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GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY.

We have sometimes tried to picture to ourself the scene in heaven when the Lord made known to the angels his purpose to send that glad, sweet message to the Judean shepherds. We imagine that every one of the heavenly inhabitants eagerly asked to be the honored messenger. We imagine that all heaven resounded with the rustle of their snowwhite wings and the clamor of their eager voices as each one asked for himself the joyful task and put himself in readiness to fly away to earth, should he be the chosen one. And when the Lord Almighty commissioned a great host of them and said "Go!" we imagine they sped away like beams of light on pinions of love. One of them, however, seems to have outstripped ail his companions in their flight, and came first to the shepherds and delivered his joyful message ere the others arrived; yet they were only a moment behind him, for no sooner had this swiftwinged messenger of God made his brief announcement than "suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will toward men."

It would seem that the angels became happy in delivering their message, so glad were they to tell the world of the long looked for advent of its Savior. They feit in their own hearts the joy of the good news which they brought to men, and doubtless they made those Judean hills ring with the loud notes of their "Gloria in excelsis." And who among men is not made glad by telling to his fellow-men this old, old story-old, yet ever new? As when the angels sang it, so now, it blesses twice: those who hear and those who tell it, filling the hearts of both with joy unspeakable and full of glory. And this is so because the gospel is, as the word implies, "good news." It is the gladdest, sweetest story this old world has ever heard, whether from the tongue of men or angels.

The gospel is good tidings of great joy because it is

A Message of Peace.

"Peace on earth, good will toward men." The state of the world has ever been one of warfare; war and strife between nations and tribes and individual men. Only three times were the iron doors of the temple of Janus, the god of war, closed during all the centuries of Roman history. Every nation on earth has offered its noblest sons by the thousands in bloody sacrifice to this war god. Every plain has been at some time a battlefield and every valley a burial ground for those slain in carnage.

But there is a warfare more lamentable than any waged by hostile armies-it is the warfare which goes on in the breast of every man; it is the strife between the passions; it is the battle betweeen fleshly lusts which war against the soul; it is the bitter contention and conflict of man's higher nature with the lower and the lower with the higher, eternity. The gospel is full of blessed awhich makes his heart like the troubled sea that can not rest.

And there is yet a strife sadder still. It is the strife of man with God; it is the contention of the creature with the Creator; it is the bitter enmity of the human heart against God; it is that high-handed rebellion of proud man against his rightful sovereign.

But the gospel comes and throws its sweet spell of peace over all. It first makes man to be at peace with God. Jesus, the Son of God and brother of man, revealing to man the infinite love of God, reconciles each to other and so makes peace. And what a blessed peace this is! Some of us remember how, more than forty years ago, when our nation had been rent and torn by a cruel war, the news was flashed over the land that peace had been made. We in the Southland knew that this meant the loss of all save honor, yet we rejoiced that peace had been restored to our nation. But how faintly does this portray the peace which the gospel brings! That was a peace resulting only in the cessation of hostilities; this is a peace resulting in good will toward and in men. The South laid down her arms and accepted the terms of peace, not because she was reconciled to the North, but because she had been conquered by overpowering numbers; but in Christ God hath reconciled man unto himself, and now man fights against his Maker no more, because he has been conquered by

How sweet and precious is the peace which the gospel brings to human hearts! It stills the angry passions; it subdues and destroys all fleshly lusts; it enables the higher and nobler part of man to conquer, and gives : his better self complete mastery. "My peace I give unto you," said our blessed Lord. The gospel, with its revelations of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God, with its Golden Rule and its New Commandment, makes man to be at peace with his fellowman; and when its blessed leaven shall have permeated the whole lump of humanity, then will there be peace among all nations, and they will learn war no more. Already and rapidly are Christian nations coming under the peaceful spell of the gospel, and soon shall men sing the angelic song, "Peace on earth, good will to men," not as a prophecy. but as a gloriously realized fact.

The gospel is good news of great joy be-

A Message of Hope

to a world lost in sin and despair. The whole world was groping in the darkness of despair when Jesus came. The heathen had lost faith in their gods, and even the Jews were fast becoming godless materialists, many of them denying that there were angels or spirits or any resurrection. "Let us eat and drink," for tomorrow we die," said both Jew and Gentile. And what better have we to say, except we speak by the authority of him who came to bring life and immortality to light? But as we listen to him, speaking before the tomb's sealed door, and saying, "I am the resurrection and the life," we are inspired with a better hope, both for time and

surances to man that he shall gain the vic tory over evil in himself and over all enemia of his soul, and over the last enemy, which is

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A Message of Love.

It is the revelation of God's love to sinfu men. "God so loved the world!" Before that revelation was made in Christ the world had an altogether wrong conception of God. He was cruel, tyrannical, bad, and hence men could not love him. But the gospel reveals him as a God of love and altogether lovely, a compassionate Father, a merciful Savior, a tender and sympathetic friend. God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son. Christ so loved men that he gave himself, in life and unto death, a ransom for them. The gracious purpose of the gospel is to take out of the hearts of men all bitterness and hate and fill them with divine love; to make men love God supremely and their fellow-men as

The gospel is good tidings of great joy because it is

A Message of Salvation.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. "And thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins." The gospel is a message of peace, and a message of hope, and a message of love, because it is a message of salvation. In this is the secret of its power over men; it brings them salva tion from sin-from the guilt, the power, the pollution and the death of sin. It saves men from that which destroys both soul and body It destroys in man and eradicates from his nature that which had transformed his peace into strife, his hope into despair, his love

Well might the herald angels sing, and well may we evermore sing, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will toward men," for we have received from thos honored messengers of God, and from his divine Son through the gospels, "good tidings of great joy." May this old, old story, this sweet, glad message, rejoice our hearts as we keep anew the feast of his birth!

A CHRISTMAS MEDITATION.

Christmas ought to carry with it a deep religious significance. It stands for the most stupendous event in the history of the world. It celebrates the incarnation of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of menthe event long foretold in prophecy and divinely realized in the Babe born in Bethlehem. He came to make known the Father side of God to men, to reveal the heavenborn principle of Love. Prior to his coming the world had but a vague idea of God. The heathen world had gods many, the philosophical world was materialistic, the military world worshiped at the shrine of power, and the dominant idea of government was despotism. The leading Jewish idea was toward God as King of kings and Lord of lords. The great, tender principle of Love, Mercy,

Compassion and Fatherly kindness was practically unknown. The poor, the distressed, the unfortunate, the down-trodden, the maimed, the halt, the blind, were without help and without efficient provision.

Christ came to reverse the world's ideas of God and to change the world's conception of God. He represented the idea of Love, teem of the world he was an innovation, an impostor; and the world assumed an attitude of hostility toward him. The common people heard him gladly, but the common people were helpless; they had no power, no rights. They were ground down by the greed of the strong. Those in authority inaugurated a war to the death against him, and he was

But crucifixion could not destroy him. He was born of eternity. Having died, he became apotheosized, and from the cross he went forth to victory. Love can not die. There is that in the human breast that responds to Love, and in the heart and in the ife of Christ Love articulated the woes, the misfortunes, the struggles and the oppressed aspirations of humanity. He made the redemption of human life and human hope a possibility. He emptied the wealth of the numan kindness that flows into the veins of I the Son of God. His whole life was one of Love, Kindness, Peace and Gentleness. Hence Christmas means something to us. and as we celebrate it we rejoice in the birth of the Babe of Bethlehem. Around that Manger in the long ago was kindled a hope that is buoyant still mong the children of and opened up a world of joy to the young life of the generations. He struck the shackles of ignorance and degradation from ner a place of queenly dignity among men. Therefore the birth of the Babe in the manger at Bethlehem carries with it all the moral and religious forces that make for the betterment of all races and for the enlightenment of all ages. Out of that rustic cradle have issued the principles that have changed the antiquated conditions of the world, and ushered in the dawn of a new day in the progress of the generations. "Peace on earth and good will toward men" is what he came to proclaim, and we are gathering the fruits of his ministry, more than any preceding age, in this closing year of grace 1909. We look at the new-born Babe, and then in the language of Holy Writ exclaim: "What hath God wrought!"

The recurrence of Christmas once more fills the world with bursts of praise to Christ.

Mary and the Angel

She woke amid the hush of morn: A maid of Love's enchanted years. The blush of sleep her dull cheek lit; Her dark eye's stare confessed her fears.

The light crept through the trellised pane Where fluttered, in the incensed air, The cooing doves; and many a flow'r Paid homage to the handmaid fair.

A star, with limpid, jeweled beams, Suffused the brow of one who stood With wings that seemed to melt in air Before mysterious maidenhood.

The vision startled but dismayed Her not, as wonderingly she rose And crouched with one white arm upraised. Alert; but in a charmed repose

He held a lily-flower of peace-(The light was gleaming on his brow) As greeting to the hostess fair Before whom earth's vain kings would bow

Her beauty shamed the morn-her life With roseate vista stretched afar: Mysterious were the angel's words-She cast earth hence and grasped a star.

Nor knew she where or whence she soared On Faith's white pinions peace to find: The faith which made her kin to God Gave heaven's joys to all mankind!

-Frank Moore Jeffery, in Epworth Herald.

THE INADEQUACY OF SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE

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By REV. JOHN D. MAJOR

found philosophy of the days of Job. very nature of the case, it is the best it can ever give, for the relation of the known to the unknown is the relation of the finite to the infinite. The store of human knowledge may ever enlarge, but can never reach perfection this side of the Infinite. At present each new discovery reveals greater mysteries and the ever-enlarging horizon of knowledge but reveals the vast-er world of the unknown. The astronomer looking through the telescope beholds immensity and the naturalist peering into the microscope beholds infinity. Both are amazed and bewilready science has given up the possibility of finding out God or His works to perfection. The ultimate of these questions is found to lie out beyond the range of its hypothesis. Its only answer is the answer of agnosticism, 'I do not know.' Yet this is the very knowledge for

which our poor humanity longs. It wants to know the Author of its being and the destiny to which it is tending. In its heart-hunger it cries to discoveries of the biologist if we are you will not find it in modern science. God may be in matter, but He is not religion with which they manage to conference till called to the high ish, but many would-be Darwins are ceptions have little room for comsouls. Really, it is doubtful if a human which cannot be analyzed in a crucible nor tested by the geologist's hammer, but they are truths and important truths nevertheless.

One of old has asked the question, very nature of the case scientific "Canst thou by searching find out God?"
Canst thou find out the Almighty to perfection?" This question still mocks the wisdom of the wise and the understanding of the prudent. It still puts to confusion all the boasted learning of the twentieth century. The scientific research of the ages can give no better answer than that of the profound philosophy of the days of Joh of its own to shine by. True science is as dependent on faith as is religion. found philosophy of the negative. It can but answer in the negative. This is the best answer that scientific knowledge can now give and, in the knowledge can now give and, in the eped Those who ridicule faith and the case it is the best eped Those who ridicule faith and the case it is the best epid the case it is encourage skepticism take only a one-sided view of the question. Modern science, in spite of its pretensions, is tribute to his memory. He has gone largely made up of beliefs, and many and we shall see him no more until of its beliefs are beliefs only. But the morning of that new day breaks of its beliefs are beliefs only. But the these beliefs, true or false, are the life and we stand before the King. of investigation and research. After death was tenderly pathetic. all the true light in which science the close of a fair September day, on really shines is the light of Revelation. the shores of the far-away "Sunrise The highest truths have been revealed Kingdom," he laid down the weapons centrary, we are developing up from to every faithful soldier of the cross, the basal fact that "In the beginning Far away from home and those who dered and yet they are sure they have seen only a part and know practically to it. This is the foundation on which and to whom he had gone with a out humanity stands composed by white our humanity stands composedly while gospel that held for them the largest it scours the heavens and digs into the blessings, tired and weary with the nan who loses faith in this fundamental truth will soon discover that he has lost his bearings and is stranded sleep on, and said to him, "Weary one, on the fog banks of agnosticism. He come home," and he awoke to see "the will also find that all the boasted sc!- King in His beauty.' ence on earth cannot help him. He Seth Ward was born in Leon County; will find the whole universe an un-solved and unsolvable riddle and his but two months of being 51 years of

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Therefore, I conclude that in the acknowledge no authority, government, leading the delegation for his confer-

circumstances. Its motive is unde- his mantle, and went out, and stood Without reserve he gave himself to fined and its "beatific vision" is un- in the entering in of the cave. And the high and holy work to which he

the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earth-judgment bar quake; but the Lord was not in the dence of fact. earthquake; and after the earthquake It is about the utility and wonderful a fire; but the Lord was not in the importance of this faith that I would fire; and after the fire a still small like to write, but this article is at-voice. And it was so, when Elijah ready too long.

described. Its doctrine of love and behold there came a voice unto him was called by the Holy Ghost, and achope is illustrated by the working out and said. What doest thou here, Elicopted unquestioningly "the faith of a scientific remedy for cerebrojah?" If even an inspired prophet the fathers." His faith in the Bible spinal meningitis "which prevents for could not discoved God in the hurriand our holy religion was beautiful, the future the breaking of innumerable cane, the earthquake and the volcanic the future the breaking of innumerable ties of love and establishes good grounds for hope for many like benefits for human generations to come."

In other words, it is about as near the name of religion. It is at best a weak and near-sighted philosophy, but it is the best modern science can do in this direction. But it is easy to see that it gives up the great questions con
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cane, the earthquake and the volcanic fires, it's not strange that modern science and no one ever feared that his preaching would unsettle or weaken wise enough to listen reverently to the faith of the lowliest of God's wise enough to listen reverently to the still small voice of inspiration. How had a suspicion of insincerity or felt that his preaching would unsettle or weaken wise enough to listen reverently to the still small voice of inspiration. He communicated with him through his spiritual nature and his intellect. It was the voice in its delivery the stamp of genuine belief and honest conviction. He bedieved the faith of the lowliest of God's wise enough to listen reverently to the still small voice of inspiration. How had a suspicion of insincerity or felt that his preaching would unsettle or weaken with faith of the lowliest of God's wise enough to listen reverently to the faith of the lowliest of the intelligent. Those who heard him never that his preaching would unsettle or weaken with faith of the lowliest of the saints. Those who heard him never that his preaching would unsettle or weaken and the faith of the lowliest of the saints. Those who heard him never that his preaching would unsettle or weaken and the faith of the lowliest of God's winter that his preaching would unsettle or weaken and no one v it gives up the great questions con- was an unequivocal message conveyed preached it, and made it beautiful and cerning God and human responsition to the highest department of the attractive by living it; and when it bility and the future life. It busies it-human intellect through the divinely self with mere material temporalities appointed avenue of faith. If God because this is the best it can do and has not thus spoken then we are all not because it is the highest and best agnostics, and religion at its best to which the mind and heart aspire. estate is but a speculative philosophy. I will close this article by referring But if God has spoken, then His Word to an incident in the life of the prophet is authority and the religion based Elijah when he was in the cave on on that Word is the only religion Mount Horeb. It is said, "And, be-worthy of the name, and it lifts faith hold, the Lord passed by, and a great from the degraded position of mere and strong wind rent the mountains, credulity (in which category the and breaked in pieces the rocks before skeptics and science-mongers put all faith) to the worthy plane of mental judgment based on indubitable evi-

MEMOIR OF BISHOP SETH WARD, D. D.

By REV. O. T. HOTCHKISS

As they pass they number the days of short lives and bear us to the dark. Silent river where "good-byes are and honored place in the far-away mis command to the bringing in of that silent river where "good-byes are and honored place in the far-away mis command to the bringing in of that spoken" and where burdens are laid sion fields of his great Church, his day. The dominant note of his mindown. In these short, swiftly passing years we sing our songs, we form our of incresocial and kindred ties, we fight our fulness. battles and win our crowns. Today we meet in glad reunions; tomorrow weary way; today we look into bright, happy faces and hear words of good cheer; tomorrow we look on faces that are cold and white and lips that are silent in death; today we clasp hands and rejoice in friendship's glad reunions; tomorrow we wait in vain for the returning footfall and turn away from the new made grave with heavy hearts. Twelve months ago we were favored with the presence and brotherly greetings of our friend and conference associate, Bishop Seth Ward; today we meet, with bowed heads and sorrowing hearts, to pay The highest truths have been revealed Kingdom," he laid down the weapons to faith through the Word of God. of his earthly warfare and went up to in spite of what men may say to the receive the crown that Christ gives towels of the earth. It may investi-gate this foundation, but it cannot get away from it without catastrophe. The and sleep, and the Master whom he

modern science for bread, but gets only a stone. What profit to travel among the stars if we find not God?

solved and unsolvable riddle and his but two months of being 51 years of own intelligence, inquisitive, self-conage at the time of his death. When scious being the most profoundly mystars of age he was converted at the rious thing in it. or to dig into subterranean stratas of the rocks if we find not His footprints?

I am persuaded that there are many in the same church, was licensed to What profit is there in the wonderful who have reached this condition, and preach, and on November 17, 1881, was admitted on trial in the Northwest to be denied any knowledge of the future of the soul? Boast not, O truthseeker, until you find this truth! But that science cannot satisfy the long-ensuing year. At the close of his you will not find it in modern science, ings of the soul for those higher reach-first year he was transferred to the By its narrow definitions it is shut es of spiritual knowledge. Hence they up in the treadmill of materialism. settle down to some corrupted form of faithful and trusted member of our contractions. of it and he cannot be demonstrated stifle those nobler aspirations after fice of one of our chief pastors. His by scientific tests. It is related of Goo. A striking illustration of what appointments as an itinerant preacher Mr. Darwin that he once said, "I know that nan has a liver, for the scalpel reveals it; but if he has a soul I never to be a very sorry makeshift, but I am Centerville Circuit; 1884, Kosse Circuit; saw one. It is hard to believe that persuaded that those who want a relicuit; 1885-86, Calvert and Hearne; Mr. Darwin ever said a thing so fool- gion based on modern scientific con- 1887-88-89-90, St. James Church, Galveston; 1891-92-93-94, Huntsville Stasaying such things. A scarpel is not a good instrument for discovering has gathered up the teachings of our District; 1897-98-99, Shearne Church, advanced thinkers and has faithfully Houston; 1900, Secretary of Education mind could be thus discovered, but it made out their case. If the result of this conference; 1901-02, Central would be quite unreasonable to deny the reality of mind because the anatomist never saw one. In fact no competent anatomist would be fool enough the reality of mind because the anatomist never saw one. In fact no competent anatomist would be fool enough that read carefully some of our Church. His years of service were petent anatomist would be fool enough to look for one. And I will say in passing that there are many truths cording to Dr. Eliot the religion of faithfulness that has never been surthe future is based on no dogma, creed, passed, and he was trusted and loved

Silently but surely the passing years once. He died in Kobe, Japan, in the go from us never to return and often afternoon of September 20, 1909. His life seems all too short, but it was wonderfully full and gloriusly triof increasing faith and enlarging use-

His success is a shining example of what determination and hard study will do. Though born in a humble home, he came of worthy parents, who gave him a right start and implanted in his very nature a thirst for knowledge and excellence that could be sat-isfied with nothing less than the best. His modesty prevented him from saying much about himself, or those to whom he owed so much, but some of his intimate friends knew that his his-tory connected him with the first and man, and was able to help and inspire him to noble things; but like many another boy, he owed much to a good mother. So situated that in early life, he had to make a full hand on the farm, and though denied school ad- in the "Coronation Hymn" and "Crown vantages, yet, at his mother's knee Him Lord of All." and from his mother's lips, he learned story of his advancement and constant stronger and sweeter with each passto be something for his Lord, his tri- service, and was recognized as a unfavorable as a man of genius and makes him a him away from home and loved one

that deal with great subjects, that were written by great scholars, and these he studied and read and reread until he became broad and cultured and scholarly; and these made his mind active and quick and led him forth into the fields of study and research where the earnest truth-seeker finds his reward, and where men "think God's thoughts after Him."

He was a manly man. There was nothing weak or effeminate about him; yet he was as pure and trusting as a woman. His words were pure and

court, and no right of war under any heard it, that he wrapped his face in beneath the highest type of manhood. Without reserve he gave himself to pleased God to issue his release and call him to rest, he laid down his commission and robes of office without a stain or blemish and went up to re ceive his crown.

