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MISCONCEIVING A TEXT AND MISDIRECTING OUR PRAYERS

By BISHOP W. A. CANDLER

To read into a passage from the Bible. premise of any such convincing argument some notion of our own, and then seek to enforce it upon others as a truth of revelation, is an offense aginst God and man. It is to "handle the Word of God deceitfully;" and whether it be done ignorantly or intentionally, it does violence to both divine truth and human conscience.

The offense is all the worse when it is committed in the name of brotherly love and Christian unity. And it reaches the very highest point of wrong when the words perverted are the utterances of the divine Son spoken to the Father in intercession on behalf of his followers. This is to intrude into the very holy of holies and turn to wrong ends the supplications of our High Priest. Yet this has been done with a part of the prayer of our Lord offered to God for the men whom his Father had given him out of the world. Some have misused his words wittingly, while others have been misled by the sound and have missed the sense.

The words which have been oftenest abused are these: "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word, that they all may be one, as thou Father art in me and I in thee, that they also may be one in us, that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

These words are frequently made the tasis of all sorts of appeals for the organic unity of denominations and for that ambitious scheme of ecclesiasticism whose slogan is: "The reunion of Christendom." Attentive consideration of the words themselves must show that they contain no slightest reference to the coalescence of ecclesiastical organizations. The unity for which the Master prayed is characterized by three features, which exclude any such idea: (1) It was to be a unity between one generation and its successors. "Neither pray I for these only, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word." If we suppose the words refer to organic unity of any sort, we must be prepared to accept the Romish idea of ecclesiastical succession of a continuous organization down through the ages, and to condemn in the strongest terms all who have broken with that historic succession. (2) It was to be a unity similar to that which subsists between the . Father and the Son. "That they all may be one as thou Father art in me, and I in thee, that they may be also one in us." Can we degrade that lofty, mystical, heavenly unity to the level of a clumsy system of earthly machinery? Does the dogma of "organic unity" apply to the Father and the Son? (3) The result of the unity for which the Master prayed was to be the convincing of the world. "That the world organic in page of any kind be made the

with the world? If mere unity of organization is a proof of a divine origin, Mohammedanism can furnish far better credentials than the Christian Church can supply at any point of its history from apostolic times until the present moment foreover, the unified, fettered and corrupt Church of the Middle Ages by the same argument could prove itself far more divinely commissioned than are the spiritual, purified, free and energetic Churches of the present era.

It is manifest that no thought of arganic unity was in the mind of the Master, nor desire for it in his heart, when he offered his great high-priestly prayer on the night before he died. How must it disappoint him when any of his followers fix their hearts upon such a paltry bauble as organic unity and miss the glorious, divine. world-convincing unity of life for which he prayed so earnestly! The unity for which he cried so fervently, as Dean Alford truly says, "has its true and "only ground" in faith in Christ through the Word of God as delivered by the apostles, and is therefore not mere outward uniformity, nor can such uniformity produce

Attempts at uniformity in outward organization do often hinder it. Witness the effort to absorb the Cumberland Presbyterian Church into another body, an effort which has divided families and communities and filled the courts of several States with irritating litigation. Recall may displease him who prayed that his folthe Romish persecutions by which in form- lowers might be one. To hold cheap the er centuries organic unity and outward great thing we have received from him, uniformity were enforced over unwilling as if it were of little worth unless accom-

If that impossible and undesirable dream of the "reunion of Christendom" were fulfilled to-day by the absorption of all Churches into one huge ecclesiasticism, the cause of Christ would suffer great harm. Men would continue to think as all thinking alike make their Christianity more energetic or fruitful? Some would perhaps drop into vagueness and indefiniteness of belief in order to avoid collision with the beliefs of other members. Would that sort of pulpitness result in greater or more effective Christian effort? Multiplied millions would bow down and worship the colossal structure overshadowing them. Has the adoration of an organization ever helped men to greater faith in God or more love toward their fellow-men? In all likelihood the most spiritual members would soon find it necessary to go out der to preserve a pure faith and to promote holy living; then the work of reunion would have to be done over.

It cannot be that this demand for the organic unity of Christendom is scriptural reliance upon machinery to accomplish may believe that thou hast sent me." Can or reasonable. It probably hinders the spiritual results. growth of that spiritual and vit unity

and his Church in sincerity.

union, and less unity. Churches which ganization. cannot live in peace as brothers would certainly live in strife if penned up together in one huge ecclesiastical camp.

A prayer may sometimes be so mistaken and misdirected as to delay the progress of the cause of God. On one occasion God said to Moses: "Wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." May not that be our Father's attitude to-day toward all the untimely praying about the "reunion of Christendom?" May it not be vastly more important and useful to gratefully acknowledge and magnify the real unity which we have already than to be crying and scheming for an undesirable and useless unity of mere organization? When we depreciate the unity of the spirit which God has given us and magnify the unity of mere ecclesiastical organization, we panied by something else, may not commend us to his favor. May not our Father be saying to us to-day: "Why criest thou to me for organic unity? Speak to Israel that they go forward to the conit in the bond of peace."

A lust for numbers and an ambition for before. Would the insincere profession of a world-encompassing piece of ecclesiastispiritual in both origin and aim. Love quest of the world in the unity of the Spirdoes not inspire such schemes, nor would the sum of love in the earth be increased by them if they were accomplished.

More union than unity is not an edifying spectacle. It certainly offers no evidence to convince the world that Christ was sent by God, or that the Church is sent by Christ. The organic union of all the Churches was not an aspiration of primitive and apostolic Christianity. It is a mediaeval idea which sprang up when of the obese and apoplectic system in or- ambitious men and worldly Churches sought to lord it over God's heritage. Its revival in our day is not a mark of high spirituality, but the evidence of a certain loss of faith in divine forces and an over-

There is a thing to be prayed for which

which is important. It is much to be is more important than organic unity of 'icared that sometimes the Savior's prayer the Churches, and we need much grace to for the oneness of his followers is used to obtain and keep it. It is the disposition disguise and conceal schemes of ecclesias- to deal fairly and justly and lovingly with tical ambition by which certain bodies sister Churches. If some would try to do seek to absorb into themselves some other this, even for a brief season, they would body or bodies. Such a use of it amounts derive from the effort a much better unto a profanity. To simulate the Savior's derstanding of what the Lord meant when tones in order to serve a party end is an he prayed that all his followers might be offense which cannot be too strongly con one in him. Even if the reunion of Chrisdemned by all who love the Lord Jesus tendom were desirable and possible, all Christians and all sects would have to at-If we may have the spiritual unity for tain to this grace of brotherly love before which Jesus prayed, we shall not need organic unity could be anything else than the "organic unity" to which ambitious a subjugation of minorities to domineerecclesiastics aspire; and if we could secure ing majorities. If we cannot maintain a organic unity without spiritual unity, we genuine fraternity, observing faithfully could not keep it. In the end we should all its covenants and agreements, we can have fresh divisions with less love, less never live peaceably together in one or-

> Paul sacrificed every ambition in life when he accepted Christ and became the Apostle to the Gentiles. After that he beame the filth and the off-scouring of soiety in the esteem of his fellow Jews, but he suffered it all gladly for Christ's sake. And in the end he had no regret. His last testimony was, "I have fought a good ght. I have finished my course." It was lefeat apparently in this life, but eternal victory in the life beyond.

