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# Central Texas Conference the city, regardless of denomination, have had some good revivals. There had some good revivals.

sion in Hillsboro, Wednesday of last made more intense by a sense of on behalf of the Church people of the Worth District: Number of converest body of the kind in Texas, and it For twenty-eight years this one maa half of the Conference. covers the central and a part of the had lain there helpless until despair boro is an ideal place for holding the always got ahead of him. It is hard were called and they made brief re-Conference. It is centrally located, for a man to trust in God's love when ports as follows: hospitable towns in the State. It has a Others had pushed him aside and he population of nearly 10,000, and the expected nothing at human hands. better community cannot be found in made whole. This was his first note entertainment was whole-souled and despairing men that will bring comroyal. We have never seen it excelled. plete deliverance to men from sin and Bishop and a number of helpers did Christ holds out hope for all, even the lected.

modern and up-to-date. It has every fully paid out of debt, but its balance is provided for in such a way as to there for a generation or more. Its furniture is elegant and its pipe or- and work. The brethren gave close gan grand. All the committees and attention to every word uttered by the Cabinet meetings were provided for in the building. When the base- pearance before the Conference. Many ment is fitted up it will be a fine place for institutional work. When the before. They manifested a deep in-Conference came together in this terest in him and his message. They great auditorium it was a magnificent

Wednesday morning came in rather hazy, with the weather man promising rain. The brethren began to gather early and their greetings were cordial, not to say hilarious. They were in a most excellant mood.

Bishop McCoy took the chair at 9 o'clock and called the Conference to order. He announced the hymn, "Oh for a thousand tongues to sing," and it was sung as only the Contral Conference can sing. No conference in the Connection surpasses this one in the spirit and volume of song. It is an inspiration to hear them. Rev. John M. Barcus always leads the singing, and no man can do it better than he.

After song the Bishop led in a deeply spiritual prayer; and it called forth many ejaculatory responses. Following this another hymn, "Jesus, the name high over all," was sung. Bishop Mouzon came in at this juncture and was escorted to a seat in the pulpit. He is looking well and in good spirit after his arduous work on the Pacific Coast.

The Bishop read for the morning lesson from the fifth chapter of the Gospel of St. John, giving an account of the angels coming down and trouthe first man bathing himself therein city to the Conference. His words comments were made thereon.

western sections of the State. Hills- had settled down upon him. Others and it is one of the finest and most he has no confidence of man's love. people are prosperous and moral. A But Jesus asked him if he would be Texas. They extended a most cordial of hope. Someone at last cared for welcome to the Conference and the him. We need to preach a Gospel to Rev. John R. Morris, Rev. Horace despair. He pushes some aside, but everything to make their guests com- worst of us. There are such things fortable and happy. No one was neg- as spiritual and intellectual dead lines. At right here is our danger as pleted one of the best church build- people know when our spiritual life is ings in the conference. It is in a declining. When we are at white Wesley's heart was strongly warmed, ports. convenience imaginable and well the spiritual temperature of the adapted to worship and modern world was raised. The world needs Church work. It has cost about \$75,- a Gospel of help and of hope. I have 600, and it speaks well for our peo- come to believe that the world is hunple and for the town. It is not yet gry for the old Gospel of Christ."

Bishop Mouzon led in a fervent prayer. The address of the Bishop Bishop McCoy. It was his first apof them had never seen or heard him simplicity, his brotherliness and his deeply spiritual fervor. They recognized in him, not a mere official, but a tender-hearted man and a brother preacher in whom they have things in

like they were all present. The entire auditorium was full, and a finer looking body of men would be hard to find.

Rev. John R. Morris told the brethren that he had been at the secretary's table since 1884 either as secbegged the brethren to relieve him from further service. This the bretinren granted with regret. Rev. A. D. Porter was elected. He was given a full force of assistants.

Rev. J. B. Andrews announced the committees. They were accepted. Connectional papers were referred to their appropriate committees. Thus the Conference was organized and its machinery put into operation.

Mayor Lovell, of the city, was introduced and in a fitting address ex-

gates and visitors and every one was given a welcome. Hon. William hard and faithful year's labor. Knight was present and spoke a word This body convened in its fifth ses- "The affliction of mendicancy is of special welcome to the Conference week, November 11. This is the larg- moral degradation that often follows. city. Bishop McCoy responded in be-

Rev. J. H. Stewart, P. E., Brownpastors report about seven hundred conversions and about the same number of additions to the Church. This will give us a net gain of nearly three hundred. Last year we had a loss of more than four hundred. We have built on the district four good churches this year, costing in the aggregate The debt on these churches is not large and is in easy condition. Of the \$17,400 assessed for the support of the ministry it now appears that more than \$16,000 has been paid. The conference collections will not Our people, led by their pastor, preachers. It is a touch on life that fare so well, but will be about \$500 Brother Morris, have recently com- makes us spiritual preachers. The larger than last year. The pastors pleted one of the best church build- people know when our spiritual life is have all done good work, some of them heroic work. Had we had good splendid location and in every way heat they know it also. When John conditions we would have great re-

Rev. C. E. Lindsey, P. E., Cisco District: The year has been one of great self-sacrifice and hard labor on the part of the preachers. Although our finances are short, the pastors have worked heroically to bring them up, and would have done so but for the financial crash. Almost every preachmake it easily handled. It will be and these two prayers put the Confer- er had his collections provided for, ence in fine trim for its organization but the people were just unable to and work. The brethren gave close get money with which to pay. Spiritually, we have had a slpendid year. Every charge has had one or more good revivals. We will report 300 conversions and 868 additions to our Church, a net gain of some 500. The elder assisted in several revivals. We have built one church and one parsonage this year. During the quadrenwere agreeably impressed with his nium we have added 2500 members and \$15,000 worth of Church property. Have raised from all sources \$100,000.

> Rev. E. A. Smith, P. E., Corsicana District: This has been the hardest all-round year on Church work I have common. They were put at perfect ever experienced. The pastors of ease and all curious interest seemed Corsicana District as a whole have done a hard year's work and most of them have good reports, the year con Rev. J. R. Morris, former secretary, sidered. There have been 739 convercame forward and called the roll. A sions, 521 additions, one profession of first Sunday in September a new \$25,churches and two parsonages have

> > vivals, conducted principally by the pastors. There have been 600 conversions and 800 additions to the Church. Two new parsonages have been provided, making a comfortble parsonage for every charge in the district. One church enlarged and completed and another splendid building in process of erection. Collections will not be in full, but a good showing will be made in spite of the financial depression.

Rev. S. J. Vaughan, P. E., Dublin have had five years' drouth preceding bling the pool of Bethesda, in which tended a welcome upon the part of the the present year, which has been

the city, regardless of denomination, have had some good revivals. There ing elder's and pastors' salaries tors will bring you the results of a

sions, 1125. Members received on wharlwind campaign, and every point profession of faith, 424; by certificate, The names of the presiding elders

1021; by Church Conference, 12. Total, a most strenuous effort, s 1457. Members dismissed: By certificate, 765; by death, 57; by Church and travelling many miles. Conference, 913. Total, 1735. Net gain, 278. Present total membership, 8215. Number of Sunday Schools, 32. Total enrollment, 8726. Number of inwood District: We have had fairly crease, 2407. Number of organized price of this article, the district mad-good revivals during the year. The classes, 99. Number of teacher training classes, 16. Number of Epworth Leagues, 22. Number League members, 827. Net gain, 157. erford District: The Weatherford Number of auxilaries, 22; members, District includes all of the territory 827; amount raised, \$8023. Foreign included in Parker and Young Coun-Missions, assessed, \$1868; paid, \$1670. Behind, \$198. Home and Conference ty, with some territory in Tarrant Missions, assessed, \$2538; paid \$2418. County. It is composed of seventeen Behind, \$120. Conference Collections, including missions, \$11,094; paid, \$10,163. Behind, sions. The preachers in charge have Raised for building, repairing, furnishing and paying debts of been quite a number of good revivals churches and parsonages, \$11,160, and the increase in members received \$931. Raised in district during year for all on profession of faith has been nor purposes, \$78,242.

> Rev. M. K. Little, P. E., Gatesville District: The Gatesville District has had a good year. The pastors have done a faithful year's work as shown their own revival meetings, and have proven themselves in many instances pastor's work. There has been a suband churches have been built and more projected. The Sunday Schools have good all-round year.

Rev. T. S. Armstrong P. E., Georgetown District: I will not take your time to tell of the financial depression stances we have had a successful year. Church enterprise. We have made some progress in spite of environments. Have built one new parsonage and spent quite a deal of money on finishing churches already their individual reports. My preachnobler band of preachers never manned a district than has wrought in the Georgetown District this year.

large per cent of the preachers answered to their names. It looked the pastors will report collections paid in full. Some a small deficit, and district four years ago. During that others very small collections. On the time we have expended more than one back into the Church some years age additions. The financial depression has his credentials. affected the collections very seriously. retary's table since 1884 either as sec-retary or assistant secretary, and District: Had a number of fine re-efficient and the results will vindicate Class. Per Dr. Dollar of the Wesley Bible their ministry.

> Reported that 909 had been ence. received into the Church in the district during the year, and that there was a net increase of 196 despite the fact that the rolls had been revised.
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> In the afternoon a Sunday School Institute was conducted, one of a series Salaries in the city of Waco paid in of such to be held each afternoon of the full, with one exception, but all the conference, and Miss Kilpatrick, a collections were in full in the city Connectional worker in this departthe salary and all have deficits on the ment, had charge. She spoke in the District: Salaries and benevolent conference collections. The preachers interest of the adult men and women's claims are very much behind. We have done faithful work.

Rev. J. A. Whitehurst, P. E., Waxmuch worse and harder to handle the abachie District: Notwithstanding the tertaining. Her style is pictorial and finances of the Church. I have never financial pressure four of the sixteen she held the attention of her audience was made whole, and appropriate were warm and cordial and he was known pastors to give so much time charges in the Waxahachie District heard with pleasure. The people of and effort to raise the collections. We pard out in full on both the presid

the salaries or the general assessments were paid in full. The remain der of the charges report a defici Rev. J. R. Nelson, P. E., Fort on both. During the last three weeks of the conference year we put on a in the district was reached, requiring a most strenuous effort, sometimepreaching two or three times a day

> Rev. James Campbell, P. E., Weath ties and over half of Palo Pinto Coun-Total assessment for pastoral charges. Three of these are been true and faithful. There have and the increase in members received The report on finances will sho loyalty upon the part of the member ship in the time of financial stress.

The name of Rev. John A. Rice was called. He had been transferred to by their reports. Many of them held St. Louis and this was the only day he could spend at the conference, and so experts in this great feature of a he reported the work of First Church. Fort Worth. His report showed a stantial gain. Some new parsonages quadrennium of most successful work with that great Church. He expressed made quite an advance and hundreds much regret that circumstances made of the pupils have been converted. A it necessary for him to transfer to an-

Dr. George S. Sexton, of Shreveport, was introduced and spoke briefly in that is upon us. Considering circum- the interest of the Washington City

Rev. V. A. Godbey, Rev. J. L. James Rev. John Roach, Dr. E. B. Chappell, Have had some good revivals Rev. J. R. Stewart, Rev. W. B. Dodson. and a good increase. Of these things Rev. R. A. Burroughs, and perhaps he pastors will give particulars in others, were introduced to the conferers are sharing the hardships that ence. Rev. V. A. Godbey appeared become of the financial stringency of the fore the conference and asked for the times with a heroism as great as that restoration of the credentials by this manifested upon any battlefield. A conference to Rev. S. J. Franks. He was at one time a member of this body, but was deposed and his credentials were revoked. That was several Rev. Horace Bishop, P. E., Hillsboro years ago and since then his life has District: Closing a quadrennium. New been exemplary and upright. He came hundred thousand dollars in churches and was licensed as a local preacher. 000 church was opened in Mexia. Two and parsonages, besides purchasing a Dr. J. M. Barcus spoke earnestly in district parsonage valued at \$6000, the interest of Brother Franks, and been rebuilt and one new parsonage Have had more than five hundred con-built.

Have had more than five hundred con-versions this year, and about as many the conference unanimously restored

> efficient and the results will vindicate Class; Rev. Dr. Dobbs, of the Memphis Conference: Rev. H. M. Laney, and Rev. W. B. Andrews, P. E., Waco others, were introduced to the confer-

> > presence and her address was very en-

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# ✓ Church Finances

By REV. C. W. WEBB, Elgin, Texas

conference year the Church is every claim against the Church ought brought face to face with the everrecurring problem of finance. Many of us are realizing that this financial question is a most serious one and looms up very large as one of the breakers upon which the Church must be dashed unless a solution is found and applied.

A man should have two motives in giving: one is, that of rendering to the Lord the things that are his, and the other is, to support those things that are worthy. If the giver is not benefited by giving as much as the recipient then the giving is a failure. is true that temporarily the iscipient of the gift is benefited and blessed, regardless of the giver, but ultimately a Church or an institution that is willing to build upon such a -sided foundation must fall.

Our Discipline directs that the Church Conferences (an almost forgotten institution) shall make pro-vision for the support of the Church the claims assessed against it, and in case provision is not made by the Church Conferences that the stewards ascertain those who are able and willing to pay and assess them such amounts as they may approve. In case the willing assessments do not meet the expenses of the Church, then I presume it would be left to the pastor and the Church Conferences to provide such other means, if possible, to raise the necessary funds. For several years the custom of the Church in this locality has been to gradually shift the matter to the Board of Stewards and to completely do away with the Church Conferences. The Board of Stewards are usually business men and, of course, want to do things in a "business way," and as a result they make the assess ments to meet the expenses of the course, there is a matter of form gone through with, but that is about all,

I do not like the budget system. I tions of finance

At the beginning of this another believe that the respective merits of to be presented to the Church Con-fences and to each individual member and that the membership in supporting the respective claims against the Church ought to be free to exercise their discretion, judgment and religious responsibility.

Too many items have been added to the budget and maintained in the budget from time to time that have been explained to the people and that Almighty, the people do not understand or comprehend the reasons and justice upon which the claims are based.

It is a good deal easier to acquire the habit of demanding a thing as a right without explaining than it is to take the trouble to explain and educate the membership on each item of Church expense from year to year. I am opposed to any kind of blind following. So far as I am concerned ! believe that all of the institutions and plans of the Church are worthy, but when the Church through its Steward Poard, pastor or conferences bases us hope for support upon a blind follow-

bership and the collective member-ship for their approval before demands are made by assessments or

otherwise for support. Brethren, it seems to me that too many of us have our faces turned from the people. There are too many planners. There is not enough inter-est taken in the "forks of the creek" so to speak. It will be a sad day for Methodism in Texas, or anywhere else for that matter, when its spleadid leadership gets so busy with magnificent plans for a larger Christianity that the people are forgotten except as a resource from which the funds may be drawn to carry out

It has been said that the weakness Church and leave the member little of a man or an institution is in its discretion or margin to indicate either strength. Israel was never so weak his ability or willingness to pay. Of against attack from without as she was when religious forms and temples through with, but that is about all. of worship were held for most, I see We have gradually drifted into this breakers ahead and my plea at this habit and are as gradually impressing time is for a deeper spirituality and the people with the fact that our closer contact with the masses and Church is more of a business institu-tion than a religious institution. a less emphasis of those apparently larger things involving mostly ques-

pray over it before he prepares it, my education to go to preaching I had too. If more praying had been done been married more than three years. before preparing sermons as well as after there would have been fewer foolish things said.

M. Columbus says further that the young preacher ought also to cry over his sermons. This is not always possible. There are some of my sermons that I could not have cried over to

we my neck. Well, while we are striving to be popular with the masses, let us strive a little harder to be popular with God

### SOME SUGGESTIONS TO YOUNG "MY SON DESPISE NOT THE DAY PREACHERS.

My dear young brethren, if you are pel to lost men, I would suggest to the awful fact that you are personally responsible to God for your own acts and also for the manner in which you deliver the message he sends you to deliver. The great Daniel Webster once said the great-est thought that ever passed through Every claim of the Church ought to be submitted to the individual meri-bership and the collective.

Always show yourself a manly man. Remember that manliness consists in your consideration for others Always try to make others happy, and then you will be happy yourself.

