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Editorial.

THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST AND ITS PROOF.

The Nashville Advocate a while back made a few strange statements concerning the resurrection of Christ, to which we made reference in the columns of this paper. But we did not, at the time, undertake to make a critical reply to these utterances. We now propose to examine one of them and see how it tallies with the Scriptures. Speaking of the resurrection of Christ, the Nashville Advocate said: "It may not be best now to stake all upon it, as did Paul. Events of so long ago do not admit of categorical proof." The principle reason why Paul placed such emphasis upon the resurrection of Christ is not hard to divine. That Christ was crucified and dead no one in Paul's day denied. It was an accepted fact by friend and foe. Neither does anybody deny it today. Therefore since he was crucified, dead and buried, then it follows if he did not rise from the dead he remained and still remains a dead Christ. And if he was and is a dead Christ and incapable of raising himself from the dead, then where is the faith of the Church in his statements that he would rise from the dead, and where is the truth in the announcement of more than "five hundred brethren" who claim to have seen him in bodily form after his resurrection occurred? And how are people to believe in and worship a dead Savior? The fact is, his resurrection from the dead is the chief cornerstone in the whole system of our Christian belief and hope. It is not a beautiful sentiment, but a fundamental fact in the gospels and the epistles of the New Testament. To even question it is to remove the foundation from under the faith of Christendom. By what authority does Dr. Winton assume in so bold and unqualified manner that the resurrection of Christ does "not admit of categorical proof?" What does the word categorical mean? According to the dictionaries it means "without qualification or condition; absolute, positive, unequivocal." Can this definition be applied to the resurrection of Christ? We assume that it can. If not, then it can not be applied to the truths of the gospels themselves. All we know about the life, the teachings, the works and the death of Christ we get it from his disciples and co-laborers. Now these very men affirm without qualification that Christ did arise from the dead and they tell us that they talked with him, handled him, received their last commission from his lips just before his ascension, and that he showed them his pierced hands and feet and his wounded side. These statements they make "without qualification or condition." These statements are "absolute, positive, unequivocal." Then Paul sums up the whole list of those who were cognizant of these facts and gives many of them to us by name as witnesses, then living, and whose testimony could not be questioned. All historical facts rest upon human evidence, and there is no fact in history reaching back to

the time of Christ that is so well established by evidence as his resurrection from the dead. To question this evidence is to question all the evidence of history, and furthermore such question involves the entire validity of the gospels. For their truths rest upon the very same foundation which underlies the resurrection of the Savior. Therefore the resurrection of Christ is as categorically proven as any other fact in the history of men or nations, or as any other fact in the gospels and the epistles. No human testimony can be made stronger than that given by the men and women who saw the Savior die and who saw him after he arose and who heard his final words as he departed from them at the end of his forty days upon the earth. So that Dr. Winton's contention is a concession to skepticism and an apology for Paul's teachings upon that subject altogether foreign to the Scriptures and to the fundamental teachings of Methodism. Such views as those he advances evince a lack of settled doctrinal convictions and a disposition to indulge in speculation concerning matters about which the Church can not afford to tamper with doubts and misgivings. If such views are to be tolerated and taught by our leading men in the Church, then it is time for common people to cry out, "What portion have we in David? Neither have we inheritance in the son Jesse; to your tents, O Israel."

A WORKING CHURCH.

A working Church is one whose members are all given something of a definite character to accomplish. We sometimes fear that the most of our Church memberships are too large, and on account of this fact the individual member is not developed. The work devolves upon so many that none of them is given his full measure of exercise. There can be no well-rounded life and character without work. Therefore a few members given all that they can do become more effective than a large number of members half-way employed. The pastor is a wise leader who finds something for every member of his flock to do. This is the only way to educate and train them for useful service and at the same time develop them into full-grown men and women in Christ. Three hundred people in one congregation thus trained ought to be able to support all its local enterprises and to contribute largely to the missionary movements of the Church. There is in Dallas a German congregation made up of less than fifty members. They have bought property at a cost of three thousand dollars, put them up a good building, support their pastor, furnish him a house in which to live and they contribute to other departments of work. Every one does something and every one gives something to the cause of the Master. Hence their growth and enterprise. Take a large congregation, and only a few of them are real workers. The majority of them are drones. But it is not their fault at all times. No responsibility is placed upon them, and no especial work is assigned to them. They give but little and they do nothing, and how can you expect them to develop? Working

and giving make a Church prosperous. But suspended development follows a state of inertia. Happy is the congregation whose pastor puts every one of them to doing something. Such people will grow in grace and increase in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

FANATISM GONE TO SEED.

The Denton County Record recently gave an account of the doings of a few religious fanatics who pretend to be supporting an "Orphanage" at Pilot Point. It became noised abroad that they had a lot of small children in their so-called institution who were suffering for the necessities of life. An investigation was had, and the reports of want and sickness were more than confirmed. Those who had the "Orphanage" in charge refused to let people enter it, but the authorities forced an entrance and found twenty-nine children covered with skin diseases and almost starving for something to eat. No doctor had been allowed to enter it, and those who were running it were depending on "prayer and faith." The citizens at Pilot Point and throughout the county were outraged when they learned the condition of things in this orphanage. Steps were immediately taken to relieve the wants of the children and to treat them for their diseases. A mass-meeting was held and a petition sent to the Legislature asking for the enactment of laws to prevent the recurrence of similar outrages upon the innocent childhood of the State. It seems that neither nature nor grace has made any provision for the correction of fools. Therefore it is necessary for the Commonwealth to provide a remedy and put it in operation, in order to restrain them from practicing their folly upon helpless victims. Think of the religion of Jesus Christ in the hands of irresponsible, practicing such horrors upon little children, when as a matter of fact his religion seeks to make such things impossible. There is no religion in such excesses. It is fanaticism disguising itself in the garb of religion. But when people get too holy and ethereal in their piety to live in the Church, obey its discipline and practice its charity, you may expect it to take on just such a form as the Denton County Record describes in the "Orphanage" at Pilot Point.

THE IRREVERENCE OF A BAPTIST PAPER.

Not long ago there was celebrated in the chapel of St. James, London, the baptism of a child according to the rite of the Protestant Episcopal Church and Queen Alexandra officiated as sponsor. The fact was sent out in the Associated Press dispatches and it was published in the daily papers of this country. It was the association of the Queen with the event that gave it notoriety, for whatever transpires in connection with royalty finds its way into the public journals. The event itself is of too common occurrence to call forth special notice. Thousands of children are baptized every week of the world according to the Scriptures and in keeping with the usage of nearly all the

leading religious denominations of Christendom, and as to the fact itself we would need to make mention. However, if there is any one thing that calls for the study and discussion of the unorthodox and unscriptural Baptist paper upon this matter, it is the baptism of children. As an illustration of this statement we quote in part the editorial number of the Journal and Messenger as follows: "Leading the method group referred to 'It was the lady, Mrs. Mrs. Zimmerman, baby, and the ceremony was somewhat privately performed in the chapel of the St. James' Palace in London. The water was a drop from the Jordan, and was a little that it is said the lady did not know how little she had. If there is any account handed in the world that the baptism of a baby according to the ritual of the Protestant Episcopal Church, it has never been our fortune to be informed of it. This dipping paragraph is manifestly the work of a man who assumes to be a teacher and a leader in a great religious organization. Were we disposed to retaliate in kind, we could very easily point out some things in the pages of the denomination by which the Journal and Messenger is owned, which, in our judgment, might be classed with much greater 'soundings' than anything akin to the sacred ordinance of baptizing a baby; but we have too much respect for the feelings of our Baptist brethren to be guilty of such coarseness and vulgarity. But there are occasionally among them found a few narrow-minded and coarse-grained men who are strangers to the rules of common decency and politeness, and they never lose an opportunity to cut their lips and other delicate parts to millions of their fellow-creatures who differ from them in a few points of policy and usage. The Journal and Messenger belongs to that class, nevertheless it is a fact that some of its leading and most thoroughly educated men admit that only a few centuries ago the Baptist Church practiced the rite of baptizing infants. The Journal and Messenger, therefore, seems to forget the pot whence it was digged and in its undignified and excessive denials of its Pedobaptist brethren, it is engaging in nothing on its own denomination's account. Baptist members, as a rule, now oppose infant baptism, but the great bulk of them are too selfish and considerate to treat the world name and those who practice it with contempt and insult. But when you find a man in whom unswiftness and ruffianism predominate he usually resorts to such ribald and uncharitable boresdoms as we find in the above quotation. For the great masses of our Baptist brethren we have the profoundest respect, and we hold their wonderful work in preaching the gospel in high esteem, but we draw the line on that small, ignorant class represented by the Journal and Messenger.

Christ did not apply to himself the mechanical rules of men, but thought and acted upon the higher and broader law of love. This gave him opportunity and latitude for the exercise of the greatest gifts of his nature to doing good among men.

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How and When to Raise Missionary Funds

Read by Rev. O. T. Hetchkiss at the Pittsburg Pastors' Institute.

This is an age of specialists, and every specialist thinks his work and his field the most important. I would not fall into the too common error of unduly emphasizing the subject I am to discuss, nor give it an importance that it cannot rightfully claim; but I give it as my deliberate judgment that the Church hasn't a more important work than its missionary enterprises—*the giving of the gospel to all the world.* There are great questions that engage thought and problems that must be dealt with and solved, but there is no question higher, deeper or more sacred than that of Christian missions. Its importance may be seen in the fact that it was our Lord's last command when he was about to leave the world and go back to the Father. He did not reiterate any of the ten commandments, but his last words were: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Out from the very shadows of the cross, and even while the flies that held him to this earth were giving way, one by one, his word was an imperative "Go!" With this word ringing in our ears, and remembering that our Lord counted it the greatest work his Church would have to face, shall we think it of little importance, or fail to do our very best in obeying that command? Standing before the cross that must be unveiled, and hearing the cry from lips that speak at never man speak: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me," and then hearing the command: "Go!" and remembering that our Lord is just the Savior that this world with its sorrow and sin, and sighs, and broken hearts, and crushed hopes, needs, how can we sit still? How can we withhold the Bread of Life from those who are perishing without it? Sooner turn with pitiless heart from the orphan who, shivering in the cold, stretches out the pale hand of want for help; sooner let the mother refuse to shield her own child from danger, or refuse to answer the call of distress.

The world's need of Christ and the gospel is becoming more and more evident as the years roll off into the changeless past. The cry of the heathen world for help rings out louder than ever before, the needs of those "who sit in darkness and the shadow of death" become greater as the world grows older. The Christian dream that education would so improve man's moral nature and correct his tendency to evil that he would no longer need the gospel will have to be given up, may I not say, has already been given up? We hear much of the world's growing more wicked, and Christianity failing in its purpose and mission, but this is not the real truth. Under the white light of the gospel sin is made to appear more hideous than ever before. It is not that the world is becoming worse, but because sin is becoming more abhorrent and dreadful. The very fact that sin is so awful, so degrading, so abhorrent to us, because Christ has created a standard of right, and when men fall so far below it their guilt seems the more appalling and outrageous.

The world's needs are great. Wherever we turn our eyes the "fields are white unto harvest." The reign of sin is universal, and the cry of those who need help is heard on every hand. If it is a noble work to minister to the bodily ailments of men—to feed the hungry, and clothe the naked, and nurse the sick, and care for the dying—what grander work can engage our thought and activities than caring for the souls of men? What work is to be compared to the efforts for the salvation of men? that of wiping the tears from the eyes of the penitent, pointing the sin-sick to the Great Physician, and carrying or sending help—a Savior to those who are dying without Christ and without hope? While the needs are great, they are not greater than our ability, the failure cannot be charged to the lack of ability, but a lack of disposition. Lawyer J. F. Wyckoff, in "The Christian Use of Money" has this to say about ability of the Christian world to meet all the demands that are made upon it: "That the professed followers of Christ, especially in our day and country, possess a large share of this world's riches, is apparent to the most casual observer. Subject to no persecutions, relieved of the stigma which in the earlier history of the church attached to the Christian name, not liable to be despoiled of their goods because of their loyalty to their divine Head, many of those enrolled under the banner of Jesus rank high as possessors of material wealth. A large number of those, at the head of our railroad and canal corporations, on river and ocean steam navigation companies, and shipping firms, many of those prominent either in ownership or management of our great commercial houses, our telegraph and insurance companies, not a few of those who have achieved honorable distinction as financiers, as brokers, and bankers, as managers of savings banks and trust companies, not a few of those who conduct on a large scale our lumber, mining, manufacturing and agricultural interests, profess

allegiance to Him whose is the earth and the fullness thereof, to whom belongs alike the silver and the gold, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. From those owning broad acres of the richest soil on which our great staples are grown, from those in our large cities owning plots of land on which lofty palaces are reared, from those who manage our great public works, from engineers, architects, lawyers, physicians, authors, men of letters, editors, lecturers, men of science, may be selected many bearing the Christian name, to whom God has given in greater or less degree the riches of this world. In the princely homes of Christians in our cities, their dress, their equipage, their costly entertainments, their general style of living, there is abundant proof of the unstinted meas-

But how are we to arouse men? The Church has the ability to meet all its obligations. How can she be induced to lay her offerings on God's altar so that the work may go forward without let or hindrance? And in an answer to that question I would say:

1. The pastors, who are the leaders, must get it in their hearts. We ought to have passed long ago the time when this part of our work was considered unimportant, or when we would carry into our high and responsible calling a careless, half-hearted, unbusiness-like spirit. You know something of the study and preparation needed to reach the unsaved; how they resist appeals and how we must, over and over, with strong persuasions and earnest words try to stir them from their indifference and hardness; but I am persuaded that it is no harder to get the unsaved to give up their sins and give themselves to Christ than it is to get professing

belonged to God in Eden, and they fell; Judas coveted the wealth of the wicked, and he fell; Ananias and Sapphira coveted what they had voluntarily promised to give to Christ, and they fell; and so on from the beginning to the end of time, through the long catalogue of succeeding generations, the sin of covetousness has been the besetting sin of mankind, and has called down the displeasure and punishment of heaven." It was to counteract this tendency of our nature that God from the very first required a continual and adequate acknowledgment of our dependence and his supremacy. In the benevolent operations of the Church we seem largely to overlook the fact that God does not of necessity call upon individual Christians for pecuniary or any other sort of aid in the prosecution of his work here upon earth. He might employ angels to herald his gospel, or trace his will

cause of mine house that is waste, and ye run every man after his own house. Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed from her fruits."—Hag. 1:8, 9, 10. If God was so jealous of his rights that he sent this punishment upon those who withheld from him his own, will he be less exacting to-day? And may we not find in this an explanation of much of the "hard times" of which we hear so much complaint everywhere?