> Peter was a many-sided man, and many f his sides were anything but commendable. Still there was great good in him, and for this Christ called him to the apostleship. It took many hard bumps to knock off his rough edges and polish the good that was mixed with the bad elements in his nature. But by and by the bad disappeared and the good shone forth. He made a great apostle, but it was a miracle of grace that did the work.

> It is a matter of congratulation that in the construction of church buildings, more and more attention is being paid to the need of the Sunday-school. Those who are "wito know what Israel ought to do" will loc now on. The great Sunday-school institut and conventions that are being held all ov our country are waking our people up this question; and we hail the day with h and joy that shall emphasize, commensu with its merits, the wisdom and righteor of saving the children of the Church Church.

There is no such thing as new Truth is as old as God. But there are constant discoveries of truth in the various departments of God's universe, and it is these discoveries that are meding it more and mor possible to relate as verities obtaining i great empire of th one who uncovers in whatever dem to be acknowled

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HAPPY NEW YEAR.

we should all unite for a forward pital for Methodism in Monterey, of move. Among the first and foremost which the whole Church will be proud. things to be considered are plans for I write this in order that others may a "Greater Epworth-by-the-Sea." All take it up and agitate it until every who have been know that we are far charge in our Church shall have an short of a complete plant at Epworth, interest in it. and as a growing Methodist institution San Antonio we cannot afford to do anything half way. To do what should be done, however, will require the united action of all our Leagues, and we confidently expect your full co-operation in the plans that we will undertake. Bear in mind, please, the dates for our next Summer Encampment—August 4-11—
and plan now to be there. We want
a thousand League members on the
grounds. If we get this it will be worth a trip across the State to be with them. A. K. RAGSDALE, State President.

DR. HANSON MEMORIAL FUND.

I suggest that a committee composed of prominent Southern Methodists all over our connection be formed to help in this movement.

After consulting with Brother Philipps, presiding elder of the Monterey District, we have concluded to incorporate into this fund another that will give it broader scope and more endur-

Hanson Memorial Hospital. Let the On behalf of the Texas State Cabinet 1 extend to the Leaguers of Texas cur best wishes for a great year in League circles. The conferences are and, second, to build what to him was new over, our pastors are settled, and worth more than mere praise: a hos-

> J. H. COLLARD. San Antonio, Texas.

Sunday-School Notes.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

According to Dr. S. E. Wishard, who has lived and worked in Utah for number of years, a great source of power in Mormonism is the care which is taken to keep all the families which have been won to their faith from falling away. The quotation which follows is especially pertinent at this time, as the Sunday-school Magazine has provided "Parents' Classes" in the

whom I have heard are also in hearty us that the following questions, ancampment, let our schools subscribe slumber in every child, we beseech
sympathy and anxious to see the work swered in the affirmative, indicated some amount to the improvement of Thee to save us from killing the sweetthe end sought by the teacher.

Do you believe in Joseph the proph-

Do you believe in the Book of Doc-

* * These investigations discover Many youths drift away from the any inclination to turn from the Church forever because the teacher Church, and call for the immediate infails to look after this matter. The tervention of the priesthood to restore Sunday-school should be an aid to the the doubter to faith.

Anna Burnham Bryant tells the foling after families who patronize the lowing to show how artfully one wom-schools, but in which none are meman used it. "The child who had been bers of his Church. Parents should reared in a rather serious-minded resolve to visit the schools where their household visited a relative who was children are being taught and see how less sober. After a short time the the work is being done, and also to little one confided in a friend and told help the child to study the lessons at why she liked her kinswoman as follows: 'She's such a picknicky kind of a person! You have fun all the time. Your vow to live more consistently, lit's fun if you're only washing dishes. And she never, never says, don't be the year there will be occasion for refect picks. By so delivered to the standard of the lovely.' If you only stop to think of the hearts of those whom you have it, the people who win our hearts are helped. the enes who are genially tolerant of our 'foolishisms.' We need more of the leaven of play in our living. Work is drudgery only when a drudge does it. It is a pity we, too, do not come to realize that some foolishisms are lovely."

Δ The effort that Dr. J. E. Harrison is The effort that Dr. J. E. Harrison is making to raise additional money for Epworth-by-the-Sea should have encouragement and co-operation. We have done too much at Epworth unless we intend to do more. We must less we intend to do more. We must for human love or for flowers and

This is the time for New Year's res Do you believe in the Book of Mor. olutions. Every Superintendent should resolve to make the teacher's meeting better than ever before, for in this better than ever before, for in this gathering the great problems of the spherical problems of t

Church, but not a substitute for it. Secretaries should resolve to faithfully keep the rolls of the schools, and the The play instinct may be used to pastor should examine them and folgreat advantage in teaching the child. low up the work by visiting and look-She thinks foolishisms are joicing not in your heart only, but in

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER FOR CHIL-DREN WHO WORK.

O Thou great Father of the weak, lay Thy hand tenderly on all the little children on earth and bless them. Bless our own children who are the life of our life, and who have become ememory of Dr. Hanson. In order that efficient in all their relations to their every one may understand, and in order to "stir up your pure minds by day of remembrance" it may be explained that the San Antonio Pastors Association passed a resolution and appointed a committee to start a fund for the receit on of a home for Dr. Hanson in Montey. This was not done because we thought they were in any sense of the word objects of charity but because we believed that all Southern Methodism would be glad to make some sort of an offering to show their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all some their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all some their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we hought they were in any sense of the word objects of charity. The care of families is some sort of an offering to show their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all southern Methodism would be glad to make some sort of an offering to show their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all soft the precision of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all some their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all should be glad to make some sort of an offering to show their appreciation of the great work done by Dr. Hanson in Monterey. But because we believed that all should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort of an offering to should be glad to make some sort ness of young life by the greed of gain,—Walter Rauschenbusch, in Pray-

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AN APPEAL.

To the Central Texas Conference:

Dear Brethren-We have a town out invest more money to make the resort such as Texans will be proud of water, and the sweet breast of nature. deep sand, in a strip of hard land about But bless with a threefold blessing the 50x125 miles; six stores, one bank, one Again I wish to call attention to the Sunday-schools to accomplish this ame memorial fund now being agitated in same end, and to make parents more such an Encampment, and no man in memory of Dr. Hanson. In order that efficient in all their relations to their Texas is more deserving of a memory of the control of the same and patronize. The Church needs young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender shoulders brinting office, one hotel, one restau-young lives whose slender should be should be said to be should be shoul

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ers of the Social Awakening.

NOTICE, CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

By typographical error, in my postal notices to members, on the I, N. Reeves call, the "2" was omitted, making it read January 1, instead of Jan, 21, 1911. Bear in mind the call closes January 21, 1911. Respond at once.

M. S. HOTCHKISS, Secretary.

Now About Clean Food

Another Splendid Opportunity to **Bring Out Facts**

When the "Weekly" which sued us for libel (because we publicly denounced them for an editorial on our claims) was searching for some "weak spot," they thought best to send a N. Y. Auy. to Battle Creek, summoned 25-of our workmen and took their sworn statements before a Commissioner.