One of his most charming characteristics was his buoyant optimism. He believed in the ultimate triumph of right and the coming of the glad day when "the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord." Very fittingly do the words of Browning apply to him, for he was-

"One who never turned his back, but march'd breast forward. Never doubted clouds would break; Never dreamed, though night were worsted, wrong would triumph, Held, we fall to rise, are baffed to fight better, sleep to wake."

He did not forget the good days of the past, nor the happy home of his child-hood; these, and the memories of the old camp-meetings and great revivals of the past, were a source of joy to him, but he confidently believed that the best days were yet to come devotion was marked, and his life one istry was victory, and put into song would have been:

"The kingdom is coming.
O tell ye the story!
God's banner exalted shall be;
The earth shall be full of his knowledge and glory.
As waters that cover the sea."

This he believed, for this he toiled and prayed, and to have a larger part in hastening that day he left home and native land and loved ones, though worn and weary and needing rest, and went on the long journey to the "Land of the Rising Sun," then laid down the weapons of his best families of this great nation, and warfare and answered "the roll-call and that through decades and centu-ries he could trace this line back to ments of glory will no doubt watch to the newly wed young couple and gre the struggle and rejoice in the tri-those who were numbered with the umps of his Lord's kingdom till the worthiest. His father was a college victorious hosts shall come from Mexivictorious hosts shall come from Mexi-co's benighted lands, from China's teeming millions and Japan's water laved shores to "the sunlit fields of the glory world," and then join with these peoples of every race and tongue

His home life was as beautiful as great lessons and got such inspiration a song. Here, as in every other place, that he never thought of stopping he was a model. In his childhood short of the very best. So steady was home he was a dutiful son, holding in his advancement, so marked his fit-ness for high position, that many who ents and rendering to them the obeknew him intimately and appreciated dience and reverence that are so beau-his pre-eminent qualifications of mind tiful in the young. In his own home and heart for leadership, had long ago he was pre-eminently at his best. He placed him in the front rank, and to them it was not a matter of surprise that, as he became more widely known that it had. He was a devoted father to the Church, he should have been called to the responsible yet honored place of Bishop. He did not reach the home to help him in his work and to heights by easy steps and little effort, but by dint of hard work and a love; and during the more than twenstruggle that would have brought destructed and the was a devoted father and husband and gave to the fair young bride, who left her father's place of Bishop. He did not reach the home to help him in his work and to heights by easy steps and little effort, but by dint of hard work and a love; and during the more than twenstruggle that would have brought destructed. struggle that would have brought de-ty-three years that they walked and feat to a less courageous spirit. The worked together that love grew progress, as he rose step by step from ing year. From her own lips came the humblest place in the hanks of this high testimony: "If he had a the ministry to the highest and most fault, I never wnew it. He loved his honored position within the gift of children as truly as any father ever his brethren, is as inspiring as is the did, and in return won their love and recital of the triumphs of the worthi- confidence and reverence. He loved est. His determination to excel and the Church and gave to her his best umphs over great difficulties and an administrator of her affairs; but his beginning, his devotion home was his kingdom, and in it his to right and his transcendantly beau-tiful Christian character, stamped him duties and the call of the Church took worthy pattern and example for all often, and for long trips, but with all who would live well. his love for them he never slighted his love for them he never slighted He loved and read great books and his work or failed the Church in her was a great thinker. His library is expectations. When the engagement filled with the best books—the books was met and the duty discharged, he and gladly turned his face homeward and the train ran all too slowly, for he well knew the welcome and glad greetings that were waiting him there. But now he has gone on a long journey. The shadows have fallen on that hap-py home. A crushing sorrow has come to his loved ones; his place is vacant; they wait in vain for his re-turn, but the sweet influence of his life will rest as a benediction on that Such a life could not have other

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getful of self, in view of the crown When he had crossed the bar." getful of self, in view of the crown and on the very borders of that heaven that was "so glorious," he a good fight, well flught, has ended; thought of the work that needed him a glorious crown, worthily won, has and the dear ones far away, and his been bestowed. Good soldier, faitheast work out to them, but like the

for them and his abiding faith in he laid down his armor and went up behold His glory.

God. After reaching the far-away before his Lord. I can imagine great shore of the land where duty had call- rejoicing and shouting, and loud ringed him and when, worn and weary ing of the joy bells when it was an-and sick, he had vainly sought for re-nounced that he was coming, for no

at home, he wrote of his undying love unprepared, but with work well done must become human if we are to

III. The Word revealed the unity between the human and divine. Our kinship with God is the lesson of the incarnation. His passage from the divine into the myself, or the issues of this sickness, but my family, and the work. The work needs me, but how glorious it would be in heaven. I could work on, time and place, The flood has borne him far," I am learn that Christ is the Way to sure God and heaven! He is the fulfillment of the ladder which Jacob saw at Bethel reaching from earth to heaven with ascending and descending angels upon it: "Hereheart went out to them; but like the ful servant, devoted friend, loved after we shall see heaven open, great apostle to the Gentiles, he brother, good-bye! Sweet be could say, "I am ready." The sum-rest! We'll meet again in mons did not bring alarm or find him Father's house. and the angels of God ascending Man." The Incarnation is the medium of Revelation. This Revelation is threefold:

1. To man: "We beheld His glory." He did not conceal Himself, but "pitched His tent" and "tabernacled among" men. Thus the glory of God shone forth from (Delivered by Rev. S. S. McKenney power to save, and only by thus the tabernacle of His human flesh believing may we hope for life as from the shekinah of old. How supernatural was this revelation II. The Word became human. to man! Among men there was no Over against what He was we are place for the Christ to be born, Text: "And the Word was made reminded of what He became. He hence He was born among the flesh, and dwelt among us, and we be- "was made flesh." Here again are beasts of the stall. Earth had for held His giory as of the only begotten we confronted with the signifi- Him no name, and heaven gave of the Father, full of grace and truth" cance of the term by which ite is Him a name that is above every designated, "the Word." Not a name. Earth had not even a body fact in human history—the inear- man utters himself and communi- hence it is written, "a body hast den. nation of the Word. It is at once cates with others. His words re- thou prepared me." Such was the

of an idea and its expression. The a full vision of Him in Christ. 3. In man. Revelation is not term was familiar to heathen phi- "He that hath seen me hath seen from without, but from within. As losophy and Hebrew history, the Father" is evermore the final by our senses we subjectify the Hence, our writer conveyed to his word of Revelation. In God's world of matter, so by our spiritcontemporaries the idea that must works we see His power, in His ual powers do we perceive the come to us, namely: That Christ words we see His love; and with things of God. As the organs of was God's thought and God's this vision the soul rests satisfied sense are set in the body, so the organs of revelation inhere in the humanity, or, contrary to the po- God had spoken to man in sun- spirit of man. "There is a spirit seen the burning bush and smok- of the Lord." God can never re-

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A CHRISTMAS SERMON

at the Methodist Church in Rosebud. Sunday, December 27, 1908, at 11

Subject: "The Incarnation."

John 1:14.

"Word" expressed in terms of at last. gests three sublime facts:

everlasting is to everlasting.

bosom of his Father.

From the logical force of this con- had He assumed the form of a tion of that splendid vision we to the lips which have been dumb 750 BIBLE AND GOSPEL STUDIES clusion there is no escape: Since higher being man would have shall be like Him because we shall and the talk around the table ripthe Word is eternal and personal, despaired of ever attaining a be like Him because we shall see ples on, unsubdued by the vacant it must be divine. Here is the standard so high. Hence, if God Him as He is! grand object for which he con- is to become man's Savior He tends, the divinity of the Word. must meet man on his own plane, Happiness is the proper goal of human effort, and found out of the talk, when reference is health is indispensable to it—take Hood's Saras made to her as of old, to him as

through His name.

a propnecy of the eternity to his will. Not less truly do they could behold His glory. in the new creation. Nature says: words, so, too, God becomes known of God will overawe man and His own poet has said, "By the 'Word' of the Lord were to man in the incarnation. "No glory will dazzle him. Thus the "Death is but a covered way the heavens made;" Providence man knoweth the Father save the disciples fell on the Mount of answers: "He upholdeth all things Son and he to whomsoever the Transfiguraton, and John on the Wherein no blinded child can by the 'Word' of His power," and Son will reveal Him." "The only isle of Patmos. And for the same Revelation echoes: "The 'Word' begotten which is in the bosom of reason Israel said to Moses: became flesh * * and we beheld the Father" alone can declare "Speak thou with us, and will His glory!" The Greek term Him. Man longs for a vision of hear; but let not God speak with "Logus," which we poorly trans- God, but where shall it be found? us, lest we die." There can be no late "Word," has the two-fold We may get faint glimpses of Him revelation to man except through meaning of thought and speech; in Nature, but we can only have man; it must be on man's plane.

1. The Word was divine. This ing mountain; they had heard the veal Himself to man and through was the burden of the gospel words of priests and prophets, but man unless He first be revealed in Son of God." By three gigantic universal language will He convey God." strides he brings us to his thought His final revelation to man? How Herein lies the deep meaning It is natural in the earliest sud-sonality and divinity of the Word. comprehensive to all? My text "We beheld His glory a * * * full a life of torpor, except in one diman is one "who, in the midst of 1. "In the beginning was the furnishes the only solution: The of grace and truth." Only a soul rection. Nerves, acute to the sense the crowd, can maintain, with per-Word." Before David sang or Word became flesh." All men like that of John could behold the of suffering, are blunted to all feet sweetness, the independence Abraham believed; before Adam may not be able to comprehend true glory of our Lord's character. other feeling. If there be any emo- of solitude." It is easy to think was made or Satan fell-even from the depths of literature or grapple Such a vision of the Christ is the tion it is often one of profound our own thoughts and preserve eternity—the Word was. The with the problems of philosophy, only means by which "we are wonder that anybody on God's our integrity in solitude. It is Genesis of Redemption like that but all can read the language that changed into the same image from earth can be happy when we are comparatively easy anywhere to of Creation opens with the ponder- is embodied in a life. When we glory to glory, even as by the so sad, and of resentment at the do right in a harsh, domineering ous words: "In the beginning would give to a little child a story Spirit of the Lord." It is not an rebound of others from the shock spirit which will make righteous-God!" Only he who is before all which we have in mind to transfer act, but a process. This must have of sorrow. The first laughter in ness hateful to all who come in things can survive all things, it from the printed page to a been the thought of our writer: the house, the first gay whistle of close contact with us. But to do Only that salvation which is from painted picture and thus our "For the law was given by Moses, a boy running in from school, the always the right thing "with perrerlasting is to everlasting.

thoughts are at once put upon that but grace and truth came by Jesus first interest shown in business or fect sweetness'—that is, indeed, young mind. So when God would Christ." The law was given; this in politics by the head of the house greatness more than royal.—Great He was with God in the secret of speak His last word to man He was an act; grace and truth came; seems forgetfulness of the one who Thoughts. His presence, in the counsel of His gives an object lesson in the form this was a process. If then we are has gone, and moves the heart wisdom, in the unfolding of His of a holy human life. This, then, to see grace and truth as the dis-still absorbed in grief to a sentipower, in the expression of His is the philosophy of the incarna-love. The divine inhabitant of tion: "The Word became flesh." Lord, we must cultivate them in Nevertheless, reaction must ish of everything on earth depends eternity was never alone, for the It could not have been otherwise. our own lives. Thus shall we re- come, and it argues no lack of on the right thought which eternal Son dwelt forever in the For had God appeared in the form ceive of His fullness, and grace for tenderness in memory, but only brought it into being. -Agnes of a being lower than man He grace being changed from glory a natural and wholesome state of Greene Foster. 3. "The Word was God." could not have been respected, or to glory till at last in the perfectionings when the song comes back

FOR THE SAKE OF THE LIVING.

the valley into which you have entered, my desolate, mourning friend, that I shrink from touching the wound with even the gentlest hand. There are sorrows ing, let us always bear in our in sanctuary, sorrows which no one can measure and no one can comfort save that One who wrestled with a world's weight of there as while here. anguish in the solemn midnight Our text records the central word, but The Word. By words a with which He might be born, and in Gethsemane's lonely gar-

a history of the eternity past and veal his intelligence and express path the Master trod ere men what a heart may endure, when nothing but God's great love come. It calls us to observe that unfold his character. In his words 2. Through man. A perfect keeps it from breaking, and I am pastime and to furrow our cheeks the "Word" so effective in the we see his character in action. As revelation to man is only possible sure that there is no passage in creation and preservation of the a man becomes understood by through man. There must be an the world so obscure that God's physical universe was also active others through the medium of intermediary being or the power light can not illumine it. As our earthly ones who remain let us

Which opens into light,

Beyond his Father's sight.

desire of your eyes at a stroke, there has already begun a new and beautiful experience, full of surprises, full of development, full of us new supplies of strength. the joy of immortality. You do Alas for him who never sees not quite realize this yet, but you The stars shine through His eywill by and by, when the angel of patience has wrought his perfect work in your soul, and you have learned how close and near to your comforted vision. and intimate is the relation we bear to the other and the blessed sition of the Gnosties that He was dry times and in divers manners, in man and the inspiration of the God manifested in the flesh. For but still no complete revelation Almighty giveth understanding." bear to the other and the blessed the swathing gloom of a home to shut down so upon the life of its our consideration this text sug- had come to our race. They had "The spirit of man is the candle" very own awaiting us there. In living inmates that young people the meantime, while the ache is have been driven from it into still new, the loss still fresh, and exile, that the tempter has found the narrow grave on the hillside in them an easy prey. Too late it which our author writes: "These still cried out, "O that I knew man. The beatific vision is only are written," he says, "that we where I might find Him." God for the purified: "Blessed are the might believe that Jesus is the will speak yet again, but in what pure in heart for they shall see put aside your grief a little for altar of a selfish and unreasoning

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when he was going in and out among us. We treat our dead So deep is the cloud, so dark very coldly when we never mention their names, never allude to their wishes, act as if indeed they had ceased to belong to us and

> minds a thought of the heavenly living, our beloved in both worlds, still ours, as much ours when

Those heavenly living people do not ask us to darken our houses, excluding the daylight, to keep our shades closely drawn, to abstain from food, and to refuse pleasant society. They do not ask us to rain our tears over every with the plow-share of grief. For their sakes and for the sake of our

try to be brave and cheerful. Let

Do you say: "It is easy to preach, easy to talk, but unspeakably hard to carry out such ideas in practice!" No matter. The dif-For the precious one whom God ficulty is conceded. It is hard, has taken from you, removing the and the hardness comes when your forces are broken down and you have few reserves. But, for just these crises, the dear Lord gives

The stars are there, and if you look up the Lord will show them

I have known, once and again, the swathing gloom of a home to grief.-Margaret E. Sangster.

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Del Rio, Texas.

FROM THE NEW MEXICO CON-FERENCE.

you, brethren, not to throw it in the Timpson, Texas, waste basket until you have sent the B. C. ANDERSON, P. C. goodness, truth, love and justice.

While this may not mean very much to you, nevertheless it means every. A TREAT FOR ALL METHODISTS. thing to us. I have chosen this meth- The following letter is one of a large selves. Of course the "board" will Church in the State.

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AN APPEAL FOR HELP.

Our new church at Normangee was altogether, furnished. Last week I sent an article to the completely destroyed by a cyclone on Advocate for publication under heading, "A Call for Help from Far West," over \$2000 into it, owing something in which I asked for a contribution like \$400 on it. The people had done But no doubt there are some to whom sonville, but there may be others who this appeal will come who will not could assist us, and we certainly need to live give it proper consideration. I beg it. Send all moneys to T. S. Garrison, prest to humanity), would admire you, brethren, not to throw it in the Tilescone.

od as a means of building the church and parsonage at this place. We just must have it. There is no other way Historical Association to give an achapter of the Texas Methodist stead of Paris, as heretofore, and I hope my correspondents will take note

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Marcos, Texas. Endorsements must accompany application. There is a parsonage at Belmont, partially, if not

W. H. H. BIGGS, P. E.

FROM RICE, TEXAS.

A man whose desire is to rule would of \$1 from all of the Home Missionary noble, but feel discouraged now. We Societies. Already they have begun need help to rebuild. The Bishop and to respond, for which we are grateful. conference came to our rescue at Jack wisdom. But the man whose desire is wisdom. But the man whose desire is greatest of all attributes, a God of

E. G. SESSIONS.

Rice, Texas.

NOTICE.

out to all parts of Texas with the sounds the occan's depths, and, ghoulblessings of the representatives of the like, robs the graves of Neptune of Church on their lives. It will make their store. He penetrates all forests a deep and lasting impression upon their minds and will ever be a strong mountains high and braves all cold appeal to the gratitude of their hearts, and heat that he may wrest from but this is not the limit of our opportunity and responsibility to these people who must be assimilated by us and their minds and responsibility to these people who must be assimilated by us and the catalogues with a new or the limit of our opportunity and responsibility to these people who must be assimilated by us and the catalogues with an into one great compact Chriss all properties to the same all beasts. He catalogues the "board" will account of the history of our Church our the "board" will the course the "board" will the State.

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The familiar scenes of boyhood, and the window with the light,
And the joy anticipation ever gives.
Eager fingers tingled gladly as I opened the old gate,
And my feet, impatient, hurried to the door;

And my feet, impatient, hurried to the door;

the door:
But her ear had caught my footstep.
and her love remembered well;
On the threshold mother met me as

Then, arising from the table, she would stand caressing me.

As she breathed on me a blessing through her tears.

What a splendid ride that was. On—Exchange.

If the Lord for —Exchange.

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EDITH'S NEW KIND OF A CHRIST-MAS.

"Oh, dear!" sighed little Edith Sey-

time before Christmas, who then answered, "I wish you could. I know dodge them. a little crippled girl about your age, When they cept an old rag one, and never had a nice Christmas in her life; my little ate candy, popeern and nuts. girl ought to be thankful for her many blessings, and should learn to share Seymour and Katy had not been idle,

Dover, the poor crippled child of tiful doll with flaxen curls and eyes whom Mrs. Seymour had spoken. She that closed. had no father or mother, but she But it was growing late, an did have a dear older sister Katy, and Betty were taken home. who earned their scant living in a fac- Betty soon traveled to dreamland, tory. Poor little Betty had to stay very happy child. And little Edith alone most all day with not very declared that it had been the happiest much to amuse herself. It was true Christmas she had ever had, for she she had a pink-blossomed geranium had learned that the way to be happy which she watched over and cared is to make others happy.-Exchange. for with loving patience. Kind-heart-ed Mrs. Graft, who lived across the hall, came in two or three times ery day to see that she was all right. Betty's chair would be drawn up to dren, quarreling outside in an allev.

had wished for something new, Betty the testimony it affords of the affechad been waiting for Katy, and talk-tion that prompts it. ing and singing to her doll, and at ed to have slept quite a while, for account.

when she awoke it was twilight, and

Don't acquire the habit of thinking
she was just beginning to wish for you must give a Christmas gift to ev
ly. Katy, when she heard footsteps on ery acquaintance you don't actually the stairs and knew it was she. In a dislike, moment Katy's head had popped into
the room and Betty's eager little by poverty to give anything. A cheery voice was saying. "Oh. Katy! I am so word, a sympathetic glance, a heartglad you've come. I was waiting and felt "Merry Christmas," a loving let-waiting for you, and was so fired I ter with the ring of sincerity often

BETTER THAN SPANKING.

M. Summers. Box 187, South Bend. Ind., will send in its selection, and care in its prepblame the child; the chances are it can't help it. use of brains.

This treatment also cures adults and aged people Don't forget that Emerson says, troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

Oh. I never felt so happy as upon last Christmas night.

Coming near the little home where mother lives.

One of the little home where get a light right away, and some sup-

"Oh, is it?" asked Betty.

"Yes, and we must try to have

On the threshold mother met me as of yore.

Oh, I clasped her to my bosom, as she used to clasp her boy, while tears and loving kisses answered mine.

Then she led me to the table, where the good things kept for me Were all waiting with the chair of audd lang syne.

She remembered everything I liked, and how to make it best.

Serving me as though my place were still a child's.

Cakes and jellies, home-made candy, and every choicest thing.

Heaped before me with caresses and her smiles.

