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Editorial.

THE DAY OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

According to a time-honored custom the twenty-seventh day of this month is set apart by the President of the United States as a day of National Thanksgiving. The custom is not only a beautiful one, but it is fraught with spiritual and ethical benefit to the people. True it is often observed by many in such a way as to rob it of these beneficent advantages, but by the great majority of our Christian people it is a time of general good will and religious observance. In the first place it is an acknowledgment upon the part of our National Government that after all this is in deed and in truth a Christian nation. Our dominant and practical religion is the Christian religion. Our President is a consistent communicant in a leading Christian Church and the most of our laws are Christian laws. Our civilization is a Christian civilization and the sentiment of our people is essentially a Christian sentiment. Jesus Christ is the controlling force in the institutions of this country, and this public Thanksgiving day emphasizes these facts in our history and experience. We are not ashamed as a nation to turn aside from the secular vocations of life and give one day to the expression of our gratitude to God and in such other observances as are in keeping with the promotion of religious principles and practices. Then too on this day of general thanksgiving, religious services are conducted and great sermons on Christian subjects are discussed in our pulpits. These discourses, in many instances, find their way into the Associated Press dispatches and into the columns of the secular press, and thus the observances of the day are made to contribute wholesome religious literature to the homes of our people, and such reading can not but elevate the thoughts and enhance the morals of mankind. But the day has its social benefits also. Family gatherings and the greetings of friends are not to be lightly esteemed. Such reunions make people better and happier and they bring out the nobler instincts of human nature. It is in this age of business people are disposed to segregate themselves and become isolated and selfish. But on our Thanksgiving day we get closer together in our home and social life. We cultivate those domestic and friendly amenities so essential to the household and to the social walks of life. But last and not least we have this definite occasion furnished to show our interest in our fellowmen. Thousands of people are poor and unfortunate and many of them are suffering the ills of life. Things have gone hard with them and the winds of adversity have blown with a biting chill upon their fortunes. Among them are widows and orphans struggling to keep the wolf from the door. What a wonderful opportunity for loosening up our purse strings and making somebody's heart rejoice. A little money or a few groceries, or a nicely prepared meal, or a note of sympathy will not cost much, but such remembrance will make hearts that

are sad and lonely rejoice to be thus held in pleasant recollection. Some poor old man or some poor old woman will have cause to remember the day with especial delight if thus remembered. Or some lonely, sick person's abode can be brightened up and made luminous with gladness by a dainty token or a few sweet flowers beautifully arranged. Suppose everybody will thus strive to make somebody else happy on Thanksgiving Day, what a memorable day we can make it! So note it be! Then God's name will be glorified and our own hearts will get a great blessing.

THE SUPERSTITIONS OF ROMANISM.

It is perfectly marvelous how Romanism manages to practice its delusions upon the ignorance and superstitions of its people, even in this enlightened age and country. That such things can be done in Mexico, Spain and other countries where Romanism has held the minds and the hearts of the people in bondage for centuries is not a matter of astonishment, but to find these frauds foisted upon intelligent people in America is almost past belief. That the priests and Bishops of that Church do these things wilfully and with certain ends in view is not doubted for a moment, but their people it seems are led to accept these impositions upon common intelligence as though they came through the oracles of God. We have recently had our attention called to an example of these fraudulent practices which occurred in New Orleans a few weeks ago. The account of the supposed "miracle" appeared in the New York Daily Sun as it was sent by dispatch from the above named city October 24th and scattered broadcast over the world. Such things are enough to disgust and outrage human intelligence and they ought to condemn in public opinion any Church organization that makes itself a party to such fraudulent practices. We give the incident as published in the Sun in this connection so that our readers can get some idea of the follies of this stupendous organization: "The body of Father Zelos, the Redemptorist, who died in New Orleans of yellow fever during the epidemic in 1867, while attending the sick and who is a candidate for canonization, was taken to-day from the tomb in the Church of St. Mary of the Assumption and examined by the commission appointed by the Pope to investigate whether Father Zelos is entitled to be made a saint. The examination was made in great secrecy, in the presence of Father Wissell, who was deputed from Rome for this purpose, and in the presence of several witnesses, and the body was reinterred in another coffin. The object of the examination was to determine whether a miracle had been worked in the corpse. Father Wissell, while declining to give any particulars of the examination, said that he had been remarkably successful in securing sufficient evidence of Father Zelos's sanctity to secure his beatification. A large number of cripples who prayed before Father Zelos' tomb in St. Mary's Church in this city testified their belief that they had been miraculously cured of their affliction through his intercession."

GIVE COURTEOUS ATTENTION TO STRANGERS.

This is an age when a great many people are away from home, some seeking pleasure and a great many attending to business. They stop in our towns and cities and often drop into the midweek prayer-meeting and the Sunday services. A great many of these are members of the Church at home and some of them, while not actual members, are favorable to the Church and love to attend its worship. There is scarcely a Sunday when there are not several such people at the service. When this is the case we owe them a Christian duty, and that is to make it a point to meet them and give them a cordial welcome to the fellowship of the congregation. They are lonesome and long for a word of friendly recognition. To meet God's people, shake their hands, become acquainted with the minister and feel the touch of a brotherly greeting is a comfort and inspiration to them. Therefore both the members and the preacher ought always to make it a point to look carefully for any and all strangers, speak kindly to them and make them feel that they are at home and among brethren. Sometimes this duty and privilege is unintentionally neglected. It does not always occur to people to look round and locate the visitors and pay them proper attention, and often they go away from God's house under the impression that no one cares for them. Once upon a time we attended a Church service of our own denomination in a large city and not a soul spoke to us any more than if we had been a foreigner. At night we made search for another place of worship, because we had no home-like feeling at the first one; and a number of the people spoke kindly to us, took us to a comfortable seat and at the close of the service took us forward and introduced us to the pastor, who, in turn, extended a cordial welcome to us to attend all the services. The result was that while we remained in that city we made that Church our stated place of worship. We are all human, and to be ignored or neglected is not a pleasant experience. It costs but little effort to be polite and kind and such courtesies are fruitful of reward. The people who show themselves friendly will always multiply friends and do them great good spiritually and otherwise.

EVEN A TIMID EFFORT DOES NOT LOSE ITS REWARD.

The Epworth Herald recently gave an incident, the substance of which is worth reproducing. A meeting was in progress one evening and a timid old Christian woman felt that she ought to speak a word to two gay looking young men seated not very far from her. At first she hesitated, but finally summoned up courage enough to make the effort. As she did so with a tremulous voice the young fellows laughed in her face and she shrank away very much embarrassed and mortified. She determined never again to bring such chagrin upon herself and so far as we know was never again heard of as a worker in revival meetings. At least those young men never met her afterwards. But

that was not the last of her influence. Those young men went to their room that night thoughtless and frivolous, and after awhile dropped off into sleep. But in the course of the night one of them woke up and could not sleep, and his thoughts began to play. He was by the thought of the old lady and now embarrassed she looked as she went away from them motionless at their reception of her. Then it occurred to him that she had none other than a less interest in their spiritual welfare and his conscience smote him. He turned over and groined and this woke the other one. They began to talk of the old woman and when thought of their good old mothers and distraction took hold upon them. They got up and knelt down in prayer. And they ceased not to pray until they were both happily converted. One of them became a leading minister and is giving his life to the work of leading souls to Christ. The other one became a large manufacturer and is at the head of all religious movements in his community. Both of them are blessing the world with their efforts. Yet the poor old woman passed into obscurity and died without knowing the results of her work. But God keeps the books, and opposite her humble name there is a large amount to her credit. She will get her reward in due time. Therefore we ought not to be discouraged when we seem to accomplish nothing in our feeble way. God does not require us to succeed, but to be faithful in the use of our opportunities and he will take care of the results.

Men frequently get their ideas of Christ through those who profess him rather than through the teachings of the New Testament. The result under such circumstances is prejudicial to the Savior, for the life of the average follower of Christ reflects no special credit upon his character and teaching.

Such is the beauty of the Christ-man that no one can find fault with his splendid life and exalted teachings. His character is without a flaw, his life is free from reproach and his system of teachings has no equal in moral purity and spiritual elevation. It is only when we too often find his character and teachings misrepresented in human life and conduct that men become infidels and skeptics. They mistake the religious pretensions and practices of men for his holy Christianity.

The preacher who goes to you next year is not there because he chose to be your pastor. The Bishop and the presiding elders made the choice for him and he is with you because of his cheerful obedience to our polity. Hence if there is any mistake about the matter the fault is not his, and it becomes your duty and his to so adjust yourselves to each other as to make the year as mutually helpful as possible. Give him the benefit of your sympathy and prayer and the probability is that he will prove to be the very man after all that you need. If you do otherwise his work will fail and you will be large losers as well as himself.



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Northwest Texas Conference

This body met in Temple on Wednesday morning of last week, in the Methodist Church, of which Rev. H. D. Kniekerbocker is the pastor.

Temple is a city of 10,000 population, situated 150 miles south of Dallas, on the main lines of the Santa Fe and the M. K. & T. Railways. It is the leading community of Bell County, and in the rich black land section. Though this has been another year of drought and a general failure of crops, yet the country is wonderfully capable and usually it is one of the most productive portions of Texas. The town shows all the marks of enterprise and progress. The public buildings are large and handsome, particularly the high school building. It would do credit to a much larger city than Temple. The railroads have much enterprise here, and they support a splendid Y. M. C. A. structure and organization. The city is supplied with all the modern conveniences, such as an electric light plant, a fine water system, etc. But the place is cursed with a large number of barrooms, and their effect is very perceptible. This is the only black spot on the character of Temple. The county voted on their prohibition some time back, but by the use of money and fraud the barrooms won. So here they are in all their blighting mildew.

The Churches are well entrenched, and they all have good edifices. Our Church is perhaps the strongest in the city. It is finely located on an eminence, and built of yellow or gray brick and trimmed in stone. It is large, conveniently arranged, handsomely furnished and artistically finished. Recently a debt of long standing has been paid, the walls beautifully frescoed and a \$3000 organ placed in the choir loft, and all this work paid for in full. The windows are fitted with splendid art glass, and several of them are memorial windows. One of them is in memory of Rev. D. H. Dieckey, who was pastor of the Church at one time, and who died a few years ago. As I looked upon his name there came trooping up in my mind many very tender memories. About thirty years ago he and myself met as students at Hiwassee College, and sat at the feet of Dr. Jno. H. Brunner as our head teacher. We were boys then, fired with the ambitions of youth. Many were the times that we roved over those wooded hills, studied Latin and Greek and the sciences together, and talked over the prospects and aims of the future. When we finished our college course we joined the Holston Conference in the same class and passed through the four years' course of conference study together. Then as the years went by we were co-pastors in Knoxville and Chattanooga. After that he came to Texas and I went to Missouri. In God's providence he fell at his post in the prime of life, and I am still spared to labor for the Master. His remains sleep out here in the cemetery, while his brethren are now praising God and planning for Christ's kingdom in the church structure he helped to build and one of whose windows bears his name. So God borrows his workmen, but carries on his work.

Rev. H. D. Kniekerbocker made ample arrangement for the entertainment of the brethren. Every one thought his home the best. Bro. L. Blaylock and myself were delightfully domiciled in the good home of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Scott.

At 9 o'clock, Bishop Hendrix promptly entered the pulpit and announced a hymn, and it was sung with great zest, after which he read the parable of the talents and expounded it. Then followed a devout prayer, to which many hearty responses were made. By this time the house was filled. The preachers were present in large numbers. A perfect sea of faces was uplifted toward the pulpit.

Rev. J. M. Barcus was unanimously re-elected Secretary. He named a good list of assistants and the conference confirmed them.

Having gone through these prelimi-

naries, the conference was ready for business. It was resolved to meet at half past 8 in the morning, devote the first half hour to devotional service, begin the business at 9 and adjourn at 12. The committees were appointed and the reports from Nashville were read and referred.

This is the largest conference in the State. It represents 70,000 members and 253 ministers. Its territory covers the central, the western and the north-western portion of Texas. The preachers are full of faith and devotion, and their annual gatherings are marked by fervor and enthusiasm. To mingle with them is to catch the spirit of their devotion and to feel the throb of their spiritual life.

The old guard were called, and some of them spoke of their work and faith. Rev. A. Davis spoke with sweetness and effect. Two of them had died during the year, and the announcement of this fact brought a hush to the body. Rev. A. Long spoke hopefully of his prospects, and so did Bro. W. V. Jones. Rev. H. M. Glass addressed the brethren in a few words of good cheer. A touching letter was read from Rev. E. L. Armstrong. He has not been able to attend a session of the conference in several years. A large number of this list were not able to be present, and their names were referred.

Rev. W. L. Nelms reported the material condition of the Georgetown District as very severe, on account of the dry weather. The spiritual state was good. Some 1200 converted. But the preachers were fairly paid. Most of them will report a deficit. They have been faithful but money matters have been stringent. Two years of successive drought have made the hard times. Temple made a fine report. Paid for church improvement and debt about \$7000; had 150 conversions and ninety odd accessions; paid everything in full and have a surplus on collections. Bro. Kniekerbocker has done a year of splendid work. Georgetown also reported well, but most of the other charges had had a hard year.

Rev. T. R. Bolton reported the Waco District very favorably. He said he had the best year of his life. Every charge except three has paid its collections in full. Have had 900 conversions and 1250 additions to the Church, and for churches and parsonages have collected and spent \$28,000. The report was excellent. Rev. Jno. R. Nelson said: "Three years ago I was assigned to Austin Avenue, but we had no church, no members and no money. But we have organized, have a new church, a membership of 350. Nearly 300 of these did not come from any other church. Collections in full, with an excess. Have collected and spent during the year \$17,300. Our entire property is now valued at \$51,000." Rev. Milton Hotchkiss said: "The movement which resulted in the Austin Avenue enterprise grew and inspired Fifth Street. We intended also to build at Fifth Street, but we have been waiting for the completion of the former. But we now have a committee looking for a site, and contemplate a new structure at no far-off day. We have had a good year. Some ninety accessions, and collections all full." The other brethren had very good reports. Some of the circuits had been injured by the failure of crops, but all of them had had good meetings. The collections were well up, and the preachers had been measurably well paid.