Did we object? No. On the contrary, we helped all we could, for the opportunity was too good to be lost.

Geo. Haines testified he inspected the wheat and barley also floors and every part of the factories to know things were kept clean. That every 30 minutes a sample of the products was taken and inspected to keep the food up to keep out any impurities, also that it is the duty of every man in the factories to see that anything not right is immediately reported. Has been with the Co. 10 years.

Edward Young testified had been with Co. 15 years. It spector, he and his men examined every sack and car of wheat and barley to see they were up to standard and re jected many cars.

H. E. Burt, Supt., testified has been with Co. over 13 years Bought only the best grain obtainable. That Co. kept of men who do nothing but keep things clean, bright

restifiedd that no ingredients went into Grape-Nuts and Postum except those printed in the advertising. No poss bility of any foreign things getting into the foods as mos of the machinery is kept closed. Asked if the factory is open to the public, said "yes" and "it took from two to three guides constantly to show visitors through the works." Said none of the processes were carried on behind closed doors.

At this point attys, for the "Weekly" tried to show the from some outside source. Testified the Co.s own artesian wells and was pure.

workmen were first-class, high-grade and o.'s physician to be sure they were all in dition; also testified that state reports s better wages than the average and he my in the state.

F. B. Martin, Asst. Supt., testified Grape-Nuts made of Wheat, Barley, Yeast and Water. Anything else? "No, sir." Postum made of Wheat, Wheat Bran and New Orleans Mo-Statements made on his experience of about 10 years

Testified bakers are required to wear fresh white suits changed every other day. Said had never known of any of the products being sent out that were below the high standard of inspection. Asked if any one connected with the Postun Co. had instructed him how to testify. Said. "No. sir."

Horace Brown testified has been with Co, 9 years, Work in Grape-Nuts bake shop. Testified the w composed of Wheat and Barley. Attys, tried to confuse him, but he insisted that any casual visitor could see that nothing else went into the flour. Said machinery and floor always kept clean.

So these men were examined by the "Weekly" lawyers oping to find at least one who would say that some under grade grain was put in or some unclean condition was found

Each and every man testified to the purity and clean-

As a sample, take the testimony of Luther W. Mayo.

Testified been with Company about 10 years. Now workng in the bakery department making Grape-Nuts. Testified that the ovens and floors are kept clean and the raw products as they go in are kept clean. Also that the wearing apparel of the employes has to be changed three times a week.

- Q. Do you use Postum or Grape-Nuts yourself at all?
- A. Yes, I use them at home.
- Q. If from your knowledge of the factory which you have ained in your ten years at the factory you believed that they were dirty or impure in any way, would you use them?
- A. I do not think I would. No.

Asked if any one on behalf of the Company had asked him testify in any particular manner. Stated "No."

All these sworn depositions were carefully excluded from the testimony at the trial, for they wouldn't sound well for the "Weekly."

Think of the fact that every man swore to the purity and eanliness so that the Atty, for the "Weekly" was forced to ay in open court that the food was pure and good. What a disappointment for the "Weekly!"

But the testimony showed:

All of the grain used in Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties is the highest standard possible to obtain.

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None of the workmen had been told how to testify.

Most of them have been from 10 to 15 years with the Co.

nd use the products on their tables at home

Why do their families use the products, Grape-Nuts, Postum and Post Toasties, that they, themselves, make?

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By Bishop Edwin D. Mouzon, D. D.

ing and importunate prayer go up from every household until the answer shall Do not lay it aside as a vague, indeterminate official demand, fed. but rather heed it as a message from God. We request all our people to urite in special prayer on Sunday, January 1, 1911, that God will revive his work in all our borders. On that day let the services in all our Churches be directed to this end."

but of a pastor's experience and out of a pastor's heart I wish to send a message to the Churches in Texas. And since the immediate direction of affairs is in the hands of our presiding elders and pastors, what follows here will, of necessity, be chiefly a message to them.

It is to be hoped that in every one of our Churches special services will be held on Sunday, January 1. Let it be understood that the revival we are praying for is not some special meeting of ten days' or two weeks' duration; but a revival which shall last throughout the entire year, and throughout the whole quadrennium, and never cease. The special effort, the special revival meeting, we must have; but we must have more than that. Forms change, but the spirit reages of the world, genuine revivals of religion bear a remarkable resemblance in form one to another. The preacher who has a revival all the year, is almost certain to hold some special revival meeting during the

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of the preacher; it must be born out of a fuller knowledge of God and a deeper love for men. If the pastor's soul is filled with the joy of the Lord and with sorrow for the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the hyperson of the hyperson of the world's sin and a sense of the infinite value of the hyperson of the hypers sense of the infinite value of the hu-man soul, then the revival has already

How can we bring about the revival tion implies, of course, that we must eternal salvation I must win a thou-pray for it. But supposing that we sand souls to Christ in that time; and are already engaged in earnest prayer if it were further conditioned to this to God, what can we ourselves, as end that I might preach every day for ministers of the gospel, do to below the top years but might preach every day for for which we are praying? This ques

the idea of his Gloucester school. Our the better way."

Book of Discipline directs that "SunMy own conviction is that what I Book of Discipline directs that "Sunday-schools be formed in all our congregations, where ten persons can be collected for that purpose." I write this in order to show the importance, namely, the preaching of the gospel.

The Church needs nothing to-day which from the beginning Methodists are it needs men who can really preach. which from the beginning Methodists The Church needs nothing to-day have attached to the work of the Sun- as it needs men who can really preach.

them to public profession of their believe." There has never been a the uniform lessons cannot possibly feith and to a ratification and confirmation of the vow of repentance, faith revival of preaching. There can nevand obedience contained in the baper be a great revival without great the unity of the service, but tismal covenant. But why should there be only one "Decision Day" durvival was a revival produced by of efficiency the cost is too great. If a superintendent and his helpfers are averse to study, and are content to travel forever in one circular breaks up the unity of the service, but the secure of the service, but the secure of the cost is too great. If a superintendent and his helpfers are averse to study, and are averse to s decision already made will prove es schools; he organized societies; he tem many superintendents varied pecially useful when they have been published books; he waged controver- widely from the program laid down in preceded by a service for children or sies; he was tireless in correspon- our Magazine, finding it easier to saturday afternoon and are according to the conversation. But not literate the school awake with variety to be a service for the conversation. But not literate the school awake with variety to be a service for children or sies; he was tireless in correspon- our Magazine, finding it easier to saturday afternoon and are according to the conversation. But not literate the uniform systems are supported to the conversation of the conversation o panied by a gospel sermon from the ture, or controversy, or personal influthan with absolute uniformity. Many pastor on "Decision Day."

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The same conclusion. a revival of pastoral visitation of the

living message of divine truth adapted to the daily needs of those to whom he has been sent to minister, and the bungry sheep will look up and go un-

From my own experience as a city is in a Church of eight hundred or a thousand members, but I also know how much can be done when a man makes a wise use of his time. After makes a wise use of his time. After having found out where your people live, you should then visit when and where you can do the most good. Many so-called pastoral visits are little if any better than a waste of time. They are a waste of time because they are not pastoral visits. I do not say that the pastor ought allowed with a say that the pastor ought allowed time. They are a waste of time because they are not pastoral visits. I do not say that the pastor ought always to read a Scripture lesson, or that he ought to offer prayer with a family every time he calls; but I do say that if he is filled with the spirit of the Son of Man who "came to seek of the Son of Man who "ca ligious and pastoral way; and when he leaves the home, the family will feel that they have been lifted heavenward. The evangelistic pastor will know the men of his Church and his charge. He will be a man among men—a manly man, but always a man who is a minister of the gospel. "And, sir."

