





GENERAL CONFERENCE ECHOES.

By Rev. J. W. Hill.  
If there's a hole in a' your coats  
I rede ye tent it;  
A chief's among you takin' notes,  
And, faith, he'll print it.  
—Burns.

Quite a number of people, during the recent session of the General Conference at Birmingham, asked me if I intended to give anything out to publication concerning my impression of that body and its work. I answered in most cases that I purposed doing something of that sort; but that I had only a nebulous idea at that time as to what I should say about it. Even now, since the smoke of battle has cleared away and I have returned to the peaceful precincts of my quiet Texas parsonage, the matter is still not quite clear, and in the language of the poet quoted above, I may venture to predict of this scrawl that, "Perhaps it may turn out a song. Perhaps turn out a sermon."

This General Conference was unique in one particular at least: it was composed chiefly of young men. One who had figured the matter out stated that there were 196 members of that body who had never belonged to any former General Conference. It was natural to expect in view of these facts that the tendency to radical legislation would be very marked; and that the older members, in order to balance the ship, would be more than ordinarily conservative. And such turned out to be the case. If the proposed legislation—if the various memorials, petitions and resolutions sent to the committees—had been concurred in the next edition of the Discipline would have been as large as an ordinary family Bible and the whole character and polity of the Church would have undergone a complete change. As it was, there were some radical laws passed; but the guillotine of "non-concurrence" saved the Church from any marked alteration in any important respect.

The proposition to create a commission to confer with other Methodist bodies with reference to a new statement of our faith, and to weed out what was obsolete in our standards of doctrine, met with violent opposition, and from some of our leading men. But when it was understood that the Twenty-five Articles were to remain intact, and that the work proposed was not a statement of any new faith, but merely a re-statement of what we have always believed and taught, the measure passed by a handsome majority, under a call of the house and a vote by ayes and nays. The discussion of this question—and especially the vote on it—marked the highest tide of the general interest of the body.

The next and most interesting question was that of the time limit to the pastorate. When the conference assembled there was a strong sentiment in favor of its removal; and so active was this sentiment in the Committee on Itinerary that a compromise extending the pastoral limit from four to six years was sent back to the conference as the majority report. But a respectable minority sent in as a substitute a recommendation that the time limit remain as it is, and the substitute was adopted.

By reference to the forthcoming Book of Discipline, it will be seen that the Board of Missions and the Vanderbilt University were not mere crumb-gatherers while the Church pie was being passed around. But all's well that ends well.

It is well-known in the Southwest that this writer has been an ardent advocate of a Tract Society, or some other agency by which tracts, booklets and other helpful literature, setting forth and defending our doctrines and polity, might be gratuitously distributed among the masses of our people. This long-felt want was set forth in a memorial adopted by the North Texas Conference and by other memorials and resolutions sent to the General Conference from various parts of the connection. But the Mission Board captured the enterprise; and the arrangements ordered are inadequate to supply the relief sought for, except in missionary fields and among the foreign immigrants to our own country. Still, a half-loaf is better than no bread; and we will bide our time with as much patience as possible, remembering that another General Conference will convene four years hence, if the world is still in existence at that time.

For many years—especially in the sparsely settled portions of our country—the appointment of unordained men as preachers in charge has greatly hindered our work, and lost to us many persons who have been brought to Christ under the preaching of our ministers. It has often happened that because the preacher was unable to baptize his converts, the fruits of a successful revival were gathered in by other people. The last General Conference cured that evil by authorizing all preachers in charge to administer the ordinance of baptism and to solemnize the rights of matrimony. This

arrangement is calculated to produce some irregularities, but the boast of Methodism is and has ever been that it was adjustable to contingencies and, except where principle was involved, could always freely follow the law of expediency.

The discussion of these several questions made manifest the fact that Southern Methodism is still in possession of many able and eloquent debaters. Quite a number of speeches delivered upon that conference floor will compare favorably with some of the strongest deliverances of the fathers of '44. Prominent among these speakers were Drs. Frank Richardson, B. P. Lipscomb, Collins Denney, E. W. Alderson, C. W. Bishop, E. B. Cnappell and T. P. Sharp.

Among the most striking figures of the conference—members of the old guard—were Dr. Richardson of the Holston Conference, Dr. McGee, of the South Georgia Conference and Dr. Whitehead of the Virginia Conference. These men are all over 70 years of age, but they are still fresh and vigorous and are the peers of any men in this or their own generation in all that constitutes the forceful debater, the clear thinker, and the eloquent orator. May their mantles fall with a double portion of their spirit upon the young Elishas of our own time.

It was evident that the conference adjourned too soon. Many important items were considered too hastily and such that ought to have been considered never came from the calendar. It is impossible for an individual or a conference of individuals to turn out the best possible work under the shadow of adjournment; and where so much is to be considered, affecting so many various sections comprehending such a wide area, there ought to be ample time for calm and thoughtful deliberation.

The entertainment of the conference was not ideal, though the city of Birmingham was put to a large extra expense. This grew out of the fact that there were only three first-class hotels, and they refused, I understand, to make any concession to the local committee. Otherwise, and so far as the citizens generally were concerned, our visit was as pleasant as could possibly have been expected.

The election of Bishops and other connectional officers seems to have given pretty general satisfaction. There were a few surprises, but nobody, with perhaps the exception of the candidates, seems to have been greatly disappointed. The elect are all sound and sensible men, and under their guidance and general oversight, the car of Methodist progress will go steadily on. In the meantime there is plenty for us all to do; and whether we labor in obscurity or bear the responsibility of those who are the observed of all observers, the eye of the Master is upon each and everyone, and the measure of need will be the faithfulness of effort.

AN APPRECIATION.  
Col. and Mrs. J. M. Hill.

In 1896 I met in Austin, Texas, one of the finest old couples it has ever been my pleasure to know. I was very much impressed with the grandeur of their character when I first met them, and the intimacy of succeeding years, only enhanced the first good impressions.

They were both large—large in body, mind and heart. There was nothing about them to suggest anything small, narrow or mean. Theirs were those rare characters so well-rounded, that there was no corner on which to hang even a suspicion of aught impure; so strong and robust in goodness that evil hid itself in their presence, yet withal so kind and gentle and tender, that the most timid child felt at home with them, and approached them without reserve.

Buoyancy and joy are natural to youth, but old age is often overshadowed with somber clouds. Not so, with these aged saints. The merry bells of their laughter had not been cracked by the hammer of sordid care, nor muffled with hopeless sorrow. Though death had come again and again to their home, claiming first the prattling innocence of childhood, and then their first-born, in the prime of a useful and successful career, yet upon every cloud of grief that rose over their way there shone the brilliant light of an intelligent faith in Him who said, "I am the resurrection and the life." After I had spent an afternoon in their home, I found myself wondering if they had not discovered that fountain of perennial youth for which Ponce De Leon had sought in vain. In striving to fathom their characters, and the sources of their perfection and joy, I ascertained some of the elixir results in them.

They were both of fine parentage. The law of heredity had stamped its best results in them.

March 13, 1818, near Hillsborough, Ga., James M. Hill was born of splendid parents, in whose veins coursed the best blood of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. He spent his early childhood in the home of his in-

fancy. Near by lived his cousin and playmate, Ben H. Hill, who became Georgia's great statesman. They attended school together at Hillsborough, which place was named for their grandfather. Later James M. Hill moved with his parents to Columbus, Ga., and then in 1835 they came to Texas, and settled near the site of Gay Hill, in Washington County. The hardships they underwent in coming to the frontier and opening a new home began to develop that robustness of character for which J. M. Hill was noted. The active service he saw from 1835 in fighting Indians and Mexicans, carried this robustness on toward perfection. He was in the battle of San Jacinto, and for six months succeeding he was actively engaged in repelling Mexicans and Indians. Later he entered Rutgersville College, from which he was called in 1840 to join an expedition under Col. Jno. H. Moore, to search for, and destroy, a village of Comanche Indians, who had recently raided the town of Lynnville. The company of one hundred men under Col. Moore, followed the Comanches to the headwaters of the Colorado River, where their village was discovered and destroyed, nearly all of the Indians being killed, except the women and children, who were captured and later exchanged for white prisoners, held by the Indians at another place. Col. Hill responded to the call of his country in 1846, and saw much active service during the disquieting times from then till 1861, when, though advanced in years, he volunteered as a Confederate soldier, and faithfully served the Lost Cause. When Governor Culberson appointed a commission to purchase and mark the San Jacinto battle field, Col. Hill was made a member of the commission; and, as in everything else, he did his work faithfully and well. The battle field was purchased and the proper markers set up to designate the most important places on the grounds.

From its organization, he and his wife were members of the Texas Veterans' Association, and took much interest in its affairs. After the death of President Guy M. Bryan, Col. Hill was advanced to the presidency of the Association from the position of First Vice President, which he had long held.

Jane Hallowell Kerr was born in Cornersville, Tenn., October 23, 1824. Her father's people were of Scotch and Welch extraction. They saw service under the Duke of Wellington in the battle of Waterloo. Her mother's ancestry were Scotch and Huguenot. Her maternal great-grandfather came to this country on account of the persecutions in France. At the age of seven years, Jane Kerr came with her parents to Texas and settled near the place where Burton, Washington County, has since been built. In 1836, they were in what was called the "Run-away Scrape," so-called, because of the hurried flight from Santa Anna's approaching army. The Kerr family, through difficulties of early travel and dangers from Mexicans and Indians, made their way over rough roads and swollen streams to San Augustine, Texas. Here the remained till fall when exchanging a half league of land for a wagon and team, they returned to their home, which they found plundered and robbed. Soon after their return, the Indians stole their horses while only the mother and children were at home. The next night our young heroine and her little brother kept watch, standing in the doors, with hatchets in hand. Through such dangers and hardships was the family called to pass while Miss Jane Kerr was growing to womanhood. The loss of her father early in the struggle only intensified its severity.

September 14, 1843, J. M. Hill, and Miss Jane H. Kerr were united in marriage and established their home near Fayetteville, Texas.

In addition to splendid heredity, they both had excellent religious nurture in their early years, and the remembered their Creator in the days of their youth, giving themselves to his service in the Methodist Church, the Church in which their parents had lived and labored. Thus was developed in them, not only robustness of character, but also robustness of Christian faith and practice. The simplicity of these early days served as an excellent environment for the production of simplicity of character. Their wants were simple and confined within their means. They began early the accumulation of an estate, adding to it through the years of their vigor by industry and frugality.

Their home was the home of the pioneer preacher, and their time given to the service of the Church, he serving as steward and superintendent of the Sunday-school, and she working in the various women's societies. On the family altar, early erected, there always burned brightly the fires of sincere worship.

As the years went by, sons and daughters were born to them, and these were trained in the same lofty principles of intelligent courage, patriotism, and piety. Under such influ-

ences their children grew to noble manhood and womanhood.

When advancing years made farm life too laborious longer to be borne, the aged couple sold their farm and moved to Austin, the scene of some of Mr. Hill's former labors and soldierly. Here they purchased a modest home and continued that simple life which had marked the earlier years in the country. Now in their declining days they could look back on a life well spent in the service of their fellow-man, their children, their country and their God, without any skeletons in the closet to disturb the tranquillity of their happy home. With a past full of love and good service to all; with a home full of love, contentment and plenty to satisfy their modest desires, and a tithe to bestow on the Church and charity; with a large family of honorable sons and daughters who loved them with marked filial piety, and a host of children's children—Solomon's crown of old age—who found no place more delightful than the home of their grand-parents; with their home brightened by the presence of a devoted daughter, who found her chief delight in filial affection and service; with a large circle of cordial kindred and friends; with all these about them, in this world, and with an inspiring faith ever bringing nearer, day by day, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, why should they not be joyous in old age? They were till February 4, 1904, when J. M. Hill "fell on sleep and was not, for God took him." For a few months with beautiful Christian composure, his beloved wife, trod the wine press without him, then on March 18, 1905, she too was caught into heaven, where she could see that "angel face e'er smile, which she had loved so long and lost awhile."  
J. KILGORE.

THE DOPE SHEETS.

By Phil C. Travis.

Seductive and fascinating as pool-room gambling is, it can not stand as a business proposition when considered from any other standpoint than that of the man operating the game. When the book-maker steps from beyond the pale of his percentage and wagers on this or that horse, it marks the step which leads to his undoing. When beguiling the public with prices and all the glittering prospects of sudden wealth, the book-maker figures to round up his books so that he wins no matter what horse goes under the wire first. This he usually does, or he couldn't afford to pay the tolls exacted by the telegraph company. In addition, each employe of the house is paid five dollars per day—quite an item itself. High rents must also be taken into consideration.

Don't take my word for it, but ask any man of wide experience in turf exchange betting and he will tell you that it is impossible to beat the game. Why? Eliminate the fixed race and consider that every owner is out to win. The handicapper is a man of ability. He knows thoroughbreds and what they are capable of doing at certain weights over a given distance. His task is to so weight each horse that all will be noses apart at the finish. In doing this he considers the best performances of the entries. An animal may be off his feed or not up to his best race, or he may have been kept under cover, but this is not noted by the handicapper. He strives to make the fast horse come back to the slow horse by adjusting the lead. Suppose he should do this so that every horse would have an equal chance if the race were truly run. But the distance must be gone over; the horses must face the barrier, must be sent away with all jockeys striving for position; the turn must be rounded while some horses hug the rail and others go wide; pockets are formed for the animals who do not get away in the lead; jockeys must take their mounts to the front when an opportunity presents, and can not always nurse them until the proper moment. A horse is liable to swerve and knock others from their stride; a rider is liable to fall, or he is prevented from whipping on account of crowding while going at a record breaking clip. It all goes to make up the element of chance in favor of the book-maker. On the other hand, track conditions must be considered. A horse may be practically unbeatable on a fast track, but can do nothing in the mud, and vice versa. Some like a sticky track, others a slow track, others a good or a fast track. I remember an occasion where a person was touted to a sure thing who "won his last out." The horse didn't finish within the money and the loser decided to look up his last performance. He found that he won it at Hot Springs. "A sure enough Skate," he gasped as he pointed at the track conditions on the day he won. The conditions: "Track frozen and covered with snow." He had played the horse on a fast track? Thus it goes. What horse does not meet his master? "McChesney, the pride of the West," went down in defeat many times, Symbony has had his colors lowered; and

if this holds good for the real kings of the turf, how can the public pin its faith to the many selling platters who are raced from day to day throughout the country? This is emphasized by consulting the racing forms or dope sheets.

What about pool-room prices as compared to figures quoted at the tracks? The turf exchange never gives its patrons such odds. If a horse is four to one at the track, it is not unusual for him to be no better than three to one at the pool-room. The turf exchange magnate figures that he is going to get so much play regardless of prices, and why not separate the public from its money as soon as possible?

But all of this appeal to reason to show that it is unwise to patronize a turf exchange should not be necessary in Texas, where we have a valid law against such gambling. But public sentiment has not yet demanded the enforcement of that law. County officials are unmindful of the hundreds of men and boys who are being ruined because the law is not enforced. Statistics show that a large majority of bank officials or clerks who have absconded or misused funds owe their downfall to the alluring influences of the pool-room. It is the element of chance developed into a raging fever which causes its victims to close their eyes to the doom which awaits them. Yet when a bank or business firm reports the financial shortness of a trusted employe, the machinery of the law is turned against the individual offender. Why not get at the root of the evil? Why not consider generations to come and exterminate the monster which caused it all? Insist upon an equal enforcement of the law. "Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may." It is but the part of wisdom and humanity to give the erring one an opportunity to redeem himself, but who can countenance the official who closes his eyes when he may remove the cause? Money is the essential to a pool-room devotee. With little money he expects to become rich. To bet he must have the cash and that he will get when he becomes infatuated. He only needs the coin for a few minutes when it will return tenfold, so he thinks. But it doesn't return, and so he goes on the downhill road to hell.

In my next article I will take up what is known as the anti-pool-room law of Texas. Hon. Curtis Hancock, of Dallas, is its author. The law is valid and I have authorities to prove it. In Texas the real question has never been tried before a jury. The Harry Windsor case from Sherman was carried to the higher court upon an "agreement" of facts which in no wise covered the case. Attorneys for the pool-rooms hatched up a case and the prosecuting attorney saw it in the light they did. I hold that there isn't a criminal in the world who couldn't be acquitted if the State permitted shrewd lawyers of the defendant to set forth the facts as the criminal sees them. Remove the bone of contention and there is nothing for the State to stand upon. This was done in Grayson County and even then all phases of the law were not touched upon.

A FAITHFUL FAMILY SERVANT.

On yesterday I was called to officiate at the funeral of an old colored woman. She had an unbroken connection with the Maddox family for about sixty years. She was bought for the sum of \$800 gold, and the family has the bill of sale for her. When other slaves had been freed she, after a short absence from the home of her master, returned expressing a desire never to depart again. So she has atown the years remained faithful to the family, assisting them in every way possible and performing in the old time way the duties of a domestic helper. She took the full name of her mistress and was therefore called Mary Maddox. She was a member of the M. E. Church, South, along with the family. She always claimed the right to be present in the room when visiting ministers came and held family prayers and would often attend the services at the Church with the family. In her last long illness she would often break forth in song and shouting. One evening as they gathered around her and sang her favorite hymn, "Savior more than life to me," she was swept with a glory and lifted up her voice in great shoutings and praise to God. She would repeat the Lord's prayer and verses of song often. She died May 14, 1906, at the home of Mrs. J. B. Fields, in Dublin, where grandmother Maddox, her mistress, is now residing. We buried her as we would one of our own color, allowing no thought but that she was entitled in this last rite to all the privileges of the family with whom she had been so long and faithfully connected. She was faithful unto death to an early trust, and in the last hours they forsook her not, but the family and the good white women of the ward in which she lived, came and waited upon her in her sickness. As a servant she was faithful. As a Christian devoted.  
O. P. KIKER, P. C.



# Devotional and Spiritual

It is the earnest life after all that is needed most. If you should visit the power house where they generate the electricity that lights the town, you would find there a switchboard on which two kinds of registers are set. One kind measures what is called the amperage, or amount of electricity used, and the other measures the voltage, or intensity of it. The light that comes does not depend on the amperage; the amount of electricity may be large or small; the light depends on the voltage; that must be kept always at the lighting point; intensity and not quantity produces light. It is something like that with persons. Ability may be great or meagre; ability is only the amperage. But look at the earnestness of a man's life; that is the voltage and determines the light. A man may be able to do many things well and yet lack earnestness enough to do anything sufficiently well to shine. When Jesus said to His disciples, "Ye are the light of the world," He did not refer to any great amount of truth which they possessed—they were unlettered and ignorant men—but He referred to the earnest way in which the truth was held; they had left all for the kingdom of heaven's sake.—Rev. S. V. Cole, D. D., in "The Life that Counts."

## FAITH THAT FRUITS IN CONVERSION.

If it is true that the method of increase of the Church of God is by individual conversions, it is also a fact that every Church member snags in the responsibility for winning others to the service of the Master, and thus turning sinners into saints. Even in times of Pentecostal outpour, the mode of increase of the kingdom is essentially "one by one." Men are never converted as "masses," but as men.

On the human side there is always a direct relation of cause and effect between the faith and faithlessness of a believer and the conversion of a sinner. In the picture of the Church conditions prevailing in the early apostolic age it is said of the evangelists from Cyprus to Cyrene that "the hand of the Lord was with them." Great numbers of people believed and turned unto the Lord. But the explanation of the source of this evangelistic power is given succinctly in the words of the reference to Barnabas, of whom it is recorded that he was "a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, and much people was added unto the Lord." The character of Barnabas had a direct effect upon the number of the conversions. Because Barnabas was so filled with the proper faith, zeal, and helpfulness, he became instrumental in making many converts.

And so in every age, character, in the individual believer, is absolutely essential as a condition of evangelistic efficiency. That character must be not simply a coldly ethical attitude, just an outwardly correct deportment, but as well a fervent spiritual state, involving deep personal experiences of the grace of God. The modern Barnabas who is to gain "much people unto the Lord, by a process of religious addition, must be a man of supreme faith in the practicability of the promises of God and full of the inspiring grace and enabling energy of the Holy Spirit. A good man full of grace—such is essentially the portraiture of the truly successful evangelist, whether that worker owned of God be a Barnabas, a Paul, a Luther, a Wesley, a Nettleton, a Finney, or a Moody.

Faith that fruits in conversions—that is the ideal which Christian people should set before them in these coming months which, whatever happens to particular individuals or communities, is sure to be in general full of the rich-

est, broadest spiritual opportunity to the Church at large. Already many programs for such work are being planned by the leaders in the Church. Such programs will not be successful unless all Church members heartily co-operate each in his place, in the grand task of bringing men to Jesus Christ. Let each believer, therefore, look to his own heart, and question his own duty, taking care that he, like a Barnabas, of old, is "a good man," full of the "Holy Ghost and of faith," that so, in these modern days, "much people" may be added to the Lord.—New York Observer.

## RELIGION IN THE HOME.

It would not be difficult to indicate the causes which have contributed to this most unhappy condition of affairs. Among these might be mentioned the slackness of family discipline, the spirit of the age, the rush and push of modern business life, the multiplied evening engagements inside and outside the Church which are offered as substitutes or given as pleas in extenuation; but thoughtful Christian men must admit that neither the pressure of temporal business nor the calls of the Church should be allowed to trench upon the parent's duty to his own household. Home should be the most hallowed spot to the Christian, and the bond between parent and child should be zealously guarded. Religion at home is perhaps even more precious than in the Church or in the world, and without the recognition of God by the establishing of a common place of supplication the atmosphere of the home cannot be what God designs it should be.

Parents must not forget that the home is the unit of the Church. The "Church in the house" under the aegis of the family was the first Church. This fact is of very great significance, and teaches us an aspect of truth too often overlooked in our day. If the graces and fruits of the Christian life are found and fostered in the family life, it will be comparatively easy to transfer them to the institution of the Church.—Rev. J. D. Lamont.

## A SPRING MESSAGE.

There is so much in the truth which is the root of faith, to beget gladness—such an exhibition of God's infinite love to man in the incarnation of Christ, such rich consolation flowing from the indwelling comforter, such causes for gratitude in the mercies of his daily life, such visions of beauty evoked by the promises of coming glory, that one who really embraces God by faith can scarcely prevent his heart from bubbling over with joy. Paul gave the keynote of a true Christian life when he said to the Church at Philippi, "Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say Rejoice!" And Luther echoed this sweetest bird note, when he said to the firstborn sons of the Reformation: "I would be like a little bird which the wind rocks on a branch beneath the mild ray of the sun, and whose voice ascends unceasingly to the blue heaven."—Frederick Ruckert.

## THE CONFIDENCE OF BLINDNESS.

Those who dare to move straight ahead without seeing ahead have a confidence that is worth more than the confidence of sight. In a busy city thoroughfare a man noticed coming toward him another man whose walk and bearing singled him out from all the rest. He was walking with a directness that took no account of the many persons crowding to and fro past him. And then the observer noticed that the man was blind, and was being led by a girl at his side. Why should the blind man take any account of possible collision with his surroundings? He was being led by one whom he trusted, and his whole manner

showed it. It is just such direct fearlessness of walk and bearing that God would have every unseeing but trusting child of his enjoy. Sight would be a poor substitute for the leading of our Guide.

## A LITTLE SANCTUARY.

A pathetic story is told of a little boy who was being taken to a new and untried home among strangers. His family had been of the very poor. The father had died several years before, and the mother battled against want and failing health, striving as best she might to provide for herself and her child. Now death had taken her also; there were no relatives to care for the little boy, and a place had therefore been found him with a family in the country.

It was a ride of several miles to the strange home, and the farmer who had agreed to transport him thither, noticed that the little fellow sitting so shyly beside him in the great wagon often thrust his hand into his worn blouse as if to make sure of some treasure. Curiosity at last prompted the man to ask what it was. He had been kind during the journey, and so the child hesitatingly confided his secret.

"It's just a piece of mother's dress. When I get kind—kind of lonesome—I like to feel it. 'Most seems 'sif she—wasn't so far off."

There is something in each one of us which responds to that story, and to the feeling. It is like the comfort God gave to his exiled children long ago. Afar from the homeland they loved, away from the temple of their worship, he promised still: "Yet will I be to them a sanctuary for a little while in the countries where they are come."—Forward.

## SECRET GRIEFS.

Trouble comes in many forms. It may be a bitter disappointment which falls upon a young life when love has not been true, or when character has proved unworthy, turning the fair blossoms of hope to dead leaves under the feet. There are lives that bear the pain and carry the hidden memorials of such a grief through long years, making them sad at heart even when walking in sweetest sunshine. Or it may be the failure of some other hope, as when one has followed a bright dream of ambition for days and years, finding it only a dream. Or it may be the keener, more bitter grief which comes to one when a friend proves untrue or disgraces himself. The anguish which love endures for others' sins is among the saddest of earth's sorrows.

If we knew the inner life of many of the people we meet, we would be very gentle with them and would excuse the things in them that now seem strange or eccentric to us. They are carrying burdens of secret grief.—J. R. Miller, D. D.

"Sensibility to the beauties of nature should be cherished in young persons. It engages them to contemplate the Creator in his wonderful works; it purifies and harmonizes the soul, and prepares it for moral and intellectual discipline; it supplies a never-failing source of amusement; it contributes even to bodily health; and, as a strict analogy subsists between material and moral beauty, it leads the heart by an easy transition from the one to the other, and thus recommends virtue for its transcendent loveliness, and makes vice appear the object of contempt and abomination."

## LEISURE MOMENTS.

What do you do with your leisure moments? This was a question recently asked of young men in a public assembly. It was stated that the use of leisure moments determines what a man is and what he will become. In moments when the strain of outside pressure is taken off the natural bent reveals itself. Some men are idlers at heart and leisure reveals their decided love of the *dolce*

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far niente mode of existence. Others turn to special fads that interest and amuse them. Many a man has used his leisure moments to fit himself for superior work. There are those who have made themselves learned by the use of spare portions of time. Busy men who have no time for Bible study can surely find leisure moments, however brief, for a glimpse at the Word of God and by systematic use of five minutes a day and orderly reading of the Scripture, can become filled with its truth. A man can make himself even an authority on a subject to which he will give a few minutes daily. Woman is noted for her use of spare moments in knitting or sewing. There is a mine of wealth waiting for those who will use the loose bits of time for some profit.—The Watchman.