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Cakes and jellies, home-made candy, and with a soft white mantle. "How lovely, sighed Betty."

Just then she heard the merry jingle of sleigh-bells, which suddenly stopped in front of the great tenement house. A richly dressed lady made her way between the rows of starving children, through the hall, and asked her way between the rows of starving children, through the hall, and asked or showy.

Something extra.

It was Christmas morning, and Katy the lonely one to your feast of good stay the lonely one to your feast of good stay the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good stays the lonely one to your feast of good her way between the rows of starving your gifts to the last moment.

Oh. I seemed a very boy again, as we sat talking there.

And she told how she had thought of, prayed for me:

How I'd been a loy and comfort to her all her widowed life:

And her spirit, like an angel's, I could see.

How in every whistling boy that passed she heard me coming home, So had love waited for me all the years:

How again, as we children, through the hall, and asked for Miss Kate Dover, whom she soon found, and held a whispered conversation with her in the hall. The next thing Betty knew she was wrapped in a warm cloak and hood and mittens under a fur-lap-robe and was being whirled away by the handsome steels whirled away by the handsome steel gray horses driven by the gruff driver.

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through her tears.

When I went to bed she came to me and tucked the covers round. In the dear old way which only mothers know.

Oh. I felt so blissful, peaceful, and so full of tender love. That all silent came my glad hear's overflow.

Happy, grateful, joyful tears I shed; and free from cares; In my boyhood home and bed again, the covers tucked around. Safely guarded by my dear old mother's prayers.

—Lou B. Cake in Happer's Baras.

was almost sorry when they stopped at Mr. Seymour's handsome residence. She was then ushered into the cheer-ful sitting-room, where she was well-comed by Edith and a number of other children. It did not take long to get acquainted with them, and they were soon having a good time playing games, in which Mrs. Seymour and Katy often took part, for Katy, too, had come.

Then came the dinner, the great splendid dinner, with its turkeys and cranberry sauce, mince pies and plum and they salve there are sleigh-bells in the air. There is coasting down the hills, and slipping, sliding, ev'rywhere!

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eranberry sauce, mince pies and plum puddings. It was the greatest feast Lou B. Cake, in Harper's Bazar. puddings. It was the greatest feast Katy and Betty had ever had.

TH'S NEW KIND OF A CHRIST. When the dinner was over they did

not feel much like playing, so they all sat down and told stories and riddles.

After a while they went out doors mour, "I am so tired of having the to romp in the snow, and as Betty same old things happen every Christ-could not join them she sat in an easy mas. I wish I could have something chair by a window and watched their different this year." chair by a window and watched their merry pranks. They rolled big snow-This was said to her mother a short balls and threw small ones at each other, and Betty laughed to see them

When they were tired of this frolio they came in to rest and get warm,

them with poorer people."

This set Edith to thinking, and from this thinking a plan was formed in her little head as will be seen. She was the only child of rich parents, and lived in a beautiful home in New York, with everything to make her.

Seymour and Katy had not been idle, for, as they threw open the parlor doors, the children beheld a huge in Christmas. The tree was soon and out of gaily decorated stores, stripped and the toys in the hands of the gleeful children. It would take chases. Among these was Mahel Hare

But it was growing late, and Katy

SOME ANTE-CHRISTMAS NEGA-TIVES.

Don't forget that the first Christmas

of the true Christmas spirit is love. On this same afternoon that Edith The highest value of any gift lies in

Don't make your giving a mere matlast was so tired that she finally ter of bookkeeping, an attempted baldozed off into a quiet sleep and seem- ancing of the social credit and debit

possesses more intrinsic worth than

an expensive present.

Don't leave head work out of your Christmas gifts, whether they are love-Spanking does not cure children of hed wetting wrought or love-bought. A gift that is There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. not considered worthy of forethought free to any mother her successful home treatment, aration and presentation, would better today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't of different tastes is obtained by the

ing of the giver unto me, corresponmenter had to work in order to dent to my flowing unto him." Invest the necessary food for them all. the simplest and most practical gifts that Mabel determined to go home with a refined and delicate personality with the child and see how it was for with the child and see how it was for the result recall the giver.

and deceitful to the recipient because you are trying to deceive.

Don't make your gifts too useful, unless you know the one to whom you stairs and into a little room, where give is of a very practical turn of on a couch near the window lay a mind. Give something that the recipi- sweet-faced boy of about nine years. ents have been longing for, but would He looked up wonderingly as Johnny never buy for themselves. Sometimes it is well to use uncommon sense

Don't forget the poor and lonely ones at this glad season. Give some

by wreathing it with evergreens.

Don't forget to give something to
the Lord for His "Unspeakable Gift."

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hung on Xmas eve because e's a chance you'll have a visit from our old friend Santa Claus.

There's a bright star in the Heavens that proclaimed a wondrous birth. the Chosen Child of children

brought His Christmas day to

There are mistletoe and holly in the woods to deck the hall, the Christmas spirit wishing Merry Christmas to you all!

-From Marguerite Merington's "Fa-

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

York, with everything to make her of the gleeful children. It would take chases. Among these was Mabel Harhappy and comfortable. In a plain but clean room, up in a here were some books for Betty and she slowly walked down the street.

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In a plain but clean room, up in a here were some books for Betty and she slowly walked down the street. for then she had the privilege tide. of being home with her loved ones, after a year's absence in a distant city where her duties called her. It did seem so good to hear the dear familiar voices once more. There was a chilly wind blowing, but she was warmly clad, and the cool air only gave a brighter color to her cheeks, ny and Charley found exactly what But the wind gave a rough twist at they had long wanted, from warm the corner where she turned on her clothing to books and games, and also homeward way, and blew her veil off. a box of nice candy, for what child Away it went until it struck a little thinks Christmas is complete without wistful eyes at the many beautiful all the good things that go to make the one window by her geranium, and holding her rag doll Belinda, she will to men."

Message was, "Peace on earth, good things displayed in the large windows, us a Christmas dinner, the caught the veil in his hand and li was a happy day for the would watch the dirty tenement chil
Don't forget that the heart, the core, immediately came forward to give it less ones. As for here, the core, immediately came forward to give it less ones. As for here, the core, immediately came forward to give it less ones. He caught the veil in his hand and It was a happy day for these friend-immediately came forward to give it less ones. As for Mabel, she had to Mabel.

"Thank you," she said smiling. "You saved me a race." Then noting had proven the truth contained in those matchless words: the thin face prematurely old, she said impulsively: "What is your "Who gives himself with his gifts plate heaped with every imaginable name

"Well, Johnny, which of those toys

she asked. "A Christmas present for me?" he repeated, half bewildered.

Now choose quickly." 'Why, I would like that pretty picture-book for Charley."

'And who is Charley?" asked Mabel, now becoming interested. "He is my brother, but he is lame and cannot come out to see the nice things," returned Johnny.

"You shall have the book," said Mafree to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her be omitted. The ability to select appropriate gifts for different persons store. An indefinable something led didn't have to hurry and worry so. bel, touched by the child's unselfish- blunder. her to inquire more closely into the boy's history. He told in an innocent, The

"The gift to be true, must be the flow- two years before, and how hard his mother had to work in order to even

It was such a plaintive little story, RADWAY'S CHRISTMAS WITH MY OLD MOTHER. finally went to sleep and just woke
Oh. I never felt so happy as upon last up." "You poor child," answered Christmas night.

Christmas night. Katy, "Were you so lonesome? I will narrow, until at last they turned into a street with closely crowded tenements all alike, then up a flight of entered, followed by a lady with such kindly soft brown eyes and rosy cheeks, that Charley thought she looked as though she had just stepped out of a picture. Near by, sewing, sat his mother, a pale, care-worn womwho had evidently seen better days, as evidenced by the look of refinement on her features.
"I am Miss Harwood," said Mabel,

as she took poor Mrs. Brown's harden-ed hand in her soft, warm clasp. "I became interested in your little son and wished to see his brother Char-

You are very welcome, and my child will be pleased to see you. Poor

boy! he has so few pleasures."
It was a pleasant hour that Mabel spent in that humble home, for evidently pure love existed between its inmates, and when the sick child smiled up into Mabel's face as she talked to him in her pleasant voice, the big eyes and the deformed little body won their way straight into the girl's heart.

genuine sympathy and interest of Mabel, had told all about their hardships and troubles, and how near to despair she had often been. "It changed all our lives when my good, kind husband died," she said, with tremulous tones, "Before it was so different. You know that

"'Sorrow's crown of sorrow is remembering happier days."

But there, I did not mean to trouble you with all this," she concluded. can help you."

The ready tears welled up in Mrs. Brown's eyes, but they were tears of relief rather than of sorrow. In this old world of ours the human heart ever longs for love and sympathy, and it had been long since the poor widow had thus unburdened her mind. A load seemed lifted from her heart

even now. It was with many a promise to call soon that Mabel prepared to go. As she went out she tucked a five-dollar note into Charley's hand. "Here's something to help the mother with." she whispered, as she bade the little boy good-bye.

When Charley delightedly displayed the much-needed money, Mrs. Brown murmured: "To think that I should have doubted the Lord. Will I ever learn, I wonder, to trust him so as to be surprised at his goodness and mercy?" And Mrs. Brown was right, for the help had come first of from Him who has promised to care for the widow and the fatherless.

Mr. and Mrs. Harwood were much interested in Mabel's new friends, and soon lighter and more profitable employment was secured for Mrs. Brown. On Christmas morn a huge package and basket found their way to the tiny room. It would take too long to tell you all contained therein, but sufficient to say that both Johnwho was standing gazing with candy? The basket was filled with

> tasted the wine of the inspiration of love. She had rendered a real service to needy fellow mortals, and thus those matchless words:

feeds three, "Johnny Brown," he answered shy- Himself, his hungry neighbor and me."

would you like for a Christmas pres- IN THE HURRY OF CHRISTMAS TIME.

for her hands to do, with Christmas "H so near, that the teacher hurriedly trip. broke the fastenings of the package were to get this car back on the dot. which had just come for her. She counted rapidly, and then said, impatiently: "One of those clerks is always bungling. Here is one more weather, these men served the banker. to send it back, and I've no time to they never forgot—all through the carry it, or write and explain this long year.—From the Circle Magazine.

boy's history. He told in an innocent, The young woman paused as the vis-confiding way of his father's death ion of a little house on a country road



CURES RHEUMATISM.

It never falls to relieve even the most stab-born attacks of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sciat-ica, Lumbago, Pain is the Chest or Kidneya, Sore Muscles, Sprains and Strains, and will drive away every trace of soreness and stiff-ness, whether caused by unusual exercise, the strain of toil or by annoying and painful attacks of inflammatory diseases.

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Limbs,
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rose before her. In this there was no Christmas hurry, for the sick girl and her mother had little to give, and few were the people who remembered them when so many others were to be thought of. The remembrance of The tired mother, before she quite that pale but patient face among the realized what she was doing, touched pillows made the teacher say to herself, "She is so careful for everybody that she would not let the Christmas gifts wait, and be caught in a hurry and fret, even if she had ever so much money."

"It may be God wants me to give her this extra Bible," the young wom-an said slowly. "I have never noticed any in her room, but that one which is much worn. And I have taught my scholars each Sabbath that His strong hands reach out everywhere. Why may He not have had part in this I "I am very glad you have told me," called a blunder? And there is so said Mabel kindly, "for I am sure I much to do in the stores when we wait our Christmas orders-no: I will never let that new clerk know how I have felt towards him, for he It was who tied up this parcel."

As soon as possible she drove out to the lonely home on the country road, and saw the face of the sick girl shine with joy as she took the new Bible.

"How did you know I had longed and longed for one like this?" she said. "No wonder I hear so much about how the children love you. I often pray for your good work."

"This is alone the love and work of our dear Lord." said the teacher, fervently. "I have tried to be faithful—but when I try to do so much pray with me that I may never forget this lesson of the need of Him in the Christmas hurry."-Western Christian Advocate.

HOW ONE MAN MADE CHRISTMAS HAPPIER.

The suburbanites, riding back and forth on a certain car line that ran from the south end suburb to the cen-ter of our city, always met a cheery smile and hearty word from the motor men and conductors of the line. Par-ticularly would the "regulars" wonder at the welcome given to a dignified business man who entered the car daily at a stop made near his home. The secret of the unusual deference paid him baffled us. And only accidentally did I stumble upon the an-

Coming up one Christmas day, just at one o'clock, when most of the su burbanites were seated at tables that groaned with goods things, I saw this gentleman hail the car at his step, hand the motorman a big waiter, and back up the walk at his home

The conductor moved forward, relieving the motorman, who sat down on the step and pushed aside a snowy Beneath this I saw, as I napkin. Christmas goody-turkey and cranberries, vegetables and salad. Beside the plate stood a steaming cup of coffee and a smoking piece of plum pud-ding. It was all so appetizing that I grew hungry myself, and sympathized when the conductor, standing at the There were so many things waiting crank, whistled and said:

"Hurry up. Bill. I get mine next ip. And Steeks and Jim said we

weather, these men served the banker. book than I ordered. It's such a fuss On Christmas Day it was his turn. And

He sure to use that old and well-triers. Winslow's Southing Syrup, for childre is soothers the child, softens the gums, alra, cures wind colle, and is the remedy

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Our Letter From Georgia

By Rev. Geo. G. Smith

assured.

I have in these 70 years and more read a good many books and studied a good many questions, and none more earnestly than how to keep the children of good people from going astray from the God who is near every child and going into bad ways to be recovered by a conversion, and I am not able to speak authoritatively on the subject. I have just finished another reading of that fascinating book, "The Confessions of St. Augustine." His parents were poor and worthy people who lived near Carthage when the upper part of Africa was a Roman provenice of the pastors what my experience is and the liquor fraternity has evidently come to realize that the prospects for re-submission are becoming more remote each year. In 35 counties in the State there are empty jails and 37 counties have no criminal cases of any character whatsoever on the docket. Forty-four countles are without a single pauper, and 25 have no poor-houses at all."

Georgia.—"Georgia is another prohibition State and seems to have come the teachers to meet me. I would ask them to join in earnest prayer for the children then and for the ensuing mayor in the city of Atlanta at the last per part of Africa was a Roman prov-the children then and for the ensuing ince. His mother, Monica, was a saint week. On Sunday morning I would on earth and everything a mother preach to parents on the conversion of could do to save a boy she did. He children. I would ask them to attend tries to explain how it was that he was the meeting in the evening. I would tries to explain how it was that he was the meeting in the evening. I would led by his native depravity to steal also shut the big organ and use only and to lie and give way to the temptate to be impurity. In Bunyan's "Grace songs. I would preach a sermon thirty Abounding" the full story of a youth without religious training who became a blackguard, profane, Sabbathbreaking in doubtless impure, is told. Thursday. Then I would open The same features were found in the the door of the Church. I would do son of a saint in Africa and the son the same thing Friday. On Saturday of a poor tinker in England. Francis I would meet every child who desired Asbury was never, as far as the record to be admitted into the Church and shows, a bad boy; but he was convertigive him or her personal instruction. ed when a child. Jonathan Edwards On Sunday morning I would have the ed when a child. Jonathan Edwards On Sunday morning I would have the was never a bad boy, but he, too, was sacrament of baptism followed by the converted in childhood; his grandson reception of members, and then call was Aaron Burr, as graceless a creathe Church forward to give these ture as the world ever saw. John children the right hand of fellowship, Wesley went to the communion at 8 and after that close with the communyears of age, but he never claimed he ion of the Lord's Supper. I would not
was satisfactorily converted till he try to get hold of profligates and outwas 38; he was fully acquainted with casts at this time nor convince infihis boyhood life, but never claimed for dels, but to get the children of my
himself any exemption from original Church converted. You do not need
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an evangelist, man or woman, unless
to unless we can save the average boy way care's talk to children. If you is unless we can save the average boy you can't talk to children. If you before he is 12 years old, there are can read "Uncle Remus" or get some-eight chances to one that we will one who can; but if you do, help him; never save him at all. The need of don't stand coldly off and look on.

regeneration was never greater than

I am heartsick as I see the futile regeneration was never greater than it is now. We have education and refinement with the Churches and Leagues and Sunday-schools, but all pipe organs and up-to-date sermons and Sunday-schools turned into concure conversion in early childhood. The blessing of a denominational school is not in the character of the school, but in the religious influences about it. When these are not propagate in the school is not in the character of the school, but in the religious influences about it. When these are not propagate in the school is not in the character of the school, but in the religious influences about it. When these are not propagate in the school is not in the character of the school, but in the religious influences about it. about it. When these are not pro-nounced the school may be as ortho-but no a word about 80 of them dox as the demand of the strictest, but results will be that the boys and girls will be not religiously helped but the strictest of the children; it re-quires constant and tender pastoral hindered by it.

The conversion of children is com- pastor. paratively an easy thing to bring about, but their religious training afcare. The Epworth League is an angency that is only valuable when it ears know, I have devoted the last thirty years of my life largely to work among children. I have had time to Unless I had the figures to show I should fear to present the facts as they are, I do not do my work sensa-I had no stereopticon nor blackboard nor any unusual meth-ods. I preached the old-time gospel in a simple way. I avoided everything like wild excitement. I did not hurry children into the Church; I talked rather than preached. I told them they were

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The question at issue as to a sinners; I told them God loved them child not needing forgiveness or regeneration is a somewhat serious one, Unitarians, Socinians and naturalists, all deny that he does. I suppose there never will be any statement on the subject perfectly satisfactory. One thing I am sure of, that no child is not guilty until it willingly and knowingly sins, and then God only knows how many stripes it needs and that every child, if it grows to maturity without a conscious faith in Jesus Christ, will go the wrong way. The church and most of them work-christ, will go the wrong way. The resinit. In another city the pastor old, old question of how God can save a baby, born without a holy heart, has long since left God to answer. I know all children I ever saw or knew were of their own natures inclined to evil and that continually, but that good training and good evample with the same has mother made him, had received the residue to mother or made him, had received the residue to mother them. evil and that continually, but that good because his mother made him, had training and good example, with the gone back to the world, but nine-tenths Holy Spirit's ever constant work, may shield the children from ever wandering far from the right path, I am well ing far from the right path, I am well assured.

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how futile were the efforts to make occasional reverse is not composed of a Church by mere special awakenings the kind of material needed to lick directed to the unconverted masses, the liquor traffic.

issue the Year Book collects authentic facts and figures contradicting the as-

I have just purchased the Anti-Saloon League Year Book, which, by the by, ought to be in the pocket of every preacher and temperance worker in United States, as it gives the most re-liable and concise information on the subject of the progress of prohibition of any book published; after reading carefully, have begun to re-read and sum up the success secured by legislation and law enforcement in the several States.

The following States, after years of agitation, education and legislation, have finally adopted amendments to their Constitutions prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors within their borders: In the year 1850 Maine amended

her Constitution with a prohibition law. The recent State election "again confirmed the confidence of the people in the prohibition law. Governor Fernald was elected upon a straight issue favoring the prohibition law, and its strict enforcement. According to Government statistics, the amount liquor sold in the State of Maine is not equal to the amount of liquor sold of representatives from many branches situation. The idea prevails to some

in one average saloon in a license

North Dakota.—"The prohibition constitutional amendment is in greater favor with the people than ever be-fore in its history. The moral and eco-nomic edvantages of no license have-been so thoroughly demonstrated in the case of the towns and cities of North Dakota that the business interests stand almost as a unit against re-

peal or nullification." North Carolina.—On May 26, 1908 the people of North Carolina confirmed the law for State-wide prohibition. passed by the Legislature, by the splendid majority of 44,000 votes. "The result brought consternation to the liquor forces, was a surprise as well to many of the temperance people.

Mississippi.—"The State prohibition law of Mississippi went into effect on January 1, 1909. The present Governor is one of the strongest advocates of prohibition to be found in the State. which practically guarantees that the

law will be enforced."