I have set watch. will make his calls not in a merely social way, but in a distinctly re-ligious and pastoral way; and when he mains the same. The form, however, which one sees sometimes, leads one to believe that, in such cases, the spirit has changed also. It is a remarkable and significant fact that, in all able and significant fact that, in all

I have found that the men whom I influenced most were the men that I knew best. There is a book, no long-er new, which I could wish every pas-IRLE AND PROFITABLE?

if it were revealed to me from heaven by the Angel Gabriel that God had given me the certainty of ten years of life, and that as a condition of my minis'ers of the gospel, do to bring the ten years, but might not person about the revival? minis'ers of the gospel, do to bring about the revival?

First of all, I will say that the wise pastor will make large use of the Sunday-school. As Tyerman points out, it was a young Methodist, a Miss Eall, who started the first Sunday school fourteen years before Robert Raikes opened his; and it was another young Methodist woman, Miss Cook, that pastors shall be both evangelical who first suggested to Robert Raikes preachers and walking evangelists, is the idea of his Gloucester school. Our

day-school. The pastor's greatest op- I did not say men who can ten pathetportunity is with the children. While ic stories (concerning the truth of
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the sheep that has gone astray, we did I say men who can deliver exhorshould feed Christ's lambs and save tations (although every preacher
them from the misery and awful risk ought to claim the power and cultivate
of straight into the wilderness of sinthem from the misery and awful risk of straying into the wilderness of sin. In recent years "Decision Day" has is, in the full sense of the word, a been found most serviceable. Where the day has been wisely and intelligently approached, and where the chilling instructed after they have offered themselves for membership in the ing is God's appointed method for the tword, and before they are given the salvation of the world. "It hath pleasson's GLurch membership, no better method can be found for bringing them to public profession of their believe." There has never been a the uniformed?"

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1. It is the design of the graded course, which originated with and has a woold the antagonism.

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To whi Paster on "Decision Day."

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But what I have chiefly in mind, in effective instrument. First and last not to try to make the lessons, the
this connection, is to call attention to the movement Wesley represents is hymns, and the sermon all bear on
the great opportunity which the past the revival on an unprecedented the same subject and point the same

A Methodist preacher is not received into full connection until he has preaching. St. Paul writes: "For we gram of song and Bible reading, replain to must all appear before the judgment rardless of what may be the lessons house." If a preacher neglects passon—he does not love his people. And son—he does not love his people. And according to what he hath done, system contemplates that the supering to which will exceeded bring its Bibles the supering to mind as the pies that mother used to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing the best talent of earth under tribute to produce our Sunday-school literature. Beson—he does not love his people. And according to what he hath done, system contemplates that the supering to mind as the pies that mother used to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing the best talent of earth under tribute to produce our Sunday-school literature. Beginning with Editorials and going on through Contributions, Class Problems are closed to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing to mind as the pies that mother used to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing the best talent of earth under tribute to produce our Sunday-school literature. Beginning with Editorials and going on through Contributions, Class Problems are closed to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing to make are to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing the best talent of earth under tribute to produce our Sunday-school literature. Beginning with Editorials and going on through Contributions, Class Problems are closed to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placing the best talent of earth under tribute to produce our Sunday-school literature. Beginning that in order to the place that the supering to the church is placed to the palate. Surely the King of the Church is placed to the place that the supering to the church is placed to the place that the supering to the place that the sup

guilt of sin, the certainty of judgment make men see and realize what these In the recent address of the Bishops sent forth from the meeting in New Orleans, an urgent appeal is laid upon the heart of the Church, closing with these words:

"Let this be understood as a call upon every man in the ministry, and upon every congregation throughout our entire connection, and let unceasing and importunate prayer go up from the recent address of the Bishops be a preacher one must be a pastor as well. Without the personal touch of the pastor, without the intimate knowledge which comes from the work to the pastor, a man may read lectures in theology to his people or deliver orations before them; but he will not be able to speak heart to heart, he will not be able to speak heart to heart, he will not be able to come with a living message of divine truth adapted in and importunate prayer go up from the personal touch of these things, you can do nothing with your gospel. And in your preaching you must put emphasis on the "dynamics of the gospel. Our present-day preachers have gone so far in their emphasis of the "humanities" of Christianity as to present a gospel that is false because incomplete. We have heard much about Christ as "the daily needs of those to whom the daily needs of the gospel. And in your again that the New Testament brings us the highest possible ethics. But I need something more than an ideal; the ideal alone discourages me. I need pastor I know how heavy a work this pot new knowledge but a leachingsnot new knowledge but new power-is what I need. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." Let our preachers, if

reason to rejoice. But we rejoice with fear and trembling; because God is

a minister of the gospel, please remem-ber that your people will not forget tablish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

San Antonio, Texas.

IBLE AND PROFITABLE?

By E. Hightower, President State Sunday School Conference.

On our desk is the following letter from the superintendent of one of the most responsive members of his class largest Sunday-schools in the State. taken away at the lesson hour. UnAs it seems to clearly and pointedly der any system a better plan is to state all possible objections to the in-troduction of the Graded Lesson Sys-troduction of the Graded Lesson Sys-schools. Under the graded content troduction of the Graded Lesson Sys-schools. Under the graded system tem, we publish it in full and give each department may have its reserve our opinion of the objections. Here teachers who prepare the lesson of is the letter:

"I have made up my requisition for Sunday-school supplies for the incoming year and had intended to get the new graded lessons, and, in fact, have so made the order, but in doing so I have noted that this will almost dis-organize the school, in that we will be studying three or four different lessons. This sort of condition will put the songs out of harmony, the prayer, the review, if one; there can be no alternate reading; lessons helps * * * will not fit in except for two or three classes; if a teacher is needed for supply, and we are always needing them, we depend upon the senior class to furnish, and this class has prepar-ed the lesson as per the International l esson, and is therefore wholly unpre-pared to teach the graded lesson. What are our schools doing in the premises? Are those schools which have tried the new lessons for some-time pleased and continuing, or are they returning to the International Lessons, as I am informed?"

has with the children of the scale, and with unprecedented effects, moral, and the experience of our wis-day-school. the office and work of the preach- est Sunday-school workers has led to

As to Bible lessons and songs: a revival of pastoral visitation of the But what shall the preaches preached by the residual state of the residual state of the superingular truths, the neglect of which will excheol bring its Bibles the superingular truths, the neglect of which will excheol bring its Bibles the superingular truths, the neglect of which will excheol bring its Bibles the superingular truths.