Be courteously independent, Make Jesus Christ your model. Never do anything in a home, church, car nor carriage ner anywhere that will be offensive to o hers. I saw a poer mother have to go out of a depot and stay out in the cold to wait for a train because some men were smoking, and it made her sick. Always maintain a chivalric attitude toward women. Treat them as you would have others treat your mother, w.fe, sister or daughter. Be sure to pre-pare yourself well for your great work. My father used to say: "Boys, always grind your ax well before you go to the woods." I will always regret that I did not prepare mys. If better for my Ife's work before I started. Study the books that will help you in your work. No young lawyer will put in his time on medi-cal books nor trying to find out how

to be a mechanic. Don't be content to be always telling what others have done, but do semething yourself. When Daniel Webster came out of college his father had secured a position for him at fifteen hundred a year, but he turned it down. His father asked him if did not mean to take that office. No, indeed, was the reply. I mean to use my tongue in the courts, not my I mean to be an actor, not a register of other men's acts preacher should never be content to just tell what other men have done. but should go forth in the faith

Always live cight, and then always business in the pulpit. think well of yourself. Never think Our youthful preceptor goes on to of yourself as a beggar, a pauper, nor as a failure. You are Got's prince, out upon the audience by the right chosen from among men to represent use of "roseate dawns the blaze of Jesus Christ to a lost world. To esquiet noon, or the crimson gold of a teem yourself justly is not a vulgar sunset." Put on the loud pedal when quality, but a very sacred one. Get a it comes to these oratorical effects, square look at your immortal self. then get in perfect touch with the infinite God and then you will be in-

Indulge no questionable habits. Never engage in anything that would hurt your influence nor hinder others. It won't hurt you to live up to the world's ideal of a true Christian min-ister. A young man told me he wen' away from the church smoking a cigar. Ever after that he thought of that preacher as a smoker, instead of a great preacher. Have confidence in them with his girdle, yourself. A young man will never be "Then let us never despise the day phere of failure. Get in perfect tune the infinite, then never doubt with nor be discouraged. God expects you to succeed or he never would have sent you out. Go into the presence of God with the humility of a little child, and yet with the faith of a conqueror. I believe I have seen more than fifty thousand people blessed in the meetings in which I have labored, but I never could have a great revival until I got the people to believe we could have it.

Believe in your God and yourself, matters no hew poor nor heranel hew poor nor henaned in you are, don't let it keep you down. A true man will dominate his roundings. Some men surrender to their environments, but you be true to yourself and to God and your onvironments will surrender to you. have plowed many nights till 10 or 11 not to judge, but Christ says, "By o'clock and gone to school the next days to get an education so I could tell this wonderful story of the cross. or State, does your responsibility

I had lost what money and property I had, and was five hundred dollars in debt. I had one pony and a buggy, but believed God would help me and believed I could make it. In three years I was out of debt, and in the conference on trial, and I sometimes think I was the happiest man that ever entered a conference. So, my young brethren, believe in God and do your best.

W. HENDERSON BROWN. Dellas, Texas.

# OF SMALL THINGS."

I have now before me a bunch of

In a village in North Texas there you that you get a full realization of lives a small girl of twelve, whose duty, as well as privilege it seems, is to do something each day to make others happy. She has caught the spirit that is spoken of in Matt. 10:42: 'And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in name of a disciple. verily i say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward." Those things are small and seemingly insignificant, yet each act of a child's life goes to build his or her character—for good or for bad. You people this Nation with such character and you have a wall of protection impenetrable by the ravages of modern or savage warfare. Yes, our lives are made up of small things. But who would dare mistake this day as a day of smali things? Think of this twentieth century with all its modern inventions and thrilling events! Let us stop for a moment and see how with such frantic rapidity they pass us by. I see in a recent newspaper from Arkansas where our Government authorities are hurrying food supplies to poor starving Belgians. On other hand, I see in the same issue where on October 27 we have appropriated more than ten and onemillion dollars in armour plate for the purpose of building three large battleships. The first act we heartily endorse and pray God that it will relieve poor starving humanity; but how about the millions? The writer thinks that we as the one neutral power of earth today in the presence of such wholesale bloodshed, whose sponsibility as no nation ever bore, whose resources and influences are beyond human comprehension, ought not we as a citizen of this great commonwealth, individually and collectively, join in one common union against the powers of darkness, con-

> betterment of humanity? Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor and, though I give my body to be burned and hath not love,

secrating our lives to God for

I am become as sounding brass and a tinkling symbal." Gypsy Smith says it remaineth yet to be known what one soul thoroughly consecrated to God can do.

The writer thinks that such an one whose life is wholly consecrated to his God and in perfect harmony with his will at all times and under all circumstances has possibilities that are cumstances has possibilities that are sciousness of men that a message to as uncomprehensive and his resources men either by the mouth of an angel as inexhaustible and as fathomless as or of a prophet or by the voice of God this great universe.

Let's see what Christ said about it (John 14:12.) "Verily, verily I zay works that I do shall he do also, and Word of God, because God is the "in-

prominent preacher, and our responsibility to our fellowman. Paul. God never gave any commandorgans. I take it that Columbus was little once in a while about "the grace was helped very much by his and while we meditate on the gigantic ments. He never speke to Moses nor writing principally for the benefit of God which bringeth salvation?" thoughtful, e.ouent sermon, but the doings of this day let us remember to the prophets. This is the manner such goslings as I am and that is the That ought to please the ear, too, and preacher ruined it all when he walked that the same Lord that opened the of the Bible making, if the theory of eyes of the blind and raised the dead also healed the woman at the well and washed his disciples feet, wiping

of small things." This world is a dressingroom for eternity, a vestibule for either heaven or hell. Then how of small things." careful we ought to act before our fellowman. Paul said: meat cause my brother to offend, I'll eat no meat while the world stands." Then it must be true that I am my brother's keeper to some extent. We know that there is times in our lives when his life seems to be in our hands.

Suppose those in authority in Europe, before going to war, would have gotten together and had one good. earnest, honest, Christian prayer meeting and then went at their task systematically, don't you suppose they could have saved all this con-How many of us believe those in authority to be real Christians anyway? I know that we are taught

after the young preacher has pre- No man's success will ever rise high-pared his sermon, he ought to pray or than his faith in himself and in over it. Amen. And he ought to God. When I started to school to get "Am I my brother's keeper?" Suppose "Am I my brother's keeper?" Suppose you were called on today to give an account of your steward, what would be the result? Suppose you could read the handwriting on the wall, would it be with you as it was with Belshazzar of old?

Oh the responsibility on the man at the throttle or the horrors of a mis-spent life! I have before now looked in the face of a man going into eternity unprepared, begging mercy at the hands of God, and asking the people to pray for him. I tried to

pray, but I could not.
I would like to say just here it would take just one case like the scul of all the Russellism or no hellism or higher criticism the devil has been preaching for the past quarter going out into the world to represent green persimmons given an invalid of a century. Yes, I say that when Jesus Christ and to preach his Gos- widow by a small girl. wasted life they reflect an image that will follow you through life. The Bible tells us that they cry for the rocks and mountains to fall on them. But listen reader. By you man at the hat there is praying grounds and pleading terms anywhere this side the scene just described. Christ says, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you

If we would be used in blessing the world we must not despise the day of small things. Those small acts of kindness prepare us for greater things. The Scripture says: "Thou hast been faithful over a few things. will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." J. E. BURNETT.

Campbell, Texas.

### THE NEW THEOLOGY. The Immanence of God.

By Rev. J. E. Harrison.

New Theology says: "God is immanent in creation and comes to the fullness of his manifestation in humanity. This strikes out dualism."

"The immanence of God Again: stroys the difference between natu-

ral and supernatural."
Under the first proposition we must understand that New Theology is striking at the doctrine of the two whole and perfect natures in Christ; that is to say, the Godhead and the manhood. Under the second propo-sition we must know that New Theology proposes to render miracles im

But the theory of the immanence of God not only seeks to deny deity to Christ and to declare miracles impossible: it most emphatically opposes the claim of the Scriptures to be in pired.

The immanence of God is defined thus: 'God is the inner and essen tial reality of all phenomena."

Under that definition there are four distinct schools differing in theory from rank Pantheism on up to professsed Christianity, but agreeing in one important point, namely, "God is personally present in every-thing and being."

Then if God is immanent in all men is not only unnecessary and undesir able, but is impossible.

Under this doctrine of immanene the Bible is not, and cannot, be the works that I do shail he do also, and word of God, because God is the "ingreater works than these shall he do because I go to my Father."

Oh, that God would put the burden of a lost world on our hearts, show us any man. Christ did not speak to the divine immanence be true.

God, personally present in every individual, worked out the experiences of all men, in heathen lands as well as in the land of the Jews. Men tried to interpret those experiences and to put them in writing. Very naturally their interpreta tions would be far from correct, while admittedly containing many

The writings, therefore, called the Bible or the Holy Scriptures are only the best efferts of honest but mostly fanatical men to express their experiences under the workings of the immanent God who is the inner working principle of life. They misinter-preted their own thoughts to be the voice of God; they magnified natural things into supernatural things. the whole Bible is made up of efforts to express human experience, be cause, according to New Theology's theory of the immanence of God, it 's as impossible for God to give a revelation to man as it would be man's soul to give a revelation to himself.

"But, as Mr. Wesley asks, "What shall we do with the Bible?" It is

# That Article on "Idealistic Preaching"

By REV. E. V. COLE, St. Jo, Texas

We had a very instructive and illuminating article in the Advocate the other day by a sagaelous young man by the name of M. Columbus Hamilton, who, according to his own confession, has been a preacher but a little over four years. I wish he had told us what that M. stands for. 1 venture a guess that it is Meilchizedek.

M. Columbus tells us how that he and Bishop Ninde have come to the conclusion that a young preacher ought to try to become popular with the masses. And then he proceeds to tell us how this can be done. Now as I have been a little less than four of it didn't agree with my digestive reason that I rise up and "speak out It may seem presumptuous for me to talk back at a veteran who lords it over me by a few months of seniority, but I am going to do it

Brother Hamilton tells us that there are those who criticise the methods of the popular preacher, but that this e popular preacher little concern. His carping critic preaches to benches on the "Atonement." he, the popular preacher, preaches a "bouncing, terrible, heart-splitting sermon on the Sins of the City," and has ten conversions." Now, M. Co-lumbus, I would like to know if ten people are converted under this triphammer sermon of yours, this sermon atonement, what which ignores the are they converted to and what are they converted from? That's what I'd like to know. I wouldn't give a cross-eyed boll weevil for ten conversions that had no reference to the Moreover, it depends on who is doing that preaching on the atonement as to whether he preaches thousands to hear John Wesley to empty benches or not. If it is preach them? some little old spiritual runt who

has been hatched out in some Christless theological incubator, the fewer hearers he has the better. The truth is, brother, if the atonement does not stand for something big and vital in Jesus Christ to do something himself our religious experiences we have no

say that good effects can be wrought He says that these things "please the ear." How would it do though, Columbus, instead of so many high town references to Old Sol's monkey business with the clouds and the atmos phere, how would it do instead of em-I have been a little less than four bellishing our speech with so many years a preacher I gobbled up what paint factory adjectives until it rehe said with eager avidity. But some sembles a rainbow run riot at both ends, I say how would it do to talk a to hear a it ought to suit the needs of that tired mother, and of that care-worn father, and of that sin-sick soul back there by the door. He commends the use of stories in

reaching and says we can get a pl tiful supply from the collections that are sold by our publishers. He fers to the effective use that George Stuart and D. L. Moody have made of story telling. Now, be it known unto all men that D. L. Moody and George Stuart did not get their stories out of

collections sold by publishers. Brother Hamilton says further: "You can memorize Wesley's sermon on 'Justification by Faith,' preach it verbatim, and your audience will not be back next Sunday." Of course they won't. Anybody could have told us They can stay at home read Wesley's sermons, which is far better than to hear some young sprout with a swelling chest declaim them in a fog-horn voice "Al la roseate dawn and crimson sunset.' you remember quite well no doubt

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'our Church demands the 'kale seed' as collateral." Conference standing de- our pocketbook is empty. pends on "gate receipts," etc.

was ask a farmer with whom he had walked from church how it struck him.
"Well, sir," he replied, "for all you did brother so sadly lays down, "That a the Cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the control of the control of the control of the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we for her works and the cabinet is an intimation that we call the cabinet is an intimation that we had the cabinet is humble servant (who, by the way, is rather careful of his statements) still trict." wasted ink, but for the life of me I collections and a preacher's demand that the stewards bring up the salary. "O I have got to live." Yes, and the the presiding elder forever and then some, shoving up lazy preachers, the average itinerant would neglect "Ju-dea and Samaria." It is all very well to stress the spiritual side (and the REV. F. S. ONDERDONK'S LETTER Bishops and presiding elders do, do, do), but there is a difference in being cooped up on a little charge that reaches to the postoffice and being over a district that reaches to China. The presiding elder's view is that a and shout "glory." preacher who reports fifty converts at me and a hungry missionary in the field, needs to go back and examine that bunch of converts and see if they don't need to be "born again." To put it differently, the preacher that doesn't bring up a good cash account of him-

make a spiritual report, for he has none to make. Our brother speaks of Dr. Nelson, Well, he is not extremely popular with me, and the only reason that I can advance is that I don't like the way he wears his collar, but who am I that I should oppose a good man's "mole riders." His boots may be so flat that they stick to the pavement like vacuum cups and he may wear his lid so far back on his Lima that it looks like a halo from the front, but that beats chawing the rungs of a chair, hoping that the sap will come. Our good brother intimates that "decay has set in." Not on your life, brother. We are only taking out a few malgum fillings and putting in gold. Of course it hurts—unless the patient is chloro-formed, and our loved Methodism doesn't give anaesthetics-she is too

closely related to vital experience. And again, "A young preacher that needed to drink deep at the fountain of the master minds." Well, my experience is that the "master minds don't always live in mahogany editions, but "Paths to the City of God" are often found trailing to mother's it plain, give the vision of homelifeneeds to drink deeply. A show of

And then that brother "who felt that so much causeless irony.

s long as he remained in the MethoBut bear with us a lit dist ministry he felt it his duty to be its hurtin' us too. home from a Sunday School picnic and after nature's cobwebs, while God's reported to his mother what he had gold is shining under his feet. found out about the pastor. "O mamma," said the youngster, "he can "It marked the shameful and notorious run, and holler, and climb a tree, and No doubt we have found the We had among us a recording chief

Dr. Nelson is quoted as saying, "The Nelson is most emphatically correct, for So was Moses the leader of Israel, So Tell me how will you measure "ef- rolled 3278 up to October 20 of this was there co-operation between Moses ficiency" if not according to what a year. and his people until they decided that man does? This method obtains in with a leader. So can a merchant take a preacher that has done noth- our young men and women are dedraw trade "with a leader." So can ing and put him ahead of a preacher termined to secure the advantages of Methodism scale the peaks of eternal that brings things to pass? we have not one (but like the Kaiser) but at all in favor of the conclusion common cry of "hard times." These

that a preacher bring up his collec-little simple-headed preacher thinks lege authorities who are so heroical "And I always came to his church, before my Sallie were dead, And I heard him a bumming away like a buzzard-clock over my head:

And I never knew what he meant, but I thought he had something to say, And I thought he said what he ought (not) to have said, and I came away."

I come, and why not? Our Lord did not that he is big enough to fill First mince matters in regard to collections, Church is no reason whatever that and why should his servants? We keep on harping about "high pressure of us are just about half as big as methods," but how on earth are we to we think we are, anyway.

No doubt my brother thinks. "Why tions, and why not? Our Lord did not that he is big enough to fill First ly keeping our higher educational in-One man does not possess an elder-ship, but the desire for eldership possesses him, I am not a Bishop—but O sad that such conditions exist and it may be should I cumber myself with the poor don't get half enough. We are compelled fact that the receiver is not capatoric to press for money. We come to a cious?" Surely he feels that, "It never dead halt without it. Of course it is troubles the sun that some of his sad that such conditions exist and it may fell mid-ship the sun that some of his sesses him. I am not a Bishop—but O sad that such conditions exist, and it rays fall wide and vain into ungrateif I were, which is not written in, of is a sad fact that the State is forced ful space." But my brother, "Let course, but is extracted by the close to tax us. Why don't we pay it with your greatness educate the crude and out being taxed and almost sued be-cold companion. If he is unequal, fore we will pay it? Ah me, it is sad he will presently pass away, but thou how we will run off at an angle when art enlarged by thy own shining, and

Bishop Bloomfield confesses that as der is very lenient. We need presid-a country curate he thought very highing elders that will demand that the But because y of a sermon he had preached on preacher bring up his collections, and 'atheism,' and was so imprudent as we need Bishops that will see that the we need Bishops that will see that the should injure yourself much.

say, and no doubt it was clever, I still preacher often has to pay his collec-believe there is a God." And your tion out of his pocket or the presiding elder will move him out of the dis-Now, I don't believe a prebelieves that the Methodist "caste" as siding elder in Southern Methodism elevated in our brother's article is is that small—they move preachers only a bid for a "let me down light, out of the district all right, and let Bishop, 'cause I didn't try to get 'em. the poor fellow think what he will, know the presiding elders and I know rather than hurt his feelings by tellthat an elder's insistence on a "cash ing him that he "is awful hard to rustler" has been the cause of much place," and that the Cabinet don't know what to do with him, so they cannot see the difference in an elder's know what to do with him, so they demand that a preacher bring up the try him bere and there and it is try him here and there, and it is pure brotherly love that keeps them from

moving "his location."