In the afternoon, Dr. H. M. Hamill, of our Sunday-school work, took charge of the Sunday-school anniversary and conducted a very delightful institute. He is a master of this department, and won all hearts.

At night the Sunday-school work was continued. Addresses were delivered by a number of the brethren, and Dr. Hamill closed the services

with a very interesting and instructive address. Thus the Sunday-school interests got a good start right in the beginning of the session.

Thursday morning came in dark and lowering, and the rain poured down. But, despite this, the brethren were promptly on hand in large numbers to take part in the half-hour devotional service, conducted by Dr. J. J. Tigert. He delivered an incisive address on the intercessory prayer of our Lord, and he lodged some great thoughts in the minds and hearts of his hearers. Dr. Tigert is a profound thinker, and when he speaks the people listen. The services put the conference in fine trim for the day's work.

A large class of young men were admitted on trial in the traveling connection, and their presiding elders spoke highly of them as suitable persons to be received. The undergraduates were then disposed of, and many of them were elected to deacon's and elder's orders, and these actions placed the business of the conference well to an advanced period at this stage of the proceedings. One applicant—Dr. Macune—was not received, simply on the ground of his age. He is 51 years old, and the conference has a rule not to accept a candidate past 50. It was unanimously voted, however, that his presiding elder be authorized to use him as a supply. Many most complimentary things were said about him as a man and a preacher.

Dr. H. M. DuBoise, Epworth League Secretary and editor of the Epworth Era, was introduced, and he addressed the conference on the importance of his sphere of work. He dispensed with preliminary remarks and went at once into the heart of his subject. From beginning to close he held the attention of the conference, and left with them many impressive thoughts and strong appeals touching the weal of our young people. He spoke pointedly and practically, and made a fine impression on all present.

Dr. P. H. Whisner was presented, and spoke on the Church extension work. He stressed the importance of insuring our Church property, and stated that where people carelessly neglected this matter it was useless for them to apply to his board for help when the churches were destroyed by fire. It was their bounden duty to carry insurance, and they were very negligent not to do it. He was asked several questions about the insurance company organized in the Northern Methodist Church, which company is recommended by our Extension Board. It brought out the fact that the brethren who had corresponded with a company located at Chicago were not disposed to look upon the company with much favor; that they could do as well with the old companies as with this Church company. The Doctor said he could speak with authority on the matter.

The Bishop decided two questions of law submitted to him in writing: 1. Is the law mandatory requiring an undergraduate to pass his annual examination, provided he holds a certificate of satisfactory examination on the course from any one of our institutions of learning? The decision was affirmative. 2. Is it necessary for a preacher on trial in the Annual Conference to have his license renewed by the District Conference? The Bishop decided that it was not.

Dr. DuBoise preached in the afternoon to a good audience, notwithstanding the rain. At night Rev. P. R. Kniekerbocker, of the White River Conference, preached a good sermon, but the rain interfered with the attendance.

Friday dawned beautifully, and the sun shone brightly. Dr. A. F. Watkins conducted the half-hour devotional service, and a great many of the preachers were present and responded heartily.

The Bishop then resumed the call

of the twentieth question, and Rev. E. A. Bailey reported the Corsicana District: "We have had a comparatively good year. Have a noble band of preachers. Our revivals have not measured up to my ideal or desire, still we have had good meetings. More than half of our charges have paid up in full, and the others are well up to the full mark. Have now closed out my quadrennial, and I am ready to go wherever you may see proper to send me." Rev. E. W. Solomon said: "We have had a net loss of about twenty members. Our collections are all full, and we have an excess of \$100 on foreign missionary collection." Rev. W. H. Crawford, of Frost, made a fine report, and so did Rev. M. M. Smith, of Brandon. Rev. C. G. Shutt had an exceptionally good showing, and so did Rev. J. D. Hendrickson. Rev. W. B. Andrews came up well for Mexia. Rev. I. T. Morris reported 100 conversions, and collections all full. He served Cotton Gin Circuit. Rev. C. A. Evans brought up \$100 excess on missions. All in all, the reports from the district were good and showed progress.

Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh reported the Waxahachie District: "The district is well organized. Sixteen charges paid in full. Have had 1700 conversions and nearly as many accessions. Have built a fine district parsonage, at a cost of \$6100. It is the best one in Texas." Rev. C. R. Wright made an excellent showing for Waxahachie Station. Jerome Duncan said that Hillsboro was in good shape in all departments. So did Rev. R. J. Tooley for the Groveton Circuit. M. K. Little had a fine year at Itasca. Rev. W. M. Lane had many conversions at Grandview, and salaries all up. Rev. S. C. Littlepage did well at Alvarado, and so did J. A. Walkup on Venus charge. Bro. Fields had an exceptionally good showing at Ferris. In fact, all the preachers on this district did well during the year. Millothian, under Rev. W. H. Howard, made wonderful progress. Rev. T. J. Duncan had a banner year at Ennis. Rev. W. H. Moss, after a service of forty-six years, made a tender talk and voluntarily retired to the superannuated relation. Rev. Horace Bishop made a splendid showing for the work of his new field as Conference Missionary Secretary. He has circulated \$300 worth of good literature on the subject, has preached everywhere, brought a large return into the treasury, and the work has prospered in his hands.

Rev. Jno. R. Nelson, of Waco, made a statement to the conference as to the status of the lawsuit which was decided at Waco recently against the M. E. Church, South, within the bounds of the Northwest Texas Conference. The suit grew out of the management of the old Waco Female College property several years ago, and, though the court decided the case against the conference, yet it is believed beyond a doubt that the higher courts will reverse the case and dismiss it.

Dr. J. J. Tigert was introduced and spoke at length on the subject of our Quarterly Review. He made a strong appeal, and received many subscribers.

At the close of Dr. Tigert's speech the Bishop called to the altar the class of young men to be received into full connection, and after the singing of an appropriate hymn he proceeded to address them on the several questions propounded in the Discipline to such candidates. We quote a few of the wholesome thoughts contained in the address: "It sometimes happens that a man, after he makes fifty years of service, looks back and is disappointed because he feels that he has not gotten out of the ministry all that they had hoped. And they settle down into pessimism, and even envy those who have made life a great success. There is no need for this, if you will enter this work and give yourselves wholly to the great work. There ought not to be any dead-line in the ministry, save that which physical infirmity establishes. Old men ought to be our

ripest and best ministers. As a rule, I would rather have a cheerful, devoted and progressive old man as the minister of my family than the young and inexperienced man. So keep your minds fresh and buoyant. Preach good, juicy sermons. Do not let them die on your hands and rattle from your lips. Look into the depth of the great gospel themes. Whenever a sermon fails to nourish and strengthen your own spiritual lives, then throw them aside and get something new. Devote yourselves so faithfully that no man will despise your youth. Once upon a time a minister went to a home where there was a corpse lying cold and still. But he was met at the door and told to retire—that he was not wanted. He had not been to that home during the weeks of long illness and suffering. During that time he was often on the golf grounds and in the forest. So, when the final hour of service came, he was not wanted. They despised him. People need your sympathy, and in order to give it to them you must be men of one work only. An old superior once said to a young minister: 'Go out to the graveyard and tell those dead monks how the people praise them and in what high esteem the world holds them.' He did so, and returned. The old man asked him what the monks said, and he answered, 'Nothing.' Then he said, 'Go out and heap curses upon them, and come back and report.' This he did and returned, and the old man said, 'And what did they say?' and he replied, 'They are dead, and said nothing.' 'Then,' said the old man, 'also be you dead to the praises and the curses of men. Be true to what God says, and the world will not hurt you. Love men. It is said of Charles Sumner that he was told a man wanted to see him. 'But,' he replied, 'I do not care to see him. I have lost my interest in individuals.' Never reach that state of mind, my young brother. The world is made up of individuals, and you must love and seek them in order to bring them to Christ. If they doubt your sympathy, you have no access to them. Christ had nineteen personal interviews with individuals of which we have knowledge. This is intended to teach ministers a lesson. A man can shout until he is as empty as a gourd, but when he is full of love for God and men there is an element of earnestness in his hallelujahs that reaches the ears of the Master. Make your love a serviceable love. Go on to perfection. I am not afraid of a man as long as he goes on. It is when he stops that he becomes of no account. Your life must be a progressive life in all things." These are a few of the thoughts of this strong address, as we picked them up at random as the Bishop proceeded with his remarks. In many respects it was new, and not in the line of the other one delivered at the West Texas Conference. He is a man of great variety, and his subject matter is very versatile.

In the afternoon Bro. Ferguson preached a good sermon at the Baptist Church. The ladies of the city gave the conference an elegant reception at the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. building. They had music and refreshments, with a good social feature. It was greatly enjoyed.

At night the missionary anniversary was held. A great congregation was present. Bishop Hendrix delivered a magnificent address, followed with a spicy speech from Rev. A. E. Rector, of the German Mission Conference. The occasion was a large success.

Saturday morning the devotional service was conducted by the writer.

Fort Worth District was reported by Dr. James Campbell: We have had a good year. Good meetings and have built a fine church. Dr. Werlein said he had a fine year at First Church. Had 97 net increase in membership, many of them by profession. All collections are full and more than met. Sunday-school is flourishing. Have 577 pupils. And they raised \$175 of our collections. Bro. Dodson reported a

successful year at Mt. Had a good increase at paid. Dr. R. C. Arms good year at Mulkey a good meeting and membership. Have been adjoining the church closes out my quadrennial during that time 117 closes my thirtieth itinerancy. Have done God has been good sixteen years of my charges. Have gone my appointments. He my vows. Have tried and God has blessed us to preach the gospel. work is about done. full to talk, I am not gloomy. So I ask the referred to the Conference Relations." (J. and tender, and calm hearty responses from. The conference has had full member than Bro. R. F. Dunn has an e Good increase and a full. Rev. J. W. Dieb referred to the Conference Relations.

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Rain continued all Saturday night and it poured down constantly until 11 a. m. Sunday. Notwithstanding this, the main auditorium of the church was crowded and the lecture room was half full to hear Bishop Hendrix's sermon. The Bishop took his text from Matt. 26:8.

A mere outline only of the great discourse, throbbing with thought, force and power, can be given. The Bishop said in part:

Our Lord himself has fixed the doom of Judas. Were I to name a theme for the discourse it would be "The Savior the Sinner, the Saint." At first Judas was no worse than the other disciples. Was Judas ambitious? So were the others. John's mother came to hear—and think you be knew of it not consented to her mission?—to ask the principal place at his right hand for her two sons. But the other disciples outgrew their ambitions—Judas never. All were no doubt covetous at first. Judas was chosen treasurer because of his rare administrative ability. But Judas was no more than a Mohammedan, because his religion was simply of the imagination. A man never fell through the intellect; he

always falls through his imagination. That was the case of our first parents. Judas had a vision of a great temporal kingdom under a most wonderful leader—one who could feed his army from almost nothing, who could still the tempest for his own ships and create a storm to destroy the fleet of his enemies; one who could cause the dead to come forth from the trenches and take their places in his own ranks. Who would not wish to follow such a leader? Such was the imaginary picture that inspired Judas. But, my brethren, there is no true religion which does not include the head and the heart. But all of Christ's preaching and his miracles awakened no response in the head and heart of Judas. When he saw that his leader must die and was disappointed in his hopes of ambitious visions—the crumbling of his hopes to receive the treasurer's portfolio to a world-wide empire—then his selfishness turned to hate, and he betrayed his Lord. At the last supper he did not say he loved his Master, but, by a kind of "inverted hypocrisy" by which men sometimes claim virtue, he refused to pretend more than he felt.

After Christ's betrayal by Judas there followed a night in which Judas saw his inner self revealed as it was; and from such revelations suicide often follows. Is there hope for Judas? Did he hope for himself, my brethren? Think, you, if he had fallen at the foot of the cross that black Friday and cried for mercy, it would have been denied him? But this repentance was as superficial as his faith. His instinct was leaden and not golden, and he sank down. He threw the thirty pieces of money that were marked with the blood of his Lord at the feet of those who bought his base betrayal, and went out and hanged himself. But the tree could not bear such fruit, and he was cast from even it. So the world has left him. In Dante's Inferno he pictures Judas in the lowest hell.

As we find the typical sinner in the Bible to have been a minister of the gospel, shall we not find also the typical saint to be a minister of the same gospel? Think you it was the "beloved disciple"? Or was it St. Paul? No; it was a woman. And this is all the more wonderful, because the orthodox Rabbi still prays: "O Lord, I thank thee that I was not born a woman!" Of her it is said: "Wherever this gospel shall be preached there shall this that she hath done be told as a memorial of her." The faith of

Mary was as deep as the faith of Judas was superficial. Note the difference between the faith of Mary and of Martha. Martha's reached to the things of this world; Mary's to eternal things. Judas made man measure of all things. "Why was not this perfume sold and the money given to the poor?" Mary made God the measure of all things. The "charity that begins at home" is usually the kind that also ends there. "Charity covers a multitude of sins," but we are to look beneath and get rid of the sins. I doubt not Mary's charity was of a kind that would have cheerfully gotten up at midnight to go and minister to the poorest and most needy neighbor. Love is, after all, the comprehension of charity by the head and the application of it by the heart. The selfish man will sooner or later betray the cause of divine love itself. Bishop Marvin used to tell of a home where he visited, and when the father came in the circle his daughter would run to him, take him by the hand and frequently press that hand to her lips, and hold it to her heart, and caress it in fondest tenderness. The story about that hand was that when she was a child the flames threatened to burn her; that father, at the risk of his life, rescued her, and the burns left a great, deep scar on that hand. It was this scar, taken on by a love that braved death itself for her that she covered with her kisses, and in everything connected with her life she showed that father how much she loved him. O, my brethren, when we realize all that Jesus has done for us, we, too, will press his scars to our hearts, kiss them and love him and be true to him. We want a service that loves.