A Baby in the House

No joy or pleasure on this earth quite equals that which comes into the home when baby arrives. Who can describe the happi-



ness of man and woman, joined in wedlock, as they look upon the delicate mite that is blood of their blood and flesh of their flesh? And who can depict the hopelessness and dejection that hover about the home where the wife is incapable of becoming a mother? Barrenness proceeds from some de-rangement of the distinctly feminine organs. Many of the com-

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instruction under the graded system will more than compensate for the ab-

sence of the review.
5. As to depending upon a senior class to furnish substitute teachers, that plan is open to grave objections under any system. For one thing, nothing is more discouraging to a teacher than to carefully prepare his lesson and then have all the brightest and that particular grade, in addition to, or in place of, the senior lesson.

There may be schools that have tried the graded systems and returned to the uniform lesson system, just as there used to be schools that tried the uniform system and went back to the Bible and Blue-back Speller, but we have not heard of such a school. The graded system distributes the burden of responsibility that once rested wholly on the superintendent and places it upon several pairs of shoulders. It takes all secretarial work out of the class so that during the class period the teacher has not a thing to do ex-cept teach the lesson; it adapts the instruction to the capacity of the student; it furnishes the teacher all necessary instruction along with the course and makes his work much easier than the uniform system, and is a gain to the Sunday-school in many other ways.

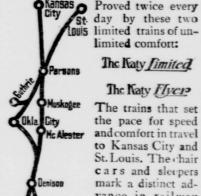
Let it be added that any feature of this system may be introduced without including it all. Some superintendents have thought it wise to introduce it, feature at a time, and thus prove its efficiency gradually and the prove its efficiency that is almost

THE ADULT STUDENT.

The Adult Student for January is on our desk. We thought Sunday-school literature had reached high-tide in our Sunday-school magazine, but it seems to us that this issue of the Adult Student marks a new level. Its cover is as attractive as the tasteful dress of a pretty eighteen-year-old miss. when one looks within he finds a bill fare that is as appetizing to the mind as the pies that mother used to make are to the palate. Surely the

the review for that department. Where and Class Parliament, each article the review for that department, where and class Parliament, each areas the school must all work in one or seems better than the last. Dr. Chaptwo rooms that is manifestly impossible. Then the review must be replaced by something else. But we are drew Sledd, and many others are tryconvinced that even under such conditions as these the greater efficiency of And when one comes to the lesson study he finds such names as Rev. F.
N. Parker, D. D., President H. N.
Snyder, of Wofford College; Rev. H.
H. Smith and Rev. S. H. Wainwright,
D. D. Such an array of talent could make an interesting study on the eighth chapter of the First Book of Brother Superintendent, Chronicles. have you examined the Adult Student?





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and the Northwest Texas Conference 1878, 1886, 1890 and 1894. During the ments in Texas in spiritual and educa-Brotherhoods remember the special whole of his active ministry his salary tional matters, and with them the day set apart for Brotherhood Day, ranged from \$96 to \$1441. He preach- Church and her weal are first and up-They are expected to preach on that ed 5000 sermons and traveled more permost. The laymen represent the special day on the benefits of the than 27,000 miles. Conversions under best type of the laity in the Church. Brotherhood and give lay members an his ministry went into the thousands. men who have not only made secular opportunity to become non-beneficiary He also built churches, parsonages pursuits a success, but also they have members of the organization. These and district parsonages. These figures been generous and devoted in their two Brotherhoods remain under one give the record of a man whose life support of the Church. Surely the supervision and they always pay into was one unbroken chain of consecra- Church can confidently leave to such a common fund a mortuary fee when tion to the Church and to the minis- men the settlement of all questions one of their number passes away. It try of the gospel. It was his meat to pertaining to our educational prob is one of the best mutual insurance or preach the unsearchable riches of this lems. They understand business rules, ganizations for the members of these gospel and to see sinners converted business methods, and business two conferences of which we have any at the altars of the Church. His equities; and they hold the Church as knowledge. Therefore, let the day be health gave way in the prime of his sacredly as they hold their own lives. observed.

serve the people, accept large gifts service. from any source, it bodes no good for For something like fifteen years he never settled in the committee of the the manager, gave an annual banquet the public weal. A small token of ap- was confined to his bed or room, un- whole. In the very nature of things and it was a delightful occasion, About preciation for friendship's sake is all able to go forth to battle; but read this is impracticable. They always ap- seventy of them were present. W. C. right, but when these tokens run up the papers and kept in touch with the point judicious committees and refer Everett was toastmaster, and after a into the hundreds of dollars there is movements of Zion, and he was the matters of grave importance to them. delicious spread of good things, he inalways a motive behind the remembest informed man in Texas on the Out of these committees come matur- treduced a number of speakers and members of our Joint Board of Publibrance. Men do not combine their progress of the Church throughout the ed results, put into tangible form, and their remarks were timely and enter- cation. He knows the worth of the contributions and make out of them a connection. He had the use of his arms thus the will of the body is wisely ex- talking. Several guests were invited, Advocate as a factor in Church work. large sum and then turn the aggregate and hands, though unable to walk, and ecuted. This is exactly what is meant but the entertainment was mostly con-. over to the man who fills a high execu- he often wrote voluminously and wise in the appointment of this Commission. fined to the Publishing House force.

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without being prompted by ly for the Church papers. He had the The only difference is we have given The House has grown into great favor his first year of service at Childrens expect to bring said gift of expressing himself lucidly and to them plenary power, and we have and its employes, both young men and and he celebrated the beginning by ation to them either accurately.

uptly decline all was far above the average. He had a final and to accept their findings in prosperous years of the institution, Brother Culbertson, a supernumerary

presence, a fine countenance, a face with twenty men like those appointed DEATH OF REV. E. L. ARMSTRONG. of classic mold, and a strongly endow- on the Commission, there is no other At last the old warior has stacked his arms, received his discharge and gone up to answer the roll call in heaven and confinement to his room, died Saturday afternoon at five room, die with just such equipment as he was related system with a great central in-He was born on July 10, 1836, in able to acquire. He had a great store stitution at their head. Bishop Atkins Wilcox County. Alabama. In early house of knowledge and he knew how in a private note to us, along with the life he came to Texas with his family to use it skillfully and effectively. He announcement below, says: "I am and located in Jasper County, where never entered the pulpit with unbeaten entertaining the hope that the movehe was converted June 21, 1851, and oil. He prepared himself for success ment which the five Annual conferin August of that year he joined the ful work before he entered the sacred ences of Texas are taking in their edu-M. E. Church, South, under the desk. He was a born leader of men cational work will lead to a genuine ministry of Rev. J. W. Shipman. On and always took rank as such in the system in which there will be, from All ministers in active work in the Methodist piscopal Church, South, in Texas are agents and October 23, 1857, he was licensed to conferences. He had a kind heart and bottom to top, a conservation of all preach by Rev. Jeff Shook, presiding a gentle disposition. His friends our forces, and an impetus from the elder. On November 18, 1857, he was throughout the Church are numbered relationship which will put us ahead admitted on trial in the East Texas by the thousands; and the announce- of any other similar section in these

COMMISSION.