2. How, do you ask again? We cannot hope to manage these interests successfully, or get anything like just returns as long as we trust to the inspiration of the hour, or leave it to chance or whims. In this work we are co-laborers with God, who declares himself "a God of order." Business men who aim to accomplish any considerable results prudently incorporate in their plans much of system. The Church should not be less wise, for the vast work she is set to do calls for organized and systematic effort. The Church of Christ has before her a stupendous work; the isles of the sea and nations of the earth are to receive the gospel at the hands of our benefice, or remain in hopeless darkness. In our own country many of the Western States and Territories are almost without religious privileges, to say nothing of the destitute and neglected districts in our large cities. The sights in the lowest strata of human life into which sin and crime thrust their victims after having passed them through the grinding mills of pleasure and passion, are enough to move the heart of a Nero with pity and horror. The samples from the sample room, the rags, the stags and staggering confusion, the unutterable woes that follow in the track of the body of this death tax to the uttermost the sympathies of the feeling and the resources of the benevolent. If the Church accomplishes the gigantic work that is not self-assumed, but divinely imposed, there must be orderly plans and systematic work. We must devise means and bring into employ methods that will not only multiply the givers, but that will induce those who are already contributing to give regularly, systematically, largely. Our people of wealth and large means are not doing their part. The giving of \$100 or \$500 may have the appearance of liberality, and yet it may not, doubtless does not, represent one-half the sacrifice that may be in the gift of 50 cents or \$1 at the poor widow who has stitched it out at the point of her needle, or saved it to give by the practice of the severest self-denial. Nor will the giving of large benefactions at one's death, when he can no longer enjoy his wealth, make amends for the failure to give regularly and systematically. Just as well might one try to eat at one meal enough for a month, or pray at one time enough for a year. As we must eat regularly and pray regularly, so there must be regular and constant streams through which our offerings will go out to the world in its needs. But no plan will work itself. Giving will not become systematic by chance. It must be made systematic, and that implies effort, and push, and labor. And I know of no men or class of men who can lead in this matter better than the preachers, and in doing this we will find it necessary to reach both in public and private, and will find much help from the circulation of leaflets and tracts and even books on the subject. While it means work, much work, delicate work—work that calls for a clear head, a warm heart and a courageous spirit that will not give up or yield to defeat—yet the returns mean so much, and are so far-reaching for good that we can well afford to do our best, and to keep at our task. The preacher who would succeed must have a plan, must present it, must preach about it and pray God's blessings upon it.

3. Further, in answer to the question How? I will say adopt some plan that will reach the entire membership. The failures that are so common in this department of Church work are due to the fact that we do not reach the masses. When large revenues are to be raised in any government it is done by imposts and duties so levied as to reach all classes. There are members enough in almost any Church who do not contribute at all who could add largely to our missionary collections if they could be reached and induced to do their part, and we need men who will not stop when they have secured an assessment, but who will not let an assessment fetter them, but will strive to get an offering from every member. If this were done religiously and faithfully our deficits would be a thing of the past. There are many ways in which we may at least reduce the number of non-contributing members to the minimum, even if we do not secure an offering from every one. Most any wise pastor can devise means to accomplish this. I hope though I will not be thought presumptuous to suggest some that are adopted and worked for results: (1) A pastoral letter, setting forth in a concise way the needs, the obligations, the ability to serve, and

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ure of wealth which God has poured into their lap. In our towns and villages and in our farming districts, particularly in our seaboard and Middle States, it cannot be gainsaid that Christians share abundantly in the general prosperity of the country. If our religious and benevolent enterprises languish, surely it cannot be for want of means in the hands of the Lord's servants, to whom he has given the stewardship of wealth? Surely, in the light of these unquestioned facts, we cannot deny the ability and the needs are so great, the obligation so high, that we cannot wait, or withhold our offerings without infinite loss and remediless injury? What we need to do is to arouse our people, and preach the gospel of paying, to the Lord his part until the covetous, grasping spirit shall give way and the hoarded treasures shall be laid at his feet. As Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson says in his "Lost Art of Worship": "Men must be taught that they bring their whole lives to Church with them; that they do not drop at the door the stains of the market and the exchange. They need to have it pressed home that the gains which cannot be consecrated to the Lord are gains which are the price of blood—the blood of their own souls. They need the truth—that God holds them responsible for every bargain and speculation, and that all the singing and praying in the world will not make an unjust profit other than a curse." Strong words these are, and they take the mask from many a bargain that has the appearance of honor, and they make men tremble who are enjoying their ill-gotten gains, or unjustly retained gains, but they are truths that men need to hear, and we will not have done our duty until the people over whom we are set as watchmen have heard this duty clearly and forcibly presented. It is no greater sin to get money unjustly than it is to withhold it unjustly. And we need to try by this way and that to stir the hard fastenings of the doors, where the Master himself has stood and knocked, and yet no one has opened and to call at the openings of these dark streets where wisdom hath stretched forth her hands and no man regarded. When we remember that there are so many who live in luxury and deny themselves nothing that will contribute to their sensual enjoyment, and yet who complain that religion comes high, and who are afraid of giving a single dollar more than an assessment, the need to cry out, "How much owest thou unto my Lord?" "Pay thy vows unto the Lord," "bring ye all the tithes into his storehouse," becomes imperative.

Christians to give themselves up and consecrate their means to Him who has all right to them and theirs. And we will find that we will have to make careful preparation for this work. A preacher who can feel that it matters very little whether he wins souls or not, and who will not, from any cause, whether it be indolence or indifference, or a desire to be a "good mixer," make the best preparation for thorough and efficient work as a soul winner, is unworthy of so high a calling, and the one who can hear the cry of the heathen world and who knows that his people have the means to help relieve the suffering—that they can put a silvery lining on the dark cloud, and who can feel that it matters little whether he raises his assessments, or who is satisfied with anything less than his very best in so great a work—has committed to him a trust the sacredness of which does not begin to appreciate. We hear much flippant talk among preachers about not being beggars, or tax-gatherers, or collectors, but I am sure that there has been neglect here that amounts to actual sin. Peter was doing his Lord's service just as faithfully when he went fishing to get money to pay taxes as when he was preaching on the day when there were 3000 converted. And the preacher who is pleading for means to send the gospel to the brother beyond the seas is doing a work that is not less sacred than when he is pleading with the brother at his door to accept Christ as a Savior. Some of us will have to change our opinions at this point, and put more heart, more effort, more prayer into this work, or face a blurred and marred record. Success in this work will bring a two-fold blessing, the giver will transmute the gold of earth into the currency of the skies, and will "lay up treasure where neither moth nor rust can corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal." And the one receiving shall have the blessed gospel and shall find healing for his sin-sick soul.

2. Answering the question How? I say we preachers ought to set the example of liberal and systematic giving. If we will do it religiously and righteously men will be no more apt to charge us with ostentation or doing it for show than they will in our praying or any other thing that we may do as a part of worship or religious duty. If a grasping, covetous, money-loving spirit is so despicable and dangerous in our people, what shall we say of the preacher that has it or even borders on it? "The angels coveted the glory which Christ had with the Father, and they fell; Adam and Eve coveted what

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HOLY LIVING.

TEXT.—"Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of his Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ."—1 Pet. 1:2.

This is a singularly complete portrait of the child of God. He is "elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father." Here is the ground work of the picture. Next comes the Christian's growth in grace, "Through sanctification of the Spirit." Then follows the outward manifestation of the inner life in the disciple's service, "Unto obedience." And finally his eternal salvation is assured in the atoning blood of Christ, "And sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ." Thus we have the Christian's life depicted in its origin, its power, its fruits, its seal. Mark the completeness of the picture. Chosen, sanctified, obedient, sprinkled. This is the Spirit's own conception of the child of God. It is God's purpose to transform his chosen ones into this likeness.

Honorable Dealing with God Involves Obedience.

The consciousness of being chosen unto obedience awakens the believer's sense of honor. God has named him as an heir of glory; he is bound to live as such. Thus Paul appeals to the self-respect of the Ephesians. In three burning chapters he sets forth the gracious purpose of God in calling them. Then in the first verse of the fourth chapter he comes upon them with that searching word "worthy." "Lead a worthy life. Do not dishonor such a vocation." Every Christian feels the force of this appeal. Manhood and womanhood feel it. A worldly, selfish, frivolous life dishonors the man or the woman who is chosen of God. It dishonors the cause of religion. It brings reproach upon the Church of Christ. It obscures the glory of Christ himself. No honorable person will claim to be a Christian and lead a worldly life.

The Believer's Sense of Security Begets Confidence.

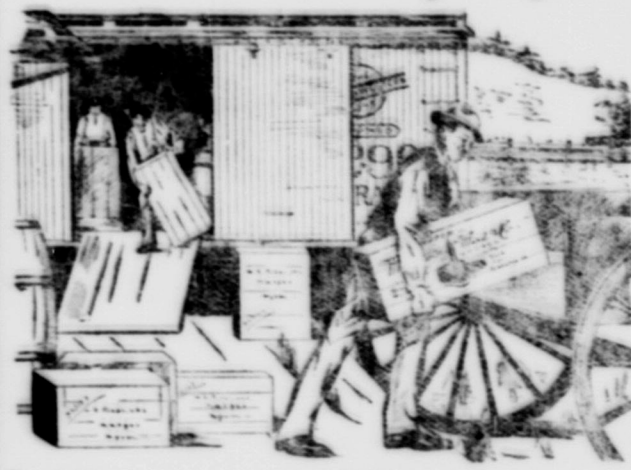
Faith in saving grace addresses the believer's courage and self-reliance. As his assurance of personal adoption deepens his confidence in his power to obey strengthens. If chosen to bear fruit he can bear fruit. Had he chosen Christ he might doubt his ability to carry out his purpose. But Christ chose him, knowing his failings, his talents, his aptitudes. Christ chose him and ordained him to go and bring forth fruit. But Christ's judgment is infallible. Therefore the believer gains confidence. He must be able to do what God selected him to do. Thus the true source of courage and assurance in holy living is absolute faith in God's electing grace. It is recorded of Dr. A. J. Gordon that at one time in his religious life he "gave up trying and found peace in trusting."

The Highest Aspiration Stirred by Faith in Electing Grace.

Once more, a vivid sense of being chosen of God stimulates the believer's ambition to fulfill God's purpose and expectation. That is a noble sentiment of Paul where he expresses his determination to apprehend that for which he was apprehended to Jesus Christ. The Lord had laid hold of him for a certain purpose. "Let me lay hold of that very purpose on account of which Christ Jesus laid hold of me." As if you were to apprehend a

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neglected boy on the street, were to lay hold of him and educate him that he might become a useful man, and he, like young Paul, were to say, "I will not disappoint my benefactors, I will follow after, if that I may apprehend that usefulness for which I was apprehended of my friend." Christ lay hold of us that our lives may bear witness to the power of his grace. He expects great things of his chosen ones. The knowledge that he has "ordained" them to lead holy lives will spur them on to fulfill his plan. Whitefield once said, "I pray to God this day to make me an extraordinary Christian." It is extraordinary Christians that this sinful world needs, Christians who rise above the common levels of religious experience and living. The thought that Christ has drawn the outline of our lives inspires us to fill it in. "I follow after if that I may apprehend." There is a joyous bound and spring in the very words. I am not pursuing my plan but Christ's plan for me. One step today, another to-morrow. And when at last I reach the end it will be enough for me to hear one word of approval, one look or sign to tell me that I have in some degree apprehended that for which he apprehended me.

Holy Living Attained Through the Strength of the Inner Religious Life.

The practical life is the fruit of the spiritual. In Peter's picture of the Christian, above mentioned, adoption comes first, then sanctification, then obedience. "Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience." We cannot reverse this purpose. The Father must choose, and the Spirit must convert before the sinner can obey. "If ye love me keep my commandments." There is no true commandment keeping which does not spring from love. God's law can not be fulfilled by merely doing certain things. "I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts." Obedience is something which takes place in the heart. Dr. Chalmers tells us that before his conversion he was wont to press upon his people the duty of reformation of life, "but I never once heard of any such reformation having been effected among them, it was not till I took the Spiritual way of laying the method of recollection before them that I never heard of any of those subnormal reformations."

The mind must be right before the hands can do right. "This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent." Practice reflects belief. Conduct is but an index of what is going on within. It is the soul that obeys. The sun-beam is not the sun; behavior is not obedience. Obedience is the whole nature brought into captivity of Christ. He likened holy living to

fruit and said: "Make the tree good." Correct conduct with no righteous motive behind it, is like fair fruit tied to a dead tree.

Seen in the Common Moralities.