After the sermon a class of sixteen young men was ordained deacons.

At 2 o'clock the conference met with a large audience in memorial session. Rev. E. F. Boone presiding. Rev. Jno. M. Barcus read a memoir on the life and labors of the late Rev. F. T. Mitchell, D. D.; Rev. S. C. Littlepage read the memoir of Rev. Peter W. Gravis; Rev. J. A. Whitehurst read the memoir of Rev. John A. Wallace, who died in Temple, where he began his ministry years before; Rev. Horace Bishop, D. D., read the memoir of Rev. G. W. Swafford; Rev. E. F. Boone read the memoir of Rev. W. B. Ford, who was killed in the cyclone at Glen Rose April

27th last; Rev. R. C. Armstrong told of the life of Sister G. W. Harris.

Bro. Wiseman, J. Sam Barcus, Littlepage, R. C. Armstrong, I. Z. T. Morris, Gibbens, A. Davis, John R. Nelson and others spoke in reminiscent tenderness of all those whose names had been added to the "Roll of Honor" and who "rest from the labors." The service was tenderly sweet, and proved the truth of that scripture: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Before the hour of 7:30 Sunday evening the church and lecture room were crowded to hear Dr. J. J. Tigert. The text was: "Psalm 123:2, "Behold as the eyes of the servants look unto the hands of the master, and as the eye of a master," etc.

Following the great alphabetical Psalm (119th) there follows several short Psalms, and it is thought not one of them was written by David. They were probably connected with the worship of the second temple. In them they reached high water-mark. I take it that the writer of this Psalm was not an unobservant man while he was a guest—probably in Babylon itself. We will translate this Psalm in the language and customs of to-day. In noticing a young wife for the first time in her own home, surrounded on either side by a long line of guests, you will probably notice on such an occasion a woman much perturbed lest something goes amiss. She keeps looking towards the door whence servants are to come. You observe to see how she will entertain her guests; or how she will control her servants; or you will see one who, feeling sure of herself because of superior force of intellect and habit, she is mistress of the situation. From these things you will discover that with no uttered word, a look of the eye, almost imperceptible nod of the head, the servants are directed while the mistress sits seeming unconscious of the servants' presence or the changing of courses while she directs the conversation, sees to the wants of each guest and enters into their interests without appearing to be conscious of any effort whatever. Taking these facts back into Oriental customs and habits, I believe the writer had in mind just some such a state of affairs as this. No such perfection of service can come except by long practice. Not only is long practice required to bring

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about this state of perfection in the service of a household, but there must be docility on the part of the servant. He told about a young negro whom he hired from a school to do chores. He was a law student; but one day I found him seated at my desk, and I remonstrated. I found he repeated it, as I told him I wanted him to make fires and take out the ashes. The New Testament called this "heady." I had to get rid of him. I knew a man once who was president of a bank, president of a newspaper company, of a street railway company and of several other institutions. But he didn't keep any of these positions long. No one could co-operate with him, and he lost all his official positions.

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A principal in a public school in Ohio had a food experience that will be familiar to many school teachers. "The hard work of the school room was so wearing that I was completely worn out and could barely walk home at night and at other times I was so nervous that it was with difficulty I ate or slept. I attributed my falling health to improper food, and felt that it would be necessary to quit my profession or get some food that would sustain my nerves.

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Now this is the main point of my text. It is a contract of service. No one can be happy in the proper acceptance of the word who has not learned to serve. The entry into the ministry of or fellowship with Christ is a compact of service. We agree to serve. We are not to question, much less direct. This was the real spirit Tennyson had in view in his "Charge of the Light Brigade." But we must learn and prepare for service. We enter as raw hands and need training. I take it that very often we sadly blunder; that we are woefully in the way. But I take it that He who called us and is fitting us has infinite patience with us, overlooks our blunders, until He has prepared and qualified us for service. If you have happiness in view as your object you are bound to become a pessimist and wonder if life be worth living. Self-will, self-sufficiency unites one for service in God's work. Prayer fits one for service—"Not my will, but thine, be done." You say, "Can't I pray to be raised from the bed of illness?" Certainly not if it is unconditional. Every unconditional prayer is in the spirit of real prayer. Can I pray for health? Nay, verily; for that health may be the very thing that work my undoing—my ruin. Another may be stronger, greater, more forceful because of greater talents than I have; but, blessed be God, no man need be better than I. We have to make our wills subordinate to the will of God. To illustrate: When we moved from Nashville to Kansas City my wife counted a heavy biscuit board (for making beaten biscuits) one of her dearest treasures. But her new servant refused to use it, saying in the West people had progressed further than that, and used a machine. There was the issue squarely drawn between mistress and servant. So to carry her point and maintain discipline my wife insisted on the use of that board for several months, though my wife finally got the machine. God insists that we must do his work in his way, with his means. To this end we need to pray for direction for help in the full belief that we shall receive all we need.

There is no such thing as blind faith. Faith is opened-eyed, far-seeing. It is a belief in God's promises and in his

willingness to fulfill them, and an interpreting of the faith by a life of service and love.

The man who makes a carpet of work from the wrong side and doesn't see the beauty and harmony and gorgeousness of his work until it is finished. That reminds me of a topical sermon by a great Scotch preacher, who said man was a plan of God. After awhile we will see and understand it all. "We shall know as we are known," and "we shall see Him as he is." When standing before the great orchestra the thought came to me that none of those men playing a given set of instruments had a complete score of the great piece of music that held the vast throng spell-bound. But the one man with a little rod bent time and directed the whole. So none of us called of God to do his work can do all of it. We each have our part. After it is done we will, if we have been humble and faithful, shall hear, "Well done, good and faithful servant." And that will be enough. What two words can express greater things about us than those two words "good, faithful?"

At the conclusion of the sermon Bishop Hendrix ordained seven young men to elder's orders.

Monday morning the Bishop conducted the devotional meeting and then took up the minute business. Many reports came up, were read, discussed and adopted. After this the Bishop made a talk and read the appointments.

MOVEMENT FOR AN EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

Temple, Texas, Nov. 15, 1902. To the Bishop and Members of the Northwest Texas Conference:

Dear Fathers and Brethren—We, your committee appointed to draft a plan looking to the securing or erecting of an Episcopal residence in the city of Dallas, Texas, to be occupied by Bishop E. E. Hoss, or any other Bishop that may be invited by the five Texas conferences, beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend that a Board of Trustees be appointed by the present presiding Bishop of the five Texas conferences, consisting of nine members, as follows: Northwest Texas, West Texas, North Texas and Texas, two each, one clerical and one lay, and one clerical or lay from the German Mission Conference, making nine in all.

The duties of the Board of Trustees shall be to organize at as early date as possible and mature plans to secure or erect an Episcopal residence in Dallas, Texas, and to hold said residence and other property secured for this purpose in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline of said Church in acquiring and holding Church property, and shall hold office as such trustees until their successors shall have been appointed by the presiding Bishop of the conference in which the vacancy occurs. All appointments of trustees to be confirmed by the conference at its first regular session after such appointment shall have been made.

To the accomplishment of this purpose each preacher in the bounds of the aforesaid conferences is instructed to take public and private collections and donations in every congregation at the earliest date practicable during the conference year 1902-3. We recommend that the North Texas, Texas, West Texas and German Mission Conferences be and they are hereby most respectfully requested to join the Northwest Texas Conference in this undertaking, and that the Secretary of this conference furnish a true copy of this paper to each of said conferences for their consideration; and, as the sessions of the German Mission and the West Texas Conferences have been held, we recommend that the presiding Bishop of this conference, who held said conference sessions, appoint trustees for said German Mission and West Texas Conferences, subject to the provisions hereinafore contained.

Respectfully submitted, HORACE BISHOP, Chairman.

MINUTES

Of the Thirty-seventh Session of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at Temple, Texas, beginning November 12, 1902, ending November 17, 1902. Bishop E. E. Hendrix, President; Jno. M. Barcus, Secretary.

- 1. Who are admitted on trial? Robert C. Alexander, Allen L. Moore, Everett R. Patterson, Anderson W. Hall, Samuel P. Nevill, Lee E. Riddle, Robt. B. McSwain, Archibald C. Bell, James O. Gove.
2. Who remain on trial? Claud Ledger, M. M. Morrill, L. A. Reavis, Frank Hughes, James B. Berry, Thos. Hanks, James B. Curry, John L. Green, R. A. Clements, B. A. Evans, O. C. Swinney, Frank M. Jackson, A. D. Livingston, James T. Hicks.

- 2. Who are discontinued? C. W. Young.
3. Who are admitted into full connection? Edward P. Williams, Jesse C. Carpenter, Theophilus W. Ellis, Mirajah W. Clark, Chas. L. Cartwright, Richard W. Nation.
4. Who are readmitted? None.
5. Who are received by transfer from other conferences? E. B. Parfle, J. A. Biggs, J. D. Crockett, J. M. Sherman, O. P. Kiker, M. A. Turner, J. T. Bloodworth.
6. Who are the deacons of the year? J. A. Crowl, R. P. Young, James M. Owen, Claude B. Smith, M. Leveridge, E. L. Sisk, Lee A. Clark, Henry M. Long, J. D. Young, W. K. Rucker, D. A. McGuire, W. T. Gray, Thos. S. Barcus, Thos. W. Sharp.
7. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Richard W. Nation, Chas. L. Cartwright, Mirajah W. Clark, Jesse C. Carpenter.

- 8. What local preachers are elected deacons? Minor Bounds, Edwin N. Lewis, Everett R. Patterson, William Knicker, John L. James, James N. Anderson, Anthony D. Livingston, Wm. J. H. Ellis, Robt. E. Goodrich, Edward G. Thomas, James Keener, Watson, Robt. Nick Britt, John Thomas Browning, James Britt, James O. Gove.
9. What local preachers are ordained deacons? Isaac N. Anderson, James Britt, Berry, Minor Bounds, Wm. J. H. Ellis, J. H. Gillette, James O. Gove, Robt. E. Goodrich, Edwin N. Lewis, Anthony D. Livingston, William Nichols, Everett R. Patterson, Robt. Nick Shelton, Edward G. Thomas, James Keener, Watson.
10. What traveling preachers are elected elders? Albert D. Porter, Geo. W. Kincheloe, Richard H. Helzer.
11. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? Richard H. Helzer, Geo. W. Kincheloe, Albert D. Porter.
12. What local preachers are elected elders? Allen Letcher Moore, Robt. Brown McSwain, Henry B. Laney, Reuben R. Day. The following orders were recognized: Francis V. Evans, elder from the M. P. Church, James M. Burkhardt, an elder from the Baptist Church.
13. What local preachers are ordained elders? Reuben R. Day, Henry B. Laney, Allen Letcher Moore, Robt. B. McSwain.
14. Who are located this year? H. G. Summers, G. S. Wyatt, at their own request.
15. Who are supernumerary? Jno. P. Neal, R. M. Morris, L. G. Rogers, R. C. Armstrong, J. W. Dickinson, J. W. Montgomery.
16. Who are superannuated? I. M. Sweet, H. C. Jolly, L. F. Collins, T. W. Rogers, A. Davis, Saml. Morris, S. S. Stewart, W. M. P. South, J. W. East, Morgan, A. Long, J. J. Davis, W. V. Jones, S. P. Wright, I. N. Reeves, J. P. Hulse, F. P. Ray, E. W. Simmons, D. T. Holmes, R. W. Wolfberg, E. L. Armstrong, C. Bowland, J. J. Davis, M. Mills, G. P. Parr, J. T. L. Arnold, J. A. Hyder, C. S. McCreary, J. A. Crutcher, N. B. Bennett, C. Davis, W. H. Moss, J. M. Bond, J. B. Steele, J. W. Kinziah, H. M. Glass.
17. What preachers have died during the past year? P. W. Graves, W. H. Ford, F. T. Mitchell, Jno. A. Wallace, G. W. Swafford.
18. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? All were called, and in each case the answer was "Nothing against him," except G. E. Sandoz, who surrendered his credentials.
19. For answers to questions 12 to 17, inclusive, see statistical table.
20. What are the educational statistics? Southwestern University, Value \$200,000, enrollment 42835, professors 22, pupils 62. Weatherford College, Value \$200,000, enrollment 20, professors 20, pupils 20. Taylor College, Value \$200,000, enrollment 12, pupils 12. Clayton College, Value \$200,000, enrollment 20, professors 20, pupils 20.
21. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? First Church, Fort Worth.
22. Where are the preachers stationed this year? (See appointments.)

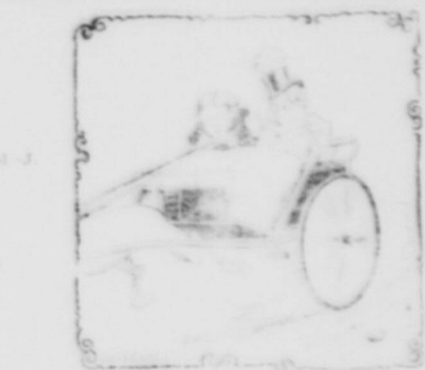
APPOINTMENTS.