that time we had been using the a superannuated relation. In 1876-1878 the meeting of the Educational Comschoolhouse, but the trustees conclud- he was presiding elder on the Beau- misison, issued by Bishops Atkins and before the Commission to be present ed not to have the house longer used mont District where he did efficient Murrah. The place of the meeting is at the meeting on the 18th. It is prob-Austin and the time the 18th of Jar. abic that the Commission will, in or-

furnish the house. I thought, perhaps, session in Belton. He traveled the members of the Commission with their you could put us in touch with some Milford Circuit 1879-1882. In the four addresses. We do this because there it. of our abler Churches who have moved years he had 370 conversions. He was was a single error in the list published mitted to this body by the Methodism encouraging showing. We have never out of their old buildings into newer on the Dresden Circuit one year, and last week. Among the members from of Texas leads us to ask that the prayones, and possibly they could help us then went to the Waco District, where the North Texas Conference we gave ers of our people shall be offered for with pulpit, chairs, hymnals, bell, etc." he remained from 1884-1887. From the name of Rev. C. M. Harless in the divine guidance of the Commission We thoroughly commend the appeal 1888-1891 he was on the Waxahachie stead of the name of Rev. O. S. Thomof Brother Bond, and hope that some District and had more than 3000 con- as, of Greenville, and with this corof our readers who are able will send versions. From 1892 to 1894 he was rection the list below is correct. It So let our liberal readers go to his re- of service on this district his health The ministers represent the most concompletely failed and he took a super- servative and well equipped members annuated relation. He was a mem- of our conferences. They have stood Let all the preachers of the Central ber of the General Conferences of at the head of all our forward move-

life, otherwise his record as a suc- It was necessary to appoint just cessful minister would have multiplied such a commission. In all large When public officials, elected to itself many times in the results of his bodies where important responsibilitiotel, the Publishing House employes ties are involved, such questions are and the ex-employes, together with and if he is a As a preacher, Brother Armstrong judication of all questions involved as terests. This has been one of the most resulted in a contribution of \$1000.

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> participated in a more delightful and enjoyable occasion than the one at the Oriental. The spirit of it was fine and will among those who are conducting the business of the institution,

> One of our Northern exchanges tells us that, according to the calculation of a close observer, the Methodist Episcopal Church last year raised for all purposes and from all sources, \$49,000,000. They have 19,420 ministers, paid salaries amounting to \$15, 178,000. During the year the increase in the membership of the Church was only 63,000, an average of about three souls to the congregation. This small net result in the way of increase in membership is giving the leaders of that Church grave concern, and they are systematically planning for a great spiritual forward movement.

Rev. S. A. Barnes, the wide-awake presiding elder of the Abilene District, is doing good work for the Advocate in his territory. He has been instrumental in putting the Advocate into sixteen homes on his first round this year. His work is starting off with great prospects for a successful year. He is young, vigorous and devoted to his work, and things transpire on his district. No wonder that his confer-

Rev. G. W. Wyatt has just entered agreed, solemnly, to receive their ad- young ladies, are devoted to all its in- taking a collection for missions which striking personality, an impressive the premises as conclusive. In fact, and its annual report will make a most member of the Northwest Texas Conchoc fere gift ened four cong ing the doin

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PERSONALS

recently spent a day or two in this city arranging matters pertaining to this great work. The next State Con-

Street, Austin, writes us that he is most happily situated in his new work and that everything betokens a good year. He has been most cordially received by that congregation and their good will is mutual.

Decatur District, have given out their port Churches. program for their approaching mis-sionary institute. It will be held at program for their approaching missionary institute. It will be held at Bowle, and the two districts will be largely represented in the gathering. Also Rev. J. E. Roach, of the Decatur District, was in the city this week and showed up at this office in good shape. Also Rev. J. E. Roach, of the Bowle in good shape. Constitution of the Source of the Source of the North Texas Conference.

Rev. C. A. Spragins, of the McKinney District, has his hands on the affairs of his field and he is already hard at work. He is one of the new presiding elders and he is well equipped for the resition.

Rev. J. M. Sweeton, of the Paris District, was to see us this week. He reports the beginning of the year very promising. Says his people have plenned in the second of the resition. With these two qualifications we may expect great things up that way. the position.

partments of that important charge are well organized and running successfully.

trict is moving like a blue streak throughout all parts of his charge. He is one of our youngest presiding elders

whole of that territory from its cen-ter to its rim will feel the force of his ability and enterprise.

Rev. R. B. Bonner and his good wife made the Advocate a delightful visit this week. They had been to Terreli-to visit relatives. Brother Bonner is Sunday-school Secretary for the North-west Texas Conference, with head-quarters at Stamford. He speaks most encouragingly of his work.

Rev. E. R. Patterson, of Alma, brightened up this office with a broth-erly visit recently.

Recently Judge Grubbs, of Greenville, offered a prize of \$59 for the best sermon on the dignity of labor from the life of St. Paul, and many discourses were forwarded as competitors. The committee appointed to decide the matter awarded the prize to

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MONUMENTS! AGENTS WANTED.

Rev. John Moore, of Weston, dropped n to see us recently. He starts off well on his new charge.

Rev. Emmet Hightower, President cently and did not overlook the Advo-of our State Sunday-school Conference, recently spent a day or two in this est laymen in the Church.

city arranging matters pertaining to this great work. The next State Conference will meet in Dallas in the spring.

Rev. D. L. Coale, the evangelist, visited the office a few-days ago. He has recently held a good meeting at Polytechnic College, his home Church. Rev. W. F. Davis, of Wills Point, one of the successful pastors of the Texas Conference, was a welcome caller at this office last week.

Rev. J. W. Downs. of Mineral Wells, spent Christmas with his mother at Edgewood, and on his return made the Advocate a delightful visit.

Rev. Frank M. Downs, formerly of the Texas Conference, but more lately of the Los Angeles Conference, is now District, and Rev. L. S. Barton, of the and a member of the Louisiana Conference, and the conference and the conference of the Shreve-new C

We hear good reports from the University Church, Austin. Rev. D. F. Hawk has already won the hearts of the Sherman District, was in the city this week and mixed pleasant-lawk has already won the hearts of cate the benefit of a pleasant visit.

lieve it was, I attended his conference faith in Texas than he. meeting in Sulphur Springs. It was a great meeting. More than one hun-courage that never failed him. He as District Superintendents of the Andred souls were consecrated. I heard gave no uncertain sound, nor did he ti-Saloon League: Rev. J. H. Thorn, him preach a sermon during that meet-quail in the presence of any man. He ilemphill, Texas, will have charge of the consecrated of the conse him preach a sermon during that meeting from Pilater Morels, "What I have written, I have written." I shall never forget it. It was truly a great sermon. Sinners quaked and trembled under it, went to the altar, cried for mercy and were saved, while Christians shouted for joy. It was perhaps the greatest meeting I ever attended. He was a clear thinker, a fine speaker, a good man and mighty in prayer. Word." He was a great doctrinal a good man and mighty in prayer. Word." He was a great doctrinal as well as he. Bro. Ballard was never springs his health gave way, his physician advised a change of climate, and preacher, for he had no policy in his leaved that the compromise with concerning these new men it may county, near Gainsville, Texas, Later what he thought was wrong; he had the doctrining of the Macogdoches District; Rev. W. M. Shelton, Sherman, Texas, will have charge of the San Antonio District; Dr. J. M. Robertson, Elk City. Oklahoma, will be in charge of the Waco District. Rev. W. C. Dunn who has for two years been Superintendent of the Waco District is transferred to the Houston District, at his own request. This leaves only the Brownwood District without a Superintendent, and men for that position are under consideration now. The appointment will likely be made within a few days. County, near Gainsville, Texas, Later he was appointed to the Montague District as presiding elder, which he as quickly in high places or persons as in low. There was no guile in his denomination. Being an East while he was serving that district that I become a member of his home. I his soul he detested wrong. He was with the conditions on his field and the conditions of the conditions on his field and the conditions of the conditions on his field and the conditions of the conditions