## BREAKING THE FALL.

Being a Christian does not mean that a man will never again fall into sin. It means that when he falls, he will have an Almighty hand to help him regain his feet. "Though he fall," says the Psalmist, "he shall not be utterly cast down; for Jehovah upholdeth him with his hand." Your little stumbling child, clinging to your hand, loses his footing and falls. The shock of the fall is less because your clasp is strong, and holding fast to your strength he struggles to his feet, frightened, stained, bruised, but confident of you and your ability to help him. "Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down," and no more are we, who through weakness and weariness stumble into sin. It is a Father's hand that breaks the fall, a Father's strength that puts us on our feet.

## REMEMBER.

He that keepeth the commandment, keepeth his own soul. A soft answer turneth away wrath. Speak evil of no man. If thine enemy hunger, feed him, if he thirst, give him drink. Pray for those that despitefully use you and abuse you. He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord. Love ye one another with brotherly love, for in so doing ye fulfill the law. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. Pray without ceasing, and in all things give thanks to God, from whence cometh all blessing. Put away evil communications from thy mouth, for they are an abomination unto God. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, liveth peaceably with all men.

## FAITH.

"I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on Me should not abide in darkness."  
Christian perfection is the perfection, not of conduct, character or creed, but of faith. It is not a matter of our behavior before God the Judge, but of our relation to God the Savior.—P. T. Forsyth.

Never suffer the steadfastness and confidence of my faith to abate, that so at all times I may be enabled from the heart to say: "Jesus needs me, and I Him; and so we suit each other."—Christian Seriver.

It matters not how faith comes, whether through the intellect, as in the case of St. Thomas, or in the case of St. John, or as the result of long education, as in the case of St. Peter. God has many ways of bringing different characters to faith; but that blessed thing which the Bible calls faith is a state of soul

in which the things of God become glorious certainties.—F. W. Robertson.

"O Lord, perfect, we beseech Thee, the faith of us who believe, and sow the good seed of faith in their hearts who as yet lack it; that we all may look steadfastly unto Thee, and run with patience the race that is set before us. Give us grace to show our faith by our works; teach us to walk by faith, having respect unto the promises; which of Thy mercy make good to us in Thine own good time, O our most gracious Lord God and Savior. Amen!"

Do you abide in God? Is God the main thought of your life, the chief delight and object of your being? If it be not so, I earnestly invite you by the Spirit's help to make it so. You must engage your heart to come to God in Christ. There is no coming to God without sincere resolve and eager desire. Are you engaged to such an end? Alas! it may be you are drawn elsewhere. Are you engaged? Alas! some are engaged to Madame Bubble; some are engaged to Belial; some are engaged to self, some are engaged to Mammon; some seem engaged to the very devil of the pit. Be wise and break these unlawful engagements. Let your covenant with death be broken, and your league with hell be disannulled. Though you be weary of my words, yet would I stir you to interest in this all-important matter. Break these deadly bands asunder. God help you, by sudden energy which He shall give you, to snap your fetters once for all, and then at once firmly engage your hearts to Christ. C. H. Spurgeon.

That true beauty of face is possible only where there is beauty of soul manifested in a beautiful character.—Ex.

## DOCTOR EXPLAINS His Article in the Medical Magazine About Coffee.

One of the most famous medical publications in the United States is the "Alkaloidal Clinic" in a recent number of which an entertaining article on coffee by a progressive physician and surgeon was published. In explaining his position in the matter this physician recently said:

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## EDITORIAL.

### LEAVING SCHOOL.

The commencement days are fast passing and the home-coming of the pupils is the chief event in many households. To many young men and young women this is vacation time, but to many it is the change in the very conditions of their lives. The school days are over and life's duties and responsibilities must be met. Hitherto there has been more or less of supervision and friendly direction, as well as financial, social and intellectual support. Now there is a demand for self-support, self-control and self-assertion in independent service. The day of social majority has been reached. The work of the school time is now to have its testing. There may have been an escape from the quiz of the instructor in the recitation or a provided help in the examination, but now the graduate is to be measured by what he really brought away from his institution. Practical life calls for the actual performance of its tasks and the true solution of its problems. Only what a man knows or what he is capable of knowing will be of any avail in the practical affairs of the world's life. The education that has given the pupil power will receive endorsement. The sham and the show practiced by unscrupulous institutions will now prove criminal to the unsuspecting student. The real, sterling, conscientious work will bring its reward.

But, supposing that the institution has been true to its mission and the pupil honest in his studies, the success of a graduate must be greatly affected by the reception which society will give. The young man must have a chance. The business world must honor his credentials and give him a place worthy of his training. The professional fraternity must have regard for his equipment and not waste time in giving him recognition. Many of the brightest minds, most capable men, have been actually blighted and even paralyzed by the criminal indifference of the professional, business and social circles into which they have gone.

The attitude of a community toward a returning student is often, "Let us see what he can do." At the same time nothing is allowed to come to his hands. Tasks ought to be assigned him, labors should be put upon him, large expectations should be shown him. Let the young minister preach occasionally to a large intelligent audience and thus call him to his best. Let the young lawyer be retained by leading attorneys in great cases and be made to assume responsibility. The college graduate is often allowed to rust by lack of use being made of him. Give him a chance. Let him know something worthy is expected of him.

But the graduated student must not require too much consideration. Let the girl graduate find her place in the home. Sewing, cooking, housecleaning, are much more becoming than parties, receptions and social silliness. Let womanliness be a dominant characteristic. Be a friend to the girls of the communities who have had but few advantages. Help the weak and be a real factor in the real life of real society. The young man will do well not to be pedantic, uppish, snobbish. Be a true son. Renew the friendships that have been lost by the years from home. If you seem to be above anybody, then it becomes your duty to lift them up to you and in no sense ignore them. Manliness, clean habits, clear headedness, honest helpfulness must be demanded of college graduates. To be less manly, less clean, less helpful than the boys that did not go to college is to be fearfully condemned. Leaving school means bring-

ing strong, well-trained minds and hearts into the community where we choose to live. May abundant blessings rest upon all who now join the great army of conscientious men and women who live to make life great!

### SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT.

The following communication has been received from Georgetown:

The enrollment in the academic department, during the year just closed, was 516, of which 234 were of the collegiate grade. In this day, when the decreasing supply of ministers is a problem of such ominous import that it occupied the chief place in the recent address of our Bishops, it is gratifying to know that there are fifty-eight young men studying for the ministry at Georgetown. Nine of this number were licensed to preach by the Georgetown District Conference this year. Altogether, 153 students in the academic department received free tuition. This alone is a great work, and without the growing liberality of the Church to this school, it could not be done. The reports of the Board show that the past year has been one of unparalleled prosperity. Large gifts have come in from the friends of Christian education, and 982 students were enrolled in all departments, counting no name twice.

For some time prior to commencement graduate recitals were given at regular intervals by young ladies who were to receive diplomas in the School of Fine Arts, but the commencement proper began with the Fitting School Declamation Contest, on Thursday afternoon, May 31. The medal was awarded to Mr. K. R. Isbell, Sanger, Texas.

Friday morning was the occasion of the Junior Oratorical contest. The speeches were original. Mr. W. F. Stanford, of Lorena, Texas, whose subject was "The Christian Soldier and Patriot," won the medal.

On Friday evening Rev. R. C. Porter, of Dallas, delivered the alumni address. Hon. W. K. Clement, of Rockdale, presided and Rev. John M. Barcus, of Corsicana, opened the exercises with prayer. Mr. Porter's subject was "The Strenuousness of the Present Age," and he delivered a forcible message.

On Saturday morning at 10 o'clock the corner stone of "Mood Hall" was laid with appropriate ceremonies. Strong addresses were made by Hon. T. S. Garrison, of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Horace Bishop, of the Board of Curators. A few months ago Rev. John R. Nelson was commissioned to secure the means for the erection of a dormitory for young men. He has secured \$30,000 in good subscriptions and cash. The contract has been let, the foundations finished and a \$60,000.00 building is now in course of erection. The Commissioner of Education has done a splendid work. The authorities of the Church have appointed this valuable man to another field of labor. His successor has not yet been chosen. The projection of this building means a great forward movement for the University, and friends of Christian education can greatly aid this cause by contributing to the monument of the founder of Southwestern University, and at the same time be helping in the erection of a Christian home for college men.

The address to the literary societies was delivered by Hon. Frank Andrews, of Houston, Texas. Mr. Andrews was in the same class with Mr. R. C. Porter, the alumni speaker, who, with E. M. Browder, Esq., of Dallas, Hon. W. C. McKamy, Hon. John L. Browne, Hon. Robert L. Henry, Hon. Henry G. King, and other prominent men of our State, graduated in the class of 1885. His address was finished, forcible and from its source, must prove exceed-

ingly helpful to the young men who heard it.

On Saturday afternoon the sophomore declamation contest took place. The speakers were: I. T. Bass, G. J. Bryan, J. W. Chapman, R. B. Curry, W. L. Hiley, J. O. Leath, T. J. Moseley, A. M. Tibbs, and J. D. Wheeler. The medal was won by Mr. James W. Chapman. The annual debate, which is always an occasion of intense interest to the students and attractive to the public, came off on Saturday night. The question was: "Resolved, That the policy of foreign territorial expansion on the part of the United States Government is detrimental to the highest interests of the Republic." The San Jacinto Society, represented by L. L. Wade and H. F. Bailey, had the affirmative, and the Alamo Society, with W. L. Blackburn and W. E. Clark, defended the negative. Judge R. E. Brooks, of Dallas, has endowed a prize worth \$40 a year to go annually to the society winning the debate. The judges gave the decision to the San Jacinto debaters.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered Sunday morning by Rev. W. F. Packard, of Tyler, Texas. He chose as his text Sam. 3:5-10: "He hath builded against me, and compassed me with gall and travail. \* \* \* He hath enclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked." It was one of the strongest sermons ever delivered from the pulpit of this University town.

On account of illness, Rev. R. G. Mood was unable to meet his engagement as preacher for the undergraduates. Rev. John M. Barcus preached at the evening hour from 1 Peter 1:8, much to the edification of his hearers.

Monday was commencement day. The graduating class numbered thirty-three, the largest in the history of the institution. The first honor was won by Miss Una Works, of Howard, Texas. The second honor by Miss Victoria Newton, of Waxahachie, Texas. Out of this class six speakers were chosen by the faculty to compete for the \$50 Curator's medal. The following are the subjects of the orations and the speakers: "Miracles in Nature," H. F. Bailey; "The Political Future of the South," L. F. Chapman; "Luther, the Man and the Hour," C. F. Hamff; "The Sentiment of Nationality," Roy A. Moore; "The Spirit of the Century," W. A. Tarver; "The American Renaissance," C. C. Young. The medal was awarded to L. F. Chapman.

Rev. W. F. Packard delivered the farewell address to the class, and Dr. R. S. Hyer delivered the diplomas as follows:

E. M. Armstrong, B. S., A. M., Blooming Grove, Texas; H. F. Bailey, A. B., Winters, Texas; T. S. Barkley, B. S., A. M., Ennis, Texas; W. J. B. Buttrill, B. S., Mansfield, Texas; L. F. Chapman, A. B., Georgetown, Texas; Miss Mary Church, B. S., Farmersville, Texas; W. M. Craig, A. B., Georgetown, Texas; Miss Maggie Crockett, B. S., Springtown, Texas; Miss Ethel Doak, Voice, Amarillo, Texas; B. D. Giles, A. B., China Springs, Texas; Miss Zena Hall, B. S., Georgetown, Texas; C. F. Hamff, A. B., Paige, Texas; J. S. Henry, A. B., Kennedy, Texas; Miss Nora Hotchkiss, Ph. B., Temple, Texas; H. L. McNeil, A. B., Houston, Texas; Miss Lida Miller, Piano, Brownwood, Texas; R. A. Moore, B. S., Georgetown, Texas; Miss Victoria Newton, B. S., Midlothian, Texas; J. N. Ryman, A. B., Matagorda, Texas; W. A. Tarver, B. S., Corsicana, Texas; T. C. Turk, B. S., Blooming Grove, Texas; Chas. T. Talley, A. M., Garland, Texas; Miss Perry Watson, Piano, Corn Hill, Texas; Miss Alma West, Art, Georgetown, Texas; Miss Una Works, A. B., Waxahachie, Texas; Miss Cornelia Wyse, A. B., A. M., Georgetown, Texas; C. C. Young, A. M., Kemp, Texas.

Rev. Wesley Dee Thompson, Bailey, Texas, has given an annual scholarship, worth \$100 a year, to the young preacher in the sophomore and junior class ranking highest in his grades, the award to be made by the faculty. Rev. G. J. Bryan, of Fort Worth, won this scholarship for next year.

### FEDERATION OF SCHOOLS.

(By Rev. J. E. Harrison, M. A., Chairman of State Committee.)

Is it not time for the Methodist schools of Texas to federate? There are more pupils available for our own schools than we can possibly accommodate with our present buildings. It behooves us to join together for best reaching these pupils and for building more room to accommodate more pupils. The future of our school work in this great State is most hopeful if we are wise and opportune in our movements. Independent and rival Methodist schools constitute a double menace of sin and suicide. Let us all sing together these words from the good old hymn:

"Help us to build each other up,  
Our little stock improve."

Will Dr. Boaz kindly raise the tune and will that elect lady at Sherman please take the leading soprano, while the rest of us drop into that particular section of the concert our vocal training best fits us for? If the entire educational choir of our State joins in these beautiful lines, I shall disregard my antipathy for the new order of service and join heartily in the closing refrain. Amen.

I come to ask all educators and all friends of Methodism to consider with me for a few minutes the educational situation in our State. There are but two of our schools that claim to be colleges, namely: Southwestern University and Polytechnic College. Some of the others are strictly training schools and never expect to be anything else. A few have been doing higher work and doing it well, but they do not conform to the requirements of the General Board of Education in order to be classed as colleges. Their future course with reference to securing recognition by the board does not appertain to the matter in hand at present. As they now stand, all our schools will gain by this proposed federation the strength that comes from community of interests and action, a larger attendance, better equipment, better work and educational fraternity. Each will gain largely; none will lose in any respect. Let us take up the two institutions in the college class.

Southwestern stands with a clean record for full college work in its college curriculum. It has the sanction of school men all over the land. The college course there is not conditioned, is not on trial, but has been received into full connection. It has a splendid main building and is erecting a large dormitory building. Its scientific laboratories are adequate. But, with all its excellencies, it is shut out of the association of Southern Colleges and training schools on one count. This association admits to membership a real training school and a real college, but does not admit an institution doing both college work and training school work. Southwestern has a training school department, and for that reason is shut out of the above association. Why not drop the training school department? For the very good reason that without an adequate endowment an institution is compelled to take in training school pupils in order to help meet expenses. Southwestern must get rid of its training school department, so that our central institution may stand with the other great colleges of the South. We must not continue its ostracism. For ourselves we cannot afford it. How shall we relieve the situation? By ENDOWMENT. Let the principal clause in our articles of federation be: "To secure two hundred thousand dollars endowment for Southwestern before the next General Conference." The permanent success of our other schools depends largely upon our putting Southwestern upon the firm foundation of an adequate endowment.

Now let us turn to our vigorous school at Fort Worth. Dr. Boaz has accomplished great things in the past four years. He has brought Polytechnic "up out of the miry clay and set its feet upon a rock and established its goings." He has erected

buildings, secured a strong faculty, and run the attendance up to seven hundred. He has obtained from the General Board of Education rating as a college. He looks to greater things in the future, and we both congratulate him and give our good wishes for success. But Polytechnic neither expects nor desires membership with the Southern colleges and training schools, for the reason that it has not only a training school, but also a well-conducted primary department in which the little folks of Polytechnic Heights get their educational start. The school has a very strong constituency and a very live man at its helm. It has a growing attendance which by 1910 may reach the millennium mark. The present attendance insures against financial embarrassment. Moreover, when Southwestern abolishes its training school, Polytechnic will secure her share of the two or three hundred pupils thus turned over to our other schools. With the present outlook Polytechnic can start into the new quadrennium with confidence in its ability without endowment to maintain itself in the classification given it by our General Board of Education, which permits the continuance of its sub-college work. Its financial success is, and will be for next four years, dependent upon its training school pupils rather than upon strictly college students. So it will not, for that space of time, be desirous of seeking membership in the Association of Southern Colleges, and does not now suffer for lack of such membership. Endowment, therefore, for Polytechnic, is not at this time a necessity.

But with Southwestern the case is different. It is not only detrimental to Southwestern itself, but also to all other schools, and to Texas Methodism as well that for lack of endowment sufficient to maintain college work alone without any training school work as a financial supplement, the representative of Texas Methodism in the educational world is barred from that honorable body of Southern institutions of learning.

The duty of the hour seems perfectly plain to me, and I trust that all our school people and Texas Methodists recognize the righteousness of my position. Endowment for Southwestern—its securement is the duty of the hour.

For the present quadrennium let us give in all our conferences and in all our Churches the right of way to Southwestern on the one point—endowment. The fields are still open to the others in all other matters. By the opening of the next quadrennial the call may come for us to join hands in helping Polytechnic into the Southern association, and then the cry will be from all—Endow Polytechnic.

Shall we take hold and make Southwestern what it ought to be as the representative of Texas Methodism in this twentieth century educational work?

San Antonio, Texas.

### AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

As published some time ago, our church and parsonage were completely destroyed April 26, and we can not rebuild without help. Some have sent money, but not enough to start the church building yet. Will not every pastor in Texas as early as possible put this matter before their people and send us money to rebuild our church and parsonage.

To avoid all confusion, send all money to J. P. Rodgers, P. C.

We return our hearty thanks to all who have given us help, and pray God's richest blessing on them.

J. P. RODGERS.

Bellevue, Texas.

### ATTENTION!

I beg to call attention to our special collection for Church Extension taken at the last conference. Can we have some of this money when Bishop Hoss goes to Brazil? If we get this money into his hands before he starts to Brazil, we will have to attend to the matter soon. In the rush of the summer work you may forget, so I trust you will excuse this reminder.

J. H. CHAMBLISS.

Haskell, Texas.

Whatever makes men good Christians makes them good citizens.—D. Webster.



Notes From the Field.

Green's Creek.

C. S. Cameron, June 8: Our work on Green's Creek charge is progressing nicely. Our material interests are coming up, our spiritual interest is fine. We have just closed our Children's Day services for the charge, in which we were successful. We turned the occasion into Decision Day for our Sunday-school children. In all, we had thirty or more of them to accept Christ as their personal Savior, twenty-five of whom joined the Church, and eleven of them were baptized. We serve a fine people and are pressing forward. Amen!

Rosalie Circuit.

Chas. N. Smith: We are moving along nicely at this writing. Since April 1 we have organized three prayer-meetings, two Epworth Leagues, two class meetings, and have just closed a great meeting at Garvinsville. Brother W. H. Brown was with us eight days, and he was at his best; and the Lord was with us in great power. The Church was greatly revived, and more than forty conversions and reclamations. We are working and praying for a great revival over the entire work, and that many souls may be saved before the harvest is yet ended. The Advocate is gradually working its way to the front in spite of the hard times. Some of our members, who are regular subscribers, have taken advantage of the special offer and are sending it to their friends. One young man sends in four names for the Advocate to go to homes where children are growing up without the influence of this great paper, he himself having been raised in a home where the Advocate is a weekly visitor, and knows how to appreciate it. May God bless him!

Ozona.

W. W. Nunn: We began our meeting here May 29. On the 21st Rev. Simeon Shaw, of San Angelo, came to our help and stayed two weeks. At almost every service the first week he preached on the personality and work of the Holy Ghost. He preached it till the Church began to realize its privilege and get hold of God. Then, when he preached to sinners, the Church was ready to help and did help. The result is the Church is

wonderfully revived, backsliders reclaimed and twenty-six conversions; twenty-three joined the Methodist Church and three the Baptist Church. One remarkable feature of the meeting was that every person who came to the "Mourner's Bench" was converted the first time they came. This is indeed a fine charge. Notwithstanding the pastor's salary was raised \$200 over what it was last year, everything is up in full. Conference collections all in sight. Sunday-school and Leagues doing fine work. Congregations good. Hardly a day passes but what something nice finds its way to our parsonage home. Ozona is behind in nothing. We are eighty-five miles from the railroad, but we have our own ice and electric light plants. Then, as some of you know, J. R. Brooks lives here; but he is only a sample of the kind of men we have out here. Now, don't write to the Bishop about moving out here for your health, because it will take just three more years of this fine climate before the present pastor will be ready to move.

Carthage.

A. A. Kidd: On the second Sunday in May, at 11 a. m., with Rev. E. L. Shettles, presiding elder, in the pulpit, we opened a protracted series of meetings with these good people. Bro. Jno. A. Yeates, of Bells, Tennessee, A singer, had charge of the singing. Bro. Shettles did some fine work for us until Tuesday afternoon, at which time he left us and Rev. L. H. McGee, our pastor at Center, took charge of the meeting. The people have not ceased to speak of Bro. Shettles sermons, and they were delighted with Bro. McGee, and all consented that Bro. Yeates performed well his part, which contributed to the signal success of the meeting. Bro. McGee is a thoughtful, spiritual preacher. He captivated the people of Carthage. We never saw better, nor more faithful service rendered by a preacher than Bro. McGee rendered. Our people presented to him a purse of \$75 as evidence of their appreciation. Also they paid Bro. Yeates, our singer, a purse of \$35 or more. All of which indicates that Carthage has a sense of appreciation and a good degree of self respect. They treat their pastor right and to prove this we call to your attention a gratuitous move on the part of the Woman's Morn Missionary Society, who phoned me Monday evening and told me to go to Georgetown Tuesday morning and attend the Institute of Theology at their expense. We so much regret that we can't go, but the kind offer is appreciated more than we can express. Bro. McGee will think that the good women heard him preach and decided that their pastor needs help, and they propose to help him. Well, in either event we had a great meeting. Fifty two persons were converted and reclaimed. Our Church is practically a new people. Thirty-three have joined the Methodist Church, six by certificate and twenty seven on professions of faith. Adults baptized, twenty; infants baptized, four. Bro. and Sister Yeates have decided to remain in Texas, their old home, and have cast their Church membership with us. Their hearts and lives are in this work and God is with them. Any preacher needing some one to train and lead a choir for revival work, can do no better than secure Bro. Yeates. I hope the brethren will use him. He did such fine work for us. He is a Christian gentleman, and is faithful. We praise God for our great success and shall press on to victory through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Childress.

J. T. Bloodworth, June 7: We, after a long struggle, have adopted a church plan and are advertising for bids on contract, etc. The contract will be let within twenty days. Our membership is constantly growing, and a new house is certainly needed. Great rains have fallen, crops fine, and hundreds of good people are coming into this western country. The Advocate is up-to-date.

Gainesville.

W. T. Morrow, June 11: We are in the midst of a gracious revival at Broadway. Have had forty-eight conversions in the last eight days. Had fifteen in one service yesterday, and a perfect spiritual upheaval among Christians, the greatest I have ever seen in a town of the size of this. Will continue indefinitely.

Meredith Circuit.

C. C. Gibbs: On the fourth Sunday in May our wide-awake and energetic pastor, L. B. Saxon, preached a telling sermon at Elm Grove, and then at night, six miles away, held children's day services at Goshen, his home, on Meredith Circuit. Though it was the first service of the kind at this place, and the country rather sparsely settled, it was a success. Everything was well done and nothing overdone. Bro. Saxon simply means to do things, and he does them. We had two fine addresses well adapted to the occasion. County Attorney Jno. Moberly, of Henderson County, made

a splendid talk on the all-pervading and world-wide utility and influence of a Sunday-school education. He said, in substance, that the infidel, the skeptic, the agnostic, the churchman and the statesman all wanted their children taught the moral, the civil, the educational and governmental principles that underlie the doctrines of the Bible. Judge Blade, of Athens, also made a solid, scriptural address. First in a general way and then by turn he talked breast to breast, eye to eye and mouth to the little ones, then to the youth, and then to the adults of the audience. Bro. Saxon showed his fine judgment and real tact in securing such men from the legal profession for the occasion. In point of fact, Meredith Circuit should be congratulated on the reception of so strong and so consecrated a young man. Bro. E. W. Solomon showed splendid judgment in securing the right man at the right time and place for this work. Brethren, let us all rally as one man to the cause of Christ and the Church of God in upholding the arms of our pastor in his support both spiritually and financially. Let the little discord and disharmony on the work cease at once, and let us as brethren dwell together in unity and work together in harmony for the common cause and greatest good of all. We have an all-round shepherd. Let us follow him, stick to him, work together with him and strive to make this the very best year of our lives for the general good of our beloved Church and for the salvation of the people of Meredith Circuit.

Mathis.

J. P. Garrett, June 8: We have just closed a revival meeting at Mathis. Brother W. A. Govett did the preaching, and it was done well. He doesn't resort to any sensational catches, but simply preaches a plain, practical gospel and persuades men to accept it. The Church was active and considerable personal work was done. The new converts went into the congregation and brought their friends to the altar and did good work in leading them to Christ. Nineteen were converted, seventeen joined the Methodist Church. We believe this revival to be a great uplift to our Church at this place, and fully expect to see a greater interest in Sunday-school and all the other Church services.

Matador.