This appears if we take holy living in its simplest form, the doing those deeds which conscience approves. The Christian should be an example in the homely virtues. He should be conscientiously honest, patient, truthful, reliable, brave. He should pay his debts and control his temper, and put a bridle on his tongue. In business he should be upright, in benevolence he should be liberal, a kind neighbor, a sympathetic friend, a public-spirited citizen. Christianity aims to outstrip the world in the common excellencies, to meet the world on its own chosen level, and to surpass it in attainments of character which even irreligious men admire and praise. It is a reproach to any believer if worldly people excel him in integrity, generosity, brotherly kindness, self-control, or any of the ordinary elements of good character. The source of his deficiency is within. He needs the clean heart, the right spirit, for which David prayed. The fruit must be made good, by making the tree good. If our lives are outwardly wrong, there is evil within. We must go to the sources of action and purify them.

The Holy Spirit for Service.

Moreover the need of spiritual quickening appears when we consider Christian service as a part of holy living. Every believer is chosen of God with a view to some work in the great vineyard. Talents are "apprehended of Christ Jesus." If he is to be a "good and faithful servant," his communion with God must be maintained. Many Church members are doing no work for Christ. Many are doing work which has no religion in it; "all their piety below their elbows," as Dr. Bushnell expressed it, so that "Church work" has come to mean oyster suppers, pork teas, broomstick drills, and the like. Some workers take part in the labors of the Church so long as they can be conspicuous and have their way. Offended by some trifle, or failing of applause, they go moodily away. On the other hand there are good and faithful servants. They feel that the work of Christ's Church is a spiritual work. They seek the good of souls. They pray in secret. They teach in the Sunday-school with a religious purpose. They are found habitually at the prayer-meeting. They make sacrifices for the kingdom of Christ. What is the difference between these two classes? A difference in spiritual life. Nearness to God is the secret of faithful Christian service. A great deal of Church bustle and parade may be manufactured with no spirituality behind it. If the kingdom of God is to come, the

members of the body of Christ must abide in him.

The Intent of the Heart.

But no true believer is satisfied with holy living which concerns only the conduct. Every act has a motive. Behind every deed there is a purpose. Holy living includes the secret springs of action. Motives are kept holy by nearness to God. Paul exhorts us to eat and drink to God's glory. Common duties may be done with holiness. Right deeds may be done from right motives and with right purposes. A worshiper drops a dollar into the treasury of the Lord. Christ is the great mind reader and knows his thoughts. That offering may add to his condemnation at last, or it may come up in sweet remembrance before God. Do not mistake poses behavior for holy living. Why do we do right? To maintain a reputation? To please ourselves? God sees the heart. An act? No man sees it except in the dimmest way. An act is the whole soul acting. The entire character is in it, the secret thought, the inner being. What man sees is appearance. The reality is behind. Therefore the heart must be purified. Let the Christian who would keep his motives pure abide in Christ.

Holy Living Honors God and Persuades Man.

Holy living is the best return we can make to him who has chosen us, and the most eloquent way of preaching truth to the world. Christ said, "Ye are the light of the world." Catching the significance of this illustration, John Newton said: "I cannot sweep the darkness out, but I can shine it out." It was Christ who told us to do the truth. Truth is something to be done. A doctrine is first to be believed and then practiced. The world does not read the Bible; it reads Christians. We sometimes hear the remark, "I greatly enjoy Dr. Blank's preaching." Preaching may be enjoyed. It may also be reproduced in daily life. The thoughtful hearer, on leaving the Church, was met by a late comer who in spite of all I could do I was thin, skinny and nervous. My cheeks were so swollen my friends used to remark on how bad I looked. I couldn't seem to get strength from my food—meat, potatoes, bread, etc. So I tried various medicines without help.

Christianity is what it seems to be. It should make its converts. Christ like His Father on other parts of the Christian world said, "The world is made of sinners. 'Man is not good,' said Paul to his Corinthians. 'Know ye not what I shall say? I know much as ye are miserably designed to be the result of Christ's punishment by us.' A noble sentiment. The result of the human nature and of the divine Master was in this knowledge. All men are wicked, worldly, ungodly and know them, and in their lives judge the religion of Jesus Christ. There had, there are thousands of faithful men in the world who are not doing anything for Christ but their lives are and they are preaching the gospel in their lives. Let us who are chosen, come into God. Our lives should be more holy than our words. Light travels faster than sound. The light of our example reaches the world before the report of our profession. A famous artist once wandering in the mountains of Switzerland met some officials who demanded his passport. "It is not with me, but my name is Dove." "Prove it, if you are," replied the incredulous officers. Taking a piece of paper, Dove hastily sketched a group of persons standing by with such grace and skill that the men of the law exclaimed, "Enough, you must be Dove." Write your name." is the challenge of the world to the follower of Christ. No outward-seen worldly life will do. Nothing but the grace and beauty of a character born of God will convince men that our understandings are true.—Rev. Herbert W. Lathrop, D.D., in Christian I speak.

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Secular News Items.

In Glasgow as many as thirty-four houses containing 118 persons have in a single day been closed by the authorities as unfit for habitation.

The University of Chicago is to grant a new degree called Bachelor of Education, to be given for two years of strictly professional work in the line of pedagogy.

Andrew Carnegie has given \$1,500,000 for the erection of a library of international law at The Hague, the building being destined also to serve as a meeting place for the tribunal.

Forty-five persons were injured in serious anti-Jewish riots which occurred April 22, at Tiemene, Algeria. In recent anti-Semitic riots at Kishineff, Roussa, 25 Jews were killed and 275 wounded.

Mr. Carnegie has within the last few days given to the endowment fund of the Tuskegee Institute—Booker Washington's School—the magnificent sum of \$500,000. This with the \$100,000 already secured for endowment, gives one of the two millions for endowment which President Washington says is needed to put the institution "in good, comfortable shape."

Of the "inevitable drunkards" of London—those who have been up more than ten times—3,200 are women, and 4,300 are men. What a shocking fact!

Kansas, Montana, New Hampshire and Kentucky have all recently dealt hard blows at the woman's suffrage cause. The crusade for woman's political rights seems to be languishing—and chiefly because the mass of women have taken no part in it.

It is reported that Chinese friendliness for America is steadily growing, and that the Methodist Episcopal Church stands well in Eccelesial opinion, because the President who kept his word and recalled the troops from Peking when their duty there was done belonged to the Church.

France is pursuing its determined course against the Roman Catholic religious orders with rigid purpose. It is at an end of tolerating the meddling interference of the monks and nuns in public matters. The remedy is here, but it seems to be necessary. It is only a new chapter in an old story—the fight for popular liberty against priestcraft.

A Northern exchange says Texas has laid hold on the race-track gambling evil by enacting a very strict law regarding it, which puts to shame our old and proud commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which came this spring so near passing a law opening the way for a licensed gambling system. The comic papers could very well quit glibbing at Texas and Kentucky for a while, and turn their attention to some of our bigger and more pretentious States which you will once in a while see some moral issue.

The St. Louis Fair is to have no midway. The strict of the showman is to be called the Pike, by decree of the directors, and the exhibitors, it is expected, will be popularly known as Pioneers. There were many names proposed, and the Pike, suggested by Carl Hoffmann, confidential clerk of Isaac C. Taylor, director of works for the World's Fair, was deemed the best.

The Comptroller of the Treasury is taking a hand in the scandal in the Postoffice Department. He has discovered that a number of mechanists are carried on the government pay roll as "bookkeepers."

There will now be transferred from the Treasury Department to the Department of Commerce and Labor the following divisions: The light house establishment, the steamboat inspection service, the bureau of navigation, the United States shipping commis-

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sioners, the national bureau of standards, the coast and geodetic survey, the immigration service and the bureau of statistics. This transfer is of double significance in that most of the divisions transferred never had, by any consideration of consistency, a place in the Treasury Department and many of them have consequently never been enabled to develop their full measure of usefulness there. The census office also becomes part of the new department, as do also the department of labor, as heretofore constituted, the fish commission and the bureau of foreign commerce.

Captain Mayrho, whose trial and conviction and imprisonment on the Isle de Diabolo several years ago caused a world-wide sensation, has demanded a new government inquiry into the charges against him, and an investigation of the latest developments. He bases his demand on the revelations made by M. Jaures, in the Chamber of Deputies recently when some of the most important testimony of the previous trial was shown to be a forgery.

Through the neglect of the Legislature, of Louisiana, to make an appropriation for such purpose, Governor Henri is unable to make any offers of reward for the apprehension of accused murderers in that State.

Circuit Court Judge Sanborn has handed down a decision, granting the request of the Northern Securities Company to be permitted to pay Great Northern and Northern Pacific dividends to the Northern Securities Company.

The appointment of the Prince of Wales as President of the Royal Commission to represent Great Britain at the St. Louis Exposition will be made at the request of King Edward, who thought he could thus best demonstrate his personal interest in the exposition and his cordiality toward America generally.

Representatives from leading newspaper publications in the South met in Atlanta, Ga., last Tuesday and organized for mutual benefit and protection the Southern Association of Newspaper Publishers, with H. H. Cabaniss, of the Atlanta Journal, as President, Bruce Italicman, of Louisville Courier-Journal, as Vice-President, and F. P. Glass, of the Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser, as Secretary and Treasurer.

The Virginia Legislature has enacted a law which will remove saloons from all rural districts of the State.

There is a local option bill pending in the Illinois Legislature which it is expected will greatly restrict the liquor trade. The saloon men say it will cut off \$5,000,000 of revenue.

One of the novelties which progress in science is to bring to pass, according to Edward Bellamy, is preaching through telephone. Now the papers report that the Rev. Mr. Kimbrell, of Madison, Mo., has tried it, preaching to 200 families in the country through telephone, when storm and mud made Church going impracticable.

The United States now has 1,500 men working on the Panama canal. It will soon have 20,000.

The startling statement is made that 125 persons in this country own as much property as the remaining 77,000,000.

There was a great hue and cry over the billion dollar Congress a few years ago. But the Congress which has just ended spent more than one billion and a half. Some day the limits of the taxpayers' patience and pocket will be reached, but so far the taxpayer is the most uncomplaining of beasts of burden.

A delegation of German farmers will visit America to study methods.

The total wealth of the world is estimated at \$40,000,000,000. Of this the United States, in 1902, had \$4,500,000,000, or nearly one-fourth.

A private cable dispatch from Bogota, Columbia, received in London, says that the ratification of the United States-Columbian Panama Canal treaty is extremely doubtful.

The United States armored cruiser West Virginia was successfully launched at the Newport News ship building yards Saturday, April 25, in the presence of a throng of 25,000 people.

The assembly of the Wisconsin Legislature refused by a vote of 65 to 21 to make Lincoln's birthday a legal holiday in that State. It was urged that the holiday would preclude commemorative exercises in the public schools.

John N. Crawford, for twenty-five years a prominent newspaper man of Chicago and for the past three years literary editor and the chief of staff of the Chicago Journal, died last Wednesday. He was born in Pennsylvania in November, 1834. He was graduated from Mendville College, and in 1857 he settled in Davenport, Iowa, where he entered the practice of law, in which profession he remained for nearly twenty years. In 1875 he went to Chicago, where a flattering offer drew him from the law into the field of journalism. His first connection was with

the Tribune, but he was subsequently employed as writer by the Chicago Herald, and still later by the Times Herald, the Evening Post, and, last of all, with the Journal. Mr. Crawford's remarkable versatility, his wide-ranging and really profound knowledge of history, political science and law, and especially his ready familiarity with American history, together with the grace and power of his literary style, made him an ideal journalist of the old school.

The publication of Mark Twain's book on Christian Science has been postponed for the present.

The Arbuttle Brothers, of New York, have advanced refined sugar 10 points in 190. This seems to be a slap at Roosevelt's Cuban reciprocity.

The M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South, now have a joint publishing house in China, a joint company for insuring all church property.

It is estimated that there will be a million tons of sugar for export from Cuba this season, the greatest part of which will be shipped to Philadelphia and New York.

A fearful wreck occurred on the Erie Railroad April 20—caused by collision of a passenger and freight train. Seven bodies were buried, many passengers injured.

Brigham Young, President of the council of the twelve apostles of the Mormon Church, died in Salt Lake, Utah, April 11—aged 67. He was the oldest son of the late President Brigham Young.

According to the report of the Philippine Commission, 1,390 pieces were looted for the sale of intoxicating drinks last year in Manila. This is a shameful record.

Dr. Adolph Lorenz, the Vienna surgeon, last week removed the plaster cast from the hip of Little Lolita Armour with an ordinary penknife, and in a few moments, he then told the child to move across the room. Tremblingly, but with no difficulty, the child began to walk, and afterwards ran to meet her mother, who was almost hysterical with joy at the cure, which bids fair to be complete and permanent. The child has been a cripple all her life. Dr. Lorenz, who was summoned from Vienna last autumn by Mr. Armour, received a fee of \$50,000.

The class about to graduate from the West Point Military Academy has been visiting the battlefield of Gettysburg, camping out on that hard-fought field and receiving instruction while there from officers of the Corps of Engineers.

Muhammad Mohammed, the Sultan's brother, has been proclaimed Emperor at Fez, Morocco is the only country in northern Africa which still remains free from a European protectorate. It has proved to be a land prolific in Sultans.

A Chinese desperado in Kwang Tung who confessed, it is reported, to sixty murders, was recently put to death by crucifixion. He was nailed by his hands to a wooden cross and placed on one of the cedar bridges as a warning to malefactors. He lingered three days before succumbing to his terrible sufferings.

Dr. G. E. Morrison, the world-famed China correspondent of the London Times, was completely ignored during his recent visit to Melbourne, Australia, but a wealthy gambler just returned from a visit to England was entertained at a banquet presided over by the Lord Mayor.

The owners of the farm on which Daniel Webster was born have offered to give it to the State of New Hampshire to be kept as a memorial, but the thrifty citizens of the State are hesitating about accepting it. Webster is no more and they do not know why the place should be kept for him forever.

At a society dinner last year the Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler contributed to the fun of the evening by propounding this conundrum: "Why was Noah the greatest financier of his time?" No one was able to answer, so he gave his fellow diners a year to think it over. This year Dr. Cuyler was unable to attend the dinner, but he telegraphed this answer: "Noah was able to float a stock company at a time when all his contemporaries were forced into involuntary liquidation."