We have searched our brother's missionary has got to live and the or-phan and others, and if it wasn't for tangible but it is not there. tangible but it is not there.

My idea of a good appointment is one that I have made to suit me. Surely I don't want the Cabinet to reward my laziness by picking out "the velvet" and with a salamander bow say, Here son, you haven't done anything; we will give you something already done; all you need to do is to buy a swivel chair, fold your hands

If a place don't suit a Methodist preacher, why don't he go in and make it suit him? If he doesn't feel disposed, he has not the elements that To put go to make an itinerant.

I have not written the above as a criticism of our brother's views, but self at conference doesn't need to only to show the onesidedness of his ethical standpoint. "We forbade him because he followeth not us." Methodism espouses the cause of common sense; we are not clubs of bigo-"red straight jackets," neither would we stifle freedom, but we do most emphatically disclaim some ideas of our transatlantic brethren. Hannah Moore has well said that the strongest light cannot penetrate eyes that are closed against it. But then Ferrier teaches us that, "Even when one hemisphere of the brain is removed, all the mental operations may yet be fully performed." Again we are taught in biology "that you may stimulate with electricity and influential arc here and not produce any motion yonder." All the above to prove that we are no dead thing to be bottled up in Leyden jars, but we (Methodism) are the miracle of miracles. The scientific fact-God's creation -we are the leading automatic bunch of nerves on (er in) this continent. I am shy to my finger tips when it comes to writing for the public, but when our Ur of the Chaldees is made to appear as a ghost, and so classified and arranged as to facilifeet or to Aunt Sarah's cottage, to put tate the expression of ideas, then "the Declaration of Independence is builded by the standards of a godly violated." Methodism is the unit of minister's house to house visitations. the universe; without Methodism man There is where the young minister would almost universally perish; so by the law of self-preservation, 'book larnin'" is a call to pessimism. feel that we have a right to prohibit

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measuring pastoral efficiency.' gan to bite them they yelled for Moses, teaches the same lesson in the para-

no longer a mate for frogs and worms. For my part I think the presiding el- dost soar and burn with the gods of

But because they have injured you a little, it does not follow that you

are disobeying the law of benevolence. I intended to remark upon our obligation to Brutus, but to more effectually meet the desires of my to 17 per cent, a proportion too small readers, and to correct popular impressions, will close.

O. F. ZIMMERMAN. Kosse, Texas.

### COLLEGE ENROLLMENT AND THE EUROPEAN WAR.

W. E. Hogan.

During the last sixty days we have read and heard much about the depressing effects of the great war upon the Southern States. Cotton, our chief product, has been selling at about half its normal price; banks in many sections have refused to loan money upon the best of security; merchants have declined to make their usual purchases because of the trade; many commercial and industrial enterprises have been compelled to reduce their forces and curtail their expenses in other ways; in fact, our whole financial condition, viewed from any angle, has been far from encouraging.

Since the beginning of this financial depression all of our colleges have In opened for the session 1914-15. order to find out how their enrollment compares with that of last year, we have made inquiry from the colleges themselves. We wanted to see if there is a falling off in the attendance at our colleges in keeping with the general decline and reduction of Southern commercial activities. While it is impossible to tell just how much the enrollment has been reduced from what it would have been under normal conditions, still our investigation shows that as compared to last year's attendance our present enrollment is very gratifying.

Of the twenty-four classified colleges, reports have been received from twenty-two. Three of these have a considerably larger attendance than they had at this time last year; four have a slightly increased attendance; four have practically the same attendance; seven have a slightly decreased attendance, and four have a considerably decreased attendance. Of the eleven colleges which show to decrease in attendance, eight are for men, or co-educational, and three are for women; of the eleven showing a decreased attendance, five are for men, or co-educational, and six are

Of the twenty-three unclassified schools, reports were received from twenty-one. Of these, six have a larger attendance than they had at this time last year; six have about the and other assembly chambers is kept same attendance, and nine have a de-creased attendance. Of the twelve Further investigations of the concreased attendance. Of the twelve showing an equal or increased attendance, eight are for women, and of what is assumed to be inadequate We have decided showing a decreased

the twenty-two A and B grade colleges which reported was 5836 as compared to 5283 the first five or six arrived at without any detailed or weeks of this session. This is undoubtedly a most excellent showing for our colleges in the face of the tremendous odds against them.

leaders of the M. E. Church, South, are and states "That Bishops and presid-the Bishops and presiding elders." Dr. ing elders use unscriptural standards the twenty-one unclassified schools reported was 4138, while they had en-

These figures are encouraging. other ways than denying their children the priv-Hardly, a college education in spite of

stitutions up to their normal condition at a time when practically all other interests in the South are suffering great loss.

Nashville, Tenn.

### VENTILATION.

In the light of more modern studies in ventilation it would seem that the real explanation of the ill effects of bad ventilation is not to be found in the chemical composition of the atmosphere breathed. One is con-strained to ask wherein the disagreeable or detrimental influences of poorly ventilated spaces lie. The various phases of this vital and timely, though not new subject were dis cussed some time ago by qualified experts in a symposium on ventilation at the Chemists' Club in New York City. There is unanimity among them regarding the possible significance of the chemical vitiation of the air. Pure air contains nearly 21 per cent of oxygen. This may be reduced even to support ordinary combustion before its diminution becomes harmful. Except in extreme conditions the oxygen in the closet halls crowded with people practically never falls below 20 per cent. Oxygen will, therefore, take care of itself and may probably be wholly left out of consideration in ventilating systems. Indeed, Henderson has reminded us that it is necessary to go only a short distance up into the mountains to come under an atmosphere pressure such as to reduce the oxygen supply much more than it is reduced in crowded assemblies, and yet moun tain air is especially healthful. amount of oxygen in the air apparently has little or nothing to do with the stimulating or depressing uncertainties of the fall and winter properties of the atmosphere breathed in ordinary life.

The air under the usual conditions contains about four parts of carbon dioxid per ten thousand parts (0.04 per cent) and the "standard" of de sired purity for the air of dwellings was long placed as low as six parts per ten thousand. Experimentation indicates, however, that it does become harmful to man until the carbon digxid accumulates to above one per cent, or nearly forty times its usual amount. The air in crowded rooms very rarely reaches 0.4 cent, so that evidently a quantity of carbon dioxid far exceeding the highest hygienic limit which has hitherto been set up as a "standard" can be breathed with impunity.

The long-debated idea that expired air contains organic matter which is toxic has been abandoned by most physiologists. The bacteria in the air need not be considered, since the comparative unimportance of the air as a vehicle of infection is recognized. We may conclude with reasonable certainty that the discomfort in a badly ventilated place is due to the physical condition of the air in respect to temperature, humidity and movement, and not to any chemi cal properties. The symptoms noted in closed, crowded rooms-restless ness, headache, dizziness, nausea. etc.-are to be attributed to heat retention. Overheating is the chief evil to be guarded against in ventilation at present. The chief danger of our torrid summer days is not the heat alone, but the combined heat and humidity; it is the same factors which are responsible for the evil effects of the confined air of rooms. There is no doubt that the air of our American living rooms and many schoolrooms

ditions actually existing in the midst ational; of the nine ventilation are called for, according attendance, to The Journal of the American Medi-The extraord nary thing about the shifting practices in The total enrollment last year of the ventilation of public buildings is that sweeping conclusions and farreaching changes in policy have been systematic study such sential in order to establish a safe basis for action.

> "A childishly simple story? Yes; but none the less it is a complete parable of Thanksgiving. Your life may contain only a square yard of sunshine, and late in arriving. Never mind: move promptly into it, and stay there. But, in reality, every life contains far more than one spot of sunshine. Hunt them out and you will be rich in a new kind of gold that thieves cannot steal."

When men and women die, and are glory with a leader, and, thank God, and show any common sense. And I am war, the low price of cotton, and the beyond all earthly troubles and crises, then the rule is: "Speak no evil of What is the good man driving at, we have not one tout like the Kaiser) For at all in lavor of the conclusion common cry of "hard times." Speak no evil of anyway? It requires no ceremony of we have Von Klucks, seventeen-inch reached by Shuler and others that ordination to deliver tirades, but it guns and territory behind us. We win there are some preachers that have does show a falling away of very necessary phrases that seem to me to go all kinds of presiding elders and, with have known has got all that was comparable to the conclusion of the dead." But is it not worse to successfully as can any other institution as alive, while the evil word can wound or injure them? Why wait to be kind or injure them? Why wait to be kind

mighty. It is so high above the un-derstanding of man that no man could have written it. Its beatitudes are so far greater than any experiences men have entered into that it is not possible that men could write them as records of their experiences. Had the Bible been the record of the experiences of mankind under the immanence of God, the book would have offered fewer difficulties to New Theology. But there are things in it that no human experiences could sug-Take the virgin conception of Christ as predicted by Isaiah ave hundred years, at least, before the angel announced to Mary that in her virginity she would bear a son and call him Jesus, because he would save the people from their sins.

How could Isaiah, or any one of the Isaiahs, while writing of his expe-

rience or of the experiences of the Jews, have evolved the notion that a woman who had preserved the purity of virginhood, should bear a son who should save his people?

The theory of the immanence of God strikes out all sacrificial atone-ment, but it leaves unaccounted for the fact that five hundred years before Christ came his suffering for sinners and even the, to the Jews, unknown method of putting him to death by piercing were clearly set forth. Even the very cry that would burst forth from his agony on the cross was given eight hundred years before he uttered it.

If the immanence of God in the above sense be true, the Old Testament is more than seven wonders, If God speaks to his people through the prophets, the Bible is my God-inspired instructor.

# AMENDED.

I have read with intense interest the communication from my co-worker published in the Texas Advocate of November 5, and find that in several respects the information it contains does not apply to the work of our school and Cnurch Saitillo, the

capital of the State of Coahuna. He states: "No aggressive work can be contemplated at this time. Our educational work is almost at a standstill. With the exception of the Lawrence Institute, now in charge of a Mexican professor, and a part of Colegio Palmore in Chihuahua, under Miss Wilson's care, none of our schools are operating." He describes the congregation in Monterey as be-ing "wrecked." Had the writer continued his trip into Mexico as far as Saitillo he would have found there a nourishing educational plant with 141 students, nearly all of whom are from the best families in the city. They are a part of our Methodist Normal School, and with very few exceptions are paying full tuition at this time of distress and uncertainty. Prof. i. R. Olivares, at the head of a corps of teachers that have been trained in our normal department, is carrying on aggressive work among our local

patronage. The Church is being served by a Mexican pastor and the congregation is not wrecked, the average attendance at Sunday School and other Sunday services being from 100 125. New members have been added Up to the present time the amounts due on preacher's salary, conference claims and incidental expenses have been met. The collections in Sunday School average \$15 eash each Sunday in spite of the war conditions that prevail throughout

the country. Not only have these facts been gathered directly from our native workers in Saltillo, but Prof. Olivares writes that all the graduates fro normal department, who are available for service, are at work as Christian teachers or home mission

LELIA ROBERTS. Bridgeport, Texas.

# "HET UP."

Under caption "Pity Is "Tis True" our dear Brother Urquhart, who no man—the very same.
doubt is "het up" with much solitary Dr. Nelson is quoted ponderings, puts on his war collar and proceeds to dedicate something, somewhat withering, to anybody who reads. Well, we read it, for we search even the hidden corners of the dear old Advocate. We all know that our worthy editor often feels that a brief apology they could ramble around, and do all the business world, viz: You bring They show that our people are wisely to the public, or something of the sort, as they pleased, but when snakes be-up results or get out. Our Lord curtailing expenses in other ways would do well as a headliner, but he loves the brethren and silently seeks Daniel can walk into a lion's den- ble of the pounds; are you going to ilege of attending college, and that for germs of genius and wearily goes to press with a modesty that says, Your money back if you don't like

the foodstuffs."
What is the good man driving at.

At night the Sunday School anni-

Thursday morning came in with a downpour of rain, with a prospect of its continuance. Hillsboro, fortunately, has good pavements along many of its streets, but it is in the midst of the black land and much mud abounds in wet spelis. At 9 o'clock the house was full. The writer and Rev. J. S. Rucker led in the devotional service. raith of Our Fathers" was sung and

the music was inspiring.
Bishop McCoy announced, amid silence, the serious illness of Rev. E. A. Smith, presiding elder of the Corsicana District. He was stricken with paralysis the day before and his condition was declared serious. The announcement fell with heavy sadness upon the conference.

A resolution of sympathy was passed in connection with the death of Rev. B. H. Carroll, D. D., of the Baptist Church, and the resolution was wired to Waco, where the funeral service was taking place.

The class of the first year was called, reported and passed to the second year. These young men all made a good showing. Their year's work was a success

The class of the fourth year was called and they all made exceptionally good reports and they were elected to elders' orders. The applicants for admission on trial were called and quite a good number were admitted.

Rev. H. W. Knickerbocker's name was called and he made a splendid re-port of his work at Temple. He goes o First Church, Austin,

Rev. J. H. Groseclose, Rev. Glenn Flinn and Brother Holder were intro- also held a meeting at the same time,

Rev. L. A. Hanson was presented Garner, of Cisco. and spoke for the North Texas Female College.

lahoma, but formerly of the Central livered an interesting address. Texas Conference, mingled with the brethren. Rev. John R. Stewart, one of our superannuate friends, spoke to the conference. Rev. Ed. Barcus was welcome visitor to the conference.

Bishop Mouzon spoke earnestly and strongly to the conference in the in-terest of Southern Methodist Univer-The opening and equipment of Scuthern Methodist University is the most important work now before the Church, it is in this institution that we ant to educate and train young men for the departments of Church work. will therefore te the work of this University to become the source of our real Church work. From it the Church is to draw its trained workers. This is well. For we want to educate our own ministers and workers. We do want our young people educated in our own schools. We can not leave them to other institutions. We know ence relation has never changed. And what they need and this University is yet he looks like a man in his midto give them the best that can be dle manhood. supplied. It is to be the greatest and the best that is possible. We want to ward and Rev. Ashley Chappell, in an train our young men in theology, and appropriate speech, presented to him we are going to develop the best theo a handsome grip, as a token of the logical department within our reach, love for him upon the part of the And we are going to see to it that preachers of the Waco District. He sound theology shall be taught in this replied in a most elegant. sound theology shall be taught in this replied in a most pleasant manner. institution. The inspiration of theology is a living Christian experience, and we want to develop a ministry had been a brother chapter of an official who was trying to show how Dr. Andrews had been a brother cital was trying to sho grounded in a vital experience, and cial. He said: "We would not have we will not put teachers in our theo. known he was a presiding elder had logical school who have not reduced we not heard the Bishop read him their theology to an experience. And we out to the district." The Conference

day School class of men in Corinth, West Texas Conference, and Dr. C. M. Mississippi, numbering 500 and she is Bishop from the North Texas Confer-

The call of the preachers of the secversary was held and Dr. E. B. Chap. ond year was taken up and completed. Rev. W. H. Matthews, of the Board pell delivered the address. It was The members of it who had taken the of Missions, spoke in the interest of examination were elected deacons,

> The names of the elders were called and their characters were passed with-out making special reports. The un-

was granted an honorable location. his name go to the Joint Eoard for a superannuate relation.

it was wired to Brother Morris. Sister ed. Morris has been appointed to carry on Brother Morris' work in finding homes for homeless children—a work to Fev. J. M. Barcus, D.D., presided by which he has devoted much of the appointment of the Bishop. latter years of his useful life.

The names of the old guard were called, but only a few of them were ment it was adopted.

present and spoke to the conference. S. B. Knowles, of Meridian, had a This conference has a long list of hese dear old brethren.

Rev. J. G. Miller, Dr. McCall, of the ceived 116 into the Church, thirty-free physician Church, and Dr. Pinson, of the Mission Board, were introduced.