- GEORGETOWN DISTRICT: J. S. Chapman, P. E. Georgetown Station—W. I. Nelson, J. P. Neal, supernumerary; Hutto—J. D. Crockett; Taylor—J. W. Sears; Cranston—S. C. Vaughan; Barthol—W. C. Hilliard; Salado—J. M. Armstrong; Holland—C. S. Cameron; Bolton—C. W. Daniel; Temple—First Church—E. E. Wright; South Street—A. L. Moore; Ponderly—R. V. Galloway; Troy—S. B. Sawyer; Moody—J. T. Greenold; Marshall—W. M. Young, supply; Rodgers—C. B. Gallagher, Professor in Southwestern University—R. D. McSwain; Student in Southwestern University—T. S. Barcus.
WACO DISTRICT: R. B. Bolton, P. E. Waco, Austin Avenue—J. R. Nelson; South Fifth Street—M. S. Hutchins; Murray Street—Jno. R. Morris; Elm Street—S. A. Barcus; Hewitt—W. N. Curry; Lorena—J. W. Parr; West—J. A. Reuter; Aquilla—R. Beavis; Abbott—W. A. Giffeland; Peoria—D. C. Ellis; Bonaparte—R. F. Dunn; Mt. Calm—N. A. Keen; March—A. E. Cartwright; Axell—To be supplied; Whitney—J. H. Brewwell; Morgan and Walnut—N. M. McLaughlin; Pendelo—To be supplied; Hubbard City—C. B. Meador, Manager Orphans' Home—W. H. Vaughan; Teacher in Orphans' Home—S. E. Burkhead.
CORSIANA DISTRICT: J. M. Barcus, P. E. Corsicana Station—E. W. Solomon; Corsicana Circuit—E. T. Harrison; Corsicana Station—J. R. Berry; Rice—W. F. Garvin; Roane—R. F. L. Stutts, supply; Eureka—S. P. Nevill; Keens—J. C. Minns; Barry—J. M. Wynn; Dresden—J. E. Riddle; Frost—W. H. Crawford; Brandon—M. M. Smith; Dawson—C. G. Shutt; Armour—F. M. Winburne.



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MOTHER'S APRON STRINGS.

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SINGING AWAY PAIN.

A party of mariners were driving along the country road leading to Killbuck's. As they came within the sight of a cottage standing back from the road...

Upon returning from one of his voyages, Captain Horton brought home a tame monkey as a pet for Bessie, his little six-year-old daughter.

When she was but a verdant youth, I thought the truly great Were those who had attained in youth To man's mature estate.

There is nothing that pleases Judy more than to have a party. She helps set the table, then sits in her chair and eats what is put upon her plate...

FRISKY AND HIS FRIEND.

He was only an ordinary striped squirrel, shy as the rest of his woodland companions, until Ralph took the notion to tame him.

After several of these voyages, the strange object from which Frisky seized the waiting nut moved a bit and Frisky vanished and was not seen again that day.

After Frisky had found the nut, he usually perched upon Ralph's shoulder and once upon his head, where Cousin Ned discovered him one day enjoying, with evident relish and in happy security, his noon repast.

pose she was the merry little monkey of the summer.

She sleeps in a box behind the stove, and no child ever hated to go to bed more than Judy does.

Every time Captain Horton comes home he asks Bessie if he had better not take the monkey back with him and bring her some other pet.

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BRAY'S ENEMY.

"Please, Mr. Joyner, there's a little boy at the back gate to see you."

"He won't come in, sir; says he's awful busy, and hasn't got time."

"About as big as my fist, sir," said Peter.

"Where did you get any sheep?" asked Mr. Joyner.

"My sheep are Mr. Ransom's. He gives me fifteen cents a week for watching 'em."

"When he said this Mr. Joyner took off his own hat, and reached down and took the small dirty hand in his."

"When she was but a verdant youth, I thought the truly great Were those who had attained in youth To man's mature estate."

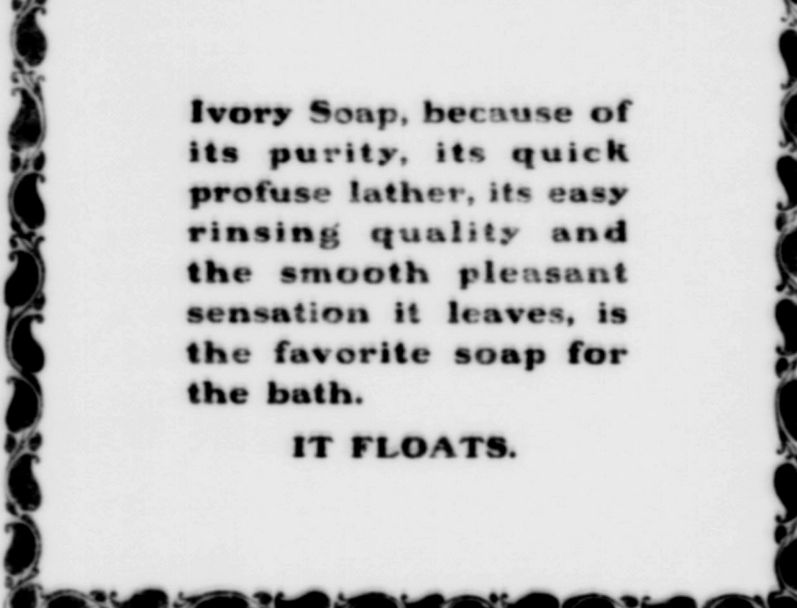
PRISSY AND HER BELL.

The house on the corner had been vacant a long time, and now some new tenants were moving in.

"If there is one, there'll be a small chat or a doll-carriage or something," she told her mother; but no such article appeared, and Elsie was disappointed.

The day after the new neighbors came Elsie was attracted to the window by the sound of a bell.

"Oh, Auntie, just one more. 'Won't you?' Auntie had been telling stories to a trio of little folks till she was tired; but still they wanted more.



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IT FLOATS.

ten. Only the day before she had missed a pleasant walk with her uncle because she had not started at once when she was called.

The next time that Elsie heard the bell, however, she thought about it again; and, running to the window, she saw the handsome Prissy climb the back fence and scamper across the back toward the house.

"I'm not going to let a cat mind better than I do," said Elsie to herself; and the day after, when she heard her father calling her from the library, she ran at once to see what he wanted, although she was right in the midst of a most interesting play.

"Perhaps it would not have been so easy for her always to remember if it had not been for Prissy's reminding bell; but that daily 'ding-dong-ding-dong!' never failed to keep the subject in mind, and Elsie came to run so promptly at every summons that Mrs. Manning said, smilingly: 'I think Prissy is a pretty good teacher.'"

Elsie laughed. "Yes, mamma," she agreed. "I think she is; for I don't know as I should ever have learned to come quick when I was called if it hadn't been for Prissy and her bell."

Elsie did not know that Prissy, like people, had to learn a lesson before she could teach it. She had not lost a walk with her uncle, but the loss was much greater in her opinion. She lost a dinner!—Caroline Wheaton, in Youth's Companion.

CROOKED PATH OF CABLE MES- SAGES.

When we follow the course of a cable dispatch and see how many hands it passes through before reaching the person it is intended for, the wonder is that all cipher messages do not contain mistakes.

THE QUEEN STORY.

"Oh, Auntie, just one more. 'Won't you?' Auntie had been telling stories to a trio of little folks till she was tired; but still they wanted more.

Then Auntie began: "There was once a Queen who had three beautiful daughters. I will give you their names and you must remember them to tell me when I ask you."

"The youngest, who was really the most beautiful of them all, was a cripple, and had never walked. Her great blue eyes, so bright to look at, were of no use to her, for she was stoneblind.

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NEW COFFEE.

Some soldiers are badly affected by coffee drinking. The Hospital Stew- ard in one of the Army Post of the West, says:—"Though in the medical service of the Army, I suffered agony for two years from a case of chronic gastric indigestion, and now that I am free from all the tortures attendant upon it, I attribute it to the good effects of Postum Food Coffee, both as a food and as a beverage."

I used medicinal and mechanical means to relieve myself during those two years, and even though I had left off the use of coffee, I did not find myself in any measure free until I had commenced using Postum.

Being in charge of a detachment of the Hospital Corps, U. S. A., I, of course, had supervision of the mess, and by degrees I have initiated into using Postum, every member of the mess, some of whom were formerly very fond in their denunciation of anything 'manufactured.' And, going still further, I have supplied it to our patients in lieu of coffee; none have found fault, while many have praised it highly, and when returned to duty, have continued the use of it when it was possible, for a soldier has an extremely hard time in trying to choose his own food.

For the past eight months, not a grain of coffee has been used in this Hospital, and thanks to a cook who prepares Postum just right—there is a brilliant prospect of coffee taking a permanent seat in the background.

One who has passed through the horrors of indigestion as I have, shudders as he looks back upon his suffer- ings and when cognizant of the cause, will shun coffee as he would a rattle snake." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Devotional and Spiritual

TRUST IN THE DARK.

I was awakened the other morning about four o'clock in my room by a little voice just beside my bed in the dark asking for a drink. I got the little lad a drink and he lay quiet a moment, and then he said, "Father, may I sing myself to sleep?" And I said, "Yes, dear; go ahead." But he soon got up so much enthusiasm that I told him he would better stop, or none of the rest of us could sleep. Then he was quiet a while, but soon I heard his little voice again in the perfect stillness of the night. "Father, have you got your face turned toward me?" And I said, "Yes, little boy," and the darkness was as the light of day to him.

"We older children grope our way From dark behind to dark before, And only when our hands we lay, Dear Lord, in Thine, the night is day, And there is darkness nevermore.

"Reach downward to our sunless days Wherein our guides are blind as we, Where faith is small and hope delays, Take Thou the hands of prayer we raise, And let us feel the light of Thee." —Robert E. Speer.

EVIDENCES OF CHRISTIANITY.

The best evidences of Christianity may be found in unblemished Christian lives. In the Acts it is said: "Ye are my witnesses." These were among the last words of Christ spoken to his friends as he stood 'twixt earth and heaven, at the end of his career of humiliation, and on the threshold of his more universal and powerful ministry at the right hand of God, as he was about to ascend high above all principalities and powers to be clothed with all authority in heaven and on earth. They are his final words to his personal friends defining their mission "unto the uttermost part of the earth," and not only theirs, but all his friends' unto the uttermost of time.

These words, therefore, are worth the hearing again and again, for they succinctly describe the character and duty of every friend of Jesus in all ages of the world, and unto the far, far frontiers of the earth.

When a man can not testify in court, they take the affidavit instead of the living man; but the living man is better far—the man who can say: "I know; I saw." Your creeds, your Bible are your affidavits, but "ye" are better far in the presence of the world jury and your neighbor judge. Christ does not say, "My word shall be my witness; the Bible shall be my witness." Personality is greater than vocabulary. Personal knowledge is finer than abstract definition. A saved man, a man won to duty, faith and service, is a more convincing witness than the Westminster Confession or the Apostles' Creed. Christian doctrine is good, but Christian men are better, for they are doctrine transmitted into life. Christian faith is illuminating, but never so bright as when it shines out from the personality and conduct of a friend of Jesus.

"Truth is mighty, and will prevail," they say, but it prevails by getting incarnated in a man, to abide in his heart and speak in his life. Truth was truth in those corrupt days of the Church's degenerate life; but it became mighty to prevail when it caught Luther by the heart and raised his arm to nail those theses on a Church door in Wittenberg with hammer blows which aroused Germany and stirred the world.

The fresh witnesses for Christianity and Christ are not Storr's "Divine Origin of Christianity," or Gadet's "Defense of the Christian Faith," or Van Dyke's "Gospel for an Age of Doubt," or any creed or

confession of faith; but you living, speaking, acting men and women who have wrapped Christian truth with human love, and are seen of men as "lights in the world." Ye are the witnesses whom the world hears every day, by whose testimony the cause of Christ shall wax or wane. I will venture to say that more people have read you in this last month than have ever read the books I have mentioned. When the question of Christianity comes on the boards they will scrutinize your testimony to find the worth of Christianity. If they are referred to these pen and ink affidavits which I have mentioned, they will say: "These? These are lawyers for the defense; it is their business to support the case. But these plain men and women of the work-a-day world, who profess to know, are giving their evidence before the eyes of the jury—by their testimony the case stands or falls."

The real deniers of Christianity are not Hume, or Gibbon, or Paine, or Ingersoll, but you and I when we hide our light under an inconsistent life, for one which is lived for self, and not for our brothers, for whom Christ died.

"Ye shall be my witnesses," let us hear the Lord Christ describing the Christian, and the part he is to play while the world lasts. "Ye shall be my witnesses," in Jerusalem, in Brooklyn, in Judea, in America, with all its social, economic and religious problems; in Samaria, in the slums and prisons among the outcasts whom nobody loves but God; in the uttermost parts of the earth, in heathendom, in poor misguided China, in famishing India, or wherever a man, woman or child may be reached by your personal presence or personal means. "Ye shall be my witnesses"—that is Christ's definition of a Christian—a witness. A witness is one who has something to tell at first-hand knowledge, by personal experience. No competent court will allow a witness to say: "It was believed;" "It was said;" that's your creed. What a courts wants is a man who can say, "I know;" "I saw." What Christ wants is a man who can say with Paul, "I know whom I have believed;" or with the blind man, "Once I was blind, now I see; a man called Jesus did it."

And having men and women who know him and his winsome power by personal experience, he wants them to testify—in Jerusalem, at home—and to go on testifying in society and out into the wide world by a faithful life, by personal service in the Church, by charity, by gifts which go like angels to the uttermost parts of the earth, by words of the lips which shall answer those distracted ones who cry, "To whom shall we go?" with the confident response: "To him, to him; he has the words of eternal life."—Methodist Protestant.

THE REST.

This is a tired old world. "The whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain until now." But while we wait, it is not without hope and pleasure. For "there remaineth a rest to the people of God." It is not an everlasting condition of labor and weariness to Christian people. There will come a time when the implements of toil will be laid aside, the work will be done, the burdens laid down, and it will not be night, but rest in light. This is the hope of the gospel. This is what every Christian looks for in due time. He knows it will come, and he is resignedly, if not cheerfully, laboring on in that expectation till his job is done on earth.

It is a very comforting thought that this rest is not far off. Job

said he "would not live always," and much happiness as it had brought to him, yet he did not want it prolonged forever. He had felt the sorrow as well as the joy of living. He had known the pain as well as pleasure, and knowing both, he prefers a change. He agreed with Paul and many other saints, that it is better to depart.

