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Editorial.

DEATH AND THE RESURRECTION.

That we must all die is a self-evident proposition, the truthfulness of which none of us, however skeptical we may be on other subjects, are able to call in question. All the past is a demonstration of it and the present is constantly giving us its illustration. It is one of the results of sin. Sin came into the world, and death by sin, and all must die. It has claimed the unnumbered millions that have gone before us, and all who now live will fall victims to its prey. None of us will be able to escape. The unborn infant, the young, the middle-aged and the old and infirm all are marching to the tomb. When we take this view of the subject, we cannot resist the impression, that if death be the end of all, and there is nothing beyond, then it would be better never to have been born. Under such circumstances, life would be a burlesque, and the grave a solemn mockery.

But is it a fact that death is to end all? Is the grave to be the final and permanent resting place of the living? Is the going out of life to be an eternal sleep, through one long and interminable night, in whose murky firmament no star of hope will keep its solitary vigil, and over whose obscured horizon no sun of life and immortality will ever dawn? The infidel says "yes," and the agnostic says, "I do not know." But this Easter morn says "No!" It tells us in tones of unbroken triumph that the grave is not our permanent resting place, that death is not an eternal sleep. It brings to us the glad assurance that death is to be followed by an everlasting waking, and that the grave will be broken by the voice of an angelic trumpet. "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." The resurrection of Christ is a guarantee that all the dead will be raised. The fact of the resurrection comes to us with this recurring Easter with double emphasis. We are not concerned about the manner of the resurrection. What or when this will be no man knows; but the fact of it is put beyond all doubt by the words of the Master. We know that it will be a resurrection, and that is enough. God will take care of the rest. As to what manner of bodies we shall then have, we do not know; but we know that they will be spiritual bodies, glorious bodies, incorruptible bodies, immortal bodies. "For this corruption must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." We have no words with which to describe the spiritual, the immortal, the incorruptible. But whatever they mean will be fully realized in the process of the resurrection. And when this realization is consummated, then will be brought to pass that saying, which is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory. Oh death, where is thy sting? Oh grave, where is thy victory?" But the tongue of death will be paralyzed, and the hoarse voice of the grave will be silent forever. "Thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Then there will be no more crying, no more pain, no more sorrow, no more death! The new heaven and the new earth will be vocal with praises, and Christ will be crowned King of Kings, and

Lord of Lords. He who was dead but is alive again forever more will receive glory and honor and praise, world without end!

Therefore, this glorious Easter morning brings to us hope and joy and inspiration. It takes the pain out of our suffering, the fear out of our hopes, and points us unerringly to the land without shadows, the home without broken ties, where God will wipe all tears from our eyes, and lead us to fountains of increasing life and unending immortality. With such a hope and such an inspiration, we can afford to live and suffer and die, knowing that the end of these is everlasting blessedness with Jesus Christ our Lord. Happy Easter Day! Let all our praises ascend the heavenly hill, and swell the doxology of the sky!

THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL TO DRAW.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is a spiritual magnet and when properly presented it will draw the people to hear it. It was so when Christ dwelt in the flesh and preached to men. It has been so from that time to the present. We have recently had a demonstration of this statement in the City of Dallas. As was noted in our last issue, the evangelistic services, under the auspices of the leading Protestant Churches, took a wide sweep. Several ministers and singers from a distance took part in the services. Only two of them were men of more than ordinary gifts; the others were plain, but earnest, men. Dr. Chapman is extraordinary in his power as a leader and an organizer, and he is popular and strong as a preacher. We have heard better religious general. Dr. Ostrom is an extraordinary preacher. He is a profound Bible scholar, has a most wonderfully keen intellect, an irrefragable personality, and a magnetic style of preaching. There is something saintly and beautiful in his countenance. These two were the dominant men in the movement; the others were helpers. But the real power was in the unity of effort upon the part of all the pastors in a general campaign for the salvation of humanity. There was not one objectionable feature in the services. It was pure, good old gospel, from the start to the finish. It was not eloquence as the world calls eloquence. Yet the people flocked in great crowds to hear the preaching. All the churches were crowded. Really, there was a rush to get seats. At the mid-day meetings in Bush Temple there was not room for the men who attended them. But the day the meetings closed will be remembered as the red letter day for the gospel in Dallas. The leading business men, Jews and Gentiles, closed their places of business from eleven to half-past one, to give their employes an opportunity to attend the services. The Mayor of the city issued a proclamation, calling upon the people to heed these hours of worship. It looked like a Sabbath day. In fact, no Sabbath in the history of the city ever witnessed such a scene. The large Opera House, the Majestic Theater, the First Methodist Church, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and other central places of worship were packed and jammed with anxious people to hear the Word of God. And thousands of people failed to get

standing room in the great buildings. The rain was pouring down, but the face of the earth was covered with people anxious to hear. And it was nothing but the old, old story of Jesus and his love. It was the power of God moving upon the multitudes. Nothing else can explain it. No one could have witnessed the scene without realizing that the gospel is as powerful to draw people to hear it today as it was in the days of the Savior along the shores of Galilee. These men and the local pastors became enthused with the Holy Spirit, and the result was everywhere apparent. We know nothing of the number of converts; they may have been many or few; but the Christian religion is more deeply impressed upon the conscience of the Dallas public than ever before. The Churches are more alive to their duty and opportunity than formerly, and Christ is largely magnified in the minds of the people. If we will only give the gospel a fair chance, the people will flock to hear it. They cannot stay away from it when its ministers are clothed with heavenly power. Oh, for a universal baptism of the Church and its pastors with the unction of the Holy One of Israel! Then Zion will travail, and sons and daughters will be born to the Almighty.

THE TRUNK CERTIFICATE EVIL.

Our present method of issuing Church certificates is open to great abuse, and it might be well for the General Conference to remedy it. As it is, a great many certificates are issued from year to year that never find their way into the Church, and thus thousands of members in the course of the years are entirely lost to our communion. They are marked on the register: "Removed by Letter," and, unless they happen to turn up of their own accord, they are never heard of again. There is no systematic way of following them to their destination and insuring them against this loss to the Church. It is estimated, in a general way, that there are more than a thousand such members in the city of Dallas. They have not presented their certificates for membership in any of these Churches, and the lack of definite information about them makes it impossible for the preachers in the city to find track of them, and induce them to have their membership restored. No doubt but that this condition obtains in most of our charges, to a greater or a less extent, throughout Texas. It is not always the fault of these people that such is the result in their cases. When they obtained their certificates and left their old home places, it was probably their intention to deposit their certificates as soon as they became located; but one thing and another prevented, until their membership has gone by default.

What is the remedy for this injury to these people and for this great leakage in our membership? We suggest that, instead of giving certificates to our people who move from one place to another and marking them "removed" on the Church Register, would it not be better to give them a mere letter of introduction, stating their relation to the Church, and then transfer them directly to the Church in the locality of their future homes, notifying the pastor there of their transfer and whereabouts? This method

would never put them out of the Church, with their certificates in their trunks; but it would keep them in the Church, and put the pastor, to whom they are transferred, at once into communication with them. In this way thousands of people who are lost to us under the present method would be saved to our communion, and their spiritual interests would be conserved. Whether the change here stated, in our present method of transferring members, is wise or not, one thing is certain, some improvement is imperatively necessary. Our present course is bunglesome and unjust to the Church, as well as a great injury to thousands of our people, and we ought to devise a better way of procedure.

CHRIST THE BURDEN BEARER.

Life has its burdens, and each man is expected to carry his part. There may come a time when we will have to ask a brother or a sister to help us bear it. It will become too heavy for us. Christ sank beneath the burden of his cross as he carried it through the gate toward Calvary, and Simon of Cyrene had to lift it off his prostrate form and bear it for him. So with us, now and then the burden will press us to the earth, and a loving hand must come to our relief. Hence, the passage: "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." Here comes the duty of Christian helpfulness. We stand so related that this duty often devolves upon us. How frequently we have to stop by the way, like a good Samaritan, and help a brother to his feet. This is real religion.

But there will come a time to us all when we will not be able to bear our burden and it will be impossible to find any earthly help that will be able to come to our assistance. We will be helpless ourselves and no good Samaritan will be able to come to our relief. Then it will be that divine help will be our stay. Hence that beautiful passage: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord and he will sustain thee." What a blessed thought to know that when our own strength fails us, and when the strength of our best friend will not be able to bring relief, that God, our eternal Father, will be there to take the burden upon himself for us. His great, strong arms will receive the burden that we can no longer bear, and he will bear it for us. Then, when our burden presses our tired shoulders until they are sore, and when our strength becomes exhausted, and we feel that we are alone, he will be nigh us and upon him we can cast the burden. And not only this, but he will take us to his own bosom and bear us over the rugged way of life to the better country. Fellow pilgrim, along life's dusty way, do you grow weary and faint under your great load? Then "cast thy burden upon him, for he careth for thee."

It is the easiest thing in the world to go off half-cocked and make a fool of yourself. In such condition you are pitiable. Better think twice before you speak, and you had better think five times before you write, for the eye of somebody else. To say the right thing and to write the proper thing is a rare accomplishment. Some men never acquire the gift.

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A YEAR OF GREAT PROSPERITY: THE STATISTICS OF 1905.

By Rev. John J. Tigert, LL. D.

I. Ministry and Membership.

The ecclesiastical year of 1905, just closed, has proved one of great prosperity throughout the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The total membership of the Church, including traveling and local preachers, is 1,626,198. The total last year was 1,593,836. The gain for 1905 is 32,362. The total number of traveling preachers is 6,835, against 6,793 in 1904, making a gain of 132. The total number of local preachers is 4,718, against 4,779 in 1904, a loss of 52. The total membership of the Church, apart from traveling and local preachers, is 1,614,645, against 1,582,363 in 1904, making a gain in the membership alone of 32,282.

II. Baptisms.

The number of infants baptized in 1905 is 27,363, against 33,538 in 1904, a loss of 6,125. The number of adults baptized in 1905 is 62,997, against 57,914 in 1904, a gain of 4,183. The total number of adult baptisms (62,997), it will be observed, is nearly 39,000 in excess of the net increase in the membership of the Church (32,271). Many persons are received into the Church, of course, who were baptized in infancy. It is probable that the number of persons annually received into the membership of our Church is about three times as great as the net increase for the same year. This excess is necessary in order to make good the losses by death, exclusion, those united with other denominations of Christians, and the names dropped by order of the Church Conference.

III. Districts, Charges and Societies.

The membership of our Church is now organized in 289 presiding elders' districts, 5,455 pastoral charges, and 18,565 societies of congregations; being a decrease of 8 in the number of districts, an increase of 79 in the number of pastoral charges, and an increase of 499 in the number of congregations. The districts are increasing in size, as indicated by the decreased number, notwithstanding the larger number of charges and congregations and the growing membership of the Church.

IV. Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues.

Our Sunday-school statistics for 1905 are 14,898 schools, 199,655 teachers, and 1,949,748 scholars. Last year there were 14,783 schools, 197,427 teachers, and 1,907,839 scholars. The increase is 115 schools, 2,228 teachers, and 32,918 scholars. This speaks well for the Church, whose Sunday-school attendance has now reached about two-thirds of the membership, and for Drs. Atkins, Hamill and Beatty, who supervise this great and growing department of the Church's work.

There are 3,541 Epworth Leagues, against 3,472 in 1904, being an increase of 69. There are 129,487 Epworth League members, against 122,547 in 1904, being a loss of 2,969. This loss is probably more apparent than real, since many of our preachers have not yet acquired the habit of the accurate counting and reporting of membership in the Leagues. There has been an unprecedented increase in the circulation of the Epworth Era, which is easily one of the most attractive young people's journals published in the country. Its able and energetic editors, Drs. DuBose and Parker, deserve their large circulation.

V. Houses of Worship and Parsonages.

Our Pastoral charges have 4,577 parsonages, valued at \$5,947,553, with an indebtedness on them of \$292,213. Last year there were 4,284 parsonages, valued at \$5,598,129, with an indebtedness on them of \$299,688. There is an increase of 93 in the number of parsonages, with an advance of \$439,464 in value and an increase of \$1,625 in indebtedness.

There are 192 district parsonages, an increase of 93. These parsonages are valued at \$539,178, an increase of \$62,505. The indebtedness on them is \$56,267, being an increase of \$16,555. Since there are 289 districts and but 192 district parsonages, it is evident that there are 97 presiding elders who have to provide their own homes.

VI. Insurance, Damage, Etc.

During the past year 94 church buildings were damaged, against 146 in 1904, a decrease of 52. The damage for 1905 amounted to \$96,343.85, against \$129,496.79 for 1904, a decrease of \$24,062.85. The insurance

carried in 1905 was \$10,865,696, against \$9,947,191 carried in 1904, an increase of \$918,505. The premiums paid in 1905 amounted to \$6,471,233, against \$6,820,911 paid in 1904, an increase of \$3,651.22. The losses sustained in 1905 amounted to \$1,435,409, against \$88,191.27 in 1904, being a decrease in losses of \$6,755.87. The amount collected on losses in 1905 was \$41,187.19, in 1904, \$42,329.58—being a decrease in collections of \$21,132.38.

VII. Benevolent Contributions and Ministerial Support.

The collections for conference claimants aggregate \$1,17,977.74, a gain of \$19,999.49 over the collections on this account the previous year (\$206,498.25).

For foreign missions the contributions were \$259,521.76, a gain of \$27,928.14, the amount for 1904 being \$231,593.62; for domestic missions, \$228,240, against \$222,007.98 in 1904—Increase \$6,232.02; total for missions, \$587,761.76—gain \$34,169.16, the amount the previous year being \$553,601.60. These figures speak in high approval of the manner in which Drs. Lambuth and Ward and their associates have conducted the affairs of this branch of the grand movement for the world's evangelization.

The report of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Mission Society for 1905 have not yet been promulgated. We regret that the data from these bodies can not be included here, but doubt not they will, as always heretofore, show a close rivalry with the Parent Society in the extent and value of work accomplished.

For church extension \$191,554.24 was contributed, which is \$1,599.06 less than the sum for 1904—namely, \$193,954.30. There was also a slight falling off in the amount given for the American Bible Society, \$16,952.49, showing a decrease of \$1,699.13 from the collections in 1904 (\$18,652.62).

Presiding elders were paid \$423,497.95, against \$492,336.19 the previous year, an increase of \$21,169.86; preachers in charge received \$3,984,131.29, which is \$169,352.59 more than for 1904—to wit, \$2,914,778.71. Our Bishops were paid \$52,998.69, a gain of \$845.40 over the year preceding (\$51,253.29). The grace of liberality abounds in our Church.

VII. Education.

The summary of results for the past year in this department are not available for the present exhibit; but it is known that under the wise and watchful administration of Secretary Hammond there has been a steady advance in this great and important interest of the Church. Our schools and colleges rest upon a stronger basis financially and observe a better working system than ever before in their history. There is cause here for special gratitude and encouragement.

Nashville, Tenn. March 26, 1906.

A GREAT GATHERING.

The Fifth International Students' Volunteer Movement met in Nashville, Feb. 28-March 4. Simply great. This gathering of young college life of America and Canada, was the most auspicious event of the American continent in the history of the Christian Church. There were present, 3,969 students and 286 professors from 700 institutions of higher learning; also 144 missionaries from 26 fields; 149 official representatives of 95 foreign missionary agencies; fraternal delegates, 8; press representatives 44; special guests, 397. The grand total of accredited representatives, 4,188. This total does not include the Nashville students. By actual count, 19,000 different persons saw the missionary exhibit. At the last convention held in Toronto, four years ago, there were only 453 institutions represented, with a grand total of 2,957 accredited delegates. Note the growth of the Movement. There are now 4,000 volunteers in the fields, and 4,000 in this country who are preparing to go. The Toronto Conference asked that 1,000 volunteers should sail during the quadrennium just closed. It is a singular fact that an even thousand have sailed during the past four years.

This great Movement is interdenominational; it does not send out missionaries; it recruits from the educated youth of the land, candidates for the fields, who are sent out by the different church boards. It is to be noted that nineteen of the secretaries of the twelve mission boards have come from the ranks of the Movement.

It is hard to realize the vast amount of clerical work connected with preparations for the great conference with its four thousand delegates. Competent committees devoted themselves to the work with great energy. The students of Nashville assisted in the office work under the supervision of W. J. Southam. The day of arrival of the delegates was an interesting sight

at the Registration Bureau, a short distance from the depot. Here the delegates were assigned and shown to their home by guides. From all portions of the United States and Canada, the multitudes poured into Nashville, Wednesday morning, by the thousands. One could then get a glimpse of "the army of Lord." Necessarily in providing for such a large number, and with so many persons working on the records, some mistakes were made, but were soon rectified.

The convention met Wednesday afternoon, at three o'clock, in the Ryman Auditorium with five thousand present. Jno. R. Mott, the chairman of the Executive Committee, opened the Convention by announcing the hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" The chairman spoke on "The Possibilities of this Convention," and R. E. Speer, on "The Visions, Seen and to be Seen."

One feature of the meeting was that of the singing; contrary to expectations, it was not loud and enthusiastic, but mighty and devotional, grand in the movements of its sound, like the movement of the ocean. The spirit of the hymn were intensely missionary, teaching great truth and driving them home to many hearts. An excellent quartette was an inspiration to a higher life through its divinely inspired messages.

The subjects discussed were missions, both at home and abroad, but chiefly the latter. Many facts of interest were given. Some of the subjects: "The Report of the Executive Committee," "Account of the Students' Movement in Europe," "Supreme Business of the Church to make Christ Known to the World," "The Ownership and Lordship of Jesus Christ," "The Woman's Part in Foreign Missions." Then the requisites of a missionary's life, considered from the view-points of health of body, mind and spirit. The subject of prayer was much stressed. "The Strategic Importance of the Home Base," in its many aspects, was a fruitful discussion. One of the most powerful presentations was "The Part of the Secular Newspaper in the Work of Foreign Missions." Mr. Speer's argument, "Is Christianity the Only Adequate form of Religion," dealt with all of the main classes of heathen religions as compared with the Christian religion. A powerful utterance. The personnel of the speakers was an unusual one of prominent men and leaders of thought on various walks of life. Jno. R. Mott is indeed a rightful leader of men, especially in a religious purpose. R. E. Speer was a valuable man in the right place. There were men from every sphere of life and from many portions of the world. Dr. Fries, the president of the World's Students' Federation, was a speaker on two occasions. Dr. Robeson, of Edinburg, Bishop Thoburn, of India, Mr. Manley and Miss Saunders, of England, and Sir Mortimer Durand, British Minister to United States.

Among the delegates there were secretaries of foreign mission boards, prominent workers in the various churches, returned missionaries, volunteers, prominent Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. workers and secretaries, students and professors from 700 different institutions, including about twenty Orientals.

There were morning and night sessions at the Auditorium with overflow meetings at two churches in the neighborhood. The afternoons were given to section conferences, held in the different sections of the city. Here the returned missionaries appealed to the people for lives to be spent on the fields, and their cries were not in vain.

The last session, above all, was the most impressive. The songs and pieces by the quartette were well chosen. The list of the volunteers who had died on the foreign fields during the past four years was read; two of these were massacred. Farewell words were spoken by many an earnest soul in behalf of the needs of the great work. Cablegrams, eleven in number, which had been received during the convention, from missionaries in the field, were read. Such burning words and earnest appeals for help, stirred many a soul. Two will indicate the messages. F. W. Brockman, from Shanghai: "Awakening China—opportunity of the ages;" from Japan: "Japan leading the Orient, but whither?"

Upon the rostrum, were seated over 100 volunteers, who will sail before January 1, 1907; each one told in one sentence his chosen field and one reason why he had given his life to this work. The entire Church of America should have heard these war cries from these eager hearts. A concerted message, read by the standing students from the East, appealing to students of America, had a telling effect. Many students volunteered during the sessions of this conference.

At an early date, facts of the organization, the decoration of the buildings, Nashville's part, results, etc., will be given through the Advocate.

While the many thousands were bowed in silent prayer, Jno. R. Mott pronounced the Fifth International Students' Volunteer Movement adjourned.

A NEWSY LETTER.

On the 2nd of December last, accompanied by my wife, we left our home at Hubbard City, to travel through the dryer Southwest, in hopes of putting away my previous winter's experience with la grippe. We stopped off at San Marcos, where our boy, Clyde, is at school, found the weather cold; came on to San Antonio, found it raining, on to El Paso, found it snowing. Though our friends there, called on us, and prophesied beautiful sunshine soon, yet, one cold wave after another, rushed its snowstorms on down past, even to Chihuahua, Mexico. Traveling west to Miracopa Station, on Southern Pacific, we turned north, crossing Gila river, into the great Salt river valley, of which Phoenix is the Capital, as it is also of Arizona. As a civil engineer, I would like to send you an extended letter upon its physical features, also archaeological evidences of a prehistoric civilization. But I am living, as you know, on "borrowed time," and have nearly ceased writing, seeking needed rest. An irrigated valley, a cove surrounded by low mountains, yet, high snow-covered mountains north and east, most remarkable phenomenon that it should seldom freeze and never snow here. Most Sabbath-school pupils know that the history of irrigation is as old as the story of man. Adam watered the garden of Eden from the river that went out of it. Damascus, the oldest inhabited city of the world, was irrigated from the Abano and Pharpar, forty centuries ago. The Hebrews brought water from the mountain streams of Palestine to irrigate the beautiful plains and verdant valleys beyond the Jordan. They constructed reservoirs for water storage, one of which was Solomon's pool. In the time of the Pharaohs, there were over 200,000 square miles of Egypt irrigated from the Nile. When all the details of that Assuan dam on the Nile, 509 miles above Cairo, shall be realized, and the great "Tonto" dam and reservoir being constructed by our government, seventy miles above Phoenix, to augment the present most magnificent canal system of over 200 miles of large waterways. These will rank among the great engineering feats to conserve the blessings of heaven's abundant riches, placed within easy reach of millions of His grateful subjects. It is said, Texans who read the Texas Christian Advocate, in time, will all go back there. The most live and energetic Texan we have met here, is Bro. Harold Govette, pastor of our Church here, preaching the purest type of New Testament doctrine, as well as holding to a genuine Methodist Episcopacy—free from politics and even the slightest taint of Congregationalism. This is one of our Churches, on the Pacific slope, "here to stay," and do work for our Lord till the Judgment Day, because its evangelic fires have ever burned on the altars consecrated to the one work of saving the multitudes. This last, perhaps, is accentuated by adding to my observation on the Pacific coast a quotation from Oklahoma, "the two Methodisms are side by side, openly friendly, but secretly suspicious of each other."

Bishop Morrison made no mistake when he transferred Bro. Govette, no less valiant, to Phoenix, where the great and good Dr. Dwight L. Moody and other noted evangelists have come and accomplished so little, that they went away disappointed. A twenty thousand dollar church proposition has been brought out of a formative and rather chaotic condition to a comely and well appointed edifice, fronting the post office building. I take pride in sending a photograph of Central Methodist Church, South, "Phoenix." Nowhere have we witnessed an audience more attentive or responsive to their pastor than under his earnest preaching. Certainly no greater per cent, bowed at the chancel, in commemoration of the Sacrament, and best of all, the last one of his most excellent choir, so bowed and communed. The second personage in this Texas Quartette is Sister Govette (nee Lizzie Horn), so kindly remembered by our Mexican neighbors, having lived five years with her aunt, Sister John Corley, there. She is a splendid second in their evangelic work here, though the parsonage is ten blocks away; nor does she fail to bring up the other two little Govettes (son and daughter), according to biblical injunction. Several years ago, you placed the curb on my politics in the Advocate. An Irishman fights for whatever flag gives him home and protection. In this "State-hood" agitation before Congress, I am unalterably with the good people of Arizona. If we are to be wedded, no less valiant, give us an ante-gambling amendment, an ante-wide-open saloon license. Personal selfishness calls loudly for railroad-rate regulation, because paying, each, six cents per mile for every mile we travel on the cars, tells sadly on our exchequer, while freight rates gouge the farmer and any consumer needing cheap fuel. Don't conclude from the above, that Phoenix is any worse than Portland, or other coast cities, that had no law last year to close wide-open Sunday-saloons or

gambling dens. Divines who traveled from Boston and other cities, refused to go on the platform at the Fair, because of the Sabbath desecration by the "trail" and saloons.

How many sprightly preachers and teachers who think, write and speak along the lines of the Advocate will criticize this hastily scrawled letter, without much choice of expression, as my imitable friend and brother, Abe Mulkey, would say: "Grammar." Again that stereotyped epitome, by which preachers gauge the spiritual power-house of their co-workers, is omitted, to wit: Members, 225; members received in two years, a few over one hundred. The church debt, which at his coming was \$6,655, has all been provided for in cash and bankable notes. Few can realize how many sick people come to this point, and the great amount of pastoral visiting our brother feels called to make, reached 1,800 last year. Our people here are not rich, but they are liberal, getting now in good shape.

W. H. WAGES.

Phoenix, Ariz.

THE AMERICAN REVISED BIBLE.

In the Advocate of Feb. 8 Dr. Mouzon has a well written article on the American Standard Revised Bible. His article is quite readable because of its easy style, and quite entertaining because of its valuable information. It is far the most part apologetic in its character, but not altogether convincing in its conclusions.

