 15, 16

There will be preaching at 11 a. m., followed by conference in the afternoon, at those places that do not get a Sunday with the conference. I will preach at Smith Monday night, October 20, Dryden Monday, Friday night, October 21, and Elm Monday night, October 22. No change must be made in above announcements without first writing me.

Geo. S. Sexton, P. E.

McKinney District—Fourth Round.

- Farmersville sta., Oct 11, 12
Bethel cir. at Frises, Oct 13, 14
Nelson and Roseland, at Colma, Oct 20, 21
Nodds cir. at Josephine, Oct 25, 26
Allen cir. at Allen, Nov 1, 2
Blue Ridge cir., Nov 5, 6
Wylie cir. at St. Paul's, Nov 8, 9
Weldon cir., Nov 12, 13
Melissa sta., Nov 15, 16
Princeton cir. at Wilson's Ch., Nov 15, 16
Capeville sta., Nov 17, 18
McKinney sta., Nov 20, 21
Piano sta., Nov 21, 22
Renner cir. at Alpha, Nov 22, 23

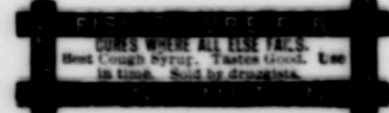
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MACBETH, Pittsburgh.



IMPORTANT NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the Southwestern University on notes or subscriptions are kindly and urgently requested to remit amounts due by them direct to the undersigned at Georgetown, Texas. The University has no financial agent in the field at present, Rev. F. B. Sims having resigned that position early in the year; nor will there be an Agent for some months to come. The present debt of the University is based upon these obligations, and it is very important that the friends of the institution respond promptly to this notice. M. B. LOCKETT, Chairman Executive Committee.

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