But this rest remains not to those who have never begun the Lord's work. They have toiled under the leadership of the enemy. They are wearing themselves out to gratify the sinful appetites and passions of corrupt nature. Their sin may be nearly setting, but it promises no rest at the end of their day. It only brings nearer that "certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation which shall devour the adversaries." Rest is reserved not for them, but for the people of God, whose lives are being usefully employed in the service of God and in doing good to men.

This rest is their promised inheritance who are sons of God. As a father encourages his sons to labor in the field with the promise that, when the task is done, they shall come home and have a rest, so God holds out this hope to his people, that when they have served their generation by the will of God, they shall enter into rest. The holy Sabbath day is a continual pledge and reminder of this future rest. And it is therefore a blessed institution, full of comfort and hope to God's people, as it seals the inheritance to them. By this sign we have new comfort, if we read its meaning aright.—Exchange.

"HAVE FAITH IN GOD."

Dean Farrar tells how an English clergyman visited two fine ships about to sail on their voyage of Arctic discovery into the land of snow and darkness. He found the brave captains full of confidence, and, raising his eyes in the cabin, he saw there, as almost its only ornament, an illuminated text, which read, "Have faith in God." "Ah, there," he said, pointing to the text, "there is the true pole!"

We like to think of those gallant men carrying with them into the cold and midnight that faith, that hope. It is a faith which will lighten their darkness, more than the stars that glitter over the flocks of ice. It is a hope which will make the heavens glow with a more vivid splendor than the aurora which flushes the fields of snow.

Take with you that faith, that hope. You, too, may sail hither, in your little boat of life, into the cold, into the hunger, into the darkness, into the exploration of unknown hopes. Be sober, be vigilant. Have faith in God and in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and He will give you the victory.

We cannot see what is beyond time and earth, but faith gives us confidence in the unseen.

Longfellow, with great insight and beauty, compares our earth life to a tarrying in the crypts of some

vast cathedral. We can hear the organ above us and the chanting of the choir. As some friend goes up before us we catch a gleam of light streaming through the door. Shall we be afraid when our turn comes to mount the dark narrow staircase that leads us out of the crypts into the cathedral glory above?

A dying sailor was near his end. A mate said, "Well, how is it with you now?" The dying man replied, with a smile, "The anchor holds; the anchor holds!" God grant that every one of us may be able to say this!

Faith is the soul's anchor. But the anchor must have something solid on which to hold. Christ is the rock for this anchor. Faith cannot of itself save us. The anchor cannot hold the ship unless it is flung out. So faith must venture on Christ. We must be fixed in His strength.—Christian Commonwealth.

THE HEAVENLY VISION.

The scientist may come to me with his cynical face and cold argumentation, and ridicule the beautiful picture I have attempted to draw of the face of Christ. The philosopher from the pedantic schools of destructive criticism may ruthlessly tear down the scaffolding by which Faith would ascend to the stars. The skeptic may dash his unhalloved brush across my canvas and wipe out my heavenly vision. But so, I shall not have cherished a heaven-born ideal in vain. For the grandest families that have come into my life, the sweetest souls that have comforted my soul in times of trouble, the saddest hopes that have lent wings to my ambition have come through the contemplation of the face of Him who is the express image of the God-head. And somehow something within me says, some day—

"I shall see Him face to face, And tell the stars—saved by grace!"

—The Rev. C. J. Greenwood, in "The Watchman."

There are few men that say, "Here am I, Lord, send me." The cry now is: "Send some one else. Send the minister; send the Church officers; the Church wardens, the elders; but not me. I have not the ability, the gifts, or the talents." Ah, honestly say you have not the heart; for if the heart is loyal, God can use you. It is really all a matter of heart. It does not take God a great while to qualify a man for his work, if he only has the heart for it.

Try it for a day, I beseech you, to preserve yourself in an easy and cheerful frame of mind. Compare the day in which you have roared out the word of dissatisfaction with this, on which you have allowed it to grow up, and you will find your heart open to every good motive, your life strengthened, and your breast armed with a courage against every trick of fate; truly you will wonder at your own improvement.—Richter.

WHAT CAUSES DEAFNESS.

The Principal Cause is Curable but Generally Overlooked.

Many things may cause deafness, and very often it is difficult to trace a cause. Some people inherit deaf-



ness. Acute diseases like scarlet fever sometimes cause deafness. But by far the most common cause of loss of hearing is catarrh of the head and throat.

A prominent specialist on ear trouble gives as his opinion that nine out of ten cases of deafness is traced to throat trouble. This is probably overstated, but it is certainly true that more than half of all cases of poor hearing were caused by catarrh.

The catarrh originates in the nose and throat first, its way into the Eustachian tube, and by changing it, up very soon affecting the hearing, and the hardening of the ossicles makes the loss of hearing permanent, unless the catarrh which caused the trouble is cured.

Those who are hard of hearing may think this is a little far fetched, but any one at all observant must have noticed how a hard cold in the head will affect the hearing and that catarrh if long neglected will certainly impair the sense of hearing and ultimately cause deafness.

If the nose and throat are kept clear and free from the unhealthy secretions of catarrh, the hearing will at once greatly improve and anyone suffering from deafness and catarrh can satisfy themselves on this point by using a fifty cent box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, a new catarrh cure, which in the past year has won the approval of thousands of catarrh sufferers, as well as physicians, because it is in convenient form to use, contains no cocaine or opiate and is so safe and pleasant for children as for their elders.

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TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCES

North Texas, Terrell, Nov. 25; Texas, Crockett, Dec. 2.

All the Dallas brethren are bending their energies in bringing up matters for conference. Next week they will be in Terrell giving an account of their year's work.

Bishop E. R. Hendrix, D. D., will dedicate our new church building at Cameron next Sunday morning. This is one of the handsomest church edifices in the Texas Conference, and its dedication will be an event in our work in that enterprising community.

While at Temple the other day we had the pleasure of meeting our old friend, William M. Dickey, of Troy. We had not met in more than twenty years and it was good to look into his face and grasp his hand once more. We were students together at Hiwassee College many years ago.

THE DEATH OF HUGH PRICE HUGHES.

Rev. Hugh Price Hughes, of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, whose death occurred suddenly in London last Sunday, is a loss to universal Methodism. For several years he has been one of the most conspicuous figures among our Wesleyan brethren, and he has left his impress upon the public sentiment of England. He represented that form of work which is now known as the Forward Movement in the great cities of England, and which movement has found its way into the cities of this country. He was a man of scholarship, a great preacher, a writer of no mean ability, a man of broad, humane views, and in thorough sympathy with the struggling masses. He has wrought himself into the warp and woof of British Methodism, and he has filled its chief places of honor and responsibility. Mr. Hughes was at one time the President of the Wesleyan Conference, a position than which there is none higher in that great Church. He was also a member of the Pastoral Conference and of the Legal Hundred. He was vigorous and aggressive, and a leader of men. His death will be a source of grief on both sides of the water, for all Methodists for years have had an abiding interest in his great work as a preacher and as a projector of large enterprises for the Master.

REMEMBER THE ORPHANAGE ON THANKSGIVING DAY.

What a happy time to remember the Orphanage at Waco on Thanksgiving Day! There they are—about two hundred of them—without fathers and mothers, the wards of the Church. They have no means of support, even, except as the Church supplies it, and as for a few luxuries they rarely get them. But why not remember them with something extra on Thanksgiving? It will not cost much to get them up a box of hams, or a coop of turkeys, or a barrel of sugar, or some nice fruit, or a few extra shoes and clothing. Suppose every Church, through its Sunday-school, would undertake something of this kind. What a happy time would be experienced in that orphan's home! Then, too, why not take a public collection for them in all our churches on that day, and send them the proceeds? Would it not be an act that would call forth an expression of approval from the Master? Yes, indeed; and the little ones down there would be made to feel that they had friends who stick to them closer than brothers. All Texas Sunday-schools ought to deluge the Orphanage with such tender remembrances as to make them feel that God's mercies flow toward them like a river. Pastor, Sunday-school superintendent, do not forget the orphans on Thanksgiving Day.

CONFERENCE NOTES.

Temple put her best foot to the front in the entertainment of the conference. Every man thought he had the best home.

The weather behaved rather unseasonably and supplied us with rain beyond measure and mud without bottom and of a very sticky quality.

Rev. J. M. Barcus showed us many courtesies as Secretary of the conference, and they made him presiding elder of the Corsicana District. He is young, progressive and strong.

Rev. S. W. Turner made a fine Statistical Secretary, and he also was promoted to the presiding eldership of the Gatesville District. He will make a most capable executive.

Rev. J. G. Miller goes to the Vernon District and will have half of the Panhandle to himself. This is his first experience in the presiding eldership, but he will be equal to the emergency.

Rev. J. M. Sherman goes from Marble Falls to Clarendon District, and he will have thirty-four counties in his empire. He is a man of vigorous health, a well-trained mind and of good leadership.

Rev. J. S. Chapman, after resting from the eldership two years at Brownwood Station, returns to district work. Georgetown is the sphere of his sub-bishopric and he will take hold of his work as one accustomed to the duties of his office.

Rev. W. L. Nelms, D. D., after serving four years in the eldership, goes to the Georgetown Station. He is an exception to the rule that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own country." He is highly appreciated where he is best known.

Rev. G. S. Hardy, after spreading himself over the Panhandle for four years, will now be limited in his movements to Clarendon Station. He did a magnificent work on that district and he will do well in the pastorate.

Rev. J. G. Putnam, after serving four successful years on the Gatesville District, is now in Waxahachie Station. He is one of the most capable and faithful men in his conference and withal a fine preacher. He is a splendid specimen of the Christian gentleman.

Rev. E. A. Bailey, who completed a quadrennium on the Corsicana District, is one of the two exceptions to the rule of late in Texas to remove a man from the eldership whose four

years are up. He goes to the Dublin District and begins another term of service in the presiding eldership. He is one of the truest men on earth.

Rev. E. F. Boone is the other exception above referred to. After four years of hard work on the Dublin District he drops down to the Weatherford District as sub-bishop of that diocese. He is a good preacher and strong leader of men.

Rev. Jno. R. Morris finished up his four-years term on the Weatherford District and goes to Morrow Street, Waco. He is cultured, polite, genial and popular. Wherever he goes he will meet with a warm welcome and he will render efficient service.

Revs. Jno. R. Nelson and Milton Hotchkiss have wrought well in Waco and they are both returned to their old stamping ground where they will continue to bring things to pass. They have placed Waco in the forefront of the forward movement.

Rev. W. B. Andrews goes from Mexia to Brownwood Station, one of the best appointments in the conference. He is a student, a pastor and a preacher, and his ministry will be a benediction to any community. He carries in his bosom a clean, good heart, and everybody loves him.

Rev. T. C. Armstrong drops down from Colorado City to Mexia where he will meet with a warm welcome. He is one of the most congenial souls in the conference and makes it a point to see the bright things in life. There is nothing in his nature akin to gloom and he scatters sunshine wherever he goes.

Rev. C. E. Brown comes out of the West down into the center of the conference. He did good work at Abilene and he will do good work at Cleburne. He is an evangelical preacher, a devoted pastor and a most agreeable, brotherly man. He will give a good account of himself in his new field.

Rev. Jno. R. Henson swings all the way from Clarendon Station round to Abilene, where his next field of labor is located. He is an original sort of man and makes himself fit the place to which he is sent. He leaves the largest Sunday-school, all things considered, in the Northwest Texas Conference, and his reports showed a great success in all departments of work.

Rev. R. S. Armstrong, D. D., after thirty odd years of hard and successful work, has been given, at his own request, a year to rest from pastoral responsibilities. He takes a super-numerary relation and will continue to live in Fort Worth. He is a true and noble Christian gentleman and an accession to any community.

Rev. R. W. Dodson, after a good term of service at Missouri Avenue, steps away out to Amarillo. He reported the proceedings of the conference to the Dallas News and we have never seen it done better. His health is not the best in the low country, so he will work where the air is pure and the sky bright.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst takes a leap from Amarillo to Mulkey Memorial, where he will find things in good shape for successful work. He is a builder as well as a preacher and revivalist, and he will have an excellent field in which to operate on a large scale.

Rev. N. B. Read, formerly of the North Texas Conference, comes from Abbott to Peachtree Street, Fort Worth. He is looking well and is pleased with his charge. He did successful work at Abbott, both as a preacher and a pastor, and he will make a good record in his new field.

Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker was seized upon by the Bishop and trans-

ferred to the North Texas Conference. His brethren protested and so did he, but it was of no avail. When it was announced his people wept and his own eyes were moist, but the Bishop was unrelenting. He is greatly beloved in his old conference and wonderfully in demand. His record is that of a most entertaining preacher, an indomitable pastor and a successful builder. What the Bishop will do with him in the North Texas Conference, dependent saith not.

Rev. E. Hightower drops from Cisco down to Gatesville to try his hand in another section of the conference. He did well at his former charge and he will do equally as well at the latter. He is a studious, thoughtful, persistent and an efficient preacher.

Rev. C. R. Wright, one of the most successful pastors in the conference, goes to Temple. He has the strong nerve of a man, the refinement of a woman and the loveliness of a brother. Any congregation is to be congratulated that is fortunate enough to have him, and his whole career is one of unbroken success.

Rev. George S. Wyatt, after many years of hard work in the conference on circuits, stations and districts, asked and was granted a location. The request was like a thunder clap in a clear sky, but there was nothing left for his brethren but to comply with his wish. He is a strong man mentally, more than an ordinary preacher and a great worker. His location will make a large rap in the membership of his conference.

Rev. Z. B. Pirtle was received by transfer from the North Texas Conference and sent to Anson Circuit. He was accorded a warm welcome by the brethren and they have given him a good work. He was a faithful and true preacher up this way and he will do good service over there. This is what we may call an exchange of courtesies—Pirtle goes from us and Knickerbocker comes to us.

Rev. J. H. Wiseman, after trying his hand in district work about Vernon, goes over to Dublin and takes charge of that station. They have a handsome, new stone Church building there, a brave and generous membership and Bro. Wiseman will lead them and nurture them wisely. He will be received with gladness by those devoted people and his work will be a success.