Dr. E. W. Alderson also has a very able discussion of the subject in a later issue of the Advocate. It is critical, logical, and, to my mind, his conclusions are legitimate. Dr. John Adams also had a very edifying article in the Advocate on the subject some time back. I should be glad if Dr. Adams would publish his able article in pamphlet form, and by permission of Dr. Alderson, include the latter's article in the pamphlet. Now after these able and competent men have written on this subject it would be vain for me to attempt a criticism. But I shall venture to notice what I conceive to be one or two inconsistencies. Dr. Mouzon says that Dr. Riddle, one of the American Committee, assigns as a reason for rendering "en" in Matthew 3:11, "in," the fact that "en" usually means "in." Yet a person would infer from Dr. Riddle's own statement that he doubted its having that meaning in this text, and if he doubted it, probably the majority of the committee did too. It seems rather a meager reason that they should render "en" as they did in the text mentioned above just because it usually means "in." Now as "en" sometimes means "with," and as it is often used with the dative of instrument, it seems that the revisers, on the principle of letting Scripture interpret Scripture, should have, in the light of Luke 3:16 rendered it "with" instead of "in." This they should have done in order to be consistent. There can be no doubt as to Luke 3:16. The plain English is, "I indeed baptize you with water."

Another reason given by Dr. Riddle is that the reader might know that the word in the original is "en." If this was their object, why not put "en" in the margin? This would have given the general reader the desired information. And then to be entirely free from bias, why not, in Mark 7:4 and Heb. 9:19, where a form of baptizo occurs in the original, but is rendered "bathe" and "wash" in the text, put baptizo in the margin? It seems to me that this would have manifested a non-partisan spirit. But I suppose where great men agree, little men should be silent and acquiesce.

However, I would suggest a possible exegesis of Matthew 3:11, upon which all inconsistencies can be harmonized. I take it that John the Baptist was a Methodist preacher (or rather like us Methodist preachers on the mode of baptism). While he himself believed affusion to be the scripture mode of baptism, he gave his subjects their choice. He first baptized beyond Jordan by affusion. But there were people in those days, as in these, who desired baptism by immersion. Some of these came to John for baptism. For convenience, he removed to the Jordan where there was "much water." Here he continued to baptize both by affusion and immersion. Matthew and Mark see him dipping the people, so they hear him say: "I indeed baptize you en udati"—in water. Luke had perfect knowledge of these things. He had been told by Peter and Paul that John baptized exclusively by affusion both beyond Jordan and also in Enon, and that, while he baptized some by immersion at the Jordan, his usual mode, even there, was affusion. So Luke represents him as saying: "I indeed baptize you udati"—with water. Thus the renderings of the revisers are not far from correct.

But what about Mark 7:4 and Hebrews 9:19? Why did they not put baptizo in the margin? Why, it was an oversight, I suppose.

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Devotional and Spiritual

GOD'S GIANTS.

Physical strength is the glory of the natural man. The prowess of the pugilist elicits admiration even from those who despise his propensity. Samson, with all his other weaknesses, as a giant has everlasting fame. "Power! 'tis the favorite attribute of gods, Who look with smiles on man who can aspire To copy them."

But moral power exceeds mere physical strength as the power of steam exceeds that of running water. Strength of intellect, genius, character and moral grandeur rise immeasurably higher in the scale of healthy estimation than the power which comes only from well-developed and hardened muscles. Napoleon said that even in war "moral power is to physical as three parts out of four."

Power shows the man. Power in control is the man. Power not in control is the monster. When Nero's father was congratulated on the birth of his son, he said: "That which is begotten of such a man as I am, and born of such a woman as my wife, cannot but be the peril of the state." He was right. Nero was power out of control, and there is more or less of the Nero in every strong man which needs to be brought into subjection to the law of Christ.

But the real heights of power are not attained until we reach the realm of the spiritual. Angels are spirits, and they "excel in strength." God is a spirit, and "power belongeth unto God." Power inheres in the divine nature. It is an attribute of deity. "There is no power but from God; and the powers that be are ordained of God."

God gives power to man, that is, as much of it as He can trust him with. He would make giants of all were it safe. Power is intoxicating, and therefore only the level-headed and true-hearted should be endowed with it. God gave power to the disciples at Pentecost, and though they did not lose their heads, the doubters said, "These men are filled with new wine." Peter showed his sanity and courage by telling them to their faces that the disciples were not drunk, but had simply come under the baptism of power.

All spiritual power comes from God. Jesus told His disciples to

"tarry until endued" with it from on high. They did so, and were energized. A sermon by one of them smote three thousand souls. Without that energy three thousand sermons could not have smitten one soul.

That word "endued" is worth studying. It means invested, furnished, or supplied with power. This indicates that spiritual power is not a possession, as physical strength is, but rather a gift of divine force for a specific purpose. The disciples tarried ten days for it, and were filled. They were not ten days in getting filled, but were filled in a moment after a ten days' wait in getting emptied of self. When self is cast out, man is in condition for God's power. When Martin Luther could say, "Martin Luther does not live here" he was equipped for the Reformation. No man ever accomplished anything great or lasting in religion until conscious of surrender to God. No man can exercise the faith that brings power until he reaches the condition of surrender. He is strong in God through alliance with God. Faith unites man's heart with the infinite. It is the connecting link betwixt earth life and heaven's throne. Hence Paul could utter the paradox: "When I am weak, then am I strong." Weakness in self means power in God. "I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me."

Power increases by exercise. The gift must be followed by use. Pentecost, no sooner were the disciples filled than they began to "speak," to "preach," to cry "repent," to "baptize," to "break bread," to "pray," to do "signs and wonders," to "praise God," and to "eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart." They used the power already bestowed that they might gain more.

In training men for great physical contests much attention is given to diet, exercise and the expenditure of energy. The condition of the vital organs, the action of the heart, the development of the sinews and muscles, the personal habits, the aptitudes and tendencies are all studied, in order that the degree of power may be known and perfected, and used to greatest advantage in the coming struggle.

So, in the training of candidates for divine honors, the spiritual food

must be wholesome and nourishing, the exercises in faith and good works must be ample and encouraging, and care must be taken that all the energies be directed in correct lines and with a view to the utmost effectiveness.

There is little use in praying for power. Tarry for power. Pray to be wholly Christ's. Pray that God's will be done in you. And when you are filled and thrilled with the divine energy, arise, as the disciples did, and go to work for the Master. Hard work makes muscle. Devoted Christian labor makes strong men in God. Continued exercise in godliness develops giants for moral conflict.—James Henry Potts, D. D., in Michigan Christian Advocate.

"WINTER CLEARANCE."

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I believe many Christians would be benefited by a similar clearance. There are many old notions and methods that handicap. Is it not true that many a man's Christian life is shelf-worn, moth-eaten, and musty? Would it not prove an inestimable blessing to himself and his Church if he would open the windows and doors, take an inventory of his stock, mark some things down and place them on the bargain-counter? Sell them at any price and get in a fresh, new stock. That old testimony that has been your stock in trade ever since the night you were converted should be disposed of at once, and at the altar of consecration and self-surrender get a new, up-to-date, to-day experience that will thrill you with delight.

A little girl of eight summers said to her mother when they had reached home after Sunday morning class-meeting, "Mamma, is Auntie—too old to learn a new story?" That story, splendid as it was, had lost its charm and power. The Israelites gathered fresh manna every morning. How about that stand-by prayer? "But when ye pray use not vain repetitions." Have we not used some expressions until they have become meaningless even to us? It is the unwrought prayer of the Holy Ghost that availeth much. Where the Holy Ghost is, there is power and freshness—life. With a renewed and quickened life, old things would pass away and all things would become new.

There is a power about a fresh, active, vigorous Christian, one prayed and saved up-to-date that arouses and quickens all within his reach. If we expect to influence others and to gather in the unsaved, we must present the real attractiveness and genuine beauty of the Christian life. Most business houses pay immensurable salaries to window artists. Their freshest and choicest goods are displayed in the most attractive manner. No shelf-worn or faded goods are used. One book-store in our city places the old, shelf-worn books in the show-windows and on outside display table. People stop to investigate. Sometimes large crowds gather to look over the collection of curios, but you seldom see any one purchase. It is not the old, out-of-date, and shelf-worn that the people want. It is the new, attractively bound volumes that gain attention and awaken interest.

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A MESSAGE FOR THE HOUR.

We can not organize a revival, but we can organize ourselves. We should seek a revival by the spirit of prayer and the desire for sanctity in ourselves and our Churches.

The first need is the evangelization of the minister; the next, the evangelization of the Church.

By the first, I mean that every minister must learn to preach for a revival; by the second, that every Church should be a center of aggressive propaganda.

The note of the new time is for the minister a passion for souls, and for the Church the consecration of service of others as the dominant characteristic of the Christian life.

The revival must come in and through the Churches.

Let us use any wise method to attract the people in great special missions; but let us, above all, use our Churches, which exist for this very purpose.

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It carries the human mind beyond the realm of words and thoughts. It should never be degraded by a leader in religious service just to fill up space.—Western Advocate.

EPITAPHS ON SOME FACES.

Many people are walking tombstones. Written on face and form is the visible epitaph of a grace or a goodness which died and was buried in their lives. In the hard lines of a face one reads: "Here generosity departed years ago." Another countenance with its sensual heaviness tells so that all may see: "Purity came to an untimely death in me." A woman's face, in the look of pettishness or bad temper fixed there, announces: "All pleasantness departed this life when the first burdens and discouragements began to come."

Indeed, it were possible, if one chose so to do, to go through a city street as old-fashioned folks used to visit cemeteries, and spend our time reading the epitaphs written in the tombstone faces we pass there. Life

was meant for life. Men must fight against making spiritual graveyards of themselves. The old command, "Therefore choose life," we must apply not only to the heavenly life of a resurrection day, but so as to urge men away from the death and burial of their souls in their bodies.

We must be guided by it so that our lives may not become cemeteries of dead hopes, dead gifts and dead graces. Rather, in the words of the patriarchal benediction, may our lives become as "a fruitful field which the Lord hath blessed."

Hear the Word which says: "I came that they may have life, and may have it abundantly."—Sunday School Times.

The great lesson of biography is to show what man can be and do at his best. A noble life put fairly on record acts like an inspiration to others. It exhibits what life is capable of being made. It refreshes our spirit, encourages our hopes, gives us new strength and courage and faith—faith in others as well as in ourselves. It stimulates our aspirations, rouses us to action, and incites us to become co-partners with them in their work. To live with such men in their biographies, and to be inspired by their example, is to live with the best of men, and to mix in the best of company.—Smiles.

A good memory is considered a great blessing. Many complain that they cannot remember. But some men heartily wish they could forget. We have known men who would give more to be able to forget than they would to improve their power of memory. It is a sad and bitter thing to remember past sins.

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EDITORIAL.

OUR EDUCATIONAL TASK.

Task to many is a hard word, but it is the drive-wheel to many a worthy enterprise. There is the prerequisite, the sine qua non, the all-important in the bringing to reality of any great ideal. Many a Church has lost its power in a community by postponing the erection of a much-needed building. Many a business concern has failed by not making the necessary outlay at the proper time. There are some things that must be done in every line of life, and failure to do them brings defeat and destructive consequences. Doing other things will not suffice when a basal need is not met. Honest intelligence and well-founded conviction insist that the real task be given primary and supreme attention.

What is the real task, the consuming need, the primary and paramount work for education among the Methodists of Texas? We answer, in the plainest terms possible, college endowment. Texas must come to see that no first-class college can be built without an endowment sufficient to maintain a faculty of the highest merit. To think of employing a competent faculty for college work with only tuition fees as a means of support is to show ourselves incapable of educational self-government. It has never been done, and it will never be done. To practice such a policy is blood-letting to the men who teach and dishonoring to any people who would allow such sacrifice, and in the end will prove suicidal to the educational institution.

Texas Methodism will never have a worthy, first-class, commendable educational system until Texas Methodists endow a college. We do not want a university in the true sense of that term. We want a college, and that we must have if we maintain the respect of educators and the educated members of our congregations. Up to this time we have done well with the conference support which has been cheerfully given. But there are some variables in that quantity, and we do well to seek the constant as the true basis of the most assured endeavor. Advancement must have an effectual starting point, and it can come to no meritorious consummation unless it moves upon a broad plane and plan. Progress has a history and why shall we not read it and learn its philosophy? Certain things can be done only in certain ways and there is no need of experimenting.

Texas has been piddling, because she has not had a policy and a plan. No great, consuming purpose has mobilized and focalized our forces. We have not seen our goal and driven to it. No prize is set before us, no supreme end has furnished the inspiration for a desperate effort. Texas ought to say, "This one thing we will do and do it at once, and continue at it until it is done." Put Texas to thinking one thought, and that great and worthy, to working with one aim, and that definite and inspiring, in consummating one plan and that decisive and comprehensive, and the results will justify the largest aspirations. We can endow a college if we set ourselves to the task and allow no other issue to intervene. Righteous conviction, business acumen, untiring energy, and harmonious co-operation would put in Texas an institution that would lift our whole educational life.

We have put up a few secondary school buildings, built a few dormitories in the last ten years, but we would have twice as much if we had at the same time put \$500,000 into the endowment of a college. Colleges are not made of brick and mortar, but of

men, and the men who can empower a college chair can command a support which only a worthy endowment can furnish. We might erect the finest buildings known to a college campus, but if the efficient professor was not there, your school would be commonplace, if not discreditable. Endowment is the only hope of securing and holding the men who can make our colleges strong. Whatever else we do, we must endow or no power can come to our educational work.

We believe that the time has come—in fact it has been here for several years—when we must set ourselves to raising \$500,000 endowment for our college. We ought to obligate ourselves to raise \$100,000 a year for five years and devote that sacredly to the endowment fund. We might do this next year by an endeavor to honor the masters. We do well to hold in sacred memory the men, who, with stout hearts but with meager facilities, laid the foundations of our Texas Methodism. Only men of the truest courage and strongest convictions would have faced the foes of those early days. We have entered into their labors and we would be unworthy of respect did we fail to honor the memory of the brave men who made our day possible. Would not the Texas Conference be glad to devote the subscription taken sixteen months ago, with an increase to \$25,000, to endowing a chair in memory of that wise and devoted missionary who inspired and directed the first movement of the Methodist Church in Texas in behalf of Christian education, the Rev. Martin Ruter, D. D.? Would not North Texas do the same for that great and good man, that "Old Master" for more than three thousand young men and women, and whose name is still precious to hundreds in the north country, Rev. J. W. P. McKenzie, D. D.? The Northwest could have no Ruter or McKenzie, but it holds the sacred dust of the originator of our present central institution, and what more befitting thing could be done than the endowment of a chair in honor of Rev. Francis Asbury Mood D. D.? West Texas has her own precious dead and would be confused only to select of the unnumberable company a name for their chair. All this we could do before another Easter shall fall.

The task is clearly defined, the need is urgent, the time is propitious. Let us be men and squarely face the issue. Complications disentangle themselves when the proper goal is set and all energies are bent toward gaining it. We have done enough discussing; we need to act. Resolutions may be shorn of preambles and brought to a simple proposition, "Resolved that we endow." Let our boasted machinery throw its full force upon the enterprise and allow no release until the work is done. Let a committee of thirteen be appointed who shall inaugurate, direct and consummate the plan of endowment. Let there be no shouting until the \$500,000 is in hand.

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THE METHODIST EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION OF 1870.

By Prof. C. C. Cody.

The great Methodist Educational Convention now in session in Dallas is the first conspicuous gathering of its kind since the conventions of 1870 and 1871, which were inspired and directed by Dr. Mood, and which materialized in a central educational institution for Texas Methodism, Southwestern University, at Georgetown.

The movement which called these early conventions together was of broader scope than anything before attempted by the Southern Methodist Church. The purposes and plan of

the conventions were also entirely new. Before that date the Church had either found its educational institutions already established and taken these colleges under its fostering care, or else some one conference had projected an educational enterprise to meet its peculiar demands. But, in the present case, instead of the conferences being summoned by convention to agree upon an institution already established, they had delegated a convention, composed of representatives from different sections, and had instructed them to unite upon a common policy and then, after mature deliberation, to agree upon the best location.

The need of a strong central educational institution for Texas Methodism was recognized, the conspicuous failures of the past under the ruinous policy of multiplying colleges, with the broad conception of the projectors of the movement, together with the wise and impartial methods proposed, commended it to general confidence.

This convention assembled as directed in Ryland Chapel, Galveston, April 20, 1870. There were present both lay and clerical delegates from each of the five Texas Conferences. Among that body of representative Methodists were Dr. Robert Alexander, Dr. I. G. John, Dr. O. A. Fisher, Rev. Thomas Stanford, Rev. L. P. Lively, Rev. Richard Lane, Col. J. D. Giddings, Col. John R. Henry, Col. R. Q. Mills, and Dr. F. A. Mood. Of that array of the notable men of Texas Methodism of a generation ago, only Hon. R. Q. Mills and Rev. L. P. Lively survive.

Dr. Robert Alexander was chosen President of the convention and Dr. F. A. Mood, Secretary. Dr. Mood was, without doubt, the guiding spirit, directing the deliberations and shaping the action of the body. He found himself in the minority on more than one question, but he succeeded eventually in showing himself to be in the right and thereby in carrying every mooted point.

While the members of this convention had, under the call, ample discretion to carry out the wish of the conferences, yet they had met under a constitution, and they could act only for a certain end and after a certain method.

The question of the location of the institution first engaged the attention of the convention. Dr. Mood saw that the time had not come to consider this question, but a large wing of the convention did not agree with him, and it was only by an appeal to a restrictive rule that he succeeded in having this question postponed for future action. The great wisdom in this delay soon became apparent.

Having escaped this danger, the convention then proceeded wisely, seriously and harmoniously to consider the great business entrusted to its care, after the following order:

1. The adoption of a plan of organization for the institution.
2. A plan of endowment.
3. The conditions and particulars of a charter.
4. The adoption of a name.
5. The appointment of agents.
6. Estimates of money necessary to establish the projected institution.
7. Fixing the lowest amount upon which location and opening the institution could be attempted.
8. Formulating an address to the Church in Texas setting forth the importance and feasibility of the undertaking.

9. Declaring that the preferred policy in the matter of location was the purchase of a large body of land to constitute both location and incipient endowment.

The proposed institution was planned on the broadest foundations. There were thirty thousand Methodists then in Texas, but five hundred thousand dollars was declared necessary to establish what was designed, and no location was to be attempted until one hundred and fifty thousand dollars was secured in cash or its equivalent. "Southwestern University," the first name proposed for the institution, was lost. Then "Soule University" was proposed and lost. Finally "Texas" was proposed, and this name was adopted,

the Committee on Charter being instructed to call the institution "The Texas University." Dr. O. Fisher, of the Texas Conference; Dr. J. W. P. McKenzie, of the North Texas Conference, and Rev. W. G. Veal, of the Northwest Texas Conference, were recommended to the Bishop for appointment as agents to collect endowment.

Upon adjournment, Dr. Alexander, the Nestor of Texas Methodism, who, from the President's chair had noted the harmonious action which made the institution now in name a verity, took Dr. Mood back of the church, and, throwing his arms about him, said, with eyes swimming in tears: "I never expected to live to see this day."

The agents reported to the several conferences in the fall of 1870 that they had failed to raise money for the projected enterprise. These conferences ordered the convention to re-assemble at Waxahachie the following April.

The convention met, pursuant to the order of the conferences, April 6, 1871. It was presided over by Bishop Marvin, who had remained in Texas for the year. His presidency and wise counsel proved a benediction to the movement. Again the question of location was immediately sprung upon the convention. The effort was to locate the proposed institution at favored places. Some of these were embarrassed by debt, and others threatened by disease. Waxahachie was laboring to secure the location, the college there was named for the Bishop then presiding, and a majority of the convention favored immediate location at that point. Dr. Mood's judgment was against immediate location at any point. It was only after strenuous and protracted efforts on his part that the catastrophe of premature location was prevented.

This convention appointed a "Board of Commissioners of Location," composed of the following laymen and ministers: From the Texas Conference, Dr. Mood and Hon. J. D. Giddings; from Northwest Texas Conference, Rev. Thomas Stanford and B. A. Philpott; from North Texas Conference, Rev. J. M. Binkley and W. J. Clark; from East Texas Conference, Rev. F. M. Stovall and Jas. F. Taylor; from West Texas Conference, Rev. J. W. De Vilbiss and Dr. P. C. Wood. These commissioners were also empowered to collect money, and take subscriptions for the enterprise. They were required to report to an adjourned meeting of the convention at Corsicana the following November. The convention re-assembled at Corsicana November 1, 1871, under the presidency of Bishop Marvin. The wisdom of the delay in the matter of the location was now very apparent. Some ten places now appeared, through representatives or memorials, each presenting its peculiar claims for the coveted prize. It was here that Rev. Wm. Monk and Capt. J. C. S. Morrow, of Williamson County, appeared and presented a proposal from the stockholders of Georgetown College, and the citizens of the county for the location of the University at Georgetown. This convention re-appointed the same commissioners, except in the case of the North Texas Conference. The commissioners for this conference were Rev. J. W. Fields and Rev. W. C. Young. Steps were taken to have the commissioners visit and carefully examine every location proposed, as well as to canvass the State for money and subscriptions for the "Texas University." It was more than a year after this before the matter was finally settled. After visiting several points, they unanimously agreed that Georgetown possessed, by far, the greatest advantages presented by any of the competing points, while the subsidy offered was also in advance of all other points. On August 21, 1873, the location was declared in favor of Georgetown.

THE EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

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E. E. Hoos and Dr. W. H. La Prade, of Jackson, Miss., set the whole thought of the meeting to a high key. Both were well thought out and carefully prepared utterances. They will appear in the Advocate at a later date.

The General Board of Education was in session all day Tuesday. Besides the members of the Board, there were present: President H. E. Stout, the newly elected President of Howard-Payne College of Missouri, Prof. A. H. Godby, Ph. D. of Morrisville College of Missouri, President Bradford, of Epworth University, Dr. W. F. Tillet, Dean of the Vanderbilt Theological Seminary, Prof. J. L. Cunningham, the Superintendent of the Correspondence School. These gentlemen all had business with the General Board.

Texas preachers are here by the hundred and they are having a good time. They are all deeply interested in our Methodist schools and are ready to make almost any sacrifice to bring success to our educational enterprises. The truth is, they have done a very large part in the establishing and supporting of every school that we have. When collections are taken they are first and often the most liberal in their subscriptions. They realize that the very life blood of the Church is to be found in her educational institutions. The Church must educate.

The laymen are here in great numbers. They see in this convention the possibility of an awakening in our educational matters. They are concerned that the Church shall have schools that shall in every way equal, if not excel, those of any other creed or kind. They are willing to put money into such equipment as the leaders shall say is necessary, and to give to Methodist schools their patronage and that of their friends. The laymen propose to stand side by side with the preachers in our work of education. This convention will show results.

INFORMATION WANTED.

If any one knows a man by the name of Robert L. Langley, he will please notify the undersigned at Roll, Okla., or his sister, Mrs. M. E. Speck, at Dudley, Okla. The last heard from him he was sick in Weatherford, Texas. J. M. HOLT.

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Notes From the Field.

Davilla Circuit.

G. W. Riley: Our second Quarterly Conference was held last Saturday by C. F. Smith, our very popular presiding elder. Although only four months of the conference year are gone, the assessments for the support of the ministry are forty-six per cent paid, over twenty-five and one-half per cent at second Quarterly Conference. Our collections ordered by the Annual Conference are all provided for on good paper and twenty-eight per cent already paid to Conference Treasurer. We began the year with one W. H. M. Society. We now have four, with 56 members. Besides paying over one-fourth of the salary at this Quarterly Conference, the good women of the charge made the pastor a present of \$20.50 for a spring suit. We have received nine members this quarter and made 150 pastoral visits. Our Sunday-schools are doing fine work and the charge is in excellent condition, and expecting great revivals this year.

Bells.

D. F. Fuller: We report good times on the Bells charge. Congregations are full houses and perfect order. The three congregations, Bells, Everheart Memorial, and Virginia Point, have had gracious seasons and say they are much benefited, and expect great revivals in the near future. At Bells the entire front of our church and parsonage property has been set with shade trees, white elm and sycamore. On the parsonage lot fine apple, pear and peach trees have been put out, and about fifty grape vines. Now, in the future watch some one turn in the horse and cow and destroy all these. I have had such experience so often that only a sense of duty moves me to such improvements now. At Bells the League have raised the money and placed the contract for repainting the church, and supplied the church with fifty song books. But the best of all is, peace and love prevail.

Seymour.

W. E. Lyon: By previous appointment, Bro. Abe Mulkey reached us on the evening of March 9. Notwithstanding the repeated, fierce, cold northers and a few cases of small-pox in our town, the interest and congregations increased from the first service. Bro. Mulkey did us faithful and efficient work. His sermons were earnest and heart searching. I have never had with me in a meeting a more self-sacrificing and congenial laborer than he. His whole endeavor is to re-enforce the pastor on every hand. There were twenty additions and some eight or ten more to come in yet as a result of the meeting. The pastor took a thank-offering for Bro. Mulkey's services at the close of the morning sermon, which met with a liberal response. At night Bro. Mulkey in his usual pleasant and telling manner took a collection amounting to nearly eleven hundred dollars for the purpose of paying balance due on church pews of \$280, and for other repairs on church property. It is our purpose to put the church in first-class order. Our second Quarterly Meeting convened on the evening of March 22. The stewards reported presiding elder's and pastor's claims in full to date. So you see by the above statements that Seymour Station is doing some things at least. We serve in many respects some of the best people in Texas.

Gomez.

J. T. Griswold, April 5: Rev. C. H. Smith and the excellent people of Gomez charge are not asleep, but are much alive and met the conditions of the Colorado District Honor Roll, April 1. Attention, brethren, of the district! Don't fail to put yourselves in line with this movement. It is important. It is needed.

Marfa.

M. A. Cassidy, Apr. 7: Brother J. D. Edwards, of Wagoner, I. T., and myself have been since last Sunday helping Brother Bragg in a revival. Marfa is stirred for the first time in its history. Scores are finding Christ. The meeting has just started and we will be here nine days yet. We are praying and confidently expecting great things. Brother Bragg is a fine pastor and preacher, and he has some loyal fine members. There are four families of Mitchells who are worthy to be called the salt of the earth. I have recently held meetings in Van Buren, Ark., Big Springs, Texas. Will begin a meeting in Durant, I. T., April 22. God bless the Advocate in its bold stand for righteousness and truth. You are gaining friends; on with your battle!