A new labor party has been organized in New York called the United Protective League of Labor. It professes to be a political organization of all union men, or those in sympathy with organized labor, and declares that the League will support all candidates, National, State, or municipal, who will give a guarantee of fidelity to labor interests.

Admiral Dewey and Gen. Miles, though the best of friends, like to "josh" one another. Recently they visited Mount Vernon together, and the General was much impressed by the sight of Washington's grave. As they were leaving the place Miles said: "I wonder what Washington would say if he were suddenly to appear here in



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fresh." Dewey glanced quizzically at his old friend and he answered: "I really don't know, Nelson, unless he asked how you ever succeeded in getting the job he once held."

Efforts to play Sunday base ball in Indianapolis received another check on Saturday, when Judge Carter issued a temporary restraining order, prohibiting the Indianapolis Club from playing ball on Sundays. The order is returnable on May 8. The complaint was filed at the instance of the Indianapolis Ministerial Association, by a property owner near the ball park. A petition, signed by 22,000 voters, was presented to the Mayor, asking for Sunday base ball. The Mayor replied that, while personally he would favor Sunday base ball, the laws were against it and he would obey the law.

The Scandinavian bridegroom presents to his betrothed a prayer book and many other gifts, which usually include a goose. She, in turn, gives him, especially in Sweden, a shirt, and this he invariably wears on his wedding day. Afterward he puts it away, and under no circumstances will he wear it again while alive. But he wears it in his grave, and there are Swedes who earnestly believe not only in the resurrection of the body, but in the veritable resurrection of the betrothed shirts of such husbands as have never broken any of their marriage vows.

The Swedish widower must destroy on the eve of his second marriage the bridal shirt which his first wife gave him.

On repeated charges of excessive cruelties practiced on the natives of the Kongo Free State by Belgian officers have at last forced the world to believe that King Leopold and his minions have been cruel to the native tribes. The civilized governments which erected the Free State, and gave it to the Belgian King were anything but benefactors of the black races. So foul is the stench rising from this wickedness that even Belgian papers have been forced to take up the cry, and the King has promised to investigate; but the man who is noted as being one of the most shameless debauchees in Europe is not a promising reformer of such evils as are rife in the Kongo region.

The Association for Maintaining the American Women's Table at the Zoological Station at Naples, at its annual meeting held recently at Smith College, has assigned a place at the table in Naples for 1903-4 to Dr. Grace Emily Cooley, of Wellesley College, and has awarded the prize of \$1,000, offered two years ago for the best piece of scientific research done by a woman, to Dr. Florence R. Sabin, of the Johns Hopkins Medical School, as an appreciation of the results of an investigation made by her on the origin of the lymphatic system.

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P. W. Allen, May meeting here. I came the first Sunday. I did not stop. A. C. Higgs, of Seas and preached being elder. We only by ritual, but that the good account reaped the great praying that not return to her holy conference at

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S. D. Berger, April protracted meeting. I arrived April 12 and found the church well done. It is a testimonial to the others will join in a month or two. A considerable discussion has been caused by the announcement sent out from Washington a few days ago that for the twelve months ending with March, 1903, the imports of this country reached the billion dollar mark for the first time in its history, and that the greater part of the increase during the past few years imports had been manufacturers' materials.

A BIG MEETING

Trinity County 1 just returned from a very gracious visit to Howard Avenue Church, near Howard Avenue, Tex. Dr. T. Alexander, of Howard Avenue, who visited in Galveston to assist him. This is a very interesting meeting was held at home around, now dwellings all over field. Some of the ideas new stand nothing but an old the meeting closed. Methodist held into a body and it was held on How Methvin was put three years ago. Membership now 13. This Church paid \$3,000.00. Bro. connected with the five miles out in the pastor \$50.00, no account for com

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arranged in a row on the
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ed on three," said Bessie;
ched out her hand for the
n in some way she knocked
out of the window.

"!" she said, "now I shall
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of them all." So she took
able, laid the dress across
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was there before her, and
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dg. snow-white rooster, was
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was disappearing within
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de was very fond of Mr.
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ist his smooth neck and
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nk about the garden with

when Bessie saw what he
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g. "O mamma, mamma,"
fr. "Toots has eaten six of
and he will die!"

soked surprised; then she
no, Mr. Toots won't die,"
buttons are just the sort of
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her eyes wide at that,
her laughed. "You know
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he has to grind his food
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ed his gizzard. But there
something hard, like gravel
s of crockery, to mix with
help grind it fine as the
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their fine edges, will be
purpose."

at that moment Mr. Toots
himself in a hearty voice,
the door. "Cock-a-doodle-
id; which meant, "Non-
worry about me!"—Susan
ns, in Little Folks.

CONVENTION.
rn Something Not in The
Class Books.

A young woman attending
convention at Oklahoma
ago learned a valuable
lesson through a sister
says: "About a year ago
I attack of poor health
I a terrible thing to me
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CIPHERING IN GENESIS.

There are many things in the Bible that have to date been unsatisfactorily explained. Some things the critics confess they know nothing about. There are also some things that but few know, and yet with proper attention all might know. I have spent this day in figures and dates as given in Genesis. My studies have confirmed former calculations and also made new revelations. I will give some of these to the readers of the Advocate. I am sure some of these readers have ere this made such calculations for themselves, but others have not:

1. From the creation of Adam to the flood, according to our English version, was 1656 years; Josephus gives it 2256 years, the Septuagint 2242 years, while the Samaritan makes it 1367 years. One interesting record is the great ages of the people who antedated the flood. Methuselah was said to have lived 969 years, and it is particularly interesting to see that he died the very year of the flood. Whether he was drowned or not, of course, we cannot tell. I apprehend that it would be incorrect to say he lived longer than any human being, although his was the longest life of which we have any record.

2. It is commonly believed that Noah was 120 years in building the ark, but this is evidently a mistake. The probation of man was thus long after God determined to destroy him with a flood in case he did not reform, and doubtless during this period Noah was faithfully warning his fellow-citizens. But if you will note you will see that when God commanded Noah to build the ark his three sons who were born 100 years before the flood (Gen. 5:32, Comp. Gen. 7:14), were grown and married (Gen. 6:18). Therefore he could not have been 120 years in building it. Why should he be twenty years in this work?

3. We, carelessly reading arrive at the conclusion that Noah and his sons were dead many years before Abraham was born; but the record shows that Noah and Abraham were contemporaries for the space of 160 years, Abraham surviving him only fifteen years. Noah died the very year Jacob was born. Had Noah visited his son of the tenth generation in Babylon he might have solemnized Isaac's nuptials when Abraham's devout servant returned from Mesopotamia with Rebekah, as he survived that happy event twenty years. Shem, born 100 years anterior to the flood, survived Abraham thirty-five years. His life was so lengthened out that he had left the walks of men but a few years when Jacob appeared in Padan Aram to serve his fourteen years for his beloved Rachel.

4. One carelessly reading the record would suppose that Abraham's father, Perah, died before Abraham left Haran (Gen. 11:22). In fact, in his apology, Acts 7:4, Stephen says: "When his father was dead he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell." The record in Genesis shows that Terah lived sixty years after Abraham left him. (See Gen. 11:26-32 and 12:4.)

5. Did you ever wrestle with the time-allotted Jacob in Padan Aram and that of his children in coming to maturity? The record shows that Jacob was in Padan Aram twenty years; that he had been there seven before he was married. Now, beginning the calculation with the understanding that there remain only thirteen years more to cover his stay in this country, look at the record. (Gen. 29:31-35.) Leah bears four sons, we may suppose in as many years. Subsequent to this (Gen. 30:1-15) Bilhah and Zilpah each bear him two sons, we may suppose in as many years. Subsequent to this (Gen. 30:14-21) Leah bears two sons and a daughter, suppose in three years. Now we have four plus, two plus three, equaling nine years. At the expiration of the second seven years' service for Rachel, or about that time, Joseph is born. But this adds nothing to our count of time, as it has been before counted. I hardly think it will be supposed by any who may read closely that I have allowed too much time in the above count. Rather, it would appear that more time was necessary for the incidents mentioned. If I have figured correctly there are four more years allotted Jacob for his stay in Padan Aram. In Gen. 31:41 Jacob states distinctly to Laban the fact that he tarried twenty years with him. Now on his departure his oldest son could not be more than twelve years old, and the only daughter, Dinah, could not be more than four years old. He journeys back to Canaan, and for a brief time sojourns at Succoth. How long is not given, and we have no way of ascertaining. Usher gives it as seven years. The story reads as if it were less time than that. But if seven, this would make Dinah only eleven years old and the oldest son only nineteen. And yet at this very juncture she appears as a young woman of marriageable age, and her brothers as fierce warriors, two of the younger of whom could go forth with sword in hand and slay a whole city. This difficulty I ran upon while ciphering in Genesis, and then I turned to see what the critics had to say

about it. They had detected it and also wrestled with it. Some of them explain by making Jacob's stay in Padan Aram forty years, or twice twenty; this conclusion drawn from Jacob's reply to Laban (Gen. 21:38-41.)

6. Let's figure a little on the population of the earth at the time of the flood. You note the statement that follows each man's age, prior to the flood, is that "he begat sons and daughters." I believe it will be sufficient time to allow fifty years to each family during which three sons and three daughters are born, i. e., six children only to the family. Of course, we may be sure that when men lived so long as they did in those days and being robust as they were they were vastly more prolific than this. But we will "throw that in for good measure." Now, with the supposition that each son became the father of six children in the space of fifty years, and since there were 1656 years prior to the flood, we will have thirty-three generations, or a series of thirty-three, taken three times each to get the number of male children born the sixth year before the flood. Am I understood? I get at it this way: The first generation, or the first fifty years, yields three, second fifty, yields nine, the third yields twenty-seven, and so on, until you shall have taken fifty thirty-three times. Now if we suppose no break in the chain, this yields the sixth year before the flood the modest number of 2,767,199,191,715,523 baby boys, and, of course, as many girls. Again, as the people of those days lived many hundred years each, it will be fair to add to those born this year all who had come into the world for 200 years previous. So, if I have figured correctly, there were on the antediluvian earth the handsome population of 8,088,572,871,881,686? This sounds rather huge, does it not? But

the calculation, is it not correct? "Figures don't lie." The most liberal statistics give the population of the world to-day as 1,500,000,000. If my calculation of the antediluvian population be correct (and who doubts it?) where there is one person now there were more than 5,000,000 then. To view it from another standpoint: There were upwards of 10,000,000 to the square mile, or to be more minute more than 8000 to the square yard, provided sea, as well as land, were occupied. Of course, they found the north pole in those days, for there were people living there as well as at the south pole. I suspect the air was rather fetid. The earth needed a good washing, such as only the flood could give, don't you think?

A. S. WHITEHURST,
Lufkin, Texas.

IS A PARSONAGE SUBJECT TO TAXATION?

Knowing that this question is of vital interest to the Church all over Texas, I therefore write this article. Some time ago we sold the parsonage of Ervay Street. We got an abstract for the property, and the man to whom we were selling had his attorney to examine the abstract. The attorney raised the question that the taxes had not been paid on the property since it had been used by the Church as a parsonage. Of course it was news to me that the Church had to pay taxes on parsonages. I went to the County and City Tax Collectors, and they informed me there was nothing whatever against the property, as it had been carried on the free list. I reported the matter back to the attorney, but he refused to pass on the title of the property, affirming that it was subject to taxation. I then got a

law firm of the city to write to the Comptroller, at Austin, and this was his reply:

Messrs. Hart & Bryan,
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen—In reply to yours of the 11th inst., you are advised that it has been the uniform ruling of this department that a parsonage is subject to taxation. We know of no opinion of our highest courts applicable to the question, or decisive thereof, but the language of our statutes is almost verbatim with that used in the laws of Minnesota, Ohio, and other States, and the decisions of the highest courts of those States are to the effect that the use of a parsonage is a secular one, and though incident to public worship, such house could not be said to be used for public worship, as that term is used in the tax laws. Very respectfully,
R. M. LOVE,
Comptroller.

Thus we were compelled to pay the back tax on the property before we could give a clear title in the same. I suppose almost if not all our parsonages are being carried on the free list; but should we ever sell, then if the buyer should raise the question as to back taxes, as he would be, to know the law, the result would be, according to the above decision, that the taxes must be paid before a clear title could be given. The matter ought to be thoroughly investigated, and if possible have the law changed, for we are all aware of the fact that a parsonage is as much the property of the Church as the church building itself.

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Can any one give us the address of Rev. G. H. Wyrick, a local preacher who sometimes does evangelistic work? We would like to locate him if he is in Texas.

In another column will be found a communication from our old Georgia friend, Rev. P. L. Stanton, now in Palestine making observations in the Holy Land. His communication will be read with interest.

We notice in the dispatches Wednesday morning that the committee appointed by the Bishops to locate the next session of the General Conference met in Nashville and agreed on Birmingham, Ala. We congratulate that enterprising city on her good fortune. The next session of that great body will meet in May, 1903.

We regret that circumstances at the last moment prevented us from attending the Gainesville District Conference last week. Presiding Elder Sexton had us on the program. The "betroths," however, must not think hard of us if we do not always show up at their district gatherings. There are thirty-nine of them, and only one of us.

A tearful voice articulating a touching event will make people weep, but the effect is not always durable.

A PLEASANT SUNDAY IN WACO.