W. P. Jones: The second Quarterly Conference for Matador charge was held at Cottonwood May 19 and 20. Our presiding elder, Bro. W. B. Howard, was present in the full strength of his manhood and did some good, faithful preaching. Every interest of the Church was closely looked after and the reports showed an upward tendency and a forward move. Sunday was set apart for the dedication of the new church at that place, so at an early hour the people began to gather from every point of the compass, and 'tis said they had the largest crowd that was ever assembled in Dickens County. At 11 o'clock Bro. Howard preached the dedication sermon, then took up a collection to complete the payment on seats (for, you know, 'tis said a Methodist meeting is never complete without a collection), when the dedication service followed. Those people have done themselves great credit in the erection of their church, for it is complete in every particular, being painted both inside and out, seated with first-class pews, also nice pupil stand, new lamps, etc.; is also inclosed with a good substantial post and wire fence; and last but by no means least, their church stands insured against fire, lightning and tornadoes. If all churches in Texas were thus insured there would be less appeals for help on account of those accidents which our Churches so often meet with. Though Bro. Howard is comparatively a new man among us, he seems to be the right man in the right place, for he is stout, able and willing to work, and is in favor with our people. In summing up his day's work for Sunday would say he preached a dedication sermon, took up a collection, dedicated the church, baptized one baby, administered the sacraments of the Lord's Supper, ate a hearty dinner, drove 25 miles and preached at Matador at night. On Tuesday morning he wended his way to his next appointment, having spent an entire week in the bounds of the Matador charge looking carefully after the interests of the Church. Thus far I have failed to mention our pastor, Bro. J. T. Hicks. Had I the time and space I might say some nice things about him. Suffice it to say, just now that he is eating no idle bread and doubtless will be heard from ere many moons roll round.

Atlanta.

Jno. L. Lovelace, June 1: We had a good meeting here in April conducted by Evangelist J. B. Andrews, of Siloam Springs, Ark. He was assisted in the singing by Rev. L. H. Eakes, of the same place. Brother Andrews is a fine preacher, preaching with demonstration of the spirit and power. He con-

tends for pungent conviction, thorough repentance and complete transformation of life by the renewing of the Holy Ghost. He is Methodistic and uses no clap-trap or questionable methods. He has a place in the hearts of the people of Atlanta. Brother Eakes was a great help in singing the gospel with power. There were more than seventy-five conversions and reclamations and forty accessions to the Church. God's people were edified and made more spiritual. Our pastor, Rev. C. B. Cross, stands well with his people, whom he has served faithfully for nearly four years. The work has prospered in his hands, and we are sorry to lose him by limitation of law. Notwithstanding the fact that he has had much sickness in his family he has been found always at his post of duty, ready to minister to the comfort of his flock and of the people in general. The Sunday-school is in a flourishing condition, having a well regulated home department. The enrollment is nearly two hundred exclusive of the home department. The Epworth League is flourishing as are also the other societies. The past year has been a hard one on account of crop conditions, yet our people are hopeful and on the upward trend. Under the leadership of our optimistic pastor we could not well be otherwise.

PALMER HOME.

To our brethren and sisters throughout Texas, we would say that through the blessings of the "God Lord" we are getting along as best we can. Our purpose is to be resigned to the divine will in all things. God has always blessed us with good friends, and so far we have had food to eat, clothes to wear and a place to live, for the which we are grateful to the Lord.

We feel very unworthy of God's love to us and that of my brethren. Our brethren of the Gainesville District Conference visited the "Home" May 4th, and we think it was of benefit to them, and profit to the inmates of the Home, for they and other friends left behind them tokens of love. A song No. 556 was lined and sung and prayer was offered by Bro. Hendrix. In this worship God was recognized as the giver of all good and perfect gifts. This was a pleasant time spent at the Home.

We think the clergy and lay brethren are better prepared to stand by the movement that looks to the providing "Homes" for our retired brethren. The District Conference was a pleasant and profitable session. The preaching was edifying and helpful to the hearers. Myra gets the next session 1907.

We had a fearful electric storm the night of the 14th of May, lasting all night; a heavy rain with some hail.

At present crop prospects are favorable. Gardens are looking well. Religiously, Bro. Lowry has had an excellent meeting. Bro. Garrett, the Baptist minister, has also had a good meeting, and now the Cumberland Presbyterian Church is to have a meeting in the near future. Children's Day exercises passed off pleasantly and we trust profitably to all present.

Nocona, Texas.

A GOOD BEGINNING.

Miss Kate Lockhart, a young lady teacher in Bonham, and a devout Methodist, has just put \$45 in my hands as the beginning of a fund to assist deserving young ladies in securing an education. It will be managed in the same way as the fund for young preachers, loaned at small interest and long time to some young lady, who will eventually return it to be used again in the same way.

The beneficiary has already been selected, and if she accepts will return to graduate next year, which she could not have done but for this help.

This fund and another just like it for young men who are not preachers, is greatly needed. Who of our people will join Miss Lockhart in this noble enterprise? JOHN R. ALLEN, Georgetown, Texas.

POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.

Rev. D. L. Conle, Amarillo, Texas, 201 Johnson Street.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

To those who are going to attend the Sunday-school and League Conference at Rising Star:

Please write me not later than the 24th of this month. Those who are coming to Brownwood on the railroad will meet at the Methodist Church in Brownwood Tuesday, June 26, at 7 a. m. D. A. MCGUIRE.

A Warning.

To feel tired after exertion is one thing; to feel tired before is another. Don't say the latter is laziness—it isn't; but it's a sign that the system lacks vitality, is running down, and needs the tonic effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It's a warning, too—and sufferers should begin taking Hood's at once. Buy a bottle today.

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UNANSWERED LETTERS.

- May 31—S. J. Rucker, subs. Frank Hughen, sub. B. T. James, sub. June 1—W. F. Packard, sub. M. A. Black, sub. G. W. Riley, sub. M. D. Hill, sub. G. H. Phair, sub. R. W. Nation, sub. June 4—C. J. Oxley, sub. R. F. Brown, sub. E. L. Sisk, sub. June 5—J. O. Peterson, sub. J. R. Wages, sub. F. Moore, sub. H. B. Smith, change. June 6—Jas. W. Allbritton, sub. B. W. Allen, subs. S. P. Brown, sub. W. C. Hillburn, sub. June 7—C. B. Meador, sub. June 8—A. J. Anderson, sub. T. H. Morris, sub. June 9—W. W. Watts, sub. J. W. Clifton, sub. C. S. Cameron, sub. J. F. Archer, sub. A. S. Whitehurst, sub. June 12—J. T. Trice, sub. C. S. Cameron, sub. J. A. Whitehurst, sub. June 13—C. D. West, subs. C. L. Browning, sub. A. P. Hightower, sub. Franklin Moore, sub.

MARRIAGES.

- Brooks-Parrish.—At the home of the officiating minister, near Sutherland Springs, Texas, June 8, 1906, Mr. J. H. Brooks and Miss Addie Parrish, Rev. E. H. Holbrook officiating. Murray-Hutchison.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. B. R. Milam, Glen Rose, Texas, June 6, 1906, Mr. C. G. Murray, of Philippine Islands, and Miss Ellen J. Hutchison, of Glen Rose, Texas, Rev. F. M. Winburne officiating. Brown-Sunderland.—May 22, 1906, Dr. C. S. Brown, of Housley, Texas, and Miss Lena Sunderland, of Dallas, Texas, at the residence of the bride's parents, 158 Columbia Avenue, Rev. C. L. Bounds officiating. Newberry-Harris.—Mr. E. N. Newberry and Miss Mamie Harris, daughter of our Rev. G. W. Harris, of the Northwest Texas Conference, at the residence of Mr. James Whitehead, on Sunday afternoon, May 27, at 3 o'clock eight miles out of Childress, Texas, Rev. J. T. Bloodworth officiating. Dale-Merrell.—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Irene, Texas, Sunday, June 3, 1906, Mr. Omar Dale and Miss Emma Merrell, G. K. Kincheloe officiating. Casey-Dodds.—At the home of the bride's parents, near Pearl, Texas, on the evening of May 20, 1906, Mr. R. E. Casey, of Coleman County, and Miss Ella Dodds, Rev. S. T. Cherry officiating. Williams-Batsdorff.—At Greenwood, Wise County, Texas, June 3, 1906, Mr. Terry Williams and Miss Minnie Batsdorff, Rev. Chas. P. Martin officiating. Bolander-McCutchen.—Moore-McLain.—At the Lindell Hotel, in Haskell, Texas, June 3, 1906, Mr. W. M. Bolander and Miss Mae McCutchen; also Mr. W. G. Moore and Miss Eula McLain, Rev. J. H. Chambliss officiating.

- San Augustine District—Third Round. Center Cir., Now Prospect, June 23. Center Sta., June 24, 25. Garrison, at Arlam, June 20, July 1. Shelbyville, at Carrolls Chapel, July 14. Geneva, at Patroon, July 15, 16. Hemphill at Bronson, July 19. San Augustine, at Union, July 21, 22. Timpson Sta., July 24. Nacozoches Mis., Smith Ch., July 27. Nacozoches Sta., July 29. Melrose, Shady Grove, Aug. 1. Keltys, at Keltys, Aug. 4. Luffin Sta., Aug. 5, 6. Gary Mis., at Bethlehem, Aug. 11, 12. Carthage Sta., Aug. 12, 13. Cushing, at Liberty, Aug. 17. Caro, Aug. 19, 20. Minden, at Lecklin, Aug. 20. Tenaha, Concord, Aug. 23.

E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

- Greenville District—Third Round. Fairlie, at Olive Branch, June 16, 17. Dist. Con., at Leonard, June 21, 22. Floyd, at Floyd, June 30, July 1. Greenville Mis., at Concord, July 4. Commerce Sta., July 8. Wesley and Kavanaugh, July 15. Quinlan, Union Val., July 21, 22. Kingston, Ballard Grove, July 28, 29. Lone Oak, at Miller Grove, Aug. 1. Lee St. and Jones' Bethel, at J. B., August 5, 6. Campbell, at Twin Oak, Aug. 11, 12. Leonard, at Orange Grove, Aug. 15. Celeste and Lane, Aug. 19, 20. Commerce Mis., August 25, 26. J. M. PETERSON, P. E.

- Sulphur Springs Dist.—Third Round. Pecan Gap and Ben Franklin, at P. G., 1st Sunday July. Rely Springs, at Parks 2d Sun. July. Sulphur Springs sta., 8:30 p. m. July 9. Cumby cir., at Oakland, 3d Sun. July. Klondike, at Bethany, 4th Sun. July. Winstboro sta., 8:30 p. m., July 25. Cooper sta., 8:30 p. m., July 27. Lake Creek, at Velasco, 5th Sun. July. Yowell cir., at Pecan, 1st Sun. Aug. Purley cir., 2d Sun. Aug. Mt. Vernon, at Hopewell, 3d Sun. Aug. Birthright at Birthright, 4th Sun. Aug. Sulphur Bluff, 1st. Sun. Sept. Como cir., 2d. Sun. Sept. Bonanza, 3d. Sun. Sept. C. B. FLADGER, P. E.

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# The Home Circle

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To be and not to seem, is life.  
What is, not what appears,  
Will gain the victory in strife  
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To do, and not to dream is good;  
Accomplish something now;  
Do what is needed—do not wait  
To ask the when and how.

To do, and to dream is good;  
Earth calls for men who say,  
"My life was not redeemed with blood  
To thus be thrown away."

To live, and not shirk, grand,  
Who says, "I will, I can,"  
Is what the age and times demand—  
Not theories, but a man.

Life calls in clarion tones to-day  
For men to dare and do;  
Not idlers—soldiers for the fray,  
In heart and courage true.

Hark! for the bugle-blast now falls  
O'er field, o'er flood, o'er fen;  
List! lifeless hearts! the Master calls  
For lives for loves, for men.  
JOEL FRANK HEDGEPEETH.  
Tucumcari, New Mexico.

## THE TRUE STORY OF A SAD LIFE.

About twenty-eight years ago a bright, vivacious, young Methodist girl was married to an industrious and honorable young man, who took his bride immediately to his mother's home. This mother was a woman of superior intelligence and had once been a Methodist; but had seen trouble and had drifted away from the faith of her girlhood—first into another communion and, finally, out into the world. Whether by precept, I know not, but certainly by example, she taught her son's wife that Church membership was a matter of secondary importance; and as the younger regarded the elder woman with almost worshipful admiration, it was not long until she, too, was without the pale of the Church.

Her husband, who was a so-called moderate drinker when she married him, meeting with financial reverses, took to hard drink.

Poverty pinched. In the meantime, several children had come; and the young wife, cut off from the consolations of Christian fellowship and no longer able to shine in the world outside, withdrew into herself and ate her heart.

In an evil hour she was visited, in her obscurity, by a woman who pretended to great sanctity. She talked much of Jesus, of faith and the power and efficacy of prayer. The soul-hunger of the poor young mother fed upon these pious exercises with feverish avidity. She was rapidly turning heart and soul toward the Church of her childhood; but when she mentioned the matter to her supposed ministering angel, that seraph threw off the mask confessed herself a Christian Scientist, and threw herself across the path of the returning penitent. She assured the distressed young woman that there was no need for repentance since there was really no such a thing as sin. She informed her moreover, that all the doctors, theologians and preachers in Christendom were false teachers; that an old woman in Boston was the only true expositor of the Bible, and that those parts and those only she endorsed were to be received and everything else rejected. God was all. There was no sin, therefore no need of a Savior; there was no disease, and therefore no need of a doctor; and all those passages in the Bible that spoke of these and of death and of hell were either to be explained away or rejected altogether. She was told, moreover, that it was wrong to eat meat, and that a vegetable diet would tend to clarify her intellect and prepare her to exercise the power of hearing by faith.

The conquest was complete. The spider-web of error had been woven about her so tenderly and the poison of heresy had been so gently and surreptitiously injected that she was completely overcome, and with the confidence and enthusiasm of an ardent proselyte she proclaimed with joy her

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disenthralment from superstition and her deliverance from bondage.

But the end was not yet. Her husband, who, notwithstanding his addiction to drink, was kind to his family—devotedly—almost idolatrously—attached to his wife, foresaw the ruin of his domestic hopes and sank deeper into his cups.

The end was coming. In a few more years of toil and struggle, of mental distress and of bodily affliction, his frail bark went down and the waters of death closed over him.

Then the storm broke upon the poor widow with all its force and fury! In the deepest poverty and surrounded by a large family of helpless children the strongest faith in God could have alone succored her and the richest promises of the Bible could alone have strengthened her to bear the heavy burdens that now pressed down upon her. As it was, she was compelled to undertake the task alone.

The end was coming fast. She became embittered. She grew more and more suspicious—even of her own relatives, whom she came to regard as her enemies.

An over-indulgent mother, she could see no fault in any of her children, every word of whom she believed implicitly, and some of whom inflamed her mind by untruthful representations of the attitude of others toward her and them. She was so self-sacrificing in their behalf that she deprived herself of the actual necessities of life that they might be supplied; and so jealous was she of her good name and theirs, that she sold even her private bed room furniture to save one of her boys from serious trouble. All these things she kept with the utmost secrecy, even from her nearest relatives.

The end was rushing on. She was finally told by a pretended friend of her adopted cult that if she would cease eating altogether for forty days, she would attain unto the power of the great Scientist, Jesus, himself, and could then have all her enemies under her feet. She began the fast.

Of course she was demented even then; but in a few days she was violently insane. Her children, whom she had taught to be indifferent to gospel influences, now, in her maniacal state, seemed to be, as they had always been, uppermost in her thought. In her wild ravings she would cry out, "Oh that I had taught my children my mother's Bible!"

When asked what hurt her she would answer, "Conscience, conscience," and begin to weep. Physicians were called, who did all that could be done, but it was too late!

The end was nearly here. During the last week of her life, she became more quiet and asked everybody who came into her room to forgive her. I never saw such tokens of penitence. The day before she died she was again frantically insane; but the heart-hunger as well as the soul-hunger was still manifest, for with one breath she would ask for food, and with the next, would beg some one to come and kiss her. Before she passed away she murmured, "I am going by the way of the cross—the old cross—my mother's cross." And so she died.

The end had come.

## ONE WHO LOVED HER.

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## A JAPANESE STORY.

In a certain village were two families, one prosperous and rich, the other merely getting along; yet the former was famous in the village for its unhappiness and the friction between its members, while the latter was equally renowned for its peaceableness and content. The happy family became continually happier—to him that hath shall be given; the unhappy family became continually more unhappy—from him that hath not shall be taken away that which he seemeth to have.

The man of wealth could stand it no longer. He went to his humble friend and asked him where he thought the trouble lay.

"I have land enough, and house enough, money enough, yet we are always quarreling and unhappy. You have nothing like the means for comfort and enjoyment that I have, and yet your people are affectionate and contented."

The poor man replied thoughtfully, "Perhaps it is because you are all such good people at your house."

The rich man objected that if they were all good people, certainly they ought to be happy together.

But the poor man would not recede. "No, you are all good at your house. Now, at my house it is different. We are a very faulty lot, and we all know it. To illustrate, suppose I am sitting on the rug by the brazier, and the maid passing there kicks over my teacup, spilling the tea over the mats. I immediately break out with, 'Excuse me, excuse me. Very stupid of me. No

business to have a teacup out in the middle of the room for people to stumble over. Serves me right."

"But the maid will not have it that way. She drops down, wipes up the tea with her handkerchief and with beaming face cries, 'Oh, master, what a blunderbuss I am! Always stumbling and making trouble. It will only serve me right if you turn me off without a word one of these days.'

"You see how it is, we are such a faulty lot all round, and we know it so well that there is no chance for ill-feeling or quarreling."

And the rich man, after thinking a moment, slowly said, "I see it all. It would be very different at our house. I would turn on the maid with, 'Stupid, what are you up to now? You've only two feet; can't you look out for that number, or are they so big they are bound to hit every object in the room?' I'll have to turn you off some day and get a maid of more delicate build," and the maid sullenly mutters, "A lazy man has no business to spread himself all over the room and get in busy people's way." I guess you are right, we are all too good—or at least we think we are."

In the application of this story, I will follow the method of an old college instructor of mine. When some special bit of foolishness had been perpetrated, he would express his opinion of it very vigorously, then looking vaguely around the classroom, but meanwhile pointing his fat finger at the youth deemed guilty would close with, "I don't mention any names; I put the shoe there," and I in turn, point my finger at half the people I know, myself included, and without mentioning any names, put the shoe there.—Christian Intelligencer.

## DON'T RECOGNIZE DEFEAT.

After twelve thousand of Napoleon's soldiers had been overwhelmed by the advance of seventy five thousand Austrian troops, he addressed them thus: "I am displeased with you. You have evinced neither discipline nor valor. You have allowed yourselves to be driven from positions where a handful of resolute men might have resisted an army. You are no longer French soldiers. Chief of staff, cause it to be written on their standards, 'They are no longer of the army of Italy.'"

In tears the battered veterans replied: "We have been misrepresented. The soldiers of the enemy were three to one. Try us once more. Place us in the post of danger, and see if we do not belong to the army of Italy." In the next battle they were placed in the van, and they made good their pledge by rolling back the great Austrian army.

He is a pretty poor sort of a man who loses courage and fears to face the world just because he has made a mistake or a slip somewhere, because his business has failed, because his property has been swept away by some general disaster, or because of some other trouble impossible for him to avert.

This is the test of your manhood: how much is there left in you after you have lost everything outside of yourself? If you lie down now and throw up your hands and acknowledge yourself to be worsted; there is not much in you. But, if with heart undaunted and face turned forward, you refuse to give up or lose faith in yourself, if you scorn to beat a retreat, you will show that the man left in you is bigger than your loss, greater than your cross, and larger than any defeat.

"I know no such unquestionable badge and ensign of a sovereign mind," said Emerson, "as that tenacity of purpose which, through all changes of companions, or parties, or fortunes, changes never, bates no jot of heart or hope, but wears out opposition and arrives at its port."

It is men like Ulysses Grant, who, whether in the conflict of opposing armies on the battlefield, or in the wear and tear of civil strife, fighting against reverses, battling for a competence for his loved ones, even while the hand of death lay chill upon him, "bates no jot of heart or hope," that bring victory from the most forbidding circumstances. It is men like Napoleon, who refuse to recognize defeat, who declare that "impossible" is not in their vocabularies, that accomplish things.—Success Magazine.

## WHOSE BOY IS IN DANGER.

Dr. Cortland Myers, of Brooklyn, relates the following story, as told by a ship's surgeon:

On our last trip a boy fell overboard from the deck. I didn't know who he was, and the crew hastened out to save him. They brought him on board the ship, took off his outer garments, turned him over a few times and worked his hands and his feet. When they had done all they knew how to do, I came up to be of assistance, and they said he was dead and beyond help. I turned away as I said to them, "I think you have done all you could;" but just then a sudden impulse told me that I ought to go over and see what I could do. I went over and looked down into the boy's face

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and discovered that it was my own boy. Well, you may believe I didn't think the last thing had been done. I pulled off my coat and bent over that boy; I blew in his nostrils and breathed into his mouth; I turned him over and over, and simply begged God to bring him back to life, and for four long hours I worked, until just at sunset I began to see the least flutter of breath that told me he lived. Oh, I will never see another boy drown without taking off my coat in the first instance and going to him and trying to save him as if I knew he were my own boy.

## OVER THE TELEPHONE.

As the light from number 349—M flashed up, the telephone girl sighed impatiently. Even the "hello girls" are tired sometimes, though we think of them as part of the electric apparatus. To-day Central was tired, her head ached, she had just succeeded, after repeated calls, in getting the number wanted by 349—M, and here they were, calling her up again! "Can't that woman be quiet a minute?" soliloquized Central, while she reiterated, "Number, please," trying not to speak crossly. "Central," said a pleasant voice, "I want to thank you for taking so much trouble to get me that last number. You are always very kind and obliging, and I do appreciate it." The surprise was so great, so overwhelming, that Central could only murmur, "I—O yes, ma'am." Nothing like this had ever happened before. Suddenly her headache was better, suddenly the day was brighter, suddenly, too, there came a lump in her throat, and she reached for her handkerchief. It was so good to be thanked.—Congregationalist.

## REMEMBERING JEANIE'S GRAVE.

"I think that it is just too bad that there are never any flowers on Jeanie Weston's grave," said Mildred, as she and her brother Desper were gathering a basket of flowers to carry to their own lot in the cemetery upon the morrow, which was Memorial Day.

"And it is," said Desper. "But there's none of her folks living but her father, and he never thinks of taking flowers to her grave or ever going there either."

"Then why can't we put some of our flowers on her grave?" proposed Mildred. "We haven't hardly enough for grandpa's grave or grandma's, but we can save out a few for Jeanie."

"And they must be some of the best ones that we have," said Desper. "I like those red tulips 'bout as well as anything."

The next morning Mildred and Desper went to the little cemetery back of the village church with their basket of flowers. After beautifying the graves upon their own family lot, they went to the little mound beneath which lay Jeanie, who but a few years ago had been their playmate. The grass upon this grave was very tall, and a beautiful clump of daisies was growing near the headstone.

"I don't believe that Jeanie's father ever cut the grass upon the grave," said Mildred.

"But we can do it," said Desper. I will run home now for mamma's big shears."

So away he sped, returning soon with the shears. Desper cut the grass and Mildred raked it up with her hands and put it in the part of the basket from which she had taken the flowers. When the grave had been all trimmed up (the daisies alone were left standing) the children placed their blossoms upon it.

Then they gathered a few of the daisies and started for home. Upon their way they stopped at the home of Mr. Weston. He was sitting alone in the dining room reading the paper,

while his housekeeper was attending to her work in the kitchen.

"Here are some flowers from Jeanie's grave," said Mildred. "They came up of themselves, and we thought that you would like them."

"Thank you," said Mr. Weston, and a strange, sad look came to his full-bearded face.

"It seemed so nice to see the daisies on Jeanie's grave" said Mildred, "and we wouldn't have taken any of them away, but we thought that you would like to be remembered on Memorial Day."

"And it is Jeanie's flowers that are to make me remember her," said Mr. Weston, with tears in his eyes. "And it ought to be flowers going from me to her, instead of the same coming from her to me."

"But Mildred and I remembered her with some flowers," said Desper. "You ought to see how pretty her grave looks."

"And I will go and see it this very day," said the father.

And that is just what he did do, and while he saw how others had remembered his little girl whom God had called to himself, he determined to likewise be more mindful of her and of her God.

He soon commenced to attend church again, as was his wont before Jeanie's death, and now a week never passes that he does not go to her grave and while kneeling beside it, determined to live such a life that he may some day dwell with her in heaven.—Alice May Douglas, in Michigan Christian Advocate.

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### To Bring the Babies Around.

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BRENHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Brenham District Conference met in Caldwell, Texas, May 29, 1906, at 4 p. m., with Rev. Chas. F. Smith, presiding elder, in the chair.

The opening sermon of the conference was preached Tuesday night by

Rev. S. W. Thomas, of Rockdale, from 2 Cor., 5:16. Perhaps one of the most important acts of the conference was the step taken looking to the building or securing of a district parsonage in the near future.

The following committee was empowered to act for the conference, and they were also elected trustees for the district: R. S. Bowers, Caldwell, Texas; T. F. Hardy, Cameron; Dr. T. F. Cox, Brenham; H. Lockwood, Rockdale, and B. J. Fletcher, of Giddings. On motion, it was

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REV. H. A. BOAZ, PRESIDENT POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE, FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

declared to be the sense of this conference that the name of this district be changed to conform to the name of the town where the district parsonage is located, when it shall be so located.

The following delegates were elected to the Annual Conference: PROF. J. E. WILLIS, Chappell Hill. DR. T. F. COX, Brenham. H. LOCKWOOD, Rockdale. P. S. BOWERS, Caldwell.

Alternates: J. E. Landes, F. H. Hitchcock.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the conference:

Whereas, According to the law of our Church the term of our presiding elder, Rev. C. F. Smith, will expire at the ensuing conference; and, whereas he, by his consistent, upright life and godly example, as well as by his administrative ability and sound judgment, has rendered us four years of efficient service, and thereby has endeared himself to the preachers as well as to the people of the Brenham District; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Brenham District Conference, 1. That we appreciate the example and work of our brother, and we shall try to profit by his example. 2. That we bid him God-speed, and wish him success in whatever field the "powers that be" may assign him.

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Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the Universe on the 18th of April to remove from our midst Bro. T. P. Tinscher, be it therefore Resolved, 1. Our Sunday-school has lost a faithful and efficient superintendent. 2. That the Church has lost a true Christian member, one who was always ready to sacrifice for the good of the Church.

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A NOTE FROM BISHOP HOSS.