Morgan.

R. F. Dunn, April 6: Our second Quarterly Conference passed off quietly last Wednesday, as per announcement, with Rev. J. G. Putman, our presiding elder, in the chair. Attendance not large, but the stewards had not neglected their work, and their report showed that they had the interests of the Church at heart. Our new church at Walnut Springs is finished and furnished. We held our first services last Sunday in the building, with Rev. Geo. S. Wyatt, of Ft. Worth, to preach for us. He gave us two strong and forceful sermons, which were well received by the people. Our church has cost us about \$1000.00 besides the lots, and the people are delighted with the building. We thank God and take courage.

Linden Circuit.

Ross Williams: At the close of the Texas Conference we were read out for Linden Circuit. We went back to Minden, got wife and baby and what things we had, and "pitched our tent" towards Douglassville. Made the landing in due time and began, what we hope one of our very best year's work. In leaving Minden we gave up as fine people as it has ever been our lot to know, but we have fallen among others that are equally as good. Despite the bad weather and very bad roads, we have made some advancement. Our congregations are good, and getting better, and a more lively Sunday-school interest I don't believe can be found in the bounds of the Texas Conference, or any other as for that. We have four as good Sunday-schools as can be found on any circuit. We may not have the best circuit in Texas Conference, but it is as good as the best. This is one of the old circuits, and we see the foot-prints of quite a number of God's servants who have labored here in by-gone days. Among the many we will only name a few, Nelson, Tower, Riley, Allen and Morgan. They all wrought well and have many friends. This was one of the best represented circuits in the conference at our Sunday-school Conference which met at Austin. We are moving upward along all lines. Douglassville has become a half-station since we arrived, and if it keeps improving, it will soon make another step upward. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. T. Smith, (we think one of the best in Texas) has been with us twice, and we have had two as fine Quarterly Conferences as we ever attended. It makes us think of our

boyhood days to see him in the stand, as he was my presiding elder, (or served on my home district) before I began preaching. He is actually "pretty" in the pulpit. Finances are very well up, considering that the "bottom fell out of the country last year." At the first Quarterly Conference the stewards made the following assessment: For preacher in charge, \$725; presiding elder, \$105; making a total of \$830. These good people have provided for their preacher and family amply in a material way, and by the help of our good Lord I expect to do my very best to provide for them in spiritual things. Brethren, won't you pray for me that it may be so? Boys, let's all strive to make this the best year of our lives. We need a revival of "pure and undefiled religion" to sweep this entire country. May I ask, can we have it? Let me answer, yes? Because God and all heaven is willing, the Churches need it, and it's within our power to have it. Let's quit fooling about it, and get to work in dead earnest. I want every sinner in the bounds of Linden Circuit saved before this year comes to a close, and to this end I earnestly request the prayers of every one that read these lines. In conclusion let us pray. Send the years of our life upon us as Thou wilt, only come Thou with every one of them, and make each as a step nearer Thy sweet home. May we buy up the opportunity with the urgency of men who have but little time to stay, and much work to do within the dying period. Prepare us for life, and thus prepare us for death. Enable us to do our work well; then shall our rest be well earned, and our peace shall be complete. When the days of our traveling are done, and we come to the last river, give us safe crossing, and a broad welcome into the City. Amen.

Covington.

J. M. Rogers, Recording Steward, April 7: There are so many good and encouraging things to write about our Church here, we hardly know where to begin or when to stop. Our Church here, with a membership of about two hundred, is doing a good work under the direction of our pastor, Brother B. H. Kennedy. This year we have repainted, repared and carpeted the church, and supplied it with our Methodist Hymnals. Praise the name of the Lord, and we give thanks for a good, clean church house in which to worship in Covington. "Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Religion is the best thing in the world. We have just closed a ten-days' revival meeting, which was a great blessing to the Church and community. Brother Whitehurst, of Corsicana, Texas, was with us, and as a result of his preaching, some twenty-five or thirty made a profession of their faith in the Lord. Brother Whitehurst has liberty and power with our God, and under his preaching men and women are convicted and converted. We have added about twenty-five members to the Church this year, and we are expecting the greatest year in the history of our Church. "Humble we must be, if to heaven we go; high is the roof there, but the door is low." The Woman's Home Mission Society has doubled in membership, and we have organized a Junior Epworth League, with a membership of about thirty. We expect to organize a Senior Epworth League in the near future. Our nice church is paid out of debt, and should be dedicated to God. I trust many souls will be saved in this beautiful church in the years to come, and go to our Father's house where many mansions are prepared. Our second Quarterly Conference meets April 14, 15, and we will report it later. Methodism in Covington is advancing along all lines.

Walnut Springs.

George S. Wyatt, April 6: It was a great treat to spend a Sabbath with Brother R. F. Dunn and his noble band of faithful men and women at Walnut Springs on the occasion of the opening of their beautiful new church. Brother Archer, of the North Texas Conference, had been invited, and agreed to go, but his niece having taken very seriously with appendicitis he could not, so his misfortune turned out to my good. Brother Dunn and his people have erected a splendid house of worship at a cost of about \$4000. It is an elegant structure for that money, having a splendid auditorium, classrooms, and a preacher's study. The acoustics are so fine that I could very readily be heard in any part of the chapel. It was a fine day, and at 11 a. m. the house was packed with a great audience. I preached to them from Luke 16: 5. It was a gracious hour. At 3:30, I talked to the children and had a most delightful time. I preached again at night to a house well filled. The attention and res-

ponse were all that a preacher could ask. Brother Dunn certainly has the tact of making a visiting brother feel at home. He is as considerate of his comfort and pleasure as a mother could be of her babe. It is refreshing to be thrown with such a kind, gentle spirit. God bless him! His people are standing right by his side and helping him to the extent of their ability. Seals, Hoad (not Horde), Ireland, Myers, and others, are making it easy for him as possible. God bless these faithful, persistent and devout Methodists. After the right service, I bade them good-bye and rode ten miles in a buggy to Morgan, so that I could catch the early Santa Fe for home. I spent the part of the nights I had going and coming with Harvey and Jeff Cate, who with their brothers and father had moved from near Grapevine, where I had known them for many years. A finer family of Methodists are not to be found in Texas, or any other State. They have built nice homes in the town of Morgan, and have a fine ranch out some several miles. They are splendid acquisitions to the town and to the county, and will be of invaluable help to our Church, for they are not only ready to give their service, but their money as well, to help in all the work of our Church. May the Lord graciously bless and lead them in their new field, and give to them the prosperity they deserve. I am glad I went to Brother Dunn's call.

Gatesville District—Third Round.

- Cranfill Gap, at Gap, May 19, 20. Cranfill Gap, at Gap, May 19, 20. Meridian, May 27, 28. China Springs, at W. Chap., June 2, 3. Evant, at Shive, June 16, 17. Turnersville, at Harmony, June 23, 24. Dedication of Evant church, July 1. Crawford, at C. City, July 7, 8. P. Mills and Clifton, at P Hill, July 10. Pearl, July 14, 15. Brookhaven, July 17. Ozlesby, at Stockton, July 19. Gatesville, July 22. Hamilton, July 28, 29. Jonesboro, at Sardis, August 4, 5. Killeen and Nolan, August 11, 12. McGregor, August 18, 19. Copperas Cove, August 22. S. W. TURNER, P. E.

Cuero District—Third Round.

- Yoakum, April 21, 22. Flatonia, April 28. Ruge, at Cabesa, May 4-6. Victoria, May 12, 13. Hallettsville, at Hope, May 19, 20. Pierce, May 26, 27. El Campo, May 29, 30. Ganado, at G., July 1. Edna, June 2, 3. Shiner, at Sweet Home, June 16, 17. Leesville, at Liberty, June 23, 24. Rancho, at R., June 25. Clear Creek, at Helena, June 29, 30. Palacios, at Dem. Bldg., July 7, 8. Port Lavaca, at Traylor's, July 14, 15. Nursey, at Mis. Val., July 21, 22. Cuero, July 28, 29. Dist. Conf. at Flatonia April 26-30. Let all attend who can. Friday p. m. is "Woman's Day," and Saturday "Epworth League Day." Send names of delegates to A. Y. Old, pastor at Flatonia, at once. J. C. WILSON, P. E.

San Antonio District—Third Round.

- Cotulla cir., at Dilley, 1st Sun. May. Bexar cir., at Oak Island, 2d Sun. May. Pearsall, at Buckhorn, 3d Sun. May. Devine, 4th Sun. May. Utopia cir., at Leakey, 2d Sun. June. S. Heights and Comal, 3d Sun. June. Uvalde, 4th Sun. June. Carrizo Springs and Batesville at B. June 26. Rock Springs cir., at Montell 1st Sun. July. Eagle Pass, 2d Sun. July. Del Rio, July 9. Moore's cir., at Anchorage, 3d Sun. July. Hondo, at Tehuacana, 4th Sun. July. Laredo, July 23. West End, July 25. Prospect Hill, July 26. South Flores St., July 27. Travis Park, 11 a. m. 5th Sun. July. Sherman St., 7:30 p. m., 5th Sun. July. The place of meeting for the District Conference has been changed from Devine to Uvalde. The date of meeting will be June 21. W. J. JOHNSON, P. E.

Sherman District—Second Round.

- Waples Memorial, March 29. Van Alstyne, April 2. Whitesboro, April 7, 8. Whitewright, April 9. Collinsville and Tioga, at T., April 14, 15. Bells, at Virginia Point, April 14, 15. Pecan and Friendship, at P., April 15, 16. Howe, at Fergusons, April 28, 29. Pottshoro, April 28, 29. Preston, at Progress, April 28, 29. Pilot Grove, at Cottage, May 5, 6. Sadler, at Sadler, May 5, 6. Gunter, at Dorchester, May 5, 6. Southmayd, at Stanfield, May 12, 13. District Conference at Pecan, May 20-23. Bishop Key presiding. E. W. ALDERSON, P. E.



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Owens-McWhorter.—At the home of the bride's mother, near Commerce, Texas, March 14, 1906, Mr. L. C. Owens and Miss Jessie McWhorter, Rev. L. L. Nangle officiating. Slusser-Galbreath.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Kyle, Texas, December 25, 1905, Mr. Isaiah Slusser and Miss Gladys Galbreath, Rev. W. A. Dunn officiating. Donaldson-Kyle.—At the home of the bride's parents, in Kyle, Texas, February 19, 1906, Mr. Sidney Donaldson and Miss Emma Kyle, Rev. W. A. Dunn officiating. Glenn-Montague.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Kyle, Texas, March 11, 1906, Mr. J. A. Glenn and Miss Emma Montague, Rev. W. A. Dunn officiating. Chavarie-de Leon.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Kyle, Texas, March 25, 1906, Don Refugio Chavarie and Senorita Maria de Leon, Rev. W. A. Dunn officiating. Thomas-King.—On March 14, 1906, at Hood, Texas, Mr. J. N. Thomas, of Fannin County, and Miss Effie M. King, Rev. W. B. Bayless officiating. Bishop-McLeod.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. A. McLeod, ten miles north of Goldthwaite, March 10, 1906, Mr. J. K. Bishop and Miss Oe-a McLeod, Rev. G. W. Templin officiating. Baird-Deen.—March 14, 1906, Mr. Jerre J. Baird, of Yazoo, Miss, and Miss Carolyn Deen, at the home of the bride's father, Athens, Texas, Rev. C. B. Garrett officiating.

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The Home Circle

MOTHER.

If mother would listen to me, dears,
She would freshen that faded gown;
She would sometimes take an hour's
rest,
And sometimes a trip to town,
And it shouldn't for all the children,
The fun and the cheer of the play;
With the patient droop on the tired
mouth,
And the "mother has had her day."
True, mother has had her day, dears,
When you were her babies three,
And she stepped about the farm and
the house,
As busy as ever a bee,
When she rocked you to sleep, dears,
And sent you all to school,
And wore herself out, and did without,
And lived by the Golden Rule.
And so your turn has come, dears,
Her hair is growing white,
And her eyes are gaining that far-
away look
That peers beyond the night,
One of these days in the morning,
Mother will not be here;
She will fade away into silence,
The mother so true and dear.
Then what will you do in the daylight,
And what in the gloaming din?
And father tired and lonesome then,
Pray what will you do for him?
If you want to keep your mother,
You must make her rest to-day;
Must give her a share in the frolic,
And draw her into the play.
And if mother would listen to me,
dears,
She'd buy her a gown of silk,
With buttons of royal velvet,
And ruffles as white as milk,
And she'd let you do the trotting,
While she sat still in the chair;
That mother should have it hard all
through,
It strikes me— isn't fair.
—Margaret E. Sangster.

OUT OF THE ASHES.

The members of the First Congrega-
tional Church, of Danesville, were
keenly disappointed. There stood the
parsonage, brave in new paper and
paint, yet with carpetless floors and
smokeless chimneys, while Rev. John
Anderson—its rightful occupant—still
remained in the Widow Benson's
cramped front chambers.

The parishoners could not under-
stand it. Rev. John Anderson was
surely a man of his word, and he had
somewhat blushing told them in
July that he hoped to bring his bride
at New Year's to live among them.
The church had been thrown into a
flutter of excitement at once. A wife
—a minister's wife—to preside over
their missionary meetings and lead
their mother's meetings was the one
thing needful to render Rev. John An-
derson an ideal incumbent of their
pulpit.

The parsonage was owned by the
church society, and was loaned, free of
charge, to the minister, the latter in
each case supplying the furniture.
Therefore, when the ladies of the
church, by a series of harvest dinners
and chicken-pie suppers, had raised
sufficient money to cause the building
itself to be spotless in its purity of
paint and paper, they considered their
duty done and sat down to await with
ill-concealed impatience the advent of
the bride.

But when January first had come
and gone, leaving the parsonage still
vacant and the furniture unbought, the
ladies looked fearfully into each oth-
er's faces. "What can it mean?" asked
both lips and eyes—but in vain. Rev.
John Anderson moved among them
with the same cheery smile and cordial
handshake, and apparently made
no sign; though there were those who
professed to see immeasurable woe in
the depths of his dark eyes, and who
were sure they detected threads of
silver in the brown hair just above his
ears.

December had been a hard month
throughout the village. Indeed,
Danesville was not the only town that
would have bitter memories of the
early winter of 1902-3, with its sting-
ing cold and lack of fuel. Though
some of the people burned wood, yet
that, as well as coal, was scarce and
high and the suffering had been wide-
spread and severe.

It was a mild day in the first week

in January that Rev. John Anderson
walked down the main street of Danes-
ville and opened the parsonage gate.
Slowly he went up the path and fitted
a key in the front door. The pungent
odor of new paint and varnish greeted
his nostrils and he sniffed delightedly
as he stepped into the hall.

"Um—I always did like this smell,"
he mused aloud—a habit of his. "It's
so new and—weddingy!" A faint red
crept into his cheek and he caught his
breath sharply. "Oh, if it only was!
—and it might have been but for—"
The flash died out of his eyes and a
long sigh relaxed his shoulders. "But
it's all right; I couldn't see them suf-
fer—not when I could prevent it," he
added after a pause.

He stepped across the hall and into
the parlor.

"What a fine corner for Margaret's
piano!" he exclaimed, his face light-
ening up. "How pretty she'd look sit-
ting there with the sunlight on her
dainty golden head! And I'd be over
there lying on the couch and listening
to her playing. Let me see," he contin-
ued, warming to his subject and cross-
ing the parlor to the room beyond,
"this would be my study—and a good
one, too! There'd be my books all
along these two walls, a library table
here, and my chair and desk over
there, and—"

"Where? I don't see 'em!"
John Anderson turned abruptly. A
small boy in the parlor doorway was
regarding him with interested, yet
puzzled, blue eyes.

"Oh, good morning, Tommy. How
came you here?" asked the man, the
enthusiasm quite gone from his face
and voice.

"I came through the door—'twas
open," returned Tommy, shortly, hur-
rying over the necessary explanation
and plunging again into the subject
far more interesting to him. "Say, I
don't see 'em anywhere."

"See what?"
"Them things you was tellin' about;
chairs an' tables an'—"

"They're not there, Tommy." The
minister's voice was sad, and the small
boy felt vaguely sorry.

"Where be they?"
"Where? Yes, where?" returned the
man, his eyes looking dreamily out of
the window. "They're—they're burned
up, Tommy," he suddenly finished,
with a whimsical smile.

"Burned up!—what for?"

"To keep folks warm to be sure,"
answered the minister, smiling again;
then he suddenly noticed the horror in
the blue eyes searching his face.
"Nonsense; what am I saying to this
child!" he muttered under his breath,
catching the boy in his arms and lift-
ing him to his shoulder. "There, there,
my little fellow, let's forget all about
it. We'll go out and build a snow-
man—a great big snow-man with a
hat on his head."

The trouble fled from Tommy's face
and his eyes shone gleefully. He did
not think of the minister's words again
until that night when his mother was
putting him to bed. Then he sud-
denly burst out with:

"Mamma what made the minister
burn 'em up?"

"Burn what, dearie?" replied Mrs.
Booth, busying herself about the room
and paying little attention to her son's
remarks.

"Why, his chairs an' tables an'
things."

"Chairs—tables—the ministers!"
Mrs. Booth stepped abruptly and
turned toward the bed.

"Burned them up! What are you
talking about, my son?"

"But, mamma, he said he burned 'em
up," reiterated the boy.

"Thomas!" began Mrs. Booth, warn-
ingly. (Her son's imagination was active
and occasionally brought him perni-
ciously near an untruth.)

"I ain't makin' b'lieve, truly, mam-
ma," said Tommy earnestly.

Mrs. Booth caught her breath with
a little gasp and came over to Tom-
my's side.

"Tell me all about it, my son; but be

very careful, dear, and tell it just as
it happened," she said gravely.

Tommy swelled with importance.

"'Twas this mornin', mamma. I
was going by the parsonage an' the
door was open, so I just peeked in.
Mr. Anderson was in there, walkin' all
round an' talkin' to hisself. He was
tellin' about pianers an' chairs an'
tables an' things, an' he was actin' as
if he was movin' 'em round to fix 'em,
only I couldn't see anything," so I
asked him where they was. He

jumped an' looked kinder queer, then he
told me they was burned up to keep
folks warm. After that he stopped
talkin' all of a sudden, an' acted kinder
'shamed jest as I am when—when
I've been into the cake jar," explained
Tommy with a sidelong glance, which
his mother did not seem to notice.
"And—and—well, that's all. We made
a snow-man then," finished Tommy.

Mrs. Booth's face was very thought-
ful when she left her small son's bed-
room that night. For a fleeting mo-
ment she was inclined to fear for her
beloved pastor's reason; then she dis-
missed the idea as absurd and went
down-stairs to tell her husband of
Tommy's strange story.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth were wonderfully
busy during the next two days. They
took many walks throughout the town,
lingering longest in the poorer dis-
tricts. They saw many people and
asked many questions; then Mrs.
Booth called a special meeting of the
Ladies' Aid Society.

The meeting was well attended, and
there was a flutter of mild curiosity as
Mrs. Booth arose to speak.

"My friends," she began, with a
queer little break in her voice, "we
have been wondering for some time
why our pastor has not furnished the
parsonage and brought his bride among
us. Perhaps some of us, in our dis-
appointment, have censured him. Four
days ago I learned the reason, and
I've called you together that I may tell
it to you."

Mrs. Booth paused and moistened her
lips. A rustling wave of excitement
swept through the room, followed by
a breathless hush as Mrs. Booth spoke
again.

"We all know how the poor among
us suffered the first of the winter,
and we have a vague feeling that
somehow it has been better lately. We
know that the Widow Morton's coal
bin was filled—and with coal at sixteen
dollars a ton. We know that some
one sent five cords of wood to the
Smiths and as many more to the
Halls. But we have not known who this
'some one' was, and we have not
known that this same 'some one' has
kept a dozen families on South and
Spring Streets supplied with fuel
through all last month."

Mrs. Booth drew a long breath.

"Ladies," she continued impressively,
"the Widow Morton, the Smiths, the
Halls, and all those others have sim-
ply been burning up our pastor's fur-
niture. The money that he'd laid aside
to furnish the parsonage has gone in-
to a score of stoves—and the parson-
age itself is empty!"

A meeting of the deacons and of the
official committees of the church fol-
lowed swiftly upon that of the Ladies'
Aid Society and then half of Danes-
ville went about the streets very much
in the manner of a small boy who is
in possession of a wonderful secret.
There were stealthy meetings and mys-
terious conclaves, sly nods and cabal-
istic signs; but Rev. John Anderson
did not notice. Something was evi-
dently on his mind, and he wore an
abstracted air.

It was on the last Friday in January
that he received this letter:

"My dearest," it began, "how can
you drive me to this very unmaidenly
proceeding—that I should actually
plead with you to come and take me!
Indeed, sir, don't you know that it is
you that should do the coaxing?—and
here am I—!"

"Seriously, dear, there is no reason
in the world why I should not go to
you. You need me, your people need
me (I know it, for you have told me
so), and—I want to go. Never mind
the parsonage—we can do without it.

What do I care for a few tables and
chairs? You say your present quar-
ters are small, stuff and inconvenient
—altogether unfit for me. Now there,
sir, is just where you make a grave
mistake. If they are all that you pic-
ture them—then there is all the more
reason why I should be there, for a
few touches from my magic hand will
make them seem large, airy, and the
most convenient place in the world.
Try me and see!"

This was but a small portion of the
closely-written pages bearing the sig-
nature "Margaret" at the end.

When the minister started for
prayer-meeting that night his face
wore a look not seen there for many a
day, and his eyes were luminous as he
asked his congregation to wait a
moment after the benediction.

"My dear people," he began husk-
ily, "some of you may remember that
I had hoped to introduce my bride to
you at New Year's. I was intending to
furnish the parsonage and go to house-
keeping. This last I—I find myself
unable to do at present" (the congrega-
tion stirred audibly). "But the lit-
tle woman who is to share my lot has
expressed her willingness to—come
without waiting for that, and—well, I
shall ask for a leave of absence for
two weeks, at the end of which I hope
you will accord to both of us a wel-
come."

There was a deal of hand-shaking
at the First Congregational Church
that night, and there was much whis-
pering in shadowy corners. Every
one went home with a beaming coun-
tenance, and nearly every one said to
his neighbor, "It couldn't have hap-
pened better!"

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson were
expected home at six o'clock the seven-
teenth of February. When the whis-
tle of the engine sounded far
down the valley, the platform at the
station was black with people. As the
bride and groom stepped from the
train they found themselves sur-
rounded by a throng of welcoming
hands that led them in triumph to the
waiting sleigh.

The minister and his wife stepped
into the back seat, the driver flour-
ished his whip, and the horses started.
A few minutes later they came to a
sudden halt before a brilliantly lighted
building.

John Anderson assisted his wife to
alight, then looked about him in
amazement. For a moment he did
not recognize the parsonage.

"Why, here, what does this mean?"
he called to the man, who had started
to drive away. This isn't Mrs. Ben-
son's!"

The driver chuckled.
"Can't help it, sir—'twas where they
told me to leave you, sir!" And a sec-
ond chuckle, louder than the first,
floated back to their ears as the
sleigh went jingling down the road.

John Anderson turned toward the
house.

"Why, Margaret, it—it can't be!"
he cried, dashing up the steps and
throwing open the door.

Warm air fanned his cheeks and
bright lights almost dazzled his eyes.
He reached for Margaret's hand and
saggered against the wall.

"What can it mean?" he muttered,
turning his dazed eyes from the crim-
son carpet on the hall floor to the vis-
ions of warmth and cheer in the
rooms beyond.

Later, hand in hand, like two chil-
dren, they roamed through that mysti-
fying house.

There was the pretty parlor taste-
fully, yet inexpensively, furnished
and beyond it was the minister's study
containing all of his books—spirited,
in some wonderful manner, to their
new home. The bedroom was dainty
in spotless white and the dining-room
was cheery with bright rugs. The
pantry was stocked with provisions, a
teakettle was merrily singing on the
kitchen range, and the dining-table
was laid for two with a bountiful feast
of good things. At the minister's
plate was a card bearing these words:
"From a grateful and loving people.
A long and happy life to you both."
—Eleanor H. Porter, in Congregation-
alist and Christian World.

PLEASANT PEOPLE

Somewhere in America, in a country
churchyard, there is a gravestone, on
which is this epitaph, "She was so
pleasant."

It is a eulogy which tells its own
story. Whoever it was whose passing
is recorded, we may be sure that her
departure was truly lamented, and
that she was much missed. That is all
we know, for who she was, how old,
how situated, and the rest of her his-
tory is not indicated. Perhaps she
was a little child whose winsome ways
and merry smile made the sunshine
and gladness of her home; perhaps a
mother who kept her family in peace
and cheered the burden-bearers with
the sympathy of love; perhaps even
an old woman whose eyes were not so
dim but that she could see the needs of
others. In any case, she knew how to
make the world more easy and fair,
and did that which she knew how to
do happily and with no self-conscious-
ness.

In the winters of our lives we are all
the better if some one who is pleasant
shares with us the dark days. What
would our world be without those
friends of us all who do not claim to
be smart or clever, or highly gifted,
or intellectual, who do not, indeed,
claim anything, but are content to be
just themselves, cheery, hopeful, kind-
ly, and natural? Even the worst peo-
ple are not proof against them; they
can make the very sourest tempers to
be sometimes amiable, and the most
hopeless and depressed are cheered by
their sunny optimism. The curious in-
fluence which we have upon one an-
other is not always taken into ac-
count, but we all know how the very
atmosphere itself is affected by some
people, who perhaps only call upon us
for half an hour, but who leave some
force behind them which lasts all
day.—The Christian World.