Last Saturday evening we boarded the M. K. & T. train and ran down to Waco to spend the Sunday with Rev. J. R. Nelson and his good people in the Austin Avenue Church. It has been about three years since we were in that city, and our Church work has made rapid progress in that time. The last time we were there, there was no Austin Avenue Church, and none was thought of, so far as we know. But two years ago last November, Bishop Candler, at Georgetown, at the close of the conference read out, "Austin Avenue, Jno. R. Nelson." I heard the announcement and wondered where Austin Avenue charge was. Brother Nelson had just finished two years of hard work at Fifth Street Church, and he and these people had given some thought to the organization of a charge at Austin Avenue, but there was no thought of projecting the plans for some time to come. But the Bishop concluded that if the work needed to be done, the sooner done the better. So he placed Milton Hotchkiss at Fifth Street Church and Jno. R. Nelson at the proposed new location. As the new charge had to grow largely out of the old Fifth Street work, it was a very wise choice in selecting these two men as co-workers to carry out the project. They at once entered into the closest sympathy, and Brother Hotchkiss gave to Brother Nelson all the help possible. The entire work had to be done de novo, and the very conditions for doing it had to be created. To accomplish the latter result was the first thing to be done. So nearly or all of the first year was given to the work of developing sentiment on the subject. No site had been selected and no organization instituted. But Austin Avenue was up in the leading residence section of the city and it was a propitious place for starting the enterprise. So, in due time, a lot was selected—one of the most desirable in the whole city for a leading Church. But not a dollar had been subscribed with which to pay for it. Then it was that Brother Nelson borrowed on his own responsibility \$1,500 with which to make the first payment on the lot—the price to be paid being \$5,000. Having secured the location, then he went to work in dead earnest, and it was not long until a band of men joined their hands and hearts and pockets with the brave preacher, and things began to hum. Subscriptions were taken, plans for the new church adopted, and the enterprise took shape. But the whole-plant, including the lot, was to cost \$25,000, and to raise that amount of money required faith and not sight. The fact is, it took nerve, heroism and tremendous sacrifice. But those who went into the movement were made up of those elements. They raised all the money they could and let the building to contract. It was their purpose to build as long as they had money, and then wait till they could collect more. The Church Extension Board made them a slight donation and then loaned them \$5,000. Finally the enterprise reached the limit of the ability of the people, and it was short several thousand dollars of completion. A council of war was held and the question of stopping the work or borrowing money and finishing it was thoroughly discussed. The conclusion was reached that it was better to borrow, finish the building and get into it, and risk Providence and the people for the means with which to meet the obligation. Something over one year ago the building was finished and opened for services. But in addition to the amount due the Church Extension Board, there was a debt of \$9,000 on the property. This was a great burden, but it was carried manfully. A few months ago Brother Nelson and his leaders concluded to make a great religious effort, and they indulged the hope that incidentally the movement would help on the financial situation, but the main object was to save the souls and revive and build up the Church. So they went to work to put up a large wooden tabernacle on the lot adjoining the Church. This was

done, and Rev. George R. Stuart was invited to come and take charge of the services. This he did, and in due time the meeting began. The other Methodist Churches joined forces and it was made a great union Methodist meeting. It took hold of the community from the very first service. From three thousand to four thousand people attended every night meeting. Brother Stuart preached with power and demonstration. The work continued fourteen days and nights. More than two hundred people were converted, the Church memberships greatly revived, and at the last service a collection was taken for the relief of the Austin Avenue debt, and in about twenty-five minutes \$9,500 was raised. This gave to Methodism in Waco a boom unknown in the work of the Church in that city. More than a hundred converts have joined our Churches, many who have had their membership in their trunks fished out the services was accelerated, the Sunday-schools greatly enlarged in numbers and interest, and the work in general was moved forward amazingly. The sacrifices experienced in building the new church put the leading Methodists of the city in a condition that made the revival a comparatively easy work, and when the people became revived and the community at large saw what had been done at Austin Avenue in the way of a building, they almost ran over one another to help put the enterprise out of debt. So on last Sunday I stood in the pulpit of that magnificent temple and looked out over as fine a congregation as I ever faced. The building is one of the best in the State. It is an English-Gothic structure, and as pure and clean a piece of architecture as I ever saw. There is nothing gaudy or extravagant about it, but it is massive, imposing, majestic and inviting. It is built of beautiful gray St. Louis pressed brick and trimmed in terra cotta. It fronts on two leading streets and commands one of the finest views in the city. The main tower is not tall, but it is proportioned and very attractive. The auditorium is simply perfect. In form it is somewhat octagonal and the ceiling is irregular panel work and very unique. The pulpit is so situated as to have the pew circle toward it from all points of the room, and the Sunday-school room is at the furthest extremity and just in front of the pulpit, so that when the rolling doors are lifted it is in full view of the speaker from every every nook and corner. The two rooms, when thrown together, will seat one thousand people. The windows several of which are memorial, are superbly beautiful. They are filled with art glass of a very exquisite character, and the soft, mellow light falling through their variegated colors is cathedral-like in effect. When lighted up at night, the effect from the outside is gorgeous. The Sunday-school room is a model of convenience and comfort. It is so arranged as to make one large chapel, with galleries, but by the use of folding doors, it is easily cut up into several classrooms. Then in the basement, which is one-half under ground and well ventilated and lighted, there are elegant apartments for all social gatherings of the congregation. The pastor's study is just to the rear of the pulpit and choir. Then, adjoining the edifice, there is an ample lot for a new parsonage. And in all it is one of the most tasteful, commodious and beautiful churches in the State. To date it has a membership of more than four hundred, a Sunday-school with two hundred and sixty-three present last Sunday, a fine Epworth League and Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. And they start out by paying their pastor a salary of \$1,800 and a house in which to live. All their conference collections will be paid in full, and more too. Within a few years this will be one of the largest and most influential congregations in our State Methodism.

What has been the effect of this forward movement on the old Fifth Street Church? Simply an inspiration. They

gave off a good, large number to the new organization, but they have as many members now as they had at the time of the swarming—or practically as many. They have a larger Sunday-school, and all other interests of the congregation are full of life and enterprise. Brother Hotchkiss has received more than one hundred new members since conference, and his house is full at every service. The utmost harmony prevails between the two pastors and their congregations. Then, too, Morrow Street congregation, which is a trifle closer to the new enterprise than Fifth Street, with Rev. Jno. R. Morris as pastor, is moving right forward with success. They received much help from the revival, and while I was there Rev. C. V. Oswalt, of Mineral Wells, was present conducting an interesting meeting. The pastor received twenty members into the Church last Sunday on profession of faith, and in the afternoon reorganized his Senior League with nearly fifty members. They have a good property, and it is their purpose to renovate and repaint it at an early day. Brother Morris is doing well with his new charge. I also heard most excellent reports of the work at Elm Street, where we have a good building and a vigorous organization. Back of all this work and in co-operation with it, is the presiding elder, Rev. B. R. Bolton, without whose wise counsels, Brother Nelson says, the new enterprise would have been a harder struggle. He is a discreet, enterprising and helpful leader. But these are not all the items of interest in the Waco work. The united Methodists of the city have purchased and paid for a house and lot to be used as an early day as a deaconess home, or work of that character. Then, too, they have a District Training School in the city, under the successful direction of Prof. Douglass and his helpers. It is largely attended. But last, though not least, there is our State Orphanage, under the charge of Rev. W. H. Vaughan and his good wife. It is in a most healthful condition. On last Sunday I saw a large number of the children from this institution bowing round the altar taking the Holy Communion. I had the pleasure of meeting Brother Vaughan and Professor Burkhead, who are both very much encouraged with their work. Let no preacher in Texas forget the Orphanage. In conclusion, I wish to say that the work in Waco was never so hopeful and buoyant in its outlook, and no man in Texas deserves more credit for his devotion and consecration to Methodism than Brother Nelson. He has certainly wrought grandly under very trying circumstances. But he has results to show for his investment of blood and nerve in the enterprise. His services last Sunday were very spiritual and invigorating. His house was full on both occasions and the people were attentive to the word. Five persons were received into the Church. At night, just before the benediction, he made a few minutes' talk and received twenty subscriptions to the Texas Christian Advocate. Nearly all his families take the paper. He lets no interest of the Church suffer. The constructive ministry of such a man is a benediction to the Church. I was delightfully entertained by him and his devoted wife. In her he has a helpmeet in deed and in truth. To meet such a family and enjoy their hospitality is a blessing to any preacher. G. C. R.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. J. H. McLean, D. D., will preach the commencement sermon this year at the North Texas Female College. Rev. J. F. Archer, of Cedar Hill, was in to see us last week. We want to give his work a Sunday as soon as possible. Rev. J. Marvin Nichols will preach the sermon to the under graduates of the North Texas Female College at the approaching commencement. Rev. E. W. Alderson, D. D., of the Sulphur Springs District, has been in the city a day or so visiting his two sons, and he made the Advocate a good social visit. His work is mak-

ing good progress. He has recently helped Rev. J. L. Pierce in a good meeting at Wesley Church, Greenville. We had a pleasant call this week from Rev. R. B. Bonner, of Ferris. He has just closed a fine meeting with good results. Rev. T. J. Dumas, of Ennis, is engaged in his revival services this week. The outlook for a good meeting is promising. Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker will deliver the literary address before the graduating class of the North Texas Female College this year. Rev. M. L. Hamilton, of Oak Cliff, has just closed a most interesting protracted meeting. More than a score were converted and the membership greatly revived. Trinity and Grace congregations of this city are now in the midst of revival services. We hope for them great meetings. The pastors are doing the preaching. Rev. R. N. Price, Rev. J. H. Brunner and Rev. J. R. Payne, of the Holston Conference, are our correspondents from the hill country, and their communications are always refreshing. Rev. W. T. Harris has been engaged in a good union meeting at Forney of late. Our Church received thirty-two members. Rev. Sid Williams, a Baptist evangelist, aided greatly in the meeting. The aged mother of Dr. John M. Moore, of First Methodist Church, died last week at Bowling Green, Ky. He was on his way to see her once more before she passed to the summer land, but he was one night too late. She was a good woman and has entered into rest. The Board of Education in this city recently re-elected Prof. J. L. Long for two more years to the superintendency of the city schools. There was not a dissenting vote. We are not surprised at this, for Mr. Long is one of the best public school men in the South. Rev. Hubert and Rev. Percy Knickerbocker, of this city, have returned from Louisville, Ky., whither they went to meet the Church Extension Board in the interest of their new Church enterprises. The Board extended a \$4 per cent loan of \$5,000 each to the two church buildings. Mr. Lewis Pierce, of Louisiana, recently came to this city and captured Miss Helen Kendall and carried her away in triumph to his home. The wedding took place in First Methodist Church in due and ancient form. In the absence of the pastor, the editor of the Advocate had charge of the pleasant occasion. Bro. Ed G. Phillips, of Neosho, Mo., in passing through the city this week, called at the Advocate office. He is an evangelist singer and states that he has just closed an interesting meeting in the Territory. He receives the Texas Advocate each week and says it is like a letter from home, as he was raised down this way. It is with regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Maudie Switzer Hawkins, of Waxahachie, which sad event took place April 29. She was the daughter of Professor and Mrs. D. S. Salter, of Bushka. She was a noble and devoted Christian woman and her death is a great loss to a large circle of bereaved loved ones. Her remains were buried May 1 in Weatherford. It was a superlative pleasure to have a call the other day from "Uncle Jessie" Moore, who lives near Forney. He was the childhood, boyhood and young manhood friend of the father and the mother of the writer of this note. He has long outstripped them in his earthly life, but he is still a bright and happy old man. His reminiscential talks stirred many memories of the long, long ago. When people go from Church praising the sermon, but are unable to repeat the text or reproduce the substance of the discourse, then there is something lacking either in the sermon or with the people who praise it. These subscribers are the result of two questions: "Do you take the Advocate? Do you want it?" E. S. HURSEY, Cold Springs, Texas.

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Rev. John Wesley Hear ye this, all Methodists! You, are most concerne stantly speak of and you are in the You maintain (ot man is justified by works of the law, otherwise, without ble, and betrayin You insist upon it by faith; and unde But consider, met have ever so muc faith ever so stru save us from hell,

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Gleanings from the Exchanges

MINISTERS AND POLITICS.

Western Christian Advocate: There seem to be some rather radical differences of opinion upon the subject of "ministers meddling with politics." On the one hand, the "practical" politicians and the party organs think that this is truly awful work for the parsons to engage in...

us from all unholy tempers: from pride, passion, impatience; from arrogance of spirit, all haughtiness and overbearing; from wrath, anger, bitterness; from discontent, murmuring, fretfulness, peevishness. We are of all men most inexcusable...

DR. WINTON EXPLAINS.

Nashville Advocate: More than one correspondent has written to express dissent from our opinion as to the relative importance of the resurrection in Christian evidences. This is well. A man to whom the resurrection of our Lord appeals as the strongest proof of the gospel...

WHY PROHIBITION FAILED IN VERMONT.

Cumberland Presbyterian: Anti-prohibitionists throughout the country have taken a good deal of more or less cold comfort from the fact that State prohibition has been overthrown in Vermont. The fact is that local option was merely substituted for prohibition...

But the question at issue is not "the relative importance of the resurrection in Christian evidence," but is the resurrection of Christ capable of categorical proof? More than that, the question does not hinge on the "reasoning process," but on the fact itself. The thing cannot be established by "the reasoning process."

CHURCH NEWS.

Dr. Gross Alexander has been delivering lectures at the Florida Chautauqua. The Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are now in annual session in St. Louis. It is said that the Governor of the Province of Szechow, China, has given \$2,000 to our Szechow University.

UNHOLY TEMPERS.

Rev. John Wesley: Hear ye this, all you that are called Methodists! You, of all men living, are most concerned herein. You constantly speak of salvation by faith; and you are in the right for so doing...

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increase of 18,596. The total number of ministers and members is 1,535,622, being a net increase for the year in the ministry and membership of the Church of 18,516."

The population of India is now given as 294,262,676, an increase of over 7,000,000 in ten years. The Protestant Christians number 1,148,259; the Roman Catholics, 1,202,839.