My Dear Dr. Rankin: Please to announce that I shall soon from New York for Brazil on June 5, and I have asked Bishop Key to take charge of my Texas Conference during my absence, which will probably be till about October 1. Fraternally Yours, E. E. HOSS, Washington, D. C., June 3, 1906.

Read Brother Rodgers' appeal in this week's Advocate and hasten to help him. He and his noble people are making a heroic effort to save our interests at Bellevue, and they are deservingly of your aid. Write to him at once and send him a few dollars. He needs this home and the Church needs it.

HE STATES HIS POSITION.

In a recent speech Commissioner Colquitt stated his position openly and unequivocally on the questions of prohibition and local option in the following language:

"It is charged that twenty years ago when I was a young man I voted for prohibition. That is true. I did vote for prohibition on one occasion. I saw local option go into effect, became disgusted with its results, carefully considered the subject and made up my mind that prohibition was wrong in principle and vicious in practice, and from that day to this I have been an outspoken and consistent anti-prohibitionist.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I have been informed of the resignation of Dr. Rankin from the Board of Trustees of the Dallas Episcopal Residence, with request that I fill the vacancy. Rev. W. H. Hughes is hereby appointed, subject to confirmation by the Annual Conferences interested.

JOSEPH S. KEY, Sherman, Texas, June 9, 1906.

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Residence in the city of Dallas, June 7, 1906, the following members were present: Rev. G. W. Owens, Rev. J. T. Smith, Rev. A. E. Rector, A. V. Lane and J. M. Robertson (the latter by proxy). The following is a report of the proceedings as furnished to and published in the Texas Christian Advocate:

We, the undersigned members of the Board of Trustees of the proposed Episcopal Residence in Texas, were appointed a committee to select and publish in the Texas Christian Advocate whatever data might be necessary to a full and satisfactory understanding of the past and present status of the enterprise upon the part of our Texas Methodist public. After a careful review of the material in hand, we believe every demand will be fully met in the publication of the recent correspondence between Bishop Hoess and our board, the report of the Auditing Committee, who are not members of the board, and also items from the minutes of the last meeting of the board, held in Dallas, June 7, 1906.

Dallas, Texas, April 12, 1906.

Bishop E. E. Hoss, D. D., Dallas, Texas: Dear Bishop—It has for the past four years been the dream and desire of Texas Methodism to locate you permanently in our midst. Your two years' residence among us has greatly endeared you to our people, both ministers and laymen. Your great activity and good judgment in putting forward and directing the enterprises of the Church has confirmed our opinion in the wisdom of seeking at the first to locate you in Texas, and has incited our desire to have you in such place and in such home as shall meet entirely your wish and that of your family, and make it to your best interest to continue to live in Texas, and to this end we submit the following for your consideration and approval:

1. We have now in hand about \$6000 for investment in an Episcopal Residence. If such residence shall be located in Dallas or about 65000 ft. it shall be located in some other part of city of Texas. Said residence is to be located by yourself and in such town, city or country place as you may select. Said residence is to be located on the Board of Trustees of Texas Conferences and their successors in office in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and to be leased to yourself for the nominal sum of \$1, so long as you shall live or so long as you shall choose to occupy it.

2. And we further agree if said money in hand is not sufficient to complete such home as you may desire, then we will set on foot such plan as may be needed to secure such sum as will be necessary.

J. T. SMITH, THOMAS GREGORY, G. C. RANKIN, T. S. GARRISON, JAMES M. ROBERTSON, A. E. RECTOR, A. V. LANE.

B.

Nashville, Tenn., May 25, 1906. Rev. G. C. Rankin, Rev. G. W. Owens, Mr. A. V. Lane, Executive Committee, Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Brethren—I ought to have answered your formal proposition in regard to the Episcopal Residence some weeks ago, but I have been quite busy all the time, and besides that I have not been at all well, hence my correspondence has fallen greatly behind. My purpose in writing now is to say that, in view of the conditions and complications, it is not possible for me to accept your offer. This, however, is a matter distinct from the question of my residing in the State of Texas. I shall feel I am a freer man if I rent my own home and occupy it. In reaching this decision I have no unkind thought concerning any one. The Texas Methodists have dealt with me very kindly, and my affection for them is none the less sincere and deep than it was at the beginning. With great respect, I am fraternally yours, E. E. HOSS.

At the morning session of the board the following resignation was filed by Dr. G. C. Rankin: June 7, 1906.

To the Trustees Episcopal Residence, in session at Dallas, Texas: My Dear Brethren—For some time I have been anxious to resign my position on your Board of Trustees; but being in existing complications I have not hitherto deemed it advisable to tender my resignation. However, we now have all matters connected with the business affairs of the Episcopal Residence in good shape, and I now hand you my resignation, to take effect at once, and to be filed with the Bishop having jurisdiction, whose duty it is to assist my successor, subject to approval by the next session of the North Texas Conference. Fraternally yours, G. C. RANKIN.

The board reluctantly resolved the resignation of Dr. Rankin and ordered it sent to Bishop Key, who has charge of the North Texas Conference in the absence of Bishop Hoss. At the afternoon session of the board J. T. Smith moved that the Treasurer, G. W. Owens, be instructed to keep the money now in his hands to the credit of the Episcopal Residence until the ensuing Annual Conference shall give further instructions as to the disposition of same. The motion was seconded by A. V. Lane. This motion was lost.

G. W. Owens then offered the following: "Under the instructions of the Northwest Texas Conference, given at its last annual meeting, and ratified by representative members of the other conferences in a meeting of this board held in Dallas in March of this year, and also in keeping with the original action of all the conference in Texas, be it resolved that we now reinvest the funds in an Episcopal Residence in the city of Dallas, the price of the residence not to exceed the amount of cash now on hand. The resolution was seconded by A. E. Rector. This resolution was adopted.

After the above resolutions were voted upon, the board adjourned and went out to inspect suitable property to be purchased as an Episcopal Residence. After carefully examining sev-

eral pieces of property, they purchased in the Ninth Ward of Dallas a beautiful residence on Ewing Avenue, two hundred and twenty-seven foot frontage by two hundred and sixty-five feet back for \$7000 cash.

J. T. SMITH, A. E. RECTOR, Committee.

Note.—The following day G. W. Owens, Treasurer, rented the property for \$45.50 per month on call; that is, the Church can have it at any time it may be desired for occupancy, and room is reserved for the storage of the furniture of the Episcopal Residence until needed, which makes the rent on the property equal to about \$55 per month.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Dallas, Texas, June 6, 1906. Dr. G. C. Rankin, President, and Members of Board of Trustees of Episcopal Residence, Dallas, Texas:

Gentlemen—We, your committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of G. W. Owens, Treasurer of the Episcopal Residence Fund, beg to submit the following report:

Geo. W. Owens, Treasurer, submitted to us a complete transcript of his books setting forth all transactions involving this fund, minutely and carefully. This itemized statement formed the basis of our investigations. We find that his total receipts from all the conferences were \$124.67 (see supplements). To this must be added the check received from E. M. Reardon, amounting to \$10,099.72. This makes total cash received by him \$20,529.39. A complete list of his disbursements in detail will be found under "Total Collections and Disbursements" (supplement "G") aggregating \$11,247.57. This deducted from his total receipts leaves a balance of available cash on hand of \$9,281.82.

We also submit herewith checks and vouchers, for your inspection, covering every item paid out. In a supplement (F), which we attach to this, and we submit the following comments on the notes given for the residence in the beginning, and attach herewith notes, checks and other data to make perfectly clear every transaction relative thereto.

We, your committee, have devoted much time to a thorough and exhaustive examination of the financial accounts of your Treasurer, G. W. Owens, and it gives us pleasure to report that we find every thing in a satisfactory shape. Every transaction seems to have been carefully recorded and every disbursement made after due deliberation. The attached vouchers for every thing paid out cover themselves. We refer you to the attached supplements, which give the receipts by conferences and other detail matter that you may find interesting.

Respectfully, W. C. EVERETT, FRANK REEDY, A. K. RAGSDALE, Committee.

SUPPLEMENT "G."

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Table with columns for Collections and Disbursements. Collections include Northwest Texas Conference (\$3,011.27), North Texas Conference (\$5,668.14), West Texas Conference (\$399.91), Texas Conference (\$1,274.45), German Mission Conference (\$76.80), Total (\$10,429.67). Disbursements include Paid interest (\$8,000.00), Payment on second note (\$1,831.75), Bishop Hoss (\$124.91), Packing and storing furniture (\$123.45), Insurance (\$30.00), Plumbing, Madigan (\$40.00), Paid Bishop Hoss (\$150.00), Storage bill (\$75.00), Meetings expenses, attending (\$61.15), Total (\$11,247.57). Balance cash on hand \$9,281.82. Total \$20,529.39.

SUPPLEMENT "F."

We, your committee, find that in the purchase of the Episcopal Residence two notes were given to Ella F. and C. W. Parker, signed by the nine trustees in regular form. One note was dated August 11, 1903, for \$8000, due December 1, 1903. The second note bore the same date and was signed up in the same way, for \$8500.

We find that there was paid on this first note January 6, 1904, as follows: Check by E. M. Burcher on National Exchange Bank \$1,644.95; Check by G. W. Owens on same bank 480.00.

Total \$2,124.95. This left a balance of \$5875.05 still due on the principal.

We find that on October 29, 1904, the above note was taken up by the National Exchange Bank and the full amount of \$5875.05 paid by that bank to Texas Land & Mortgage Co., who then held the note, being the balance then due. G. W. Owens, on that date, gave his demand note to the National Exchange Bank for \$5875.05 to cover this balance. This demand note was paid by G. W. Owens, Treasurer, as follows: November 17, 1904 \$1,000.00; November 23, 1904 1,428.87; December 3, 1904 1,665.90; December 21, 1904 1,670.46; December 21, 1904, check by A. V. Lane 740.75.

Total \$5,913.98. This amount of \$5913.98, added to the \$2124.95, makes a total of \$8038.93, being the amount in full first note and second note. Disbursements as "paid first note \$8000, interest on same \$38.93." The second note dated Au-

gust 11, 1903, as above, and also taken up by the National Exchange Bank, was disposed of as follows:

When Mr. Reardon purchased the property for \$17,000, G. W. Owens, Treasurer, gave his check to the American Exchange National Bank for \$1821.75, reducing the principal to \$4668.25. There had accumulated \$253.38 interest, which, add to the balance of the principal, makes \$5201.63 assumed by Mr. Reardon. It will be noted that this \$253.38 is listed as interest paid in the list of disbursements. This \$5201.63 which Mr. Reardon assumes, deducted from \$17,000, the purchase price, leaves a balance due by him of \$11,798.37. There was \$21.35 rebate on insurance, which insured to Mr. Reardon's benefit, making the total amount due by him \$11,999.72, the amount of the check he gave G. W. Owens, Treasurer, referred to elsewhere in this report.

The original notes and data, from which these conclusions are derived, are attached herewith.

SUPPLEMENT "A."

NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing names and amounts for Northwest Texas Conference: Rev. J. M. Armstrong \$1.00, Rev. Ben. Hardy 8.00, Rev. C. L. Cartwright 12.00, Rev. W. E. Caperton, Oglesby 6.15, Rev. W. B. Andrews, Brownwood 39.50, Rev. J. J. Canafax 5.25, Rev. G. F. Fair, Floydada 5.00, Rev. J. L. Lemons, Brownwood 5.00, Rev. S. B. Sawyers 8.00, Rev. W. H. Crawford, Troy 20.00, Rev. W. A. Gililand, Abbott 2.00, Rev. W. W. Turner, Gatesville 8.25, Rev. T. H. Thornton, Childress 10.00, Rev. J. T. Bloodworth, Childress 10.00, Rev. M. L. Moody, Crowell 10.00, Rev. A. L. Moore, Granger 15.00, Rev. J. A. Travis, Vernon 8.00, Rev. G. W. Harris, Childress 8.00, Rev. F. Russell, Whitney 5.00, Rev. J. R. Curry, Wellington 15.00, Rev. J. T. Hicks 10.00, Rev. L. E. Riddle 5.00, Rev. R. L. Jameson 5.00, Rev. J. G. Overstreet 5.00, Rev. J. M. Armstrong 5.00, Rev. R. B. Renner, Ferris 15.00, Rev. E. Hightower, Belton 8.15, Rev. W. C. Hillburn, Ennis 33.00, Rev. J. E. Overstreet, May 1.25, Rev. W. Mills, Rosebud (Texas Conference) 11.55, Rev. J. G. Putman, Waxahatchie 45.00, Rev. R. D. Menck, Fort Worth 65.00, Rev. D. C. Park, Fort Worth 4.00, Rev. G. W. Williams, Fort Worth 12.00, R. H. Woods, Corsicana 1250.00, R. H. Woods, Corsicana 25.53, Rev. C. B. Smith, Grapevine 20.00, Rev. H. E. Grimes, Palestine 5.50, Rev. J. B. Hays, Hillsboro 22.50, Rev. E. E. Boone, Weatherford 4.05, Rev. T. R. Hillburn 6.00, Rev. M. H. Read, Woodland 10.00, Rev. A. D. Livingston, Santo 8.75, Rev. E. F. Boone 1.55, Rev. Chapman 11.00, Rev. J. J. Canafax, May 5.10, Rev. M. M. Smith, Peoria 3.10, Rev. J. M. Bares, Alma 11.00, Rev. S. J. Becker, Rice 20.00, Rev. G. H. Hamilton, Rockbridge 4.80, Rev. S. P. Brown, Hamilton 18.50, Cash, Weatherford 6.80, Cash, Dublin 12.00, Cash, Corsicana 5.00, Rev. J. B. Hamilton, Childress 15.00, Rev. C. W. Heaton, Milford 24.00, Rev. G. F. Campbell, Grandview 24.00, Rev. J. R. Morris, Waco 30.00, Rev. G. W. White, Ballinger 12.00, Rev. J. V. Davis, China Springs 4.25, Rev. I. C. Carter, Cross Plains 8.00, Rev. W. T. Gray, Covington 14.00, Rev. J. A. Laney, Dickens 5.00, Rev. G. W. Kinchelo, Comanche 15.25, Rev. J. B. Woods, West 20.00, Rev. W. L. Nelson, Georgetown 60.00, Rev. A. H. Hussey, Lantana 10.00, Rev. J. D. Hendrickson, Killeen 16.00, Rev. M. M. Smith, Peoria 3.00, Rev. J. H. Bravvel, Whitney 15.00, Rev. J. B. Woods, Corsicana 15.00, Rev. M. S. Lovelidge, Bristol 20.00, Rev. R. J. Tooley, Venus 4.50, Rev. J. M. Wayne, Brandon 20.00, Rev. C. S. Fields, Colorado 10.00, Rev. W. West, Snyder 15.00, Rev. T. F. Robinson, Canton 5.00, Rev. E. S. Helzer, Albany 10.00, Rev. E. F. Boone, Trackmorton 8.75, Rev. J. H. Chambers, Haskell 12.00, Rev. B. H. Woods, Corsicana 292.07, Rev. C. B. Wright, Temple 57.00, Rev. C. N. Ferguson, Quanah 10.00, Rev. S. H. Morgan, Dalingerfield (Texas Conference) 10.00, Rev. J. W. Bowden, Proctor 10.25, Rev. J. H. Stewart, Vernon 20.00, Rev. O. H. Helzer, Coaldige 19.00, Rev. P. P. Kiker, Italy 18.50, Rev. J. M. Armstrong, Salado 15.00, Rev. L. A. Clark, Glen Cove 6.00, Rev. E. W. Peaslee, Fleming Grove 15.00, Rev. S. P. Noville, Fleming Grove 5.00, Rev. E. V. Cox, Graham 12.12, Rev. A. A. Clark, Maynard 20.00, Rev. W. H. Crawford, Troy 4.00, Rev. A. B. Davis, Corsicana 7.00, Rev. B. L. Walker, Bartlett 25.00, Rev. A. L. Moore, Granger 3.00, Rev. S. J. Franks, Corsicana 11.00, Rev. R. W. Nottin, Bardwell 12.50, Rev. B. Wagner, Ranger 12.50, Rev. E. W. Moore, Mayfield 15.00, Rev. R. E. Goodrich, Alvarado 18.00, Rev. E. Hightower, Palmer 23.00, Rev. J. F. Colwell, Richland 8.00, Rev. W. H. Clark, Seymour 8.00, Rev. W. H. Harris, Red Oak 2.00, Rev. E. A. Smith, Hillsboro 12.50, Cash, Waco 5.00.

Total \$399.01

Table listing names and amounts: Rev. W. H. Wright, Prosper 5.00, Rev. A. R. Nash, Farmer'sville 10.00, Rev. W. T. Morrow, Lone Oak 15.00, Rev. W. R. Rosser, Paris 1.10, Rev. J. H. McLean, Bonham 20.00, Rev. J. F. Pierce, Paris 10.00, Rev. J. M. Dodson, Renner 9.00, John McKamy (personal) 5.00, Rev. L. L. Naugle 3.00, Rev. J. M. Moore 63.50.

To this should be added—Sundry conference collections by B. M. Burcher not otherwise reported \$1,639.95. First Church, Dallas, paid through A. V. Lane 900.00. Trinity Church, Dallas, paid through A. V. Lane 650.00.

Total \$6,665.14

SUPPLEMENT "C."

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing names and amounts for West Texas Conference: Mary Barnes \$10.00, Rev. W. W. H. Biggs 6.00, Rev. R. L. McIntyre, Kingsland 8.00, Rev. J. P. Garrett, Elanco 10.00, Rev. E. J. Boerlin, Boersma 8.00, Rev. Z. V. Liles, Liberty Hill 11.00, Rev. J. F. Webb, Rockport 3.00, Rev. J. M. Allen, Bertram 11.00, Rev. J. J. Shaw, Maxwell 6.00, Rev. F. A. White, Center Point 14.00, Rev. T. Gregory, Gonzales 18.00, Rev. J. A. Pledge, Johnson City 9.00, Rev. F. Lee, Burnet 5.00, Rev. J. T. King, Kerrville 9.00, Rev. V. G. Thomas, Staples 12.00, Rev. M. Williams, East Lufkin 6.00, Rev. A. I. Scarborough, Victoria 6.00, Rev. J. C. Winkle, Seuling 2.00, Rev. M. P. Allen, Paint Rock 8.00, Rev. W. W. H. Biggs, San Saba 6.00, Rev. G. W. Barton, Holttschell 14.00, Rev. J. W. Black, Cherokee 9.00, Rev. A. W. Wilson, Lockhart 18.00, Rev. H. R. Henry, Devine 11.25, Rev. F. W. Long, Buda 8.50, Rev. C. M. Babo, La Grange 2.00, Rev. J. B. Buchanan, Yoakum 10.00, Rev. I. T. Morris, Runge 5.00, J. M. Swim, Goldthwaite 5.00, Rev. T. Lee, Burnet 10.00, Rev. W. F. Gibson, Willow City 4.40, Rev. G. W. Barton, Holttschell 5.00, Rev. S. Adair, Rancho 2.50, Rev. R. S. Adair, Rancho 3.00, Rev. N. Harris, San Marcos 26.00, Rev. S. Collier, Nursery 1.00, Rev. M. F. Norton, Rock Springs 6.00, Rev. E. H. Harris, El Campo 12.00, Rev. J. D. Scott, San Angelo 5.00, Rev. H. M. Glass, Clear Creek 1.50, Rev. J. C. Winkel, San Antonio 2.20, Rev. L. G. Gagner, Brander 5.50, Rev. W. A. Seaton, Brander 5.00, Rev. S. H. Werlein, Austin 35.16.

Total \$399.01

SUPPLEMENT "D."

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing names and amounts for Texas Conference: Rev. A. Little \$281.00, Rev. W. E. Washburn, Durango 7.15, Rev. S. Nelson, New Braunfels 10.00, Rev. S. W. Lowe, Wills Point 5.00, Rev. J. B. Turentine, Wills Point 12.00, Rev. C. H. Adams, Waller 8.00, Rev. J. M. Mills, Dalby Springs 8.00, Rev. P. L. Steward, Edgewood 9.05, Rev. E. A. Sample, Emory 2.00, Rev. J. S. Ogle, New Boston 1.00, Rev. A. A. Kidd, Ben Wheeler 12.75, Rev. H. J. Hayes, Trinity 11.00, Rev. F. O. Shinner, Fairfield 4.40, Rev. G. F. Farris, Travis 12.00, Rev. E. L. Shottles, Pittsburg 20.00, Rev. P. A. Downs, Center 10.50, Rev. L. B. Saxon, Van 5.75, Rev. S. N. Allen, Downsville 15.00, Rev. J. Willis, Pittsburg 10.00, Rev. J. W. Riley, Jewett 10.00, Rev. G. L. Russell, Fairfield 8.25, Rev. J. C. Huddleston, Prairie P. 8.00, Rev. A. J. Haygood, Hempstead 9.00, Rev. J. C. Perick, Reding 10.00, Rev. J. W. Stevens, Travis 5.75, Rev. J. N. McCain, Bettle 2.00, Rev. J. W. Moore 25.00, Rev. L. H. McGee, Troune 11.50, Rev. A. A. Garrison, Jacksonville 7.50, Rev. D. W. Gardner, Travis 8.00, Rev. G. H. Phair, Lott 7.00, Rev. M. P. Daniels, Kilgore 13.00, Rev. E. C. Escoe, Henderson 2.00, Rev. W. H. Vance, Niles 10.00, Rev. G. W. Hildes, Gilmer 10.00, Rev. T. R. Cain, Dodge 12.00, Rev. E. S. Hulse, Milltown 11.00, Rev. W. W. Horner, Coffeyville 5.00, Rev. W. F. Hardy, Redwater 11.75, Rev. I. F. Batts, Brown 20.00, Rev. J. B. Seal, Henderson 5.00, Rev. I. M. Bevee, Henderson 5.00, Rev. G. E. Cameron, Calvert 521.92, Rev. E. Morgan, Musgrove 6.00, Rev. O. H. Hestrich, Tevarkana 12.00, Rev. G. Pollock, Brady 11.75, Rev. H. D. Huddleston, Anderson 10.00.

Total \$1274.45

SUPPLEMENT "E."

GERMAN MISSION CONFERENCE.

Table listing names and amounts for German Mission Conference: Rev. F. W. Radetzky \$ 2.00, Rev. C. Baush 8.75, Rev. E. H. Hickman, Walder 5.00, Rev. W. Welsa, Georgetown 6.00, Robert Moerner, Castell 21.00, Rev. H. Waldorf, New Braunfels 2.20, J. Rabe, East Branch 4.00, W. D. Welms, Yancey 2.75, C. A. Lehmer, Yancey 12.50, P. Mumme, Houston 2.85, P. H. Hensch, Palco 8.00, J. G. Mueller, Bellville 2.50.

Total \$76.80

SUPPLEMENT "F."

A FEW HOURS IN TERRELL.

We ran over to Terrell last week and looked on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Conference then in session. Mrs. W. H. Howell was in the chair. A large number of delegates were present and the proceedings were moving smoothly. These women are very systematic in their work. They know just how many societies they have in the conference, how many juvenile organizations and how many Woman's Missionary Advocates are taken. They have accurate knowledge of all the dues paid and their disbursement. Through their District Secretaries they keep in touch with the work in all parts of the conference. They are active as Church workers, keep themselves well in-

SUPPLEMENT "B."

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Table listing names and amounts for North Texas Conference: Rev. C. W. Glanville, Blossom \$28.00, Rev. C. S. Harkey, Campbell 5.00, Rev. S. C. Riddle, Honey Grove 35.00, Rev. N. J. Ozment, Detroit 10.00, Rev. O. J. Reed, Honey Grove 15.00, North Texas Conference 1815.90, North Tex. Conf. (Grace Church) 650.00, Rev. P. C. Archer, McKinney 15.00, Rev. C. W. Jacob, Yowell 5.00, Rev. W. D. Mountcastle, Clarksville 10.00, Rev. E. W. Moore, Mayfield 15.00, Rev. I. P. Smith, Dodd City 10.00, Rev. P. A. Rosser, Honey Grove 5.00, Rev. J. C. Hicks, Pearsall 5.00, Rev. J. W. Campbell, Gainesville 15.00, Bass, Terrell 15.00, Rev. S. J. Ashburn, Nevada 5.00, Rev. I. W. Clark, McKinney 20.00, Rev. J. W. Tinscher, Eva 5.00, Rev. J. W. Clifton, Boyd 15.00, R. H. Burcher, Dodd and Windom 7.85, " " Pottersboro and Preston 20.00, " " Mr. Parker 106.24, Rev. O. S. Thomas, Terrell 15.00, Rev. W. Douglass, Mesquite 5.00, Rev. W. W. Lovell, Sherman 5.00, Rev. M. Burcher 200.00, Rev. A. F. Hendrix, Sanger 10.00, Rev. E. G. Roberts, Leonard 5.00.

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formed as to their work in foreign fields and they aid the pastors at home in loyal devotion. As a matter of fact, these missionary women are the real working force in the activities of the Church.

They labor under one difficulty, and that is the indifference of a great majority of the lady members of the Church, and the lack of active interest upon the part of a great many of our preachers. The greater number of our pastoral charges have no Foreign Missionary Society organized; and evidently somebody is neglecting this branch of Church work. These good women reported that in many instances when they write to the pastors on the subject of organizing, their letters go unanswered. We surely need a deep revival among our preachers and people on this important subject.

While at Terrell, we looked in on the school work being done there by Rev. J. J. Morgan, President of our Training School. This is his first year, and he has an enrollment of two hundred and fifty students. He had a most successful commencement occasion. He has an elegant brick building, practically new and it is well furnished. Its location is on the south side of the railroad, and there is talk of moving it to a location in an opposite direction. The business men of Terrell are now devising ways and means looking to this desired end. The town is very deeply interested in the school, and the people are giving to it their earnest co-operation. It is destined to be one of our most important training schools. Brother Morgan is well adapted to that sort of work and his mind and heart are in it.

**TEXAS PERSONALS.**

Charley Morris, of Winsboro, was in the city the other day and did not forget to pay his respects to this office. We had a delightful chat on the recent General Conference. He was a useful lay delegate to that body.