Rev. Glenn Flinn spoke in behalf.

Epworth-by-the-Sea. Dr. Pinson, Missionary Secretary. spoke for that great cause earnests.

Another Sunday School Institute Was held in the afternoon, conducted by Dr. Bulla and Miss Kilpatrick. Fney organized a system of federated classes for the Conference, adopted a constitution and by-laws and they propose to do Wesley Bible Class work and they were addressed by Brother

Rev. C. H. Buchanan, of Vinita, Ok- sary was held and Rev. Pinson de At night the Missionary Anniver-

> Saturday morning came in sigh. cautiful and frosty. The change tom-rain to sunshine was enjoyable. Rev. R. C. Armstrong led the devotional service. In looking out over the campus one is impressed with the large per cent of young men in the Evidently they predominate in

> t's membership. Dr. Horace Bishop was called before the bar of the Conference. Bishop addressed him in tender terms. He was just closing his forty-six h year in the active ministry. And he was presented with a silver loving cup amid the applause of the brethren. He responded in fitting terms When he entered the Conference forty-six years ago, at a time when the Indians and the buffaloes roamed over the most of the State. His confer-

Rev. W. B. Andrews was called forwe will not put teachers in our theological school who have not reduced their theology to an experience. And we want to make them not only religious, but we want to make them not only religious, but we want them to be stalwart and masculine preachers. The day of effiminate preachers. The day of effiminate preachers has gone by, if it ever existed. Strong and manly men in the ministry is the demand of this age."

The address was comprehensive, the demand of this age."

The address was comprehensive, close District, presented to him and or a beautiful grip from the preachers of a deep impression.

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In the afternoon Dr. Chappell spoke will be preachers of the Corsicana by the control of the great auditorium. The weather was inclement and the streets were quite muddy.

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that great cause. A good collection followed, with which to supplement the amount collected during the year.

Eleven applicants for admission into full connection were called to the dergraduates were permitted to make bar and the Bishop propounded to their reports, and the conference heartily acquiesced in the method.

Rev. J. W. Hawkins asked for and The address was practical, pointed and searching. And it was deeply When the name of Rev. I. Z. T. Mor- spiritual, the entire audience hung ris was called Dr. Nelson moved that with deepest interest upon every word he uttered, and responses were earn- assisted by Dr. James Campbell, Dr. est and spirited. It marked an epoch Horace Bishop, and Rev. E. F. Boone in the history of that Conference ses- ordained the class of elders. Dr. Culver delivered a message of in the history of that Conference seslove from Brother Morris to the breth-ren, and Dr. Bishop offered a resoiu. revival service. Every heart was tion of love and sympathy for him and deeply touched and every life refresh-

An afternoon session was held

Rev. Atticus Webb read the re-port on "Temperance," and it was a strong document, and after amend-

great report. His Church had paid more than \$6000 to Meridian College: his salary and conference collections

Rev. Glenn Flinn spoke in behalf of sue was read and after lengthy dis-Epworth-by-the-Sea. report was written by Dr. John Gran-

The report on the Orphanage was read and Dr. R. A. Burroughs, the agent, addressed the Conference in the interest of the Orphanage. He spoke earnestly on the subject. We have no work of more importance than the Orphanage, and it is prosperin; under it's present administration.

The report on the Sunday School was read, and after remarks by Rev. R. F. Brown, Rev. E. Hightower and W. E. Hawkins; the report was adopted. Rev. J. C. Mimms explained the graded lesson system and commend-ed it very highly. Church Extension report was read by Rev. C. R. Wright and it was adopted.

The committee on Books and Periodicals made their report. It gave very hearty endorsement to the Advocate and its work. The editor was given a good hearing.

Saturday night was the annual anniversary of the Board of Churc's Extension. It had been expected that Dr. McMurry would be on hand to deliver the address, but at the last moment it became known he would not be present, and Dr. Dobbs was pressed into service. This was Dr. Debbs first appearance before the brethren of the conference, and he delighted them beyond measure.

Sunday was a great day, not only for the members of the conference, but for the entire city. All the Protestant pulpits of the city were filled by visiting preachers, and from all sources came the very highest praise of their ministry.

At the First Methodist Church, the annual love feast occasion was an occasion long to be remembered. Dr. Horace Bishop, the only surviving active charter member of the conference led the service. Many of the older brethers spoke in a reminiscential way. Occasionally some brother would get co full he could contain himself no longer, and would give expression to his feelings by "histing" some old-time tune, in which all would join. It his feelings by "histing" some old-time tune, in which all would join. It

the interest of the Woman's College at Port Worth. Two hundred and the conference, Appropriate memoirs fifty-eight women have already enrolled in the school: 114 are in the college Department proper.

Rev. W. H. Matthews, of the Board of Missions, spoke in the interest of the cause. A good collection reminded than ever, "in the midst of followed with which to suppolar the prime of life and prominent in members, 2567.

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31. What is the number of Sunday School officers and teachers? 64,075. life we are in death." Also seven preachers' wives had died during the year. Appropriate and touching tributes were paid to their memories.

> At the evening hour Dr. Dobbs delivered a strong sermon on the Preacher and His Message. He preached with great power, and the response was most generous. At the close of the service Bishop McCoy

## MINUTES

of the Fifth Session of the Central Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Held at First Church, Hillsboro, Texas, Beginning November 11, 1914; Ending November 16, 1914, Bishop James H. McCoy, President: A. D. Porter, Secretary. Postoffice of Secretary. Ceburne, Texas.

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Question I. Who are admitted on trial? Phints H. Gates, Mark Leo Boon, Frank Lessonby Nance, Robert Boon Hooper, Wilsiam D. Gilleland, Charles Warren Griffin, itarry Lyie Hughes, L. L. Evans, W. L. Connell, Marion J. Glenn, L. Pat Leach, Alien James Helm.

2. Who remain on trial? Willoughby T. Boulware, Robert H. Boyd, Claude T. Brockett, Travis H. Burton, Early S. Cook, Elmer Crabtree, Thomas D. Elits, Archie W. Gordon, William G. Gwaltney, Jonathan M. Hays, Willoum E. Hawkins, Jr., C. Ozier Hightower, Faschal W. Layne, James C. Mayhew, Horace Poteet, J. Fred Patterson, Jefferson D. Ramsey, Thomas L. Sorrels, T. G. Story, Guy L. Wilson, Allen D. Cosgrove, Zebedee Falin, George G. Mitcheil, W. J. Whitley (in orders.)

3. Who are discontinued? Horace G. Gor-

Waddill, Charles V. Williams, Preston Broxton.

10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Robert Thomas Capps, Marcus Manlove Chunn, Jesse Milton Fryar, Joseph Neland Hester, Lloyd Eustice Hill, Angus Ezekiel Watford, Early Simpson Cook.

11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? Robert Thomas Capps, Marcus Manlove Chunn, Jesse Milton Fryar, Lloyd Eustice Hill, Angus Ezekiel Watford, Early Simpson Cook, Joseph Neland Hester.

12. What local preachers are elected deacons? Thomas Lunsford Sorrels, J. Fred Patterson, Elmer Crabtree, Thomas Gray Story, Umphrey Lee, Paschal William Layne, Peter A. Shaw, Willoughby T. Boulware, William Calvin Ferguson, William Edward Hawkins, Jr., Robert Bruce Hooper, Victor Dinick Dow, Horace Poteet, John Cape Pace, Thomas Jefferson Justice.

Central Texas Conference

Joint Board for a superannuate relation. It was granted.

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33. What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$15,000.

34. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$11,178.

35. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, \$10,426; Home and Conference, \$16,309; Foreign Special, \$861; Home and Conference, \$26,309; Foreign Special, \$861; Home and Conference, \$16,309; Foreign Special, \$861; Home and Conference, \$16,309; Foreign Special, \$724.

36. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$7166.

37. What has been contributed for the Cation? \$12,940.

38. What has been contributed for the Support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, \$32,656; preachers in charge? Presiding elders and preachers in charge, \$193,163.

40. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$2425.

41. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of Societies, 640; number of houses of worship, \$02,

42. What is the value of houses of worship, \$02,

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43. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 219; number of parsonages, 206.

44. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$4,8,536; indebtedness, \$29,716.

45. What is the value of district, and of district parsonages? Number of district, 12; number of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, \$4,8,536; indebtedness, \$7400.

47. What number of churches have been of words amount of damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damaged.

48. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, \$1,124,445; losses sustained, and of the Conference organ are taken. General organ and of the Conference organ are taken. General organ and of the Conference organ are taken. General organ and of the Conference organ a

Guy L. Wilson, Allen D. Cosgrove, Zebedee
Fal.in, George G. Mitcheil, W. J. Whitley (in orders.)

3. Who are discontinued? Horace G. Gordon at his own request.

4. Who are admitted into full connection? Robert Thomas Capps. Marcus Manlove Chunn, Jesse Milton Fryar, Joseph Neland Hester, Lloyd Eustice Hill, Angus Ezekiel Watford, Early Simpson Cook, William Gibson Bailey, Murand Council, J. G. Thomas, Milam J. Vaughan.

5. Who are readmitted? Albert E. Turnev.

6. Who are received by transfer from other Conference? Hoytt M. Dobbs, from Memphis Conference; Cullum H. Booth, from West Texas Conference; C. M. Bishor from the North Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; Cullum H. Booth, from West Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; C. M. Bishor from the North Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. W. Ciark, G. J. Irvin, P. E. Riley, from Northwest Texas Conference; M. R. Conference, M. J. Glenn, M. J. Glenn, Novice—T. D. Ellis, Indian Creek—J. G. Thomas, Novice—T. D. Ellis, Indian Creek—J. G. Mayhew, Santa Anna—J. A. Ruffner, Tapa—H. C. Bowman, Winchell—A. D. Cosgrove, Wingate—W. A. Neill, Winter—T. F. Bosman, M. Winter, T. F. Bosman, M. M. Ciark, M. Winter, T. F. Bosman Brownwood—K. P. Barton.
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Indian Creek—J. G. Thomas.
Norton—P. H. Gates,
Robert Lee—J. C. Mayhew.
Santa Anna—J. A. Rufiner.
Talpa—H. C. Bowman.
Winchell—A. D. Cosgrove.
Wingate—W. A. Neill.
Winters—T. E. Bowman.
Rockwood—A. E. Turney.
District Commissioner of Education—K. P.
Barton.

# CISCO DISTRICT.

E. P. Williams, Presiding Elder,
Breckenridge—J. H. Baldridge,
Carbon—W. T. Singley,
Cisco—J. E. Crawford,
Cisco Mission—M. L. Boon,
Desdemona—S. P. Gilmore,
Eolian—C. O. Hightower,
Eastland—J. A. Dozier,
Gordon—R. O. Bailey,
Gorman—H. G. Pollard,
May—C. V. Williams,
Pioneer—R. T. Capps,
Ranger—J. M. Armstrong,
Rising Star—J. B. Dodson,
Staff—M. D. Council,
Seranton and Pisgah—K. S. VanZandt,
Sipe Springs—J. O. Gore,
Strawn—C. E. Wilkins,
Thurber—E. M. Wisdom,
Wayland—P. W. Lane,
Romney—W. P. Boulware,
District Commissioner of Education—J. E.
Crawford. E. P. Williams, Presiding Elder.

### CLEBURNE DISTRICT. W. Moss, Presiding

W. W. Moss, Presiding Elder.
Alvarado—J. M. Neal.
Barnesville—T. M. Dalton.
Burleson—I. N. Vincent.
Cleburne, Main Street—A. D. Porter.
Anglin Street—C. A. Bickley.
Brazos Avenue—E. F. Hudgins.
Godlev and Cresson—A. E. Watford.
Grandview—G. J. Bryan.
Grandview—G. J. Irvin.
Glen Rose—G. J. Irvin.
Glen Rose Mission—H. B. Henry.
Granbury—C. N. Morton.
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Granbury—C. P. Fallin.
Morgan—W. N. Curry.
Venus—J. F. Luker.
Walnut Springs—S. P. Nevill.
District Commissioner of Education—G. J.
Bryan. Alvarado—J. M. Neal. Barnesville—T. M. Dalto Burleson—J. N. Vincen

CORSICANA DISTRICT.

W. H. Matthews, Presiding Elder.
Barry and Emhouse—J. U. McAfee.
Blooming Grove—W. J. Hearon.
Bighill and Odds—T. H. Burton. Barry and Emhouse—J. U. McAfee.
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Bighill and Odds—T. H. Burton.
Chatfield—B. E. Kimbrough.
Corsicana, First Church—J. W. Fort.
Eleventh Avenue—L. G. White.
Corsicana Circuit—H. B. Landrum.
Dawson—W. H. Harris,
Emmett—W. E. Hawkins, Jr.
Frost—J. E. Matlock.
Groesbeck—E. B. Hawk.
Harmony—Z. L. Howell.
Mexia—F. E. Singleton.
Horn Hill Circuit—R. B. Hooper.
Kerens—W. Vinsant.
Kirvin and Streetman—L. P. Leach Kerens—W. Vinsant.
Kirvin and Streetman—L. P. Leach.
Purdon—R. B. Young.
Rice—P. M. Riley.
Thornton—J. F. Isbell.
Student Atlanta University—E. W.
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DUBLIN DISTRICT.
S. J. Vaughan, Presiding Elder.
Bunyan—S. C. Baird,
Bluffslale—J. W. Childers.
Carlton—A. O. Morton,
Comanche—Franklin Moore.
Comanche Circuit—H. B. Clark.
Del.con—W. C. Hilburn.
Del.con Circuit—J. B. Smoot.
Dublin—S. G. Thompson.
Duflau—J. D. Ramsey.
Gustine—G. H. Wilson.
Comanche Mission—C. W. Griffin.
Harbin and Green's Creek—L. L. Felder.
Hico—R. W. Nation.
Huckabay—M. J. Vaughan.
Iredell and Ciariette—M. L. Lathan.
Proctor—T. G. Story.
Stephanyille—S. B. Knowles; A. D. Livingson, supernumerary.
Tolar and Livan—L. F. Adams. ston, supernumerary.
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Alexander—R. H. Boyd.
District Commissioner of Education—S. G.
Thompson.

DUBLIN DISTRICT.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

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J. R. Nelson, Presiding Elder.

Arlington—W. S. P. McCullough; G. W.
Owens, supernumerary.

Fort Worth, Boulevard—T. S. Barcus.

Central—C. R. Wright.
Diamond Hill—C. E. Simpson.

First Church—H. M. Dobbs; E. R.

Stanford, jumior preacher.

Glenwood—Sterling Richardson.

Highland Park—H. W. Gillette.

Missouri Avenue—J. B. Curry.

Mulkey Memorial—H. F. Brooks.

Polytechnic—C. G. Chappell; T. W.

Ellis, supernumerary.

Riverside—Warner Moore.

Weatherford Street—P. E. Riley;

J. W. Dickinson, supernumerary.

Grapevine—G. F. Kornegay.

Handley and Brooks Heights—C. V. Oswalt.

Kennedale—B. F. Alsup; E. I. Maxwell, supernumerary.

Smithfield—W. G. Bailey.

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Hemphill Heights—R. A. Langston.
Sagamore and Sycamore—C. A. Evans.
President Texas Woman's College—H. A.
Boaz.
Agent Superannuate Home—D. L. Collie.
District Superintendent Anti-Saloon League—
Atticus Webb.
Superintendent Children's Home Society—I.
Z. T. Morris.
Agent Texas Advocate—J. D. Odom,
Field Secretary Sunday School Association—C.
S. Field.
State Superintendent Sunday League—R. C.
Armstrong.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT.

S. J. Rucker, Presiding Elder.

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Clifton—J. H. Braswell.

Coryell—W. B. Gilleland.
Crawford—A. C. Lackey.
Copperas Cove—F. O. Waddill.
Evant—L. E. Hill.
Fairy—J. W. Holt.
Gatesville—C. L. Cartwright; W. J. Whitley, iumor preacher.

We have collected for Bishops' Fund during the year \$137 and have received from the teller \$2279.91, making a total of \$2416.91. Our assessment for this cause the coming year is \$3753.