Rev. Sam Barcus, in representing the Clarendon College, made one of the most witty and taking speeches of the whole conference. But it not only contained humor of a high order, but it embodied facts and figures that put his enterprise in a most deservedly popular light. The school is prosperous and doing a needed work for the Church in that part of the State.

Professor R. S. Hyer was a member of the conference from the Georgetown District, but such is his modesty that no one heard his voice from the conference floor. He did not even make a speech on the report of the Committee on Education. But he is an earnest worker.

Col. Asa Holt was missed from the conference. For a great many years he has been a most conspicuous figure in the lay membership of that body, but age and infirmity have gotten the better of him and he was not able to be present. Grand old man! It makes one feel sad that he has been obliged to retire from the practical work of the Church.

Dr. H. A. Bourland will only do light work this year. Instead of a pastorate, he will reside in this city and give two days in each week to the chair of mental and moral science in Polytechnic College. For a great many years Dr. Bourland has devoted himself unswervingly to the work of the ministry and he is entitled to a respite. He is a cultivated, sweet-

spirited Christian gentleman and his companionship is a blessing to any circle of friends. We are glad to have him make this his home, as it is the scene of one of his earlier and successful pastorates. He has many friends here to extend to him a warm welcome.

Bishop Hendrix gave great satisfaction as the presiding officer of the conference. While he was firm in guiding the business of the session, nevertheless he was patient and kind toward all. Not a harsh word fell from his lips. As he advances in age, his heart becomes more and more tender, while his mind grows stronger and keener. He weighed all subjects with care and decided all questions promptly. He knows men and he informs himself as to the needs of the work, and then he acts accordingly. Once in awhile he would drop a little humor into the monotony of the proceedings and thereby brighten up the interest of the brethren. He had to make a great many changes, necessarily, in so large a body of men, but the appointments seemed to give very general satisfaction. He evidently did the very best that he could and the brethren appreciated his effort to do his work well. At the adjournment of the session, he took the train for Midland, away out west, for a few days of rest and recreation. He will return to Fort Worth and spend next Thursday and from there he will go to Cameron and dedicate our new Church edifice at that point next Sunday. The following Monday he will come to this city, spend the night with Dr. H. A. Bourland and on Tuesday afternoon go to Terrell and meet the presiding elders of the North Texas Conference. He is a busy man.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

The writer and Bro. Blaylock were delightfully entertained at Temple by Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Scott. They are devoted members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

We are sorry to learn of the death of the little babe of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Gorvette of Willow Street Church, Sherman. This is a great affliction to them, but they are sustained by faith and hope.

Rev. I. E. Hightower, of Stamford, a photo of whose beautiful church building recently appeared in the Advocate, goes back for another year to that work. He has done a fine work at that point, and now he will have an opportunity to enjoy the fruits of his labor.

We have picked up the following interesting item from a Virginia exchange of Dr. J. M. Carter, our pastor at Comanche. He was formerly a pastor in Virginia and he is kindly remembered by the people up there who know him so well. Among other things the paper says:

"Rev. Carter is a popular pastor and an eloquent and logical preacher. In fact, in many respects he is remarkable. He preaches without arrogant effort, but always says the right thing in the right way. The man or woman who will listen to him and not be benefited would not be benefited by the sermons of Moody or the Apostle Paul. We say these things because they are in our opinion true, and it is no more than justice to the man whom we know and love."

CHURCH NEWS.

It is understood that there is a prospect for an early addition of something like \$50,000 or more to the endowment of Randolph-Macon College.

The Pope advises the priests in the Philippines to keep aloof from politics, and devote their attention to religious affairs. This is sensible advice. We hope he really means it. If he does, and they heed him, much embarrassment will be saved.

Last Sunday found four of our Bishops in Virginia. Bishop Granbery dedicated the Church at Sanford, Accomac County; Bishop Duncan the Church in York County; Bishop Candler, the Greene Memorial at Roanoke, and Bishop Smith the Church at Franklin.

A joint committee from the A. M. E. Zion Church and the C. M. E. Church which met in Washington, D. C., October 8, passed resolutions expressing the desirability of the union of the

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The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions closed up its year without debt for the first time in a number of years. During the past year it has met all its engage- ments, paid a debt of \$102,341, and has a balance on hand. This does not look as though missions are "played out," which some have been dolefully saying is the case.

Commenting on the large attendance at the so-called "sacred concerts" in New York City, a secular writer says: "It may be that New York is fast giving itself up to the 'Continental Sunday.' If it is, none can say that it does not seem to give general satisfaction." The Christian Sabbath has apparently been lost from the life of many of our cities. The Church has before it the task of making good the loss.

Rev. R. M. Hickey, a venerable member of the Holston Conference, died recently at his home in Morristown, Tennessee, at the advanced age of eighty odd years. He is the first Methodist minister that this writer remem- bers to have seen as he traveled our circuit in the days of his infancy. Just after the Civil War he represented Southern Methodism in that country when it took men of iron nerve to meet the demands of that day.

The Anglican Synod of Canada at its recent session adopted a resolution favoring Christian unity. This action is much to the credit of our brother Churchmen to the North, but as their idea of unity includes the coming of all the rest of us to their altars, the beauty fades from their proposal. We understand that some day the lion and the lamb are to lie down together, but nowhere do we find it taught that the unity in which the lion swallows the lamb will be a fulfillment of the prophecy. Christian unity is coming more rapidly than some think, but when it does come it will not be on Anglican lines.

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We call attention to the fact that but one Recording Steward in the bounds of this conference has made his report to us, as required, by the Discipline. We have received for conference claimants during the year \$191.27, balance from reserve fund left over of \$28,835, and from the Conference Teller the sum of \$27,722, making a total from all sources of \$54,250. This total sum, after prayer- ful and painstaking consideration, we have disbursed as follows:

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Wallace, Mrs. John A. \$25.00 Reserve fund 450.00 Total \$475.00 The assessment upon this conference for Bishop's fund for 1902 is \$535. We estimate the amount necessary for conference claimants for 1902 at \$10,000. We have apportioned these assessments to the several districts as per scale furnished us by the presiding elders. We recommend that the Board of Missions be assessed \$120, the Board of Church Extension \$50, the Sunday-school Board \$5, and the Board of Education \$5, for the purpose of defraying the ex- penses of the Conference Journal. All of which is respectfully submitted. E. HIGHTOWER, Chairman. JAMES M. ROBERTSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Epworth League Department. Table for November 20: "The Ministry of Money"—Gen. xiv. 18-20; Mal. iii. 10; Acts xx. 35; 2 Cor. ix. 7. Reference: "The Ministry of Money," a Programme by Miss Brain. Reference: "Money"—Isa. iii. 2; lv. 1; Mark xii. 41. DAILY BIBLE READINGS Sunday—Vanity of Riches. 1 Tim. vi. 6-19. Monday—Unsatisfaction in Earthly Treasure. Mark x. 17-22. Tuesday—Trusting in Riches. Mark x. 23-25. Wednesday—Temptation of Wealth. Deut. viii. 10-20. Thursday—Wealth Lost in Death. Luke xii. 15-21. Friday—Making Friends of Money. Luke xxi. 3-12. Sunday—Ministry of Money. Gen. xiv. 18-20; Mal. iii. 10; Acts xx. 35; 2 Cor. ix. 7.

The Bible has a great deal to say about money. It speaks of all sorts of com- mercial enterprises. It tells of trades in real estate, in live stock in cloths, metals, stones and lumber, in silver and gold and precious stones, of tricks in buying and selling, of business virtues necessary to success, of defraying the expenses of the Conference Journal. All of which is respectfully submitted. E. HIGHTOWER, Chairman. JAMES M. ROBERTSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Resolutions of Respect. Whereas, It has pleased an all-wise Father to remove before the Savior's midday of life and love our brother, Harvey L. Graham, to that better, brighter world, where life is complete and rest perfect, it is with profound sorrow we are called upon to bury the body of one who as friend, brother and co-worker, never failed us. His noble life and brave efforts led us on and gave us courage when we had all but failed. His strong spirit and great faith cheered us, helped us and today, as an Epworth League and Sun- day-school, we deeply deplore the death that has removed so helpful a life. To-day we think over the past, when in the midst of life, our brother cheered us in our youthful efforts, strengthened us in our manhood and womanhood, and while our hearts are sad at parting, our hopes fill us full of joy at the thought of meet- ing "on the other side of death" where we need not meet more.

Resolved: That in the acknowledgment of sacred ties of friendship and brother- hood now severed, this the Broadway Ep- worth League, tender to the wife, son and daughter, whose heart fell agonically in this their great bereavement, and while we mourn in the loss of husband and fa- ther, we bow humbly to the gracious all- wise will of our Father, who gives and takes us, and seeks all things well in this world. That in the absence of Bro. Graham our League and Church have lost a loyal, faithful member, but we are assured that his spirit rests peacefully in the great beyond.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolu- tions be sent to Mrs. Graham, the daily papers, the Texas Christian Advocate and the Epworth League for publication, and that they be recorded in our minutes. P. H. YANCY, Recording Steward for the Board of Stewards of Broadway and Reagan Charge.

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Resolved: That we promise him that our prayers shall ascend to our kind Heavenly Father for his loving protection over himself and family, and that God may spare his life for many years to come, and that the same beauty of love so perfect that he has brought to us may al- ways flow into his own soul.

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Llano District—First Round

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Clarendon District—First Round

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Sunday-School Department.

Fourth Quarter, Lesson 8, Nov. 30.

GIDEON AND THE THREE HUNDRED.

Judges 7:18.

Golden Text: It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.—Psalm 118:8.

We take the following from the International Evangelist.

Gideon is one of the picturesque characters in Bible history. He belongs to the class of men like Joshua, David, and Daniel, men of skill and daring joined with sober judgment, qualified for high adventure and desperate hazard. The world never loses its interest in such men. They constitute the heroic and romantic figures of history, and keep the current of history from becoming sluggish and its annals dull. Gideon was a man of action, of quick decision and swift movement. While others would have timidly hesitated and debated, he pushed forward to the execution of his designs. And he was magnetic, as men of courage and action always are. He awakened the latent heroism in other men, and found at least a few who were ready to go with him in his undertakings.

There was dramatic suddenness in the way in which he was called to leadership. He was engaged in secretly threshing his father's wheat behind the wine-press, for fear of the marauding Midianites, when the angel of the Lord appeared and summoned him to the deliverance of Israel. The times were dark as they well could be, and young Gideon's mind was clouded with the general despondency. He felt that the Lord had forsaken the nation (6:12). But he had him in the capacity for faith. He asked for signs that God had indeed called him; and when the angel's staff caused the sacrifices to burn, and when there was given him the twice-repeated sign of the fleece (6:17-21, 26-40), his doubt and his despondency were gone and he was ready for action. Even before the giving of the sign of the fleece he gave evidence of his ability to do things promptly and vigorously, in casting down the altar of Baal and cutting down its groves (6:25-32), and in summoning the tribes to resistance (7:2-35).

The sifting of Gideon's army is one of those incidents in history that has always been recognized as having instructive moral significance. On the purely religious side the reason which God assigned is one of chief importance. That it was important that the people should be impressed with the fact that their deliverance was not self-achieved, but wrought of God. They needed above everything else to be brought back to a clear sense of their dependence upon and obligation to God. And this broad lesson lies upon the face of the incident both for nations and individuals: that God only can deliver from the consequences of sin. If men could sin, and bring upon themselves the consequences of sin, and then entirely by their own power deliver themselves from those consequences, the feeling of dependence upon God, and of gratitude to God, would fall. If self-deliverance from the effects of sin were possible, a lowered sense of the seriousness of sin would result; and such deliverance, instead of leaving the sinner humbled and grateful, and so less likely to repeat his sin, would fill him with pride and self-confidence, prompting him to say, "Mine own hand hath saved me," producing a blindness most likely to bring another fall. In adopting a course that would make it impossible for the people to indulge such pride and boasting, God simply recognized the fundamental law of all salvation, that it must come from above.

Looking upon the natural side of the incident, the reduction of the army was in itself a wise policy. The twenty-two thousand who were "fearful and afraid," and who quickly availed themselves of the chance to go back, would have been a source of weakness when it came to battle. They would have gone into panic and carried the whole army with them in flight. And the nine thousand and seven hundred who were sent back to their tents, while they were not onwards, and rendered good service finally in the pursuit of the enemy, lacked those personal qualities of intelligence, and discipline, and self-command, and alertness, necessary for carrying out successfully a delicate and dangerous enterprise. In which the blunder or weakness of one man might have defeated the whole plan. In other words it is a very ancient illustration of the importance of "the man behind the gun." That is a fact which Christian civilization in every department of life is more and more emphasizing.

Not masses, but men. For all the delicate, strategic, and important work of the world this sifting and selecting process is going on. Cowards, and weaklings, and incompetents, are being dismissed, and the men of brain, and nerve, and self-command are being chosen. Into their hands still are being put the pitchers, and torches, and trumpets, and swords of advance line of conquest, in business, in war, in exploration, in discovery and in moral reform; and the real progress of the world is to be measured by the increase of the proportion of such men in relation to the general masses. In Gideon's day the proportion was three hundred out of the thirty thousand. How much is the proportion in our own times?

"THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH."

After all that has been said, or ever can be said, to the contrary, it remains true that the M. E. Church, South, teaches that the baptism of infants is to be retained in the Church; that children are brought by baptism into the Church of Christ, and remain with it in its pale till they arrive at years of discretion.

Again, the M. E. Church (North) teaches that "all children, by virtue of the unconditional benefits of the atonement, are members of the kingdom of God, and therefore graciously entitled to baptism."