W. T. Whiteman, of Caro, brightened this office with a brotherly visit the other day. He has one of the largest saw mill plants in East Texas, and he is an active Methodist. His town is only about two years old, but it supports a station preacher and furnishes him a good parsonage.

Rev. J. H. Reynolds, of Sherman, has moved to Dallas with his family so that they can be with their son, Wesley Reynolds, who is in business in this city. Bro. Reynolds made the Advocate people a delightful call this week. He is the young old man of the conference and brightens every circle he enters.

The State institutions have been making good use of Bishop H. C. Morrison. He preached a great sermon for the A. & M. College last Sunday at the commencement. And last Tuesday he delivered the annual literary address for the University at Austin. He is equal to any occasion, and Texas will be better acquainted with his gifts before this year closes.

Smith Garrison, of Timpson, is one of the leading men of Texas. He has made his own business a great success, and he has done it not by questionable methods, but by the dint of honest toil and frugality. He is sound in his piety, pure as gold in his character and he stands firm on all questions of morality. East Texas esteems him as one of her leading citizens, and all Texas is beginning to know and appreciate him. He is the soul of honor and his word is his bond.

**CHURCH NEWS.**

Bishop Atkins will reside at Waynesville, North Carolina.

Rev. L. M. Stevenson has been elected assistant editor of the Alabama Advocate.

Dr. Wilbur Chapman, the evangelist, who conducted a revival in this city last spring, is at death's door in Warsaw, Indiana. The cause of his trouble is said to be overwork.

The General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church decided upon Birmingham, Alabama, for the meeting place of the Assembly next year.

The Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church which has been charged with the unification of the publishing interests of that Church has completed its labors and given out a

statement. It appears that the combining of the two plants at New York and Cincinnati into one proved impracticable. The most that the Commission was able to recommend was a combined management.

The Torrey-Alexander meeting in Atlanta is attracting vast audiences, and there are many professions of faith.

Rev. Jno. C. Kilgo, D. D., President of Trinity College, North Carolina, will preach the Commencement Sermon at Vanderbilt University, June 17th, at 11 o'clock.

Dr. H. M. Hamill and Dr. F. S. Parker have been re-elected to their positions—the one as Superintendent of Training Work by the Sunday-school Board, and the other as Assistant Secretary by the Epworth League Board.

Bishop Galloway has appointed Dr. Collins Denny pastor of McKendree Church, Nashville, Tenn., to succeed Dr. E. B. Chappell, who was elected by the General Conference Sunday-school Secretary.

Rev. Dr. McMurry, the Secretary of Church Extension, will remain with Centenary a few weeks that his people may get accustomed to the idea of doing without him, before he goes to his new home at Louisville, Ky.—St. Louis Advocate.

The thirteenth annual commencement of the Scarritt Bible and Training School, at Kansas City, occurred on Tuesday evening, May 8. A class of nineteen ladies have finished the course of study in the school and are equipped for active service in the Church.

The new President of the Board of Church Extension is Mr. Thomas L. Jefferson, of Louisville, Kentucky, President of the Western National Bank, and a member of Broadway Church. Mr. Jefferson is one of the foremost young business men of the city.

Rev. Geo. J. Bond, on account of impaired health, has been obliged to resign his position as editor of the Christian Guardian, the connectional organ of the Methodist Church of Canada. The Book Committee reluctantly accepted the resignation, and in view of the approach of the General Conference decided not to fill the vacancy. During the interval the associate editor, Rev. W. B. Creighton, will continue to have charge of the paper.

**CORPUS CHRISTI TO OLD MEXICO.**

The National Railway Company of Mexico have made an offer in the way of cheap rates that should cause hundreds of delegates to the Epworth League Encampment at Corpus to take advantage of this opportunity to see this great and growing country. We missionaries are anxious for you to come down and look upon our work and the surroundings under which we are laboring. We are not ashamed of our showing, and we know that when you see our work you will be ready to more intelligently sympathize with us in it.

Contrary to the belief of many, August is one of our most delightful months on the high plateaus of Mexico. Not one moment of inconvenience will be experienced from heat after reaching Saltillo. I would advise all to make the trip to the City of Mexico if possible, but certainly to go as far as Saltillo in order to experience the delightfully cool and bracing air. The National passes through the finest scenery and offers unequaled advantages for reaching these points.

Last year the yellow fever scare kept many from coming, but those who took the trip were delighted, and expressed themselves as determined to go to the City of Mexico this year. If we can get a party of one hundred and fifty, we will be given a special train, and I will try and be on hand to personally conduct this trip, and you will never regret it. What is the use in going across the country to Denver when in only ten hours from the Texas border you can be in Saltillo, and in August need a light overcoat when you dismount from your train.

The rates are as follows:  
Corpus Christi to Monterey and return ..... \$ 9 50  
Corpus Christi to Saltillo and return ..... 11 40  
Corpus Christi to San Luis Potosi and return ..... 18 25  
Corpus Christi to Mexico City and return ..... 25 00

These rates, which are less than one-half, will allow those who live beyond San Antonio the privilege of returning directly to that city, thereby avoiding the trip around by Corpus Christi.

Any one desiring information regarding this trip can address the undersigned at Guadalajara, Mexico, enclosing stamp. I am receiving no remuneration for this extra work, but will be glad to help you enjoy this outing. FRANK S. ONDERDONK.

**QUESTIONS FOR ANTI-PROHIBITIONISTS.**

We ask every decent and good citizen, who votes against prohibition to answer each of the following questions in the light of fairness and truth, and then if he can honestly vote for the whisky traffic, we shall remain silent:

1. If the general use of whisky is a good thing, why is it that the government of the United States will not permit either the manufacture or sale of whisky without imposing a tax many times greater than it does for the manufacture of any other article of commerce?
2. Why does every State in this Union have special laws restraining the whisky traffic and charge a tax ten times larger than they do for any other article of commerce?
3. Why do saloons keep shades and blinds at their front doors to keep the public from seeing who is in there and what they are doing?
4. If the saloon is a good and reputable place, why do gamblers, black-legs and thugs always resort to these places and make them their headquarters?
5. Why does the State law prohibit the sale of intoxicants to minors?
6. Why does every wise and good parent strive to keep their boys out of these dens of iniquity?
7. Why do decent women shun the saloon as beneath their modesty and virtue, while they visit with impunity and pleasure every other place of business?
8. Why do fallen women and prostitutes resort to and find a hiding place in the saloon where they can dishonor their sex and debauch humanity?
9. Why do saloons keep in prominent place nude pictures and naked statues of women?
10. Why do business men and corporations refuse to employ men who frequent saloons?
11. Why are people afraid to ride in a car run by a whisky guzzler?
12. Why do good men, when sober, do things, when drunk, which ruins them for time and eternity?
13. Why does the United States prohibit the sale of whisky to the Indians?
14. Why does the law close all saloons on election day, and forbid the sale of whisky and even the giving it away?
15. Why did the authorities close all saloons and prohibit the sale of whisky during the great calamity at San Francisco?
16. Why does not the saloon men employ drunken men to run their business? Every other business trains and employs their own clerks?
17. Why do saloons invariably violate or dodge the law?
18. Why do saloons break the law of God and man and sell whisky on Sunday while every other business is closed?
19. Why is it that ninety per cent of violent crimes committed are attributed directly or indirectly to the whisky traffic?
20. Why is it that the saloon man does not want his boy or his wife to drink whisky and become associates of drunken men and drunken women?
21. Will the free use of intoxicants contribute to the best interest of men in this life or in the life to come?
22. Why do young business men try to hide the fact from their employers and parents that they are visiting the saloon and drinking whisky?
23. Will the free use of intoxicants make any man a better husband, father, son, or citizen, or will it make a woman a better wife, mother or daughter?
24. Why does the saloon man object to some other man debauching his wife or daughter, as he does the wife or daughter of some other unfortunate man?
25. If these questions are answered logically, is it not a bad man who will engage in such nefarious business, and ought he not to be restrained by good and wholesome laws?

**RELIGIOUS PAPERS AND ADVERTISING.**

That a religious paper of the first-class is one of the very best of all mediums for advertising should be known by every merchant who wishes to sell his goods. The reasons are not far to seek, and need no more demonstration than to be called to mind.

A religious paper is bought in every case to take into the home. It is read more or less by every member of the household. It is kept about the house till every member is familiar with at least a part of its contents. It is taken up by now one member of the family and then by another. It is read at odd moments. It comes many times beneath the eye of the woman of the house, the one who usually handles the largest share of the family funds, the one who does by far the larger share of the purchasing.

A home where a religious paper is taken is the home of a thrifty, industrious, honest, good paying family. The God-fearing, worthy people who purchase a religious paper are the very best customers a business man can have.

Their needs are no more extensive than others, perhaps, but the families are usually large, and care for the members better. In them great pains are taken to make home neat, well-kept and attractive. The fact that a religious paper is taken regularly is a certificate of honesty and respectability.

The merchant who buys advertising does so that he may tell intending purchasers of his wares. He does not, naturally, care who they are, what their religious creed, or the race from which they spring. He procures space in a paper to reach them, and if the paper does his work he is satisfied. It is a messenger he has hired, so the errand is done, what cares he otherwise?

The new President of the Board of Church Extension is Mr. Thomas L. Jefferson, of Louisville, Ky., President of the Western National Bank, and a member of Broadway Church. Mr. Jefferson is one of the foremost young business men of the city. The board expects large service from him.

Bishop J. J. Tigert and the Corresponding Secretary, Dr. McMurry, have promised to spend Sunday, June 17, with the Rev. Lewis Powell, of Central Church, Hot Springs, Ark. Brother Powell is putting forth every possible effort to bring to completion a large representative church building in that important city.

Rev. J. T. Curry, D. D., presiding elder of the Nashville District, is making plans for a large meeting of the City Board of Church Extension on the evening of June 14. The official members of the Nashville Churches will be present. The Corresponding Secretary will represent the Board of Church Extension.

The action of the General Conference with reference to a \$275,000 church building in the city of Washington, D. C., has been favorably received by the Church at large, if the favorable comments by the Church press are an indication. Our wealthy, patriotic and religious laymen will find in this enterprise an opportunity for investment to the glory of God in the world's greatest capital.

Information has reached the office that new church buildings are being entered at Winsboro, S. C., Columbia, Ala., and Gravett, Ark.

The large loan granted to Trinity Church, Dallas, Texas, some three years ago, has been promptly paid. We congratulate the pastor, Rev. H. D. Kniekerbocker, and his congregation, as well as others, who have been patiently waiting to use this fund in like manner.

**W. F. McMURRY.**

**DESTROYED BY STORM.**

On June 4 our parsonage at Alex. I. T., was blown away by a cyclone. We lost everything except a few quilts. Loss to town and neighborhood, about \$50,000. We expect to build again. A. G. WHITE, P. C. Alex. I. T.

**SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.**

Yes, sir! I visited your Sunday-school. I arrived about 9:20 a. m., and Mr. Superintendent, I was glad to see you on time. You sat up on the rostrum, yes, sir, and sat and sat—too much sat—for you shook hands with no one, not even this poor stranger. Yes, sir, I heard the song given out, only one-third of the children singing. I heard you read the lesson alone. I heard the earnest prayer and appropriate questions on the lesson, and the dismissal to classes.

Yes, sir, I sat in the midst of several of the Bible class, who studied their lessons during the exercises. No, sir; they did not invite me to go with them to their class, and the pastor was in a few feet of me, too, and teaches the class.

Yes, sir; after a while the Superintendent came and asked me to sit with the Bible Class. I went, but no one said a word to me. I felt lonesome, and then, after a while, hearing singing I quietly left the Bible Class and went back in to the main room. A song, Secretary's short report, a song, dismissal at 10:25 a. m. No life, no snuff, and all impressed me as if they had just performed a painful duty or returned from a funeral.

Do you wonder, dear reader, that the attendance was only one hundred and twenty-five, and this school in a city of fifteen thousand inhabitants. Do you wonder that a sister denomination in two blocks of this had present on this same day two hundred and seventy-seven.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

**STATE SENATOR.**  
We are authorized to announce W. C. MCKAMY as a candidate for re-election second term State Senator for district composed of Dallas and Rockwall Counties subject to Democratic primaries, July 28, 1906.

**REPRESENTATIVE.**  
We are authorized to announce V. F. PACE as a candidate for Representative (place No. 3), Dallas County, subject to Democratic primaries, July 28, 1906.

We are authorized to announce MILTON EVERETT as a candidate for Representative, nomination No. 1, subject to Democratic Primary, July 28, 1906.

We are authorized to announce THOS. R. LOVE as a candidate for Representative, nomination No. 1, subject to Democratic Primary, July 28, 1906.

**DISTRICT JUDGE.**  
We are authorized to announce W. M. CROW as a candidate for Judge of the Forty-Fourth Judicial District, subject to action of Democratic Primaries.

**SHERIFF.**  
We are authorized to announce ARTHUR LEDBETTER as a candidate for re-election second term Sheriff of Dallas County, subject to Democratic Primaries, July 28, 1906.

We are authorized to announce J. ROLL JOHNSON as a candidate for Sheriff of Dallas County, subject to Democratic primaries, July 28, 1906.

**COUNTY CLERK.**  
We are authorized to announce JOHN D. COCHRAN as a candidate for County Clerk of Dallas County. Subject to Democratic primaries, July 28, 1906.

We are authorized to announce H. L. ERWIN as a candidate for County Clerk of Dallas County, subject to action of Democratic primaries, July 28, 1906.

We are authorized to announce JACK M. GASTON as a candidate for the office of County Clerk, Dallas County, subject to Democratic Primaries, July 28, 1906.

**A WAR EPISODE.**

H. G. H.

The death of Rev. J. B. A. Arhns, mentioned in a late Advocate, reminds me that he and I were soldiers in the Red River campaign in which Dick Taylor so disastrously defeated N. P. Banks. Brother Arhns had been a tutor in South College at Chappell Hill if I mistake not, during the presidency of George W. Carter. I did not see him in the battle of Mansfield, as our forces were greatly scattered after the bloody battle of Pleasant Hill, where Tom Green's brigade made the most brilliant charge of the campaign. We followed the retreating enemy to opposite Alexandria, where Banks made a stand, and we fought them three or four days and nights. We came to close quarters one day and the fight raged all day. Colonel Carter, at the head of his regiment, with sword and two pistols (and it was said one pistol was in one of his army boots and a bottle of whisky in the other, swent over the field like a war god. Night came on and the two contending armies camped within sight of each other. At about 9 o'clock Arhns and myself got a little relief from attention to the wounded, and went to Colonel Carter's campfire in search of something to eat. We found the Colonel dancing around his fire and singing "Merry Blain" evidently at least "two sheets in the wind." He stonned long enough to point to a dead beef hanging on a tree and said: "Help yourselves." While we were broiling our beef the Colonel danced around us and sang "Jim Crack Corn." This was the eloquent George W. Carter, D. D. Next morning at sunrise the battle again opened, Carter charging over the field at the head of his men with pistol drawn and his fine eye blazing with a battle light. After the war General McCulloch happened to be in New Orleans while Carter lay there in a disreputable house sick. Carter heard of his presence and sent for him. Up in a room with the women around, McCulloch held his hand and talked of better things. A few years after that Carter came back to the Church and ministry, and soon was preaching with his old-time eloquence in Richmond, Virginia.

Cancer of the Nose Cured. Palmyra, Mo., August 15, 1905. Drs. Bye & Leach, Dallas, Texas.

Kind Friends—Pardon me for neglect in answering your kind letter written me several days ago. I am now living in another county and the letter was forwarded to me.

I will now answer and thank you for the very great kindness I have received of your hands the last few months. Will assure you if my nose should trouble me in the future I will undoubtedly inform you at once.

I shall always remember you with gratitude and feel glad I sent to you for treatment. I had become quite nervous and alarmed before I communicated with you about my nose. Now I am easy. With thanks and gratitude, I am most respectfully yours,

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### 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, Tex.

**State Epworth League Cabinet.**  
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#### SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, CORPUS CHRISTI, AUG. 3-13, 1906.

##### NOTES.

Get ready for the Encampment August 3-13.

Tillman's Revival No. 4 is the name of the song book which will be used at the Encampment. Conductor Howell will have some announcements to make regarding special numbers for rehearsal.

The Postoffice Department has decided to establish a temporary station at Epworth during the Encampment. Official notice to this effect was received this week.

Miss Mabel K. Howell, who is to conduct the Church History Course, writes us to say: "You can count upon me to be at Corpus Christi on dates of conference, and I shall endeavor, to the best of my ability, to do the part assigned me."

Dr. W. F. McMurry, the newly-elected Church Extension Secretary, who is slated for one of the principal addresses at the Encampment, writes: "I hope to be able to fill my place on your program, but with the new duties placed upon me by the General Conference, I am somewhat confused and a little uncertain as to my movements. I have you in mind and will do my best to fill my place on the program."

Dr. Young J. Allen, the veteran missionary, acknowledges receipt of the Encampment program and says: "The date, etc., will suit me very well. I will try to reach you in time for a few days' rest before the close of the exercises, coming to you from Atlanta." We are glad to know the Doctor will be with us in advance of his period on the program.

Bishop Ward, the new Bishop, in whom Texas Leaguers feel such an interest, sends this note: "Yours of May 30th with outline of program for the Corpus Christi Encampment came duly to hand. The parts assigned me seem to be all right."

The great missionary leader, Mr. John W. Shackford, who is to manage the Mission Study Course, says: "I thank you for the copy of proof of the program for the Assembly. I do not see any change that I would suggest in it. If it seems wise to follow up the regular text-book method, I shall probably use the book now on the press, which will be the text for the study classes next year. The title of the book is, 'The Christian Conquest in India,' and the author is Bishop Thoburn, of India."

Miss Elizabeth Streater writes from Meridian Female College, Mississippi, to say: "Program received and assignment satisfactory." Miss Streater is to conduct the Bible Study Course.

Bishop Key says: "Proof received. So far as it affects me I am willing to undertake it."

Presiding Elder I. W. Clark writes from McKinney as follows: "Program sent me has been examined and is correct so far as it concerns me."

Rev. Robt. E. Goodrich, Alvarado, says: "I have received the program of the State League meeting and find that the details of the arrangement are in accordance with my understanding of the service to be rendered." He is to discuss the subject, "The Literary as a Feeder to the Devotional Department."

Bert C. Coe, of Lukfin, wishes us to change name from "Albert" on the program, which we have done. The subject assigned this Leaguer is,

"Visiting; I was a Stranger and ye Took Me In."

Hon. Morris Sheppard, Congressman from the First Texas District, and a member of Brother Turrentine's Church at Texarkana, who is listed for the address on "Christian Citizenship" before the young people's mass meeting on the last Sunday afternoon, writes us from Washington, D. C., as follows: "I am in receipt of the program of the Epworth League Encampment at Corpus Christi August 3-13. I note the program for Sunday, August 12, and it is entirely satisfactory to me. Looking forward with much pleas-



BISHOP JOSEPH S. KEY.

Father of the League Movement in Texas, who will deliver the opening sermon at the Encampment and will preach again on Sunday following the opening. His picture will adorn the official badge.

ure to the occasion, I am, yours very sincerely."

We publish elsewhere the program for the fourteenth annual session of the North Texas Conference Epworth League, at Whitesboro, June 15-17, draft of which is sent us through the courtesy of Secretary George A. Jones.

The Fourth Annual Conference of the Young People's Movement is to be held at Kenilworth Inn, Asheville, N. C., beginning June 29 and continuing over July 8. On account of the Corpus Christi meeting and the character of work which is to be inaugurated there this summer, Texas territory is not being worked for delegates to the Asheville Convention. Such is the advice we have received from headquarters.

Concerning the legislation enacted by the late General Conference, Miss Montgomery, of the Southern Advocate, has this to say: "All Leaguers, particularly our friends the enthusiastic Texans, are interested in another decision of the General Conference—the passing by that body of a bill authorizing Epworth League Conferences to acquire, own, and control property and grounds for assembly purposes. The Mississippi and Texas State Leagues now possess valuable property for summer assemblies—the South Georgians are talking, and working, for the same end. Perhaps South Carolina will soon come into line—who knows? She surely wants everything, good in the way of League equipment."



REV. W. F. McMURRY, D. D.

Recently elected to the position of Church Extension Secretary, who will deliver one of the popular addresses of the occasion of the Encampment.

and a permanent place of yearly coming together will certainly stimulate her pride and growth."

A report is before us of the recent session of the Indian Mission Conference Epworth League, held at Ardmore. Of the work of John S. Lillard, retiring President and formerly a resident of this State, the correspondent to the Western Advocate has this to say: "J. S. Lillard, the retiring President, did fine work while in office. A finer layman than this same Lillard it would be hard to find." Speaking of the Assembly movement, to which we

have before referred, he said: "The conference created a commission looking to the permanent establishment of an Epworth Assembly. Last week certain members of this commission met in Sulphur, I. T., and carefully considered the location of the assembly in that town. No conclusion was reached. It was thought wise to go slow. Other towns will be considered however, and, sooner or later, our young people will own handsome property. The need for such is imperative. At present our obligations bind us in this matter, to our M. E. brethren and our Assembly opens on the evening of June 26th, with a lecture from Sam Jones. Our program is now complete. It is as good as the best. The same men who are on the program at Lake Chautauqua, N. Y., are on our program, and, as far as we go, ours is as good as theirs."

"The people of Little Rock Conference believe Bishop Ward will make a great Bishop, and feel sure that in his case, especially, the office sought the man. He will always receive a welcome to the Little Rock Conference. The members and visitors at the conference at Texarkana say that his masterful address on "Missions" was the greatest ever delivered in Arkansas."—St. Louis Advocate.

"Resolutions were adopted by the Macon (Mo.) District Epworth League Conference in regard to the missionary work of the League. It was resolved that the systematic study of missions become a part of the League work, and that a plan be formed for the collection and distribution of money in this cause."—League Column, St. Louis Advocate.

We see a great many League items from time to time in the Wesleyan Christian Advocate, showing that material is not lacking in Georgia for a live League Department in that paper. If no other purpose may be served, this benefit would result, the concentration of this class of news would attract a closer reading from the Epworth Leaguers of the State, and perhaps quicken their interest in the work. We sometimes need to know what we are really doing, in order to become enthu-



A STREET SCENE AT EPWORTH.

siastic. Brother Peacock, let us suggest that you add to your other splendid achievements a League Department in your conference paper. What say you?"

The Epworth League Board of the North Georgia Conference manages the Conference League sessions, and Chairman R. F. Eakes, of the Board, has called a meeting of the Conference League at Thomson, Ga., for July 8-11. There is a suggestion in this action of the Georgians which might be carried out with profit by other League Boards in our connection. Usually, League Boards are inactive save in conference committee work, but there may be found plenty of work during the interim period if due attention is given the cause.

Dublin (Ga.) District, with only six or seven Leagues, maintains district organization and at its recent session, held at Wrightsville, only four of these were represented. The meeting, however, is reported as having been a "blessing to everyone." The program covered three days.

The Kansas City Journal perpetrates the following: "A little Topeka girl came home from Church the other day, and was asked what the minister's text was. 'I know it all right,' she asserted. 'Well, repeat it,' her questioner demanded. 'Don't be afraid, and I will get you a bedquilt,' was the astonishing answer. Investigation proved that the central thought of the sermon had been, 'Fear not, and I will send you a comforter.'"

The objection sometimes raised against the Epworth League, that we already have too many organizations, is an incorrect statement. We do sometimes neglect a League meeting to attend a club meeting, a lodge meeting or a political gathering, but this is no argument that the League is superfluous. It only proves our disloyalty to our Church.

A recent Epworth League meeting in Wisconsin reached an attendance of

three hundred, and the press was moved to dispatch a twenty-seven-line news item all the way to Texas. A meeting of this size receives in Texas about two lines, if any. A full-sized Texas meeting in Wisconsin would probably require an extra edition to signalize the event.

Bro. Gus Thomasson, editor of the League Columns of the Texas Advocate, suggests as a motto of the Leagues a sentence he saw in shadow-type on a letter-head. It is the following: "Don't be a quitter—a quitter is a failure." Then he adds, "The fellow who does least sometimes grumbles



HON. MORRIS SHEPPARD.

Congressman from the First Texas District, who will address the Texas Leaguers on "Christian Citizenship."

most. This is true in League work. Human nature is the same in North Carolina as in Texas. We have the same thing to contend with here. The busy worker has no time for complaints.—H. B. Anderson, Editor League Column, Raleigh Advocate.

The North Carolina Leaguers have something of a Corpus Christi resort of their own in Wrightsville, it appears. In calling attention to the coming League meeting to be held at Wrightsville, June 15-17, Editor Anderson says: "Excellent facilities for sailing, fishing, boating and surf-bathing will give ample opportunity for recreation during the time the League is not in session. Drinking water containing sulphur and iron will be supplied the guests from an artesian well near by."

"A Young People's Christian Endeavor has been organized in our town, and has taken a number of our members, including our Secretary, but the League is in good spirits. New members are coming in and a League orchestra has been organized."—W. A. Clifford, in the League Column, Pacific Advocate.

We cannot understand by what process of reasoning a Methodist can persuade himself into joining a C. E. Society, or any other, than the one his own Church has provided. A certain Methodist community in Texas was for years unable to maintain an Epworth League, on account of one of these inter-denominational young people's societies. If we are correctly informed this community is without a society



MR. JOHN W. SHACKFORD.

Secretary Young People's Missionary Campaign, Nashville, Tenn., who will conduct the Mission Study Course during the Encampment.

now. Other folks may find reason for patronizing outside societies, but Methodists who do so are without an excuse for the action.

The League of Cumberland Church, Charleston, S. C., is doing a special work worthy of mention. We quote from Miss Montgomery's column in the Southern Advocate: "During the next president's term the League undertook to do mission work at the Royal Yarn Manufacturing Company, in the suburbs of the city. The meetings at first were small, from a point of attendance, but have grown from weak

to week. This work was started in a room of Brother Simmons, but we have since moved into the church owned by the factory, and the devotional services here, as well as those in our League room, have been blessed by God in the conversion of souls."