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GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

T. S. Armstrong, Presiding Officer.

Bartlett—J. B. Berry.
Belton—J. C. Mimms.
Midway—J. N. Fryar.
Florence—W. D. Gaskins.
Georgetown—C. H. Booth; J. F. Neal, supersuper-green. Georgetown—C. H. Booth; J. F. Neal, supernumerary.
Granger—M. A. Turner.
Holland—J. M. Bond, Jr.
Hutto—W. M. Bowden.
Rogers—Henry Stanford.
Salado—E. R. Patterson.
Thrall—Horace Potect.
Taylor—J. J. Creed.
Temple—H. D. Knickerbocker.
Seventh Street—E. V. Cox.
Troy and Pendleton—O. C. Swinnev.
Jarrell—J. A. Siceloff.
Oenaville—E. S. Cook.
Weir—A. H. Anglin.
President S. W. U.—C. M. Bishop.
Professor S. W. U.—J. C. Granbery.
Student Chicago University—I. P. Bartak.
District Commissioner of Education—H. D.
Knickerbocker.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.

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J. M. Barcus, Presiding Elder.

Abbott—S. L. Culwell.

Brandon—J. F. Tyson.
Cooledge—J. W. Head.
Covington and Osceola—C. W. Macune.
Hillsboro, First Church—A. C. Chappell.
Line Street—J. W. Patison.
Hubbard—J. W. W. Shuler.
Huron—J. N. Hester.
Huron—J. D. Hendrickson.
Itasca—J. M. Wynne.
Kirk—O. B. Turner.
Lovelace—Seba Kirkpatrick,
Malone—Walter Griffith.
Munger—N. J. Peeples.
Penelope—J. R. Kidwell.
Proria—Elmer Crabtree.
Whitney—J. H. Walker.
Conference Evangelist—J. S. Huckabee.
District Commissioner of Education—A
Chappell. Huckabee.

WACO DISTRICT. J. A. Whitehurst, Presiding Elder. J. A. Whitehurst, Presiding Elder.
Aquilla—L. L. Evans.
Bosqueville—N. E. Gardner.
Bruceville and Eddy—G. F. Campbell.
China Springs—W. L. Connell.
Hewitt and Spring Valley—C. L. Browning.
Lorena—W. J. Mayhew.
Mart—C. E. Lindsey.
Mt. Calm and Riesel—B. A. Evans.
Waco, Austin Avenue—F. P. Culver.
Clay Street—D. A. McGuire.
Elm Street—D. A. McGuire.
Elm Street—J. R. Morris.
Herring Avenue—R. F. Brown.
Morrow Street—W. H. Howard.
West—W. T. Kinslow.
Commissioner Methodist Orphanage—J. N.
McCain.

McCain. Gray.
Y. M. C. A. Secretary—J. V. Baird.
Conference Evangelist—J. T. Bloodwe
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Commissioner of Education nissioner Methodist Orphanage-W. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

H. Bishop, Presiding Elder.

Bardwell—G. W. Kincheloe.

Bethel—R. O. Sory.

Bristol—G. G. Mitchell.

Britton—S. B. Sawyers.

Ennis—J. D. Young.

Forreston—B. R. Wagner.

Ferris—Josephus Lee.

Italy—S. A. Ashburn.

Mansfield—H. L. Munger.

Maypearl—M. W. Clark.

Midlothian—C. W. Irvin.

Milford—H. B. Urquhart.

Ovilla—Frank Hughen.

Palmer—M. M. Morphis.

Red Oak—I. E. Hightower.

Waxahachie—W. B. Andrews.

Commissioner S. M. U.—W. H. Vaughan.

Commissioner S. M. U.—W. B. Wilson.

District Commissioner of Education—J.

Young.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT. L. A. Webb, Presiding Elde

TRANSFERRED—M. W. Rogers, R. F. Dunn, B. H. Oxford and B. L. Nance to Northwest Texas Conference; W. C. Harris to North Mississippi Conference; Archie W. Gordon to Texas Conference.

REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE, 1914.

Armstrong.

District Commissioner of Education-E. R. Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Your Joint Board of Finance submits the

following report: We have collected for Bishops' Fund during

the teller \$174.76, making a total of \$208.99 This amount, together with the Bishop's Fund, we pay to Brethren Smith and Lamar, our Publishing Agents.

We estimate the amonut necessary for Conference Claimants the coming year at \$15,000, and this assessment has been approved by the ommittee on Assessments.
In accordance with the action of our last

General Conference, we have assessed the sum of \$2400 against this conference for the Superuate Endowment Fund.

As for years in the past and subject to the same rules, we retain the usual reserve fund for the purpose of meeting claims pressing upon us and not otherwise provided for by the laws of our Church.

orphans along with other funds.

We have the sum of \$599.60 left over from the reserve fund of last year to which we have added the sum of \$119.93, giving us a total reserve fund for the coming year of

We recommend that the Board of Missions be assessed \$200; the Board of Church Ex-

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Superannuate Endowment Fund, \$27.80. After prayerful consideration of every claim we disburse to our claimants the funds in our

hands as follows:

Addison, Mrs. O. M.

Adkisson, Mrs. J. W.	
Barcus, Mrs. E. R.	
Bennett, Mrs. N. B.	200.2
Bond, Rev. J. M.	
Bailey, Mrs. E. A.	75
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Brown, Mrs. C. E.	
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Cox, Mrs. J. Fred	25
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Carter, Rev. J. C. Cherry, Rev. S. T.	50.0
Cherry, Rev. S. 1.	275.1
Chenoweth, Rev. E. R.	50.0
Crawford, Rev. W. H.	225.0
Davis, Mrs. J. J.	200
Davis, Mrs. Charles Duncan, Mrs. Jerome	200
Duncan, Mrs. Jerome	202.5
Ellis, Mrs. S. B.	25
Ellis, Rev. D. C	300.0
Gaskill, Miss Mittie	100.
Glass, Rev. H. M.	240.
Grant, Mrs. James	*******
Graves, Rev. W. F.	260 (
Graves Mrs G W.	25
Graves, Mrs. G. W. Gallaway, Mrs. R. V.	200
Gravis, Miss Ellen	1.20
Gilleland, Rev. W. A.	150.
Gallagher, Rev. C. E.	130.
Gallaguer, Rev. C. E.	125.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY'S

# **Building and Endowment Campaign**

# Central Texas Shows Her Loyalty

L. A. Webb, Presiding Elder.

Aledo-B. S. Crow.
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Eliasville—Marcus Chunn.
Graford—W. I. Morphis.
Graham—J. H. Bowman; A. P. Lipscomb,
Supernumerary.
Graham Mission—J. F. Patterson.
Loving—C. F. Bell.
Millsap—J. M. Hayes.
Mimeral Wells—M. S. Hotchkiss.
Newcastle—F. A. Ray.
Olney—H. L. Vincent.
Santo—J. J. Rape.
Springtown—W. A. Clark.
Whitt—Preston Broxton.
Weatherford, First Church—W. L. Nelms: R.
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there as soon as possible.

A messenger that can be utilized in only one direction—that must first be carried to the point whence information is desired and can bear it to only restricted capacity as never to be an the telegraph, the telephone, the post-

Within his limits he is indeed remarkable, but for long journeys he from the altitudes to which he soars Some of the homer's achievements are not easily explained on this theory but so many of them are that it is safe category .-- New York Times.

# Notes from The Field

praising our Heavenly Father that our fair best man in the conference to take his place, young State has "gone dry." It seems almost He will have to be a good preacher, a warmmiraculous since there are so many Roman hearted brother and a man who dwells in the Catholics in Arizona. The priests were work. "secret place of the Most High." This coun ing for anti-prohibition. We attribute our try is in fine condition this fall. We have success to women voting. If the people of made a large crop and the farmers are get-Texas would work and gain women suffrage ting a fair price for it. Hundreds of cars of I think Texas could very soon have the white grain are being loaded here, and I am told banner floating over her broad domain. We that it will take until some time in February hanner floating over her broad domain. We think Arizona the healthiest State in the Union and enjoy the beautiful scenery constantly. Stock-farming section that I have seen in the The country is settling up rapidly. People ten years I have been in West Texas.—J. T. make good crops. With best wishes.—Mrs. Howell, Pastor, M. L. Mowrey.

Hale Center, Texas.

Onalaska and Carmona.

'n the latest, as in ail previous, ef. claims and presiding elder's salary are paid in great day, a great sermon, a great congrega Brother L. Blaylock a donation of \$239.20, only in the fact that training and se-exceedingly well. Brother Marion S. Spittler lead them. -C. Raymond Gray. Brother L. Blaylock a donation of \$239.20, only in the fact that training and sehave received from the Superannuate Endowhent Fund \$355.50; and from the Publishing House \$535, and from the Trapp property erations, have developed in the carrier \$118; the Marquis Fund \$178.67. These sums with our reserve fund above mentioned and the Colvin Fund, give us a grand total of the Colvin Fund, give us a grand total of a desperate, almost insane, determination on the fund \$239.20, only in the fact that training and seek exceedingly well. Brother Marion S. Spittler lead them.—C. Raymond Gray, has done greater things for the Church at Carmona this year than any member I have ever had in a ministry of fourteen years in three States. He is a Christian, a scholar and a cousin to Postmaster General Burleson. We and will be for some time, and as we have have had twenty-eight additions to the Church at Carmona this year than any member I have had one greater things for the Church at Carmona this year than any member I have had in a ministry of fourteen years in three States. He is a Christian, a scholar and a cousin to Postmaster General Burleson. We and will be for some time, and as we have have had twenty-eight additions to the Church at Carmona this year than any member I have ever had in a ministry of fourteen years in three States. He is a Christian, a scholar and a cousin to Postmaster General Burleson. We and will be for some time, and as we have any well at them.—C. Raymond Gray.

Lexington. a desperate, almost insane, determination, when taken away, to get back tion, when taken away, to get back traver meetings and Sunday Schools at all Wednesday night, October 28, Rev. Jol three of our Churches .- John W. Wardlow.

We are coming to the close of a very pleasthroughout the year at every point. The peoefficient, or even tolerable, rival of ple of every denomination seem appreciative of our efforts, and this has been no little inoffice, or the most dawdling of the spiration to this preacher. I have held five meetings, doing all the preaching myself. And, The carrier pigeon is a stronger and more rapid flier than a good many oth- for, there has been some good accomplished. his way precisely as they—and we—

isters we still have a nice net increase. The his way precisely as they—and we— isters we still have a nice net increase. The do, by learning it. No strange inspiration tells him the points of the com- salary of the pastor, which was assessed at the points of the com- salary of the pastor, which was assessed at the points of the com- salary of the pastor, which was assessed at the points of the com- salary of the pastor, which is certainly as they—and we— isters we still have a nice net increase. The great meeting. And it seems the latter view was correct. Brother Green preached twice daily, and two or three days three services. full report on the benevolences, which is cerremarkable, but for long journeys he tain, we will be able to repart time in several years has to be prepared by shorter ones of full, Bishop," for the first time in several years do more clear, carnest, intelligent preaching has to be prepared by shorter ones of gradually increasing radius, in the course of which he can familiarize they have asked my presiding elder to urge they have asked my president elder to urge the urge they have asked my president elder to urge they are the urge they are the urge they are the urge they are the urge they ar my return for another year. If so, and it is in chapel services in our public school, and done, I shall take it, like all my other appointments, as from God, and do my best to pointments, as from God, and do my best to homes being whistled and hummed by the boys return them, as best I can, true service for their many tokens of kind appreciation. We their many tokens of kind appreciation. We here. At the close of the meeting there were ence delegates did not remove the time limit.

Dear Texas Friends: We are rejoicing and Story. Bishop, you will have to give

Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Sunday, October 18, was a great day I am back among my old friends. A few our Broadway congregation at Ardmore, Okdays since the Leaguers gave myself and sis. lahoma. Since the church was built twelve ter quite a surprise in the way of a nice years ago it has never been free of debt. pounding. We had been papering and trying Though payment after payment has been to fix up our rooms. I was quite tired and made these have been counterbalanced by inhad gone to bed when all at once the young-terest and other items so that 1914 found the sters with their many good things came rush-cided it was time to allow the risk and other items. sters with their many good things came rushing in. A few older ones were along to make cided it was time to clear the title and dedicate the church. Everybody went to work out and see what was doing. We had two prayers and several songs, a few talks and all went home happy. We certainly enjoyed their after a successful revival campaign. The prayers and section and shall ever remember them with much kindness. Our pastor, Brother Sweeney, is closing out his four years of very successions of the Church work. A few Sundays later a special service was held, the mortgage wa burned and we rejoiced together. October 18 was set for dedication and Dr. H. A. Boaz, To date, November 13, our Connectional of Fort Worth, chosen to officiate. It was a be assessed \$200; the Board of Church Extension, \$90; the Board of Education \$100; the Sunday School Board, \$35; and the Board of the American Bible Society, \$25, for printing the Conference Journal.

We have collected for Conference Claimants during the year \$383.50 and have received from the teller the sum of \$10,778.81, making the total sum raised by our pastors, \$11,162.31. To this total sum we have received from Brother L. Blaylock a donation of \$239.20, only in the fact that training and so.

Wednesday night, October 28, Rev. John E. Green, Conference Evangelist and Field Editor of the Advocate for Texas Conference, began a revival meeting here in our Church, which continued for two weeks. While all of us one other point—is obviously of such ant year. Our congregations have been good wanted a meeting and knew we needed one, some of the leading members of the Church thought it an inopportune time for it on ac count of the season, and the great distress on account of financial conditions; others thought we should have the meeting, and that maybe our common distress on account of material things might serve to accentuate our dependence on Him who controls all things,

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# Thanksgiving Day, 1914---And All America Is Peaceful

### PRESIDENT WILSON'S THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

It has long been the honored custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for His many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. The year is now drawing to a close since we last observed our day of national thanksgiving has been, while a year of discipline because of the mighty forces of war and of change which have disturbed the world,

also a year of special blessings for us.

It has been vouchsafed to us to remain at peace, with honor, and in some part to succor the suffering and supply the needs of those who are in want. We have been privileged by our own peace and seif-control in some degree to study the counsels and shape the hopes and purposes of a day of fear and distress. Our people have looked upon their own life as a nation with a deeper comprehension, a fuller realization of their responsibilities as well as of their blessings, and a keener sense of the moral and practical significance of what their part among the nations of the world may come to be.

The hurtful effects of foreign war in their own industrial and commercial affairs have made them feel the more fully and see the more clearly their mutual interdependence upon one another and has stirred them to a helpful co-operation such as they have seldom practised before. They have been quickened by a great moral stimulation. Their unmistakable ardor for peace, their earnest pity and disinterested sympathy for those who are suffering, their readiness to help and to think of the needs of others, has revealed them to them-

selves as well as to the world.

Our crops will feed all who need food; the self-possession of our people amidst the most serious anxieties and difficulties and the steadiness and resourcefulness of our business men will serve other nations as well as our own.

The business of the country has been supplied with new instru-mentalities and the commerce of the world with new channels of trade and intercourse. The Panama Canal has been opened to the commerce of the nations. The two continents of America have been bound in closer ties of friendship. New instrumentalities of international trade have been created which will be also new instrumentalities of acquaintance, intercourse and mutual service. Never before have the people of the United States been so situated for their own advantage or the advantage of their neighbors or so equipped to serve themselves and mankind.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the twenty-sixth of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease from their wonted occupation and their several homes and places of worship render thanks to Al-

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-ninth,

WOODROW WILSON

By the President

Robert Lansing, Acting Secretary of State

# Heaven's Bounty

Text: And they ate, and were fill- sonal force. Some believe that they

Church has proved their genuineness by both sacred and profane history, enabling us today, to examine them from other viewpoints.

Tracing the operations of the gospel the last nineteen centuries, and noting their effects on religion, dogma and philosophy, one cannot help but notice, that the influence of any miracle or parable increases in value according to its frequency in the gos-Those recorded but once have a certain unit of value and influence, which increases in ratio to the times recorded. Naturally, we suppose, as, 'All Scripture is given by insptration of God," those incidences occuring more than once emphasize im-

This is the only miracle recorded by the four Evangelists. Here we have our Lord's conversation with his disciples-the questions they ask, and the replies he gives. Their perplexities and his reassurances. The lad stands there with so many loaves and fishes. The actions of the Lord, and the work of the disciples. The number of the multitude, by whom com posed, and the very nature of the ground upon which they sat. Their complete satisfaction, those who collected the fragments and the number of baskets refilled. Surely, from such a detailed account we may draw practical lessons

Let us dwell on three of the salient

features of this miracle. First, God feeds man.

Secondly, man works with God. Thirdly, those who eat heaven's bounty are filled.

# God Feeds Man.

In this practical age of learning and research. this statement Man Works With God.

except the harvest—it alone enriches like these: "The origin of things," life. It is the redemptive law of a gold, silver and precious stones may "The laws of matters," "The descet fallen world—corrective and punitive be thrown away as so much dross.