The Watchman says that the American Baptist Churches made a net gain of 61,399 members in 1902, and that the seating capacity of churches increased by 291,132 seats and the value of Church property by more than \$2,000,000.

Rabbi Hirsch, of Chicago, says that it is a mistake to speak of one of his religion as a Hebrew, with a view to using a more respectable word than Jew. Jew is a designation of religious faith, like Christian or Mohammedan, but Hebrew is a word of race, like Irish or German.

Mrs. E. W. Key, sister of Rev. Caleb W. Key, and mother of Bishop Key, died at the home of her son-in-law, Capt. W. B. Young, in Augusta on the 15th inst. Rev. C. A. Evans, D. D., a life-long friend of the family, conducted the funeral service on the 17th inst.

The collections of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church last year amounted to \$478,296, an increase of \$51,449 over any previous year. This society employs 246 missionaries, of whom 22 are medical women located in China, India and Korea.

Three Methodist colleges of Southwest Virginia, namely Emory and Henry College, for males, Sullins College and Martha Washington College for young ladies, will be consolidated when the coming school year opens. Dr. R. G. Watterhouse of Emory and Henry will be president of the combine.

Bishop Messner, of the Catholic diocese of Green Bay, urged his people in a recent address at Marinette, to put aside all prejudices, and join hands with the followers of other faiths and work for the public welfare. "The time has come," said the Bishop, "when Catholics and Protestants should stand shoulder to shoulder to solve the great problems of temperance, public morality and every other question that concerns the public good."

An English Church, formerly ministered to by Dr. Joseph Parker, has a "butcherhouse committee." Its duties are to be at all the many doors of the great church whenever they are open. Its name suggests its methods, and its usefulness may be estimated from the fact that in seventeen months it has induced 393 people who had no intention of doing so to go to the services, a good number of them being eventually secured as regular attendants.

The free Churches in England—those of all denominations federated for the purpose of co-operative effort—have a total membership of 1,992,891, who contribute \$9,690,989 a year to religious and charitable objects, not counting special sums raised for "jubilee" or "new century" offerings. They have in their Churches 288,000 Sunday-school teachers. The young people in their Sunday-schools number this year 2,221,529, a notable increase of 45,000 over last year.

In a recent issue of the New York Christian Advocate, "Cephas," writing of Bishop Candler says: "There is no superior (in the Southern Church) to Warren Candler, a Roseberry in appearance and a Daniel Webster in powers of comprehension and condensation—the most interesting preacher in the South and the most versatile platform speaker among us. He is one of the boldest of men, and courageous beyond the fringe of the garment of policy for principle only actuates his service to and in the Church which he so signally honors and of which he, in our judgment, is to be the Moses of the coming generation. The college of Bishops does not hesitate to give him knotty problems to untie, knowing full well that he will master the most intricate problem with the determination and decision of a Napoleon."

Pure idealism cannot be promoted by impure realism.—Ran's Horn.

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LEAVE EMPHASIS WHERE PAUL PLACED IT.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is one of the fundamentals of the Christian faith. The proof of this historic fact is so abundantly established and by evidence so varied that the Christian lawyer may well say: I rest the argument here. In fact, that is what the legal mind of St. Paul did.

Without one flitting doubt, or the tremor of a single nerve, he writes: If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. I offer only a summary of the evidence here: 1. Presumptive evidence: The empty tomb.

2. Direct human testimony by men and women given when the event was fresh. Afterward by five hundred brethren at once. The event was overwhelmingly sustained by competent and credible witnesses that the enemies of Christianity deemed it useless to enter a demurrer.

3. The Divine mission. God would not allow this crowning event of his mission to lack the highest possible evidence which can be brought to the support of any fact.

4. The chosen he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God.

When the disciples had assembled in the name of the risen Savior, if the rising from the dead had been a myth God could not have set the seal of his approbation upon the preaching of Peter, for he preached Jesus and the resurrection.

By all means let the emphasis rest where Paul placed it. The rising from the dead is the test of the whole system.

If the Christian system is weak here, it is weak everywhere. If it is strong here, it is invulnerable.

If a man is skeptical, he can do no better than to study the evidences of the resurrection.

The challenge is sufficiently thrown down—he can not bring a candid mind to such investigation and go away an infidel. Any man may promulgate doctrine. Some may even die in defense of their teaching. But it remained for Jesus of Nazareth to vindicate his right to be the Savior of the world by rising from the dead. JOHN F. NEAL.

REVIEWS NOTICES.

The May number of Success is before us, and it is gotten up in beautiful form and filled with most interesting matter. It is a good family monthly.

The May number of The Pilgrim has a magnificent front covering, and its artistic touches attract the attention at once. Its contents show many articles from a variety of sources of most excellent merit. It is a thirty-eight page family monthly.

Frank Leslie's Monthly for May is an "Open Air Number" and it starts off with an article on "The Trout Stream's Story." Then follow "The Bag of Gold," "A New Novel of Adventure," "Tales of the Northwest," "The Place of Spirits," "Autobiography of a Shop Girl, and other well written articles. All these are attractively illustrated.

The special features of the May number of the American Review of Reviews are illustrated articles on "The Louisiana Purchase Exposition," by Mr. Frederick M. Crunden; on "St. Louis—A Strong Western City," by M. William F. Saunders; on "Giant Ships for Our Oriental Trade," by Mr. F. N. Stacy; on "The German Municipal Exposition," by Mr. George E. Hooker; and on "The Right Hon. Geo. Wyndham, M. P., Champion of the

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A GOOD MAN GONE.

Rev. George E. Parsons, of Groveton Circuit, died at noon Friday, May 1, 1903. He was buried in the cemetery at Groveton Sunday, May 3. A good man has finished his work and gone to his reward. His end was peace. The following brethren took part in the funeral service: Revs. C. M. Cagle, of Grapeland; R. O. Bailey, of Colmesneil; J. T. Howell, of Willard; J. W. Mills, of Trinity; A. J. Frick, of Trinity; and J. B. Sears, of Jacksonville. A suitable memoir will follow ere long.

Bro. Mat. Sanford passed peacefully to rest May 2, 1903, and we laid him away at the Sardus Cemetery yesterday. He was one of my stewards at Long Branch. His message to his young associates was that the Christian life was all that was worth living. Some one will prepare his obituary later. W. H. HARRIS.

The good is seldom expedited by the consideration of expediency.

Sunday-School Department.

Second Quarter. Lesson 7. May 17.

PAUL BEFORE FELIX.

Acts 18:14, 24-28.

Golden Text: "I will fear no evil: for thou art with me."—Psa. 23:4.

From the International Evangelist:

The Lesson Constructed.

Location: Caesarea, five days after the last lesson.

Material: The Roman commander who sent Paul to Caesarea had informed the Jews that the case would be tried there by Felix the Governor. In five days a deputation came, with a lawyer (21:12) who charged Paul with (1) sedition, (2) heresy, (3) sacrilege (vs. 29). Paul's defense was against (1) that the Governor himself knew better; against (2) that he was a good Jew, though a Christian; that he came to Jerusalem to worship, and claimed toleration; as to (3) he made positive denial (vs. 12-21). Felix, who knew about the Christian way somewhat, adjourned the hearing till Lysias should come down (vs. 22), and ordered Paul into honorable restraint (vs. 23). Some time after Felix and Drusilla sent for Paul and heard him (vs. 24). The address terrified Felix so that he dismissed Paul in haste (vs. 25), and yet called him again and again, hoping a bribe for release would be offered him. So it went on for two years.

An Analysis: Two years in Caesarea; the breakdown of the prosecution; the weakness of the Governor; the faithfulness of the prisoner.

The conspiracy of the Jews to kill Paul having been frustrated by its exposure to the Roman officer, who caused him to be hastily and secretly transferred to Felix, the Governor, at Caesarea, nothing remained for his enemies but to pursue him under the forms of law. They lost little time in doing this, for within five days the high priest and the elders, with a professional orator, evidently a Roman, named Tertullus, came to Caesarea and presented their accusations. This paid attorney introduced his address with such adroit compliments to Felix, and then presented three accusations, or rather perhaps three specifications under one general charge. That charge was: "We have found this man to be a pestilent fellow" (vs. 15). The specifications were, (1) he is a mover of sedition everywhere, (2) he is a ring leader of the sect of the Nazarenes, (3) he is a profaner of the temple. The first and the third of these accusations were wholly false. The sedition complained of had always been stirred up by the Jews themselves. They charged their own riot making charge. They had seen Paul in company with an Ephesian, whom they supposed Paul had brought into the temple, it being contrary to Jewish law that a Gentile should enter the temple. But at that very time, so far from violating the laws of the Jews, Paul was endeavoring, under the advice of the elders of the Christian Church, to show his respect for Jewish institutions. The second accusation was of course, true, for Paul was perhaps the foremost leader of the Christian Church. But to be a leader of a religious sect is not necessarily a crime, and Christianity at that time was under no interdiction of the Roman Government.

Replying to his accusers, Paul spoke with the adroitness of a trained orator, and with the keenness of a trained lawyer. He also complimented Felix, by referring to his extensive knowledge based on long service as a ruler. He called attention to the fact that only some twelve days before he had gone up to Jerusalem to worship, and that while there he had engaged in no disputes, stirred up no popular disorder in the synagogues nor in the city. He denied that his accusers could bring any proofs of their charges to the contrary. As to his connection with the sect of the "Nazarenes," he made no denial, but declared that his faith was based upon the "Law and the prophets." He stated that he had come to Jerusalem as the bearer of charities to people of his own nation. He called attention to the fact that certain Asiatic Jews had found him quietly worshipping in the temple, and had stirred up a tumult against him on the ground of certain matters alleged to have been done by him in those distant parts, but no proof of which had ever been submitted. Where, he asked, were those men who stirred up the trouble in the first

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place? Why were they not there to substantiate their accusations?

In the meantime Felix was not a little moved by Paul's teachings. Felix had very considerable information concerning the Christian sect. That is asserted in 24:22: "Having more perfect knowledge of that way." "The Way" was a familiar term for the whole system of doctrine and practice of Christianity, though strictly referring to Christ himself. Felix was doubtless interested in the new sect in advance and was impressed with Paul's personality and the defense he had made against his accusers. So later on his wife being with him, he sent for Paul and called on him to speak more fully concerning his faith. Paul never threw away such an opportunity and he spoke with such scorching power that the ruler, who had thought only to be entertained, was deeply impressed and trembled. But nothing came of it. The hope for a bribe remained, and only because of that hope he afterwards sought interviews with Paul.

Epworth League Department.

All communications intended for this department and exchanges with articles to be commented upon, should be sent to Gus W. Thomason, Van Alstyne, Texas.

OFF FOR SAN ANTONIO.

Rev. J. B. Gober and myself, in company with our wives and Mrs. Bettie Taylor, James Slaughter, Misses Nettie Douglas and Fannie Golden, left Van Alstyne Thursday morning, April 22, at 8 o'clock for San Antonio, the seat of the State Epworth League Conference. The Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company had placed at our disposal one of their elegantly equipped chair cars, in which we were soon comfortably quartered for the trip. A number of our friends were at the station to see us off, and we departed amid the waving of handkerchiefs and innumerable felicitations. Our car bore a large banner on either side, reading "Van Alstyne and McKinney Leaguers," and at the latter place we were joined by the following party of Leaguers: Mesdames C. G. Goulin and J. L. Todd, Misses Pauline Rogers and Sankie Matthews, John A. McDermitt and little one of McKinney, C. A. Wilson of Princeton, J. Z. Hill of Frisco. At Dallas our car was detached from the regular train and attached to the McDermitt North Texas League Special, in charge of Capt. Westbrook, one of our good Methodist railroad men. Here Harry Hallock of Denton; Marvin Nichols of Gainesville; De Werlein of Fort Worth, and Editor Dial of Greenville with several other North Texas Leaguers, accompanied our car. The Central Railroad had put on a special train of eight cars to accommodate the heavy traffic; it was expected the occasion would create, but less than fifty people were on board when we pulled out of Dallas at 10 o'clock. At Ennis the special train was abandoned and our car was transferred to the regular train. A number of the Ennis Leaguers were out to greet us, and our good friend T. J. Duncan, took passage with us from there. The day was ideal for traveling, and the crowd was in a happy mood. Bro. Gober led the singing, and everybody joined in, and thus the hours went merrily on. Mr. Ely Essien, the courteous traveling passenger agent of the Central Railroad, was along to see that our comforts were not neglected. The Central is a first-class railroad, with modern rolling stock equipment, and one of the finest roadbeds in the State. Their engines are fitted with oil burner appliances, which practically does away with the annoyance of smoke and cinders. The journey to Hearne was made without incident, but there we were delayed some little time in having our car transferred to the I. and G. N. track. At Austin Dr. Cody and several of his Georgetown young people joined us. We reached San Antonio about 11 o'clock at night, and were met by W. G. Lee Woods, who directed us to North Texas Headquarters on Alamo Plaza. After a night's refreshing slumber we were ready for the day's work.

G. W. T.

THE CONFERENCE.

Ten o'clock was the hour set for the District Secretaries' meeting, but it was 20 minutes later when the Conference was called to order Friday morning, April 24. Rev. J. Marvin Nichols conducted the opening devotional service, and Rev. Sterling Fisher led the music. After these preliminaries the President formally opened the Conference, and Secretary Ellis took charge. It soon developed that not one District Secretary was present but the difficulties in gathering reports were thoroughly discussed. It was very evident that better system is needed in Texas.