Kansas.—"Prohibition was never sopopular in the State of Kansas as ft is today. Its effect on all phases of life in the State has been very wholesome, and the liquor fraternity has

is overwhelmingly in favor of the pro-hibition regime. The election of a mayor in the city of Atlanta at the last election who stands for the fullest possible enforcement of the prohibition law is a splendid indication of the healthy condition of public opinion on the saloon question in large centers of population in the State."
Oklahoma (Beautiful Land), born

sober. "The prohibition law continues to grow in favor of the results of the efforts upon the part of State officials to have the law strictly enforced have been very encouraging to the Anti-Sa-

Oklahoma makes the seventh State that has prohibition in the Constitution and nearly every one of the States in the Union has made steady progress in the direction of driving out the saloons. Eleven thousand saloons have been voted out of business in the various States of the Union. Approximately 350,000 square miles have been added to the no-license area, and the population now living in "dry" territory has been increased by over 4,300,-

In the coming sessions of the legislatures nine other States of the Union will press the fight for State-wide prohibition and the prospects now favor the adoption of such a law in at least four of these States. In the seven purely license States an aggressive fight will be waged by the Anti-Saloon League for some form of local option.

There are at present fourteen States which have local option with the county as a unit.

The reports of the Internal Revenue Commissioner at Washington show something of the inroads on the liquor traffic by the Anti-Saloon League movement during the past year. The internal revenue on intoxicating liquors received by the United States Government in 1908 was less than the amount received the year before almost \$17,000,000, and the production of distilled liquors for the year shows

thirty years of my life largely to work among children. I have had time to gives us good cause for great encoursee its value and have had time to see agement. An army that can't stand an may rest assured the editors are kept

hibition is the only successful way of dealing with the outlaw, and that it is a success financially, socially, in morals and in every other way. Yours for H. BRADFORD.

SEIZING A FINE OPPORTUNITY.

Christmas, 1909, is the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of organized Methodism in America, that is, it will be just one hundred and twenty-five years since the famous "Christmas Conference," of 1874, in "Lovely Lane Meeeting House," in Baltimore, where Asbury was chosen a Bishop and the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized.

The American Methodist Historical Society of Baltimore, Dr. Jno. F. Goucher President, proposes to observe the occasion by numerous addresses in Baltimore, and they urge Methodist preachers everywhere to preach on some leading aspect of committee, selected some months ago, Methodism. This society is composed to give attention to the gubernatorial



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1. Invite all historical societies, all preachers' meetings and all social unions of every branch of American Methodism to arrange for similar mion meetings at such centers as

various branches of Methodism in America would observe this service with their congregations, so far as practicable and in the privacy of their own rooms, where they cannot meet with their congregation, there would result a most notable deepening of the spiritual life of the Church and a hastening of the kingdom of Christ upon

Multitudes of the people at large. and not a few of our own members, are quite ignorant of the history, doc-trines, polity, genius, spirit and splen-did biography of Methodism. No betdid biography of Archaeles and the sale of the sale of

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

Considerable is being said throughout the State by the friends of the liquor traffic about the prohibition duestion being in politics. If such is the case, the responsibility for same was assigned to me, as most of you

laws.

having any voice as to whether or not dom, the saloons shall remain in Texas. He further says he will veto any pro hibition legislation, if elected. Could Shall the people rule, or shall the saloons rule?

Much has been said about a special

of Methodism, and their call should extent that the Anti-Saloon League is responsible for the formation of this We, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are vitally interested in this anniversary. We are part of organized Episcopal Methodism, and should avail ourselves of every opportunity to bring Methodism before the people.

The following is the printed call of the society:

The society:

Tesponsible for the formation of this committee. Such is not the case. This committee was authorized by a conference of Democrats. It was not formed for the purpose of selecting a candidate for Governor, but to devise ways and means, should it become necessary, of concentrating the strength of the society: the society:

We, the undersigned committee, in behalf of the American Methodist Historical Society:

mittee is composed of Democrats who are deeply interested in the fight against saloons. They are carefully

unions of every branch of American Methodism to arrange for similar union meetings, at such centers as may be most convenient, to celebrate the completion by American Methodism on the eighth of a millennium of organized activity.

2. We most earnestly request every pastor in every branch of American Methodism to preach or cause to be preached a sermon, or to deliver or cause to be delivered an address to his people, as near Christmas, 1909, as may be practicable—preferably the Sunday before or the second Sunday after—in which shall be discussed for similar cause of prohibition.

The Anti-Saloon League is not a political organization. It does not nominate men for office. It does, however, fight the liquor traffic upon every part of the battlefield. If it finds the liquor forces concentrating their strength upon every oppose that man by supporting someone for the office who opposes the traffic. The Anti-Saloon League would have no right to exist if it did not fight the saloon upon every opportunity of forces. Organizing in any locality, it Sunday before or the second Sunday after—in which shall be discussed some appropriate theme, such as the spirit, the achievements, or the obligations of American Methodism.

3. We most earnestly request that in harmony with the universal custom of early Methodism, every Methodist congregation shall be brought together at 10 o'clock p. m., December 31, for a "watch-night meeting," which shall be made a season of special prayer and personal consecration to God as a fitting preparation for the deeper spiritual life and the more God as a fitting preparation for the deeper spiritual life and the more earnest work to which the Great Head of the Church is calling his followers. If the 5,750,000 communicants in the various branches of Methodism in America would observe this service business in the United States. This year the number of saloons closed up to this time will average about forty

five per day.
When complaint is made about the Anti-Saloon League being in politics, the fact is overlooked that the saloons are in politics every day in the year and every hour in the day. Would any citizen approve of the saloons being

in politics and the people who oppose saleons staying out?

Plans are being laid and preparations made as rapidly as possible to give the saleons the final blow in Tex-

TO THE TEXAS CONFERENCE PREACHERS.

Dear Brethren: The new relation of rests with the liquor interests.

The Democratic party of Texas adopted a plan which, if carried out, the recent session of the Texas Conwould have settled the prohibition ference. I want to say I am delighted question last August, when no other with the appointment, and hereby exissue was before the people. It is press my gratitude to so many of the fresh in the minds of the people how brethren who so cheerfully promised the platform of the party was ignored, to give me their assistance, and to all sertion that prohibition does not prohibit and proving the position that pro-tion unsettled. Democrats who are opthe co-operation and help necessary posed to saloons can do one of two for me to succeed. I am ready for things: They can acknowledge the service every day, and I hope that liquor interests in Texas greater than those who contemplate holding a rethe Democratic party, or they can elect men to the Legislature who believe in people rule. It would be well the desired date; so that after worse than cowardice—it would be learning more fully the mind of the properties. criminal—not to take up the issue Board of Missions anent my work, I made by the liquor interests, and see may be able to make out without conto it that no man who stands for the flict or confusion my list of meetings. saloons has a voice in making our My address is 217 Bethze Street, Houston, Texas. Hoping for your continual The issue is clearly drawn and a prayer for the Lord's blessing upon certain candidate for Governor has my work and your hearty co-operation said that he is opposed to the people and influence, I remain yours fratervoting upon the liquor question or nally for the advancement of the king-CHAS, C. BELL.

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of the Nashville Advocate, come back done by Bro, and Sister Mulkey will intention to procure a convenient, ac. and every condition, humanly speakat him with an article more replete doubtless be of interest, as they are cessible and suitable location and to versy and assumed the role of general parades himself either in private or Corsicana, having a capacity of from adviser on matters of doubtful dispublic, and it is only at intervals, even twenty-five to forty rooms and repre-

stand sure.-Browning.

DALLAS.

eral meeting in this city, beginning varro County.

are taking an interest in the enter- in his boyhood days. auditorium at the Fair Grounds has Training School, in Chicago. Mr. Mul- willingness to save. meeting will be held out there where his evangelistic life, eclipsing in this we will have ample room for the pro- respect Moody and Sam Jones. He ceedings. This will also give the visi- has had 54,539 conversions and raised ters an opportunity to witness the for all Church purposes \$700,000. He lessiness and hear the addresses of the has received 2400 calls to hold meet-

ing, February 19.

CELEBRATED FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

rule. He seems to be searching for William Mulkey, who was himself a your approval and co-operation, and trouble, and now that he has under- minister for forty years, and in his ask the approval of the public bodies taken to camp on Bishop Hoss' trail, honor the Mulkey Memorial Church which you represent, viz.: The City he is certain to find it. The Bishop is now stands in Fort Worth, with a Council and the Commissioners' Court, an old hand when it comes to contro- membership of 700. Commissioner and we shall hope for the blessings of George Mulkey, of Fort Worth; Steph. God on our undertaking."

he Church will hold their next gen- and County Clerk, respectively, of Na- this for God's honor and glory."

Virginia, Maryland, Georgia, and the streets of Nashville, Tenn., from the stand high in the Church. like, and hundreds of the leading lay- age of 7 to 9 years. Afterward he men who make up the spirit of our came with his parents to Texas, and Methodism have never been in this em- from the age of 14 to 17 years was

During the days when Mr. Spurgeon penses and thus set at rest all solicicate any they will have the opportunity to In that capacity he hauled cotton from eye some one wrote Dr. Funk, who bend several days with us and get Waxahachie to Bryan, then the termi- was at that time editor of the Homilettheir vision of Texas Methodism en- nus of the Houston and Texas Central ic Review, asking why it was that Mr. ceretary of this movement, has been Corsicana. Then, from 36 years of possess a barren ministry. Dr Funk ich interest is already shown in the well preserved, and is as jolly and preached the newspapers. This opin-

been secured and the sessions of the key has conducted 548 revivals during meeting a great success. We want the year, he was limited to the number men from the different conferences to coming into his hands, the principal preacher, he here. They will help the meet- part of his gifts being for benevolent ing, and the meeting will be a great work. The Methodist Orphanage, lo-Texas, with some two or three or liberal gifts, he having erected a more of his laymen, ought to make it building for boys there which is now assembled in our State, and to miss it in the construction of eighty churches will be out of the question. The pro- in his meetings in and out of the State, tractive character. Some of the great In his life there yet comes what he ranks. men in this country will speak before calls periods at which time he is the gathering, and all of our Bishops moved by the Spirit to make a gift day, and it will be an inviting one. earnest of his conversion. The gift pastor at that point: So, brethren, preachers and laymen, of \$1700 to the Corsicana Eleventh Rev. Cox is meeting at the dawing of a most promising to come to the great Laymen's Meet- edgment of his appreciation to divinity for the recovery of his wife from a prolonged attack of fever.

REV. AND MRS. ARE MULKEY During the day he handed a com-Evangelist Abe Mulkey and wife speaking for himself and wife, he said celebrated the fortieth anniversary of the gift proposed is in evidence of ness. The remains were brought to their marriage with a reception at their appreciation of the preservation the home in Waco where the funeral their home, 219 West Third Avenue, of their temporal and spiritual lives. build a church and parsonage here it is Rev. F. G. Cox.

Last Tuesday afternoon, their marriage with a reception at their appreciation of the preservation life and hustle, and if anyone can build a church and parsonage here it is Rev. F. G. Cox. nouncements in the local newspapers married life, we want to make a statecussion. He has plunged into the around his own hearthstone, that he senting an investment of \$40,000. The Vanderbilt question and now he goes reveals his life or recounts his work. plan in detail is then laid out, and the after Bishop Hoss on the two-thirds Rev. Abe Mulkey is a son of Rev. paper concludes with, "We bespeak

Earth changes but the soul and God Mulkey, of Dallas, are also sons of and he confidently expects the assistones who have no personal claims upand the dead, to hold the funeral servtand sure.—Browning.

Rev. William Mulkey. Rev. Abe Mulance that will enable him to see it on us, except those imposed by the ices in the church where all can be

daughter of Judge S. H. Kerr, who lie announcement of this undertaking he says, "What we do to them, we do Representative laymen from all over was for several years County Judge was made, Mr. Mulkey said: "I do nime in minister to Him."

February 19. The last one was in The marriage anniversary was cele-Chattanooga, and we are rejoiced that brated on the same homesite on which Kirkland are making the fur fly from and bring up a great Christmas offer-Published Every Thursday at Dailes, Texas the next one will be in Dallas. It will she was born, and where she was margive our leading laymen an opportu- ried at the age of seventeen years, Nashville papers on the Vanderbilt fort wipe out the remaining indebtedmity to visit our city and especially our just forty years ago, the ceremony be- controversy. They have already reach- lars, incurred in putting the Orphan-State, and they will see something of performed by Rev. H. H. Snead, of ed the point where arguments have age in excellent running order, by rea-Editor our progress out this way, both in Waxahachie. Bro. Mulkey divides his ceased and personal thrusts are the son of extensive and much needed matters material and religious. Texas life into periods, the first of which weapons. It is about the sharpest material improvements, amounting in all to an investment of over six thouis a good way from North Carolina, was when he sold newspapers on the set-to we have witnessed by men who sand dellars, of which the foregoing

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and pire of the Southwest. So in Febru- what was then called a "freighter," and Dr. Talmage were in the public tude concerning this sacred interest. nus of the Houston and Texas Central ic Review, asking why it was that Mr. good example to their congregations. Railway. From 17 to 36 years of age Spurgeon was such a successful soul- I further beg that the Sunday-school Judge W. B. Stubbs, who is the he was a merchant in Waxahachie and winner, while Dr. Talmage seemed to in Dallas several days making ar- age to the present, making twenty. answered that in his opinion it was the good service of enlisting their unconsequents for the gathering. He has four years, he has been an evangelist. organized the several committees and He is now 60 years old, is remarkably the Bible, while the Brooklyn Doctor favored with the great privileges that meeting. The business men of Dallas loves a clean joke as much as he did ion is no doubt correct. There is should come kindly to their relief. nothing that draws like the gospel, prise, for they know it will mean much to the city to have such a progressive life which antedates or goes with his find entertainment at many places, but over thirty pupils sent fifteen dollars and thirty-one cents to the Orphanage. set of men from all over the South evangelistic work, which is that of at- when they go to Church they want to proportion, the Orphanage could be set of men from all over the South evangelistic work, which is that of atwhich they go to Church they want to
sustained through them alone.

I beg that the Leagues in their

PERSONALS

Rev. Charles C. Bell was appointed ings, but as he can hold only one or Conference Evangelist at the last ses Texas must do her part to make the two per month, or twenty-four per sion of the Texas Conference, and he is eminently qualified for that sort of work. He is a man of good gifts, presence of a large number of our lay- stated. He gives freely of all money deep spirituality and a strong gospel

blessing to them. Every preacher in cated at Waco, has received from him Annis will read with serrowful interpears in this issue. We trust that a kind Providence will soon restore him DEATH OF ROBERT HOTCHKISS, a point to come, for it will be the valued at \$30,000. His gifts to Corsi- to health. He spent many years of greatest gathering of the kind ever cana amount to \$7500. He has aided u eful service in the Northwest Texas has prospered them.

Conference: was always cheerful. In faith and hope of a glorious successful. hopeful and enterprising, and is now on the superannuate list. When he gram is going to be of the most at- the cost running from \$1000 to \$50,000, retired a useful preacher left the

The local paper at Sanderson, Texwill be present as far as possible. We because of some divine blessing, and as, New Mexico Conference, has the will publish the program at an early the Waco Orphanage enterprise is an following kind words to say of our

Rev. Cox is meeting with some nice went home to the better world just begin now to make your arrangement Avenue parsonage was the acknowl. responses to the appeal for aid to build the new church and parsonage. One preacher sent a dollar, with the statement that he chanced to have that sum; a Fort Worth pastor sent \$20, and said he would make it a hun-Chas. P. Taft, brother of the munication to Mayor B. H. Woods, Jr., President, sent a five-dollar bill from and County Judge Blanding, in which, Taft, Texas. Hardly a mail comes in that doesn't contain contributions for the "dollar Methodist Church at Sanderson."

LETTER FROM DR. McLEAN.

Louis Advocate in which he took on are they that there was a constant been passed in this city. Many of our a new lease on life. At present rate have a building, an house not made casion to show the felly of our General of eallers, embracing husbands friends and relatives live here, and of improvement I shall hope to be with hands, eternal in the heavens." eral Conference adopting the two and wives and sons and daughters of our long residence has seen our sym- at my post of duty by New Year, for he time of the reception. The house city and county ever increase." After God: likewise thankful to my brethren erally hammered the life out of the plants and flowers, and refreshments opportunity in which their sympathy without my personal involvment, the change the condition of the dead. proposition. The fact is he left no were served.

and care of the people could be exskillful service of such eminent surroom for a sensible reply. But In this connection a brief review of strange to say Dr. George B. Winton, the history and work in religious lines ment continues: "It is out wish and and attentive nurses, an elegant room,

Allow me, once more to call the atwith sarcasm than with argument. It known by their works, not only all undertake to build and equip a commo- tention of the brethren and Church at seems that the Doctor has thrown over Texas, but beyond its borders, dious, comfortable and modern hos-large to the urgent needs of the aside his usual diffidence as to contro- Brother Mulkey is not a man who pital and sanitarium in the city of Orphanage. This sacred cause is upon my mind and heart by day and by night. As Christmas approaches and al; are contemplating the nice things they can do one for another in home, social and Church circles I beg to call attention to those who, by misfortune, cannot share in such joys unless made possible by others. Let us not look solely upon our own things, but upon the things of others also. Let us not be restricted in our kindly offerings to those of our own house hold and social circle, but, in addi-

GENERAL LAYMEN'S MEETING IN key's wife was Miss Louisa P. Kerr, speedily consummated. When the pub- Master whom they represent, when to him-in ministering to them, we

I beseech you, brethren, that we have a grand rally throughout the State during the approaching holidays ness of more than two thousand dolamount remains to be paid, and also put in our treasury all the money that is necessary to meet our current ex-

I beseech the pastors to take the lead in this matter by making personal contributions and thus set a superintendents shall present the cause of our orphan children to their respective schools and do their pupils they enjoy, unless the good people

One country Sunday-school of not over thirty pupils sent fifteen dollars

work of charity will remember these most worthy objects of their sympathy and help and send us a nice cash contribution in their behalf.

Let the ladies of the Home Mission Societies remember us with a Christmas offering. If the brethren will but respond promptly and heartily, as I pray that they may, our solic-itude will be at an end and we'll enter the New Year unembarrassed by debt and with a full treasury to meet our current expenses. In that event, despite our affliction, we would be one of the happiest and most grateful men in the State.

May I be pardoned for asking the richer charges of the State to take heed to this call and come nobly and promptly to our relief with offerings commensurate with their ability, and that all the charges may give as God

cess, I am yours for the orphans, JNO. H. McLEAN.

BURY GOD'S SAINTS FROM HIS CHURCH.

Funeral services on the death of loved ones is perhaps the oldest and most universal custom among men. It is observed in some form by the civilized and barbarian, by saint and sinner. The agnostic, Ingersoll, pronounced eloquent eulogies over his dead with no better consolation than the motto: "We do not know." The heathen kindle their sad and hopeless funeral fires, and with some thought of a great future deposit in the grave relics or other things to help the dead pay their way across the dark river. But the religion of The little pastor is full of Jesus Christ brushes away all the doubts of agnosticism and all vagaries of heathen superstition, and with divine assurance exultantly asserts, know that my Redeemer lives." And while he is conscious death Recently Bishop Hoss had an in- of the date and hours of closing, with ment to you." Then it says. "Thirty- The doctors say my case is pro- he calmiy awaits its coming, saying, Recently Bishop Hoss had an in"No cards, no presents." So popular seven years of our married life have gressing nicely and give me hope of this tabernacle were dissolved, we

True Christians do not mourn as eral Conference adopting the two and walks of life throughout pathy and love for the people of this which I will be profoundly thankful to those who have no hope; nor do they thirds rule in the election of Bishops, all ages and walks of life throughout pathy and love for the people of this which I will be profoundly thankful to those who have no hope; nor do they believe that anything deposited in the tackles that sort of a question, he lit. was prettilly decorated with vines, pot saying they had long looked for an for their timely assistance in securing, the dead will in any wise affect or Therefore funeral services are only sacred to the memory of the dead and are intended to console the bereaved and give a religious uplift to surviv-

> Christ at the grave of Lazarus consoled the sisters and many friends present, and strengthened their faith in the hope of the resurrection.

There is something in man's nature which causes him to desire to be like and imitate those he loves. Hence a rehearsal of the virtues and piety of our dead inspires the living with a desire to live a better life.