Customarily, we look upon the miracles of our Lord as only so many proofs of his divinity, and in consequence, lose much of their spiritual significance. About these "Evidences of Christianity" incessant warfare has in the breast of man from world to world through the complexity and recognized the complex have eliminated Him, by merely spellyond the erudition of science, spell His name "Chance." Spell it as they will, the fact remains. Paul, standing beside the altar inscribed to the unknown God, exclaimed, "Whom "Whom narratives through the history of therefore ye ignorantly worship, him hunger at the bidding of Satan, but moral forces and political principles, declare I unto you." Through the looked with compassion on the hundeclare I unto you." Through the looked with compassion on the hun-ages, the Church has taught us to gry multitude. His temptations, privcarving a masterpiece of sculpture, who remained, not only had their phy-or doing anything noteworthy, regard-ed himself as favored of the gods, fed. How marvelously does this gospel For him the gods produced the rain, fill the needs of man! Germany, filled the sunshine, the strength to over- with mediaeval suncrstition and cortellect to write a tragedy, or compose an Illiad. How different is it sloughed off its corruption through the with us! We use the impersonal propagation of the Wesleys; the veil of noun. It rains, it blows. We take darkness rose from the face of the Sunction of the wesleys; the place in black-eyed Susan, the daisy, covering lands of the seas in the peans the mountain side with unuterable praise, to Him who filled the multi-beauty, and filling the valleys with tude. It fills the needs of all, reand summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." "Nevertheless," exclaimed Paul, "he left not himself without witness, in that he did which endureth unto everlasting life." good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

# Man Works With God.

and he who neglects the means of grace must perish.

There were those at the performance of this miracle whose physical hunger was satisfied, but who left with impoverished souls. The Savior's application drove them away. "I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." Many turned away, saying, "this is Governor of Plymouth, Say: too hard to receive." Even today, Through virtue of vested power human mind.

In this miracle human agents were employed. Each performed his alloted work, indeed, it was not much, but it was indispensable. This joint agency, human-divine, is characteristic of God and the noblest achievements of man. Who can tell when the human ceases and the divine begins? In whose hands was the water when it became wine, or where were the loaves when the multiplication took place? However, the human agency is necessary, the point of contact be-tween the human and divine must be reached. This is evidenced throughout the economy of grace. Here, we find grace and freewill; foreknowledge and contingent events; faith and ex-ertion; sovereignty of God and the responsibility of man; the influence of and right well did she perform her the Holy Spirit and the concurrence of human reason; divine inspiration and human imperfection. Man must prepare the soil, sow the grain, reap thresh, grind, knead and bake, otherwise his body with its mysterious relation with earth and sky, time and eternity, matter and spirit, will not receive its nourishment. On the other hand, man may do all his work, and not garner a single grain, if the Heavenly Father does not cause the earth to revolve, the planets to move in their trackless courses, the moon to wend his way across the starbespangled firmament, the rivers to roll their refreshing waters to the sea old ocean heave and moan in its cradle, while the sun kisses the dew from the lips of the lily and dances on the petals of flowering wheat. What a privilege this human-divine

### Those Who Eat Heaven's Bounty Are Filled.

Our Lord refused to satisfy his own consider that our bread comes directly from God. The marvel of natural
science is, that wheat ever comes to and for us intercedes at the Father's
fruition—this grain alone has a million enemies. Materialistic ideas have
wrought an effect on our lives. The wrinkle," the result of his atonoment,
ancient Greek or Rowan after over. ancient Greek or Roman after over- He did nothing for himself-all for coming an enemy, winning a race, man The multitude was filled. Those come in physical contests, or the in- ruption, rose like Sampson under the our friends amid the smiling valleys rise Kingdom, and it took its place in of corn and tell them "this is my the council of nations; Ohina has corn, I planted it, I raised it." Listen, shaken off the traopings and broken that power which controls all the through barriers of centuries, and is forces of nature, making them work walking toward the light; evolving harmoniously, unfolding the rose, the from cannibalism, Hawaii joins the is-It fills the needs of all, resmiling fields of golden grain and gardless of race, place of habi-fruit, is the God who filled the multi-tude. Right after the "Deluge" we vironment, hereditary influences "in tude. read, "While the earth remaineth, sickness, in health, in poverty's seedtime and harvest cold and heat, vale, or abounding in wealth." Every-"Neverthe-his messengers shout, "Labor not for e left not the meat which perisheth, but for that

# Application.

peace, but we do know, that for a fal-len world like ours, this law of work "There is no other name under celebrated even before Columbus made—its sweat of brow, and mind, and heaven, given among men, whereby his famous voyage.

There are no statistics from which vation or excellence. Here idleness table is to be satisfied. It links us to learn when the first Thanksgiving is the enemy of body, mind and spirit, with the eternal plan of the ages, was celebrated. We imagine it date. Well, may the Apostle rise from this sumptuous feast and shout, "For I am faculties or perish. He who does not sumptuous feast and shout, "For I am work to support the body must starve persuaded, that neither death nor life, —says the law—he who does not culnor angels nor principalities, nor —says the law—he who does not cul- nor angels nor principalities, nor tivate the intellect becomes degraded powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." A. M. MILLER.

### THE FIRST THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

Therefore, I William Bradford, many of the applications of the Lord Ye shall gather with one accord, are not universally acceptable to the And hold in the mon h of November, Thanksgiving unto the Lord.

William Bradford Governor of Plymouth, 1621.

This first Thanksgiving was no fermal affair. Gov. Bradford meant what he said and the colonists knew it. Ye "shall gather" and "hold thanksgiving unto the Lord." Before the eventful day arrived, the governor sent out four men to gather game that the people might "rejoice together" over the small harvest they had reaped and over their preservation from

danger, disease and death,
It was real "thanksgiving unto the
Lord" too. Wild turkey meat and
venison constituted the staples of the Priscilla Mullins, who had feast. played such havoc with the stout heart of Miles Standish, was the chief cook,

When all was in readiness the verbal invitations went out, and among the number hidden to the toothsome feast was Chief Massasoit and his principal followers.

Ordinary work was suspended on that day and special services of praise and thanksgiving were held. Then the people engaged in innocent pastimes, though none were allowed amidst the merriment to forget the purpose of the festival, for there were frequent in-

tervals of praise and prayer. No wonder this first Thanksgiving produced such an impression that the custom has been handed down through all the intervening generations and is ours today.

Massasoit lived for forty years af-ter this first Thanksgiving, but he ver again made trouble for the colonists. On the contrary, he sent messengers to other tribes to come and make peace with the white people. Michigan Christian Advocate.

# THE THANKSGIVING SERMON.

The pulpit theme for the Thanksgiving service should touch the future as well as the past. The Pilgrim Fathers did their work well, but what about the pilgrim sons who are constantly pouring into our shores? to the present time America has been pretty well made, but how is its character to be affected by the forces which are now at work molding its

life?
"No man," says the Religious Telescope, "who has any heart in the 'land of the free;' no man who wishes that this country shall remain a real home of the oppressed; no man who desires that the Stars and Stripes shall float unfurled over a land in which it will be safe for his grandchildren to dwell; no man who wishes the Church to be a true exponent of Christianity and the people devoted followers of the Head of the Church, can close his eyes to the conditions confronting present day America.'

Immigrants are flocking in by multi tudes, most of whom cannot speak English, and many of whom care little to become American; they are here to better themselves, not the nation.

To these we must minister. They are here among us. We must influ ence them and instruct them. A mighty effort should be made to get them out to Church on Thanksgiving day and show them something about American religious spirit.

If new America becomes what it ought to be, present America must give direction to the thought and of all these new Americans.-Selected

# THE SPIRIT OF THANKSCIVING

We think read, and talk so much of exchange. There is no real wealth clously, we attribute the origin of except the harvest—it alone enriches Thanksgiving to those and satisfies. If the about the Puritan Thanksgiving of the change. There is no real wealth clously, we attribute the proof of the harvest—it alone enriches Thanksgiving to those sturdy piofall" by we satisfies. If the harvest fails neers, While it is true that they were "egg," and silver and precious stones may the first people on this continent to ty of food. be thrown away as so much dross, express in simplicity their gratitude

the vista of time, we see Adam and Eve in the rustic hut, reclining on cushioned seats of autumn leaves, eating from their rude stone table the first Thanksgiving dinner. They had been driven from the Garden of Eden. They had passed through many hard-ships. By the "sweat of their brow" they had reaped their harvest, had fought battles, had won victories— now in simplicity, with gratitude to-ward their Maker, they eat their frugal meal. They celebrate the first Thanksgiving.

The spirit of Thanksgiving is born in the times that try men's souls. It grows to maturity when the responsi-bilities of life are manfully borne. It goes out alike to those who make our burdens lighter and to those whose burdens we help to bear. It breathes a prayer to the Giver of good gifts. Let the spirit of Thanksgiving live!

It was the thankless spirit that drove our primitive parents from the Garden. The same spirit has driven many an Adam and Eve from the Eden of happiness. In these "melancholy days," the gladdest of the year, let the festal board be spread. Let the Thanksgiving spirit be shown. Let it echo to the dying song of the vine whose death has given the fruit that supplies the feast. Let its smile encourage the restless heart of youth, its contentment quiet the fears of middle age, its gentle hand touch the silver locks of age.

Let the "spirit of Thanksgiving" go out in tender affection from sons and daughters to fathers and mothers. Though separated by distance, though blessed by prosperity that makes fa-ther and mother want to apologize for the little they can offer, though saddened by sin and dissipation that has written itself on the countenance, let every one whose parents still re-main this side of the great river help to make complete the family circle around this festal board. No peer will receive such royal welcome. Mother and father will look upon you with greater pride than though honored by the presence of a king or queen. The best things will be saved for you; your favorite dish will be prepared; your every want will receive attention. Reciprocate: show father and mother the thankful spirit. Let the "spirit of Thanksgiving" live:—The Union Central Advocate.

# THAT THANKSGIVING CHAMBER.

It was also called the Sunrise Chamber, and well it might be, for it not only faced the east, but light, joy and salvation for body and soul had been found right there. It was a pretty, dainty, suggestive room, a sort of second spare room, and one to take comfort in.

Ten years ago Mrs. Hart had insisted that this room should be fitted up, christened and sacredly kept for herself.

"You see, John, we have been so happy that if we do not have such a room we shall grow selfish. You and I can't found colleges or give enormous sums in charity. It is only given us to lead a humdrum sort of life, and do good as we go along. Some of the Lord's hidden ones, some of his lost, broken-hearted ones, will just fit into that chamber, and I am sure he will show us the right ones, when the time comes, and life will be better worth living to us

"Have it your own way, wise lit-tle wife," Mr. Hart had said, as they went down stairs from a tour of inspection and planning, after pur-chasing the new home, "but we may have to pinch in the parlor carpets and table furniture to do it. By and by this boy must go to college," pat-ting Ralph on the shoulder, "and the twins will make the money fly be-fore many years."

"See here, John, dear, my father used to say that 'grist carried to the used to say that 'grist carried to the Lord's mill is sure to return.' I'll manage it somehow," and she did. That was ten years ago, and the Thanksgiving Chamber has never been empty since when the season comes. Mrs. Hart found quite a margin left after furnishing it, and what with managing it as such women will the house was comfortably furnished. the house was comfortably furnished and a "nest egg" laid away for the boy to go to college. Somehow, each year, after the chamber had been occupied, they had a special "wind-fall" by which they added to the "egg," and there was never a scarci-

There was another reason why of men," and "The survival of the in one. We do not know, under what Riches, pleasure or fame only increase for hardships overcome and for an Mrs. Hart wanted a Thanksgiving fittest." By ingenuous argument many law a sinless race could live and adundertake to make of God an impervance in the arts and blessings of satisfaction only in God. To seek it tumnal feast, the spirit of Thanksgivgiven back to her from the gates of

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can get the rich, sweet flavor of life

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Verily, verily, he that cannot be

shall never know at all how good a thing it is to live.—Dr. Frank Crane,

THE BETTER DAY.

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promise and sealed it as she bent to give the tender kiss in the gray of dawning, whispering, "Dearest, what a Thanksgiving Day this is; the best

of our lives.'

Space would fail me to number all of those who had occupied the "Sun-rise Chamber." There was a dear, old, blind minister, whose hearth was cold because the dearest had crossed Here he was cherished till he passed on into the ineffable light. The next was a young man from England who "fell into the den of thieves," and in despair abandoned himself to drink. In that Sunrise Chamber he found redemption. Then came a widow, who had been made homeless by the death of an only daughter, and nearly insane with fright and grief. Here she was soothed and strengthened till she was able to fill a matron's place in an orphan's home.

Then a homeless teacher, worn and sick, found a haven here, and months of rest. A sick seamstress came to find it the gate of heaven, and yet another, driven by hunger and want to the door of sin, found the blessed Christ, through humanity's gate. Many a lonely student had been mothered there, seeking an education

without means to pay his board.

And now the year had rolled around, until ten days offore Thanksgiving. Mrs. Hart had not fully decided in whose form she should ask the blessed Lord to enter. In another, home a week later.

In another home, a week later, Mrs. Winslow sat by her dying fire rlone. The night was bitter, but only a handful of coal remained for the morning, and she drew her shawl about her shoulders with a hunted, terrified face, as she looked anxiously from the window. The house was commodious and the room filled with books, bric-a-brac and comforts. A table littered with papers and manu-scripts bore marks of recent use. Nothing betokened poverty but that dying fire, save the pinched and haggard face of the woman.

By and by she arose, staggered from her chair as if from weakness, pacing the long room, occasionally raising her face and eyes heavenward as if appealing to the Unseen Helper, then sinking upon her knees, buried her face among the cushions, while sobs shook the frail form like a

"My God! my God! thou hast indeed forsaken me. Homeless, pen-niless, childless, sick. And once we had all. How coldly the world marches by! There are no brethren. Thy children—they are stone. Lord, let me die!"

"Is this the Master's giving-Poverty, woe and pain?

To miss the crumbs of the table, The husks that swine-herds feed?

"Lord, I have done thy bidding. I shared my crust with thine; The brothers of the highway, Thy sisters of the by-way— Have I not made them mine?

Now the crust has vanished, Empty, bitter and sore, I am Lazarus! no more.

Pray? but He is silly Die? but that is forbid. In dust I lie and grovel; No home in hut or hovel. Patience? His face is hid.

"Lord, if Thou hast a Heaven I ask not for its best; Not for thine awful splendor, Not angel faces tender; Lord! only let me rest.

"So tired of fight and fever, So caunted with dismay, A beggar in the street! And once my life was sweet."

The sobs were dry now, and the face stony, as she walked to a closet, taking a tiny vial from the medicine chest and measured its contents with her eye. Her hands clenched, the her eye. Her hands clenched, the nails piercing the flesh, the breath coming in agitated gasps as she hesi-tated. But that Unseen Helper was not far off, and "the angel of his Presence" saved her. The husband's step was at the door, and Mrs. Wins-low turned to meet him with the low turned to meet him with the prayer, "Lord, save and help me to live for him."

One look between them and she knew intuitively that the haggardface man she loves and honors has brought no hope. Shivering with cold, hunger and illness, Mr. Winslow gave one glance at the dying fire, and gently embracing his wife, said: "We shall be safer in bed, dear; we shall

A glance at the finely chiseled face, noble head with its soft gray hair, for me to do but to obey?

We believe the parents are going us undeserved.

Suffering eyes, and you know that "Oh! I have not forgotten how much to be greatly responsible if their chil- The joys that know no yesterday

"lord, spare him and I will give thee a ditch digger, even though starving fingers which dared not cease from and thine my best forever." Mornor freezing. Far into the night that toil. Yet another thing is as deeply ing dawned and with it the light of husband and wife discussed their exconsciousness. God accepted the tremity, all the more terrible that it chamber filled with beauty. But the was hidden. Once their home had been bright with music and gladness, children's voices and good cheer. Once gracious hospitality had been dispensed by fireside and board, not only to friends, but to needy ones. Once the home had been pointed out as a model, where all graces dwelt, and sweet charities were dispensed.