HIS FIRST LETTER.

When George was sent away to
boarding-school the family waited anx-
iously for his first letter, which they
feared would be filled with homesick
longings for the people and things he
had left.

When the letter came George's
father smiled, his mother sighed, and
his older sisters were half-amused
and half-provoked.

"Dear Mother and Family," wrote
the only son of the household. "I've
been here twenty three hours now, and
it is great. My most intimate friend
is a boy by the name of Floppy Smith.
He's five feet six and has had his left
leg broken in two different places.
Your affectionate son, George."

INSOMNIA.

Leads to Madness, if not Remedied
in Time.

"Experiments satisfied me, some 5
years ago," writes a Topeka woman,
"that coffee was the direct cause of
the insomnia from which I suffered
terribly, as well as the extreme
nervousness and acute dyspepsia
which made life a most painful thing
for me."

"I had been a coffee drinker since
childhood, and did not like to think
that the beverage was doing me all
this harm. But it was, and the time
came when I had to face the fact,
and protect myself. I therefore gave
it up, abruptly and absolutely, and
adopted Postum Food Coffee for my
hot drink at meals.

"I began to note improvement in
my condition very soon after I took
on Postum. The change proceeded
gradually, but surely, and it was
a matter of only a few weeks before I
found myself entirely relieved—the
nervousness passed away, my diges-
tive apparatus was restored to normal
efficiency, and I began to sleep, rest-
fully and peacefully.

"These happy conditions have con-
tinued during all of the 5 years, and
I am safe in saying that I owe them
entirely to Postum Food Coffee, for
when I began to drink it I ceased to
use medicines." Name given by
Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.
There's a reason. Read the little
book, "The Road to Wellville," in
pkgs.

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A REMINISCENCE—1868-1906.

In the fall of 1868 I joined the West Texas Conference at Corpus Christi. I went from Clinton, in company with C. M. Rogers. The first night we stayed with Rev. Jesse Hord at Goliad. The next night we reached Beeville. Most of the members of the conference had to go by Beeville to get to Corpus Christi. So here we met with quite a number of the brethren, and had a profitable two-days' meeting. We set out for Corpus Christi, twenty-one in number. As well as I remember, there were three buggies and two ladies. Except the ladies and three men, all were on horseback. We had lunch under the trees by the roadside. That night we camped under the trees. The ground was our floor; the sky was our cover. We were supperless. Very little sleep that night. We had no bedding and very few wraps. It was winter and was cold. So we sat up and talked. Bro. Asbury Davidson read a Scripture lesson and led in prayer. That night he contracted his death cold. He died soon after conference—before he reached his home. With the early morning we were on our way. It was an ideal day—not a cloud in the sky. Nearly all of our company were young, or comparatively so—in the morning of life. How high our hopes, how bright our prospects! What possibilities! How glorious our work!—to pioneer a new country. The ambassadors for Christ, to be identified with a new conference and country, of which the present is only a prophecy! But I must be more practical. As we traveled on our way a deer was seen in the distance. Bro. Devilliss shot him and broke his leg. Then the race began—the West Texas Conference after a deer! It developed that there were three six-shooters in the crowd. They were emptied. The deer was still on the run. Bro. Seale was equal to the occasion and roped him. He was turned over to Bro. DeVilbiss. He divided the deer with friends in Corpus Christi. We reached the reef. Through this the Nueces River finds its way to the Bay. It is three miles wide. We had it to cross. It is like going to sea on horseback. It came near running into the buggies, somewhat exciting the ladies. There were stakes to show the passable way, but the way was far from being straight. Off this line of stakes was deep water or mud, or both. On one occasion Uncle Tommy Myers and his wife were crossing here. Dark came on. They could not see the stakes. So their only chance was to sit in their buggy all night. Uncle Tommy was a pioneer preacher. He and Aunt Sarah, his wife, were known and loved all over West Texas. I sometimes wonder if preachers crossing this reef in Pullman palace cars ever think of "the former times," when the circuit rider, without road, compass or guide, carried the gospel to the scattered settlements. For protection against the savage he carried his Winchester, hung to his saddle; his scanty wardrobe, Bible and other books in his typical saddle-pockets.

I would like to speak more particularly of the conference, but lack of space forbids. It was a time never to be forgotten. I must close with the mention of a few incidents of the return trip. With Bro. Fisher for guide, eight of us recrossed the reef. We came to Cow Bayou. It was swimming. We drove some cows in to test it. The only chance was to head the stream. This we did, coming down on the other side. By mistake we crossed the road we had been traveling in the morning. I don't know where we would have gotten to had not the reef stopped us. Just across the reef was Corpus Christi. The sun was not an hour high. We had traveled hard all day long. We were about five miles from where we started! No time was to be lost. We retraced our steps; took the road we had crossed and soon came to a cabin. There were only some ladies there. We said they could feed and furnish blankets and quilts for four of us; that there was another house some two miles further where they thought the rest of us could stay. So four of us, myself included, were willing to risk it being "better further on." Night came on us. After some time we saw a light, and were sure it was the place we were to stop. We left the road and struck out for the light, and came to another creek. One very long-legged preacher on a very short-legged pony ventured to near the bank. They both went down into the water. When pony and preacher came out of the water they were on opposite banks. The preacher was on the bank with the rest of us. After the dangers were over we had a hearty laugh at the preacher joining the Baptists so unexpectedly. Such events spiced the lives of the preachers along in the sixties. I know of only four of that conference now living. They are all superannuates. "God buries his workmen, but carries on his work." C. R. SHAPARD.

Rise Liars, And Salute Your Queen Ho, All Ye Faithful Followers of Ananias

GIVE EAR!

A Young Girl said to a Cooking School Teacher in New York: "If You Make One Statement as False as That, All You have said about Foods is Absolutely Unreliable."

This burst of true American girl indignation was caused by the teacher saying that Grape-Nuts, the popular pre-digested food, was made of stale bread shipped in and sweetened.

The teacher colored up and changed the subject.

There is quite an assortment of traveling and stay-at-home members of the tribe of Ananias who tell their falsehoods for a variety of reasons.

In the spring it is the custom on a cattle ranch to have a "round up," and brand the cattle, so we are going to have a "round up," and brand these cattle and place them in their proper pastures.

FIRST PASTURE.

Cooking school teachers—this includes "teachers" who have applied to us for a weekly pay if they would say "something nice" about Grape-Nuts and Postum, and when we have declined to hire them to do this they get waspy and show their true colors.

This also includes "demonstrators" and "lecturers" sent out by a certain Sanitarium to sell foods made there, and these people instructed by the small-be-whiskered-doctor—the head of the institution—to tell these prevarications (you can speak the stronger word if you like). This same little doctor conducts a small magazine in which there is a department of "answers to correspondents," many of the questions as well as the answers being written by the aforesaid doctor.

In this column sometime ago appeared the statement: "No, we cannot recommend the use of Grape-Nuts for it is nothing but bread with glucose poured over it." Right then he showed his badge as a member of the tribe of Ananias. He may have been a member for some time before, and so he has caused these "lecturers" to descend into the ways of the tribe wherever they go.

When the young lady in New York put the "iron on" to this "teacher" and branded her right we sent \$10.00 to the girl for her pluck and bravery.

SECOND PASTURE.

Editors of "Trade" papers known as grocers' papers.

Remember, we don't put the brand on all, by any means. Only those that require it. These members of the tribe have demanded that we carry advertising in their papers and when we do not consider it advisable they institute a campaign of vituperation and slander, printing from time to time manufactured slurs on Postum or Grape-Nuts. When they go far enough we set our legal force at work and hail them to the judge to answer. If the pace has been hot enough to throw some of these "cattle"

over on their backs, feet tied and "bellowing," do you think we should be blamed? They gambol around with tails held high and jump stiff legged with a very "cocky" air while they have full range, but when the rope is thrown over them "it's different."

Should we untie them because they bleat soft and low? Or should we put the iron on, so that people will know the brand?

Let's keep them in this pasture, anyhow.

THIRD PASTURE.

Now we come to a frisky lot, the "Labor Union" editors. You know down in Texas a weed called "Loco" is sometimes eaten by a steer and produces a derangement of the brain that makes the steer "batty" or crazy. Many of these editors are "Locoed" from hate of anyone who will not instantly obey the "demands" of a labor union and it is the universal habit of such writers to go straight into a system of personal vilification, manufacturing any sort of falsehood through which to vent their spleen. We assert that the common citizen has a right to live and breathe air without asking permission of the labor trust and this has brought down on us the hate of these editors. When they go far enough with their libels, is it harsh for us to get judgment against them and have our lawyers watch for a chance to attach money due them from others? (For they are usually irresponsible.)

Keep your eye out for the "Locoed" editor.

Now let all the choice specimens take notice:

We will deposit one thousand or fifty thousand dollars to be covered by a like amount from them, or any one of them, and if there was ever one ounce of old bread or any other ingredient different than our selected wheat and barley with a little salt and yeast used in the making of Grape-Nuts, we will lose the money.

Our pure food factories are open at all times to visitors, and thousands pass through each month, inspecting every department and every process. Our factories are so clean that one could, with good relish, eat a meal from the floors.

The work people, both men and women, are of the highest grade in the state of Michigan, and according to the state labor reports, are the highest paid in the state for similar work.

Let us tell you exactly what you will see when you inspect the manufacture of Grape-Nuts. You will find tremendous elevators containing the choicest wheat and barley possible to buy. These grains are carried through long conveyors to grinding mills, and there converted into flour. Then the machines make selection of the proper quantities of this flour in the proper proportion and these parts are blended into a general flour which

passes over to the big dough mixing machines, there water, salt and a little yeast are added and the dough kneaded the proper length of time.

Remember that previous to the barley having been ground it was passed through about one hundred hours of soaking in water, then placed on warm floors and slightly sprouted, developing the diastase in the barley, which changes the starch in the grain into a form of sugar.

Now after we have passed it into dough and it has been kneaded long enough, it is moulded by machinery into loaves about 18 inches long and 5 or 6 inches in diameter. It is put into this shape for convenience in second cooking.

These great loaves are sliced by machinery and the slices placed on wire trays, these trays, in turn, placed on great steel trucks, and rolled into the secondary ovens, each perhaps 75 or 80 feet long. There the food is subjected to a long low heat and the starch which has not been heretofore transformed, is turned into a form of sugar generally known as Post Sugar. It can be seen glistening on the granules of Grape-Nuts if held toward the light, and this sugar is not poured over or put on the food as these prevaricators ignorantly assert. On the contrary the sugar exudes from the interior of each little granule during the process of manufacture, and reminds one of the little white particles of sugar that come out on the end of a hickory log after it has been sawed off and allowed to stand for a length of time.

This Post Sugar is the most digestible food known for human use. It

is so perfect in its adaptability that mothers with very young infants will pour a little warm milk over two or three spoonfuls of Grape-Nuts, thus washing the sugar off from the granules and carrying it with the milk to the bottom of the dish. Then this milk charged with Post Sugar is fed to the infants producing the most satisfactory results, for the baby has food that it can digest quickly and will go off to sleep well fed and contented.

When baby gets two or three months old it is the custom of some mothers to allow the Grape-Nuts to soak in the milk a little longer and become mushy, whereupon a little of the food can be fed in addition to the milk containing the washed off sugar.

It is by no means manufactured for a baby food, but these facts are stated as an illustration of a perfectly digestible food.

It furnishes the energy and strength for the great athletes. It is in common use by physicians in their own families and among their patients, and can be seen on the table at every first class college in the land.

We quote from the London Lancet analysis as follows:

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'Grape-Nuts' resembles fried bread crumbs. The grains are brown and crisp, with a pleasant taste not unlike slightly burnt malt. According to our analysis the following is the composition of 'Grape Nuts': Moisture, 6.02 per cent; mineral matter, 2.01 per cent; fat 1.60 per cent; proteids, 15.00 per cent; soluble carbohydrates etc, 49.40 per cent; and unaltered carbohydrates (insoluble), 25.97 per cent. The features worthy of note in this analysis are the excellent proportion of proteid, mineral matters, and soluble carbohydrates per cent. The mineral matter is rich in phosphoric acid. 'Grape-Nuts' is described as a brain and nerve food, whatever that may be. Our analysis, at any rate, shows that it is a nutritive of a high order, since it contains the constituents of a complete food in very satisfactory and rich proportion and in an easily assimilable state."

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TWO DAYS IN CHEROKEE COUNTY.

Cherokee County is in East Texas, and Jacksonville is its county site. It is reached by the T. & N. O., the Cotton Belt, and the I. & G. N. Railroads. These advantages are fine, and they are making the country promising. I spent last Saturday and Sunday in that county. For some time I had been under promise to Rev. J. M. Smith, who is in charge of the Jacksonville Circuit, to visit his work and take part in the dedication of three church buildings, erected during the past year. He lives in Jacksonville, in a most excellent parsonage. He and his good wife showed me great kindness. He, Rev. Beverly Allen and an old-time friend, Brother Vining, met me at the train. The latter two live at Mt. Selman, eight miles from Jacksonville. They came down especially to be with me, and I appreciated their compliment. Forty years ago, in Center Valley, Ga., I knew Brother Vining as a boy. We lived in the same community, and belonged to the same Church and Sunday school. I was certainly delighted to see him, after all these years of separation. He has been in Texas fifteen years; taught school for several years, but of late he has been in the fruit and truck farming business, and he has prospered. We surely had a good time talking over old times. Brother Allen has charge of the work at Mt. Selman. He is the son of the Rev. Fred Allen, long a member of the Texas Conference. He is doing well on his work.

After dinner, we drove six miles in the country to a beautiful little Church, located in a delightful community, and, though it was Saturday, the woods were alive with horses and vehicles, and the people made it look like Sunday. You ought to have heard those young people sing. It reminded me of old times. We had several local preachers present. The people gave earnest heed to the preaching, and we had a delightful service. At its close we solemnly dedicated the building to God. It is a framed structure, on a good plot of ground, and in a beautiful grove. It cost \$600, but up in this section it would have cost \$1000. It is painted and well-furnished, has an organ, and the interior of the building is celled. Every cent of the money was paid and we did not even have to take a collection. The church is called Tatum's Chapel, named for an old family in the community. A few

months ago we had nothing there but eight or ten members. Now we have this nice, little church, a good Sunday-school, and a membership of about fifty.

After the service we drove back to town to spend the night. We passed through the famous Elberta peach section. Orchards are everywhere. The hills and the valleys are covered with these green and flourishing trees. Twelve years ago those lands were offered for a dollar an acre; now they are worth from fifty to one hundred, and you can scarcely get them for that. They not only bring fine peaches, but they are great tomato producing lands. On fifteen or twenty acres it is not an unusual thing for a man to make from \$1200 to \$2000 a season; and five or six acres in tomatoes bring a large income. The people are very prosperous, and wherever you see a fine peach orchard, you invariably see a handsome home, painted and well-furnished, with good barns and stock to correspond. We drove by one orchard of six hundred acres, and it is beautiful to behold.

After a night of rest, Brother Smith and his good wife drove me in an opposite direction seven miles through the country to Antioch, another new church. The country is somewhat broken, and the roads are cut up by lumber wagons, for the people are still using up their pine forests. The old farms are being planted in peach trees and tomatoes, and new farms are being opened for the same purpose. It is marvelous to see those red hills, which, a few years ago, were scarcely capable of yielding a spare living, now becoming sources of wealth and great prosperity. At Antioch we have a good membership and handsome church, which cost \$1000, all finished and paid for. It is painted a beautiful white, and as it is situated on a magnificent eminence, it shows off to good advantage. In front of it is a luxuriant forest. I have not seen such a congregation in a long time. They were from everywhere. Their horses and turn-outs indicated a prosperous condition of the country. At least one-third of the people could not get in the house. The preliminaries were spiritual, and the sermon was headed closely. I have never preached to a more appreciative congregation. Rev. W. K. Strother, Rev. Brother Trotter, Rev. T. G. Booth, a former pastor, and Bro. Smith took part in the service. Then the beautiful house was set apart to the worship of God. Out on the black land that church would cost \$1500. After the service, a great dinner, consisting of everything good to eat, was spread, and all the people were bountifully served.

At two o'clock we drove four miles across the county, and at three we found another church ready for dedication. It is Pierce's Chapel, named after Bishop George F. Pierce. Early in the sixties he passed through that section on his way to the Texas Conference, and preached in that community. The old people remember his visit vividly, and they have named their elegant chapel for him. It is all finished except painting, which will be done before long. It cost \$750, but would have cost much more at a distance from that lumber district. A good audience was present and after the sermon we set it apart from all unhallowed uses, and gave it to God in dedication. This is Brother Smith's fourth year. When he went to the work he found it run down, the church buildings old and out of repair, and the parsonage not in good condition. Now he has the parsonage bright, clean and almost new, beautifully painted and fenced, fine fruit trees, and a good garden flourishing; and his churches are in good repair, and three new ones built, finished, paid for, and dedicated, without a collection. This is a fine record and could only have been made by a faithful, devoted and persistent minister of the gospel. The people are perfectly devoted to him and his wife, and well they may be, for no people have a better preacher and his family to serve them. He brings things to pass. There is not an idle bone in his body. He works, has good taste, fine sense, a level head, and he leaves things on

his work far in advance of where he found them. And he is humble, and thoroughly religious. I esteem it a great privilege to have been in his home and in his company these two pleasant days. And I enjoyed being with his people. There is something very interesting to me in the simple, devoted life and hospitality of old-fashioned country people. These received me graciously. They read the Advocate and felt that they knew me. When Brother Smith went to them, they were talking about ten copies of the paper, but now about fifty copies of the Advocate go to that charge. Such a man, and such a people, were entitled to a visit from the editor.

We drove back to town and took supper at Alexander Institute Dormitory. Rev. W. K. Strother and his wife—a fine Kid-Key College woman—are in charge. Brother Strother went from the North Texas Conference. He has developed large aptitude for school work. He took charge of this institution when it was considerably run down. To-day it has an enrollment of two hundred and thirty students, many of them boarding pupils. He has a good faculty and a fine course of study. The dormitory has been renovated and improved. All the rooms have been newly papered and furnished. It has electric lights and a good system of waterworks, and it has bath-rooms elegantly fitted up. I have never gone into a better furnished, a better kept, and a better supplied dining room. Brother Strother and his Board have sold the old Institute property for several thousand dollars, and, through the help of Brother Milam, the active Financial Agent, they have raised a good subscription for a new Institute building. It will occupy a place on the handsome campus around the present dormitory building. It will cost, when completed, \$30,000. It will be built of cement blocks. The lumber and other material are now being placed upon the ground. I saw the plans. When put into effect, they will make one of the handsomest and most convenient school properties in our Texas Methodism. And it will do a great work for us in that section of the State. I am sure that the many old friends of Brother and Sister Strother, in North Texas, will rejoice to hear of their success in the Alexander Institute.

Jacksonville is a prosperous place, of thirty-five hundred people. The residences and the business houses all indicate progress and thrift. There is large wealth in the place. They have fine waterworks, a good electric light plant, and other public enterprises. They have local option, and it works well. When men violate the law, they spend a season in jail and on the public roads. One term usually reforms them. They have a County Attorney and a Sheriff who enforce the law.

At night I preached for Rev. F. A. Downs and our people. We have a very fine people in the membership of that Church. They are still worshipping in the old building, but one of these days they will put up a very handsome church on that splendid location. Brother Downs is serving his people faithfully. He is a young man, well-educated, has a fine library, and he is studious. He lives in a good parsonage near the church, and no man has a more desirable charge than he. The night service ended the two days' work, and at midnight I took an International train, by way of Longview and thence over the T. & P. road home, reaching here by nine o'clock Monday morning. I only lost one day out of the office, after preaching four times, dedicating three church buildings, traveling nearly three hundred miles—about thirty of them by private conveyance. But when a brother preacher and his people appreciate such labor, it is a delight to render them the service.

G. C. R.

NOTES IN PASSING.

It is our custom to make personal mention of the brethren who call at the Advocate office, but this issue will have to be an exception. They are all here at the Educational Convention, and there is not room to publish the

names of the scores and scores who have called and paid their respects to us. Nevertheless, we appreciate their visits and their many kind words. The Advocate has a firm hold on the good will of the Methodists of Texas. Preachers and laymen are vying with each other in their expressions of good will.

Cherokee County is aflame at this season of the year with gorgeous blooms on the fruit trees, and the wild woods are like a snow bank, such is the profusion of blooms on the dog woods. We feasted on their beauty, as we once lived in the hill country, where the forests were magnificent. That East Texas country, with its wooded hills, flowering landscapes and crystal streams, reminds us of our old Tennessee home scenes. No wonder that the early people coming to Texas from beyond the Mississippi first located in East Texas.

The good people in Rusk routed the ants in the election last week, horse, foot and dragon. A campaign was never better managed, and the result is as glorious for the pros as it is disastrous and depressing to the antis. They fondly hoped to carry that county back to the wet column. But when the polls closed, old Rusk was more formidably on the pro side than ever before. Yet the ants sent the big guns into the county. Even J. B. Rayner, the Post's pet negro correspondent, was over there doing his best for the liquor side. There are a great many negro votes in that county, and he did his utmost to swing them into the anti lines. Good for Rusk! On with the battle!

The Educational Convention is in full swing as we go to press. We will have accounts of it in our next issue. The brethren are here from all over the State. We have rarely ever seen such a gathering of preachers and laymen gathered in one meeting. It is proof positive that there is oneness in our Texas Methodism. Our educational work is pushing to the front. We are making history rapidly, and the next generation will find our school far in advance of their present good showing. The interest manifested in this great gathering is deep, wide and on-flowing. Dr. Jno. R. Nelson has again demonstrated the fact that he is a wise general, and when he lays his hand to a thing it goes. The Church made no mistake when it made him our leader in this great movement.

Next summer will be the time when the primaries will say who shall be the men to make and enforce the laws of the State; and every good citizen ought to do his duty. No man who is known to be a vulgar, profane swearer, or a whisky drinker, or an unclean man socially and morally, is worthy of the votes of good citizens. Texas is now able to put men in office who represent decency and law and order; and they owe it to their homes, to their country and to their convictions to see that this is done. No bad man is fit to make a good law, or to enforce a good law. Hence the coming election is one of the most important thus far in our history. Let every good man do his duty.

THE EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

As we go to press the Educational Convention is in progress. Last night was the opening service. A great crowd assembled in the Bush Temple of Music. It will seat two thousand people and it was packed from pit to dome. Some of our great men graced the rostrum. Among them were Bishops Key, Hendrix and Hoss. They were all three looking well. Dr. Jno. M. Moore, in the absence of Dr. T. R. Pierce, presided. Hundreds of leading preachers made up much of the audience. They are here from the cities, the towns, the circuits and the missions. Laymen are numerous in the gathering. The city has given to them a royal welcome. The Daily News is full of the proceedings. The pictures of many of the leaders appear in its columns.

Bishop Hoss delivered the opening

address. It was great, viewed from every standpoint. It was comprehensive, condensed, argumentative, thoughtful and far-reaching. It bristled with diamond points. It had edge to it. It was in the purest English, and he put ardor into its delivery. We will use it on the editorial page of the Advocate next week and the week following.

Dr. W. H. LaPrade, of Jackson, Mississippi, followed in a very scholarly and a very thoroughly prepared address, and it was delivered with telling effect. The occasion was a great success. We congratulate Dr. Nelson and those associated with him on the success of the gathering. It not only comes up to expectation, but it is beyond what was expected. And the meeting of the General Board of Education, in connection with the convention, adds dignity and importance to the movement.

The very fact that such a representative audience of laymen and ministers has come together to consider and hear considered the subject of education is a wonderful compliment to this department of our work in Texas. It is proof that this branch of our service is to the fore and that henceforth we will never let our institutions of learning lag. They are receiving an impetus that will crown their efforts with great success. Next week we hope to give large space to the proceedings. We will then have an opportunity to survey results and estimate their value. But we have already seen enough of it to predict that out of it will come sentiment and history.

TEXAS PERSONALS

Bro. W. J. Davis, of Ridgeway, a son of Rev. W. R. Davis of sainted memory, called on us this week. He is a staunch Methodist and we were glad to welcome him in our office.

State Senator A. P. Barrett, of Bonham, made us a pleasant visit recently. He was in the Legislature when the Willacy bill was the issue, and he helped to turn it down in the Lower House. He is a true blue local optionist. And he is a candidate for Congress in that district. He favors doing away with the jug business now in operation under the Interstate Commerce act, and he is opposed to the United States Government issuing license to sell liquor in local option territory.

THE MODERN EVANGELIST.

By Rev. W. H. Hughes.

They came, they saw, they conquered. The evangelistic work in the Southwest, especially in Texas, had been so shamefully prostituted and abused that some of us had concluded that it was a disadvantage, if not a curse, to the Church. Coarse men, under the guise of evangelists, from far and near, have said and done things so far below the dignity and solemnity taught in the Bible that propriety, not to say piety, was put to shame. Buffoonery and funny anecdotes were used to draw the multitude. Solemnity seems to be out of place, and serious, heartfelt devotion was an infinitesimal part of worship. So that when the fun-making evangelist was gone, and the pastor returned to the solemnities of the regular worship, the fun-made converts were ready to say the pastor had no snap and get up in him, and these new trophies were not seen at Church any more until the funny man came again. The pastor is discredited and the cause damaged.