"The editor of this department wishes to acknowledge thus publicly, as she has already privately, the courtesy of the Texas League editor, who is also the State President—in having his paper, the Texas Christian Advocate, sent the inexperienced South Carolina editor for her guidance in League and journalistic matters."—Miss Mabel Montgomery, in Southern Advocate.

Some of our exchanges minimize the field note feature of the League Department and magnify the lesson exposition. This order should be reversed and, in our judgment, the lesson comment may just as well be omitted altogether, since the Epworth Era which all do, or should, take, covers this feature more exhaustively than any other periodical can or would undertake. Brother Editors, should we not collect news items and leave the lessons to the Central Office?"

The Baltimore Methodist has placed us on its exchange list. It maintains an able lesson comment column under the Epworth League heading and carries a couple of illustrated advertisements of desirable cemeteries in its pages. Concerning Methodism in the North, of which it is one of the organs, it has much to say.

By comparing the minutes of the three Annual Conferences we find the following items concerning the Epworth League work in Missouri: Senior Leagues, 286, membership, 9,642; Junior Leagues, 132, membership, 4,078; total number of Leagues, 418; total membership, 13,720.—Miss Daisie Williams, League Editor St. Louis Advocate.

League Editor W. B. Ricks, of the Central Methodist, published at Louisville, is giving his readers a well-edited and decidedly interesting weekly page of League news. His paragraphs are terse, readable and numerous. The Central ought to be, and no doubt is, popular among the Kentucky Leaguers.

League Editor H. B. Anderson, of the Raleigh Advocate, writes us a personal note relative to League matters, and adds: "I got the Texas Advocate as an exchange and find myself turning to the League column the first thing on opening the paper, and I never fail to find something that interests me. I am much pleased with Texas in general, and the League column in particular."

Secretary George A. Jones, of the North Texas Conference League, has been out on another organizing tour. This time he reports a new Chapter at Sadler, with thirty members. A Junior Chapter is also to be organized. The Senior officers are as follows: H. B. McMahan, President; Jas. Wilson, First Vice-President; Miss Ella Irev, Second Vice-President; Mrs. J. W. Hayes, Third Vice-President; Mrs. H. B. McMahan, Fourth Vice-President; C. D. Denard, Secretary; J. W. Hayes, Treasurer; J. S. Carriker, Junior Superintendent; Miss Mattie Thompson, Era Agent. G. W. T.

#### JUNIOR SUPERINTENDENTS.

This is addressed to every Junior League Superintendent in the State: I am depending entirely upon you for reports from your League. I know that you want to be represented at our great annual Encampment at Corpus Christi, so do not let anything deter you from sending me your report.

If you can make a good report, do so; if you can make only a poor report, send it in; if you can make no report at all, send me your name and address and the number of your members.

Do not think that because your League is just organized, or because it has been organized a long time, or because it was disbanded all winter, that it will not be necessary to report.

I would be pleased to have all reports in my hands by the 15th of July.  
MRS. A. C. ELLIS,  
Superintendent,  
903 W. 6th St., Austin, Texas.

#### EPWORTH INFORMATION.

A number of our Leaguers are making inquiries already as to accommodations during the Encampment at Corpus Christi, August 3-13. We have also had a number of letters from parties as to the advisability of going down July first and spending a month or more on the grounds. As to rates, round trip tickets with long limit may be bought every day from any point at one and one-third fare. For the Encampment proper we have been granted a rate of one fare plus one dollar from Texas points, and in addition to this, week-end excursions will be run at much less rate. Those desiring to go in advance will buy the



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one and one-third fare ticket. A number of cottages are being built, but so far none have been built to rent. We will, this season, depend on tents as last year. We have contracted for three hundred 10x12 wall tents that will accommodate two to four people. These will be put up and rented for \$1.00 during the Encampment, or at a special rate for a longer period. Cots may be rented for the ten days at fifty and seventy-five cents—we have two grades. Pillows and blankets at twenty-five cents each, or campers may furnish their own. We will have a supply of hay which can be used for pallets, as the ground is dry sand.

We will be prepared to frame up and floor tents for those desiring this at about cost of material, and will furnish larger tents if notified in advance. Meals can be secured at restaurant at \$1.00 per day, or at a less rate by purchasing a meal ticket for the season. Campers, who prefer to do their own cooking, will find supplies of all kinds for sale on the grounds at regular prices.

We urge upon all who have leased lots to occupy same this season; and if not possible to build a cottage before the Encampment, we will be glad to arrange for you a substantial camp combining a tent with frame of lumber. This will be done for you as cheap as possible.

The Encampment grounds are controlled by the Texas Leaguers as their enterprise, and we want a good representation from every section of the State this year. The program is one of the best, and this, in addition to the pleasure and benefit of the outing with Methodist people, makes it a very desirable trip.

As already announced, an admission fee of fifty cents for the ten days, or ten cents a day, will be made for all persons over ten years of age. This is to provide funds for general expense of grounds, water, sanitation, help, etc.

Those wanting tents reserved will remit to me \$2.00 deposit for each tent, which amount will be placed to your credit and tent sent down and put up for you. It is our purpose to have all tents ready before August 1. By getting advance information we will know how many we will need.

**A. K. RAGSDALE,** Dallas, Texas. Secretary.

### MISS CANNON MAKES ANOTHER CALL.

The notice published in the Advocate recently has done more to get the reports which I crave than all my writing. Will you please again kindly exhort the heads of the Literary Departments to let me hear from them at once. The time is drawing near for the meeting at Whitesboro, June 15-17. Let every Third Vice-President in North Texas send me a full report of the year's work.

(MISS) **SADIE CANNON,** Third Vice-President, N. T. C. E. L. Terrell, Texas.

**PROGRAM**  
Fourteenth Session North Texas Conference Epworth League, Whitesboro, June 14-16, 1906.

**Thursday, June 14, 8 p. m.**  
Reception to Officers and Delegates by Whitesboro League; Music; Orchestra.

**Friday, June 15—Morning Service.**  
6:00, Sunrise Prayer Meeting; 8:30, Song Service, Whitesboro choir; 8:45, Devotional Service; 9:00, President's Annual Address; 9:30, Business Session, Organization, Appointment of Committees, Report of Secretary-Treasurer; 9:50, Quartette, Selected, Messrs. Marshall, Baum, King and Seward; 10:00, Department Work, Devotional Department, O. L. Hamilton, First Vice-President, presiding; 10:10, Opening Discussion on Work of the Devotional Department; 10:25, Elements of a Good Devotional Meeting, Miss Bernie Bennett, Pottsboro; 10:40, Solo, Mrs. A. L. Scales, Van Alstyne; Intermission for fifteen minutes; 11:00, Address—Subject: "The Leaguer and His Bible," by Rev. J. T. Smith, Pittsburg.

**Afternoon Service.**  
2:30, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; Solo, Dr. King; 2:45, Devotional Service; 3:00, Department Work—Charity and Help Department, Grover C. Robberson, Second Vice-President presiding; Symposium of Methods, (a) Charity and Help Work in the Country Leagues, Mrs. H. P. Vaughn, Tioga, (5 minutes); (b) Charity and Help Work and the Sunday Schools, Hon. W. S. Moore, Van Alstyne, (5 minutes); (c) Charity and Help Work and the Pastor, Rev. L. G. White, Howe (10 minutes); (d) Charity and Help Work Visiting the Sick, Miss Victoria Webster, Dallas, (5 minutes); 3:25, Solo, Miss Marguerite King; 3:40, Paper on Tithing, Mrs. L. H. Potts, Dallas; 4:00, Address, Hon. Hatton W. Summers, Dallas.

**Evening Service.**  
8:00, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; Solo, Miss Grace Moss, Whites-

boro; 8:30 Sermon, by Rev. A. L. Scales.

**Saturday, June 16—Morning Service.**  
6:00, Sunrise Prayer Meeting; 8:00, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; 8:15, Devotional Service, Rev. J. H. Griffin, Collinsville; 8:30, Reports of Committees; 9:00, Department Work, Literary Department, Miss Sadie Cannon, Third Vice-President, presiding; 9:15, What Should Be the Literary Work of the Local Chapter?, Prof. S. V. Wall, Jr., Hecney Grove; 9:40, Social Feature of the League, Hon. J. W. Fisher, Collinsville; 9:55, Solo, Mrs. R. C. Ayers, Dallas; 10:00, Department Work, Missionary Department, Miss Nettie Landis, Fourth Vice-President, presiding; 10:15, Mission Work in Africa, Miss Helen Hickman, Sherman; 10:25, Mission Work in General, Rev. C. A. Spragins, Sulphur Springs. Intermission; 11:00, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; 11:15, Address, Responsibility of Christian Citizenship, Rev. J. P. Lewry, Nocona.

**Afternoon Service.**  
2:30, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; 2:45, Devotional Service; 3:00, Unfinished Business; 3:30, Junior League Department, Miss Clara Wood, Junior Superintendent, presiding; 3:45, The Children, the Church of the Future, Mr. H. M. Benton, Van Alstyne; 3:50, The Model League, Whitesboro Junior League.

**Evening Service.**  
8:00, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; 8:30, Sermon, Dr. J. W. Hill, Denison.

**Sunday, June 17—Morning Service.**  
6:00, Sunrise Prayer Meeting; 10:00, The Model Sunday School, Whitesboro Sunday School; 11:00, Sermon, Dr. G. C. Rankin, Dallas.

**Afternoon Service.**  
3:00, Young People's Mass meeting, Gus W. Thomasson, presiding.

**Evening Service.**  
8:00, Song Service, Whitesboro Choir; Solo, Dr. King; 8:30, Closing Jubilee Service, Rev. J. B. Gober, Paris.

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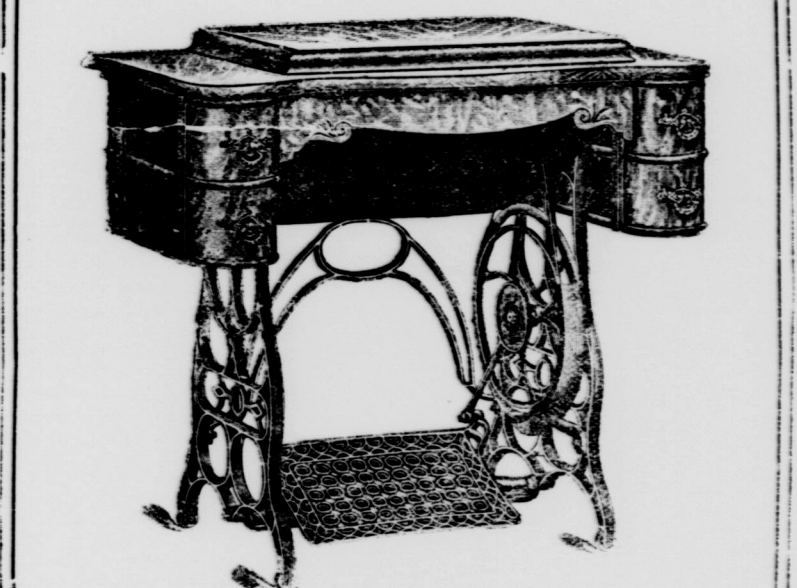
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## THE ROAD TO DREAMLAND.

Lay your playthings aside, my Little Boy Blue,  
Low sinks the sun in the west,  
You've danced and played the whole day through,  
Come, now it is time to rest.

Your little feet must be tired, I know,  
For, oh! they've been busy today,  
And now to the "Land of Nod" we will go,  
The Sandman will show us the way.

And I'll hold you close in my arms,  
Boy Blue,  
Till the golden-fringed curtains fall,  
To cover those eyes, so bright and true,  
That answer the Dream Wizard's call.

Ah, I wonder, I wonder, my Little Boy Blue,  
As after each day comes the morrow,  
What does the future hold for you,  
Will it be of joy or sorrow?

Soon the time will come for me, for you,  
When the baby ties will sever,  
How I wish I could keep my Little Boy Blue  
Forever and forever. — Selected.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of North Texas Conference was in session last week in Terrell, opening Wednesday night, the 6th, and closing last Sunday night, the 10th inst. A fine number of delegates, also a number of visitors from other towns, were in attendance, the attendance of juvenile delegates and young people being especially encouraging.

The presence of the young missionary candidates of the conference society, Miss Ruby Kendrick, of Plano, who graduated at the Scarritt Bible and Training School in 1905, and of Miss May Dye, of Plano, who graduated at the same school at the close of the term of this year last month, gave much satisfaction to the members, and they were heard with heart-felt interest in their participation in the exercises of the daily sessions. The talks of these two dear young candidates on their observations at the recent great convention of the students' volunteer movement, in Nashville, Tenn., given in the church on Friday night, at the annual meeting of the society, were full of inspiring facts, told in a most interesting manner and won the hearty approval and sympathy of their hearers. The visit of Miss Leaverritt, one of the missionaries of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of Southern Methodism, who after ten years of labor in China is now visiting the homeland, gave pleasure to the members and friends at the annual meeting; her suggestions and words of advice at the daily sessions, and her public address on her work and experience in China, given in the church on Sunday night to a full house, added much to the interest of the exercises.

This conference society feels particularly fortunate and blessed in having Miss Leaverritt with them during the entire session of the annual meeting, her earnest words expressing such consecration to the service of Christ and giving encouragement and comfort to the members.

## WHAT TEXAS WILL DO!

Three W. H. M. Societies of Texas conferences led the board this year! That was no small honor, but did we reach the limit of our opportunities? Should we not have done far better? We have made for ourselves a program for the year that will tax our best efforts. We boast that we have the qualities of leadership, now let us show the mettle there is in us. The money for the mission home must be raised this year. The dormitory must be built and paid for by September, and all other obligations met. What honor God has put upon us to trust us with such sacred service. Let us make a record that will surprise our sisterhood when we meet at Houston. But to do this we have not a minute to lose. Every knee must bow, every heart must be consecrated, then every energy of soul and body laid under tribute! Oh! let us wake up old Texas and bring victory to the banner of the cross.—King's Messenger.

## UNION DISTRICT MEETING.

The district meeting of the W. F. M. and the W. H. M. Societies of the Gatesville District will be held in Gatesville June 26, 27, 28. It is very much desired that every church in the district be represented. A most cordial invitation is extended to the pastors and their wives.

The evening of the 26th there will

be a sermon on the home work. On the evening of the 27th Bro. W. P. Garvin, pastor of the Methodist Station, will preach on the foreign work.

### Program for the W. H. M. S.

Papers—"The W. H. M. Work," "Immigration," "Deaconess Work," "Parsonage and Supply Work," "W. H. M. Schools," "Blackboard Illustrations." Reading—"The Tenement Child," reports from auxiliaries.

### Program for the W. F. M. S.

Papers—"Indian Mission," "China," "Mexico," "Brazil," "Korea," "Cuba." Reading—"The Boy Who Carried the Message," reports from auxiliaries.

There will also be open discussions of the work of both societies.

MRS. S. H. LUMPKIN,  
Dist. Sec. W. H. M. S.  
MRS. R. N. SAUNDERS,  
Dist. Sec. W. F. M. S.

## DISTRICT MEETING W. H. M. S.

The district meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Sulphur Springs District met at Cumby, Texas, May 24, 1906. Exercises were opened by singing hymn 246. Devotional service was then conducted by Mrs. G. M. Morton, by first reading a poem, both comforting and consoling as it pointed us to the Lamb of God as our best friend, then reading the 11th chapter of St. Luke, following by an earnest prayer from Brother Bounds, Sr. After another song the roll was called. Mrs. Sam Sheppard then took the chair and presented the cause of our disappointment, made by the absence of some of our leading members, who were to have participated. Next we had a beautiful, interesting and hearty welcome by Miss Nannie Center, responded to eloquently by Mrs. Chester Sheppard as an expression of appreciation and gratitude from the hearts of all the visitors and delegates. Our District Secretary, Mrs. Sam Sheppard, made her report, which was a benediction to every member present. A committee on resolutions was appointed as follows: Mesdames Chester Sheppard, Hope and Russell. Then came the reports from the different auxiliaries. They were very encouraging in some respects and very discouraging in others. The morning's work being finished we were dismissed by Brother Bounds, Sr., and treated to a sermon by Brother Fladger, which sunk deep into our souls and made us feel that we did not want to be sparing with our efforts, but use our ointment to the grandest development of this noble woman's home mission work, that it might be said of each and every one of us as of the woman with the alabaster box of precious ointment, "She hath done what she could." We then adjourned to meet again at 2:30 p. m.

We convened at the hour appointed in the afternoon and continued the exercise by reading the 13th chapter of first Corinthians, and then bowed in prayer with Brother Ben Bounds, Jr. After a song came the discussion, "The Model Corresponding Secretary." The Corresponding Secretaries being slow to lead out, our District Secretary gave us a talk on the subject, as her views, that we might profit by if we would but heed and act accordingly. Brother Bounds, Sr., then gave us an interesting talk to the effect that we consult our ministers and solicit their aid in our work. Brother Fladger made a talk that touched on love and impressed us to look to the Lord for help and earnestly solicit his aid that many might fall into line, so fully imbued with the spirit that they would work in earnest and each and every one feel as an emanation from the heart, "I love the cause, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light." May the time speedily come when a spirit of love may pervade this whole universe and our hearts and eyes will be so fixed on heavenly grandeur that we'll forget the darkness of eternal gloom. Next came a paper by Mrs. T. A. Hope, of Mt. Vernon—"The Woman's Home Mission Society a Means of Spiritual Development." The subject was ably handled and enjoyed, spiritually and intellectually, by all present. A general discussion on "Our Literature" was the next in order. We were highly entertained by quite a number and encouraged to read more ourselves and get every one possible to take the papers and read them to the advancement of the cause; not only the papers, but all reading matter pertaining to the work. The more we read the better we enjoy the meetings and the brighter we note the results. Several expressed themselves on the subject, "How Does the Woman's Home Mission Society Help the Pastor?" Leaflet read by Mrs. Russell, "Why Aids Should Become Connectional." Also an interesting and instructive paper on "Parsonages and Supplies." The subject of help to the district parsonages was discussed and several auxiliaries

that were represented pledged to aid in this work. After many subjects of interest were discussed we heard the reports of the different committees. Winnsboro was unanimously voted as the next place of meeting. The entire assembly felt sadly disappointed on account of the absence of Miss Mattie Hugh Fladger, caused by the illness of her mother, and that of Brother Spraggins, caused by a telephone call to the bedside of a relative in Fort Worth. We expected to have enjoyed a longer session, but on account of the trains being late the 23d we were forced to condense it and cut out several things of interest. Our work being finished we adjourned to reassemble at 8 o'clock p. m. This we did and heard an able sermon by Brother Bounds. He touched our hearts and made us feel it was good to hear him. After this splendid sermon we separated to meet in Winnsboro, Texas, next year at the appointed time.

## DISTRICT MEETING.

The fifth district meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Gainesville District met at St. Joe, Texas, May 23, 1906.

Wednesday Morning.—Sister Nutting in the chair, opened by singing No. 45 and prayer by Bro. Porter. Organization was completed by Mrs. Ida Beamer being appointed Secretary. Delegates who were present were then enrolled. Five auxiliaries were represented. Sister Dort greeted us with a very cordial welcome, which was gratefully responded to by Mrs. Reed, of Gainesville. Sister Nutting spoke a few words asking the prayers and cooperation of all the sisters present. Song, "Nearer to Thee." Address by Bro. Cole; subject, "Doing the Best We Can," from the text: "She hath done what she could." After singing "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go," and prayer by Bro. Porter, adjournment was taken till 2:30 p. m.

Wednesday Afternoon.—Opened by singing "We Are Almost Home." Devotional service led by Sister Warren, of Nocona. Scripture lesson, 4th chapter Phil. Prayer by Bro. Cole. Hymn, "He Leadeth Me." Roll call of delegates; six present. Sister Apperson, of Gainesville, read a leaflet—"He That Provideth Not for His Own"—which was both entertaining and instructive and quite an inspiration to home mission workers. Reports of auxiliaries: Gainesville, Denton Street, was called. Sister Apperson gave the Corresponding Secretary's report and Miss Mollie Ross the Treasurer's report. This auxiliary has the largest membership in the district and has been doing much work, both locally and connectionally. Gainesville, Broadway, was reported by Sister W. A. Johnston. Their auxiliary is not so large as Denton Street, but are also doing much good work. Ringgold was reported orally by Sister Beamer. They are few in members and have not been able to hold regular meetings and have done very little work. Nocona report read by Sister Merritt. They have helped to build and furnish their beautiful new parsonage, of which they can be justly proud. St. Joe was next called and report read by Sister Hemphill. They are few in numbers, but are doing good work. The reports were discussed by Sisters Nutting, Dort, Warren, Black and others. Bro. Cole talked on the importance of the Home Mission Society. Sister Dort asked how to get new members. Sister Nutting suggested an open meeting at which should be shown what the Home Mission Society is doing. Several others offered good suggestions. Paper by Sister Eldredge, of Gainesville, "What the Home Mission Society is Doing for Unprotected Girls," which told of the homes supported by the Woman's Home Mission Society, where our daughters can have the shelter and protection of Christian homes should they be called away from home on business or otherwise. Sister Nutting gave her report as District Secretary. She said her report was very incomplete as the Auxiliary Secretaries had failed to report promptly and fully. She suggested that each auxiliary procure the new record books for the use of their Secretaries which would make their work easier and more accurate. She called the attention of the ladies to the literature on the table and asked them to feel free to examine it and get it for the use of their auxiliaries. Bro. Cole told of a letter he had received from a young lady who was very much concerned about her salvation and requested the prayers of those present that she might be saved. Bro. Black said they intend to organize an auxiliary soon at Montague. Sister Dort asked how to use the leaflets. Sister Nutting replied to read and discuss them at the devotional meetings. Bro. Porter reported his experience in trying to hold an open meeting. Bro. Cole started the grand old song, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and Sister Nutting then lead in prayer. Adjourned to meet Thursday morning.

Thursday Morning.—Opened by song and prayer. Sister Nutting read a scripture lesson from Romans, 12th

chapter, and made a few comments on it, applying to it our work in the Woman's Home Mission Society. Song No. 152. Secretary read the minutes of previous session; corrections were made and minutes approved as corrected. Sister Nutting read the report which she had received from Sanger Auxiliary, which showed their society to be in good working order. They invited the District Conference to meet with them next year. Miss Mollie Ross, of Gainesville, read a leaflet, "Why Persis Green Could Bring an Offering." It was on the subject of tithing and was discussed at some length by a number of the sisters and also the brethren present. One sister said we should pay our debts to the Lord just the same as we pay our other debts, and the tithe is the Lord's, and we do not pay our debts until we pay the tithe. Sister Nutting told how their auxiliary tithe their income. Some of the ladies said they have no income. One of the brethren said he thought the men were in fault along that line and thought they should give the ladies more money. Sister Nutting read another leaflet on the same subject, "Additional Details." Bro. Black read several scripture references on tithing. At the close of the discussion Sister Johnston, of Gainesville, said she would become a tither. Secretary read a leaflet, "Wanted—a Chance," which was briefly commented upon by Sister Nutting. After singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" we were dismissed by Bro. Black.

Thursday Afternoon.—Opened by singing "The Cross Is Not Greater Than His Grace." Sentence prayer by the ladies. Singing, "Sweeter Than All." The Secretary read "The Model Corresponding Secretary," which set forth the duties of that officer. Sister Nutting read the duties of the First Vice-Presidents, which was discussed at some length. The Third Vice-President's duties were read and discussed. Mrs. S. M. Black read an excellent paper, "The Field of the Woman's Home Mission Society," which told of the work done all over our beautiful Southland by the W. H. M. Society. Experience meeting: "What the W. H. M. Society Has Done for Me." A number took part in this service and told of the blessings received since engaging in this work, clearly demonstrating that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." The following resolution was offered and adopted:

"Whereas, The good people of St. Joe have extended such a hearty welcome to the Gainesville District Home Mission Society; and, whereas, they have so hospitably opened their homes and hearts to us, and have thus made us feel so welcome in their midst, and have thus contributed to our pleasure and enjoyment on this occasion; therefore be it resolved (1), that we pass a rising vote of thanks to the good people of St. Joe for their many kindnesses and hospitality; (2), that we shall only be glad when it is our privilege to return to St. Joe on any similar occasion. Signed—Miss Mollie Ross, Mrs. S. K. Manion, Mrs. S. M. Black."

After singing "He Is All in All to Me" several of the ladies of St. Joe expressed their appreciation at having the home mission ladies with them and that they had been benefited by the occasion. Nocona was chosen as the next place of meeting. Minutes were read and approved. After singing "Revive Us Again" we were dismissed by Bro. Porter.

Thus closed a pleasant, interesting and we trust, profitable meeting.

MRS. IDA BEAMER, Cor. Sec.

Program of the district meeting of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Pittsburg District to be held in conjunction with the District Conference at Daingerfield beginning Tuesday, June 25, 1906:

Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Welcome address, Mrs. J. R. Huff, Daingerfield; response to welcome, Mrs. F. S. Eberhart, Gilmer; vocal solo, Mrs. T. E. Russell, Pittsburg; sermon, Rev. C. M. Daniels, Texarkana.