But reverses had come. Broad acres and the acquirements of a lifetime had been swept away. Robbery and wrong had been imposed. Children, who were to have been the staff, were laid in the grave. Sickness had paralyzed arm and brain, till now the wolf was at the door. Kindred had passed into the Upper Country or become selfish and estranged. It is easy to say of such smitten ones, They have been very unlucky. Ha must have been a bad manager. Am sorry for them, but it is no affair of mine," instead of extending the Christ-like hand to raise a fallen

Ah! how completely loss and poverty have driven without the camp in shame and reproach many a noble man and woman, isolating them from their fellow travelers, who are jour-neying along the same King's high-way, eftimes pressing even circumstances to misrepresent, separting them from needed sympathy in their bitterest need! Thus, "thy brother's blood calleth unto me from the ground.

In vain had this man sought employment fitting his strength

"No one wants an old man, wife." "Old? You are not old, dearest. You are just as capable as ever, if in the right position."

Yet no Christian brother, with wise insight, offered an opening in which the self-respecting man and woman could help themselves. Thus it came to pass that Mr. and Mrs. Winslow were starving.

"So much to do; so much to be; so much to enjoy, and we are denied it all," said the heart-broken wife. "One had better be born without a heart, without a brain than suffer like this."

"I know, poor wife, but let us be glad that we can die: Better so than hve on in the slow starvation and terror of past months. Let us tell him, who had nowhere to lay his head, once more. I cannot think his promises are broken. There is a let-ter for you in my pocket in the morning, dear. Let us sleep a little. Jesus walks no more on earth to feed his hungry ones, neither will Elijah's raven come; but perhaps some of God's dear children will."

Three days before Thanksgiving Mrs. Hart had an inspiration, and she set her lips firmly in a way that sug-gested, "I am going to do it." Mr. Hart watched his little, energetic wife with an amused smile, but no less tender confidence. The dear Lord and she have a sort of tender secret together, I do believe. She hasn't a selfish atom in her, and never blunders. The Sunrise Room is very late this year.'

"Dear," she said at last, "something is wrong with our old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Winslow."

'What makes you think so? "A woman's reason. I feel it. You know my intuitions seldom go astray. I am going to write them to come at once, and for fear they may not have the needed wherewithal at hand, shall enclose a check for their convenience. They will not have time to answer.

and it is better so. In the gray dawn of a winter's day Advocate Mrs. Winslow drew from her hus-band's pocket the white missive on its errand of love, and as the bit of paper fluttered out upon the bed, husband and wife knelt, without reading, to thank God with broken sobs for a breakfast and fire. When calmer,

this is what they read: "Dear Friends: Something aas whispered to us that you are very sail this Thanksgiving. In fact, we have felt keenly the loss you have sustained in yielding your only son and daughter to the grave, and have feared much for you in broken health. We know you must sorely miss the old days and the loving faces around your board, and beg that you will come to us for Thanksgiving Day and as any more as you can spare.

"Do you remember, dear Mrs. Winslow, when I was a poor sewing girl, how very kind you were to m when sadly needing rest which I could not afford? The Church was to hav a picnic excursion to the lake, and you insisted that your work could wait, while I must go, and my wages should be the same. How you overruled every objection; even having the picnic basket packed with delicious food, so that nothing was left

chamber filled with beauty. But the eyes lingered most lovingly on a motto made of pressed leaves, at the head of the bed: "Here Rest.' Ah! what a chamber of peace, and what a rest that was! What lessons I learned of you then! There on my knees I promised my God that I would do as much some one, if he would trust me with a home and a little money. Come, dear friends, and let us make some slight return for your unselfish thoughtfulness, and the inspiration received in that peaceful room.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

"Yours gracefully."

Devotional A Spiritual

Thanksgiving night there was great Hasn't it paid?' joy in the Sunrise Chamber. "Bread "Some of the upon the waters" had been returned. chest yet, wife.

THE BIBLE AND RELIGION IN

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

they succeed in removing the em-

bargo on the teaching of the Bible and

the great principles of our religion in

the public schools. The whole business of trying to exclude these things

from our system of education is ab-

all will admit that this is so and then

we shall have a system of education

which can be heartily endorsed by the

best of people because it will not ig-

nore the highest and best ideals of

Calling attention to the fact that

New Zealand has barred the teaching

of religion from her public schools,

the Christian Guardian says the New

Zealand Methodist Times wants to know just why certain things are so. In accord with the requirement that

teaching shall be "purely secular," the School Journal for May, 1914, Part 1,

for classes one and two, contains the

story of the Japanese god, Jizo, for

Jizo, according to Japanese belief, is

children, and to him old and young

becomes their playfellow and friend.

The Journal gives also a hymn to Jizo. Now the Times wants to know how it

is, in a community like New Zealand,

that it is considered allowable to tell

the story of Jizo, the Japanese god,

and wholly unpermissible to make any mention of Jesus Christ, the friend of

story of Jesus. But it is this studied

PROCESSION AWAY FROM THE

CHURCH.

essions of many of our Sunday

Schools in the last few years. It is a

sion after the session of the Sunday

not to return to the morning Church

to turn against the Church when they

eight and nine months in the year.

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lies at the root of all that is

god who loves and protects little

the instruction of the children.

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nature.

The time is sure to come when

She had cried, this man could not be a hodcarrier or that meant to the worn-out brain and at her side, the bereaved mother read are all surplus. We never earned

By the blossoms on the grave, For the dearest dead we have; For the quiet after tears; For the love of all those years: For the royal right of love, Silence, absence, time to prove; For the joy of being true— God of life and death, we pray, Hearken to our thanks today.

As for loving little Mrs. Hart, you changed and become as a little child should have seen that woman-the very embodiment of joy.

"John, dear," she whispered to her husband, "if it had not been for the Sunrise Chamber those dear ones would have gone to the almshouse.

God had proved his promise true to enough," and Mr. Hart wiped his eyes

ple today are not saved.

a leaky vessel.

Hasn't it paid?"

When the world is street of gore, man "Some of the pay is in the Lord's and the nations tired of gore, man have had will draw his daily shilling, as a butcher, never more. He'll get down to useful labor, softly saying: "Why the broken in heart, sending by his as he closed the door and went door the deuce should I shoot my next children the offer of a salaried position, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension, which would yield comfort to cies I Survey."—By Helen Strong door neighbor, with no reason or extension of the composition of th murder, relic of dark days, shall cease, man will use his strength to further all the gentle arts of peace. Then disarmed will be the legions and the sun will smile at morn on the quiet, fertile regions where we'll raise our kaffir corn. Then the gun, dren go to hell. They march them which like a crater, belches fire and off from the Sunday School and let fury now, will become a cultivator. them stay home at night to study or, perhaps, a three-horse plow while the revival is going on during Captains then, who "give no quartry should never cease to agitate till school days and play and run to town ter," kings with terror in their looks, on Saturday instead of colors to home them stay home at night to study or, on Saturday instead of going to hear shall convert the gun and mortar the gospel message which is of first into scythes and pruning hooks. Then importance. The consequences are no more shall foolish trifles call the that the great bulk of our young peo- nations into fray, and we'll turn our quick-firing rifles into tools for pitch-We are clearly taught that the large ing hay. So this present cataclysm, majority of persons are saved before shocking though it be, and vast, we the age of twenty. Eighty-five per may view with optimism, since it's cent of our Church members today apt to be the last. When the soldiers come from the Sunday Schools, yet have dismounted from their charges, only fifteen per cent of the Sunday scarred and thin, when the corpses School it is said, are saved and have been counted, and the blood has brought into the Church. It looks like measured been, drums of war will that a lot of our teaching in the Sun-throb no longer, flags of battle will be day School is like pouring water into furled, and the weaker stronger hand in hand will walk the When our young people get through world.-Walt Mason. school and enter upon the home life

Men are afraid to bring their lives into the light of God. Consequently dency of young life today, what must they are constantly seeking some we say of tomorrow? If some parents way to evade him. They are afraid now living could wake up from their of the judgment and are constantly grave slumbers twenty-five years trying to invent some way to escape from the time of their death they it. They are unwilling to submit themselves to the righteousness of what their children are doing. The God and so are going about to estendency is toward a life of distractablish their own righteousness. In tion. Indifference to health means consequence we have universalism, colds, coughs and consumption; but or characterless salvation. A second indifference toward the Church and probation, or a fiction by which guilt God means death and damnation in may escape hell. And as an extreme measure we have the fires of hell put out. If any or all of these should turn out to be true, they will not hurt the true Christian; but if the old or-The best advice of a friend is often thodox way is right, it will be hard

# what kind of life will they represent? Without God what directions will their children take? With the ten-

would be shocked and ashamed to see

love to pray. When little children die they go to the spirit land, and Jizo the end.-Central Methodist.

MAN'S BEST ADVISER.

children. The editor says: "No one wrong. Think of the great sums paid on those who have children asks for the exclusion of the story of Jizo from the School Journal, provided that fair play is given to the them, while God's advice is free, and walk in the old paths. Selected. we can have it at any time. He will discrimination against the story that tell you what to do. Let no man ask most if he prefers comfort or precious in the faith and hope of the should only ask the Lord when he is Christian people of this country, that willing to do battle. The answer may creates a situation that is becoming call for courage and sacrifice. It may beyond measure intolerable. Here are involve a re-arrangement of your life tens of thousands of children passing plans, but let no man ask the questhrough our public schools with no tion who fears the answer. It may other impression left upon their minds lead you into the missonary field, the than that the story of Jesus is not ministry, or a banking house and worth considering. Of Mahomet, of possibly to do work with a pick and Confucius, of Jizo, they are told the shovel. If it's God's call that di'ches story; but of Jesus, in the way of in-must be dug, it's honorable work. formation and commendation, not a No task for God is too humble or too word." The case does seem strange lofty. He will help us bear our burand suggests that some readjustment dens, and if we are weak He will surely desirable.-North Carolina make us strong.-John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

# A RECIPE FOR HAPPINESS.

It is worth while to try any recipe We have had occasion to attend the for happiness.

Here is one that at least is to be commended for its simplicity and for sad sight to witness the usual proces- the fact that it is within reach of all. It is to rid yourself of your notion School, of the children going home of your rights.

service. The parents listen to the the greater part of all the indignities, whims of their children and let them chagrins, and humiliations you have go home. They say that to be too had to endure arise from certain ideas strict on them, they will be more apt you entertain about what is due you.

Have not all the best things in life get older. They say it is too long to come to you over your shoulder, and keep them there for two services. Will have not the great miseries of your these pleas hold good? The children life been due to not getting things are in public school five and six you thought you ought to have, things hours a day, five days in the week and you strive for?

Remember the simple and lively They can stay in school twenty-five emotions caused by the unexpected to thirty hours a week; but not two stroke of luck, by the favor of some-hours in Church, not two hours to one from whom you did not look for boiled. 15c and 25c packages. to thirty hours a week; but not two stroke of luck, by the favor of someit, but the love shown you that you many hours a day, and days in the well as other surprises of sympathy, and sugar, makes a delicious beverage week, and weeks and months in a regard, and appreciation that fell to instantly. 30c and 50c tins.

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# OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

Bishop J. H. McCoy.		
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# THE TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Texas Conference is now in session at Bay City. This is at the furthest in the southern section of the conference-away down below Houston and above Galveston. The members of that body will have to take a long trip into a new part of their territory in order to attend its \* session. But they will be more than repaid for the distance by the appreciation of those splendid people who are to be its hosts. They were anxious last fall for it to go there and they are doubtless making it highly agreeable to all. This is the old mother conference of Texas Methodism and this will be its seventy-fifth session. Think of it! When this conference was organized Texas was in her infancy as a State. Nearly all her territory was a vast prairie fringed by uninhabited wilderness sections. war whoop of the red man and the \* of the browsing buffalo were heard nearly all over the State. But look round you today, and you will exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" Nobody who took part in that organization is on this side of the mystic river \* today. They are all gone. And not many people are living who lived in Texas at that time. But the conference has gone on and still lives as an \* active part of the great activities of the Church.

Pishop McCoy is presiding and Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss is the secretary. It has ten districts and two hundred and thirty-one members, to say nothing of \*a goodly number of undergraduates \* and supplies. It covers a long strip of territory, reaching from Texar-kana to Galveston. It takes in all of \* East Texas and a good portion of Southern Texas. That there will be many changes is certain. Two preiding elders' time is out and some ten or twelve stations and circuit preachers have served their limit. These \* changes will necessitate a large number of moves and upon the whole there will be considerable stirring up of the brethren. The Advocate force is on hand and a full report will appear in our next issue.

# Our Joy of Thanksgiving

It is fitting that we, as individuals and as a mighty country, observe a special day for thanksgiving unto Jehovah. Lest we forget, we should count his mercies one by one. It is supremely fit that just now our own great Nation should do so. While the vast stretches of all the Eastern Hemisphere is the theater of war and \* carnage, our own great America is encompassed with the peace \* which cometh down from above.

It is an ancient custom to be devoutly renewed in this good year of our Lord. It is the story of the Pilgrim fathers at Plymouth. America's first Thanksgiving Day was there in November, 1621. More accurately might say "days," for it lasted three days. Plymouth was settled in the winter time. Trees were cut, logs hewn, \* houses built. Their humble homes were thatched with frozen sod \* found beneath the snow. Exposure, insufficient food, and unbearable hardship brought on the great epidemic.

Within three months after the Mayflower landed on the bleak New \* England shores-December 21, 1620-with one hundred and two pilgrims on board, death carried away forty-six of that heroic band. \* Rev. E. A. Smith, an account of which The Mayflower returned to England in the spring of 1621, but not one accepted free passage which the Captain offered to those who wished \* to turn back. They devoutly believed God wanted them here. They \* one of the favorites of the Conferdid not complain against their lot. They did not murmur against \* ence with its entire membership. He the Providence that brought them to these frigid shores and to the \* ravages of disease.

Governor Bradford referring to the following autumn, tells us: "They began now to gather in ye small harvest they had, and to fit \* up their houses and dwellings against winter, being all well recovered \* in health and strength, and had all things in good plenty." To those devout and faith-guided pioneers it seemed that God had given them \* much cause for thanksgiving, and, therefore, about November 1, 1621, \* the Governor appointed America's first Feast of Thanksgiving. And who of us can say that they were not wholly right in such a view? Elder Brewster's prophecy uttered at that time is now fullled: "Blessed will it be for us, blessed for this land, for this vast continent! Nay, \* from generation to generation will the blessing descend. Generations \* to come shall look back to this hour and these scenes of agonizing trial, this day of small things, and say, 'Here was our beginning as a people. These were our fathers. Through their trials we inherit our \* blessings. Their faith is our faith; their hope our hope; their God \*

There is an infinite tenderness lingering about the harvest festival of Thanksgiving. Its sweeter charms are surpassed only by Christmas, when God gave his Gift to the world, and that glad Easter morning which brought life and immortality to light.

We have taken our best gifts direct from the hand of our Father above. We have plowed and planted, we have sown and reaped. God has smiled bounteously upon our faith in sun and shower. Out of his mystic processes have come the harvest that makes our garners overflow and our hearts rejoice. Surely, these are times that inspire the profoundest gratitude.

Marvelous inventions, equipments and luxuries are occasions for profound and ceaseless gratitude, provided they inspire us to nobler service and to a more unselfish and holy living. Otherwise we have to bemoan our prosperities, and to wish that we might get back to the simplicities of earlier national life, when men lived in homespun and fed upon the bounties of nature, and thanked God for his goodness and for his wonderful work to the children of men.

No day nor age in the history of the world more sincerely demands our deepest gratitude for the peace we now enjoy. In European and Asiatic lands the clash of musketry and the thunder of artillery has drowned the voice of children and hushed the songs of women. The sweet peace which environs us in America is broken only by the tones of the church bell, the hum of commercial life, the laughter of our children, and our women's song. We go about our daily task forgetful that on the other side of the world rivers are running in blood and the stain of the death angel is on the lintel of every door. While our mothers croon their lullabys to their boys in the twilight hour, millions of mothers just as true rock children who are to be \* driven like sheep to the slaughter. While our tables groan the gaunt \* wolf of hunger sniffs at every European door. Our happy greet honest workmen in the eventide, while beyond the sea women \* just as good weep over bones on battlefields, and hungry children tug \* of the Conference, having had his at Gatesville, did a fine work. The at their skirts. Oh, was there ever a time in the history of the world \* transfer from the North Texas Con- former closed out four great years when American people can with greater reason fall before God in \* ference announced. He lives at for that congregation and it is in firstthanksgiving and praise?

"And we today, amidst our flowers And fruits, have come to own again The blessings of the summer hours, The early and the latter rain.

"Once more the liberal year laughs out O'er richer stores than gems or gold; Once more with harvest song and shout Is Nature's bloodless triumph told.