In view of all this, is it not surprising that our Sunday-school Board should put into the course of study for the Sunday-schools of the M. E. Church, South, a little book entitled "Bible Studies," which defines the Christian Church to be "A union of believers in Christ, who, through faith and love, are members of the kingdom of God?" This excludes infants that can not believe in Christ from the Church and kingdom of God, visible and invisible. Dr. H. M. Hamill, who is the Superintendent of Training Work in the Sunday-schools of our Church, in a letter to me last May, says: "In a sense the infant is in the kingdom and the Church, but only a limited sense, as we do not believe in baptismal regeneration, and do believe that that which is born of the flesh is flesh." But, according to the above definition, infants that can not believe are not in the Church and kingdom in any sense whatever, whereas Methodism, South and North, teaches that they are members of the kingdom of God, and that they are brought by baptism into the visible Church—"placed in visible covenant relation to God."

2. Being "born of the flesh" does not disqualify them for a place in the kingdom of God, for our Savior said "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." He himself took part of flesh and blood. But this did not disqualify him for a place in the kingdom, nor hinder him from being holy, harmless and undefiled. Adults who have sinned, and thereby have got out of the kingdom of God, in which they were born, must be converted and become as little children before they can get back into the kingdom. Hence we baptize infants for the same reason that we baptize converted adults—namely, they belong to the spiritual kingdom of God, and are saved through our Lord Jesus Christ. The fathers in the dark ages of the Church baptized children because they believed they were sinners. We baptize them because we believe they are saved.

Dr. Hamill's letter closes with these words: "You may be sure that as a Methodist through four generations I will not knowingly foster anti-Methodism. And I thank you for the kind spirit of your criticism of the book. Whatever proves anti in it will go out." Of course, the definition of the Church above referred to is anti-Methodism, as it excludes all who can not believe or can not have "faith and love" from the Church, visible and invisible. It is anti-pedo, and ought to "go out" at once.

Bro. Alonzo Kidd's point, in the Advocate of October 23, that all infants are believers, and therefore are embraced in the definition, is not well taken. It is believed that it can not be shown that our Savior ever taught that a babe one day old, or eight days old, is a believer. It can be shown that he taught that some little children, such as the one he called unto him and took in his arms, believed on him. This child could walk, for the Savior "called him unto him," "set him in the midst of them," and "took him in his arms." (See Matt. 18 and Mark 9.) Here we are very clearly taught by the Master himself that children may learn to believe on him, confide in him, love him, at a very early age, and that it is a very serious matter for any one to cause one of these little ones that believe on him to stumble. But where is it taught in all the Bible that all infants believe on Christ, in any sense whatever? Even a full-grown man can not believe on Christ until he learns something about him.

And now comes Bro. J. C. Carter, in the Advocate of October 23, and claims that Bro. Adams makes baptism do

too much—makes it equivalent to regeneration. To prove this he quotes from my article as follows: "Baptized into Christ, brought into union with him, buried with him into death to sin."

This is equivalent to being born of the Spirit into the kingdom of God—regeneration, which involves a change of heart from sin to holiness, and an introduction into the family of God. This union with Christ and his Church which is the result of baptism is the greatest thing in the world. It is twofold—it is inward and spiritual, and also outward, visible." Now I submit that the term water, or water baptism, does not occur in the above quotation at all. I submit also that the words quoted mean regeneration by the Spirit, and not by water. But Bro. Carter left an important sentence out of the passage quoted, namely: "Baptized by one Spirit into one body, the body or Church of Christ." This is what I said was equivalent to being born of the Spirit into the kingdom of God.

The brother goes on to say: "If this is not baptismal regeneration, what is? Equivalent to being born of the Spirit—'Regenerated.' A change of heart from sin to holiness." This union with Christ is the result of baptism. This appears to me to be baptismal regeneration straight out." I answer: It certainly is baptismal regeneration, but is not water regeneration. It is baptism by the Spirit, the same as being born of the Spirit. Of course, I thought the reader would see that the inward, spiritual union with Christ and his Church is, in the case of adults, the result of the inward spiritual baptism, and that the outward, visible union with Christ and his Church is the result of the outward and visible baptism. I believe that water baptism is outward, visible, symbolical, initiatory into the outward, visible Church of Christ, and that the baptism of the Spirit is, in the case of adults, inward and spiritual, real, initiatory into the inward and spiritual Church of Christ. Properly speaking, there is but one baptism, and one Church or kingdom of God, and the subject of the baptism and of the kingdom, or Church, man, is one. But the baptism, the subject and the Church are all twofold—outward and inward.

The outward is symbolical of the inward. The outward, visible baptism is applied to the visible man, and inducts him into the visible Church. The baptism of the Spirit is applied to the inward, spiritual man, and inducts him into the spiritual Church. A man may be baptized with water and enter the visible Church, and never be baptized of the Spirit and enter the invisible, spiritual Church, and vice versa. But to be a member of the Church visible and invisible he must be baptized with water and the Holy Spirit. No one can enter the pale of the visible Church without water baptism. And no adult can enter the invisible Church without the baptism of the Spirit. "Baptized of the Spirit into Jesus Christ." "Baptized by one Spirit into one body." There is no way for a sinner to get into Christ and his true spiritual Church except by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, cleansing him from sin. But, says one, the Greek proposition, etc., which is rendered into these Scriptures, may just as well be rendered unto or to. This would not change the result, for the reading would then be: "Baptized unto, or to, Jesus Christ." This connects us with Christ—joins us to him. "Baptized by one Spirit unto, or to, one body." This connects us with the body or Church of Christ. So that, look at it as you may, baptism joins us to Christ and his Church.

JOHN ADAMS, Tyler, Texas.

A MOTHER'S LOVE.

A mother's love is a symbol of our Heavenly Father's love. It is a type of all that is pure and good in our fallen polluted natures. When we are up in the world, and keeping in line in the onward march of progress, we can count our friends by the thousands, but when misfortune overtakes us they will turn from us with a frown. But should the whole world turn against us, a mother's love will remain pure and strong—stronger than even death itself. There is magic in the word "mother." Who can repeat that word without every fiber of his being vibrating with a sensation not often felt? We may travel to the remotest bounds of the earth, gather knowledge and enlarge our vocabulary, but we can never coin another word that can have such a spell as the word mother.

It was a mother who cared for us in our infant days; taught us to lisped sweet prayer. "Now I lay me down to sleep." She directed our wayward feet up the shining way, and told us of a Savior's love. It was mother who bent over us like a ministering angel when our bodies were racked with pain, cooling our aching brain with her sweet kisses.

We can never pay the debt we owe our mothers. How often in the still hours of the night have our thoughts turned to mother and childhood. That

little mound in the old church-yard is to us the most sacred spot on earth. It is hallowed ground—hallowed by the slumbering body of purity and innocence. Girls, love and cherish your mothers while you have them with you. Kiss away that sad, weary look on her face. Some day her work will be done, and you will be left to struggle alone in the world. Some of you know how heart-rending it is to kneel by the bedside of mother, who, with her weak hand upon your bowed head, is administering a dying mother's blessing. You think, as you gaze upon her, how soon that sweet, wasted form must be taken from your sight and laid in the damp, silent earth. You felt as you knelt by the casket, gazing tearfully for the last time upon that pale, sweet, silent face within, and pressed the last kiss upon the cold lips, that your last earthly friend was gone. All was so dark, and in your agony you would gladly have lain you down beside her. What a comfort to think as you gaze upon your angel mother's face, that you never caused a look of sadness, added a care or caused her to shed one bitter tear on account of your waywardness! Oh, how we should love and honor our mothers! They are the most precious gifts of God.

No matter how bitter the scorn or how cold and untouched by your suffering the world may be, your angel mother will smile down upon you from her beautiful, cloudless home in the skies and bid you be faithful and for her sake to struggle on. We who have the memory of a sainted mother's life and prayers have a blessed heritage that mountains of gold can never buy.

If we honor and love our parents, will we receive a reward, or is it just a debt we owe? It is our duty, but we have the promise of reward in this life and the life everlasting with Him who said: "Honor thy father and mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

JENNIE SHUPTRINE, Talmor, Texas.

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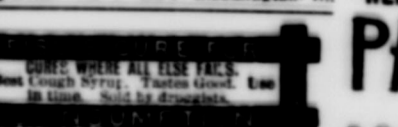
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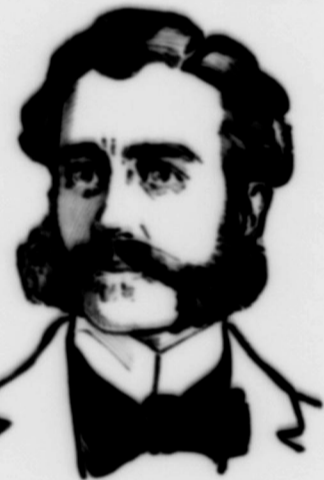
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While man was innocent, perfect and had the ability to remain so, he needed no mediator or savior.

Under the covenant of works, man could justify himself by obeying the law.

The law, then, must be vindicated; man must die eternally, or be saved through divine mercy.

The gospel dispensation, then, began with the promise of Christ as our Savior.

Justification by works rejects Christ and the atonement; rejects the Spirit's power to renew fallen nature.

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as the Ten Commandments, or to the ceremonial law of the Jews. Both of these laws are a part of the gospel.

This is the law to which Paul refers when he says: "For the law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus (the grace of the gospel of Christ) hath made me free from the law of sin and death."

Justification, then, is not of works, for the following reasons: (1) The law demanded perfect obedience.

Water baptism as a condition of justification is absurd for the following reasons: (1) It would damn all the world for the first four thousand years.

"Therefore, we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." W. J. CARLTON, Dresden, Tenn.

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On my way to Elkhart from Mahanok I stopped over at Palestine to witness the inauguration of the great East Texas Industrial Carnival and Fruit Show.

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But I must hasten on to Big Sandy, where Bro. Jesse Lee drives out his long-horned cows, and where Bro. and Sister Hugh McAllen stand to welcome any one connected with the Advocate.

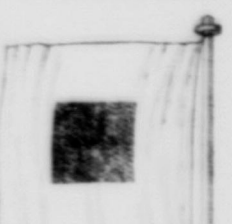
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NOTICE.

A joint meeting of the Executive Committees of the Home Mission Societies of the two conferences—Texas and East Texas—has been called for December 5 and 6. The annual meeting of the Conference Society has been postponed. Due notice will be given later of the time and place of the annual meeting. Any preacher desiring help in parsonage building must have his application in the hands of the Corresponding Secretary by December 1. Those in the East Texas Conference send to Mrs. George Call, Orange, Texas; those in the Texas Conference send to me at Bastrop, Texas. No application can be considered unless signed by the trustees and approved by the presiding elder and Quarterly Conference of the charge from which it comes.

MRS. O. T. WOTCHKISS

(We regret that the foregoing notice reached us too late for last week's issue, especially as the writer of it was so desirous that it should appear last week. We hope, however, that its appearance this week will accomplish the purpose for which it was written. Ed. Woman's Dept.)

LETTER FROM LAREDO.

(The following letter, from our faithful young missionary at Laredo Seminary, Mexican Border, will be read with interest by our members, and we are glad to get it so near our Thanksgiving week.—Ed. Woman's Dept.)

My Dear Mrs. Howell—So often I have a letter in my heart to all of you North Texas women, but other duties force it to remain unwritten. Now that our week of thanksgiving and prayer is so near upon us, I feel that I must send you a word of thankful testimony to be mingled with yours for the blessings of the past year.

Some time ago I read these words which made a very deep impression on my thoughts: "He that is ungrateful has no fault but one; all other crimes may pass for virtues with him." I could not but wonder how many there are among those who call themselves His children who are neglectful of the duty of thanksgiving. I have heard so much of the Israelitish spirit of complaining among God's people that I think we ought to examine ourselves often and carefully, lest we forget to render unto him his full meed of praise.

To enumerate our blessings as a cause for thanksgiving is indeed an impossible task. From that first year in our colonial history, when the Pilgrim Fathers out of glad and thankful hearts offered unto God their tribute of praise, e'en down to the present time, the Almighty's hand has graciously dropped innumerable blessings upon our fair land. How much indeed, there has been given to the people of our great Republic that should awake in their hearts one mighty song of praise and find expression in lives of usefulness to humanity! As a nation, we have much to be thankful for, as individual Christians, many times more. To my mind, the realization that calls forth the deepest feeling of gratitude is that the great and holy One has deigned to call us into fellowship and communion with himself. Not only giving us salvation from sin, but so giving us of his life and Spirit that we may rise above the present and on the wings of faith soar to that height where the trials and sorrows of our every-day life are seen only in the light of a future blessing. To some of us this blessed gift from the Master far surpasses all others—by it we live.

One year of the new century has almost passed. We began hoping to achieve great things in the name of our God. I trust that our efforts have not all failed; that there are many names enrolled in the Book of Life because of this year's renewed efforts; that the past months have brought to pass in no small degree the nearer approach of that glad time when truth and righteousness shall reign. Let us join our hearts in praise and tune our voices with the Psalmist: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name."

Your sister in Christ,
NORWOOD E. WYNN
Laredo Seminary, Nov. 15, 1902.

BOARD OF CITY MISSIONS.

A Board of City Missions was organized in Dallas some months ago by representatives of the W. H. M. Societies of the various Methodist Churches of the city and Oak Cliff. The purpose of the organization is to carry on in a systematic way home mission work, and the city has been divided into districts for the convenience of the workers in reaching such

sections of the city as needed special assistance in this line. The organization has for its President Mrs. L. H. Potts, whose heart is deeply enlisted in the enterprise. With her aid and enlisted sister-workers to aid her and Miss Estelle Haskin, whom the board has employed as city missionary, the work of caring for the needy and destitute in a material and spiritual sense will be carried on to success. Miss Haskin has had the benefit of a course of training in our own Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City, which qualifies her for intelligent, efficient service in this work, and we shall hope for and confidently expect much good to result from these united efforts in our city.

W. H. M. SOCIETY.

The Woman's Home Mission Society at Lampasas observed the week of prayer in good order and with very satisfactory results.

The services were led during the week by the following members: Mesdames Vernon, Kiker, Stokes, Raspberry and Munger.