Wednesday, 9 a. m., special music, Daingerfield; devotional, Rev. J. T. Smith; 9:30 a. m., reports from auxiliaries: DeKalb, New Boston, Hardy Memorial, Texarkana, Maude, Redwater and Naples (short verbal reports); 9:50 a. m., "The Supply Department and What It Means," Mrs. J. B. Greer, Pittsburg; 10:00 a. m., "The Pastor An Aid to the Home Mission Society," Rev. C. B. Cross, Atlanta; 10:20 a. m., "The Model President," Mrs. G. V. Ridley, Gilmer; 10:25, "The Mite Box Brigade," Mrs. J. B. Turrentine, Texarkana; 10:30 a. m., "Where Our Money Goes," Mrs. R. E. Wylie, Pittsburg; query box answered by Mrs. Phronia Hopkins, Mrs. C. F. Swayze, Mrs. E. R. Greer, Mrs. B. F. Brown and Mrs. J. R. Old; 10:40 a. m., "Three Important Features: (1) "The Spiritual," Miss Opie Dalby, Dalby Springs; (2) "The Intellectual," Miss Margie Mathews, Naples; (3), "The Social," Mrs. W. C. Barnwell, Gilmer; discussion, Mrs. M. M. Dixon, Mrs. E. E. Bryson; 11:00 a. m., sermon; vocal solo, Miss Maude Whitley, Texarkana; 3:00 p. m., reports from Dalby Springs, Omaha, Win-

field, Mt. Pleasant, Pittsburg, Gilmer, Daingerfield, Cason, Hughes Springs, Linden, Douglasville, Atlanta and Queen City; 3:30 p. m., "Tithing," Mrs. J. T. Smith, Pittsburg; 3:35 p. m., "Our Duty to the Stranger and the Prisoner," Mrs. L. Trotter; 3:40 p. m., "The Home Mission Society An Aid to the Pastor," Rev. W. H. Vance, Texarkana; 3:45 p. m., "The Model Corresponding Secretary," Miss Laura Proctor, DeKalb; 3:50 p. m., "Our Schools," Mrs. R. D. Hart, Texarkana; 3:55 p. m., "The Care of the Parsonage," Mrs. J. E. Anderson, New Boston; 4:00 p. m., "The Model Society" (this will be composed of a number of the delegates and will be presided over by officers who will show forth the workings of a well-organized society, discussing the pros and cons in the usual way, also trying to idealize our work); Christian fellowship; 8:00 p. m., address by our Conference President, Mrs. Woldert, Tyler; vocal duet, Mrs. T. E. Russell and Miss Anna Russell, Pittsburg; sermon, "Woman's Work," Rev. J. T. Smith; special music, Daingerfield; benediction, Rev. S. N. Allen.

Please let all who are to participate in the program take notice and be prepared. All names of delegates should be sent to Mrs. John Henderson, Daingerfield, stating on which trains they will arrive. I am authorized to state that all delegates to the District Conference and the district woman's meeting, going by way of Pittsburg, will be entertained at Pittsburg Monday evening, June 25.

MRS. G. E. CAMERON, Dist. Sec.

## HOW CAN THE MEMBERS BENEFIT THE AUXILIARY?

(A paper read by Mrs. Milton Ragsdale at district meeting, W. H. M. Society, Dallas District, held in First Methodist Church, Dallas.)

This subject demands the most earnest and prayerful consideration of each individual member, and I am fully conscious of my inability to do justice to that which is of such vital importance to the success of the woman's home mission as is the faithful discharge of the duties and the persistent work of every member, that she may benefit her auxiliary and advance the cause to which she is pledged. The relation existing between the members and the auxiliary is so close and so interdependent one upon the other that it must be treated as the parts of a whole, and as "the head can not say to the foot I have no need of thee, nor can the foot say to the head I have no need of thee," neither can the auxiliary say, "It matters not who nor what my members are, nor can the members say to the auxiliary I have no need of thee, I can do my work alone." Our duties are so clearly defined and set forth in the by-laws and constitution of the society, and the performance of those duties whereby we may benefit the auxiliary is so lovingly and so truthfully urged by our Executive Board, that we are forced to realize the heavy obligation resting upon us and that a failure to discharge the same will surely call forth the scathing rebuke, "Ye knew your duty, but did it not." Monthly we receive not only counsel but encouragement from that body of consecrated workers, and if we but heed the instruction thus given and imbibe the inspiration of their lofty ideal we can not fail to make at least a near approach to that ideal. Oh! that we could command "thoughts that breathe and words that burn," that we might impress you with the importance and magnitude of the home mission work and its dependence upon personal effort. We may say that to benefit the auxiliary we must attend punctually the stated regular meetings. Can we not arrange our home affairs that they may not conflict with our duties to the auxiliary and neither suffer loss? A prompt payment of dues and willingness to meet all assessments will be intensely profitable and be conducive to harmony of action and relieve our officers of a heavy responsibility. We offer another suggestion by which the member may benefit the auxiliary, that is by subscribing for "Our Homes" and "The King's Messenger." It is almost impossible to feel an interest in the work without an acquaintance with all its different departments as set forth in these periodicals, nor is this all, but from their pages we can receive an enthusiasm that will energize our efforts, broaden our views and consummate glorious results. Tithing practiced generally will be rich in benefits to the auxiliary. Visiting the sick and the stranger "in His name" gives vitality to the whole membership. Every visit reported at the regular meeting is an inspiration. Nothing will be of greater spiritual benefit to the auxiliary than a close and prayerful study of the scriptures, and without spirituality we are but as "sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal." Let us take the Bible for our guide and counsel; learn God's will concerning us, believe its sacred truths, cherish its promise; in daily life practice its teachings. In it we find our commission, "Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." "Love thy neighbor as thy-

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Mr. Pipes sailed from Galveston on the 4th for a two years' stay in Europe, traveling and studying and getting in touch with the art of the Old World.

Mr. Kruger left New York a few days ago for a summer vacation in Germany, where he had already gathered many laurels as a pianist before he came to make his home with us. Mr. Kruger while in Europe will secure the services of another eminent pianist for the "Kidd-Key Conservatory."

Miss Fowler is in Detroit, but will go a little later to New York, seeking, like the Athenians, "To hear some new thing."

In a few weeks Miss Clayton will go to "Columbia" for a course of lectures along the line of her work.

About the close of the month Mrs. Barry also will go to New York for the rest of the summer.

Miss Elizabeth Cowan will interest herself this vacation in appointments for a new and larger laboratory.

Mrs. Strotler and Miss Brown are seeking rest and recreation in Eureka Springs.

Miss Street, our popular Secretary, will have her outing at Mineral Wells for the next two weeks.

Mrs. Key still lingers at the "North Texas," but she is perennial. She never has to go in search of new ideas; they gravitate to her and inspiration abides with her ever. M. W. B.

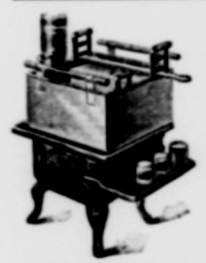
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self." "Go ye into all the world." "Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick and in prison: freely ye have received, freely give." But, dear sisters, we fear the most neglected altar is that of self-sacrifice. How hard it is to immolate self, but let the smoke from this altar be constantly ascending as incense to heaven's throne until naught but its ashes remain, then in its stead will spring up a life of loving service—yea, the Christ-life, gloried by deeds of unselfish ministrations—a life full of love to God and love to humanity. We must realize the fact that the fundamental qualification that will make the performance of our duties practicable is a true and deep consecration to the work. It is the work of the Master. The first condition of all really great moral excellence is a spirit of entire self-sacrifice and self-renunciation. No law of our nature is more uniform and certain in its operations than that which insures happiness from doing good to others, rendering a service to some one who needs it. Time and money given to selfish gratification often fails, but doing good never. It is a great blessing to have the love of God that longs to express itself in gifts. It is a great privilege to give freely, abundantly, to the Lord in expression of that love.

"It is not the deed we do,

Though the deed be never so fair,  
But the love the dear Lord looks for  
Hidden with holy care  
In the heart of the deed so fair."

Expressions of sympathy deepen and strengthen the work we do, not increasing the mere emotions, but cherishing and enriching the character from which they flow. The tree can not grow unless it expresses its life in the leaves. Sympathy with the poor expressed by gifts is worth many times the same gifts without sympathy. There is great heart-hunger in the world for love, and it is our mission as Christian workers to go forth with loving hearts and willing hands to alleviate the world's suffering and want, feed the famishing, raise the fallen, comfort the sorrowing, guide the erring into right paths, even the giving of a cup of cold water (though a very little thing) has God's blessing. But while we work and pray we must watch that no desire for selfish gain creeps in, but that all we do is done "in His name." Never forget that "the pride of the Pharisee follows close to the publican's humility."

Another incentive to the life and work of the auxiliary is the desire for honorable emulation. We are truly rich in store of noble Christian characters which we should desire to emulate. Look at the picture gallery of the Bible names that will never die, Dorcas making garments for the poor, Lydia holding a prayer-meeting by the riverside, the poor widow making her way, tremblingly, through that august assembly of the rich and powerful and casting her two mites into the Lord's treasury and thereby receiving the commendation of the Christ. Mary breaking the alabaster box, very precious, and anointing the Savior's feet; Martha, though careful and troubled about many things, giving loving service. Truly, each one was a power in her auxiliary. What an example have we in the founder of the Woman's Home Mission Society, Miss Lucinda B. Helm (any complimentary adjectives attached to her name would appear very tame), who with her co-workers, by personal effort, formulated and established an organization that this earth can not measure nor bound. God and eternity alone can give the results, and though their names may not be engraved upon marble in the hall of fame of illustrious women of earth, they are written in the Lamb's book of life, crowned with a halo of immortal glory. Very few who have tried to do God's work in the world have not felt a sense of their own inadequacy. At frequent times they have seen some duty that lies before them, some task they are called to do, and they shrink with an overpowering sense of their own inability to perform the work, but to such is the promise of divine help given. Paul of undaunted moral courage asked, "Who is sufficient for these things?" Afterwards he was able to say, "I can do all things through Christ, who strengtheneth me." This help and strength is promised to the humble worker in the Woman's Home Mission Society. What an honor is this Christ confers upon us in permitting us to work with him for the uplifting of humanity and in advancing the kingdom of God. With this assurance there can be no cause for discouragement, nor excuse for indifference. Then with a heaven-given enthusiasm let us redeem the time, do the work of our Lord, not negligently, not half-heartedly, but courageously and with gladness, and—

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## SECULAR NEWS.

Efforts are now being made to bring the session of Congress to an end Saturday, June 23. This means, most obviously, that the case of Smoot will not be disposed of at this session.

A dispatch from Washington states that a proposition has been evolved which is satisfactory to both Mr. Foraker and to Speaker Cannon and that Statehood will now be conferred upon Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

Partisans of the revolution are rejoicing over two victories gained in Northern Guatemala. Ocos, an important port garrisoned by Government troops, has fallen and the troops organized by Gen. Barrilas are in full possession. Aytla has also fallen. News from Southern Guatemala shows that the revolution is gaining ground rapidly. Gen. Toledo, after a fierce fight, on Friday last, in which he sustained a heavy artillery fire, made an advance suddenly on Saturday, capturing all Government cannons, which are now turned on Cabrera's troops. Victory was complete and Toledo's forces sustained but slight loss. It is expected by the revolutionists that the steamer Empire City will be taken by the United States warship Marblehead, but the Empire City has practically done all the work expected of her.

At Beaumont the other day W. J. Anderson, a saloon man, was fined \$200 and costs on a charge of violating the Terrell election law to the extent of furnishing money to another man for the purpose of paying his poll tax. This matter was made an issue in the last city election.

There is a movement on foot to make Wm. J. Bryan the Democratic nominee for President in 1908. Several recent State conventions have adopted resolutions favoring his nomination. "If he will only cut out Socialism and stick to Democracy," Democrats have been saying in their heart to heart discussion of the outlook. Now that Mr. Bryan, in the Berlin interview, has taken the first opportunity to draw the lines against Socialism, they believe all doubt of his nomination has been removed.

The Democratic Executive Committee, which met in Austin last Monday, has selected Dallas as the place for the State Convention to be held, beginning August 14. It decided that it had practically no authority left, under the election law, to do any thing else, but to make numerous recommendations as to tests for candidates and voters, the holding of primaries, etc. It adopted a report declaring the Terrell election law should be repealed and that a new law should be passed which would be simple and adequate and which would not interfere with party government. Afterward it was decided that this was bad politics and was beyond the scope of the power and authority of the committee. Accordingly it reconsidered and killed said recommendation.

At its present rate of development the United States Navy seems in a fair way to become as heavy drain upon the National Treasury as are some of the greatest standing armies of the Old World, says the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Over 63 per cent of all our revenue, exclusive of the postal service, are now being spent for war or in preparation for war. Representative Tawney is authority for this statement.

Three thousand Christian Socialists, after a meeting in the City Hall at Vienna, June 10, made a demonstration before the Hungarian Ministry Building, where the Hungarian delegation was sitting, breaking the windows. The police had difficulty in dispersing the demonstrators.

Dr. R. F. Adams, a naturalist, traveling in Texas, referred to the increase in dangerous snakes as attributable to the destruction of their natural enemies. Last year twenty cases of death from snake bites were reported in Texas, over 50 per cent of which were inflicted by highland moccasins, commonly called copperheads, a short, mottled viper, very venomous, much inclined to frequent gardens and lawns and often found in outhouses. Hawks, owls and chapparal cocks prey on snakes of all kinds, but they are scarce now, owing to the high-grade marksmanship of long-range riflemen. Chapparal cocks, also called road runners, prefer young snakes to any other food, but they are rarely found nowadays close to settlements. Wildcats, opossums and box tortoises catch, kill and eat snakes of all varieties. When deer were plentiful the bucks slew snakes by stamping them to death as a precaution against danger in coming unawares in striking distance. In former days, when razor-back hogs ranged freely in the land, they kept down snakes. It is a queer fact that with the advance of population and prosperity in Texas, wolves and snakes have multiplied.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

**Dublin District.**  
The delegates and visitors to the District Conference at Glen Rose will be met with conveyance at Walnut Springs June 26. Those who intend coming with their conveyance, please notify me at once.  
W. D. GASKINS, P. C.

**Llano District.**  
The date of meeting of the Llano District Conference is changed from June 20 to June 21, Thursday 9 a. m. Let all concerned take notice.  
THEOPHILUS LEE.

**Marshall District.**  
Committees Marshall District Conference:  
License to Preach—C. M. Cagle, J. C. Stewart, H. G. Williams.  
Admission on Trial—B. H. Greathouse, L. B. Elrod, P. R. White.  
For Deacons and Elder's Orders—J. L. Massey, C. H. Adams, C. R. Lamar.

The following are the chairmen of the various committees: Spiritual State, L. B. Elrod; Missions, W. W. Horner; Temperance, H. L. Griffin; Sunday-schools, R. M. Kelly; Quarterly Conference Records, W. W. Gollighugh; Education, B. H. Greathouse; Periodicals, J. L. Massey; Financial Plans, L. S. Schluter; American Bible Society, C. M. Cagle; Sabbath Observance, J. H. Hamblen Epworth Leagues, J. C. Stewart.  
JAS. W. DOWNS, P. E.

**Beaumont District.**  
The Beaumont District Conference will meet June 26 at 3 p. m., instead of June 27. This is done so as to allow the pastors, who have to get back to their own work by Sunday, to do so. I hope that the local preachers and lay delegates will arrange to spend Sunday in Kirbyville, the seat of our conference. The opening sermon will be preached Tuesday night, June 26, by Rev. F. M. Boyles.  
O. T. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

**THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE, WACO, TEXAS.**

While the Methodists of Texas are reading in the columns of the Advocate the glorious accounts of the commencement exercises of our different schools in our great empire State, perhaps they would like to have a brief notice of another one of our Methodist schools—that one located and carried on in our Methodist Orphanage, beautifully situated in the growing city of Waco, Texas, under the able management of Rev. W. H. Vaughan, of the Northwest Texas Conference, and the Assistant Manager, Rev. T. E. Bowman, of the North Texas Conference. This is eminently a Christian school, owned by and carried on under the auspices of our Southern Methodist Church, in the State of Texas.

The final examinations of this school began Friday, June 1, under the direction of her efficient faculty Brother W. T. Bachelor and his good wife Sister Bachelor, in all the grades taught in this school, reaching from the 2nd to the 8th grade, inclusive.

On Sunday, June 3, the wide-awake and enterprising Manager, Rev. W. H. Vaughan, inaugurated something new in the history of our schools. Instead of having one Commencement Sermon, two were arranged for. In Austin Avenue Church, at 11:00 a. m., Rev. C. R. Wright, the pastor, preached the first; his subject was, "The Eternal Christ," with all the orphans before him. In Fifth Street Church, at 8:30 p. m., Rev. Jerome Duncan, the pastor, preached the second, with all the orphans present, taking for his subject, "The Church's Obligation to Childhood." Both of these noble men of God and faithful pastors of the Orphanage preached splendid sermons, which were greatly enjoyed by all who heard them, and doubtless good seed were sown, that will ripen into a glorious fruitage, in the lives and characters of the children of the Orphanage, in the years to come.

On Monday night, June 4, a delightful entertainment was given by the children of the Orphanage at the Orphanage to a goodly and appreciative audience of friends and citizens from the city, and visitors from abroad. A nice and attractive program had been prepared, and was rendered in a way that would have done credit to many of our more noted schools.

The children who took part in the execution of this program acquitted themselves admirably, and reflected credit upon those who had had them

in training. The exercises of the evening closed with the presentation of two medals. One to the student, who had received the highest grade in department, and the other to the student who had received the highest grade in scholarship during the school year. The presentation speech was made by Rev. W. H. Vaughan, the much-loved Manager. His speech was timely and delivered in his own happy and unique style. Thus closed one of the most prosperous and satisfactory school years in the history of our Orphanage, which ought to gladden every Southern Methodist heart in Texas.

Let every Texas Methodist know that we have our own Orphanage located in Waco, and that it is in wise hands, and conducted under splendid management, and that the children in this home are being well cared for—physically, mentally, morally and spiritually. The Manager is now adding a \$10,000 improvement to the Boys' Building, which, when completed, will be equal to the girls' building in comfort and convenience and in architectural beauty, which is as it should be. Now, as the eyes of Texas Methodists chance to fall on these lines, let every Methodist heart warm in deepest interest and in tenderest love and sympathy toward this institution, and let all Methodists in Texas see to it that the Manager shall have ample material aid to more successfully carry forward this very Christly work in the future.  
J. G. PUTNAM, P. E.

**ABILENE DISTRICT.**  
Rev. A. C. Bell, of Tye, Texas, will help in meetings during the summer months. He has been attending the Polytechnic College. He is good help.  
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JOHNSON.—Abel Jefferson Johnson born February 1, 1851, near Bain Bridge, Lecatur County, Ga., fell asleep in Jesus October 18, 1905, at his home in Austin, Texas, where he had resided for more than thirty-five years; he was married to Mrs. M. A. Reeves, November 10, 1885, at Jasper, Texas. His wife, two sons and one daughter survive him. The wife, son, Thomas J. D., daughter, Fannie E., reside in Austin, and Joseph E. in Dallas. At an early age he joined the Methodist church, of which he was a consistent member until his death. His aim in life was to further the cause of the master. On all questions he had the courage to state his convictions and stand by them always on the side of right. For many years he traveled, as a colporteur over Texas for the American tract society of New York, going from house to house selling religious books, distributing tracts, holding prayer-meetings, talking and praying with the people, doing what he could to uplift the fallen, restore peace to the troubled, encourage and strengthen the weak. During his work for the society, which terminated on December 25, 1896, he had traveled overland in private conveyance 23,180 miles and camped out 2793 nights. Many who read this will doubtless remember dear old brother (Uncle Jeff) Johnson, the book man. During the past eight years he had been associated with his son, Thomas J. D., in the mercantile business at Austin, the last six months of which he was prevented from attending to his accustomed daily duties on account of failing health, most of the time being confined to his room, where many of his friends frequently called to see him, always to find him bright, cheerful and happy, telling them that he was ready and just waiting for the summons to call him to rest from his earthly labors. When it came his mind was clear and voice strong; many times during the morning he would say, "Oh! the brightness of the day overwhelms me! Glory, glory be to God on high!" It was hard to give him up after our having labored so long and faithfully to prolong his life, but in our bereavement his last words are a great comfort to our saddened hearts, as we know it is well with him. The funeral services were conducted from the family residence by Revs. D. K. Porter and J. A. French, which were characteristic of his life—plain and simple. He was laid to rest in the Austin Cemetery amid the prayers and tears of those who had loved him here, and may the holiness of his life spent in the cause of the divine Master draw many to the fold at last.

FANNIE E. JOHNSON.

DUNN.—Sister Bertie, daughter of Brother J. A. and Sister Mary Dunn, was born in Rutherford County, Tennessee, May 19, 1851, and died April 12, 1906. She moved with her parents to Collin County, Texas, in 1890. There she grew into womanhood. She was converted in 1894 and united with the M. E. Church, South, in which she lived a devoted and helpful life till death. Bertie was gifted with a strong, sweet voice, and often led the singing at her church. The Sunday-school never had a better friend or better worker. Before death she requested that her funeral be preached from Psalm 116:15: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints;" also that they sing, "I would not live always." In a short time after making this request, with mind perfectly clear, she said a tender farewell to little Addie, father, mother, brothers and sisters, and without a struggle passed over the deep, where they do not weep, into life eternal on the other side. Rev. S. Weaver preached the funeral sermon in her church St. Paul, and her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Wylie amid a large number of sympathizing relatives and friends.

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ONDERDONK.—Died at the residence of her parents, at Nursery, Texas, at 1 o'clock, a. m., April 9, 1906, Miss Lillie Onderdonk. Miss Lillie was born in Mission Valley, September 5, 1873, and was the daughter of Gilbert and Martha B. Onderdonk. Miss Lillie was almost a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, having grown up in the Church and early in her life consecrated herself to God and became an active member in the vineyard of her Lord. She was in the bloom of young womanhood and usefulness and possessed many lovable traits of character which won the admiration of all who knew her. In the circle of her home she was a devoted and dutiful daughter and sister, and sought not her own good, but that of those she loved so well. Her life was that of an active Christian, and she will not only be missed by her co-workers in the Church, but by many who were the recipients of her kind deeds. Her attainments and accomplishments were rare and unassuming. During her brief illness all that loving hands and medical skill could do, was done to alleviate her suffering and to prolong her life, but in spite of all, death came and the battle was fought, and by her the victory was won and her pure spirit went up to receive its reward, exclaiming: "Oh death, where is thy sting, Oh grave, where is thy victory?" May the spirit of God rest upon and comfort all the sorrowing ones. C. WILLIAMSON, P. C.

MARTIN.—James Wilson Martin was born in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, July 15, 1850. He was converted under the ministry of Rev. J. G. Putnam and united with the M. E. Church, South, in 1879; was married to Miss Emily McCulloch, November 9, 1879. Came to Montague County and located in Barrel Springs community, December 17, 1892, and died May 16, 1906. He leaves a wife and eight children, the oldest, Rev. Chas. P. Martin, is preacher in charge at Greenwood, Texas. Bro. Martin was a good, quiet, Christian gentleman, loyal to his Church, a loving husband and father, and a friend to every one. He lived near where the cyclone swept through Montague county, July 5, 1905, and he cared for some of the dead and wounded until the dead were buried, and the wounded were better. One of the last kind acts of his life was to pay as much as any other member of the Gainesville District Conference during its session at Nocona, for the relief of our preachers at Bellevue. In the death of our beloved brother, the Church militant is made weaker, but the Church Triumphant is made stronger, for we believe that his is a redeemed spirit, in a redeemed society, and in a redeemed universe. I would say to the bereaved wife and children: Sorrow not as those who have no hope, but emulate his life and you may walk the golden streets with him throughout eternity. R. E. PORTER, P. C.

GRISWOLD.—Etta Lee, daughter of R. W. and Louella Griswold, was born August 5, 1896, and, after a very painful illness of thirteen days' duration, she departed this life March 30, 1906. Within this brief span of nine years seven months and twenty-five days, lies the history of a very beautiful life. She was developed beyond her years both in body and mind. She was possessed of a most amiable disposition, ever kind, obedient, to parents, patient with her sisters and brother, who were younger than herself. She believed much in prayer, and had great faith that her own prayers would be answered. Her parents were of course, very anxious that she might be permitted to grow to womanhood, confidently expecting that as such she would have been a benediction to the world. She has gone from earth, leaving father, mother, two little sisters and one brother, besides many kindred and friends, and has gone to join her sister, who preceded her by five weeks to the better land. While the parents are greatly bereaved, yet they are submissive to the will of God, and are determined by His grace to meet the loved and lost in the Father's house." For pastor, FRANK HUGHES.

LAWSON.—On May 15, 1906, God called for John Franklin, infant son of G. A. and M. A. Lawson. This tender bud had only been in that home one month and one day, to brighten and bring gladness to this young father and mother, but in that short stay he had drawn his young mother's heart so close about him till it seemed that it would almost kill her to give him up. Weep not, dear young parents, for God has taken your babe to live with him and bids you follow on, and after a while "God shall wipe away all tears." Then you can see your dear babe again, as he stands with shining garments, made white in the blood of the Lamb. Then, dear parents, you will know why it was so. We laid this little body away in the Brandon cemetery on the 16th instant, to await the call of God, when it shall come forth. J. E. GILBREATH.

BEWLEY.—There comes a time when death enters all homes, and never fails to hang the mantle of sadness upon the walls. On April 9, 1906, Little Nick, the idolized baby of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Bewley, was taken to heaven by the angels. No more lovable child ever illuminated an earthly home. He was not only the sunshine of the home, but the pet of the aged grandparents. The little flower, though beautiful and fragrant as it was, must succumb to the ruthless hand of disease. Physicians and medicines, together with the loving hands of papa and mamma, were alike of no avail. The little flower has been transplanted to bloom forever on the other shore. Papa and mamma, you have a new interest in that wonderful land. Little dimpled hands are beckoning, "Come home." We laid him to rest in the Rosston cemetery, to await the resurrection. EDNA LEFLER.

HAWKINS.—Hon. Albert G. Hawkins, Judge of the Eighth Chancery District of Tennessee, died at his home in Huntington, May 17, 1906. Judge Hawkins was a brother of the sainted S. J. Hawkins, late of the North Texas Conference, and an uncle of Hon. W. E. Hawkins, Assistant Attorney General of Texas and State Senator A. S. Hawkins, of Abilene. Judge Hawkins was a true Christian and a staunch Methodist, and was honored by his Church as delegate both to the Annual and General Conference. As a Judge he was wise, just and equitable. He was a true Southern man and brave soldier, and carried with him to the grave marks of his courage received under the gallant Bedford Forrest. Sweet be his rest till He bids him arise. W. H. HUGHES.