A funeral in a small room at a private house allows only a few to take part in the services or to hear what is said by the preacher. private house nine-tenths of In a friends who would gladly honor the dead, and might be profited by the services, are compelled to stand in the yard, cold or hot, and take no part in the devotions. Hence it is George Mulkey, of Fort Worth; Steph- God on our undertaking."

It ion to these loving services, let us also, in the unselfish spirit of the part in the devotions. Hence it is also, in the unselfish spirit of the part in the devotions. Hence it is Master, make glad the poor dependent our religious duty, both to the living ones who have no personal claims up- and the dead, to hold the funeral services who have no personal claims up- and the dead, to hold the funeral services who have no personal claims upin n my eigh tion

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THE RIGHT RING.

As this is a new year and I am still in my old field of labor, to show you my appreciation of the goold old Advocate I herewith send you twentyeight renewals and one new subscription. I have a good many new ones to send in. My number of subscribers last year went to thirty-two. This year I am trying for fifty.

W. T. SINGLEY. Lovelace Circuit.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate Scruggs. short paragraph. If anyone doubts the statement, the Texas Advocate is ready to furnish the proof. The problem now confronting religious papers tells a very truthful story in a very gia town of 5,000 inhabitants situated lem now confronting religious papers to vie with each other in the most elegant man- a very fine body of men. All of the in the history of these enterprises. The clamor is often made for a cheaper paper. Let our readers be not surprise commodious home of Mr. R. C. Neely.

of the presiding elders and the Bishop in the hands of the men South Georgia has sent.

The appointments came as near given the rapid increase in expense of every is only fair to say that the Bishop exare far above the average as a list department connected with a religious pressed himself as delighted with the of appointments. Bishop Wilson andepartment connected with a religious paper, with a corresponding decrease in its advertising revenues:

plan. We were together all the time and the fullest discussion was allowmorning that they were the result of much prayer and thought, and they

We are often asked why it is now much more difficult to meet the expenses of a religious weekly than in former years, which is easily explain-The labor unions, the increasing cost of rent, labor and materials are important reasons, but the main reason is the loss of advertising. When we begun our twenty years of service on the Advocate it was easier to get five dol'ars in advertising than it is to get one now. The introduction of the linotype machines enabled the and reduce their price from five cents to one cent each, which increased their to one cent each, which increased their was most marvelous.

The Secretary was at once elected determination and faith in God. Our next annual session will meet in Cogreat daily papers to double their size

cred about the house of God and its holy altars not found in the private dwelling. There is a fitness in the place and the occasion which com-mends itself to every right thinking There the deceased used to worship God and now his empty pew is a silent monitor warning the ing that he, too, must die. There with none of the embarassments attached to a private house the preach-

Stephen, the first Christian martyr, had just closed one of the greatest sermons ever delivered from human lips when, direct from the pulpit, "de-vout men carried him to his burial." So let us honor God's house when

dead as well as while living. W. H. HUGHES.

A SAD NOTE.

To our many friends who read the

Advocate I wish to say:

For fifty-eight days I have sat by game is sure. the bedside of my dear husband; have watched for weeks his intense suffering and delirium; have noted every change in his condition for better and entire world's population based on worse, the bright flashes of returning fairly reliable statistics place the numconsciousness, when he would held us spellbound with sweet converse for 1.500,000. In other words, fifteen hundays, we hoping that he was improving, when he would again sink into the human mind to grasp this number fever, his bright mind obscured by a in detail. Now if each person meas-

our physicians assure us there is just tures all did their work well. the least hope of his recovery; but It has been a remarkable year for most probably if he lives he will be results in the conference. We rean invalid for life,

our great distress and anxiety.

MRS. J. T. L. ANNIS. Merkel, Texas.

SPICY SOUTH GEORGIA LETTER.

After various and sundry promises to God. find time to give to your readers great deal of interest for many rea- casion in the history of that town and sons among them the fact that it was in the life of the hearers.

Promptly on Wednesday morning, December 1, the conference was called to order, Bishop A. W. Wilson in the chair. Regardless of the fact that he was just from Raleigh where, on Monday night before, he had finished the work of holding the North Carolina Conference, he was bright, cheerful and in the best of health and spirits. He read as the lesson for the opening of the conference a part of the

comments were characteristic for their conference rejoices over his return. clearness of vision and breadth and The preachers will all soon be i

space to tell of any of it.

comfortably seated and hear with profit. Then there is something sarinterest of the General Educational the salvation of souls.

and as this is the 1 will not do do delegate Comfortable was held.

Dr. Hamill, in the interest of the Georgia joins with Texas in the Sunday-school work; Dr. Byrd, in the prayer that it may be a great year for interest of the General Educational the salvation of souls. Board; Dr. Dickey, of Emory College;

recently he has seemed to improve, but Dr. O. E. Brown, in a course of lec-

Yesterday he seemed to be as well 1100. The benevolent collections were as possible for one in his weak condition, and he said: "Oh, what a happy day is this!" He was free from pain; he suffers much less than here-tofore, but today he again has fever. Our children are with us and all collection for conference, claiments. ported a gain of something more than Our children are with us, and all collection for conference claimants, that leving hands can do is being done was much in advance of the amount that leving hands can do is being done was much in advance of the amount for him. Pray for us, dear friends, in assessed some of these, being 120 per cent. We are able to report more than \$123,000 as the result of the missionary endeavor in the bounds of the conference this year. It has been a year of very gratifying results, for which we are all profoundly grateful

Sunday was a great day for the "a few scattering remarks" from the cause in Waynesboro. Bishop Wilson's old South Georgia Conference. The sermon at 11 o'clock was an amazeforty-third session of this conference ment to those of the conference who met in the beautiful little city of have often heard him and rank him Waynesboro on the morning of De- among the greatest preachers of the cember 1. This session of the confer- American nation. It will abide as one ence was looked forward to with a of the greatest if not the greatest oc-

to be presided over by our highly regarded and much loved senior Bishop. The Bishop's presidency was a degarded and much loved senior Bishop. Light to the entire conference. His levery possible convenience for the gal rulings as the work of the session

ing of the conference a part of the Church of over 1000 members with a third chapter of Ephesians—his favor-salary of \$3500. We loaned him to ite epistic of the New Testament. His these cities for five years and all the

hundreds of thousands. The great and the conference began the regular next annual session will meet in Codailies now make all their money in work. The usual routine was carried lumbus with the old St. Luke congregated works annual conference began the regular next annual session will meet in Codailies now make all their money in work. The usual routine was carried lumbus with the old St. Luke congregated works. The Methodist Annual Conference began the regular next annual session will meet in Codailies now make all their money in work. The usual routine was carried lumbus with the old St. Luke congregated with the conference began the regular next annual session will meet in Codailies now make all their money in work. The usual routine was carried lumbus with the old St. Luke congregated with the conference began the regular next annual session will meet in Codailies now make all their money in work. the religious weeklies from the adver- ences are about the same everywhere, once pastor, and in which a memor and as this is true I will not take your able session of the General Conference

L. J. BALLARD.

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GENERALSHIP OF THE WOLF.

Among the animals that show reasonably believe that ministering spirits, unseen by human based on the services. There is no better place to worship God and honor our dead than the hely altar of his Church.

In the old dispensation, which was a type of the new, God directed that wings should hover over the mercy seat. So we may reasonably believe that ministering spirits, unseen by human beings may be mentioned the soning powers without the training of human beings may be mentioned the wolf. An illustration here is interesting. The jack-rabibt on the plains of Texas can outrun any wolf in the world. Hence, if the wolf is to have a "mule-var" for his dinner he must resort to strategem. This thing he most effectually does. He will call in what is known as Henry's Lake, I have to strategem. The two will make chase together. The rab. Among the animals that show reawings should hover over the mercy wings should hover over the mercy wings should hover over the mercy will make chase together. The rabbat will make chase together. The rabbit will not run many miles in a straight line, but he will invariably straight line, but he will be will be a straight line, but he will be will be a straight line, but he will be will be a straight line, but he will be a straight li circle so as to keep within a known territory. Here the ingenuity of the wolves is displayed. The two wolves will not continue to run together. They will estimate the circuit which the rabbit is to take. One of the wolves will then rest while the other runs. When the rabbit has made his first circuit, wolf No. 1 will stop the chase while his comrade-in-arms will take it up and pursue the rabbit in the second circuit. Thus, turn by turn, they exhaust the rabbit and their

THE EARTH'S POPULATION.

The conservative estimates of the ber of human beings on our globe at

shoulders, and we should line up the whole population of the earth, shoul-

across and only a little longer. It has trees on it and a variety of vegetable growth. The roots of these trees are very dense. They form a mat suffi-ciently compact to hold a soil. It is supposed that a gas is formed in the constantly decaying vegetation, and that this gas causes the island to be upheld and to float.

NUMBER OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

Over thirty-two millions of people die annually. This is over a hundred thousand every day, over four thousand every hour, over sixty-six every minnte and over one every second. On the other hand the birth rate is higher than the death rate, though the increase is very little. About seventy children are born every minute.

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WISE SAYINGS OF IMLAC.

Imlac is the old sage of Dr. John-on's "Rasselas." Here are some of his epigrams; they are worthy of meditation:
"To talk in public and think in soli-

'No man is great by imitation."
"Knowledge predominates over ignorance as man governs lower ani-

"A man used to vicissitudes is not tion. easily dejected."

"Few things are impossible to dili-

gence and skill."

"There are few doors through which POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES.

'He that has much to do will some-Texas.

times do something wrong." "Ignorance, when voluntary, is criminal.

"To him that lives well every form Gainesville District-First Round. of life is good." 烂

When Texas was a Mexican province you could wa'k right into a herd of antelope on the plains and knock them in the head with a club or capture them alive. A hunter could wave a pocket-handkerchief from behind a boulder or a chanarral bush or a 23. a pocket-handkerchief from behind a boulder or a chaparral bush or a bunch of grass and the antelope that saw it would invariably go to it. But the little animal found that when he went, he went into death. Soon this knowledge became so fixed with them that they ever afterwards fled at the that they ever afterwards fled at the sight of a white object. In primitive T lephone M 5720 Hours 9 to 1 3 to 5 times they went in great herds to water. Here the hunter lay in wait, and they learned again of the danger, It is a face that our nerves do not so that they adopted the practice of transmit sensations instantaneously, congregating on the hilltop and send. EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT dark cloud of unconsciousness. More ures 18 inches from tip to tip of his That is to say, it requires some time ing only a few down to drink at any 615 Wilson Building. Dallas, Texas

Every possible convenience for the membership of the conference had been provided for by our thoughtful and painstaking host, Dr. J. H. Serugs.

Waynesboro is a prosperous Georgia town of 5,000 inhabitants situated half way between the cities of Savannah and Augusta. The town is one of almost fabulous wealth for one of its size and the entire citizenship seem to vie with each other in their efforts to entertain in the most elegant manner. Dr Scrugs arranged for all ten of the presiding elders and the Bishop to be entertained in the large and commodious home of Mr. R. C. Neely. This was found to be quite pleasant and convenient for the presiding elders and the Bishop to be entertained in the large and commodious home of Mr. R. C. Neely. This was found to be quite pleasant and convenient for the presiding elders and this serior of the membership of the conference sends as its representatives, both lay and ministerial, to entertain in the most elegant manner. Dr Scrugs arranged for all ten of the presiding elders and the Bishop to be entertained in the large and commodious home of Mr. R. C. Neely. The appointments came as near given by the contract and commodious home of the presiding elders, but for the Bishop we cannot in human minds and judgment. Conspeak so well. That full justice may proseed himself as delighted with the of appointments. Bishop Wilson anplan. We were together all the time nounced when he read them Monday for the information to be conveyed to the the information to be conveyed to the brain. Naturally the nerves in the bear on the information to be conveyed to the brain. Naturally the nerves in the brain Naturally the nerves in

hoofs and cut away and paw away the thorny growth, and arrange a clear, smooth, sandy place and in this enclosure her young are born and nourished till they can run. The wolf will not brave the cactus thorn, which "To talk in public and think in solitude is the business of a scholar."

(This is contrary to the remark of the wag who said it is usually best to think in public and talk in solitude.)

"Pride will please itself with very mean advantage."

"Envy feels not its own happiness except by contrast with the misery of others."

"Envy feels not its own happiness except by contrast with the misery of others." the intruder, often whipping him en-tirely, and sometimes killing him. A young antelope, if frightened, will sometimes bury his face in a clump of sage brush and imagine that, since ulate human life, may be found him. An infuriated antelope is a fierce fight. fighter and his horns do terrific execu-

GOLD IN THE SEA.

"Knowledge is more than an equiva- It is claimed that there is enough nt of force."

"The first years of a man must make every inhabitant on the globe a multiovision for the last."

gold in our ocean waters to make every inhabitant on the globe a multimillionaire. Also it is maintained by "He that never thinks can never be certain scientists that there must be immense masses or seas of molten wise."

"Perpetual levity must end in ignorance."

"The life of a solitary man will certainly be miserable."

"The time is already come when none are miserable but by their own fault."

"The transport of the heaviest metals it would not maturally be drawn by the force of gravity down into the earth until it rested against the next heaviest metal. The reasoning seems good.

"There are few doors through
liberality joined with good humor cannot find its way."

Rev. Jas. J. Rape. Winters. Texas Rev. J. T. Kirkpatrick, Corrigan

Rev. N. C. Litt'e, Cumby, Texas,

Valley View, Dec. 22. Era and Spring Creek, at E., Dec. 26, 27.

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years ago and has been carried on
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one had ever been a member of an
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with our Senior.) We hold devotionhave Junior League in connection with our Senior.) We hold devotion-all services every Sunday. 7 p. m. when weather will permit, as no one lives within a mile of the church. There is nearly always a full attendance and every one is ready and willing to do active service. Rusiness ing peace and good will to all man-every decimal and another the study willing to do active service. Rusiness in peace and good will to all man-every decimal and the study willing to do active service. Rusiness in peace and good will to all man-every decimal and the study is like in hand in a Bible School.

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By Fronk L. Brown.

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Scripture reading and prayer.

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with fine success in his new work. Those whis heard him on this occasion were much impressed with his enthusiasm and platform ability. His forget problems, and his presentation of plans for work are always licid and invited.

FROM OLIVIA, TEXAS.

I was requested by our State Junior Superintendent, Miss Annie Sella, to will enthusia since the Epworth League, known as Traylor Chapel Oil of Joy," has grown from a small beginning into what most people call an aretive League, it was organized some five what most people call an aretive League, it was organized some five cars and several bound for the superintendent, presiding.

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THE BETHLEHEM BABE.

'Neath oppression wrong and woe, Gleamed the soft love-light of Spirit, And the earth received a gem From that upper world of brightness In the Babe of Bethlehem.

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In the night upon the plain,
Their poor senses caught the sweetness
Of the heavenly hosts' refrain,
And the radiance fell around them
From fair heaven's diadem;
They received the news with gladness,
Of the Babe of Bethlehem.

How the wise men hailed the message As they journeyed from afar:
They were led by Spirit's guidance,
Shining o'er them as a star.
So they came and brought their incense;
No mere value hindered them
From expending all their treasure
For the Babe of Bethlehem.

Wicked Hered heard the message, Kindling all his soul with wrath, And he sought to sweep the Christ-child

child
As a hindrance from his path.
But the Lord defeated Herod
And preserved his choicest gem,
So he failed to wreak his vengeance
On the Babe of Bethlehem.

So he worked and grew and prospered, Gaining grace to man and God; Healing up the broken-hearted, Everywhere his footsteps trod. And some mortal blessed his presence, Gloom-dispelling diadem, Gaining healing strength and comfort From the Babe of Bethlehem.

ing of the sun effects more changes side the lovely meadows, in the high time. When "nature" so "intends," clared that this business was parasible than the bluster of the storm. "Love" air, in the bowels of the earth, this is it will be that way, for they will all mount to Democracy, to the people The which is stronger than mere force "never faileth." Persuasion rather than compulsion is God's method. Long continued influences, invisible and gentle though they be are most powerful in altering the face of nature. These things are brought afresh to mind by the beauties and wonders of this Christmas Sabbath, when for twelve long hours the roaring wind whizzed by and dropped its load of

The great and strong wind, like that of Elijah's theophany, sighed at the windows, slammed the doors, sifted the trees, and drove the vast herds of cattle into the canyons for protection from its icy blasts. Men hurried to pile their supplies of fuel high in the house. Even the railway trains that, like time and tide, wait for no man, are thrown hopelessly behind schedule time. A conductor stamps out of the office crumpling a piece of tissue pa-per with stiffened fingers and waves on the monster, knowing only too well that just beyond the hill the dreaded cut is full of snow and his orders will never be carried out.

This was yesterday when blow and blare and blast and bluster would make one believe that nature was at war with itself. To-day a Christian Sabbath comes to show us with the rising sun myriads of sparkling diamonds athwart the snow. Nothing but a sound of gentle stillness strikes the ear, for it is the Lord's day and one cannot but be in the Spirit.

The storm raged and shouted for a day; the sun simply shines and silently and imperceptibly changes the whole face of nature. The falling icicles, the sliding snow, the running water, with here and there a pedestrian venturing forth-all tell us of God's silent forces that are working more than great upheavels.

were reared and finished by great cataclysms and volcanic eruptions.

AN OLD ADAGE SAYS

"A light purse is a heavy curse" Sickness makes a light purse. The LIVER is the seat of nine tenths of all disease.

ter, thoroughly, quickly safely and restore the action of the LIVER to normal condition.

Give tone to the system and solid flesh to the body. Take No Substitute.

By S. A. Fitzgerald.

O'er the plains of old Judea, In the ages long ago.

When God's people groaned in bondage

"Neath oppression wrong and wee."

In the coral insect which has made that "nature" did it? If so, why does the women of the Church: Huge icebergs are born in Greenland is not the editor on a farm? that "the age-long accumulation of mica-flakes has built up the mighty bastions of the Alps." The chalky cliffs of England were made by the deposits of millions of tiny creatures now unknown to man. The learned assure us that invisible air is infinite it tosses into suds and foam. Which it tosses into suds and foam it is possible, that by the again: "It is possible, that by the majority

A PANHANDLE CHRISTMAS MEDITATION.

In nature as well as in the kingdom of God, the greatest work is done by the gentler agencies. The quiet shing of the sun effects more changes in the kingdom ing of the sun effects more changes at the lovely meadows, in the light in every eye that looks boy will be required to understand boy will be required to understand some sort of handicraft." That is, when "nature" shall have fixed the and sing. At last he makes man and san. The deducation every tion, hence ought to go, and we be lieve will go when the people got a chance at it. Why do the people got a chance at it? Why do the people at thing that way. To be sure, the time has not yet come, and it, "nature." fic defied the Democratic party demands in Texas and by that act demands in Texas and

Look out through the open window upon the melting snow as it sinks deep, deep down in the fertile soil to come again in millions of bushels of heading wheat, and you will draw another lesson. Add to your knowledge patience. Since we can neither hurry the plans of the Almighty, nor solve the mysterles of his providences, caling," and the sons of the poor shall take a "humbler of our faith worketh steadfastness. The princely endowments of fortitude, patience and repression are never bestowed upon a man over night. Difficulty is the compliment that the Father pays to the greatness of his child's strength. There is but one way to produce manhood and that is to throw.

Why try to learn the "art of education?" Why should preachers take deep down in the fertile soil on?" Why should preachers take atton?" Why should preachers take author, says: "All our laws are but to produce a distinguished English author, says: "All our laws are but to prive and justly, too.

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Froude. a distinguished English author, says: "All our laws are but the send them." We are taught that it is to provide the great and eternal laws of right and wrong, so far as we can read them." We are taught that it is province of the legislator to ascertain by diligent research what are the immutable laws of right and wrong, so far as we can neither hurry the plans of the Almighty, nor solve the mysteries of his providences, caling," and the sons of the rich find that the sons of the poor shall take a "humber of the providences of the research what are the should have the providence of the legislator to ascertain by diligent research what are the fourth in the function of the intellectuals?" Are they not the resonance of the ch ther pays to the greatness of his child's so "intends" it as it is.

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No, this editorial is full of the prevail in this State or the gold of produce manhood and that is to throw a man into the midst of frowning opposition. Go labor on, he that sees the end from the beginning; He knows.