When it was announced that Dr. Chapman and his co-laborers from the North were coming to hold a revival service in Dallas, some were ready to ask: "Can any good come out of Nazareth?" They came, and the results of their labors warrant an affirmative answer as emphatic as it did when it was first propounded. These men, like Paul, came determined to know nothing among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified. They preached a clean, full gospel, with no clap-trap or doubtful methods to draw the rabble. There was not an act, look or word from any one of them, either preachers or singers, to which the most devout could object; and it is but just to the good people of the city of Dallas to say that the evangelists did not receive a discourtesy from any one—not even when they preached in the saloons. They divided the city into six sections and had services at the same hour in each section, and then often were compelled to have overflow preaching at other churches. At the noonday services no auditorium in the city would hold the multitudes who flocked out to hear of Jesus and his love. Such crowds at every service, wet or dry,

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day or night, for nearly three weeks, were never seen in Dallas before. Nothing draws like a clean, unmixed gospel. It is a repetition of the drawing power of Wesley and Whitefield more than a hundred years ago. Christ said truly: "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." No fun is required. Lifting him up before the people will be as magnetic to-day as it was on the day of Pentecost, when the multitude came together. "Saying, what meaneth this?" At noon services in the large Opera House, it was often necessary to go long before the appointed hour to get even standing room. The singing was soul-stirring and the preaching was in demonstration of the Spirit and with power. Every evangelist seemed to be deeply consecrated. The preaching of Drs. Chapman and Ostrom was of a most superior order. They were as unlike as Peter and John, and yet, like Peter and John, they were each a supplement to the other. To meet and hear two such men is a privilege of only once in a lifetime.

There was no prearranged contract for their services. They simply accepted just what the people voluntarily gave to pay their necessary expenses. They exhibited a desire for only one thing, and that was to persuade men to come to Christ. They seemed to be willing to become any thing, or nothing, if they could thereby get sinners to accept eternal life. A peculiar feature of these meetings was one for old folks. Dr. Ostrom's exposition of the twenty-third Psalm on that occasion was incomparably the finest we have ever heard. The city of Dallas was never so profoundly moved before. Think of all the business houses in this great city closing for two hours at noon so that all employees, as well as proprietors, could hear the gospel! These meetings have given a mighty uplift to the moral tone of this people. Dr. Chapman is trying to revolutionize modern evangelistic work. God speed his noble efforts. Amen!

Dallas, Texas.

THE CHAPMAN MEETINGS.

Several notices of the "Chapman meetings" in Dallas have been given by more competent witnesses, but I would be untrue to my aroused feelings not to add my testimony. I mention four particulars that strongly impressed me.

1. The personnel of the party. More splendid specimens of Christian manhood are not easily found. Every man among them is elegant in dress, courteous in manner, chaste in speech and clean in habits. Dr. Taylor, who led the meetings in North Dallas district, said that Dr. Chapman had never had associated with him a man who used tobacco or indulged in any questionable habit. Each man is genuinely consecrated to the work of the Lord—always ready at the command of Dr. Chapman for singing, for personal work, or for preaching. Every one is college trained and thoroughly cultured in mind—clean, consecrated and cultured.

2. The message. They preached a whole Bible, from "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth," to "Even so come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen." They emphasized the cardinal doctrines of Christianity, repentance, faith, regeneration, witness of the Spirit, sanctification, and eternal rewards and punishments. They sang the old songs—"Nearer my God to Thee," "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood," "Shall we gather at the River?" "In the sweet By and By," with the already world famous "Glory song," and "The King's Business," added. Such singing stirs the souls of men "dead in trespasses and sin."

3. The methods. They used all the legitimate methods known to the modern successful business world, that it may no longer be said of us, "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Yet their methods are as old as the New Testament. Paul said, "To the weak became I weak that I might gain the weak; I am made all things to all men that I might by all means save some." They use the lifting of the hand, the bowing of the head, the standing in the congregation, the signing of a card, to be followed up with personal work to the thorough commitment of the soul to Christ and the Church. We, as Methodists, and all other Christian workers, must not believe that "coming to the altar and kneeling for prayer" is the only method of leading men to Christ. As blessed as the altar has proven in the years gone, it takes all sorts of bait to catch all sorts of fish.

4. The results. The pastors of the city have been so thoroughly united that henceforth perfect harmony will surely prevail. We are all agreed that denominational differences will be of minor importance, and the one message of prayer and preaching will be "Christ and Him crucified." The laity have come to appreciate the great value of personal work, and

many have been inspired to commit themselves definitely to it. The note of soul-seeking had too largely died out in the Churches, but we are now more ready to strike it again with a decided emphasis. The world has come to know what some of us have long since known, that the different denominations are not so radically different after all. We have one God and Father of us all, one Savior, one Holy Spirit, one Bible and one eternal hope beyond. We are not fighting each other, as some have supposed, and now we are even more ready to present a solid phalanx against the world, the flesh and the devil. Such a spirit of unity is itself an unanswerable argument against infidelity, and will inspire to nobler endeavor many a halting Christian. We are not surprised that such men, with such a message, using such methods, and with so many pastors and people all agreed on the one purpose, succeeded by God's grace in leading to Christ so many strong men and women who will help us much in the days to come.

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REGENERATION.

As this important subject is on the wing, please allow me a little space also. In the issue of the Advocate of November 2, to which Mr. White refers, Mr. Hall stated that infants were regenerated at birth. I think he misapplies the word, for while we admit that they are in a saved state, regenerate signifies to re-beget or re-create, and is only applicable to the new birth after the age of accountability. Mr. Hall seems to argue that infants continue in that saved state and also argues that the individual has no part to perform in the act of the Holy Spirit in the new birth. While "must be born" is passive and simply signifies existence in that state, yet every one arriving at the age of accountability and sins knowingly and wilfully, must come to the Savior by repentance and faith in order to be a recipient of the new birth. Mr. Hall mentions as proof, "must be a citizen of Texas in order to vote," etc. Yet, if the citizen sits down and does nothing, never gets out the necessary papers and makes proper oath, he would never become a citizen. His reference to the wind does not prove anything on this point. Of course we know nothing as to the action of the Holy Spirit. Then, too, why so many invitations in the Bible? "Come unto me," "ask, seek, knock" and many, very many others.

J. R. TAYLOR.

Kosse, Texas.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

During the quadrennium now closing the Epworth League has had a net increase in its membership, according to the General Minutes, of 6,488, and an increase of 307 in the number of chapters. This is an average net increase of 1622 members each year, and of slightly fewer than 77 chapters. The figures in the General Minutes for the present year show an increase in the number of chapters, but a decrease in the membership. The League is enjoying a solid prosperity.

H. M. DuBose.

LETTER FROM REV. J. N. HUNTER.

I am in Providence, R. I., for a short time. It is quite a transition from the sunny clime of Texas to the bleak, cold climate of New England. In three weeks here I have seen more snow than I ever saw in Texas in thirty years. No sign of spring yet.

Providence has a population of 250,000. Cotton and woolen mills, foundries, factories and shops give employment to thousands of people.

The churches are magnificent structures and are well attended by throngs of people every Sunday.

Newport, on Narragansett Bay, is the other capital of this the least State in the Union. Newport has the best harbor in the Atlantic coast. Also one of the best fortified forts, a torpedo and naval station, and is famous as a summer resort.

I attended the session of the New England Southern Conference at Newport last week. Bishop Cranston presided. They have a fine body of men and I was favorably impressed with their reports and excellent sermons that I heard. Sixteen of their preachers died last year. George Whitefield preached in Newport in 1740. Fifty years later came Jesse Lee, the founder of New England Methodism, Francis Asbury, Freeborn Garretson, Ezekiel Cooper, George Pickering, Joshua Taylor and Bishop Coke, all preached here in Rhode Island and throughout New England, planting and cultivating Methodism. No Church has a grander history, full of thrilling interest, heroic suffering and sacrifice than that of New England Methodism. And today she is a power felt and feared by the enemies of civic righteousness.

The Advocate reaches me here on Monday. It is doubly dear to me now so far away from home. I devour ev-

ery thing in it and wish for more. I think we have the best editor, and the best paper in Southern Methodism.

I hereby send greetings to my brethren and a prayer that this may be the most gracious year in the history of the North Texas Conference.

J. N. HUNTER.

Providence, R. I.

FROM UNCLE NATH.

Miss Sara and I enjoy the paper every week. We are getting on fine back here, but we "hain't got no 'jection to Texas."

All our editorials, local option as well as otherwise, strike me as timely and readable.

My father's health continues about the same. Seems to enjoy our being near.

Hope to see and shake hands with you Texas fellows at Birmingham. Several of us Georgia boys are going to run over for a few days.

Lots of love to you, Brother Blaylock and the Advocate force.

I liked your editorial on the "Qualifications for the Episcopacy," except two things, one subtraction and one addition. "A great preacher, one we could show off." I never could imagine Jesus Christ a "great preacher." Oratorical, philosophical, metaphysical, and a whole lot of fuls to swell in.

The masses wait for the man great in results.

Our Bishops need to be men known and noted as filled with the Holy Spirit rather than splendid scholarship.

I have no apology to make in presuming to advise in this matter. I represent the average preacher and charge, and there are lots of us. This subtraction suggestion has in it a vein of humor; but I am in dead earnest about this addition. Our Bishops ought to be pre-eminent leaders of men, and who themselves can plan with the foresight of a prophet. He must be able to strike a new trail once in awhile far ahead of the rest of the hounds, and open with such a tone of truth and triumph that the rest of the pack will go to him at once.

There is no parallel in the past for our present opportunities—how to utilize and save our large city Churches; streams of common folks pouring into our cities. The eagles from every foreign shore are gathering together and the carcass is in the South.

Just a common man in the Bishopric now would be in the way. Better let the presiding elders run it like they are already running it in some places. Every good layman does not make a successful itinerant preacher, and every good Methodist preacher won't make a successful Bishop. Now Uncle Nath, you are talking so big: do you know where we can find just such a man? To be candid, I do not; but I believe this hour demands him, and several like him.

God never bored a hole without leaving around somewhere a peg to fit it.

Delegates to the General Conference, you may meet him hunting stray donkeys or herding sorry sheep, but, if God says so, anoint him. He may not seem among his brethren as splendid a type of scholar and master of assemblies as you would like to introduce as "our new Bishop," but we will wait on God a little and see how the campaign comes out.

Yours for God anyhow and everywhere, anywhere and everywhere,
UNCLE NATH.

REV. F. A. MCSHAN—A TRIBUTE.

I tried while he lived to show him that I loved him, and now I come to lay this little flower on his tomb. It is not an obituary, a formally written memoir, but I would fain part the curtain a little, and let you see the man, as I knew him.

My first recollection of him was in 1880. He was then an old man, spare made, delicate in frame. A face that told of hard study, yet without friction or irritation, for it beamed with love for all. It was not a smile, that may be rehearsed before a mirror. It was the soul of the man in his face. He was then pastor at Columbus, Texas. I was but a small boy, but I remembered him as the leader of his conference in pulpit ability. I knew him as time slowed his steps, whitened his hair, and even brought his mind to where he lived in the past.

You would know his story verbatim, but some how you would listen every time, for they were stories of the triumphs of the gospels. None ever told of a failure or an unpleasant incident. No man had ever wronged him in the least. The Bishop even never gave him a hard appointment. Over and over he told me that God had used the Methodist Church to make him all that he had ever been in the world. Time shifts the scenes. I, the bare-foot boy was in the pulpit, and Bro. McShan in the pew. His face was kind, loving, sympathetic—an inspiration to the preacher, even more he entered into the spirit of the sermon, and enjoyed it as if he listened to "a feast of rea-

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son, and a flow of soul." That his own sermons so far surpassed the one to which he listened, never seemed to enter his mind.

Of his active ministry, I can not speak from personal knowledge. It was before I ever saw the light. It began in the Texas Conference in 1857, when he was received by transfer from Alabama. He labored shoulder to shoulder with the Whipples, Thrall and Alexander Rev. C. H. Brooks, of Elgin, is, perhaps, the only one now living that can tell of those days from personal knowledge. For some years after his superannuation, he lived just out from Rockdale. His home was but a box shanty, innocent of what we call the conveniences of a home. His wife was for years an invalid and a great sufferer, and he was everything from cook to trained nurse. Yet it never seemed to him that he was having a hard time. Bro. McShan in his younger days did a very wise thing. Every preacher ought to think about it. He wrote out his sermons in full, hence as long as he could stand in the pulpit at all, he could preach. I have seen him go to the stand, everything about him indicating senility, lay down a manuscript, yellow with age, and begin to read. Soon he would catch enthusiasm from the old pages, his eyes would flash again, and he would thrill his audience as in his hey day. A bright young man, who had had exceptionally good advantages, told me that in his life he had heard three great sermons. One was by Bishop Galloway on a university commencement occasion, one was by Rev. W. K. Turner, on "what shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" and the third was by Rev. F. A. McShan, on "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." The Christ lived again in the world in the life of Bro. McShan.

B. W. ALLEN.

THE SUNSET SHORE.

The stock of alabaster boxes is not exhausted by any means. A large number have been broken on the pate of this scribe since he left the Lone Star empire a few months ago. If there had been nothing else in my coming, it would have been a rich reward to have gotten so many such letters as have come to me from all sorts of friends in several sections of Uncle Sam's domain, even from the penitentiary at Rusk. And then the royal greeting of old and new friends over here. I find it pays exceedingly well to have tried to be a good man and to have always loved everybody, and to have let them know it.

I love God and everybody intensely. Oh what a delight it is! It makes things exquisitely pleasing—making the earth life like that above. It suits me. One thing to me has made "ignorance bliss," and that is, if I have, or ever had, an enemy I am not aware of it. Surely no one could enjoy being mad at me; what good would it do him?

Our Lord said this woman used her alabaster box material "aforetime" unto his burial. That is, she was an up-to-date, thoughtful, as well as pious, woman. She did not wait till He was dead to put flowers on His grave, but perfumed His life. She said and did to Him while and when He needed it most—in the shadow of the earthly day and the cross. If He needed and enjoyed that sort of conduct, why do I not need it, and why not I enjoy it too? It is said, "The grave hides all faults;" it is also written, "Charity shall cover a multitude of evils—sins." This last is applied to our brother in the flesh while he is trying to live, battling for life. I have always had a keener relish for a whole-soul amen, a nod or tear while preaching, than anything said to me afterwards. I like it as I am going along, to me it seems at least to be more real, less studied. Like after death flowers, much insincerity comes to flatter us

poor mortals after the sermon from dry-eyed listeners.

These letters have paid me for coming over here. To me they make "mighty good reading," and they excite the sweetest fragrance in the fullest volume of love and gratitude from the bottom of my heart, both to God and the writers.

A letter came yesterday from Georgetown, Texas, reminding me of a duty I owe to the friends over there of writing to the Advocate now and then, if not oftener, giving account, etc. I appreciate being kindly remembered, and of being joggled up that way.

We are enjoying a California parsonage. Bishop Morrison assigned me to the pastorate of Richland Church at the session of this, Los Angeles, Conference. It is near San Marcos, a beautiful valley, country Church. We live in the midst of a flower yard and most lovely landscape surroundings, sixteen miles from the ocean. The dampness of the foggy and rainy season is making it hard on Mrs. Haralson. While it kept warm and dry she did well, but she has suffered very much the past month from a distressing cough, especially through the nights. The matter of her health is not yet assuring. We would be most graciously pleased if more of the friends would write to us. Our address is San Marcos, San Diego County, California.

God bless the Advocate family and all the readers.

JEROME HARALSON.

A GOOD QUARTERLY MEETING.

I am just from the Davilla charge, where, at Tracy, was held the second quarterly meeting, which from every view-point was a good one. This, however, is usual on the Davilla charge. Good congregation Saturday, at 11 o'clock; officials from each Church; dinner in abundance for all—not "on the ground," but on the quarterly meeting table. The conference is not the dry, uninteresting "official" meeting, so common in many places. The growth in this charge the past few years is indeed gratifying. Here Bro. C. E. Simpson did four years of faithful work, and Bro. G. W. Riley is doing work that is much appreciated, and bearing good fruit. Besides much pastoral work, he has organized four W. H. M. Societies. This charge is blessed with many good women. Of the stewards I can truly say that they are faithful. At the first Quarterly Conference (Jan. 6) they paid 20 per cent of the assessment for the support of the ministry. At the second Quarterly Conference (March 31) they paid more than a fourth of the salary and by way of good measure the women presented \$21.50 for a suit for the pastor. Conference collections are being looked after with care. Our church at Tracy, built some years ago, but not finished, will soon be ready for dedication. We are hoping to have the editor of the Advocate with us on that occasion.

CHAS. F. SMITH.

IMPORTANT.

The pamphlet on the sectarian translations of the "American Standard Revised" New Testament, by Rev. Jno. Adams, D. D., contains some very important information on the mode and design of Peptism, which it is believed everybody ought to have. Price 10 cents a copy, prepaid. Address REV. JOHN ADAMS, Tyler, Texas.

GENERAL CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT.

Doubtless many of our preachers and people are planning to attend the session of the General Conference to be held in Birmingham, Ala., beginning the first Thursday in May. All inquiries concerning entertainment should be addressed to Geo. B. Tarant, care of the First M. E. Church, South, Birmingham, Ala.

W. F. McMURRY,
Sec. of Com. on Entertainment.

Epworth League Department

(All communications intended for this department and exchanges with articles to be commented upon, should be sent to Gus. W. Thomasson, Van Alstyne, Texas. Make all remittances for State League dues and Assembly pledges to A. K. Ragsdale, Secretary, Dallas, Texas.)

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SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
CORPUS CHRISTI, AUG. 3-13, 1906.

THE COMING ENCAMPMENT AND OTHER MEETINGS.

The date for the next encampment has been definitely set for August 3-12, and announcement to this effect was made some months ago, so that it is in order for all other League meetings in this State this year to be held prior to this date. In the Texas and North Texas Conferences, where conference and district organizations both exist, it is expected that the district meetings will precede the conference meeting and that the latter will be held before the date of the encampment. In this way the lesser meeting may be made a means of help to the greater, and the League movement as a whole will be benefited.

There is no good reason, it seems to us, why this plan may not be followed if our leaders will give the matter attention in time. As a rule our presiding elders will adjust their meetings to this end when requested to do so; and now, when dates are being set, our League people should be alert and provide against every possible conflict therein. With the Assembly permanently established as a great school of methods, the beneficial results which will accrue to the local chapters and to the individual members of the League will be manifold, and nothing will so contribute to the successful establishment of the Assembly as a hearty co-operation on the part of other organizations.

COMING LEAGUE MEETINGS.

- Georgetown District, Rodgers, April 25.
- McKinney District, Frisco, May 3-6.
- North Texas Conference, Whitesboro, June 15-17.
- Sherman District, Pecan Grove, Sea, August 3-12.
- Beeville District, Epworth by the Sea, August 3-12.
- State Encampment, Epworth by the Sea, August 3-12.

NOTES.

The programme for the McKinney District Epworth League Conference at Frisco, May 3-6, is out. It is neatly printed on yellow stock and tied with white ribbon, the whole presenting a very artistic, typographical appearance. The subject matter looks to a practical discussion of vital topics, and the speakers are well chosen. We notice that both Dr. Rankin and Dr. Monk have assignments, and that Revs. Miller, Clark, Wright, Clifton and Martin, of the district, are listed for special service. A copy of this programme may be had by addressing Mr. O. L. Hamilton, Frisco.

Brother Geo. T. Johnson, President, requests us to announce to the Leaguers of the Beeville District that their annual meeting will be held at Epworth in connection with the State Encampment. No particular date is specified.

The Epworth Era incidentally refers to "a great League meeting which is being arranged for during the General Conference." Could we not have a little more information about this meeting, Dr. DuBose? We think some of our Texas League people are going to drift over toward Birmingham in May, and we would like to give them the tip if there is to be

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anything special in the way of a League meeting.

"Dr. E. D. Morgan is to address the Texas Epworth League Assembly on Literature as a Source of Power. The Missouri Leaguers who heard Dr. Morgan's excellent address at Pertle Springs a few years ago can, to some degree, imagine the rich treat which is in store for the Texas Leaguers."—St. Louis Christian Advocate. (Reference is made no doubt to Rev. E. D. Mouzon as this is the subject assigned to him. Brother Mouzon has been with us long enough for us to learn something of his pulpit ability, but we are glad, nevertheless, to have this complimentary word from across the line where folks have to be shown.—Ed.)

"In the Texas Advocate of March 8 the Texas State Epworth League President describes his recent visit to some of the St. Louis Churches. We wish that this co-worker could have arranged to make his visit to Missouri in July, so as to be present at our State Epworth League Conference. We are sure that we could gain many plans of work from our leaguers in the Lone Star State."—Miss Daria Williams, League Editress, in St. Louis Christian Advocate. (We should like very much indeed to be present at one of your meetings. A suggestion has come to us from another State in the interest of fraternal messengers from one State Conference to another, and, after all, such a plan might be helpful. We are sure that an exchange of methods would be of benefit. Come down and see us, Miss Williams, and we will return the call.—Ed.)

The New Orleans Christian Advocate seems to have discontinued its League department, and we miss the column edited by Brother Hawkins.

From the unique subscription list which is running in the League department under the editorship of Bro. H. B. Anderson, we should judge that the Leagues of North Carolina are raising a \$100 fund for the American Bible House. The list consists of a diagram of twenty squares with a denomination of \$5 each. As fast as a square is taken the name of the donor is added. Seven squares were taken up to March 28.

The League editor of the Pacific Methodist Advocate, Brother Horace N. Caldwell, is, to use his own expression, "under fire again." It seems that some of the Californians think the League page is lacking in news and have made a complaint. The editor grants the contention but lays the fault at the doors of those who are doing the complaining, by saying that they do not send him the news. He delivers a solar plexus thus: "We have no Scripps-McRae or Associated Press service. We have no means by telepathy, or any of the other occult mysteries, of knowing what is going on in the minds and actions of our district officers. The proverbial oyster is loquacious alongside of the average League official, local district and—shall we say it—some of the State officers, when it comes to communicating League news to the Advocate." Certainly the Leaguers at large have no just reason to complain if their League page is barren of news, when they themselves fail to furnish the items.

The Corpus Christi Caller is authority for the statement that a street railway now seems assured for Corpus Christi. The initial line does not include the Epworth League grounds, but "later the line will be extended to Epworth," says the Caller.

President D. H. Abernathy, of the Methodist Sunday-school Association of Texas, will conduct the Sunday-school services on August 5 and 12 during the encampment. Other Sunday-school workers will be in attendance.

In making preparations for the encampment do not neglect to include note-book and Bible. The note-book will be needed at all services, but more particularly at the special class sessions, and the Bible will be indispensable in the Bible Study Course.

On a letterhead which we received the other day was printed, in large shadow type, the words: "Don't be a quitter—a quitter is a failure." The sentiment appealed to us, it would be well if our Leaguers would adopt this as a motto.

The fellow who does less sometimes grumbles most. This is true in League work.

It is easier to criticize than do. The fellow who is doing something has no time to criticize.

Some folks whisper during prayer who cannot talk out in meeting. We have noted a few instances of this kind in League work.

Secretary Ragsdale writes that some of the chapters holding charters from the central office report "no organization" in response to his call for dues. The number of this sort, however, is small.

The Van Alstyne Chapter has arranged to conduct a spelling bee on April 12 and will later present the "Deestriet Skule" in its campaign for the Epworth League Improvement fund.

The Weston correspondent in one of the Grayson County weeklies reports the Epworth League at that place as being active.

The Mansfield chapter of the Epworth League is reported as doing good work. This chapter follows a regularly outlined program, which is published in the local paper in advance.

Vice-President C. A. Lehberg is arranging for a Missionary Exhibit at Epworth during the encampment. A large part of the exhibit at Birmingham will, it is thought, be secured for our meeting.

We would remind those owing on their pledges made at Epworth last summer that funds are needed now for the prosecution of the improvement work, and it is especially urged that payment be made during the month of April. G. W. T.

"WHY DO WE CELEBRATE EASTER?"

This is a question we often hear discussed, and for the benefit of the children of our Sunday Schools we will attempt a brief explanation of "Easter."

Ostera, or Ostre (meaning east), was a Saxon goddess who presided over the luminous powers which revived the earth and resuscitated life out of the shadow of darkness, and the mold of the grave. She was the divinity whose face shone like the glory of the sunrise, and the brightness of the dawn.

The people congregated in fields and valleys to cheer her arrival in the skies, because she came to destroy winter-darkness, storm and death and scatter sunshine and beauty over hill and vale, bud and blossom.

Our Lentic ancestors devoted eight days of April to the worship of this beautiful goddess of life and love. When Christianity converted the pagan Saxons instead of attempting to abolish this joyous festival, it christened this institution one of the Church, celebrating the first Sabbath after the first full moon after the twenty-first of March, and preserving all of its poetry and music, but instituting "Jesus" the "Son of Righteousness," "Ostera," the "Goddess of the East."

The great reformer, "Martin Luther," found the promise of a resurrection written not alone in books, but in every flower and leaf in spring time.

There is a beautiful symbolism in the fact that the celebration of the Resurrection of "Jesus Christ," our "Savior," is coincident with the annual resurrection of nature, which would, if regarded as a miracle, did it not occur with such unchangeable regularity each succeeding year.

Following the eloquent analogy of St. Paul, believers in immortality naturally adopt flowers as emblems of their changeless faith.

The springing grass, the budding trees, the blossoming flower, furnish sufficient argument for the festival, or celebration we have on "Easter."

Even those to whom the spiritual significance of the day appeals lightly, if at all, feel irresistibly the inspiration of the sweet and sacred occasion. There is the buoyancy of hope, the fervor of faith, in the very air we breathe.

Mingling with the fragrance of flowers and the sound of song, is the inspiration of "Christianity" and nature to rise. Let us rejoice today, not only that Christ has been raised from the dead, but all mankind has been steadily rising during these many ages, from the deep, dark grave of heathendom and ignorance to Christianity and civilization.

Let us change the "Easter salutation," and instead of greeting each other with "Christ is risen" and "He is risen indeed," let us add the sweet refrain, "Humanity is risen."

What a world of meaning in that one word rise!

Rise to a higher and nobler idea of life.