At 11 o'clock the opening sermon was preached. As stated in our note last week, this sermon was delivered by Dr. S. H. Werlein, pastor of our First Church in Fort Worth. He was pressed into service under protest,

having received notice only the day before that he would be expected to fill the place. Dr. Werlein chose as his theme "Consecration," and selected the 5th verse of the twenty-ninth chapter of 1 Corinthians as his text. The Doctor is a man of much ability. He has a strong, well-rounded voice, and speaks clearly and distinctly. He handles his subject in a masterly manner, and holds his audience in his grasp, swaying it at will. At this hour he stressed the need of deeper consecration, and exhorted the Leaguers to seek a closer relation with Almighty God. It was a great theme, well handled, and was one of the most inspiring services of the entire Conference. Adjournment followed shortly after noon. At 2:30 o'clock the Conference reassembled and Rev. T. J. Duncan, of Ennis, conducted the devotional services. Secretary Ellis submitted his report for the year. The report was a recapitulation of the statistics already published in this column, and, in addition, recounted the many difficulties encountered in gathering reports. A motion prevailed that the report be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, when such a committee was appointed.

The President then appointed the following committees, viz:

On Resolutions.—West Texas Conference, Rev. T. F. Sessions, Seguin; Wesley Pearcock, San Antonio, Texas Conference; W. B. Jones and Miss Bailey, Houston, Northwest Texas Conference; Dr. S. H. Werlein, Fort Worth; O. E. Patterson, Taylor, North Texas Conference; Rev. J. B. Gober, Van Alstyne; R. C. Dial, Greenville, German Mission Conference; Rev. A. E. Rector, San Antonio; Rev. J. C. Winkler, New Berlin, Mexican Border Mission Conference; Rev. J. R. Mood.

On Nominations.—From the North Texas Conference, Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, Gainesville; John A. McDermitt, McKinney, Northwest Texas Conference; James Calloway, Grandview; Rev. T. J. Duncan, Ennis, Texas Conference; Rev. C. F. Smith, Cameron; W. S. Napier, Houston, West Texas Conference; Rev. V. G. Thomas, Pearshall; J. B. Flannery, Jr., San Antonio, German Mission Conference; Rev. C. H. Waltersdorf, Senior, Rev. R. C. Rausch, New Fountain, Mexican Border Mission Conference; Rev. J. R. Mood.

Upon motion, the Secretary was instructed to procure the enrollment of the delegates from League headquarters at 210 East Houston Street. The special committee on League Assembly Investigation was not ready to report, and upon motion was granted further time.

The President's address followed. Referring to the Field Secretary, the President said:

"Our last Conference was held at Fort Worth May 16-18, 1902, at which a resolution was adopted creating the office of Field Secretary and directing the State Cabinet to appoint some one to the position and collect a fund for the prosecution of the work. As an evidence of their approval a subscription list of more than \$100 was pledged by the delegates present. The question was raised, however, as to whether the State League had the authority to create such an office, and it was decided to refer the matter to the Church authorities for a ruling. Your President talked with several of the Bishops about the matter and while none of them expressed what was termed an official opinion, there was not a dissenting voice as to the right of the State Conference to institute such a line of work. In order to be perfectly fair and loyal and to be sure that the proceeding was in due and proper form a copy of the resolution was submitted to the General Secretary of the Epworth League Board, which, as everybody knows, has general oversight of the Epworth League in our Church. On June 2, 1902, the following reply was received, to-wit:

"With reference to your Field Secretary for Texas, I am glad to say that the plan meets my hearty personal and official endorsement. I took occasion to bring the matter before the new Epworth League Board at its sitting in the Oriental Hotel at Dallas and asked for endorsement of the plan. It was the opinion of the Board that it needed no endorsement, and that it was legitimate and legal for the Texas Leaguers to take such a step. So, as I see it, there is absolutely nothing in your way. I wish we might have one in every State."

"H. M. DuBOISE."

"Then again, on June 29, 1902, he wrote as follows:

"I am anxious to see your Field Secretary put to work. If the experiment succeeds I will try to get other States to adopt it."

"A meeting of the Cabinet was held in Dallas July 27, 1902, at which it was decided to appoint a Financial Secretary to raise \$1000 for the support of the Field Secretary, who should be selected as soon as the full amount was raised. A. K. Ragsdale, of Tyler, was appointed Financial Secretary and instructed to proceed with the collection of the fund. The daily press of July

28, 1902, contained an account of the cabinet meeting and protests were immediately forthcoming from some of our Methodist preachers. Realizing that the success of the movement would depend upon the hearty and undivided support of the ministry, the Cabinet hesitated to push the matter and held it in abeyance to await developments. A meeting was subsequently called for October 8, 1902, to take final action. A quorum of the members of the Cabinet was not present on that occasion, and we were unable to transact the business for which the meeting was called, but Mr. Ragsdale handed in his resignation to me and the same was accepted. From the information before me I was moved to submit a recommendation that the collection of a fund for the maintenance and the appointment of a Field Secretary be postponed until the next meeting of the State Conference. In this the members of the Cabinet all agreed, and the question of a Field Secretary is therefore before you once more. It was argued by the opponents of the movement that the resolution favoring it was hastily adopted and did not represent a majority sentiment of the Texas Leaguers. Publication has been widely made to the effect that the question would come up at the time, and it is hoped a definite and unanimous opinion has been formed and will be expressed."

In reference to the State Assembly enterprise, he said:

"The matter of a League Assembly having been mentioned by various parties to the members of the Cabinet, the President was instructed to open correspondence through the Epworth Era and to make all other possible investigation concerning such a departure. I wrote at once to the Methodist pastors at La Porte and Corpus Christi and inserted a notice in the official organ of the League. Considerable agitation resulted, and at the third meeting of the Cabinet, held January 18, 1902, it was deemed wise to appoint a special committee to make still further investigation and report the result of its findings to this session. Accordingly Miss Minerva Reese of Sampronsious; R. M. Kelly, of Longview, and Arthur McVeigh, of Cleburne, were appointed as a committee of investigation. So the question of a League Assembly is before you."

He recommended that the State League officially endorse the Wesley Monumental Fund Movement inaugurated by Bro. J. Marvin Nichols, stressed the great need of better organization and recommended that all unorganized districts be organized during the coming year. The address was referred to the Committee on Resolutions. At this juncture the announcement was made that the speaker of the evening Dr. John M. Moore, was unable on account of illness, to be present, and a committee was appointed to nominate a substitute. The choice fell on Dr. Cody, who reluctantly agreed to occupy the hour. At 7:30 p. m. Mr. Will S. Moore, of Austin, delivered an address on the subject of "What John Wesley Has Done for the World." It was a scholarly effort, and was listened to with rapt attention.

At night Dr. Cody presented his report as Third Vice-President, saying that out of 328 Senior Leagues heard from in Texas only 82 had the Literary Department in operation. From the information furnished by the Secretary and the Publishing House he was able to state that 300 sets of the Reading Course had been sold in the State. There seemed to be no uniformity of method in conducting the literary work of the League. He thought it was dangerous for the leaders of this department to arrange for a separate and elaborate course of study differing from or in exclusion to the regular course laid down by the General Board. He warned the Leaguers equally against the very rigid reading plan, the loose literary club, and the extreme social-entertainment feature. Incidentally he made a strong plea for purer literature. It was a practical discussion of a difficult problem and showed the speaker's thorough knowledge of the needs of the hour.

Following the address, Rev. J. Marvin Nichols moved the appointment of a committee on Temperance. Bro. Duncan objected to the word "Temperance" and wanted to substitute the word "Prohibition." Neither of these words suited Rev. J. W. Moore, pastor of Travis Park Church, where the Conference was being held, and he offered the words "Local Option" instead, and his amendment finally prevailed. The chair appointed on the committee the following brethren: Editor R. C. Dial, Greenville; Rev. A. E. Rector, San Antonio; Rev. J. Marvin Nichols, Gainesville; Rev. T. J. Duncan, Ennis; Dr. S. H. Werlein, Fort Worth.

The biography of the Rev. J. W. DeVillbliss, deceased, was offered for sale by Rev. V. G. Thomas, of Pearshall, and a goodly number of copies were sold.

Bro. Thomas was announced to conduct the early morning praise service, the benediction was pronounced and the first day's session of the Eleventh Annual Conference of the State League was at an end.

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WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT.

Conducted in the interest of the W. F. M. Society and the W. H. M. Society. Address all communications to Mrs. Florence E. Howell, 179 Maaten Street, Dallas, Texas.

In estimating the work of the W. F. M. S. in the Texas Conference some time since I omitted a very important item. Three Bible women are to be supported by the Auxiliaries of the Calvert District. Only two were reported. Money for the other is furnished by an individual member of the Martin Auxiliary.

MRS. S. PHILPOTT,
Dew, Texas.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Northwest Texas Conference will meet in Temple June 5-12 inclusive. We accept the kind invitation of the pastor, Rev. C. R. Wright, in late issue of these columns. Do not delay in the election of your delegates. These, with the names of all visitors, must be sent to Mrs. J. R. Stanton, 516 N. 7th St., Temple, Texas, for entertainment. The railroads grant us rates of a fare and one-third on certificate plan. Be sure to get a receipt for ticket bought in order to secure the one-third fare on your return. I would call your attention to and reiterate the words of Mrs. J. H. Bowman, of the W. F. M. S., North Texas Conference: "Talk about the meeting, pray about it, think about it," etc. To our interesting program we expect to be able to add the names of Bishop E. E. Hoss and Mrs. M. L. Hargrove, of the Scarritt Bible and Training School. See for this notice in these columns.

MRS. W. F. BARNUM

W. F. M. SOCIETY, WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The annual meeting of the W. F. M. S., West Texas Conference will be held in Gonzalez, commencing Friday, May 29. A preliminary meeting will be held Friday afternoon and consecration service, followed by a social hour Friday evening. First business meeting Saturday morning, May 30.

We would urge upon every Auxiliary and every Junior Society the great importance of sending a delegate. We hope also to have all of our lady managers and District Secretaries with us.

As this will be the first meeting since the transfer of Austin District and the counties, Lampasas, Mills and Burnet to West Texas Conference, we are exceedingly desirous that it should be especially interesting and profitable.

All officers and delegates intending to attend the meeting, will please notify Mrs. G. W. Monkhouse, Gonzalez, Texas, as soon as practicable. Let us go to the meeting in the spirit of the Lord, seeking his help in our efforts to do his work.

MRS. E. C. NICHOLS,
San Antonio, Texas, President

We are authorized by Mrs. Bowman, President of the W. F. M. Society, North Texas Conference, to state that an open rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip has been secured for the annual meeting of the Conference Society, to be held in Clarksville June 27; tickets on sale June 2, 3, with return limit June 8. This rate will not be on the certificate plan, but is good "for the few as for the many" and the President urges that each Auxiliary of the Conference Society will send a delegate to the annual meeting so that there may be a full representation. Bishop Hoss (instead of Bishop Hendrix, as was stated by mistake) will be present at the annual meeting and will preach the annual sermon at 11 o'clock on Sunday. Mrs. Hargrove, Bible teacher in the Scarritt Bible and Training School, is also expected to be a visitor at the meeting.

W. H. M. SOCIETY.

To District Secretaries of W. H. M. Societies North Texas Conference:

At our last conference meeting it was decided to print a pledge and get every Auxiliary to form prayer bands, asking those who could not attend our weekly meetings to join us in praying definitely for our society.

Whitewright has reported a band of 14; Wichita Falls, 16; Paris, Centenary, 3; Campbell, 9; First Church, Dallas, 10. In your district meetings please have reports made in regard to these bands. If we have the faith in prayer, that God's children should have, we will make every effort to see the "shut-ins" and ask their prayers, and we who can attend regularly will have our interest increased by praying definitely for our work. Please have presented in your meetings your work among the poor. Impress the thought, "Inasmuch as we have done it unto one of the least

of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

MRS. J. T. WEBSTER,
Paris, Texas.

THE W. F. M. SOCIETY, FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, DALLAS.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church, in Dallas, was organized several months before the organization of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in 1878. This society has kept up its regular monthly meetings faithfully ever since its organization, over twenty-five years ago. The officers of this society have been, and are, faithful and efficient. Our President at this time was also first President of the society when organized and has served us in many important offices, and is one whom we all love and honor, and whose heart is deeply interested in this work, the well known and beloved editor of the Woman's Department of the Texas Christian Advocate.

This society now has thirty-four members enrolled, having lost some by the changes which have recently been made in Dallas Methodism. The attendance of the membership is quite good, but there are not near so many enrolled on this list as we are now striving to secure and which we hope to get. The finances of the society have been carefully and faithfully cared for, the money being carefully collected and expended for the various causes brought before the society.

The Woman's Missionary Advocate, the organ of the general society, is subscribed for by about one-half of the membership, but we hope for an early improvement in this direction. This magazine is full of fresh, interesting news, right from the fields of our work, and from our mission schools, and ought to be in the hands of every member, and would prove profitable and interesting reading to any one.

In addition to our regular business meetings, held first Monday in each month, we have what we call the Missionary Reading Circle, partly literary and partly social, which meets on the afternoon of the last Friday in each month, and is entertained at the homes of the different ladies by invitation. The Reading Circle is always opened with devotional exercises, after which each member responds to her name with a verse of scripture containing the topical word, announced at the previous meeting.

The program is not long, nor very formal, and generally consists of several sweet songs and instrumental selections, readings, recitations and talks along the line of our work, and after these exercises comes the social hour, which is enjoyed by all.

This Auxiliary, in connection with all the other societies belonging to the North Texas Conference, has an interest in a scholarship in the Scarritt Bible and Training School, the scholarship having been endowed several years since by our Conference Society at a cost of \$2500, and any young lady from this conference who earnestly desires to become a missionary, either for home or foreign work, may go and receive free of expense to her a thorough course of instruction in Bible study and all other branches necessary to prepare her for the great work. One dear young lady, Miss Norwood Wynne, went out from our Conference Society and from the Training School two years ago and is now in Mexico giving her time and talent to missionary work.