The world clamors to-day for men whose buovant spirit and calm ontimism never lose faith in humanity. Genuine zeal can await events without chafing and discontent. Sourlous zeal is precipitate, thoughtless, sensational, headstrong, and reckless. The novice alone is carried away with such fetching slogens as the "conver-sion of the world in this generation" There is a time element-and the ability to await the results of processes of development is more in line with the purposes of the Creator. The enthusiast projects grand plans of work, sets aside established methods as worthless, and is ant sooner or later to be out of harmony with his own Church and workers. We are saved by faith; it is also just as true that he that endure the to the end shall be saved. "If we endure we shall also reign with him."

J. R. MOOD.

torial in the Nashville Christian Advocate, in which there are some things into colleges and into the professions, but not all of them. The vast majority of boys were not intended by na-ture for such a career." Were not "intended by nature!" What on earth does the editor mean by "nature?" Does he mean some unseen spiritual fixing the order of things in spite of all that man can do?

Does he mean by 'nature" the God of nature? If so, why did he not say Why did he not say, that God did not "intend" the "vast majority of them for such a career?" Does he mean to hold God responsible for all the failures and successes of men? or any one else, whip the devil around will not save you from choking on it. If so, why not say so? Why will he.

leagues of land in the Pacific Ocean. not nature put him there today? Why

by the falling and compression of the noiseless snowflakes. They tell us if his eye should perchance fall upon that "the age-long accumulation of this he no doubt would treat it light."

Perhaps he will never see this, but school superintendents of the State that "the age-long accumulation of this he no doubt would treat it light."

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Texas who can not sign the pledge that "the age-long accumulation of this he no doubt would treat it light." where is no greater power for good or evil in the universe than personal influence. Learn to love with a generous, unselfish, inspiring love, and you have the golden key that "opens the door of success in Christian labor. Not self-culture, but self-sacrifice is our high vocation. A subjective type of religion that is always intent upon producing well-rounded character in the individual will have to be changed to an altruistic type that is always seeking to know how it may best serve the community. During the Christmas tide let liberality be unconfined, and how great will be the reflex action in heart and life!

where "muscle" is needed.—a place every protestant Sunday-school in the State, that received the request, will gladly grant it and be proud of a inasmuch as "nature" must have been cannot do a real practical thing chance to do a real practical thing chance to do a real practical thing chance to do ask, why we did this and not on the place. Therefore temperance. Some may, and no for temperance. Some may, and no doubt do ask, why we did this and with more "muscle than brain." They we are always glad "to give a reason that his State-wide fight is inevitable. As that this State-wide fight is inevitable. Cause "nature" has so decreed. Nave have been forced to it by the cause "nature" has so decreed. Nave have been forced to it by the ease of the place. Therefore have a reason that this State-wide fight is inevitable. Cause "nature" has so decreed. Nave have been forced to it by the enemy. "Self-preservation is the first why is not the editor on a farm, and law of nature," and the Supreme his sons going to "western ranches" Court bears out the Constitution when his sons going to "western ranches" Court bears out the Constitution when is any individual of any State or any confined, and how great will be the reflex action in heart and life!

When the Creator formed the rose has always and the place. Therefore where "muscle than brain." They we are always glad "to give a reason that this State-wide fight is inevi How he bore the sin of nations
Hanging on the cursed tree!
See him bravely bear his anguish
On the cross on Calvary.
For the great Sanhedrin feared him.
Now they dread the second coming of the Babe of Bethlehem.
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Froude, a distinguished English done these new places and to the Government. This attitude upon the part of this business forced the people to resent their onslaughts, there and putting it on a firm footing.

Froude, a distinguished English

> spirit of the dogma of Calvinism. The the brewers? Shall it be law or lust? same abominable doctrine that has God or gold? Bible or bottle? been cursing the world in all the ages I was in the great battles in Ten-past. Teaching that the great God of nessee and Alabama, and in the Flor-heaven and earth "intends" that one ida submission fight and I learned

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"THE PREACHER'S SON."

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The above is the heading of an ediportial in the Nashville Christian Advotate, in which there are some things that are astounding, to-wit: "The born in sin and are little devils, and women of this State will do what sons of preachers still find their way must grow up in sin, and when they can and we can do much. The W. C. become settled in life they can repent T. U. has the plans and can muster and change over to the other side, and the force, if properly supported, and tell to old and young how mean they this is one of the reasons this letter have been and thereby encourage is going out to all the Churches. A children and young people to go and strict account will be kept and a redo likewise. When shall we be freed port made of all work accomplished from this hurtful doctrine? When and all funds received and disbursed. will our teachers quit teaching such We have established a

Maysfield, Texas.

You know by experience that the aches and pains of rheumatism are not permanently, but only temporarily, relieved by external remedies. Then why not use an internal remedy—Hood's Sarsaparilla, which corrests the acidity of the blood on which rheumatism depends and cures the disease? This medicine has done more for the rheumatic than any other medicine in the world.

Asking a blessing over stolen bread

the women of the Church:

During last month I sent out several hundred letters to the Sundaywhoel superintendents of the State
We want every Christian woman in

man shall be wise and that another the tactics of war and I think if we shall be a fool, that one shall be mas prepare now to put on the methods send a ter and another servant, that one they used and we are ready to do zation. shall be rich and another poor, that battle, we will win. It takes money. one shall be with the "crowded pro- The enemy has millions of dollars of accomplishment of the purpose of fessions" and another learn some ill gotten gains and they do not spare these resolutions, the hearty co-operafessions" and another learn some ill gotten gains and they do not spare "handicraft," for one to succeed in life it when the time comes. We do not and another to fail, and that God is need money to buy men with. We responsible for it all, that boys are all need it to purchase electricity and born" that way.

But you say the editor did not mean wire and rail with every citizen in

But you say the editor did not mean to teach that doctrine. What did he mean to teach, then? Didn't he know that his readers would so infer? Will he deny teaching such doctrine? If he did not mean to teach that God so "intended" and that men are "born" that way, tell me what he does mean. This doctrine of the devil that men are "born" to fill "intended" places, "that it is possible, that by the laws of heredity," and not only "possible" but "intended by nature," that one boy is "born capable" and another is "bo that teaches that children are ers, criminals and drunkards? force, capable of thinking, reasoning, planning, and carrying out its plans—working in the world among men and will our teachers quit teaching such we have established a "gilt and be-quest department." Will not some devoted one, to whom the Lord has said, working in the world among men and "give" start this off with a couple of "give" start this off with a couple of

Such is not the case. They are slow- the stump? But hear him: "When FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE battle for Texas freedom. Men, women of Texas, the line is drawn. Will you stand for or against the boys and girls tion Temperance Union of Texas, to I have only my life, and this the women of the Church. sides. Will you join me with your life

upon man. There is no greater power where "muscle" is needed—a place every protestant Sunday-school in the for good or evil in the universe than where boys with more "muscle than State, that received the request, will resolution which was introduced by

Third-That these new

render every assistance possible to the ministers who may be sent into any of this territory.

the bounds of the conference and to send a preacher to every such organ!

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER.

Lord, for the lonely heart, I pray apart. Now for the son of sorrow Whom this tomorrow. Rejoiceth not, O Lord, Hear my weak word! For lives to bitter to be borne For the tempted and the torn, For the prisoner in the cell, For the haggard s

Into the desert trod By the long sick, O God; Into the patient gloom Of that small room Where lies the child of pain, Of all neglected most—be fain To enter, healing, and remain

Now, at the fall of day, I bow and pray; A watch I keep. Oh, let the starving brain Be fed and fed again; At thy behest The tortured nerve find rest

I see the vacant chair Father of souls prepare My poor thought's feeble power To plead this hour.

For the empty, aching home, Where the silent footsteps come, Where the unseen face looks on, Where the handelasp is not felt, Where the dearest eyes are gone, Where the portrait on the wall Stirs and struggles as to speak, Where the light breath from the hall Calls the color to the cheek, Where the voice breaks in the hymn

To the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South Assembled at Asheville, North Caro

from the General Board of our society, purporting to represent the Home Mission Society of our Church, and, indeed, the whole body of women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, anent the conferring upon the women of the Church all the rights of laymen. In regard to this memorial we wish to say that the subject had not been discussed in our Conference Societies, so far as we know, and that the delegates to our last annual meet.

The Lord of the harvest, that he may send forth more laborers."

Yours for the Master's use.

MRS. W. A. MANLY.

Press Superintendent W. H. M. Society, Texas Conference.

Garrison, Texas.

THE AUXILIARY, W. F. M. SOCIETY, AUSTIN AVENUE

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possible, but up to date have ceived about 45 reports. I

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using the Bulletins, secular blackboard illustrations, and 31 klust all or some part of the the members of the Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Terrell, North Texas Conference, beg to memorialize your august body as follows:

You have before you a memorial from the General Board of any resistor.

**Reading Course, and report pleasure to the usual devotional exercises, song. Bible reading and prayer by the wife of our pastor. W. H. M. SOCIETY, CALDWELL, in service. We have entered into our last quarter, and will soon enter a new calendar year. Behold, the harvest is great, but the laborers are follows:

The Work of the Home Mission Society. The Home Mission Money and the Lord of the hervest, that he may send forth more laborers. The Home Mission Money and the control of the hervest, that he may send forth more laborers. The Home Mission Money and the control of the hervest, that he may send forth more laborers. The Home Mission Money and the control of the hervest is great, but the laborers are follows:

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useful and beautiful presents—just a wishing for a repetition of the help-small token, a loving remembrance, to ful and pleasant occasion.

(It is encouraging to hear of such

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instructive meeting was held by these eth when no man can work. societies in the University M. E. PRESS REPORTER. Church, when the following program was well rendered, after the usual devotional exercises, song, Bible read.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, CALDWELL,

How It Is Applied," Mrs. Nat B. Read.

Prayer, Mrs. J. J. Anthur, Vocal solo, Miss Elizabeth Weller. "The Work of the Foreign Missionary," by Mrs. W. G. Bright, the President.

"The Money of the Foreign Missionary Society, and Fow It Is Applied," by the Treasurer, Mrs. Will T. Dech-

ered" while here, and received many with refreshments, every one heartily

one whose life is apart from ours.

Her lecture on Sunday evening to a W. F. M. Society of this Church in crowded house, telling of her call to assisting in the support of the special the foreign field and how God had missionary from Austin, Miss Alice blessed her in her preparation for this Longdon, music teacher in the Laura great work, was well received and en-Haygood Memorial, Soochow, China, great work, was well received and enjoyed by all who were privileged to distinguished consideration. However, the as an humble part of their constitutioney, we wish to say to your great hody that such memorial utterly mister and such memorial utterly mister and such memorial utterly mister are we asking for any privileges not now granted to us by our beloved Church.

After a thorough discussion by a number of our representative women, the motion was a request that this memorial be published in the Texas Christian Advocate.

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Press Reporter, Auxiliary W. F. M.

societies from the neighboring towns.

Mrs. Bloodworth has promised to be with us, and also Mrs. Patillo, of Stamford, our District Secretary. We expect great results from this gathering of carneat workers, and wish that each auxillary, in this district would send a representative. Our hospitality is unbounded. We invite you of our district to come and prove it.

MRS. S. W. SCOTT.

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MRS. W. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. E. Morgan; 2rd vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Cardul, and since then I make backache, my other troubles have backache, my other troubles have stopped, I don't need any medicine, membership of forty-one, though it has been a long time since you have heard anything from our Woman's Home Mission Society. Our officers are: President, Mrs. R. F. McLean; lat vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Conley; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Conley; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. E. R. Greer; recording secretary, Mrs. J. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Moore; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Moore; corresponding secretary, and issued by our House. TO PRESS REPORTERS OF WOM.

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I have sent out report blanks to ach reporter on my list, with a remet to fill out and return to me as own as possible, but up to date have all y regular business meeting all connectional obligations and giving \$25 on our new church, besides keeping our parsonage beautifully.

MRS. J. H. STEWART. Press Reporter. of the Pittsburg District.

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WRS. A. M. HASAWAY,

Press Reporter.

With aweet music rendered by Misses Corley and Stevens, after which came delicious cream and cake. I feel that we are becoming more enthused in our Master's work, having had better attendance since the weather is cooler. Cour free will offering added some to our treasury. Let us be up and instructive meeting was held by these

"The Home Mission Money and very helpful sermon by our pastor, ow it is Applied," Mrs. Nat B. Read.
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Bible reading and prayer, addresses were made and leaflets read by the members, which were very interesting. Then came the offering. was our regular business day, add-ed to which, after the usual offering, the funds for the Sue Bennett Memorial School were given, and during the week that offering amount-

A "SQUARE DEAL"

It is often argued that women do not have an equal chance with men, for enjoyment and usefulness, because women suffer so much from pain and weakness. In a general sense, it is true that women bear more

from Cardui. These letters cover a great many forms of womanly illness. NOTICE.

While is as that reported in the foregoing, and we gladly extend an invitation to all such to send us reports of their work and of their successes, on Judge and the planning to hold a rally on January 11, 1910, and invites the societies from the neighboring towns.

Notice.

Where always glad to hear of such good work as that which is being done by our co-workers of Methodism in our capital city. Let us hear from you again.—Editor Woman's Department.)

Notice.

Societies from the neighboring towns. Mrs. M. E. Allred of Hartford, Wash.,

"Francis Asbury," by Rev. H. M. DuBose, D. D., and issued by our House.
This is a biographical study, and it is
in Dr. DuBose's best style. In his platform work the Doctor is usually florid, but in his literary work he gets
down to real business, and his best
thought and his most finished diction
come into play, and he always shows
himself a master. He has done fine
work in the production of a number
of volumes, but in this book on Asbury he has rendered a valuable service to Methodism. This book is worthy
a place in the list of our Methodist
classics.

"A Southerner in Europe," by Clarence II. Poe, and issued by the Mutual Publishing Company. The first edition of this popular book has been exhausted, and the second one is now going. It is not a mere book of travels, but is a notable study of our Southern problems and opportuinties as seen in the light of Old World conditions, and written by a man who is thoroughly competent. Aside from these deeper things the book is a most entertaining one in its style and subject matter.

"Kim Suo Bang, and Other Stories of Korea," by Eliasue Canter Wagner, and printed by our Publishing House. This is a delightful book, giving us a clear insight into the real conditions and needs of Korea. Bishop Hendrix his written a taking introduction to the book, and he speaks of it in high terms. Those who read it will henceforth feel a deeper interest in those unfortunate people, and they will see the great importance of our work among them.

"Young Life of Famous Folk," by Cora Lowe Watkins, and issued from our Publishing House. This unite book is introduced to the reading public by Dr. Gross Alexander, and his full endorsement of it ought to give it a passport to all Methodist people. But few books tell us much about the child-life of great men; they dwell upon their great deeds in mature life. But this little volume gives us a detailed account of the great men who have figured in the world's movements. Every child ought to read it.

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AN ACROSTIC. "Babe of Bethlehem."

December 23, 1909.

B Stands for Bible, where we read About the Savior, whom we need.

A Stands for Angels, who did sing About the birth of Christ, our King.

B Stands for God's beloved Son; He offers life to every one.

Stands for Egypt, where He fled, When Herod infants' blood did shed.

B Stands for Bethlehem, a town Where unto us a Child was born.

Stands for Eden. God, who knew man's need, A Savior promised in the seed.

T Stands for Tidings of great joy; Good news to every girl and boy.

H Stands for Host, who in the sky Sang, "Glory be to God on high.

E Stands for Ensign, lifted up: Christ, the Lord, our Nation's hope.

All in concert:

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and because I dare assert that this angels to enter into execution of judgiss a mistaken conception of the whole ment upon the kingdoms—not upon trend of prophecy and eschatalogy, I the people—of this world. It will be am told that I am a pessimist; that I a real and not a figurative, a visible have no faith in the power of God's Word to save. They cite the "great commission," and ask why the commission," and ask why the commission," and ask why the commission, and ask why the commission which is a contract to the contract that I am a pession to the prophecy and eschatalogy. I a real and not a figurative, a visible and not an invisible advent; it will be commission, and the prophecy and eschatalogy. Stands for Host, who in the sky Sands for Lord, born Christmas In David's city, far away.

Stands for Ensign, lifted up: Christ, the Lord, our Nation's hone in the sky Stands for Ensign, lifted up: Christ, the Lord, our Nation's hone in the gospel to every creature," if that word is to return unto him void and the world graduality wax worse and worse.

They forget that the Word does not promise that the preaching of the gospel will be the means of converting the world. That is nowhere promised.

They forget that the committenial kingdom and not the judgment of Jerusalem.

The advent of Jerusalem.

The advent

H Stands for Humble, Holy Child; I wish I were as meek and mild.

E Stands for Easter Lilles' bloom, Which show us Christ rose from the tomb.

M Stands for motte, which we bring, The blessed Babe of Bethlehem.

All in concept. the world. That is nowhere promised. They forget that it is not contended prenended it not." That preaching or evangelization is to further serve to gather the Lord's elect—those who loved daughter, A tender, clinging will be enlightened—out of the nations of the earth, who are to constitute the constitution of the earth, who are to constitute the constitution of the constituti

One Xmas night, long, long ago,
God gave this Gift to you and me,
Tonlight, oh Lord, our love to show
We give our hearts and lives to Thee.

"THE SECOND COMING."

In The Methodist Review for April
there was a somewhat remarkable deliverance on the question of the solid the state of glory.

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the Church from the beginning, and that expectation is just as "rational" world of nature is to be destroyed and world of history was as the expectation of his original incarnation and has more specific Scripture passages to justify it, in the face of Dr. Bradley's reference to the Oriental custom of using highly figurative language, of which he makes Christ in this matter guilty.

I do not care to enter here into a critical examination of texts to prove that the idea of the "second coming" is justified by the words of the gospel writers. I take it that the most ordinary reader of the King James can the fext.

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World of nature is to be destroyed and world of history was so the world of history was as a the world of history was as the world of nature is to be destroyed and world of history was as in the accentance of the Missionary Institutes for the North Texas Conference, Greenville District Should be joined with McKianey District aloud the Missionary Institutes for the North Texas Conference, Greenville District Should be joined with McKianey District aloud the Missionary Institutes for the North Texas Conference, Greenville District Should be joined with McKianey District aloud the Missionary Institutes for the Morian Texas Conference, Greenville District Should be joined with McKianey District aloue and Decadur Districts Institutes in Bowie, nary reader of the Ring James can fairly get no other idea from the text, and that will do for the present. It is one thing to find a doctrine in the Word of God and quite another to read into it a doctrine which we altered hold. But of all the absurd doings on earth there is nothing comparable unto the all too common practice of the present day of charging every passage of Scripture up to figure tice of the present day of charging tive or sold into bondage was allowed to cultivate the soil, and whatever grew voluntarily thereon was the common possession of all.

ADDRESS REMAINS THE SAME.

My address remains, Calvert, Texas, was allowed to cultivate the soil, and whatever grew voluntarily thereon was the common possession of all. The seventh Sabbath of years, or fiftight year, was the year of Jubilee. It was the year of Jubilee. It was the year of deliverance, when every soul that had been made captive or sold into bondage was allowed to go free, the debtor was acquitted of his obligation, every foot of land that to our theories. It is the genius of had been bought was returned to its to our theories. It is the genius of had been bought was returned to its no.'

higher criticism. It is the worst form of infidelity.

Contrary to Dr. Bradley and a great the body of other Christian writers of the present day I am a pre and not a post-millennialist; that is to say, I believe Christ will come to bring deliverance to the saints of God and personally usher in his millennial reign, and the nation started out anew. How fitting then that the seventhous width year of the world should be looked upon as the millennium, which is a statum should be bound in captive and man, unhindered by the snare of the direct propagation of the saints of God and personally usher in his millennial reign, and the nation started out anew. How fitting then that the seventhous width year of the world should be looked upon as the worl

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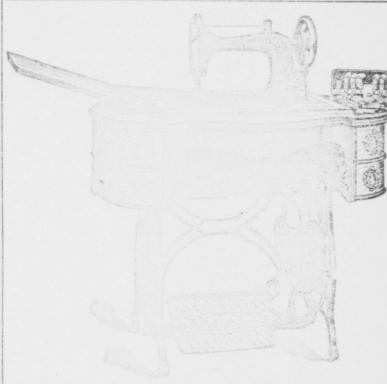
Upon the heels of a millennium brought on by the Church.