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of selfishness, of greed and avarice into an atmosphere that "God and his angels" breathe.

Rise to the duty of service, feeding the hungry soul, clothing the needy, raising the fallen and ennobling the human character, cultivating the grand opportunities for the development of self, and the achievement of high and noble purposes.

The beautiful doctrine of the resurrection loses its chief power for good if it fails to lead us to make the immortal part of ourselves worth resurrecting.

Edith M. Thomas, in a charming poem, finds a cluster of "Easter lilies," and complains of their pallor and coldness—fit emblems of grief, despair, and death. The poetess lifts the sheaf of flowers, it falls apart and discloses at its heart the red rose of life. That is the Easter message; that is the message we need. Dead to sin! Alive to Christ!

We are well aware that this seems meaningless to a self-satisfied soul. To one who has never awakened to the great and deep need of a personal "Savior," but when one has fought and struggled continually, against trials and afflictions, when the heart has almost failed, the strength grown weak under the burdens to be borne, then the sweetest thought in all the world is to sink into the shadow of "Calvary," where we can safely rest, at peace with God and man.

We cannot afford to be dumb, while the rocks and the hills proclaim "His conquests." The mountains and the seas send forth echoes of "His love." His empty grave is the hope of hu-

manity. On account of this, our faith is a reality. Had He not risen, the Bible story of the "Babe of Bethlehem" would have been a farce. But on the third day "He rose from the dead!" Likewise, we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump; for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. Then shall be brought to pass the saying, that is written, "Death is swallowed up in victory." Then, like Paul, let us say, "I am crucified with Christ, yet nevertheless, I live, yet not I. But Christ liveth in me, and the life that I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the "Son of God," who loved me and gave Himself for me."

"Thanks beto God who hath given us the victory through our "Savior, Jesus Christ."

"Mighty army of the young,
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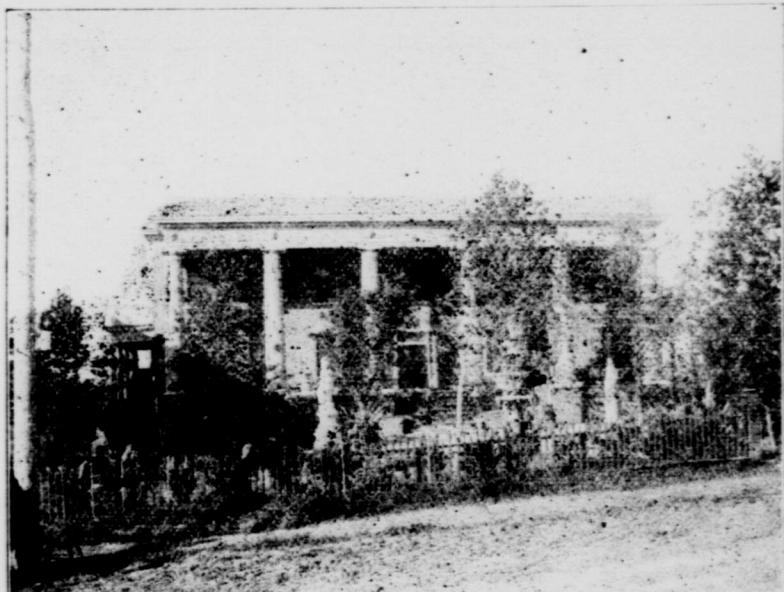
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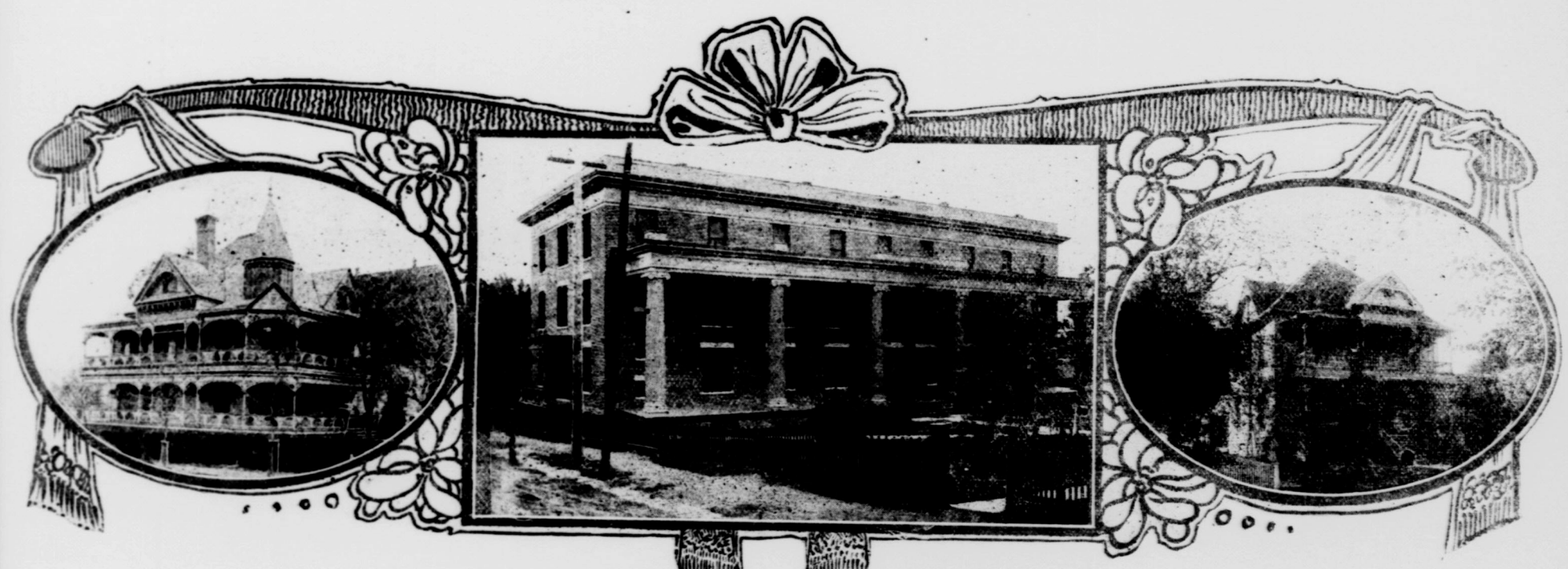
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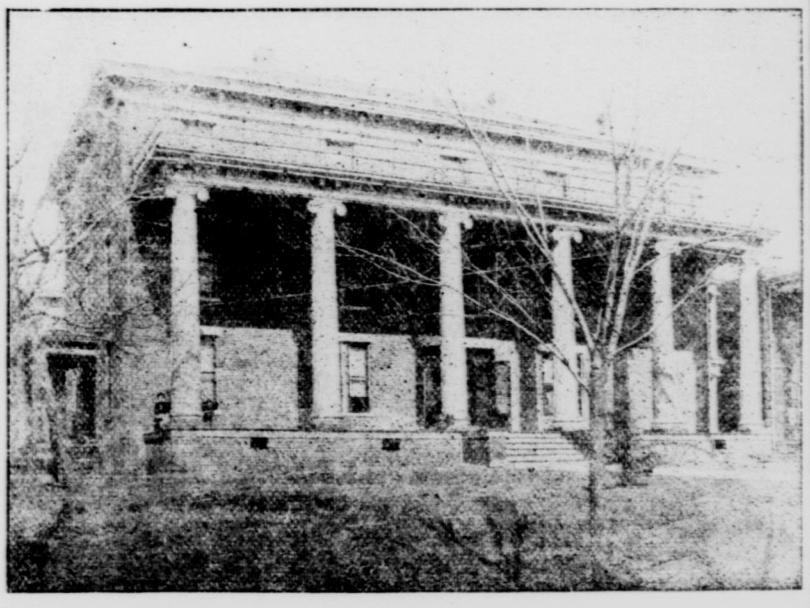
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COMFORT.

"Think of the sun as shining,
Think of the sky as blue,
Think of the night as star-lit,
Of fellow-men as true."

LETTER FROM MISS IVEY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS CONFERENCE W. F. M. SOCIETY.

Wonsan, Korea, Nov. 27, 1905.
Some characters by way of address, and then this translation, we suppose:

A Korean greeting of long life, happiness, joy and everything good to you, at this glad Christmas-tide. It seems a bit odd to be so previous in my greetings, and to be making them just before I retire, and just as you are turning over for another morning nap (?) for it is now 6 o'clock Monday morning with you, while with me, Monday is spent, and it is Monday night.

I received your letter while in Seoul awaiting my appointment. Since then I have become settled in the Lucy Cunningham Home, in Wonsan, and am just as full of joy as the days are beautiful here.

Oh, do come to Wonsan! The mountains vie with the sea in tints and coloring, while the scenery on both is ever shifting, ever changing, ever beautiful. Here, where beauty abounds, and nature has run riot, I have found my life-work, led of God to it. Besides the beauty, you could have the benefit of mountain and sea breeze, both life-giving. Then, as another inducement, you may have my room, one window opening toward the mountains, the other toward the sea, and may use my goods-box furniture. Then, I will take you to see our precious little girls in our boarding school. It would be interesting to peep in on them at night when they are asleep on the floor, little heads all in a row, beginning at "Baby Pahtung" and on up to fifteen-year-old Monamy. Should one take a sudden spasm in the night, however, some one's toes would be stepped on in trying to reach the sick one, for they are so crowded. They eat, sleep and recite in one room, which is small, and there are twenty-one children in it. We are earnestly praying for means to enlarge our building. It is heart-breaking to turn any away; for these Christian schools are, as you know, the only schools for girls.

But this is a Christmas letter, not one of needs; so I will not tell you of our need of a musical instrument, a twenty-eight dollar baby organ, if nothing else, or of our need of an organ for our church, or of a subscription to one or two good secular magazines for the home, etc., for I suppose you hear enough of these things. I want you to know how full of His joy my days are. Koreans love music as well as negroes.

As co-workers, I have Misses Houshell, of Virginia, and Knowles, of Georgia, Dr. and Mrs. Hardie, Dr. Ross and Rev. Gerline, of the Parent Board. Needless to say, they are as consecrated a body of workers as I ever saw, and are as kind as possible to the new missionary.

My work is language study, and doing with my might anything about the house which I can do. I tell you this because I think you want to know it.

Now, may I offer you a letter opener which the Korean aristocratic gentleman does not know as such, but uses it to push his hair up under his two story hat.

Remember me in kindly Christmas greeting to all my friends. You are praying for me. I feel the influence of prayer. Will you not remember me often in reference to this difficult language? Your loving missionary, MATTIE IVEY.

NOTICE.

The Woman's Foreign and Home Mission Societies of the Bowie District, North Texas Conference will hold a joint meeting at Bellevue April 17-19. We are hoping it may be beneficial to both societies. We extend a cordial invitation to the pastors of the district. Especially is the Foreign Society suffering in this district for the want of encouragement.

MRS. H. H. HALSELL,
MRS. W. W. WILLIAMS,
Decatur, Texas.

FROM GEORGETOWN, TEXAS.

We have just closed a most gracious revival in the Methodist Church here. Numbers of our young people were brought into a knowledge of Christ, our Savior. The most visible result of this great moving power

of the Holy Spirit has taken the form of a great increase in the volunteers for special work in the service of our Lord. The influence of the Student Volunteer Convention recently held at Nashville, Tenn., reaching the student body through their delegates, was powerfully augmented by the leader of our revival, Bro. Barton, of Terrell. Not a service passed that he did not impress upon the hearts of his hearers the great need in the foreign field, and also in the Church at home, of young ministers and deaconesses. On Saturday afternoon he called for a meeting of the volunteers and those considering the matter. Thirty were present; and where there had been five volunteers for the foreign field in Southwestern University, that afternoon the number increased to eighteen, and the next day to twenty-one. Previous to this, there was one young lady volunteer for the work of deaconess. There are now five, and the Spirit is still stirring the hearts of our girls in that direction. Let him that has no faith look up and see; for the sun of this generation has arisen in glory that shall not set till the evangelization of the world has come in power.

MARY W. HOWREN.

We are glad to give in the preceding article the report of the blessed influence felt at our Southwestern University, following the great Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement, for Canada and the United States, recently held in Nashville, and are gratified at the emphasis given to that influence by our good Brother Barton while conducting the revival services at Georgetown. We believe, too, that the same blessed influence will be felt in many other instances, as the result of that great gathering in Nashville, for which we are devoutly thankful.—Ed. Woman's Department.

CORRECTION.

The letter from the Glen Rose H. M. S. in Northwest Texas Conference which was printed in the Texas Christian Advocate of March 29, should have been signed, Mrs. J. R. Milam, President, instead of Press Reporter.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, ABILENE DISTRICT.

While first alphabetically, we are among the last to send in a written statement to the Advocate. This was not due to carelessness, but to the fact that we have been waiting intending to give an account of our district meeting. This, for good reasons, has not matured yet, but we are now planning to hold it in connection with our District Conference at Anson, in June.

We fully realize the importance of these meetings, and while our presiding elder, Brother Morris, has said that they can spare us only half a day at that time, we are going to accept it gratefully, holding our business meetings elsewhere, and "spread ourselves" over more space in that half of a day than a single preacher in the Abilene District would deem it possible for a body of women to do.

We will have with us the Conference Treasurer, Mrs. N. G. Rollins, and would be so glad if it were possible to have with us others of the conference officers.

Right here let me pause long enough to plead for a large delegation from each auxiliary in the district, and to invite all the preachers' wives, especially.

We would ask that the sisters of the entire conference to pray that God's blessings may rest upon our district meeting in June, and that enthusiasm for the work and information concerning it, as well as a spiritual uplift, will be scattered throughout the Abilene District.

MRS. D. L. STEPHENS,
Dist. Sec. Abilene District.

The auxiliary W. F. M. Society of Farmersville, elected for the year the following officers: Mrs. A. R. Nash, President; Miss Myrtle Lovell, Rec. Sec.; Miss Bettie Carmack, Treas.; Mrs. Grace Moore, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. W. P. Herron, Vice-Pres.; Miss Elizabeth Church, teacher of "Christus Liberator."

The auxiliary W. H. M. Society of Farmersville has elected the following officers for the year 1906-'07: Mrs. Ed. Evans, Pres.; Mrs. H. V. Keller, First Vice-President; Mrs. Geo. Utt, Second Vice-President; Mrs. J. B. Shine, Third Vice-President; Mrs. L. L. Miller, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. P. Herron, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Jas. Church, Treasurer; Mrs. A. R. Nash, Local Press Reporter.

AUXILIARY, W. H. M. SOCIETY, MART, TEXAS.

So many good reports in the Advocate of our Home Woman's Mission work has enthused us to send a report of our auxiliary at Mart. We have now enrolled thirty-five members, all enthused and very much interested. We observed the week of prayer. We have done a great deal of connectional work this year. We have kept up the baby roll, paid our assessment to the deaconess scholarship, and to the Deaconess Home, at Waco, and paid our "connectional dollar." In every way we are connectional, and have no idea of the W. H. M. Society in any other way.

We have added some needed articles to our parsonage, and I'm sure have done deeds of kindness that have added to the happiness of our preacher and family. We all feel greatly encouraged by our report this year. The membership has been doubled and greater interest has been taken along all lines. We look forward to the next twelve months with great hope, believing greater things are yet in store for us if we only have faith to hold on the promises.

MRS. W. A. HAMILTON,
Press Supt.

REPORT FROM AUXILIARY W. H. M. SOCIETY.

We have about twenty-eight members in the W. H. M. Society. We have an average attendance of nine at our monthly meetings. We have some very devout ladies in our society. Some we know to be very prayerful, and without prayer and faith, and the love of God the Father, we cannot amount to anything; but through the eye of faith, we see our reward in the future. We have been blessed in the past, and by the help of God, the Father, we shall accomplish much to the glory of Him who watches and cares for us through all our trials. May God bless and watch after and help the cause of Christ to be forwarded for his glory. May God bless us as we make this annual report of our Home Mission Society, from March, 1905, to March, 1906:

Dues sent to Conf. Treas.	\$29 15
For Deaconess Home	4 82
For Mission Home	1 00
For Connectional work	1 00
For Training School	1 00
For Miss Mann	1 00
Contingent fees	25
Reported to Conference Treasurer:	
Expended on parsonage	68 10
Expended on church	26 00
District parsonage	5 00
Paid on pastor's salary	35 00
Pray for us, Respectfully submitted,	

MRS. J. W. LEAK,
Press Supt.

The foregoing report came to us without any statement of the location of the society, but we give it, as received, because of the good year's work as shown in the report, hoping that the oversight as to location may yet be corrected.—Ed. Woman's Dept.

AUXILIARY W. H. M. SOCIETY, NEW BOSTON, TEXAS.

The year's report of our work is as follows:

We paid \$234.80 on parsonage; \$146.70 on the church; \$112.95 on charities, and \$28.80, dues and donations during the week of prayer; total amount, \$533.25. This work was done in a small town, and an exceedingly hard year, by about twenty-six true working Christian women, who do not know any such words as "can't" and "fail." Their feet may get so weary that they can hardly obey their wills to keep going, but their pure, warm hearts never weary of the work in our heavenly Father's cause. How did our mothers do without the Woman's Home Mission Society? (I would be lost without it.)

The new officers are: Mrs. T. A. Fuller, President; Mrs. O. R. Perot, First Vice-President; Mrs. Frank King, Second Vice-President; Mrs. David Chambers, Third Vice-President; Mrs. G. E. Perot, Recording Secretary; Mrs. H. M. Burrows, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. J. E. Anderson, Treasurer; Mrs. R. C. McClendon is agent for our Homes. The members knew just what they were doing when they elected these women. This is as fine a corps of officers as any society has. They know their several duties, and they are intelligent and competent to do their work well, and they will do it too. Read Phil 1: 2, 3, 4, 5. God bless every one of you.

Your sister,
MRS. BERTIE FULBRIGHT,
Mangum, Okla.

AUXILIARY W. H. M. SOCIETY, SEYMOUR, TEXAS.

I have been reading the reports in the Advocate from many of the auxiliaries W. H. M. Society, and have rejoiced to note the spirit of enthusiasm that seems to pervade the Home Mission workers of Texas.

I will, therefore, try to give some idea of the work at this place.

At our last regular meeting the following officers were elected: Mrs. Mrs. W. T. Flen, President; Mrs. M. Davis, First Vice-President; Mrs. P. N. Taylor, Second Vice-President; Mrs. W. R. Wray, Third Vice-President; Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Treasurer; Mrs. W. E. Lyon, Secretary; Mrs. Chas. Randall, Corresponding Secretary.

Our society has taken on new life, and we now have thirty members, with the promise of several new names to add to our roll. One-half of our members are connectional, and we trust that all may soon see the importance of becoming connectional.

We have just carpeted the pulpit, aisles, and choir loft of our church with a nice Brussels carpet, which adds greatly to appearance and comfort.

Our dues are paid up, also the Deaconess Home assessment, and we have planned to raise \$250.00 for church improvements this year. We meet each week, hold our regular business meeting the first Monday of the month, and devote the three remaining meetings to Bible readings, which have been very helpful to us all. I have never seen a more loyal, faithful band of women than we have here.

We feel that God has greatly blessed us in the past year, and we start out on the new year with fresh courage and new aspirations to try to do better service for our master.

MRS. W. E. LYONS.

NOTICE.

The district meeting of the W. F. M. Society of Terrell District will be held in the Methodist Church in Mesquite, April 20, 1906, at 9:30 o'clock a. m.; afternoon session at 2 o'clock. Every auxiliary in the district is expected to send delegates. We hope to make this meeting interesting and profitable and that much good may result from it.

MRS. W. B. DASHIELL,
District Secretary, Terrell District, Terrell, Texas.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

- Feb 29—F. O. Favre, sub. Jno. W. Goodwin, sub. Thos. Gregory, sub. M. K. Fred, sub. C. P. Coombs, sub. E. T. Bridges, sub. G. W. Kincheloe, sub. F. A. White, sub. L. A. Burk, sub. B. W. Allen, sub. G. W. Harris, sub. E. Hightower, sub. Neal W. Turner, sub. S. B. Sawyers, sub. H. M. Cosby, sub. E. S. Hursey, sub. Mac. M. Smith, sub. O. C. Swinney, change. R. M. Morris, sub.
- April 2—J. T. Owens, change. J. C. Moore, sub. J. L. Massey, sub. A. L. Scales, sub. M. T. Allen, sub. Allen Toole, sub.
- April 3—C. H. Ledger, sub. H. M. Cosby, sub. L. W. Carleton, change. J. D. Dorsey, sub. F. A. White, sub. L. H. McGee, sub. J. M. Mills, sub. J. L. Russell, sub. G. W. Harris, sub. W. F. Kinslow, sub. M. S. Hotchkiss, sub. J. L. Hollers, sub.
- April 4—C. E. Clark, sub. Walter Douglass, sub. G. W. Kincheloe, sub.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Gainesville District.
The Gainesville District Conference will meet at Nocona May 2-6. W. T. Morrow will preach the opening sermon Wednesday evening, 8:15. Representatives of Conference Boards invited. Woman's Societies accorded privileges of the floor. Committee on License and Admission on Trial: A. F. Hendrix, H. B. Johnson, S. M. Black. Committee on Orders and Readmission: J. J. Clark, W. T. Morrow, J. D. Whitehead. District Conference License Committee subject to the approval of District Conference, J. A. Stafford, J. J. Clark, W. T. Morrow, J. P. Lowry, Minor Bounds, A. F. Hendrix. J. A. STAFFORD, P. E.

Waxahachie District.

Pastors, please send me the names of delegates who will attend the District Conference at Itasca, April 24th. I wish to have this information at once. We wish to give you a royal welcome, and are praying for a profitable conference.

C. L. BROWNING,
Itasca, Texas.

High Pressure Days.

Men and women alike have to work incessantly with brain and hand to hold their own nowadays. Never were the demands of business, the wants of the family, the requirements of society, more numerous. The first effect of the pressure is commonly seen in a weakened or debilitated condition of the nervous system, which results in dyspepsia, defective nutrition of both body and brain, and in extreme cases in complete nervous prostration. It is clearly seen that what is needed is what will sustain the system, give vigor and tone to the nerves, and keep the digestive and assimilative functions healthy and active. From personal knowledge, we can recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla for this purpose. It acts on all the vital organs, builds up the whole system, and fits men and women for these high-pressure days.

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These occasions are always looked forward to by members of both classes as one of the most delightful social features of the school year and do much to strengthen the bond of fellowship between the outgoing and incoming Juniors.

All the planning and arranging of these functions devolve upon the Juniors; and the beauty of the decorations, the gracious hospitality dispensed, the dignity and ease with which everything was carried out, was a tribute to the good taste, refinement and culture of the young ladies who had it in charge.

In the receiving line were forty-five Juniors; members of the faculty made up the house party, and about one hundred and fifty guests were present.

In spite of the very unsettled state of the weather, the Chapman meeting has begun with most auspicious circumstances. On Sunday it was estimated that at least five thousand people attended services.

The various denominations of the town seem to be working together with perfect harmony and unity of spirit, which fact alone assures great and good results.

Bishop Hoss was a welcome guest at the College last week.

Mrs. Key is enjoying a brief holiday, visiting friends and relatives in Mississippi and Georgia.

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CLARENDON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Clarendon District Conference was convened in Canadian, Texas, Thursday, March 8, 1906, by Presiding Elder Jas. M. Sherman. Rev. J. W. Hunt, of Channing, was elected secretary, and that day being devoted to missions, the regular program was taken up immediately after roll call and the announcement of the several committees.

In the afternoon the election of delegates to the Annual Conference resulted as follows:

- A. M. WORKS, of Amarillo.
- GEORGE BARCUS, of Hereford.
- W. D. FISHER, of Canadian.
- REV. JOHN A. WALLACE, of Canyon City.

Alternates:
A. M. Beville, Clarendon.
W. F. Park, Amarillo.

Bishop Hoss arrived on the night train and the reports of the pastors were taken up Friday morning. All reports showed the several charges to be in good shape. Hereford, Miami, Canyon City and Channing reported new parsonages finished or being built, and there were quite a large number of conversions, and many accessions this early in the year over the district.

Saturday was devoted to the completion of reports, passing the characters and renewing the licenses of the local preachers, and attending to various miscellaneous matters.

A resolution requesting the presiding elder to sub-divide the district in four divisions for the purpose of holding a League and Sunday-school Conference in each on the fifth Sundays in April and September, was unanimously passed.

Brother Chenoweth, presiding elder of the LeVeta District, Denver Conference, was present and addressed the conference Friday morning on "The Advisability of Creating a New Annual Conference," and on that afternoon Rev. T. S. Barcus, and others, introduced a memorial to the General Conference, praying that body to create a new Annual Conference, embracing the State of Colorado, Territory of New Mexico, Beaver County Oklahoma, the Clarendon, Colorado and Abilene Districts of the Northwest Texas Conference, and Matador Circuit of the Vernon District, to be known as the Panhandle Conference. After some discussion, the memorial was passed with a good majority. Saturday afternoon there was a motion to re-consider this action, and Rev. S. B. Sawyer introduced a substitute asking the General Conference to leave the Northwest Texas Conference boundaries as they now are. A hot discussion followed and a vote gave the resolution a majority of two. Since conference those favoring a new Annual Conference have been active and a memorial is being circulated asking the creation of the Panhandle Conference according to the provisions of the former resolution, with a clause asking for an appropriation from the Mission Board added, and this will go up to the General Conference with a large number of signers, including several who voted against the measure during the conference session.

Saturday afternoon the Leagues of the district held a very interesting session, at the close of which it was decided a unanimous vote to hold the conference separate from the District Conference next year, and Amarillo was chosen as the place of the meeting.