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We received notice several weeks builds up the whole system, Get it today in usual liguid form the conformation of the death of the light and failed to appear, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were form the conformation of the confo a serious accident by getting one of his lower limbs broken. His long and painful confinement seemed to bring on afresh his old nervous trouble which gradually grew worse until the end came. His son, Hon. M. E. Blackburn, who was present during his last illness, writes me that his father's transition was as calm, peaceful and undisturbed as the breathing of an in-Brother Sam Hassell, of Gatesville, undisturbed as the breathing of an inand a long time reader of the Advocate, favored us with a brotherly visit ministry, he longed and prayed that he might again be permitted to join the itinerant ranks of God's advancing and conquering host, but it seems fate had decreed it otherwise. I was at had been in Cooke County in 1890.

One of the greatest hindrances to stitute.

The cure begins at once and continues rapidly until it is complete and carry whiskey advertisements.

I think the time has come when all you can go right ahead with your carry and comfortable all ministry, he longed and prayed that That year the conference met as Texarkana. I had just transferred here.

This home in Cooke County in 1890. Takink the time has come when all Christian people should eliminate all arkana. I had just transferred here. arkana. I had just transferred here. I spoke to him about going to conference with me. He sat down and criedage work and did not go. He bowed to the inevitable, he remained true to God and his beloved Church. He met death without a fear. He was a great and a good man. He leaves a wife and three honored sons. One of them received his father's mantle in the ministry, who is now a member of the Oksland possed to the temperance cause, and lahoma Conference; the other two live in South Texas. His brother, J. W. Blackburn, is a member of the North Texas Conference. He was a great sufferer, but he never faltered. I am sure the Father met him at the crossing and ere his feet touched the chilly work and be easy and comfortable all the time. It is well worth trying. Just send your name and address to Pyramid Drug Co., 92 Pyramid Building, Marshall, Mich., and receive free by return mail the trial package in a the consistency?

Not only is this true, but there are thousands of Christian and prohibition people in Texas who support papers which are openly and defiantly opposed to the temperance cause, and plain wrapper.

No doctor and his bills. All druggists, 50 cents. Write to-day for a free package.

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> "Servant of God, well done, Rest from thy loved employ; The battle is fought, the victory won, whiskey advertisements? Enter thy Master's joy."

In 1890 I transferred from the Ten- to the home ceived a telegram informing him of the work and the interests in all departments of that important charge are well organized and running successfully.

It is a very intimate and warm friend, ship. I learned to love him and to established in the whiskey literature in the world dumped in on me for nothing.

The same day, I believe, in Sherman, reflicient elder. Some ten or twelves useful local preacher, and for many hroughout all parts of his charge. He so one of our youngest presiding elders and he has a brand-new district; and no many in Texas is putting more ener.

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The same day, I believe, in Sherman, efficient elder. Some ten or twelve useful to get it when you can obtain it to say that the Anti-Saloon League is to-day. It has never had a more track the whiskey literature in th and he has a brand-new district; and no man in Texas is putting more energy and vim into his field than Brother Beall.

**When Bishop Murrah announced by the death of Bro. Blackburn to our conference how it awakened in my and blessed his labors until he saw and blessed his labors until he saw and learned and most of the mind menmories of the long ago. I first met him thirty-odd years ago, jumped across the West Texas Conference to reach his charge, but he is the head and warm heart to bring about large results. But he altisting and and warm heart to bring about large results. But he altisting and raising funds in the country that he was ways does this wherever his lot is stored in the country that he was does this wherever his lot is stored in the country that he was paintstaking and untiring. He cast.

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was then struggling with a call to the one of the strongest debaters in Tex- has a very large acquaintance to ministry. I had no education, money as; he was ever ready to defend his gin with. He is a man of strength and and but few friends. This good man Church against all assailants; he energy.

took me op his home, boarded me and crossed swords with the ablest dispu "Rev. W. M. Shelton is a Methodist took me to his home, boarded me and crossed swords with the ablest dispu-

WHISKEY ADVERTISEMENTS.

What do you suppose that boy of waters of death his redeemed spirit yours thinks of your religion and your temperance ideas when there is no re-

To his sorrowing wife and children or temperance paper could be found, To his sorrowing wife and children or temperance paper could be found, let me, as your friend and brother, but there was the daily paper "commend you to God and to the Word with large whiskey advertisements in of his grace." May God bless you and evidence, and several boys in the guide you until we shall all meet our departed brother on the other side of that foul stuff. The above case is only the river and rest under the shade of the trees.

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Hawk has already won the hearts of his people and the appointment is a good fit all round. He has a great field and he knows how to work it for good results.

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Hood, and published by the Federated Press. Fairfield, Iowa. The intent of the book is made known by its author when he says it is "a study of development of man, revealing framework of religion apparent he Bible and in the lives of men in the lives of men in the lives of men questions involved, but a practi-cessarch into these question. It is adable and helpful volume.