Those who hold to the post-millentime of his coming. I may be wrong nial view believe that gradually, more as to the time, but I cannot be wrong and more, the kingdoms of this world as to the fact. There is no truth more will become the kingdoms of our God clearly taught in the World of God. will become the kingdoms of our God and his Christ, until the knowledge, than the second coming of our Lord. power and glory of God shall fill all He will come with all the pomp and the earth of the waters cover the sea. power of heaven with all his holy And because I dare assert that this angels to enter into execution of judg-

Tucumcari, New Mexico.

derest sympathy, and that we will remember them at the throne of grace, MABEL'S FAIRY LAND. Easter lilies! I can see right down

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J. H. CHAMBLISS. little daisies looks like a bed of big WILL A. WATKIN, Dallas, Texas.

into their big yellow cups. And this little they toadstool looks like a great big umbrella. And these little pebbles look like great big shining rocks. And O, isn't this green moss lovely? just like a greenfield in a fairyland!" said

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"ONE OF GOD'S NOBLEMEN." A Tribute.

over thirty years of honest effort, un- which is dishonorable or unworthy. remitting application of time and en-Church, a member of the Board of other for the last time." Trustees, Chairman for years of the Board of Stewards, and a faithful assistant in the work of the Sunday-school. There are those among the teachers of the Sunday-school of the First Methodist Church who will recall to mind his helpful presence at the sessions of the Sunday-school, where for years he had been accusthe sessions of the Sunday-school, where for years he had been accustomed to go, and taking his stand near the door would give a cheerful acters I ever knew was my mother. and influence were helpful and near the door would give a cheerful greeting to teachers and pupils as they entered, and later in the exercises of the school he would render any assistance that the duties of the hour might require at his hands. The even o'clock services, which followed in the auditorium up-stairs, found this faithful attendant upon the services of the sanctuary at his post of young. duty near the front entrance, ready a kindly smile and brotherly hand-clasp to welcome one and all, the members and "the strangers withthe gates," to the house of God. While he was thus helpful by his presence and services in the house with his means, contributing largely to the regular claims of the Church, and four sons to mourn her departand to any special calls which came ure. But we know where to find moth-in connection with the interests of er. On January 27, 1895, our dear tain connection with the interests of the Church. The members of the ther died. After this sore bereave woman's Home Mission Society of ment life was never the same again the First Methodist Church knew that to her. For more than forty years in Brother Padgitt they had a friend they had lived happily together. Mothand he per who would cheerfully re- er was deeply religious. Every power and heaper who would cheerfully re- er was deeply religious. Every power spond when called on for aid in be- of her being responded to the Voice haif of the distressed and needy. He Divine. Doubt or hatred or gloom or was one of the honorary members of fear had no place in her kind, tender, the woman's Foreign Missionary So-loving heart. She had a deep, dear ciety of the Church, thus evincing his religious experience, and knew how to sympathetic interest in that organiza- tell it. She loved experience meet tion which has for its aim the sending ings, and always testified. She often of the gospel of Christ to those needy ones in heathen lands far beyond the the congregation, and it was always confines of his own home-land, con- with powerful effect. People believed tributing to that work which is the in her, "I wish I could be as good as

away of this good man the city of that all of her children were religious pallas has lost an honorable, worthy and that God had called two of her and useful citizen, who was the sensons to the ministry gave her special for member of a business firm which joy. She had always prayed that he ranks high among the most important would call some of her sons to the of the city, yet it is upon the Church ministry. She believed, and we beto which he belonged that the loss falls lieve, that the prayer was answered. most heavily, and it is there that his One of the last things she said was: death is felt most keenly. The passing "It is a rare treat to go to heaven away of such a man leaves a void, in- and leave good children in the world." deed, which is recognized and felt O that we may be better! by all who knew him in whatever cir- She was a great sufferer for many chord of feeling was touched by the tation." He loved his family with a rare depth of devotion, his greatest happiness being found in his home-circle where he was ever the loving husband and the tender, thoughtful father, his chief thought being for the happiness of his vife and the welfare of their children, the six boys whom God had given them. But we shall see his

Church, which so was dear to him, is two brothers and a sister. He was vacant. We shall see him here "never- a sweet, lively, very bright, lovely more"—oh, the sadness which comes child, filling his own place in home as a knell in that word "nevermore!" Dear loved ones, you weep—and I But to the stricken ones the blessed would not say do not so-but, thank voice of Jesus comes, banishing hope God, you do not weep as those with-less despair, saying, "I am the resur- out hope. The bright joy of meeting rection and the life: he that believ again and never to be saddened any

dear departed friend, and would bid have a strong tie to heaven at last, Extra copies of paper containing obituaries them listen to the voice of our loving and so to a heavenly life through this can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price, five cents per copy.

Savior as He thus speaks to their because the procure of the period of the peri reaved hearts. Oh, that the noble example of their father may lead the CARTER.—Mrs. M. F. Carter (nee sons whom he loved with such unsel- Richardson) was born in Bedford fish devotion to follow on in the way County, Tennessee, March 9, 1851; In the death of William Clinton Pad- he led them while here, and that they mover with her parents when a small gitt, of Dallas, which sad event came may each and all of them strive to be-child to Arkansas. She profesed re s 60th birthday. November 26, come men patterned after such an ex-ligion when a young lady and united 1909-Thanksgiving Day-the city has ample as he has given them in his own with the M. E. Church, South, and lost one of its most enterprising and life and character. For we realize lived a consistent member of the same substantial citizens. He had been that in the person of this man "one until she was called to her reward on for over thirty years a resident of God's noblemen" has lived among November 29, 1909. She was married Dallas, and as a business mar he gave us, a man who turned not aside to that to Rev. J. C. Carter, a member of the

ergy to the upbuilding of a large busi- this feeble tribute to one whom we ness which stands today as a success regarded as our truest and best friend. among the commercial enterprises of We are bereft indeed by his going the city. But while he thus gave of from us, but we praise God for the his time and energies to his material hope of a blessed reunion in that betinterests, he was at the same time ac- ter land to which he has gone. We tive and faithful in the discharge of are comforted by the blessed hope that his duties as a servant of God, having we shall see him again; we are cheer-been connected all these years with ed by the fact that "They who are the membership of the First Methodist friends in the Lord never see each

MRS. FLORENCE E. HOWELL.

MRS. JANE McCARTER.

bors, she calmly and peacefully fell asleep in Jesus. Jane McCarter (nee At thirteen years of age she member until she joined the Church triumphant. On August 13, 1854, in Smith County, Texas, she was happily married to John McCarter, She was the mother of nine children, two of God, he was also ever ready to help whom preceded her to that better country. She leaves three daughters shouted aloud the praises of God in most far-reaching and unselfish of all Grandma McCarter," was an expres-in its scope and purposes. Grandma McCarter, was an expres-sion often heard. Her home was al-Thus it is that while in the passing ways the preacher's home. The fact

cle. It was the privilege of my hus- years, but her faith in God never waband and myself to have claimed this vered. "No one knows," she said, man as our friend and brother in the "how sweet it would be for me to go WILLIAMSON.—Mary T. Williamson, was Lord for thirty years, living as near to sleep and wake up in heaven." To son, wife of R. T. Williamson, was seats at the regular services all these blessed be God, she has found it. She uary 23, 1876, in Fannin County, Tex-years. He had a tender heart and a has realized the full blessing of that as. To them one child was born, who emulate mother's example, our separation will not be long. We shall ever praise God for giving us so noble and good a mother. Her bereaved and af-J. M. McCARTER. fectionate son, Penelope, Texas.

UHL.-Linden Uhl, son of Brother in his accustomed place of business home at Wheatland, and died Oct. 28,

eth in me, though he were dead, yet more by separation, is your consolation. May your affliction, to you so We give our heartfelt sympathy to real, be a stepping stone to deeper those stricken ones, the family of our trust in and love to God. For you

CARTER.-Mrs. M. F. Carter (nee

White River Conference, September For my husband and myself I offer 20, 1875, thus beginning her life's work as an itinerant minister's wife. Hand in hand with husband she served faith fully the Church-ten years in the White River Conference. From thence to the Northwest Texas Conference, in December, 1885, where she labored with husband continuously for 24 years—one year only excepted—when her husband took a much needed rest. Sister Carter did not make so much demonstration, but in a quiet way heartily and earnestly co-operated with him with whom she labored, ever holding up his hands, helping him over and around the difficulties incident to their Gone, but not forgotten. Yes; our work. This writer has known Sister dear mother is gone. We can not re- Carter for a number of years. She alize it, but we shall not see her any came with husband to my father's On the night of December 7, at her abiding. She was the mother of three old home in Houston County, sur son and one daughter—Marvin, James, rounded by all of her surviving chil- Mrs. Cora Mitchell, and Dr. C. H. Cardren and many dear friends and neighter. Her second son, James, preceded her to his eternal home but a few months. The other children, Lasiter) was born in Mississippi July band and a host of friends mourn 28, 1834, and came to Texas when very her departure. Dear Bro. Carter and children, let us lift up our sorrowing professed religion and joined the hearts to Him who hath said, "Blessed Church, of which she was a devout are they who die in the Lord: and if I go and prepare a place for you I will come again and receive you unto myself: that where I am, there you may be also." He has taken wife, mother and brother to Himself. There at His right hand they will await your com-Therefore, let's give thanks unto ing. the Father which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in Light. For there, indeed, will God wipe away all tears from our JAS. H. CLARK. eyes.

BAILEY.-The death angel visited the home of Dean and Ceil Bailey on October 9, 1909, and took from them their sweet little Taney. She was born June 22, 1908, and departed this life October 9, 1909. She had been with her loved ones only a short time, but her sweet life had so entwined its cords of love around their hearts that it seemed they could not give her Their hearts were almost broken at the separation. The good Lord only loaned little Taney to them a little while. Papa, mamma, your darling is safe with Jesus; only get ready to meet her. On some sweet day you will see your darling again. She is shiny shore with her outon the stretched arms beckoning papa, mam-ma, sister and grandma to come on. When you me at around the great white throne, where she has joined in joy and happiness with her dear grandpa, Rev. S. A. Bailey, happiness will come and God will wipe all tears away from your eyes. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Her grandmother, tle babe 8 months old, three sisters,

(MRS.) BAILEY.

neighbors in Dallas for twenty years of that time, being members of the do you want?" Mamma, what born December 18, 1850, and died at do you want?" She answered: "I want Vernon, Texas, November 30, 1909. She same Church and occupying adjoining rest." We could not give it, but, was married to R. T. Williamson Jansympathetic nature, and often have gospel which she loved to hear lived only one year and five days. She we seen the ready tears spring to his eyes at some utterance from the pulof those she helped in life have welof those she helped in life have welor when in conversation a tender comed her into the "everlasting habi- near Margaret up to her death. Her feeling was touched by the tation." Dear grief-stricken brothers health had been poor for some time some one's sorrow or need. and sisters, cheer up. If we will only and her husband, hoping to benefit her, had traveled for some time with her. Failing to secure any relief for her he brought her some weeks ago to Vernon where he placed her under the Lindsey, in Newton County, Missouri, care of a physician. She was thought January 19, 1851. They came to Texas to improve for some days, but her imin October, 1856. She lived in Parker provement was only temporary. She and Wise Counties for many years, seemed conscious that the end was Her age was 80 years, 9 months and near, but she met death quietly and 7 days. Those about Veal's Station, kind, benevolent face no more in the and Sister Charlie Uhl, of Wheatland, full of peace. She selected the minis-dear, familiar place in his home, or Texas, was born Dec. 24, 1905, at their ters to officiate at her funeral and also lived for many years, had but one the pallbearers. She gave entire di- verdict, i. e., that Grandma Lindsey where he was never too busy, with 1909. This tells of the beginning and rection concerning her burial. Her was a saint. So one more weary pil-

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was happily converted in her young watched by her bedside, she slipped quietly away to her heavenly home. May God bless her memory and give J. H. STEWART. face in peace.

Vernon, Texas.

born in Hardin County, Tennessee, De-cember 14, 1883; died at the home of his parents in Stephenville, Texas, November 12, 1909, at the age of 25 years, 10 months and 28 days. He professed faith in Chirst in August, 1901, and united with the M. E. Church, South, of which he lived a faithful and consistent member to the day of his death, It was the writer's privilege to know him personally and to note the beauty of his consecration. He seemed always to be fully committed to his Master's service. I visited him frequently during his last illness and found him always patient and hopeful; always considerate of the comfort and welfare of others. He leaves a father, mother, two brothers and a sister, besides other relatives and friends to mourn his departure. Why he was taken away in his young manhood we can not now understand, but we bow in submission to His will who doeth all things well Lether, we can see you no more upon earth, but one glad day we will meet you "over there." His friend, FRANK HUGHEN.

cember 13, 1909; was happily married E. Y. S. Hubbard officiating. to Jeff Knight December 25, 1906. To this union two children were born; oldest preceded mother to the better world, where she was waiting to greet dear mother when she came. Sister Knight was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, in the summer of 1907. Her daily life demonstrated the fruits of the Holy Spirit in her heart. She enjoyed sweet communion with her Savior. It was my privilege to be acquainted with Sister Knight when she was a girl. Her life was ideal. Her love and kindness for her widowed mother was that that characterized her as a noble girl. She was a loving and help fui companion, ever ready to assist in meeting the duties and obligations of life. As a mother she loved her children and was ready to give her life for them. Sister Knight's health failed six or eight months before he death. Gradually she grew worse; all that human aid could do could not prolong her stay with us. She was fully aware the end was coming. With faith in God she feared no evil, and as loved es gathered around her dying bed, with a sweet smile she bade them good-bye, saying all is well, the way clear, and in the strong embrace of Christ she fell asleep. She was at her own home near Buckholts, Milam County, Tex., when she died. She leaves a loving husband, a sweet litone brother and many friends to grieve their loss. Dear ones, weep not as where no parting is known. G. C. CRAVY.

LINDSEY.-Mrs. Jane Oak charge, in the presence of her fessed religion and joined the Methodist Church when a child. She was ing. married to her late husband, Chas all his responsibilities there, to give an interested hearing to any appeal one through this world. He lived odist Church, the writer officiating, as for the heavenly home. May God bless for the needy cause, whatsover it long enough to tightly entwine the sisted by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Hamilmight be, which might be brought to chords of love and joy of fond parents ton. Her body was laid to rest in the till they too are called to the home him asking his aid, and his seat in the and fasten himself in the memory of Crowell Cemetery. Sister Williamson eternal. W. H. CRAWFORL.

HOLLAND.-Sister Miranda Hollife and joined the Methodist Episcopal land was born near Forsyth, Georgia, Church, South, of which Church she March 22, 1822, and died at the home was a faithful member until death of her daughter, Mrs. M. J. Parks, in claimed her. She loved her Church Baird, Texas, October 19, 1909. Grand-and was loyal to her pastor and de- ma was the daughter of a Baptist lighted to have ministers visit her preacher, Colonel Davis Smith. Her home. She had an unfaltering faith husband, Orlando Holland, was a in Christ and that faith failed not stanch Methodist and always took his when the end came. On the morning Church papers. Grandma continued of November 30, while her husband to take them after his death and carefully read every page. She was very intellectual, a great reader and could May God bless her memory and give converse with ease on almost any grace and mercy to the husband left subject. She was more than an ordibehind that he may come to see her nary woman. Her home was always open to the ministers of the gospel and they enjoyed the unstinted hospitality RUSSELL.—Luther S. Russell was of her family. One of her sons, Rev. North Georgia Conference and because of impaired health sustains the supernumerary relation to that body. She leaves other children who bear the marks of a devoted Christian mother. Having begun the Christian life when a young girl, she was privileged to give a long life of service to her family and the world. As long as she was able to do so she read her Bible each day and would kneel in prayer with full assurance that our God is able to fulfill every promise. Above eightyseven years of age, having been an invalid for several years, the death angel came as a relief. Her children are not in doubt as to her present state. Some day in the home of the good they will meet her again.

MARRIED.

Robuck-Murrell. - At the bride's home, near Sardis, Texas, Mr. J. L. Robuck and Miss Letha Murrell, Dec. 12, 1909, Rev. W. M. Bowden officiating.

Wentworth-Harper. - At the resi-KNIGHT .- Mrs. Cornelia Knight dence of the bride's parents, Utopia, (nee Russel) was born in Burleson Texas, December 1, 1909, Mr. T. C. County, Tex., June 13, 1885; died De- Wentworth and Miss Emma J. Harper,

Childre-Potter .- At the home of the officiating minister, Goldthwaite, Mills Count, Texas, December 12, 1909, Mr. R. G. Childre and Miss Alma Lucile Potter, Rev. G. W. Templin officiating.

Marr-Cope.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Starling Cope, November 14, 1909, Mr. John Marr and Miss Lela Cope, Rev. S. N. Allen officiating.

Hart-Spratt.—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John Spratt, December 12, 1909, Mr. John E. Hart and Miss Sadie Spratt, S. N. Allen officiating.

Martin-Harper .- At the residence of the bride's aunt, at Penelope, Texas, November 17, 1909, at 7:30 p. m., Mr. Loyd K. Martin, of San Antonio, Texas, and Miss Lorena C. Harper, of Penelope, Rev. S. C. Baird officiating.

Dunwoody-Bryant, - At the residence of the bride's uncle, R. B. Jones, of Malone, Texas, at 8:30 p. m., November 21, 1909, Mr. Thomas Dunwoody, of Mart, Texas, and Miss Mary Lee Bryant, of Malone, Rev. S. C. Baird officiating.

Nunn-Fuller .- At the Methodist parsonage, Dec. 4, 1909, Hondo, Texas, Mr. John W. Nunn and Miss Rena Fuller, Rev. W. W. Nunn, father of the groom, officiating.

Carroll-Benson.-At the parsonage Pioneer, Texas, Dec. 1, 1909, J. M. Carroll and Miss V. L. Benson, Rev. W. T. Jones officiating,

Dobbs-Grabeel.-At the residence of those who have no hope. If faithful Dan Flipping, Pioneer, Texas, Nov. you soon will meet your loved one 7, 1909, A. R. Dobbs and Miss Ida M. Grabeel, Rev. W. T. Jones officiating.

Stierling-Schurman.-At the residence of the bride's mother in Gid-Lindsey, dings, Texas, Oct. 26, 1909, at 8 p. m., mother of Bro. C. E. Lindsey, of the B. B. Stierling, of Warda, Texas, and Northwest Texas Conference, died Miss Mina Schurman, Rev. J. Fisher peacefully at the parsonage of Red Simpson officiating.

Preuss-Grant.-At the home of the preacher boy and his family, December bride's parents, near Lincoln, Texas, 12, 1909. She was born March 5, 1829, Nov. 25, 1909, at 3 p. m., W. A. Preuss, in Jefferson County, Ohio. She pro- of Rogers, Texas, and Miss Sudie Grant, Rev. J. Fisher Simpson officiat-

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pear so forgetful and thinking to get a clew, he asked her whether she spelled her name with an "e" or an

"I."
The lady blushed and replied:
"Why, Doctor, my name is Hill."—
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TEXAS CONFERENCE.

San Augustine District—First Round.
Shelbyville, at S., Jan. 1, 2.
Center Sta., Jan. 2, 3.
Tenaha, at Joaquin. Wed., Jan. 5.
Center Cir., at Sandhill, Jan. 8, 9.
Pinehill, at P. H., Wed., Jan. 12.
Gary, at Gary, Jan. 15, 16.
Carthage Sta., Jan. 16, 17.
Camden, at Midway, Thurs., Jan. 20.
Corrigan, at Corrigan, Fri., Jan. 21.
Burke, at Burke, Jan. 22, 23.
Lufkin Sta., Jan. 23, 24.
Kennard, at K. Mill, Tues., Jan. 25.
Mt. Enterprise, at Riand, Jan. 29, 30.
Timpson Sta., Wed., Feb. 2.
Melrose, at Melrose, Feb. 5. 6.
Nacogdoches Sta., Feb. 6, 7.
Geneva, at McM, Fri., Feb. 11.
Hemphill and B., at B., Feb. 12, 13.
San Augustine Sta., Feb. 18, 14.
Garrison Sta., Friday, Feb. 18.
Appleby, at S. Ch., Feb. 19, 20.
Livingston Cir., at Mt. R., Feb. 26, 27.
Livingston Cir., at Mt. R., Feb. 26, 27.
Livingston Cir., Feb. 7, 28.
C. A. TOWER, P. E. San Augustine District-First Round.