A nice little sum was given as a free-will offering, three new members received and a number of new subscribers to Our Homes taken.

Following the week of prayer was a special and able sermon on Sunday at 11 a. m. by our pastor, Rev. O. P. Kiker, who is quite alive to all the interests of the Church.

MRS. W. T. MUNGER,
Recording Secretary.

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Mrs. Housheer—Bridget, what do you mean by all that disturbance down in the kitchen? Bridget—Sure, it isn't me, ma'am. It's Miss Ethel. Mrs. Housheer—Oh! has she got back from the cooking school? Bridget—Yes, ma'am and she gottin' ready to try to boil an egg, ma'am.

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Catarh is a blood ailment of consumption, long considered incurable; and yet there is one remedy that will positively cure catarh in any of its stages. For many years this remedy was used by the late Dr. Stevens, a widely noted authority on all diseases of the throat and lungs. Having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send you of charge to all sufferers from Catarh, Asthma, Consumption, and nervous diseases, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail, in addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 547 Powers Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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A TEXAS WONDER.

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J. C. PILAND.

The Fifty-seventh Congress will reassemble in a few weeks and it is widely hoped that a part of its work will be the passage of the Post Check Currency Bill, which provides for a practical and convenient method of sending small sums of money by mail. A great deal has been written on this subject, and there are few who do not know that this method is simply an issue of currency that can be circulated as cash, and also be safely remitted by mail, because when mailed it will be made payable only to the person whose name is written in the blank space that is left for that purpose. Under the present money order system safety can be assured only at the sacrifice of convenience, and convenience can be secured only by disregarding the element of safety. The Post Check plan is both convenient and safe, and being so, it is just what the public needs in its line. The business interests and the weak favor it with virtual if not actual unanimity, and, in fact, the full measure of popularity it has won is a warrant, if not an order, for its adoption by Congress. Citizens should request their representatives in Congress to see that more convenient money is furnished the people.

HOW A MINISTER WAS HELPED.

The following letter from a well-known minister of Buffalo speaks in high terms of the value of Vernal Saw Palmetto Berry Wine as a builder of physical, mental and nerve forces. We will show the original letter to any interested party who will call at our office:

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SANTA FE EXCURSION RATES.

Houston—Account No-Tau-Oh Carnival convention rates, November 16 to 21; limited November 22.
Houston—Account Masonic Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter Committee Meeting convention rates, November 22, 23, 24, and December 1; limited December 16.
Fort Worth—Annual State Meeting Daughters of Confederacy convention rates, December 1 and 2; limited December 16.
Weatherford—Account of Texas Christian Lectureship, one and one-third fare, December 7 and 8; limited December 13.
Galveston—Account Reunión Carnival convention rates, Dec. 14 to 15; limit Dec. 21.

W. S. KERNAN, G. P. A., Galveston.

MARRIAGE NOTICES.

Luckie-Goode—At Lane City, Texas, November 19, 1902, Mr. Wm. Russell Luckie and Miss Mollie E. Goode, Rev. W. Woodfin officiating.
Johnson-Snyder—At the residence of Dr. E. W. Snyder, Brownwood, Texas, October 29, 1902, Mr. J. J. Johnson and Miss Annie Snyder, Rev. Eugene T. Foster officiating.
Paul-McCain—At the residence of the bride's parents, Rockwall, Texas, Nov. 19, 1902, by Rev. W. M. Leatherwood, Mr. Lewis Paul of Royce, Texas, and Miss Vera B. McCain.
Dyche-Mvatt—At the bride's parents at Nugent, Texas, Nov. 2, 1902, Mr. A. J. Dyche and Miss Minnie Mvatt, Rev. Geo. A. Nance officiating.

Mrs. Waldo, of Boston (who is entertaining young Mr. Wabash, of Chicago)—I have a treat for you today, Mr. Wabash. In the way of some broiled bivalves. My husband is very fond of them. Young Mr. Wabash (trying one)—They are certainly delicious, Mrs. Waldo. They taste something like oysters.

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Interest in Texas.

The recent visit of the two home-seekers and investigators' excursions into the coast country of Texas, under the auspices and direction of the Southern Pacific Land and Immigration Department, is good and satisfactory evidence of the interest the world at large is taking in Texas and anything which pertains to the development of the State. The wonderful success which has followed the cultivation of rice in the rich prairie lands of the coast country has resulted in the industry securing a wide audience of this, farmers from Illinois, Iowa and others of the Western States have sought and are still seeking the new Eldorado and are rapidly extending the cultivation of the white grain.

On the two Southern Pacific excursions mentioned, nearly 1500 persons, many of them wealthy investors, made a tour of the rice, oil and truck belt of the State under most favorable circumstances.

They were met with open arms and hearts and shown the advantages and resources of the section in question. It is a foregone conclusion that this splendid method of advertising Texas will be productive of excellent results, and add thousands of thrifty inhabitants to the population of the State. The low rates naturally making Texas the agricultural sections of the farming sections of the West. Add to this the determined effort of the Southern Pacific is making to stimulate the home-seeking enthusiasm, and it is a positive assurance that the coming spring will witness the advent of much new blood into the territory traversed by the line in question.

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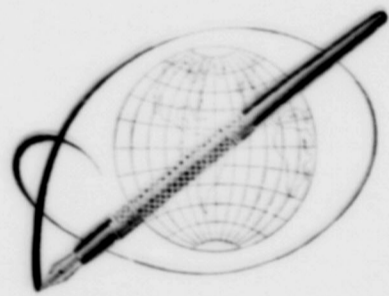
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Beoville District—First Round
Floresville.....Nov 21, 22
Kempsey.....Nov 27, 28
Gollad.....Dec 6, 7
Alice.....Dec 13, 14
Stockdale.....Dec 13, 14
Sutherland Springs.....Dec 20, 21
Beoville.....Dec 27, 28
Lavonia.....Dec 27, 28
Pleasanton.....Jan 3, 4
Rockport.....Jan 10, 11
Corpus Christi.....Jan 17, 18
Oakville.....Jan 24, 25
Mains.....Jan 24, 25
Hansonia, at Berclair.....Jan 21, Feb 1
The District Stewards' meeting will be held at Beoville, Tuesday, November 25, at 7:30 p. m. Joe F. Webb, P. E.

Cuero District—First Round
Runge.....4th Sun Nov
Flatonla.....5th Sun Nov
Leesville.....1st Sun Dec
Edna.....2d Sun Dec
Rancho, at Union.....2d Sun Dec
Hallettsville.....4th Sun Dec
Nursery and Port Lavaca, at Nursery, 1st Sun Jan
El Campo.....2d Sun Jan
Sweet Home.....3d Sun Jan
Victoria.....4th Sun Jan
Clear Creek, at C. C.....1st Sun Feb
Yoakum.....2d Sun Feb
Ganado, at G.....3d Sun Feb
Cuero.....4th Sun Feb
District Stewards will meet at church in Cuero, Tuesday, December 2, at 7:30 p. m. J. C. Wilson, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Austin District—First Round
Eagle Lake cir. at E. L.....Dec 7, 8
Columbia sta.....Dec 7, 8
Waumar and Orange, at Waumar.....Dec 7, 8
LaGrange sta.....Dec 14, 15
West Point cir. at W. F.....Dec 14, 15
Smithville sta.....Dec 14, 15
Hastrop sta.....Dec 14, 15
Cedar Creek cir. at C. C.....Dec 21, 22
Elgin sta.....Dec 21, 22
McDade cir. at McDade.....Jan 4, 5
Manor sta.....Jan 4, 5
Webbville cir. at Webbville.....Jan 11, 12
First Street, Austin.....Jan 11, 12
South Austin.....Jan 18, 19
Walnut cir. at Mer. T.....Jan 25, 26
Manchaca cir. at Manchaca.....Jan 25, 26
Tenth Street, Austin.....Feb 7, 8
Hoschkins Memorial, Austin.....Feb 7, 8
The District Stewards will meet at Hastrop, Friday, December 19, at 7:30 p. m. Pastors will please remind their District Stewards of this meeting, as the presence of the full board is desired. E. S. Smith, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

McKinney District—Fourth Round
Piano sta.....Nov 21, 22
Renner cir. at Alpha.....Nov 21, 22
P. A. Rosser, P. E.
Greenville District—Fourth Round
Lone Oak, at Miller Grove.....Nov 21, 22
O. S. Thomas, P. E.
Sherman District—Fourth Round
Sherman cir.....Nov 21, 22
Waples Memorial.....Nov 21, 22
J. A. Stafford, P. E.
Bowie District—Fourth Round
Bowie.....Nov 21, 22
F. O. Miller, P. E.
Bonham District—Fourth Round
Trenton and Marvin.....4th Sun Nov
Bonham.....4th Sun Nov
T. R. Pierce, P. E.
Paris District—Fourth Round
Maxey, at Maxey.....Nov 21, 22
Roxton, at Roxton.....Nov 21, 22
E. W. Alderson, P. E.
Sulphur Springs District—Fourth Round
Reddy Springs cir. at Arbala.....Nov 21, 22
E. H. Casey, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Brenham District—Fourth Round
Davilla, at Tracy.....Nov 21, 22
Rockdale.....Nov 21, 22
J. B. Cochran, P. E.
Houston District—Fourth Round
Shearn.....Nov 21, 22
Washington Street.....Nov 21, 22
McAshan.....Nov 21, 22
Tabernacle.....Nov 21, 22
McKee Street.....Nov 21, 22
Reenberg, at Reenberg.....Nov 21, 22
Geo. A. LeClere, P. E.
Huntville District—Fourth Round
Willis.....Nov 21, 22
Huntville.....Nov 21, 22
Chas. A. Hooper, P. E.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

San Augustine District—Fourth Round
Sexton cir. at Rock Springs.....Nov 21, 22
Hemphill mik, at Hemphill.....Nov 21, 22
San Augustine and Chitreno, at S. A.....Nov 21, 22
Clayton cir. at Gary.....Nov 21, 22
Carthage sta.....Nov 21, 22
A. J. Weeks, P. E.
Beaumont District—Fourth Round
Livingston cir.....Nov 21, 22
Leggett mis.....Nov 21, 22
J. W. Johnson, P. E.
Tyler District—Fourth Round
Big Sandy, at Gladewater.....Nov 21, 22
White House, at Liberty Hill.....Nov 21, 22
Marvin.....Nov 21, 22
J. T. Smith, P. E.
Marshall District—Fourth Round
Kilgore, at Bellview.....Nov 21, 22
C. R. Lamar, P. E.
Pittsburg District—Fourth Round
Cason, at Cason.....Nov 21, 22
Dalby Sp. and DeKalb, at DeK.....Nov 21, 22
John Adams, P. E.
Palestine District—Fourth Round
Frankfort.....Nov 21, 22
W. F. Davis, P. E.

INDIAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

Mangum District—First Round
Erick, at Erick.....Nov 21, 22
Blair, at Navajoe.....Nov 21, 22
Deer Creek, at Madge.....Dec 4, 5
Hobart.....Dec 11, 12
Clustee, at Clustee.....Dec 20, 21

Leger.....Dec 21, 22
Mountain Park, at Mt. Park.....Dec 27, 28
Faxon and Indianola, at Faxon.....Dec 27, 28
Gosnel, at Gosnel.....Jan 3, 4
Eldorado, at Pleasant Hill.....Jan 10, 11
Harrison, at Harrison.....Jan 17, 18
F. Cobb.....Jan 24, 25
Granite, at Granite.....Jan 24, 25
W. S. P. McCullough, P. E.

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Morgan Mill. M. S. ... go to conference today...

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Grapeland Circuit. J. E. ... your year's work is fast drawing to a close...

Liberty. Wm. W. ... Nov. 11: I have written my business for this year with every thing in full...

Sulphur Springs. W. A. ... We are closing our second year of this place...

have cause to rejoice to be sent to this place. Taken all in all, it is one of the best charges in the conference...

Denison. W. A. Clark, Nov. 11: We are glad to be able to say that Trinity Church is out of debt...

Rosebud Station. J. W. Bergin: Our fourth Quarterly Conference has been held. Bro. Sears preached his last sermon...

Franklin. S. F. Chambers, Nov. 15: I am now closing out my second year at Franklin. When I came to this charge I was informed that I was to try my hand in organizing and building another church...

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3. You will pay full fare going and take a certificate from agent...

4. Let all preachers take note that the Statistical Secretary has been notified to positively refuse any report that is not made on the new blank.

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NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE. I will go to conference on the 26th, one day ahead of the opening...

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE-SUPPLEMENTAL ANNOUNCEMENT. Let the lay delegates who expect to come send me their names at once...

RAILROAD RATES. For the annual session, to meet in Crockett, Texas, December 2, the railroads have granted rates...

FINISBURG, TEXAS. I want by November 19 names of all who expect to attend the conference...

Crockett, Texas. The committee and class of the second year of the Texas and East Texas Conferences will meet together...

The committee and class of the first year in the Texas and East Texas Conferences will meet together in the Methodist Church at Crockett...

The committee and class of the fourth year will meet at the Methodist Church, Terrell, Texas, Nov. 25, at 9 a. m.

Terrell, Texas. The class of the first year will please meet the committee at the Methodist Church Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock, Nov. 25, 1932.

The committee and class of the second year will meet at the Methodist Church in Terrell, Monday, November 21, at 8 p. m.

The committee and class of the fourth year will meet at the Methodist Church, Terrell, Texas, Nov. 25, at 9 a. m.

For the annual session, to meet in Crockett, Texas, December 2, the railroads have granted rates for the round trip...

I want by November 19 names of all who expect to attend the conference, save the pastors...

The committee and class of the first year in the Texas and East Texas Conferences will meet together in the Methodist Church at Crockett...

The committee and class of the second year will meet at the Methodist Church, Terrell, Texas, Nov. 25, at 9 a. m.

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day, Dec. 2, at 9 a. m. Information in regard to all applicants is solicited.

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