Sunday was a great day. A great love feast from 9:30 till 10:55 a. m. was conducted by Rev. W. L. Harris. At 11 o'clock Bishop Hoss preached a great sermon, at the close of which a collection amounting to \$920 was taken, clearing up the debt in the beautiful little church building at Canadian, with enough surplus to repaint it nicely.

At 3:30 Bishop Hoss delivered an address to the Leaguers on "Sources of Power in Methodism." It was greatly appreciated by the young people, who are deeply impressed by their great Bishop, and hope this may be but one of many opportunities to hear him. Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson preached the closing sermon Sunday evening at 8:15.

The conference will meet next year at Canyon City.

The preaching of the conference was of a high order. The opening sermon Thursday morning at 9:30 by Rev. Donald B. Doak, a Clarendon College boy, who graduates this year and goes up for admission to the Annual Conference this fall, was a very fine effort, and all were impressed by it. Revs. Chenoweth, of Colorado; M. E. Hawkins, of Claude; B. W. Dodson, of Clarendon, and T. S. Barcus, of Hereford, all preached excellent and helpful sermons. Rev. W. R. Thornton, of Vernon, was present in the interest of the Church Extension Board, and preached a strong sermon, and took up quite a handsome sum in cash and subscriptions for that enterprise of the Church.

Canadian is an ideal place for a conference. Brother Sowyers and his

loyal people, assisted by people of all denominations, threw the doors of the town wide open and all the visitors are loud in praise of the hospitality and kindness shown them. From the excellent welcome address of Attorney W. D. Fisher and the response of Attorney George Barcus till the very last moment of the conference we were made to feel thoroughly at home.

I wish I could tell you about that grand sermon the Bishop preached Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, but you will have to hear it to get any idea of it. **J. WINFORD HUNT, Sec.**

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A. BROWN.
Hillsboro, Texas, April 5.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer of the Texas Conference for March, 1906:

Beaumont District—Burkeville, J. T. Hooks: Foreign missions, \$8.05; domestic missions, \$8.05. China and Sour Lake, F. O. Favre: Foreign missions, \$20; domestic missions \$4. Corrigan, A. Nolan: Domestic missions, \$20. Liberty, J. R. Ritchie: Domestic missions, \$35. Kountze, A. J. Anderson: Domestic missions, \$15. Port Arthur, F. M. Boyles: Foreign missions, \$22; domestic missions, \$19. Saratoga and Batson, H. M. Timmons: Domestic missions, \$5. Woodville, C. E. Simpson: Expenses delegates Genl. Conf., \$1; foreign missions, \$25; domestic missions, \$25.

Brenham District—Brenham, S. R. Twitty: Domestic missions, \$11.25. Bellville, C. C. Childress: Expenses delegates Genl. Conf., \$1; foreign missions, \$16.50; domestic missions, \$15. Buckholts, J. F. Garrett: Foreign missions, \$2; domestic missions, \$3. Giddings, H. B. Smith: Orphanage, \$2.50. Fulshear and Brookshire, M. A. Thurman: Foreign missions, \$5; domestic missions, \$5. Milano, W. W. Adams: Conference claimants, \$10; foreign missions, \$10; domestic missions, \$10; education, \$4. Sealy, E. L. Ingram, Expenses delegate General Conference, \$1; foreign missions, \$10; domestic missions, \$25; orphanage, \$4.

Calvert District—Centerville Cir. A. P. Bradford: Domestic missions, \$30. Bremond and Reagan, A. A. Wagon: Domestic missions, \$30. Hearne station, A. C. Biggs: Foreign missions, \$25; domestic missions, \$25. Lott and Chilton, G. H. Phair: Foreign missions, \$20; domestic missions, \$20. Rogers Prairie mission, A. F. Walker: Foreign missions, \$5; domestic missions, \$8; orphanage, \$2.

Houston District—Alvin, W. L. Pate: Domestic missions, \$11. Columbia and Brazoria, J. M. Gaul: Domestic missions, \$20. Galveston, Glenn Fliam: Foreign missions, \$125. Galveston, A. S. J. Haygood: Foreign missions, \$40. Houston, G. W. Davis: Domestic missions, \$50. McAshan and Harrisburg, Geo. H. Collins: Domestic missions, \$25.

Huntsville District—Cleveland and Waverly, G. W. Henderson: Domestic missions, \$5. Hempstead, E. H. Lovejoy: Domestic missions, \$6. Huntsville, James Kilgore: Foreign missions, \$150; domestic missions, \$140. Montgomery, A. L. Carnes: Domestic missions, \$31.

Marshall District—Arleston, H. G. Williams: Foreign missions, \$20; domestic missions, \$20. Coffeeville, P. R. White: Foreign missions, \$10; Orphanage, \$5. Hallville, W. W. Horner: Foreign missions, \$10; domestic missions, \$22. Harrison, C. H. Adams: Domestic missions, \$20; Orphanage, \$5. Henderson, L. B. Elrod: Foreign missions, \$52; domestic missions, \$45. Henderson Circuit, B. R. Goodwin: Foreign missions, \$15. Kilgore, J. C. Stewart: Orphanage, \$14.10.

Palestine District—Augusta, R. B. Jones: Foreign missions, \$20. Crockett Circuit, T. W. Ryals: Foreign missions, \$2; domestic missions, \$3.

Pittsburg District—Atlanta, C. B. Cross: Foreign missions, \$88; domestic missions, \$84; church extension, \$45; education, \$35. Daingerfield, S. W. Allen, expenses delegates General Conference, \$2; domestic missions, \$26; Orphanage, \$5.75. Gilmer, G. V. Ridley: Foreign missions, \$54; domestic missions, \$52; Leesburg Circuit, W. F. Campbell: Domestic missions, \$5; Orphanage, \$2. Naples and Omaha, E. J. Morgan: Domestic missions, \$11;

Orphanage, \$10. Pittsburg, G. E. Cameron, Bishops' fund, \$2; foreign missions, \$111; domestic missions, \$102; Orphanage, \$24. Queen City, T. B. Vinson: Expenses delegates General Conference, \$1; foreign missions, \$30; domestic missions, \$20. Red Water, J. M. Mills: Expenses delegates General Conference, \$1; domestic missions, \$15. Texarkana, J. B. Turrentine: For-Confession, \$1; domestic missions, \$95.25.

San Augustine District—Burke, J. S. Wilson: Foreign missions, \$32.80; domestic missions, \$10. Caro, Allen Tooke: Bishops' fund, \$5; domestic missions, \$37; education, \$5; Orphanage, \$3. Center, L. H. McGee, Bishops' fund, \$14; for eign missions, \$40; church extension, \$37; Paine and Lane, \$4. Geneva, W. S. Easterling: Foreign missions, \$20.30. Hemphill, C. A. Bly: Foreign missions, \$1.65; domestic missions, \$9.70; Lufkin, I. M. Bryce: Domestic missions, \$62. McRose, F. E. Luker: Domestic missions, \$13. Minden, B. C. Anderson: Domestic missions, \$46. Shelbyville, E. C. Escoe, Expenses delegates General Conference, \$1; foreign missions, \$11.50; domestic missions, \$44. Timpon, C. A. Tower: Domestic missions, \$62; Orphanage, \$16.

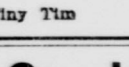
Tyler District—Canton and Edgewood, J. W. Cullen: Foreign missions,

\$59.85; domestic missions, \$54.90. Edom, H. A. Matney: Domestic missions, \$40.75. Tyler, L. P. Davis: Expenses delegates General Conference, \$1.50; church extension, \$6.85; education, \$16.20.
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WALKER.—Sister Sylvia Walker died at her home near Madisonville, Texas, February 28, 1906. She was born in Tennessee, November 27, 1821, making her age eighty-four years, eleven months and one day. In early childhood she moved with her parents to Alabama, where, in her thirteenth year, she was converted and joined the Methodist Church, of which she remained a faithful member to the day of her death. During her stay in Alabama she was married to John D. Lummas. Then she and her husband moved to Texas and settled in Smith County, and lived there until after the death of her husband. She moved to Cherokee County, and there she was married to Rev. Hiram Walker, October 19, 1858. She then with her family moved to Limestone County, and last she moved to Madison County, where she remained till the day God took her home. She lived a widow seventeen years, her husband, Hiram Walker, having died after they settled in Madison County. She was the mother of nine children, seven by her first husband and two by her second husband. Two had gone before her to the home above. She had thirty-six grandchildren and thirty-eight great-grandchildren. The greatest monument to the memory of Sister Walker is that she succeeded in raising her whole family for God. Some of Madison County's noblest citizens are her children. She was highly esteemed for her purity of life and zeal for her Church. She was devoted to her Church and loved her Savior and his cause. She was the preacher's true friend. One of her husbands and one son were Methodist preachers. Her illness was short, but her feeble condition caused more or less suffering for some time. She told me when I saw her the last time that she was only waiting the summons of her Savior. She said, that to her mind death to her would only be a joyful change. Just before she died she called Bro. Tarry, a Cumberland minister who was present, to her and asked him to kneel at her bedside and pray, which he did. She died as God's people die—ripe for heaven. Her works are following her. She rests. A. J. FRICK, Pastor. Iola, Texas.

HIMMEL.—Catherine Himmel (nee Shock) was born August 29, 1849, in Stark County, Ohio; moved with her parents to Illinois in 1854. She was married to J. H. Himmel, March 16, 1863, in Mason County, Illinois. They emigrated to Texas in 1877, settling in Hill, where she resided at the time of her death, which occurred Nov. 12, 1905. She was converted early in life and united with the M. E. Church. After her marriage she joined the Evangelical Church, of which her husband was a member. Upon their removal to Texas they connected themselves with the M. E. Church, South. Sister Himmel was a devout Christian, and a true friend to the Methodist Church. The memory of her life will be a benediction to those who knew and loved her. Though death claimed her without warning, she met her Lord as she lived triumphant in the faith. She reared a large family, all of whom are active workers in the cause of Christ. To them, and to her bereaved husband, we would extend our sincerest sympathy, but would let them find true condolence in the promises of His word, and look forward to a happy and perpetual reunion in a home where death and sorrow never come.

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HAYNES.—Mrs. Aima Haynes was born at Berlin, Germany, April 23, 1868, and died at her home at Cabeza, Texas, Feb. 22, 1906. Sister Haynes united with the M. E. Church, South, in 1896, and was ever true and faithful to her Church and to her Lord. She was a great sufferer for some months before she died, but the suffering was endured as those afflictions which would work out for her "a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." Sometime prior to her death, she asked that her pastor and Brother Barden administer to her and her family the sacrament of the Lord's Supper for the last time. It was a solemn occasion. For days she would have singing in her room, where she occasionally joined in. Just before her death she tried to sing, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," sank back, and was with Him. It was a triumphant flight from a world of suffering to the realms of eternal delight. Sister Haynes leaves six children and her husband, all of whom are Christians. They know where mother is. Oh, may it be that last unbroken family in that eternal light of light and song. Her pastor, Runge, Texas. W. A. GOVETT.

WALLACE.—Mrs. M. A. Wallace (nee Hodge) was born Feb. 18, 1823, and died March 21, 1906, aged seventy-three years. Sister Wallace was the daughter of Rev. R. H. Hodge, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She professed religion at the age of eight years, and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, of which communion she lived a consistent member until middle age, when she joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a consistent member until God said, "It is enough; come up higher." Sister Wallace has gone to join her husband who preceded her to the better land twenty-four years. She was the mother of ten children, all of whom preceded her but two sons. She leaves a number of relatives and a host of friends. She died at her son's home, R. J. Wallace, at Palestine, Texas. Sister Wallace was one of the first members who went into the organization of the Church at Larue. The members, and those who knew her best, speak in the highest terms and reverence of her Christian character. May God bless and guide the two sons and loved ones who so faithfully administered to her wants in her last hours. E. T. BRIDGES, Pastor. Larue, Texas.

THOMPSON.—Pheney Thompson (nee Seibers) was born February 18, 1888, and was married to A. T. Thompson Sept. 18, 1904. At the protracted meeting held at Marvin Chapel she was happily converted July 26, 1905, and joined the M. E. Church, South, the next day. She died March 6, 1906. The writer's acquaintance with her has been rather remarkable, being only slightly acquainted with her till called upon to pronounce the words that made her the wife of Annis Thompson, and then permitted to be in the meeting when she was converted, and took her into the Church, and on March 8, 1906, at old Ashbury Chapel, held her funeral service—all within the short space of eighteen months. From the report of friends who attended her she must have indeed died a triumphant death. She talked of heaven, of her faith in Christ, selected the songs she wished sung at her burial, urged every one to live religious, and said she would be waiting at the beautiful gate to welcome them. I conclude that nothing but the Christian religion can take away so completely the sting of death, or give such a sweeping victory over the grave. Why is it that people will neglect such an important matter, as it is religion that can give sweetest pleasures while we live, and solid comfort when we die? W. N. BRDOWN.

PEARSON.—J. B. Pearson was born in Georgia September 15, 1851. At the age of nineteen he heard the call of God to a better life and surrendered to Jesus Christ. After his conversion he united with the Baptist Church, but after a few years he withdrew and joined the M. E. Church, South, remaining a faithful member till the day of his death, which occurred at his home near Lillie, in Collingsworth County, Texas, March 18, 1906. Bro. Pearson was indeed a good man. He may have failed in the accomplishment of many things. Many earthly ambitions were perhaps never realized, but he attended to the "one thing needful, choosing that good part which shall not be taken away from him." He gave "diligence to make his calling and election sure." In his death the Church has lost a faithful member, the community one of its best citizens, the wife a kind and affectionate husband, the children a devoted father. He is gone from earth, but, thank God, we know where to find him. FRANK HUGHEN, Pastor.

LEATHERWOOD.—Mrs. Scott T. Leatherwood, wife of James W. Leatherwood, and daughter of W. M. and Fannie Martin, was born in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, Nov. 27, 1846. She professed religion in 1866; was married to James W. Leatherwood, Feb. 19, 1867. She was baptized M. E. Church, South, in 1874. She died at the family residence in Itasca, Texas, Oct. 24, 1905. The writer knew her in girlhood. As a girl she was chaste, modest, strong, a woman of extraordinary force of character. She was deliberate in consideration, but, when she had reached a decision she was established; hence, her religious faith and life were steady and unwavering. She was not emotionally demonstrative, but was settled and fixed in her life; and this is the true test of faith in Jesus Christ. Her love for her family would have taken her to the martyr's stake if necessary. Nine long, weary months of such pain as few in this world are called to endure were not enough to inspire a complaint or a challenge of the goodness of God. For thirty-eight years, she was the wife of my eldest brother, a helpmeet indeed, in the truest sense of that word. She was the mother of nine children, who, all living, know the full wealth of a mother's love, and a mother's care. A faithful wife, careful mother, kind relative, generous neighbor, she loved the Church, was a friend to the poor, the friend of God and man; she is gone to the reward of duty done on earth. The last night she spent on earth, when she knew her exit was near, she put her wasted arms about the neck of her children, and gave them the last proof of a mother's love—a scene not to be forgotten. When she was far out in the last river, we thought too far to look back to the receding shore, or hear the sobs of the bruised hearts about her bed, the writer began an old familiar song; her face lighted up, her eyes grew brighter, she lifted her white, bony hands above her body, evidently in an effort to clap them for joy; her triumphant farewell to the world, and joyful entrance into glory; while the most faithful husband I ever knew, entering a solitude wide as the world, clasped his hands and shouted the praise of God. Just as the morning star was fading away in the light of heaven, her spirit faded out of this world into the light of eternal day. Her body sleeps in the beautiful cemetery at itasca, awaiting the resurrection morn, when it will come forth in form immortal, triumphant over death and the grave, to live with God and the good forever. Farewell, dear Scott, but not forever; we shall see you again. W. M. LEATHERWOOD.

MOORE.—Herbert Moore, little son of H. S. and Mattie Moore, was born March 12, 1904, and died March 29, 1906. On the morning of the 29th, little Herbert was playing around the stove, when his dress caught fire, and he was fatally burned before assistance could reach him. Though we know his suffering was intense for a few hours, he is to-day forever free from them all, in a land where there is no pain or death, and God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes. Weep not, father and mother, as those who have no hope, for the Savior himself has said that of such is the kingdom of heaven, and though you cannot bring little Herbert back to you, you can meet him in that home where there is no more parting. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. H. B. Clark, and the remains were laid to rest in the Rogers Cemetery. May God comfort the bereaved parents. MRS. H. B. CLARK.

DUNCAN.—Mr. J. S. Duncan, the subject of this obituary, was the son of Jno. K. and Elizabeth Duncan, was born in Anson County, N. C., Sept. 25, 1847. He came to Mississippi when young, where he spent the early years of his life. From Mississippi he removed to Texas, and settled in Dallas County, where he lived until his death. On the 3d of January, 1870, he married Elizabeth H. Hill. Six children were born to them. Four are now living. About the year '83, or '84, he professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South. In the neighborhood of Coppell, where he lived, he was largely the support of the Church. His home was the preacher's home. He was a kind husband; a good father. He was very kind to the poor. They were never turned away empty. He was happy when converted. He suffered long, and much before his death; was made perfect through suffering. He told the writer he was fully ready and willing to go. He often told his devoted wife and his children he had no fear of death, and the day he died called his family around him and requested them to meet him in heaven; where I do not entertain a doubt his happy spirit is at rest. WILLIAM A. EDWARDS.

ABSHER.—Angeline Watts was born in Roberson County, N. C., November 3, 1831, and died in Belton, Texas, March 6, 1906, at the age of seventy-four years, four months and three days. The eventful year of her life was 1853. During that year she professed religion and on October 3 was married to John Absher. Soon after her marriage she united with the M. E. Church, South, and continued a faithful member and a devoted Christian to the day of her death. She came with her husband to Texas in 1871. They lived first in Washington County, then in Milam, then at Lampasas, then at Belton, at Lampasas again, and finally at Belton. Sister Absher's last illness was long and painful, but she "endured as seeing Him who is invisible." After a happy married life of more than fifty-two years Bro. Absher, with two sons and four daughters, survives his wife. One little boy preceded his mother to heaven by many years. The memory of Sister Absher is like precious ointment. "Her children arise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praileth her." EMMETT HIGHTOWER.

FLIPPO.—R. L. Flippo was born in Marion County, Alabama, Jan. 31, 1868. At the age of thirteen, he came to Texas with his father. In February of 1888 he was united in marriage to Miss Callie Marshall, of Alvarado, Johnson County, Texas. In 1891 he moved to Taylor County, Texas, where he has lived ever since until his death, which was Oct. 29, at 11 p. m. He has been a member of the M. E. Church, South, for twelve years, and a faithful steward ever since the Church at Tuscola was organized. He was at the third Quarterly Conference last August, at Lemon's Gap, and made his report. But before the fourth quarterly meeting convened he had gone up to give an account of his stewardship. He leaves a wife and three children, two boys and one girl, to mourn for him. We miss him both in the Church and Sunday-school. He always was at his post of duty. J. L. Morehead was elected steward to fill his place. We hope he will indeed. The writer and the pastor, A. E. Bell, conducted the funeral at Tuscola, Texas, where many friends and relatives were present. There I met Brother Flippo's father for the first time. After I closed the service he came to me and said: "Yes, dear brother, he is my son, and was always a good boy to me and his mother." I hope that will be said of his children, as they are now left to comfort their afflicted mother. How they can cheer and help through this hard world of sorrow. In his death, the Tuscola community has lost a good man, a loving husband and a father. May God bless Sister Flippo and children, and finally bring them all home to glory. REV. W. L. A. SELF.

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NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

Brownwood District—Second Round.
Indian Creek, at Bethany, April 14, 15.
Bangs, at Mount Zion, April 15, 16.
Coleman Mis., at Rockwood, April 17.
Glen Cove, at Rough Creek, April 20.
Santa Anna, at Santa A., Apr. 21, 22.
Coleman Sta., April 25.
Missionary Institute, Coleman, Apr. 26.
Dis. Conf. at Coleman, April 27, 29.
B. R. BOLTON, P. E.

Corsicana District—Second Round.
Rice, April 14.
Alma, at Alma, April 16.
Corsicana, First Church, April 16.
Mexia, April 18.
Barry, April 21, 22.
Blooming Grove, April 22, 23.
Kerens, April 24.
Corsicana, 11th Ave. April 25.
District Conference at Blooming Grove, beginning at 8 o'clock p. m., April 27. Delegates will be elected on this round.
J. M. BARCUS, P. E.

Georgetown District—Second Round.
Salado Cir., at Prairie Dell, Apr. 14, 15.
Holland Cir., at Wilson V., Apr. 21, 22.
Temple, 7th St. Church, April 22, 23.
N. Georgetown Cir., at S., Apr. 28, 29.
Georgetown Sta., May 5, 6.
Belton Cir., at Leona, May 12, 13.
Belton Sta., May 11, 13.
Moody Sta., May 19, 20.
Troy Cir., May 21.
Rogers Cir., May 22.
Bruceville and Eddy, May 26, 27.
J. S. CHAPMAN, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Second Round.
Kennedale, at Handley, April 14, 15.
Central, April 15, 16.
Missouri Avenue, April 17.
Riverside, April 18.
Glenwood, April 20.
Rosen Heights, April 21, 22.
First Church, April 22, 23.
North Fort Worth, April 24.
Smithfield, April 28.
O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Waco District—Second Round.
Penelope, Apr. 14, 15.
Riesel, Apr. 21, 22.
Hubbard City, 8 p. m., Apr. 23.
Waco, Morrow St., 11 a. m., Apr. 29.
Waco, Austin Ave., 7:30 p. m., Apr. 29.
District Conference will convene at Hubbard City, April 25, at 9 a. m.
Missionary Institute will convene at Hubbard City, April 24, at 9 a. m.
J. G. PUTMAN, P. E.

Colorado District—Second Round.
Dunn, at Centerville, April 14, 15.
Snyder sta., April 21, 22.
Colorado cir. at R. Bar., April 28.
Big Springs sta., April 29.
Colorado sta., April 30.
Midland sta., May 5, 6.
District Conference will convene at Lubbock June 20, at 11 a. m.
J. T. GRISWOLD, P. E.

Clarendon District—Second Round.
Stratford, April 14, 15.
Hansford, at Huff's Chapel, April 18.
Dahart sta., April 21, 22.
Plemons, at Leib, April 25.
Umberger, at Wamble, April 28, 29.
Higgins, May 4.
Canadian, May 5, 6.
Miami, May 19, 20.
Panhandle, May 21.
McLenn, Shamrock, 11 a. m., June 2, 3.
Broncho, at Broncho, 8 p. m., June 3.
Rowe, at Rowe, May 12, 13.
Tulia, June 7.
Silverton, June 9, 10.
JAMES M. SHERMAN, P. E.

Dublin District—Second Round.
Iredell, at Oden Chapel, April 14, 15.
Eastland, at Pleasant G've, Apr. 21, 22.
Fairly and Lanham, at L., April 28, 29.
Glenrose, May 3.
Granbury mis., May 5, 6.
Granbury sta., at G., p. m., May 6, 7.
Carbon, May 12, 13.
Duffau, at Clariette, May 17.
Carlton, at Olden, May 19, 20.
Cisco mis., May 26, 27.
Cisco sta., at Cisco, p. m., May 27, 28.
Bluffdale, June 2, 3.
Desdimona, June 9, 10.
E. A. BAILEY, P. E.

Vernon District—Second Round.
Estelline, at Union Chapel, Apr. 21, 22.
Crowell, at Black, April 30.
Paducah, at Union Corners, May 12, 13.
Matador, at Cottonwood, May 19, 20.
Turkey, at Turkey, May 22, 23.
Missionary Institute at Quanah April 25, 8 p. m. Opening sermon by L. E. Riddle.
District Conference at Quanah April 27-29.
W. H. HOWARD, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Second Round.
Bethel, April 14, 15.
Itasca, April 22.
Grandview, April 22, 23.
Bardwell, at Elm Branch, April 28, 29.
Maypearl, at Ozro, May 2.
Ovilla, at Onward, May 5, 6.
Red Oak, at Dixon's, May 11.
Forreston, at Falls, May 12, 13.
Bristol, at Bristol, May 19, 20.
Palmer and Boyce, at Garrett May 20, 21.
District Conference, at Itasca, April 24, at 10 a. m.
JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Gatesville District—Second Round.
McGregor, April 14, 15.
Hamilton, at Prairie View, Apr. 21, 22.
Killeen & Nolanv. at K. Apr. 25, 3:30.
Pearl, at Cox Chapel, Apr. 28, 29.
Brookhaven, at B., May 12, 13.
District Conf. at Killeen, May 2-6.
Quarterly Conf. at Killeen, May 2 at 3, p. m.
Sunday-school and League Conference at Crawford, May 16, 17.
S. W. TURNER, P. E.

Weathrford District—Second Round.
Millsap, at Brock, Apr. 14, 15.
Gordon, at Strawn, Apr. 22, 23.
Wayland, at Gunsight, Apr. 28, 29.
Breckenridge, at P., May 1.
Crystal Falls, at Grogan, May 3.
Ranger, at Mt. Zion, May 5, 6.
Paio Pinto, at Oran, May 12, 13.
Whitt, at Whitt, May 15.
Peaster, at Central, May 19, 20.
Springtown, at Goshen, May 23.
Graham Mission, at Upper Fork, May 26.
Graham Station, May 26, 27.
Farmer, at True, May 29.
Eliasville, at Eliasville, May 31.
Throckmorton, at Sibley, June 2, 3.
Miss. Inst., at Courts Memorial, June 20, 21.
District Conference at Courts Memorial, June 22-24.
E. F. BOONE, P. E.