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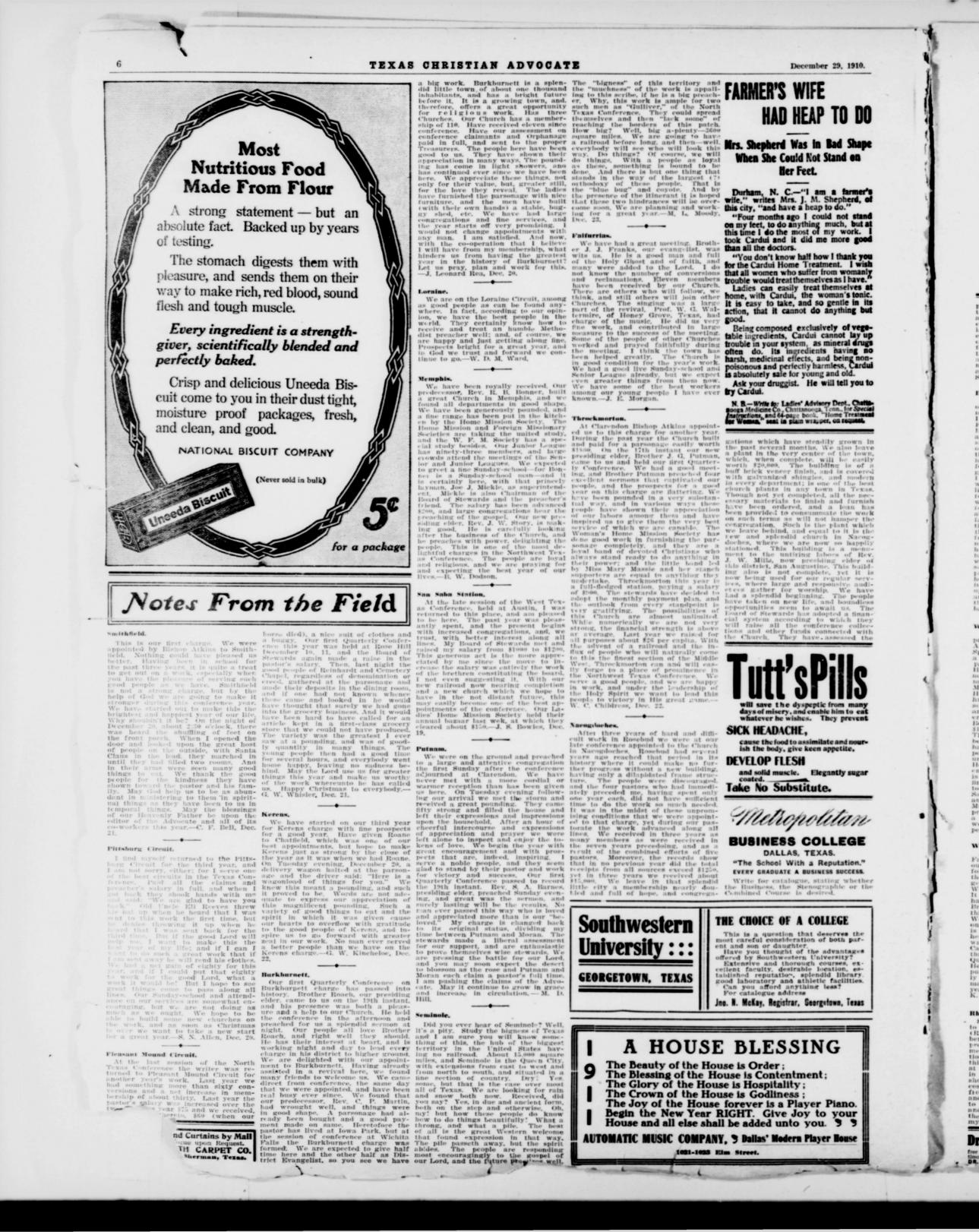
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So as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel at Rthome. They are loyal Methodists, and we are praying for and expecting great things, we are glad the Bishop sent us here. We are glad the Bishop sent us here. It have been around the work; by May the blessings of Gold be with them all, is our prayer.—R. O. Sory, this people; my work last year was at Boyd, just six miles from Rhome, this people; my work last year was at Boyd, just six miles from Rhome, in plain view. This move was the polar with a wagon and team and one from Boyd brought all we had to move. We loved the Boyd people, and would gladly have stayed but for the sand and dust being so hard on my throat. So I am here in the subscinction of the sand and dust being so hard on my throat. So I am here in the lower of the sand and dust being so hard on my throat. So I am here in the lower of the sand and dust being so hard on by proxy, until we thought in sto 2 days; is to 6 days effects of humors are worse than the progress. Sexton, Rev. S. W. Turner, Rev. J. T. Wilson and Mr. W. Lawking were present and present and present and present and present and present and the special claims committed to the s

in order to make disposition. But that was not destined to be all, for the thing and increasing until kept spread to each of our other appointments. On December 21 buggles began coming early in the day and continued through the day, with the same results as previously noted. I do not know where this is to stop, but after looking over this is to stop, but after looking over this is to stop, but after looking over the situation we decided that if it must continue we would be forced to suggest to the people that we were very much in need of replacable rubber years and the survey of the situation of the preacher and family, and my seven-year-old boy has already arranged this appointment for next year. (I guess he is trying to shorten the work of the Bishop for next year.) Who could witness the demonstrations of theograph for next year.) Who could witness the demonstrations of theograph survey of the sur

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Temple-Hamilton.—At the home of
the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L.
Hamilton, in Lewisville, Texas, at 6
p. m. December 24, 1919, Mr. Dan R.
Temple and Miss Freda A. Hamilton,
Rev. W. R. McCarter officiating.



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In this department may be advertised anything you want to buy, sell or exchange. The rate is TWO CENTS A WORD. No advertisement taken for less than 50 cents. Cash must accompany all orders.

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y for advertisements must reach this office by Saturday to insure their insertion.

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tended that nothing of a questionable nature shall appear. You must make your own trades

COTTON SEED.

GOSPEL SINGER.

LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE WANTED. Splendly from a saired field man to act as our representative affects of the saires the saires of the saires

At the last session of the Texas Conference, at Calvesion, I gave to the Committee on District Conference Records the record of the Marilia District, and the same was misplaced by them. The record was endorsed on back "Calvert District." Finder express to me at Cameron and oblige, JEFF T.

OBITUARIES

The space allowed obituaries is twenty to tweaty-five lines, or about 170 or 180 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all oblinary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written should remit money to cover excess of space, to-with At the rate of tree these. For word, Money should accompany allorders. Resolutions of respect will not be inserted in the Obituary Department under any circum stances, but if paid for will be inserted in another column.

WHITFIELD.—Mrs. Sarah Whitfield was bern April 1, 1821, in Hillsboro, Fenn., and died November 30, 1910, at the home of her son, John Whitefield, in Greenville, Texas, the funeral services being conducted by Rev. J. J. Morgan at Garland, Texas, her old home. She was married March 4, 1849, to G. W. Whitfield, Iffilisboro, Tenn., and they game in December of the same year to Texas, first settling in Marshall, then in Limestone County, and then in Dallas County, settling mear Duck Creek in 1855, just fifty-five years ago. She was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the age of sixteen years, and See Control of Secretary 19, 1999 of the Control of Secretary 1999 of the Control of Secretary 1999 of the Sec

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

I am now making dates for revival meetings. And pustor or revivalist destring my services should write at once. Best references. Address GEO. P. BLED-SOE, Gilmer, Texas.

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RECOMMENDATION.

the broken-hearted father and mother and brothers and little sister, and may we all gather at the beautiful river and enter into that rest that remains for the people of God.

YOUNG.—B. H. Young, one of the leading citizens of Williamson County, the leading citizens of Williamson County quietly passed out from his home at Corn Hill. Texas, November 27, 1916, the professor of the Bird daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Hamilton, passed to the reternal reward on Friday ark, August 25, 1839. When fourteen years old she moved with her mother's family to Mayaville, Okla, where, on February I. 1907, she was happily quietly passed out from his home at Corn Hill. Texas, November 27, 1916, at the home years old she moved with her mother's family to Mayaville, Okla, where, on February I. 1907, she was happily quietly passed out from his home at Corn Hill. Texas, November 27, 1916, at the home year old she was married to R. M. Gray, of Bandera, but the passed out from his home at Corn Hill. Texas, November 27, 1916, at the home year old she was converted as an operation performed for gallstones. Her life was only shortened a few weeks, and the passing away was panning of the passed of religion and joined the Meth was a passenger on one of the city delist Church in 1878. Brother Young street cars, when it was thought to have suddenly caught life, and with ment. One rarely ever made a misseveral other passengers she jumped lake who took his advice. He was wise the was been the held in high esteem by kis neighbors. Pavement and receiving liquries from he work was a member of our church on the fact of the passing away was panning and joined the Church as a precious inhead of the passengers she was married D. W. Hamilton, widow of D. W. Hamilton, widow of D. W. Hamilton, widow of D. W. Hamilton, with the method of head the family of the edition of the death was a passenger on one of the city of the passing away was panning to the passing away was passengers. The limit of the passing away was passengers on one of the city of the pa







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