In Havana, Cuba, we have a boarding school established by our Woman's Board of Foreign Missions named for a dear sister and worker of this conference, who was once a member of our Church in Dallas, then known as Lamar Street Church, of which our First Church is the successor. She has pressed on and entered into her reward several years since, but we delight to honor her and keep her memory ever green in our hearts, and we are glad this school has been named for her by the Woman's Board—"The Eliza Bowman School."

On Easter First Church was beautifully decorated with palms, Easter lilies and other evergreen. Our pastor preached a fine sermon at the morning hour and gave the Missionary Society the evening hour of service. We had a good program, consisting of fine music by the choir, a choice recitation, "The Legend of Service," by Miss Bessie Keller, an interesting and instructive reading by Mrs. Coble, followed by a duet by the Misses Searcy.

Dr. Moore, our pastor, gave an interesting and instructive talk along the line of our work. He spoke in words of praise and commendation of the work of the Scarritt Bible and Training School. A collection was taken up to help establish a lectureship in this school, to be called for Mrs. Wightman, the President of the Board; \$20.99 was realized from this collection. The financial statement of the Treasurer of our Auxiliary for the fiscal year just ended shows that

there have been received and expended \$155.40.

And now the question that comes home to each and all of us as Christian women, followers of the Master. Are we earnestly trying by every means in our power to fulfill his last command? Let us pray and strive more earnestly than ever to send the gospel "to the uttermost parts of the earth," so that at that great day no soul may say, as did the little Gypsy boy of old,

"Nobody ever told me."

MRS. VIRGINIA BEAUMONT,
Dallas, Texas.

A CITY BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The regular monthly meeting of the City Board of Home Missions of Dallas was held last Tuesday in April at the Settlement Home, corner Collins and Magnolia Streets. This Board is composed of representatives from the various Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Churches of Dallas, including Oak Cliff. The following ladies compose the membership of the Board: First Methodist Church, Mrs. G. M. Smith, Mrs. W. C. Young, Mrs. F. E. Howell; Grace Church, Mrs. E. B. Perkins, Mrs. L. H. Potts, Mrs. J. L. Tichenor, Mrs. J. H. Webster; Trinity Church, Mrs. E. T. Watson, Mrs. S. D. Thurston, Mrs. Ben Brown, Mrs. Milton Ragsdale; Ervay Street Church, Mrs. W. H. Potts, Mrs. E. W. Rose, Mrs. Reilly; Oak Lawn Church, Mrs. C. B. Gillespie; Oak Cliff Church, Mrs. W. M. Crow, Mrs. G. N. Turner, Mrs. Henry Dorsey. The election of officers for the ensuing year was held at the last monthly meeting of the Board, resulting as follows:

President, Mrs. L. H. Potts, Grace Church; First Vice-President, Mrs. W. C. Young, First Methodist Church; Second Vice-President, Mrs. W. M. Crow, Oak Cliff Methodist Church; Treasurer, Mrs. S. D. Thurston, Trinity Church; Secretary, Mrs. F. E. Howell, First Methodist Church.

The headquarters, or home for the City Missionary, employed by the Board, Miss Estelle Haskin, to be hereafter known as the Settlement Home, was opened on March 29. The report of the Treasurer of the Board, given at the monthly meeting, showed that the sum of \$290.10 has been received in cash donations since the opening of the home, of which the sum of \$ has been paid out for furnishings for the home, for current expenses, and for salary of the City Missionary. Substantial contributions in furniture had also been received from the home from Grace Church, from the Woman's Home Mission Society of First Methodist Church, from the Young Ladies' Society of First Methodist Church, from Trinity Church and from the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church in Oak Cliff. A free kindergarten department has been opened in the home, also a day nursery department where young children of working women are cared for during working hours, and the City Missionary's monthly report showed that there had been an average daily attendance of sixty-seven in the former—boys and girls—and of twelve in the latter department.

Miss Haskin has the assistance of two young girls, who reside in the home and attend to the household duties, etc. The services of Miss Pace have been secured, a lady of mature years and experienced in kindergarten work, who also resides in the home and gives several hours daily to the kindergarten department.

The Settlement Home is for the present in rented quarters, a cottage of six rooms, but a nucleus for a building fund has already been raised and is in the hands of the Treasurer, from which it is hoped that a fund of proportion ample to build a permanent home may be realized at some time in the near future.

The Board has for its President one who is ever active and alert for the interests of home mission work in all its departments as is shown by her leadership as President of the Woman's Home Mission Society of North Texas Conference, and her activity in the local work where she resides. The outlook for the work of this local board of city missions is encouraging and the possibilities of usefulness for it are almost without limit, and it is only left for the willing hearts and willing hands of the members to reach out and grasp the opportunities for good that are thus opened to them, and blessings untold will come to many needy ones as the result.

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.

W. F. M. SOCIETY, HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

It has been nearly a year since I have seen anything in the Woman's Department of the Advocate from Huntsville District W. F. M. Society, but we are neither dead nor asleep. In fact, we are more alive than ever before, but we have taken a little nap for our subscriptions to the Wo-

man's Missionary Advocate and Little Worker are decreasing in number, and though we are still a little drowsy we are waking up on this line.

Both societies at Bryan are doing well. They now have a fine new building to meet in, and I suppose the expense attached to the getting of this explains a slight decrease in monies received from them the last few months.

Navasota Young People are making advance along all lines. Last week they had a trying experience, but the way they rose above it shows they have not learned the word "discouraged." They have for several years been clothing a child in Laredo Seminary.

"We have sent your child away from the school, as she was not leaving enough to justify our keeping her. She cared neither for her books nor the domestic training, and we felt it was unjust to you and the Board to keep her longer; what shall I do with the box of clothing just received from you?" or words to that effect, were last week received by these young people from Miss N. E. Holding.

They answered: "Use the clothing as you deem best, and give us another child to clothe."

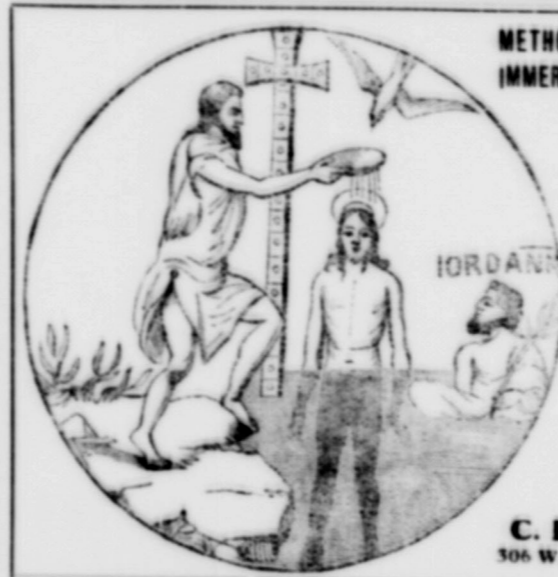
Navasota adult Auxiliary is about as it was when I last wrote. They are paying more on the pledge and still clothe a child in Methvin Institute, in the Indian Mission work.

Willis has at last "dared to dare." You remember when I last sent you a report from this district I told you Willis had a Juvenile Society with grown up members? Well, it now has an adult Auxiliary and a juvenile also. But just before the adult Auxiliary was organized it gave its District Secretary a dreadful fright, for it came near fainting dead away and disbanding altogether, but next thing the District Secretary knew, not only was the Juvenile working full hours, but an adult organized and at work. Some body must have been praying. That is good medicine for sick societies.

Since Anderson has a railroad, both societies there are improving, especially the Juvenile. These little folks have a new Lady Manager, and take great pride in clothing a child in Laredo. Anderson Societies are learning what is being done in the foreign field, and all they can about who is doing it. When such as this is accomplished, we feel no fear of them disbanding, though they are few in number.

Huntsville adult Auxiliary is still at work, and though little advancement has been made, there has been some right lately. They will send a delegate to the annual meeting of the Conference Society at Palestine, as will also Huntsville Juveniles. These

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Bryan and Willis have not been heard from about sending a delegate, but delegates are expected to attend the annual meeting from the other towns represented, and in most instances from each Auxiliary in each town.

For the year ending March, 1902, the district lacks only \$1 of paying its conference fund in full. This is quite an advance step. While some Auxiliaries failed to pay this fund in full, others overpaid, so all in all Huntsville District W. F. M. Society is improving. (MRS.) C. A. HOOPER,
Huntsville, Texas. Dist. Sec.

The passenger department of the I. & G. N. have arranged for the following rates to the annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to be held at Palestine June 4 to 8, inclusive:

Rates to Palestine and return for ocean mentioned will be on the usual convention basis, namely: From stations within 100 miles of Palestine, one and one-third fare; from stations beyond that distance, one fare plus 10 per cent. Tickets will be sold June 2 and 4, with limit June 3, 1902. Connecting lines in East Texas have been requested to arrange for the sale of tickets on same basis and will doubtless do so.

Palestine is preparing to give all our sisters in this work a royal welcome and we hope we will have a large attendance. All our preachers are cordially invited to be present with us.

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J. J. Shaw, Md. a meeting at March 7. One weather song of the time, yeting, quids, a sion. Six pins, and some, I think. Out a to the Sunday League. Several of both the worth League, Rev. F. P. change was we and proceed to level building. can't be high appreciation. With will appreciate, I'm were considerable outburst are that ing. As this continued, people phoned with me are moving. We have had no in been in a strange in that we school of girl on Christmas presents for the of the W. H. present of the appropriate. I'm for good revival for collections.

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OBITUARIES.

The space allowed obituaries is twenty lines, or about 150 words.

Resolutions of respect will not be inserted in the Obituary Department under any circumstances, but if paid for will be inserted in another column.

Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent.

DONNELL—James Monroe Donnell, son of John M. and Jane Donnell, was born in Tennessee, Aug. 1, 1857.

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FLOSSIE'S UMBRELLA. The other day a big stray dog followed Flossie home from Sunday-school.

Flossie asked her mother if she might give him something to eat. How the dog did eat up the scraps of meat she gave him!

Flossie's father looked at the dog's collar and read the name of his master and sent him safely home.

One day Flossie was going to Aunt Margaret's to spend the day. It looked a little cloudy and mother gave her an umbrella.

Flossie started to run after it, but it kept on tumbling and tossing ahead of her.

Then, all at once, something big and black dashed by her and ran after the umbrella faster than the wind could go.

What do you think it was? It was Flossie's friend, the stray dog.

Before she could cry any more, he had caught the runaway umbrella and was holding it by the handle.

How he did wag his tail as if to say: "Here it is, little girl. One good turn deserves another. You brought me back to my master and now I have caught your umbrella for you."

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Advertisement for Dr. Terrill's New Book Diseases of Men. Dr. J. H. Terrill, 255 Main Street, DALLAS, TEXAS.

Advertisement for DAGUS & DAY'S BUSINESS COLLEGES, 525 Elm St., Dallas, Greenville, Corsicana, Texas, South McAlester, I. T.

Large advertisement for SOMETHING NEW IN SEWING MACHINE WOOD WORK, featuring an illustration of a sewing machine and a price of \$23.50.

WEST TEXAS and NORTHWEST TEXAS lists of names and locations, including Llano, Del Rio, and various other towns.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing various church districts and their members for the West Texas Conference, including Llano, Brownwood, Waco, Corsicana, Waxahatchie, San Marcos, San Antonio, Beaverville, Austin, Northwest Tex., Abilene, and Georgetown.

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Advertisement for 'Diseases of Men' medicine, claiming to be the hands of every man and providing information on various ailments.

Advertisement for a dental or medical service located at 285 Main Street, Dallas, Texas.

Advertisement for 'ING' (likely a brand name) featuring a logo and text.

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OVERLAND FROM EGYPT TO JERUSALEM.

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Two more days of wearisome travel brought us into this city. In just the humor to fully appreciate the grand purpose of the Jerusalem Exhibit Company of St. Louis to reproduce Jerusalem and its environs in their most important features at the coming Exposition in St. Louis...

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let them have the few drops of water we had. It would do them but little good, but it might save us. Then, in the greatest sand storm I had ever seen, a fierce sand storm overtook us...

The next morning (Saturday), after trying delays, we found ourselves again on the way, and with only one camel and an impudent driver. Though much of the district through which we traveled was cultivated, we saw only one little village during the day...

We had hoped to reach Gaza by midnight, but now we could not expect to get there until several hours after that time. To add to the terrors of the night a terrible wind and rain storm burst upon us...

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY. Our Sunday-school and Epworth League Rally for the western part of the Waxahachie District...

WEST TEXAS MISSIONARY REPORT. According to notice given, this Secretary is to report those charges who are paid out in full for missions by the 1st of May...

A SUGGESTION TO STEWARDS. Doubtless your pastor is coveting an opportunity to attend the Theological Institute at Georgetown in June.

IF THE BABY IS CUTTING TEETH. Be sure to use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP, for children teething.

DALLAS DISTRICT LEAGUERS.

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THE SIN OF... Envy is itself... ing upon the part... another person's... species of covetousness... may not necessarily... but when indulged... is sure to follow... weakness of him... actually become... And it so happens... it among ministers... here it thrusts its... influence. One p... and another one... successful and... one is gifted with... is dull and slow... responsible position... to obscure position... equalities envy... man can not see... should not fare... popular and successful... on the apparent... sour and morose... commend in his... loses an opportunity... of him and his... back and oppressor... is put forward... words, he finally... lieve that it is... that gives to his... tions that he sees... and wrong... under. He now... him occupies position... that rightfully belongs... bles, complaints, head, makes his efficiency... injures his efficiency... ister. To him... results of it are... conduct and his... his troubles are... the inequalities... Were he to devote... himself a sweet-... ister as he does... brother minister... The fact is an... selfish man and... more highly of... think. He is exacting... himself and not... him. He is the... and ungenerous... joys in the success... brethren, but the... he sees others ad... hind. His soul is... close a spirit of... possesses him he... self-sacrificing... the ministry of the... of censuring him... brethren and the