Abilene District—Second Round.
Putnam, April 14, 15.
Baird, April 16.
Merkel cir., at Trent, April 19.
Sweetwater Mission, at McCaulley, April 21, 22.
Hitson Mission, April 28, 29.
Aspermont station, April 30.
Aspermont Mission, May 5, 6.
Truby, at Truby, May 10.
Nugent, at Zelo, May 12, 13.
Albany and Moran, at Moran, May 19, 20.
Haskell sta., May 24.
Haskell mis., at Roberts, May 26, 27.
Pinkerton, at Marcy, June 2, 3.
Roby, at Hobbs, June 5.
Lorraine, at Champion, June 7.
Clyde, at Eula, June 9, 10.
Lavon, June 16, 17.
JNO. R. MORRIS, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.
McKinney District—Second Round.
Anna, at Chambersville, April 14, 15.
McKinney, April 21, 22.
Piano, April 28, 29.
Farmers Branch, at F. B., May 5, 6.
Princeton, at Blythe's Chapel, May 12, 13.
I. W. CLARK, P. E.

Gainesville District—Second Round.
Justin, at Roanoke, Apr. 14, 15.
Erz and Bolivar, at B., April 21, 22.
Dexter, at Mt. G., 11 a. m., April 25.
Myra, at Van Slyke, April 28, 29.
Nocona, Dist. Conf., May 2-6.
Bonita, May 6, 7.
Aubrey, May 12, 13.
J. A. STAFFORD, P. E.

Bonham District—Second Round.
Ladonia Sta., Apr. 14, 15.
Lamasco, at New Hope, Apr. 21.
Bonham Sta., Apr. 22.
Randolph, at Randolph, Apr. 28, 29.
JNO. H. McLEAN, P. E.

Greenville District—Second Round.
Greenville mis., at Bethel, April 14, 15.
Wesley, 7:30 p. m., April 15.
Campbell, at Friendship, April 21, 22.
Leonard, at Orange Grove, Apr. 28, 29.
Kingston, at White Rock, May 5, 6.
Lee sta and Jones Bethel, at J. B., May 12, 13.
Commerce mis., May 19.
Commerce sta., May 20, 21.
Celeste and Lane, at Lane, May 26, 27.
J. M. PETERSON, P. E.

Bowie District—Second Round.
Jacksboro, April 14, 15.
Bryson, April 15, 16.
Benvenue, April 21, 22.
Henrietta, April 22, 23.
Bellevue, April 28, 29.
Blue Grove, April 29, 30.
Iowa Park, May 5, 6.
Wichita Falls, May 6, 7.
Archer City, May 12, 13.
Holliday, May 13, 14.
Crafton, May 19, 20.
Gibtown, May 26, 27.
Decatur Cir., June 2, 3.
Decatur Sta., June 3, 4.
T. R. PIERCE, P. E.

Dallas District—Second Round.
Argyle, at Prairie Mound, April 14, 15.
Cedar Hill and Duncanville, at Duncanville, April 21, 22.
Trinity sta., April 22, 23.
Cochran and Maple Avenue, at Cochran, April 28, 29.
J. L. MORRIS, P. E.

Paris District—Second Round.
Bagwell, at Bagwell, April 14, 15.
Annona, at Williams Ch., April 21, 22.
Whiterock sta., April 22, 23.
Avery mis., at Lydia, April 28, 29.
Shady Grove, at S. G., May 5, 6.
Emberson cir., at R. P., May 12, 13.
Roxton cir., at Atlas, May 19, 20.
Paris cir., at Palestine, May 26, 27.
Clarksville cir., at Liberty, June 2, 3.
E. H. CASEY, P. E.

Cooper Sta., 8 p. m., April 20.
Klondike, at Price S. H. 4th Sun. Apr. Winnsboro, 5th Sun. April.
Mt. Vernon, at Mt. V., 1st Sun. May. Lake Creek, at Br. M. 2nd Sun. May. Yowell, at Jordan, 3rd Sun. May. Birthright, at Tarrant, 4th Sun. May. Purley Cir. 1st Sun. June. Sulphur Bluff Cir. 2nd Sun. June. Bonanza Cir. 3rd Sun. June. Como Cir. 4th Sun. June.
The District Conference will convene in Como, June 21, 8 o'clock, p. m. The opening sermon will be preached on the evening of 21st at 8 p. m., by Rev. J. F. Holmes. The delegates will be elected this round.
C. B. FLADGER, P. E.

Terrell District—Second Round.
Mabank cir, at Prairieville, Apr. 14, 15.
Crandall, at Crandall, April 21, 22.
District Conf., at Mesquite, April 25-29.
Mesquite, at Mesquite, April 27.
Pleasant Md. cir, at Mesquite, Apr. 28.
Royle sta, May 6, 7.
Kemp cir, at Wilson's Ch'l, May 12, 13.
College Mound, May 19, 20.
Chisholm cir, June 16, 17.
Kaufman sta, June 24, 25.
O. S. THOMAS, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.
Tyler District—Second Round.
Troup & Overton, April 14, 15.
White House, April 15, 16.
Marvin, April 21, 22.
Malakoff, at Chandler, April 22, 23.
Grand Saline, April 28, 29.
E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Beaumont District—Second Round.
Livingston, at Mount Rose, Apr. 14, 15.
Nederland and Sabine Pass, at Dewyville, April 21 and 22.
Cartwright Chapel, Wed., April 25.
Kountze, April 26.
Burkeville, at Burkeville, April 28, 29.
Fort Arthur, Wednesday, May 2.
Jasper Circuit, at Rogan, May 5, 6.
Orange, Wednesday, May 9.
Warren, at Midway, May 12, 13.
First Church, Beaumont, Wednesday, May 16.
Liberty, at Devers, May 19, 20.
Wallisville, at W., May 20, 21.
Saratoga and Watson, at B., May 27, 28.
Woodville, at Colmesneil, June 9, 10.
Call, at Cairo Springs, June 16, 17.
Corrigan, at Moscow, June 23, 24.
Leggett, at Leggett, June 24, 25.
Jasper and Kirbyville, at Kirbyville, June 30, and July 1.
District Conference at Kirbyville, June 27. Opening sermon by Rev. F. M. Boyles.
O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Brenham District—Second Round.
Lexington, at Early, Apr. 14, 15.
Bellville, at Buckhorn, Apr. 21, 22.
Chappell Hill, Apr. 22, 23.
Caldwell, Apr. 27.
Caldwell Mission, Apr. 28, 29.
Somerville, May 5, 6.
Giddings, May 12, 13.
Brenham, May 13, 14.
Rockdale, May 21, 22.
Cameron, May 28, 29.
CHAS. F. SMITH, P. E.

Houston District—Second Round.
League City, April 14, 15.
McKee Street, April 15, 16.
Galveston, First Church, April 18.
Galveston, West End, April 19.
Angleton and Velasco, April 21, 22.
St. Paul's, April 25.
Humble and Katy, April 26.
Houston Heights, April 27.
Alvin, April 28, 29.
District Conference will meet at Brunner Avenue, Houston, June 20, at 10:30 a. m. Opening sermon Tuesday evening, June 19.
SAM R HAY, P. E.

Calvert District—Second Round.
Brewer, at Pyburn, April 13.
Fairfield, at Mt. Zion, April 14, 15.
Hearne Station, April 21, 22.
Jewett, at Buffalo, April 28, 29.
Centerville, at Redland, May 5, 6.
Rogers Prairie, at High P. May 12, 13.
Wheelock, at Harris Ch. May 19, 20.
Franklin Station, May 25.
Calvert Station, May 26, 27.
Petteway, June 2, 3.
R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

San Augustine Dist.—Second Round.
Garrison, at Garrison, April 14, 15.
Nacogdoches mis., at Bonita, April 21, 22.
Nacogdoches sta., April 22, 23.
Timpson sta., April 25.
Melrose, at Prairie G., April 28, 29.
Burke, at Huntington, May 5, 6.
Caro sta., May 6, 7.
Gary mis., at Gary, May 12, 13.
Carthage sta., May 13, 14.
Tenaha cir., at Paxton, May 19, 20.
Minden cir., at Bethel, May 26, 27.
Cushing cir., June 2, 3.
District Conference will meet at Cushing, July 5.
E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

Palestine District—Second Round.
Bullard cir., at Myrtle Spring, Apr. 14.
Mt. Selman and Bullard, at B., Apr. 15.
Crockett sta., April 22, 23.
Kennard cir., at Plea't H., Apr. 28, 29.
Concord cir., at Price's Chap. May 4.
LaRue cir., at LaRue, May 5, 6.
Neches cir., at Pleasant G., May 12, 13.
Grace Ch, Pal. 7:30 p.m., May 13.

Elkhart cir., at New Pro., May 19, 20.
Grapeland sta., at 7:30 p.m., May 20.
Alto cir., at Adams C., May 26, 27.
Rusk Station, May 27, 28.
Jacksonville cir., at T., June 2, 3.
The District Conference for the Palestine District will meet at Alto June 21-24. The following are the committees: For License to Preach and Admission on Trial, W. K. Strother, T. H. Morris and Stuart Nelson. For Recommendation for Deacon's and Elder's Orders, Gus Garrison, F. A. A. Downs and I. B. Manly.
JOS. B. SEARS, P. E.

Marshal District—Second Round.
Henderson Circuit, April 14, 15.
Coffeeville, at Cox S. H., Wed. Apr. 18.
Church Hill, Friday, April 20.
Henderson Station, April 21, 22.
Missionary Institute and Pastors' Conf. at N. Marshall, Mch. 13, 14, 15.
JAS. W. DOWNS, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Second Round.
Queen City, at Jones Ch., Apr. 14, 15.
Atlanta, April 15, 16.
Cason, at Alina, April 17.
Daingerfield, at Harris Ch., April 18.
Quitman, at Salem, April 20.
Leesburg, at Musgrove, April 21, 22.
Dalby Springs, April 26.
Redwater, April 28, 29.
J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Huntsville District—Second Round.
Huntsville, April 14, 15.
Willis and Conroe, at W., April 15, 16.
Montgomery cir., at Harm'y, Apr. 18.
Iola cir, at Elwood, April 21, 22.
Madisonvil e, April 22, 23.
Hempstead cir, at Lind Grove, Apr. 25.
Anderson cir., at Roaas Prairie, April 28, 29.
Navasota, April 29, 30.
Waller cir, at Monaville, May 5, 6.
Cleveland and Waverly, at W., May 12, 13.
Cold Springs, at Shepherd, May 19, 20.
Millican cir., at Alexander, May 26, 27.
Dodge, June 2, 3.
Prairie Plains, June 9, 10.
H. C. WILLIS, P. E.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.
San Antonio District—Second Round.
Prospect Hill, 11 a. m., 3rd Sun. April.
Sherman street, 7:30 p. m., 3rd Sun. Apr.
So Heights and Conal, at So Heights, 11 a. m., 4th Sun. April.
So Flores Street, 7:30 p. m., 4th Sun. Apr.
Travis Park, 11 a. m., 5th Sun. April.
West End, 7:30 p. m., 5th Sun. April.
W. J. JOHNSON, P. E.

Llano District—Third Round.
Kerrville, at Harper, April 15, 16.
Center Point sta., April 18.
Bandera, at Tarpley, April 21, 22.
Boerne, at B., April 28, 29.
Marble Falls sta., May 5, 6.
Llano sta., May 12, 13.
San Saba cir., at L. O., May 26, 27.
San Saba sta., May 26, 27.
Burnst, at Strickling, June 2, 3.
Kingsland, June 16, 17.
Bertram, at B., June 23, 24.
Cherokee, at C., June 30, July 1.
Johnson City, at R. V., July 8, 9.
Blanco, F. C., July 14, 15.
Willow City, at P. O., July 21, 22.
THEOPHILUS LEE, P. E.

Beeville District—Second Round.
Rockport, Apr. 14, 15.
F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.

San Marcos District—Second Round.
Lockhart, Apr. 14, 15.
Waelder and Thompsonville, at T., Apr. 21, 22.
San Marcos, Apr. 28, 29.
D. K. PORTER, P. E.

Austin District—Third Round.
University Church, 11 a. m. April 15.
First Street Church, 8 p. m. April 15.
Smithville, April 21, 22.
Eastrop, April 28, 29.
Edgin, May 5, 6.
Walnut, at Walnut, May 12, 13.
Manor, May 19, 20.
Webberville, at Hornsby, May 26, 27.
Manchaca, at Cedar, June 2, 3.
McDade, at Beakliss, June 9, 10.
LaGrange, June 16, 17.
West Point, at Muldoon, June 23, 24.
Columbus, June 30, July 1.
Weimar, at Osage, July 3, 4.
Eagle Lake, at Chesterville, July 7, 8.
Tenth Street, 11 a. m., July 15.
South Austin, 8 p. m. July 15.
J. M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

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I have no ax to grind. No, I have always, however much I might disagree with the courts, refrained from criticism. The judiciary is properly designated as the bulwark of our liberties. Under our system of jurisprudence a court of last resort is clothed with power next to supreme, whether their jurisdiction be of civil matters or of criminal prosecutions.

In Texas, we have a Court of Criminal Appeals composed of three Judges elected by the people, to whom all cases of a criminal nature must go when appealed from a County or District Court; when a prosecution is thus appealed the decision is generally final. Because of this exclusive jurisdiction it will at once be agreed that only men of the very best talent should be clothed with this power, and while they ought to be of the best ability, they must be men of integrity, men who can, and will, reach a just decision in all matters, must be able to waive their personal convictions in all political and local questions in every case pending before them as Judges.

Until recently, let it be said to the credit of Texas, not a suspicion has ever been heard about local option; but now the Court of Criminal Appeals is on all sides known as the Majority Court, or some times the C. O. D. Court, and the anti C. O. D. Court. And why is this? It is because of unjust criticism, the masses ought to know it, for criticism, if unjust, has a tendency to weaken our respect for the courts, and it just may lead to more serious consequences.

Judge Webb, I think it was, who read before the last State Bar Association a paper in which he then called attention to what he called a conflict or inconsistent decisions of the Court of Criminal Appeals upon what is now so familiar in Texas, the C. O. D. shipment of whiskey into local option counties. Courts of high authority, and of integrity, are not all agreed upon this question; some holding that what is now known as an ordinary C. O. D. shipment without any special arrangement that title does not pass until the goods are delivered to the consignee, and therefore a sale at that point; but what appears to be the weight of authority hold that the passes when the goods are delivered to a common carrier, (it may be an express company), and by it accepted for transportation, and in the shipment of whiskey it would be a sale at the point of this delivery. But all courts usually allow the parties to make their own contracts, the courts constraining them as thus made. Such was the holding of the Court of Criminal Appeals in case of Bruce vs State, 25 Southwestern, Rep. page 383.

The change was reached by what is known as the Majority Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas on the 15th day of November of last year in the appealed case of W. S. Wright vs the State from this county. The prosecution was for violation of the local option law; the State contended that it did not come within the ordinary C. O. D. shipment as had been defined by the Court of Criminal Appeals, and as decided in the Bruce case supra; being hedged about by special agreements that it fell within the exception there spoken of, but the defense contended that it was only an ordinary every day C. O. D. contract. A jury under proper instructions found the defendant guilty as insisted upon by the State. The Majority Court, by presiding Judge Davidson, which was concurred in by Judge Henderson, 99 Southwestern, Reporter, page 21, as it would seem the only way to clear the defendant, set aside the contract made by the parties, the one on which the whiskey was shipped, and made one which could by them be construed to be only an ordinary C. O. D. affair. Judge Brooks wrote a dissenting opinion in which he held in effect that the contract made by the parties must control, and by the court be accepted as such.

Let some should think this not a fair statement of the case, or an unjust criticism. I here give every word of the testimony of the witnesses as taken from the record before the Court of Appeals and on which the prosecution rested, and let a "candid world" judge for itself.

J. H. Taylor, for the State, says my name is J. H. Taylor. I saw the defendant, W. S. Wright, last fall at the gin

of A. A. Howell, near Salona. Myself and several others bought some whiskey from him that day. It was in November, last year. He came to the gin and said that he was in the liquor business at Gainesville and wanted to furnish us with what we wanted in his line. He had some whiskey in bottles as samples. I drank of one or two kinds; I agreed to take two quarts of Paul Jones. Several of us agreed to take some. Mr. Howell, I think it was, put the names of those of us who wanted it, and the kind and amount we wanted, on a sheet from a paper table he had at the gin. Defendant said he would deliver to us at Bowie, in Montague County, Texas, all we wanted for \$1, and the kind we wanted, us paying the cost of sending it. I did not sign any order or contract, defendant did not say anything about any written contract to me, only that he would deliver to us at Bowie, Texas, the kind and amount we wanted, and we could pay for it when we got it. I think it was Mr. Ford who then suggested that we place the money in the hands of Mr. Howell until we got the goods, which I did. Mr. Howell got the box containing all of it from the express office at Bowie, and brought it to Salona and opened it. It contained all of the whiskey we ordered, and I then got my two bottles; and I was the same kind I ordered. I never paid anything except the \$1 per bottle and was never requested to pay any more. If the whiskey had not come up to the sample, I would have kept my money. When cross-examined by the defense, he said: Yes it was a C. O. D. order; I did not pay Mr. Wright any money; he did not request any. He was to send it to us from Gainesville, which is in Cooke County, to Bowie, which is in Montague County, and we to pay the charges. I gave Mr. Howell two dollars that day, as it was to all come in his name.

Re-direct by the State, witness said: No, I do not know what I know what a C. O. D. shipment is; I mean that a C. O. D. shipment is to deliver the whiskey to us at Bowie and we to pay for it there. I did not select the way he was to deliver the whiskey to us at Bowie. If there had been a wreck on the road and it had got destroyed, I would have kept my money, for I was to get it delivered to me at Bowie, and had no interest in it until it reached there. He could have sent it C. O. D. or by freight, or in a wagon, or any other way he wished. Mr. Wright said he was a member of the firm of W. S. Wright & Company, of Gainesville, Texas, and his business there was to take orders for his whiskey. I did not know that Mr. Howell ever signed up any order in writing for it; I never authorized him to sign any for me. When re-crossed by defense, he said: In making the order it was understood by us that the whiskey was to be sent from Gainesville to Bowie to us by express, and that we were to pay the express charges and for the whiskey to the express agent at Bowie. Mr. Howell got it in a box at the Fargo office at Bowie.

A. A. Howell for defense, says: I saw defendant at my gin near Salona last fall. He said he wanted to take some orders for whiskey from us; several of us agreed to take some. I took the names and amounts down on a tablet I had using at the gin. Mr. Taylor, Mr. Ford and several others took some. Most of them turned over to me the money to pay for their part when it came to Bowie. In all, I think there were ten or twelve in it; we got 24 quarts. Defendant suggested that all of the whiskey be shipped to one man in one name, and I think it was Mr. Ford who suggested my name. It all came boxed up and I paid the money to the express agent at Bowie and got it out. I paid, I think, \$21 for the whiskey and \$1.85 express charges. After we had got the order made up, Mr. Wright suggested that it would be best to let some one of us pay the charges and get the two extra quarts he had put in. I did pay the charges and got the two extra quarts. I understood it to be a C. O. D. order, that is, I understood that we were not to pay for it until we got the whiskey at Bowie. When we made up the order defendant never said anything about signing a written contract or that it would be necessary to sign one. This is the first and only transaction I ever had with defendant, and if I was acting as his agent in making the order, I did not know it. I wrote down the names to see who was in, to see who wanted whiskey and how much.

I wrote them down at the request of defendant. It was agreed by the other parties that I could pay the charges and get the two extra quarts. I signed the written paper, but did not read it; never signed but one. Cross-examined by the State, he said: When I signed this order-blank I did not know what was written or printed on it; I understood that it was only to show that the whiskey was all to come in my name. We had already agreed on who would take whiskey and the amount of each, and what it would cost, and where it was to be delivered, and no writing was ever referred to by defendant or any of us. I did not read the printed part of that order-blank and did not know what it was on the paper I signed. I would not have signed any paper which bound us to pay for the whiskey if we did not get it delivered to us at Bowie, as per our contract with Wright; and if it had not come up that way I would have returned the money to the parties who gave it to me. Defendant and Mr. Ford about the two extra bottles, but defendant suggested that I pay the charges and get them, which I did.

The prosecution was for selling the whiskey to witness Taylor, and the majority opinion, reversing it, says: "The substance of the testimony is to the effect that appellant was connected with a whiskey house in Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas, in November, last year. He obtained an order for some whiskey from several parties living near the little town of Salona. Several parties agreed to take whiskey, and left it to witness Howell to definitely settle the matter as to the amount, terms, etc. After the agreement had been reached between Howell and appellant, it was put in the form of a written C. O. D. order, subject to the approval of the liquor house at Gainesville. Without going into a detail of the testimony, we hold that this case comes within the rule laid down in the Keller case, 57 S. W. 669, and the sale was at the point of shipment and not at the point of destination. The majority says that the 'substance of the testimony is to the effect' that several parties agreed to take whiskey and left it to the witness Howell to 'definitely settle the matter as to amount, terms, etc.' Now, would ask even the critics to read, study, digest and analyze every word of this testimony, and then tell me where they find the 'substance' of the testimony which makes Mr. Howell the agent for the defendant, or other party authorized to 'definitely settle any matter as to amount, terms, etc.' It is elementary that a contract is an agreement between two or more persons where their minds meet upon a given subject. When did Taylor and Howell meet upon the purposes expressed by the court? when did Howell exercise such a trust. No, if such relation existed neither of them knew it; no question like it was thought of by the able attorneys representing the defendant upon the trial. No one knew it until the majority opinion was read. If such relationship existed, it would have been an easy thing to prove it. But what did Mr. Taylor say? 'I agreed to take two quarts of the kind which was Paul Jones.' * * * Defendant said he would deliver it to us at Bowie, in Montague County, at \$1 per quart. * * * I never signed any written order for it. I never authorized him, (Howell) to sign one for me.

The reader will now understand, and so doubt for the first time, why the writer order found its place in this record. The contract between Taylor and Wright, (the one under which the whiskey was shipped), made it a sale of whiskey in Montague County, and the defendant would be guilty; but by the pretended subterfuge, the C. O. D. order signed by Howell, if genuine, could be by the Majority Court construed to be a C. O. D. affair and let the defendant go. Whatever else this testimony might warrant by construction, it can never be tortured into a contract binding Taylor to the C. O. D. order signed by Howell. Grant that Howell had such authority, did he ever put it in execution? I agree that when negotiations are pending verbally, which culminate in a written agreement, even though it be slightly different from the oral agreement, it may be held to be the contract of the parties, provided it is at the same time understood by them, and so intended to close their negotiations. What did Mr. Howell do, and what did he intend to do? He says: "When I signed the order-blank I did not know what was written or printed on it. I understood it was only to show that the whiskey was all to be sent in my name. We had already agreed on the amount, that it would cost, and where it was to be delivered, and no writing was ever spoken of by defendant." * * * I would not have signed any paper which bound us to pay for the whiskey if we did not get it delivered to us at Bowie, as per our contract with Mr. Wright; and if it had not come in that way I would have returned the money to the parties."

To constitute a contract binding in law, the minds of the parties must meet upon a given subject. Did Mr. Howell intend by the act of signing his name to the order-blank, under the circumstances testified to by him, to

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bind the parties to pay for the whiskey at all events, whether it ever reached Bowie or not. And yet this is the very thing the Majority Court holds that he did do. Under the contract testified to by all of the witnesses, the payment was conditioned upon the fact that the defendant was to deliver at Bowie certain brands of whiskey or a stipulated price, in which event only would they take it. This decision brings forcibly to mind the old doctor who had a hobby on curing fits, i. e. construe it to be a C. O. D. affair and the defendant is acquitted. I submit that the C. O. D. order signed by Mr. Howell was not the contract of the parties, that it was without consideration and ending upon no one. The higher courts of civil jurisdiction do not hesitate to hold that when an oral contract is made and afterwards a writing is signed by the parties, unless it is intended at the time to take the place of the oral one, that it is not binding upon them and the oral agreement stands. See Railway Company vs Carter, 29 Southwestern, 565. Aside from the want of authority in Howell to bind Taylor, this case is very much like the Carter case. Then if the parties themselves are not bound, under such circumstances, a Fortiori, the State not being a party could not be bound.

The Keller case supra appears to be a leading case upon this question. Judge Davidson also wrote the majority opinion in that case and on page 677, near the bottom, he uses this significant language in commenting upon the Bogie case: "Certainly it would not be contended a moment if the goods had not been delivered on the terms specified, that Reeves (here Taylor) would be in any way responsible for his contract with appellant." Appellant was to deliver the goods at Greenville. (Here at Bowie.) There was no responsibility upon Reeves (here Taylor) in any manner until the goods were delivered. If the goods had been lost in transit the loss would not have fallen upon Reeves, (here Taylor) but upon the shipper or seller, (here Wright). The point made is that it is being conditioned upon delivery at a place named in the contract before the purchaser was liable that title did not pass until the seller had fully complied with that condition, hence it was not an ordinary C. O. D. shipment. The facts in that case and the case at bar are identical. See Bogie case, 55 Southwestern 539. If we could indulge the belief that Wright, by having Howell sign his order-blank, intended at the time to close the negotiations with a contract having the effect of a C. O. D. affair, certainly it would not have that effect upon the other parties, who were as ignorant of it as the testimony shows they were, of the force of a C. O. D. shipment of whiskey, and their own testimony shows, yes, in most positive, that they had no knowledge of it. If the minds of the parties never met, there could in law be no contract. Then, how could they give their assent to a transaction of which they had no sort of notice? Then, what would be the result? Wright shipped the whiskey without any previous order or contract and the parties accepted it at Bowie, which would under all of the decisions make a sale of whiskey in Montague County. I will present the case in its true light. Suppose the whiskey had been destroyed in a wreck after it left Gainesville, and had never reached Bowie at all, and that there had been a suit by Wright against Taylor to recover the price of his part of it, what would under this testimony have been the result? Would any court in any country have given a judgment against Taylor? No. Then, if not, it was a sale in Montague County, and not a C. O. D. affair at all.

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