BALLARD.—Mrs. Lizzie Ballard on May 14, 1906, departed this life from that dreaded disease, consumption, she had been in bed for four months, but was just as patient as she could be, and never seemed to worry over her afflictions. She was born in Arkansas, April 29, 1852. In her girlhood moved to Louisiana, then to Texas, and was married to Mr. J. B. Ballard. To this union were born seven children, all living but one little girl. Sister Ballard was a true wife and kind mother, and a devoted Christian. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when a girl and lived up to her duties. She was laid to rest in Pain cemetery. There are left to mourn the loss of Sister Ballard a very feeble husband and six children, five boys and one girl, and many other relatives and friends, but we all know where to find her. May we all live so as to meet her some sweet day in a better world. ELLEN THOMPSON.

FRANK.—In Jefferson, Texas, April 29, 1906, Mrs. H. M. Frank died. A noble spirit has gone from us; a grand career is ended. To unusual physical attractions she added a grace of manner which made her a charming companion to young, to old, to rich and poor. To an intellectual, cultured mind was added a heart overflowing with love. Her great force of character and modest demeanor made her eminently fitted to be a leader, and she was at the head of most philanthropic movements, especially to widows and orphans was she a friend. Where charity called, she was there. How we shall miss her! The melody of a sweet singer is hushed here; a new voice is added to a choir invisible. To the members of her family and to all her kindred, we offer our tenderest sympathy. To the great Father of Love we commend the dear little children, who cannot realize their bereavement. May He guide them through the tender years of development until their characters mature with the wonderful beauty she was impressing there. In her death we feel we have sustained an irreparable loss, and our town the loss of a woman whose influence extended to every home. S. T. T.

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CROWELL.—Frank H. Crowell, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Crowell, was born in Centerville, Texas, October 13, 1873; departed this life March 29, 1906. He professed religion and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1893, to which Church he was devoted and loyal until the time of his death. He was married to Miss Nellie Reel, a highly cultured Christian woman of San Marcos, Texas, November 3, 1897. To this union were born four sons, one of whom, an infant four months old, followed his father to the glory world in twelve days. In January, 1901, he moved to Jewett and engaged in the mercantile business, being a junior partner in the firm of Keeton & Crowell. In Frank Crowell were developed all those elements that go to make up true Christian manhood. He was, indeed, a sweet Christian character, and the memory of his life will be to his sorrowing friends an odor of sweet perfume. He was not afraid to die, his only regret that of dying so young, and leaving his wife and little boys to fight the battles of life without the directing hands of a husband and father. He was a faithful son, a kind and gentle husband, and a devoted and loving father. I know of no man who had more love for his family. He was a Master Mason, and Past Master of the Centerville Lodge; also Past Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and was laid to rest with Masonic honors in the Centerville cemetery, amid hosts of sorrowing friends and relatives. Frank Crowell is "at rest," and while we mourn our loss, we know where to find him, and we doubt not that by the merit of the Lion of the tribe of Judah, in the resurrection of the just, his body shall become as incorruptible as his soul. We pray for his widowed mother, who is bereft of her son, who was her solace in affliction, and on whose strong arm she had hoped to lean in her declining years. We pray for his devoted and faithful wife and his three little boys whose loss is irreparable. We pray for his brother and all of his relatives who are left to mourn their loss, and may the grace of Him who "tempers the wind to the shorn lambs" prove sufficient to them all in this, the darkest hour of their lives. May his spirit lead, and his grace sustain them amid the storms of life, and may they meet him in that land where sorrow is no more, and where sickness and death can never enter. CHARLIE HUGHES.

GRAVES.—Miss Leora Graves daughter of John and Rebecca Graves, was born in McNairy County, Tennessee, November 3, 1850, and died May 31, 1906. She lived with her brother near Tuscola, Texas. She had been a member of the M. E. Church, South, thirty-four years; was a faithful member at Lemons Gap Church. She called her father a few minutes before she died looked up and raised her hands up just as high as she could, and looked as if she saw him. He had been dead and buried for many years. All present were impressed with the scene of her death. She leaves two brothers and four sisters and her mother to mourn their loss. May God bless the dear friends, and may they all meet her in the good world. She suffered long, but with patience she bore it well. She often spoke of heaven and the angels. Thank God, to-day she is singing with the dear ones; so by and by we can all join her and sing together that new song that the angels could not sing. Let us pray for Grandma Graves in her old age, that God may give her grace and victory. The writer preached her funeral at Lemons Gap Cemetery, where we laid her down to rest till the great day of days when the graves shall open and the dead shall rise. Thank God for the promise of a re-union where we shall rise and meet our dear ones. Boys, be kind to grandma; girls, be good to her, for she is soon to leave you here and join her dear ones in the good world. W. L. A. SELF, Tuscola, Texas.

ALLEN.—William Allen McLeod was born in Clarke County, Alabama, Sept. 6, 1854; joined the Methodist Church when about twelve years old; was married to Miss Mary Zeola Vaughn Sept. 9, 1883, and died in Mobile, Ala., May 27, 1906, leaving an aged mother, two brothers and a wife and five children to mourn their loss. In his boyhood an accident deprived him of his left arm. He fitted himself for the vocation of teacher and has spent most of his life in this noble work. As a member of the Church and a Christian, his was not a negative life, but one of active usefulness. So faithfully did he discharge his duties as a father that his wife says her part in the training of the children has been comparatively easy. His death was sudden and tragic. He stepped in front of a moving train and was knocked down and injured so badly that he died the next morning without having regained consciousness. Of course, he left no dying testimony, but we do not need it. The best dying testimony is a Christian life, which we know he led. W. A. MONTGOMERY, Mobile, Ala.

LANE.—Isaac T. Lane was born in Morgan County, La., September 2, 1835, and moved with his parents to Fayette County, Texas, in 1853, and died at the home of his sister, Mrs. I. R. Kirk, in Liberty Hill, Texas, May 29, 1906, aged seventy years and seven months. He was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for fifty-three years. For several years he rendered valuable services as one of Terry's Texas Rangers, and was a Confederate soldier in Debray's Regiment. At the time of his death he was a member of the John B. Hood Camp of United Confederate Veterans. Until recently he had been a Capitol Policeman in Austin. He was a brother of C. J. Lane, an itinerant Methodist preacher, and of J. W. Lane, a local preacher. The only surviving member of his family is his sister, Mrs. I. R. Kirk, of Liberty Hill. As a citizen, soldier and officer, he was faithful in the discharge of duty. As a friend he was constant, devoted and true; and as a Christian he was prayerful and sincere—a man of marked degrees of the graces of patience and fortitude. Z. V. LILES, Liberty Hill, Texas.

ROSE.—Little Felix Rose, son of Albert and Alice Rose, was born June 4, three years ago. He was a bright child, and his fond parents no doubt looked forward to the time with joy when he should become a strong man mentally as well as physically. But their fond hopes were blighted by his unexpected death. He was sick only a few days and then the little soul took its flight to its home in the skies, to be with our Savior. It is very hard for the parents to give up their darling little boy, but we would endeavor to comfort them with this thought that "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." The Lord said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not." Though it is hard to give him up, yet we rejoice in the fact that he is in a better land. May God grant that this suffering may be sanctified to Brother and Sister Rose's eternal interest. B. A. MYERS, P. C.

GARLAND.—Brother J. J. Garland was born in Marion District, South Carolina, May 18, 1821. In the year 1850 he moved to Leon County, settling the same tract of land on which he lived when the summons came, January 29, 1906. Brother Garland joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of twenty-three years. He was an earnest and devoted Christian, and proved himself as loyal to the banner of Christ as he was to the flag under which he fought during the Civil War. Brother Garland was not afraid when the end came. The God in whom he had trusted while living did not leave him comfortless in the hour of death. Brother Garland leaves a wife and seven children to mourn. But they do not feel that they have lost him forever, for they are looking to the time when they will all be gathered together once more. ALVIN P. BRADFORD, P. C.

MILLER.—Etna F. Miller (formerly Miss Etna Runyon), better known, perhaps, to the preachers of our conference who have preached in Johnson County, as the daughter of Sister M. E. Ray, one of the most unflinching members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was born March 11, 1874, in Johnson County, Texas, in the Bruce community. She professed religion when about twelve years of age and joined the Baptist Church. She was married January 17, 1894, to Mr. W. C. Miller, from which union there were five children. After her marriage she joined the M. E. Church, South, and, as she had in the Baptist Church, she lived a faithful and consistent member to the day of her death, which sad event occurred January 18, 1906. As she had lived, so she died in the triumph of an unwavering faith in Christ. She was laid to rest with others of her loved ones in the old cemetery at Crowley, to await the resurrection of the body. Her dear husband and children will miss her sorely. Her mother, still faithful, and her sister and brothers and other loved ones feel that their loss is great, but they know where to find her, and await with hope that blessed union that shall come by and by when the farewell will never again be uttered. Blessed hope, blessed day. G. S. WYATT, Fort Worth, Texas.

BELL.—Our Church at Preston is again in grief. Death has taken one of our aged members, George H. Bell, removing from us a good man, kind father, affectionate husband, loving neighbor and a consecrated member of the Methodist Church. Those who are left have only his clay over which to weep and pour forth the burnings of sad and broken hearts. Bro. Bell lived a beautiful, consistent, Christian life. He was loved by all who knew him. But he had to go. Vain was the work of tender hands and loving hearts—in vain was the skill of a good physician; the summons came and

must be obeyed. Quietly and peacefully he passed away while surrounded by a loving wife, five children, relatives and friends. We would say, dear wife and children, weep not as those who have no hope. But follow on in the steps of the departed loved one and soon God will say "come up and live with George, and be forever at home." J. T. TURNER.

PERRY.—Sister Fannie Perry was twenty-four years old and died April 20, 1906. Sister Perry was a member of the Methodist Church, and we think she lived and died a Christian. She leaves a husband and two children and a host of friends to mourn her absence. May God bless and take care of the husband and two little children. J. J. MURPHY.

TUNNELL.—Mrs. Kittie Tunnell, daughter of Rev. George A. and Mrs. Mary Stewart, was born in Coosa County, Alabama, May 15, 1845. She came to Texas with her father's family, who settled near old Jamestown in Smith County, when she was three years old; was educated in the common schools at Jamestown; was converted and joined the Methodist Church when a small girl. She was married to J. T. Tunnell December 17, 1867, and came to Comanche County with her husband in 1868, and settled in the town of Comanche in 1872; moved from there to Proctor in 1901, where she died at 3:45 a. m., May 24, 1906. She was buried the following day in Oakwood Cemetery at Comanche. Brother Fort, the pastor there, conducting the services. His sermon was from St. Paul's testimony, "I have fought a good fight," etc. She was a zealous worker in all departments of Church activities as long as her health would permit. Was a charter member and first President of Comanche Chapter "Daughters of the Confederacy." She was a faithful and true wife, and a kind and affectionate mother to the orphan children raised in the family. Taking her life as a whole, together with her recent testimonies, I feel no anxiety whatever in reference to her spiritual destiny. I know where to find her. Her bereaved husband, J. T. TUNNELL.

WATERS.—Ann Eliza Waters (nee Smith) was born in Hopkins County, Texas, near Sulphur Bluff, on the 3rd day of April, 1872, and died on the 16th day of March, 1906. In 1892 Sister Waters professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, and from that time she was a consistent and faithful member of the Church, doing all within her power to further the cause of the Master. In 1894 she was married to Mr. Joseph Waters, with whom she lived happily till she was called up higher. Her husband and four children survive her, also her aged mother, one sister and two brothers. For about seven months prior to her death she was confined to her bed constantly and was a great sufferer, yet she did not murmur or complain, but said that when the Master was ready to summon her, that she was ready and willing to go. She talked as complacently about her departure as if she was going to take a pleasure trip. We buried her at Sulphur Bluff, Texas, there to await the resurrection, when that which was sown in weakness will be raised in strength and power. May the God of all grace and mercy grant a blessing to the bereaved husband and orphan children. J. F. HOLMES.

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H. G. H.

In Advocate of April 26, Chas Killian of Elida, N. M., settled the matter of superannuates' homes. He says: "They should come to New Mexico and get homes. Each one of them can get a hundred and sixty acres of good land here for a filing fee of \$18.00. Opportunities to preach are plentiful."

I wonder if Bro. Killian ever saw a superannuated preacher he is usually a man over twenty-five years of age, but, strange to tell, he is grey, furrowed in cheek, somewhat bent and feeble in body, eyes dim, garments a little decayed, not hunting for a place to preach, but for a place to die. But on special occasions, such as conference, he is as chipper as a jay-bird. When he gets tired he is like an old horse—doesn't get rested quick. He would like to preach, but his legs won't hold out to get to his appointment.

Bro. Killian says let all these old stagers go far out to the wilds of New Mexico and settle on 160 acres of new land, probably twenty miles from any neighbors. Each one must carry along with him \$1,000 worth of lumber, \$20 worth of nails, 4 plows, some furniture, \$20 worth of seeds, 4 horses, 2 cows, hoes, rakes, etc., etc. He doesn't need a carpenter to help him put up his house, for if his old back is not strong enough to raise the timbers and stretch \$200 worth of wire fence he can handle a dug-out and keep company with prairie dogs. But to do all this he must not be over 25 years of age. As to whether he ever plowed a furrow or not cuts no figure in the case. Bro. Killian says he can get him a home—all the superannuates—hundreds and hundreds of them throughout the Church. Here is a great saving to the Church and a bonanza for these young fellows. Bro. Killian thinks they are young men. Take heed, Bro. Monk, Keith, Shaw, Killough, Shugart, Hill Denton, Nolan, Williamson.

The trouble about taking advantage of Killian's generous proposition is the conference does not seem to have sense enough to superannuate these men when in their youthful vigor. The conference must do better and these old fellows must go west "and grow up with the country."

#### SUPERANNUATE HOMES.

I hereby wish to thank the editor of the Advocate for the recent splendid editorial on "Superannuate Homes." It is sure to bear fruit. Personally, I am much pleased that the matter of providing individual homes for our conference claimants is meeting such favor among our leading men. Recently the St. Louis Advocate contained an editorial calling attention to the work, and commending our plan in the North Texas Conference. I say I am pleased with these commendations, for as I have looked more closely into the work and corresponded with the claimants themselves, I am convinced that we have fallen on a solution of a neglected problem in our Methodism. If this plan is rightly understood and appreciated by our

people, it will insure every one of our old men and, after their death, their families a home. These homes will be held in trust for the Church, but the occupant will be protected by a lease, which will insure him a home unmolested, as much as if he were in his own house. I met a proposition last week that made me feel more than ever the necessity of this work. One of our superannuates who located at our last conference has built himself a home. His little savings of a thirty-five years' pastorate amounted to \$1000. His home cost him that amount and a little more. He was compelled to borrow \$100 and now has no money and this fact he told me troubled him not a little. Now, if the Church had had a home to have supplied this worthy man, he would have had his little savings as a nucleus, and he would then have been financially able to have lived, probably not being a claimant upon the Board at all. As it is, he must and will be assisted. It is the policy of the Permanent Board of the North Texas Conference to pay no money out on a home that is not needed to the Church. The Board has a fund already to assist communities or individuals in building homes, but nothing can be done where the home is not needed to the Church. On thought, this will be found a wise provision. Deeds have been printed and I will take pleasure in sending any interested party one of these blank deeds. They explain the plan of holding these homes. One of our presiding elders informs me that he has a home on his district which has been given by a liberal layman, which he will announce in a few days. Let the good work go on.

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The first hour of each day will be spent in mission study under the leadership of a number of trained teachers. The new textbook in the Forward Mission Study Series, "The Christian Conquest of India," by Bishop James M. Thoburn, will be used in these classes. This will be followed by an Institute hour, which will afford an opportunity to consider approved methods of missionary work in Churches, Sunday-schools and young people's societies. The Institute will be divided this year into groups in or-

der to give delegates an opportunity to specialize on such phases of missionary activity as may be of particular interest to them. The Institute hours will be in charge of a group of experienced missionary workers.

The third hour of the day will be given to addresses by returned missionaries. The afternoons will be devoted entirely to recreation, with exceptionally favorable environments. The evening will be occupied with Bible study classes, followed by a platform meeting.

A railroad rate of one first class fare plus twenty-five cents for the round trip, on the certificate plan, has been granted by the Southeastern Passenger Association. Hotel rates for the ten days are as follows: One person in a room, \$7.50; two or more in a room, \$12.50. The special hotel rates are offered to delegates only. An enrollment fee of five dollars must be paid by each delegate to cover expenses incurred in conducting the conference. Rooms can not be reserved until this fee is paid.

Further information will be sent upon request to John W. Shackford, 346 Public Square, Nashville, Tenn.

#### ANOTHER APPEAL.

An appeal was sent from the Mission Rooms at once upon hearing of the disaster which had befallen our people on the Pacific Coast. This appeal was endorsed by the College of Bishops the following week in their meeting at Louisville. The result of the call was the sum of \$7,500, which has been increased to about \$10,000 to date.

During the session of the General Conference letters came from our brethren on the coast indicating the dire extremity of some of our people, who were actually dependent upon daily rations at the hands of the Federal authorities. A pastor of one of our leading Churches said it was a new experience to have to go to the Government station for bread and meat for his wife and children.

While this condition is not so acute today, several of our pastors are without salaries because their congregations have been swept away in large part or utterly ruined, and Churches have to be repaired and one of them entirely rebuilt. It is estimated that we need at least \$25,000. This leaves the sum of \$15,000 still to be secured.

The following resolution was adopted by the General Conference and endorsed by the College of Bishops.

"Resolved, That the General Conference now in session in Birmingham expresses its deep and heartfelt sympathy with the sufferers, its admiration of their heroic spirit, and hereby indorses the action of the College of Bishops and of the Board of Missions and of the Board of Church Extension by urging immediate collections and gifts on the part of all our preachers and people, which shall be sent to J. E. Hamilton, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn., to be applied as the College of Bishops may direct.

W. R. LAMBUTH,  
T. T. FISHBURNE,  
W. F. McMURRY,  
SETH WARD,  
JOHN C. KILGO,  
E. B. CHAPPEL.

We heartily approve the foregoing action.

A. W. WILSON,  
JOHN C. GRANBERY,  
WALLACE W. DUNCAN,  
CHARLES B. GALLOWAY,  
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SETH WARD,  
JAMES ATKINS.

Birmingham, Ala., May 15, 1906.

We make one more appeal because of the necessity of the case and because less than four hundred out of five thousand charges have responded. Will you not urge immediate collections and have returns sent to J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn.? The funds are to be applied under the direction of the College of Bishops.

W. R. LAMBUTH,  
Nashville, Tenn.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer of the Texas Conference for May, 1906.

Beaumont District—Beaumont, V. A. Godbey: Foreign missions, \$166. Burkeville, J. T. Hooks: Bishops' fund, \$2.50, foreign missions, \$3, domestic missions, \$3. China and Sour Lake, F. O. Favre: Bishops' fund \$5, conference claimants \$16. Liberty, J. R. Ritchie: Domestic missions \$3. Kountze, A. J. Anderson: Domestic missions \$20. Nederland and Sabine Pass, C. A. Montgomery, Foreign missions \$11.50, domestic missions, \$11.50, orphanage \$5. Orange, H. T. Cunn-

ham: Bishops' fund \$10, foreign missions, \$35, domestic missions, \$3. Wallisville, B. C. Rausch: Foreign missions \$5, orphanage \$5.

Brenham District—Brenham, S. R. Twitty: Children's day \$5.15. Buckholts, J. F. Garrett: Conference claimants \$5.25, foreign missions \$2.25, domestic missions \$2, orphanage \$4.50, children's day, \$6. Caldwell, C. U. McLarty: Expenses delegates General Conference \$3, Bishops' fund \$10, conference claimants \$17, foreign missions \$40, domestic missions \$35.50, church extension \$10, education \$10. Fulshear and Brookshire, M. A. Thurman: Conference claimants \$5. Lexington, W. M. Sherrill: Domestic missions \$11. Milano, W. W. Adams: Orphanage \$5. Rockdale, S. W. Thomas: Foreign missions \$50, domestic missions \$55. Thorndale, J. W. Wayne: Expenses delegates General Conference \$1, foreign missions \$11.50, domestic missions \$12.50.

Calvert District—Calvert, G. A. LeClere: Domestic missions \$74.63. Centerville, A. P. Bradford: Domestic missions \$24. Durango, J. B. Gregory: Foreign missions \$5, domestic missions \$13, orphanage, \$3. Jewett, C. W. Hughes: Domestic missions \$34.50. Kosse, D. W. Gardner: Domestic missions, \$40. Rogers Prairie, A. T. Walker: Orphanage \$5.

Houston District—Alvin, W. L. Pate: Bishops' fund \$8, conference claimants \$1.25, foreign missions \$57, domestic missions \$22, church extension \$17, education \$10, orphanage \$2. Paine and Lane \$2. Houston, J. W. Moore: Domestic missions \$100. League City, A. Methvin: Domestic missions \$30. Galveston, Glenn Flinn: Foreign missions \$65.

Huntsville District—Anderson, J. F. Bilbro: Foreign missions, \$26. Bryan, I. F. Betts: Foreign missions \$66. Iola, A. J. Frick: Domestic missions \$15. Millican, J. C. Huddleston: Foreign missions \$23.50, domestic missions \$19.50, orphanage \$10. Waller, J. W. Hennessee: Domestic missions \$8, orphanage \$5. Willis and Cenroe, R. W. Adams: Foreign missions \$50, domestic missions \$50.

Palestine District—Brasby Creek, I. F. Pace: Children's day \$2.10. Elkhart, J. J. Murphy: Foreign missions \$8. Grapeland, C. B. Coberly: Education \$10. Jacksonville, J. M. Smith: Domestic missions \$5.50. Palestine, T. H. Morris, Foreign missions \$133. Rusk, C. A. Hooper: Foreign missions \$21. Trinity and Lovelady, Stuart Nelson: Bishops' fund \$11, children's day \$4. Willard, Frank Platt: Foreign missions, \$28.

San Augustine District—Center, J. W. Goodwin: Domestic missions \$55, children's day \$4.15. Garrison, J. B. Luker: Domestic missions \$11.25. San Augustine, J. F. Carter: Expenses delegates General Conference \$1, Bishops' fund \$11, foreign missions \$49, domestic missions \$47, orphanage \$12. Tenaha, C. N. Morton: Children's day \$2.15. Melrose, F. E. Luker: Foreign missions \$5.65.

Tyler District—Lindale, H. J. Hayes: Children's day \$5.85. Missions \$5.65.

L. L. JESTER,  
Treasurer of Texas Conference.

#### BOOK NOTICES.

"The Bright Side of Country Life," by "Billy Barney." In fact this book is written by our old friend, W. A. Bonner, Esq., a leading attorney of this city. It is a compilation of fine short stories of men and women in country life. Some of these are serious, others are humorous, and a number of the grotesque and ludicrous; but all of them are real and deeply interesting. They cover a period of our history reaching away back before the Civil War. It is a spicy book and replete with amusement and entertainment, and, withal, it is instructive.

"The Problem of the Pentateuch," by Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D. D., and published by Longmans, Green & Company. This is a small volume consisting of three lectures delivered at the Virginia Theological Seminary. It is a brief examination of the results of higher criticism in its dealings with the first five books of the Bible. For busy preachers, it is a valuable production. They will not have to wade through interminable intricacies to find out what higher criticism has done for the sacred writings.

"The Good News in Story and Song," issued by the American Tract Society. It contains the entire New Testament, followed by a collection of old time hymns.

"A Lecture on the Pioneer Circuit Rider," prepared and delivered by Rev. H. H. Smith, of Elmont, Va. The author has gathered out of his experience and from the experiences of the old time circuit rider things not found in the books and it is a rich contribution to our Methodist literature. It is rare, racy and captivating.

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#### MAGAZINE NOTICES.

Scribner's for June opens with a plea for the "Larger Training of the American Army," by Capt. T. B. Mott. This is followed by a charming nature article by F. M. Chapman, who has made English bird life a study. Mr. E. S. Curtis furnishes another installment of Indian photographs, under the head of "The Tribes of the Northern Plains, while Madam Waddington writes of an old Norman town. Throughout the number are poems and good articles of fiction.

The Atlantic Monthly has a large number of well written articles on various subjects of importance. Among them are the following: "The Hague Conferences and the Future of Arbitration;" "How Ought Wealth to be Distributed;" "The White Death of the Soul;" "Philosophy and Tramps," etc. There are other contributions by experts in their line. The number is rich with materials for the student of current events.

The special feature of the American Review of Reviews for June are illustrated articles on the San Francisco fire and the city's future by ex-Mayor James D. Phelan, President Benj. Ide Wheeler, Dr. E. T. Devine and Samuel E. Moffett; a discussion of fire insurance problems by Louis Windmuller; a geologist's explanation of earthquake phenomena, by N. H. Darton; a forecast of the Pan-American Conference to be held at Rio this summer, by Charles M. Pepper; a character sketch of George Clemenceau, "The Warwick of French Politics," by W. T. Stead; an account of the long and interesting career of Carl Schurz, by Fabian Franklin; an article on "The Indian of Today and To-morrow," by Charles M. Harvey, illustrated with many photographs of prominent Indian personalities; a description of the successful methods of rice-culture adopted in Texas and Louisiana, by Robert S. Lanier; and "What the People Read in Canada," by P. T. McGrath.

#### COMPLIMENTARY RESOLUTIONS.

Recognizing the law of limitation in the economy of our Church by which our presiding elder, J. C. Wilson, now serves his last year as such, we therefore wish to express to him our sincere gratitude for his faithfulness and loyalty to the cause of Christ among us.

It is a source of pleasure to us all that under his supervision, Methodism has advanced and the district has become enlarged; therefore be it

Resolved, That we shall give him up with reluctance, and pray that in the future his ways may be ways of pleasantness, and all of his paths be those of peace.

We commend him to the love and confidence of the brethren.

He will always hold a warm place in our hearts and will be remembered in our devotions that wherever his lot may be cast the word and work of the Lord may prosper under his ministry.

W. A. GOVETT,  
J. H. MOORE,  
L. B. ELLIS,  
R. S. ADAIR,  
JNO. W. WILLIAMS,  
E. G. GILLET,  
A. Y. OLD.

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J. A. YEATES, Carthage, Texas.

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