Tyler District-First Round.

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Big Sandy, at B. S., Jan. 2, 3.
Wills Point Cir., at Burnett, Jan. 8, 9.
Wills Point Sta., Jan. 9, 10.
Canton, at Marvin Grove, Jan. 15, 16.
Edgewood and Small, at E., Jan. 17.
Edom, at Edom, Jan. 22, 23.
Colfax, at Colfax, Jan. 29, 30.
Grand Saline, Jan. 31.
Mineola, Feb. 1.
Murchison, at Shady Grove, Feb. 5, 6.
Tyler Cir., at Liberty, Feb. 12, 13.
Cedar Street, Feb. 13, 14.
Whitehouse, at W., Feb. 19, 20.
Alba, at Alba, Feb. 26, 27,
Emory, at Emory, Feb. 27, 28.
Marvin Church, Mar. 2.
Mt. Sylvan, at Red Spring, Mar. 5, 6.
Lindale, Mar. 6, 7.
C. B. GARRETT, P. E.

Pittaburg District—First Round.
Queen City, at Q. C., Jan, 5.
Douglassville Cir., at D., Jan. 6.
Linden, at Linden, Jan. 8, 9.
Hardy Memorial, Texarkana, Jan. 16.
Central Church, Texarkana, Jan. 16, 17.
Dalby Springs Cir., at Spring Hill, Jan. 22, 23.
New Boston and De Kalb, at N. B., Jan. 23, 24.
Redwater Cir., at Redwater, Jan. 29, 30.
Winfield Cir., at Winfield, Pat.

30.
Winfield Cir., at Winfield, Feb. 5, 6.
Mt. Pleasant Sta., Feb. 6, 7.
Ouitman Cir., at Liberty, Feb. 14. Winnsboro Cir., at Morris Chapel, Feb. 15, 16. 15, 16.
Hughes Springs, at H. S., Feb. 22, 23.
Daingerfield Cir., at Cason, Feb. 23, 24.
Naples and Omaha, at Omaha, Feb. 27.
Pittsburg Sta., at Union Ridge, Mar.
2, 3.

Pittsburg Sta., Mar. 3, 4.

JOS. B. SEARS, P. E.

Brenham District-First Round.

Waples Memerial Sta., Jan. 23.
Pottsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro,
Jan. 29, 30.
Sadler and Gordonville, at S., Jan. 30.
Southmayd Cir., at Southmayd, Feb. 6.
Whitesboro Sta., Feb. 6, 7.
C. M. HARLESS, P. E.
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Brenham District—First Round.
Brenham, Dec. 26, 27.
Giddings, at Giddings, Jan. 1, 2.
Lexington. at Lexington, Jan. 2, 3.
Waller, at New Hope, Jan. 8, 9.
Hempstead, at Hempstead, Jan. 15. 16.
Chappell Hill, Jan. 17.
Sealy, at Sealy, Jan. 21.
Lane City, at Lane City, Jan. 22. 22.
Wharton, Jan. 23, 24.
Bay City, Jan. 24.
Richmond, January 29, 30.
Rosenberg, at Rosenberg, Jan. 30, 21.
Caldwell Mission, at Lyons, Feb. 12, 13.
Somerville, Feb. 13, 14.
Thorndale, at Thorndale, Feb. 19, 20.
Rockdale, Feb. 21.
Fulshear and B. at F., Feb. 26, 27.
It is earnestly desired that each steward attend the first Quarterly Conference and make as full reports on the salaries as possible.
The District Stewards will please meet at the Giddings Memorial Church, Brenham, December 27, at 1 o'clock p.
A. A. WAGNON, P. E. Quinlan Cir., at Williams Chapei, Jan. 2, 3.
Merit Cir., at Merit, Jan. 8, 9.
Leonard and Orange Grove, at L., Jan. 9, 10.
Quinlan Cir., at Campbell, Jan. 15, 16.
Greenville Mis., at Bethel, Jan. 22, 23.
Wesley Sta., Jan. 23, 24.
Commerce Sta., Jan. 29, 30.
Kavanaugh Sta., Jan. 30, 31.
Kingston Mis., at Mt. Garmel, Feb. 4.
5, 6. Quarterly Conference, 2 p. m., Feb. 5.
Commerce Mis., at Columbia, Feb. 12, 13.
Fairlie and Wesley Chapel, at F., Feb. 19, 20.
Wolfe City, Feb. 20, 21.
R. G. MOOD, P. E.

Jacksonville District—First Round.
Alto Cir., at Cold Springs, Jan. 1.
Alto Sta., Jan. 2.
Cushing Cir., at Linflat, Jan. 8.
Caro and Cushing, at Caro, Jan. 9.
Troup and Overton, at Troup, Jan. 12.
Malakoff, at Manakoff, Jan. 15, 16.
Athens, Jan. 16.
Eikhart, at Eikhart, Jan. 22, 23.
Grace Church, Jan. 23.
Contenary, Jan. 24.
Larue, at Larue, Jan. 26.
Jacksonville Cir., at Dialville, Jan. 29,
30.

Taxaell District Circus Round.

Centenary, Jan. 23.

Larue, at Larue, Jan. 25.

Jacksonville Cir., at Dialville, Jan. 29,

Jacksonville Sta., Jan. 31.

Mt. Selman, at Cove Springs, Feb. 5.

Bullock Sta., Feb. 9.

Neches, at Neches, Feb. 12, 13.

Brushy Creek, at Brushy Creek, Feb.

13, 23.

Brushy Creek, at Brushy Creek, Feb. 15, 13.

Brushy Creek, at Brushy Creek, Feb. 16, 17, 28.

Eustlee, at Elm Grove, March 2.

The brethren will observe that this round is to be made in two months. We do this to allow all the preachers to get a little rest from the press of hard work in rounding up the year of hard work in rounding up the year.

Jordan of the Quarterly Conferences and the placing of several in the week days. I hope every pastor will do his best to have a good attendance of the official members, and that the stewards ure to support of the pastors. I start the year with new consecration. Let constant prayer be made for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Sherman District—First Round.

Van Alstyne Sta, Dec. 26.

Howe Cir., at Howe, Dec. 25, 27.

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Mean Marcos District—First Round.

Van Alstyne Sta, Dan. 2.

Portsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro, Saller and Gordonville, at S., Jan. 20.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Saller and Gordonville, at S., Jan. 20.

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San Marcos District-Plest Ro Saller and Gordonville, at S., Jan. 30.
Southmayd Cir., at Southmayd, Feb. 6.
Whitesboro Sta., Feb. 6, 7.
C. M. HARLESS, P. E.

Greenville District—First Round.
Celeste and Lane, at C., Jan. 1, 2.
Quinlan Cir., at Williams Chapel, Jan. 2, 3.
Merit Cir., at Merit, Jan. 8, 9.
Leonard and Orange Grove, at L., Jan.
Waelder and Thompsonville, at W., Jan. 1, 2.
Dripping Springs, at D. S., Jan. 8, 2.
Harwood Cir., at H., Jan. 22, 23.
Lockhart, Jan. 29, 30.
San Marcos District—First Round.
Waelder and Thompsonville, at W., Jan. 1, 2.
Dripping Springs, at D. S., Jan. 8, 2.
Buda Cir., at Buda, Jan. 15, 18
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NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE.



Infant Baptism.

to sin must repent of their sin or be

Justification by Faith.

We believe that a man may be justified before God by faith, without performing the deeds of the law. Rom. 5:1, Paul says, "Therefore being justi-fied by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Regeneration.

We believe in regeneration, or being born from above. John 3:3, Jesus says, 'Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Sanctification.

We believe in sanctification, or perfect love; that we may be so filled with God's Spirit that we may live in perfect peace with Him. In 1 Thes.

Apostasy.

We believe in the possibility of apos-That after we have been converted and brought into perfect harmony with God, it is possible for us lost. In Ezek. 18:24, God says, "When the righteous turneth away from his righteousness and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die." 26 says, "When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die." Jesus says, "He that endureth unto the end, the same shall be saved." In John 15:2, he says, "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away." See Ezek. 33:13; Heb. 10:26-

Infant Baptism.

We believe that all infants are born in a saved state; that if they die before they come to the age of accountability, they will be saved. We therefore believe we have a right to dedicate them to God in holy baptism. In Matt. 18:3 Jesus says, "Verily, I say unto you, except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." So if a man has to become as a little child in order to enter into the kingdom of heaven, surely the child is a fit subject for heaven. Then if the man is a fit subject to be dedicated to God in holy baptism, surely the little child must be. Therefore, we think it is right to dedicate it to God before it becomes corrupt, or sinful.

Repentance.

John says he is going to do something to the folks with water and that Christ is going to do the very same thing to them with the Holy Ghost. In Mark 1:8, he says he has done something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Mark 1:8, he says he has done something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Mark 1:8, he says he has done something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Mark 1:8, he says he has done something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Mark 1:8, he says he has done something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Acts 1:5, Jesus says the right mode, and they want to join that John truly did something to them with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. Now if water; but they should have the same thing do them with the Holy Ghost. In Acts 1:5, Jesus says the right mode, and they want to join that John truly did something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Acts 1:5, Jesus says the right mode, and they want to join that John truly did something to them with the Holy Ghost. In Acts 1:5, Jesus says the right mode, and they want to join the Methodist Church and live Christian in the Methodist Church and live Christian in the Methodist Church and live Christian in the Methodist Church and live Methodist Church and l to the folks with water and that Christ esy, and your young men shall see choice of mode visions and your old men shall dream dreams; and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy." See Joel 2:28. He says, "And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh . . . and also upon my servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my Spirit."
Now was this baptism? See Acts 1:5.
Jesus says: "Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence." Now this happened "not many days hence," and Peter and Joel both say it was poured out.

Cornelius.

Solution in the control of the contr tiles also was poured out the gift of Jesus in John 13:35. the Holy Ghost." In the next chapter to fall away, go back into sin and be and the 15th verse Peter says, "And as I began to speak the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that He said, John indeed baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost." ed the institution and Brother Rucker Here it is plainly said that the Holy shewed me a nice room which he said Ghost was poured out on them; so I am sure that John must have poured the water on the people, as he was going to do the very same thing to with more to follow. them that Jesus did.

Philip and the Eunuch.

Acts 8:32 tells us exactly what Scrip- list of the volumes which you wish can not be proved except by experiture the eunuch was reading when to contribute, in order to avoid send- ment. In fact, it is disproved by the Philip came to him (Isa. 53:7) and ing in too many of same kind. No experience of Baptist preachers in that they came to a certain water, trash wanted; no old, smutty second this same county. They do not draw The enumer said. "See, here is water; hand books desired. We want good what doth hinder me to be baptized?" books, bright and new.

Now what made him think of being C. G. SHUTT.

Now what made him think of being C. G. SHUTT. We believe in water baptism. But baptized? Was it not because just

eight verses back he had read that Christ should "sprinkle many nations, and when they came to the water he theu ht of what he had just read in the last verse of the preceding chapter, and so he asked Philip why he might not be sprinkled, or baptized, and the debt of sin to pay. Gift of Ages, gave for me, Let me trust alone in thee. Christ should "sprinkle many nations," might not be sprinkled, or baptized, as he called it. Now does not this seem reasonable?

Christ's Baptism.

Fut some say. Was not Christ immered? The Fible deem't say so. It fust says he was bantized. But some says, "Eid they not go down into the waters."

H All. earth's King," the angels sang: "Peace on earth, good-will to all." On night's still that he ald rang, Calling men to Bethle'm's stall. Now attended to heaven's lay. Be our songs and melody.

DOUND to one says, "Fid they not go down into the water?" Well, that they may have done, but all who read know that in those days they did not wear pants. in those days they did not wear pants and shoes as we do now, so they might have gone into the water without in-convenience; but the Bible does not say that John put our Savior under the water, but it just says he baptized Him; and I am sure from the reading of the other Scriptures on the sub-ject of Baptism that John must have poured the water on Him and that he did not put Him under the water, as some seem to think. The Revised Bible, and also the Baptist Bib'e, says, They came up from the water"-not 'out" of it.

Born of Water.

Some say, "Does not John 3:3 mean that except a man be immersed in water he cannot see the kingdom?" This Scripture evidently has reference to the fleshly birth, or natural birth, for Jesus says in the next verse, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is Spirit." So you see that this water

means to be immersed, when it does not show any mode. It reads, "Know ye not that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were bap-tized into His death? (not into water). Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism, by this act of baptism into His death (not into water); by this METHODISM—WHAT METHODISTS

BELIEVE AND WHY.

By Rev. W. H. Brown.

Lefont Bactism.

We are not sticklers for any set mode, act we die to our former course of but believe the greatest Bible evidence life. We should now rise to walk in sin favor of affusion. In Matt. 3:11, newness of life." We should rise John says he is going to do something above our former course of life.

Repentance.

We believe that all who come to the years of accountability and go out into sin must repent of their sin or be

Repentance.

Which was spoken by the Prophet mersed as in being baptized other mersed as in being baptized other which was spoken by the Prophet mersed as in being baptized other wise. As far back as we can read, the last days saith God, I will pour out to sin must repent of their sin or be sons and your daughters shall proph- Methodist Church we give him his

Communion.

We believe that all true Christians form one great Church and that these denominations are just bodies of these Christians organized together so that they may better carry on the work for the glory of God and the good of the people. We therefore believe that whenever the sacrament of the Lord's Supper is taken, all Christians pres ent, irrespective of denominational af-filiations, should commune together. It matters not how they have been baptized, nor to what body of these Christians they belong. In 1 Cor. 11: 28, Paul says, "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that

THE ORPHANAGE LIBRARY.

The undersigned is undertaking to On my return from conference I visited the institution and Brother Rucker but do let us try to find the cure.

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A CHRISTMAS ACROSTIC.

Lay aside his royal robe. And be clad in flesh and blood.

N the East arose his star,
Pointing wise men to that shrine,
Where, with frankincense and myrrh,
There they praised the Babe divine.
Toward that Mecca now we bow;
Homeward be our vessel's prow.

S OVEREIGNS had no need to fear
For their bounds of mount ar
main;
Love's his sceptre, love so dear,
And man's heart is his domain.
Be our hearts then purified,
That he may therein abide.

T WICE one thousand years of time Since that awful night of pain, And his cruel death sublime, From the tomb our Victor came. Cleft his side for me I know; Lave me in its healing flow.

M ID acclaim of blod-bought hosts, Now enthroned Christ sits above, Guards his purchases, whose costs Were as boundless as God's love. "There for me my Savior stands; Shows his wounds and spreads his hands."

Spirit." So you see that this water birth is analogous to the fleshly birth.

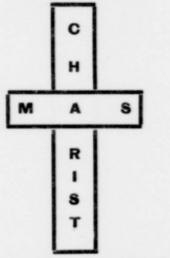
Buried by Baptism.

Some seem to think that Rom. 6:4 means to be immersed, when it does

S ONGS his name shall men inspire,
Long as earth or time endures;
Then, on soul's immortal lyre,
Him we'll praise through endless
years,
In that home we dimly scan
Jesus' home prepared for man.

Jesus' home prepared for man.

This song is adapted to the tune,
"Rock of Ages," and is designed for a
class of ten, nine being supplied with
initials to the stanzas and the tenth
with an evergreen wreath. The class
will, during the interludes, arrange upon a wooden cross the letters thus:



A SEARCH FOR THE CAUSE.

"Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wise-ly concerning this." But "Stand ye in Rev. R. J. Tooley as an excellent aspaths, where is the good way, and walk therein."

Madden," have awakened hope in the hearts in the rural districts that were trembling with fearful thought about Thirty-five years ago there were twenty-seven regular appointments every "Say not thou, What is the cause?"

Would it be an increased number he would fit up for that purpose; and of preachers? One preacher filled we want to stock it up right away those appointments. When there was with at least 1,000 choice volumes, a junior, as was sometimes the case, with more to follow. preaching was more frequent. This
Hutto charge has already sent in county is an illustration; it is not peculiar, as is shown by Mr. Madden and Rev. M. L. Moody. It is said In Matt. 24-13, the enuch? I answer, I think not. as ten volumes will please send me a except on Sunday. This is said, but end ment. In fact, it is disproved by the No experience of Baptist preachers in and preaching often in many places,

they preach to many people. No one finds fault with them for it. Christians rejoice in their success; but we do not want to "let them take our crown." They are not all pastors; many of them get no salaries; but they get people to go to the nearest Church on Sunday. More than this, after fodder pulling and before cotton picking they can hold protracted meet-ings under arbors, and form Churches

and build houses of worship.

Not much of that has been done as yet, because they have just commenc-ed this kind of work. Much of it was formerly done by Methodist local preachers. They are passing away, are nearly gone. Let them rest in peace. But the work must be done or fail to be. Would that we could say, if we do not others will. They will do a very small part of what is needed.

Recognizing this demand the Lay-men's Missionary Movement is at-tempting to meet it with lay preaching. Good! It was one of the most valuable assets of early Methodism. But how much is that movement do-ing in rural districts?

One object of the movement is to see that there is divine service every Sunday in every Church in the home-land. Doubtless the laymen are carrying out this purpose wherever they are organized. But how about the places where there is no Church? The mission of Methodism was to carry the gospel into such communities, or-ganize "societies" and try to build Churches. When was this done in a country neighborhood? We may not say. "What is the cause?" but in the name of the Master, let us try to find the cure.

One more point: The Laymen's Missionary Movement "gives forth no uncertain sound" on the traffic in poisons. In the county mentioned above as an example, an election on local option was held last June. Prohibi-tionists failed. An examination of the returns shows very clearly the lines of Church influences. Get the people converted and we

will get rid of the traffic

S. PHILPOTT.

CHAPPELL HILL FEMALE COL-LEGE.

We are rejoicing over the completion of our first successful term at the Chappell Hill Female College. Last Friday evening our pupils gave a fine recital in the college auditorium which was greatly enjoyed by all present. Our girls are all at home enjoying the Christmas holidays. We have a num-ber of new pupils to come in January 3, and the management feels much encouraged at the outlook. During the past term we have made a great many improvements and repairs and hope in the spring to continue the good

H. LEE VINCENT, Pres.

READY FOR DATES.

To the Preachers of Dallas, Terrell, Greenville and McKinney Districts:

Dear Brethren-If you want me to assist you in a meeting at any time After completion of the word, the wreath should be placed at the intersection of the cross during the singing of, "All Hail the Power of Jesus" as possible. By completing my slate early, it will enable me to treat the four districts fairly, and to arrange with singers, etc. J. R. ATCHLEY.

TESTIMONIAL.

the ways and see, and ask for the old sistant in revival meetings. He held paths, where is the good way, and a great meeting for us this fall. There are men now attending Sunday-school The articles that have appeared re-cently in the Advocate, signed 'J. W. doing so before. W. H. SNYDER.

CORRECTION.

these districts. It has to be admit-ted, however painfully, that in much in the Advocate of the Texas Conferof our country Methodism is no longer ence leaving LaRue to be supplied was they of the circumcision which believe and commune together. "By this shall in the county, comprising about 900 J. R. Ritchie, a member of the conductive of the control of ed were astonished, as many as came ail men know that ye are my disciples, square miles, where the writer has ference, to that work. But Eustace with Peter, because that on the Genifye have love one to another," says lived for a third of a century, not was left to be supplied, and in answer more than eight places have regular to quite a number of requests from preaching by Methodists; not more that charge I have appointed Rev. D. to quite a number of requests from than one or two have it occasionally. F. Pulley as the supply. His address is Eustace. Texas, J. T. SMITH, P. E.

Jacksonville, Texas.

NOW READY.

Receiving my appointment for District Evangelist for the Decatur and Bowie Districts, I am now ready for work, and shall be glad to make dates for meetings. I would like to begin a meeting by the 1st. My address for the year will be St. Jo, Texas. M. H. READ.

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