"We shut our eyes, the flowers bloom on; We murmur, but the corn ears fill; We choose the shadow, but the sun That casts it shines behind us still.

"And let these altars, wreathed with flowers And piled with fruits, awake again Thanksgiving for the golden hours, The early and the latter rain."

# Central Texas Conference Notes

ing tonight for Bay City; so at this sermon Sunday night were spoken of writing the appointments have not been made, at Hillsboro, and I can make no reference to them. The most of the proceedings were finished Saturday night when I left and

It was a fine Conference. The it's social fellowship was fine. This rived. is always true of the Central Texas \* Conference. It is one of the finest bodies of men in the Connection. They are large-hearted and brotherly and an Annual Conference is like a Christmas occasion for boys. It is a sort of a reunion.

The only cloud cast over the whole occasion was the sudden illness of will be seen in the published proceedings of that body. He has always been is so brotherly, so sincere and so useful in every sphere in which he Many are the prayers that are being offered for his recovery. May the good Lord raise him up and spare him many years among

Bishop McCoy, Rev. John R. Nelson and this writer were royally entertained at the good home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Parr, two of the stanch Methodists of Hillsboro. Brother Parr is one of the leading attorneys at the bur and Mrs. Parr used to be known as Miss Anna Halburt, of Corsicana. The dear old mother of erybody loves Horace Bisho Brother Parr was with them and she they nearly all call him Horace and the children all vied with each other in making our visit to them perfectly delightful. They also entertained at meals many of the brethren during the Conference. It was a perfect delight to be their guests.

All the people of Hillsboro threw visitors and no session of the Conference was ever more exquisitely eptertained. They are a hospitable peo- work at First Church, Corsicana. His ple and they are a Church people. The straight way of preaching captured other congregations joined with the Methodists in extending every conrtesy. Rev. John R. Morris, Rev. Hor. and successfully during the whole ace Bishop and their helpers left year. He had gracious revivals and nothing undone to make the entertainment perfect.

\* elected Field Secretary for the Con- a token of appreciation from the Ad-\* ference and such is his familiarity vocate table. He came very nearly \* with Sunday School work that he will putting the paper in all the homes of the enter into it heart and soul. He will his people, and he made settlement the heart heart and soul, the will he people, and he made settlement for them with the Advocate folk. \* be a blessing to any community who He did well in other lines of Church will have the benefit of his services. He is full of energy and inspires zeal in the work wherever he goes,

at the Conference and made a fine That church building would be a \* address one morning on the theologi- credit to any large city. It is one \* cal work of the Southern Methodist of the most perfect and complete \* University. He was accorded an en-\* thusiastic reception and had a good time among his old colleagues. knows how to make himself at home among them.

Georgetown and is in this territory class shape for his successor. They and naturally this is his Conference, are brothers to Rev. E. B. Chappell. He did some good work on the platform and in the pulpit.

John H. Garner and Erskine Williams are among the prominent lay workers of the Conference. They make efficient members and take a to the business of the Conference. work.

the Conference from Kansas City and heart. where he served Central Church for four successful years. He is originally from Alabama, and is said to be Rev. Fred Cox, of the old North Texas one of the best equipped men in the Conference, was a prominent and a Connection. He is still a young man, welcomed visitor to the conference.

I am writing these scattering notes and a strong platform man. His ad-Monday morning, preparatory to leav- dress on Church Extension and his

The Rev. Henry T. Brooks, of Mulkey Memorial, made one of the best reports of any member of the Conthe appointments will be given out ference. His collections were not on-sometime today. They will be found by full, but he added to the Church on another page of this issue. ference. His collections were not on-203 net gain. His Sunday School numbers more than 600. He is one of the coming men of the Conferbrethren were in excellent spirit and ence. The fact is he has already ar-

> Central Church, Fort Worth, under the pastorate of Rev. C. R. Wright, made an admirable report. It reported 110 per cent on all collections, had many accessions and for all pur-poses paid more than \$12,000. And yet is the youngest Church in Fort Worth. It is destined to be one of the strongest in the city. In fact, all the Fort Worth District preachers, for the most part, made splendid re-

Rev. A. D. Porter and his helpers proved a great success at the Secretary's table. They were accurate, systematic and accommodating. Rev. Sam Rucker is the editor of the printed minutes and right well does he do his work. He is alert and on to every detail of the Conference.

Rev. Horace Bishop is the oracle of the Conference. He has been in its membership for nearly a half century and he knows its history from beginning to end. He has the unqualified confidence of his brethren and is one of its best workers. Age does not seem to tell upon him. is as bright and active as a boy. Ev-

Rev. Dr. Culver had a great year at Polytechnic and brought up a fine report. He is a popular member of the Conference and takes a leading part in its proceedings. His sermon All the people of Hillsboro threw at the Baptist Church Sunday is said open their homes to the delegates and to have been one of the most effective heard in that city.

> Rev. J. W. Fort did a magnificent his people and he led them wisely many conversions and accession

Rev. J. F. Tyson was the banner W. E. Hawkins, of Fort Worth, was worker for the Advocate and received work also

Rev. John R. Morris leaves a fine Bishop Mouzon spent a day or so plant for his successor at Hillsboro. buildings we have seen. And he has built up his congregation also. Hillsboro is to the front in the Central Texas Conference.

The two Chappell brothers, the one Dr. C. M. Bishop is now a member at Fifth Street, Waco, and the other our popular and efficient Sunday School Secretary.

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Bishop McCoy captured the brethren and the community. His warm heart, his brotherly manner, his ease in the chair, his polite bearing, his prominent part in the proceedings, addresses and his preaching made him These intelligent laymen add much no effort to make himself agreeable a general favorite. Yet he put forth It was just as natural with him as Among the many others of them is breathing. He is just in his rulings. F. F. Downs, of Temple, who takes clear in his judgments, impartial in clear in his judgments, impartial in much interest in the Mission Board his presidency and companionable in ork.

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Rev. Hoyt L. Dobbs, D.D., came to well-trained and a well-balanced head

Mrs. Molly Cox, widow of the late Rev. Fred Cox. of the old North Texas comparatively, but a great preacher She is also the mother of Rev. Ethalotes

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more Cox. Everybody knows and reveres "Aunt Molly," and we venture the assertion that more people shook hands with her than with any other one person at the conference. She was the guest of her kinspeople, Dr. and Mrs. Vaughan, and she enjoyed every moment of the session. The business end of the Advocate force

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business end of the Advocate force are indebted to her for some delightful courtesies, for she did not forget the Advocate. Her sainted husband was one of the most influential and popular members of the old North Texas Conference. We are glad to say that her health is good and she is bright and cheerful.

### HONOR ROLL CENTRAL TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Hutto and Round Rock-Rev. J. E. Matlock.

Although only one charge from the Central reported every subscriber paid, it was not the fault of the pastors but the conditions. The publishers appreciate to the full the efforts put forth by the preachers of the Central Texas Conference under such

trying circumstances.

Rev. H. C. Bowman, of Talpa, lacked only one of reporting every subscriber paid.

Rev. S. G. Thompson, of Dublin Sta-tion, lacked only three of reporting in full. Bro. Thompson is a new man among us, but works for the Advocate like an old Texan.

The Central Texas Conference al-ways stands by the Advocate and they did heroic work for it this year. Even with a large deficit in their salaries and the conference collections in arrears, the Advocate was not side-tracked nor neglected. The preachers appreciate the Advocate and they stood by it nobly. To mention those who did good work would be to mention nearly every member of the conference.

### BISHOP MOUZON IN DALLAS.

Last Saturday Bishop Mouzon dropped down from Oklahoma and spent Sunday in Dallas. We heard him preach a fine sermon at the morning service at First Church; and he had a very full congregation. His sermon was good to the use of edifying. At night he preached to a large audience at Oak Lawn and left early Monday morning to be at the closing session of the Central Conference. At an early day the Bishop will move his family to Dallas in order to be in closer touch with Southern Methodist University work. He is devoting his spare time to this great interest.

Rev. P. R. Knickerbocker, of the East Oklahoma Conference, has been transferred to the North Texas Conference.

Rev. Hayes Howell, of Tulia, says he has just closed a great revival in which thirty united with the Methodist Church and ten united with other

### THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE preaching. MINUTES.

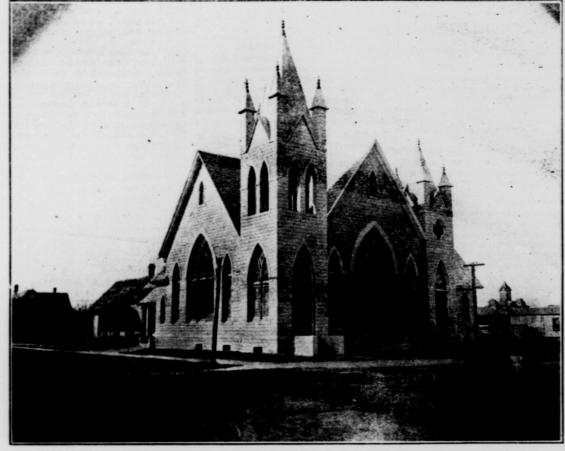
Rev. J. H. Groseclose, editor of the West Texas Conference minutes, is a lightning express editor. The cone in the prohibition column Saturday, November 14. For the first time in lightning express editor. The cone in the c ference had not been adjourned two decided for prohibition by a majority weeks until he was distributing the printed minutes among the members of the conference. And it is a beautiand the voters won. On with the batfully embossed piece of work with a tle! miniature cut of the capitol building at Austin on the back. The rest of the work is neat, artistic and up-to-page 2, appears a well-prepared article by Mrs. Howard T. Fewell, of copy of the document before us and a more beautiful piece of work we "The Parents' Responsibility to the have not seen. We congratulate the Child in the Sunday School." By reconference upon having such an experitions college and one so painstakers of the property of the article, as peditious editor and one so painstaking and accurate. Brother Groseclose it appears in the paper, the word
is the presiding elder of the San An'Pastors' was used instead of "Partonio District and one of the most aggressive workers in his conference. Fewell's article, turn to that issue and
But he comes from old Holston, and you will find that she has gone right

The Methodist Episcopal Church
has twenty-two effective Bishops, besides eight in the foreign fields.

Dr. D. L. Mumpower, of WemboNiama Africa reports that during the peditious editor and one so painstak- error in the heading of the article, a that may account for some things.

The new West Texas Conference Journal places the University Metho- Home Missions, called Tuesday. Docdist Church at Austin in the lead of tor Moore is certainly an optimist. all the charges in that conference. We are cheered by The statistical tables show that this a rapid pace. We hardly hear of his meeting at First Church, Atlanta. Church collected \$2112.00 more than being in Virginia when we see him any other charge during the year. She in Texas and before we can tell about added thirty-five more members than any other charge. She led the Enworth League membership by eightytwo and the amounts contributed by Rev. L. S. Barton has been transLeagues by \$546.00. Her Sunday ferred from the North Texas Conferprincipal address at the opening of the our new university at Atlanta, through other charge by ninety-four. This Church has added thirty-one members since conference and is preparing for Parton has faithfully labored among another great year.

The Advocate Honor Roll for 1914 will be the charges and pastors who will be the charges and pastors who versity. His wife, formerly seems to have been a last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have been a last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly were the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly seems to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and with the versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity to have the people of Dahas on last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and will be versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity to have the people of Dahas on Last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and will be versity. His wife, formerly we will be versity to have the people of Dahas on Last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and will be versity to have the people of Dahas on Last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and will be versity to have the people of Dahas on Last sunday, No-bury need conferences in 1792 and will be versity to have the people of Dahas on Last su making report either at conference or



WHERE THE TEXAS CONFERENCE IS IN SESSION.

The above is the picture of our commodious and well-arranged church, Bay City, Texas, where the Seventy-fifth session of Texas Conference is now being held, under the presidency of Bishop McCoy. Rev. James F. Carter is the conference host. At the General Conference held in Baltimore, Maryland, in May, 1840, the Texas mission territory was constituted as the Texas Conference. It took organic form at the old historic town of Rutersville, Texas. Not until the General Conference of 1844 was this conference molested, when the Texas Conference, together with the Red River Mission territory, became the Texas and East Texas Conferences. At its organization in 1840, the Texas Conference had thirty itinerants, forty-eight local preachers and 3625 members. Its seventy-fourth session, held in Nacogdothes, November 26, 1914, under the presidency of Bishop Mouzon, and Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss as Secretary, they reported 223 itinerants, 180 local preachers and 74,314 members. In three quarters of a century of organic life, the Texas Conference has gained an average each year of nearly three itinerants, nearly two local preachers, and 955 members. Thus it appears that the old historic Texas has added nearly 1000 every year of its existence for seventy-five years. It is to be devoutly hoped that the present session will be marked by the old-time record.

# **PERSONALS**

dist Church and ten united with other Churches. Brother Howell did the

Another county in Texas swept into

to the heart of the subject.

Dr. John M. Moore, Secretary of Vanderbilt University. it he is in Tennessee. This time, however, he will remain in Texas some weeks.

ence to Tulsa, one of the leading stations in the East Oklahoma Conference. For twenty-one years Brother us. He has served in every capacity with great success. From the pre-



REV. JAMES F. CARTER.

# Our Church News

Philadelphia is said to be the larg-

land to assist in Christian work the The distance from the village of two thousand Y. M. C. A. members Wembo-Niama, one-half mile. who are bearing arms in the European

making report either at conference or is the President of their Woman's on Wednesday. He is moving his of Wesleyana and other Methodist which the present day finds you, and of the charge belongs on that roll. Texas regret their loss.

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warmest welcome. During this month he will visit the conferences in Arkansas and Oklahoma, in the interest of Southern Methodist University.

Of the sixty Methodist preachers is also battling for his country as a all other points, save one, he spoke private soldier. Thus does cruel war through an interpreter. He thus writes array Christian against Christian.

The largest Sunday School in the world is said to be that of the Disciworld is said to be that of the Disci-ples Church in Canton, Ohio, with an ously but properly called an interrupenrollment of 6000. In this school ter. one class of men and women has a live membership of 1800 and another class of men only a membership of 600.

Bishop Morrison is giving his undivided time to the Church in Arkansas now, preparatory to holding the ensu-ing sessions of the North Arkansas and ten minutes at a time and listen in Little Rock Conferences, which meet odism than has he.

One of the most interesting questhe division of the conference. The last General Conference ordered a division, but fixed no boundary lines.

was formerly a lawyer, and later, for first quarter of the year, 300 medinineteen years, was a professor in cal and seventy five dental cases were treated. This is good news from the heart of Africa where our own Bishop Dr. H. M. Du Bose, whom all Texas Lumbuth, the born missionary, is ope We are cheered by his smiling face. young people remember graciously, rating. The size of our mission grant The conferences keen him moving at reports many conversions in his late in the Congo is 1185 feet by 800 feet. Included in the grant is a path leading from the Mission ground 1167 feet by Dr. John R. Mott has gone to Hol- 47 feet. The total area is 221/2 acres

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Bishop H. C. Morrison delivered the Charleston, W. Va., has presented to the spiritual realms. new administration and girl's dormi- Rev. G. W. Banks, pastor of our First of Henderson-Brown Church at Charleston, a gavel made College, Arkadelphia, Ark., on No- from wood of the Rehoboth Church, vember 12.

No- from wood of the Rehoboth Church, enjoy the conspicuousness of the near Union, W. Va. This church was built in 1786 and was the first Metho-After a strenuous tour on the Pa- dist Church erected west of the Alle- consequence whether the world residing eldership he became a Comcific coast, and after delighting the ghany Mountains. In it Bishop Asgards us highly or not, or even
missioner for Southern Methodist Unipeople of Dallas on last Sunday, Nobury held conferences in 1792 and whether it takes any notice of us at
versity. His wife, formerly Miss vember 15, Bishop Mouzon left this 1793. This is a most valuable and all, so long as God is pleased with tonio, his recent home and Bay City, torical collection of our university, praises, what are men?" Lawn Methodism will lose much. She where the Texas Conference meets which is one of the richest collections best in the precise environment in

# **GET RID OF HUMORS** AND AVOID SICKNESS

Humors in the blood cause internal derangements that affect the whole system, as well as pimples, boils and other eruptions, and are responsible for the readiness with which many people contract disease.

For forty years Hood's Sarsaparilla has been more successful than any other medicine in expelling humors and removing their inward and outward effects. Get Hood's. No other medicine acts like it.

letters and manuscripts of John Wesley, Charles Wesley, Fletcher of Madely, Adam Clarke, Joseph Benson, Thomas Coke, Lady Huntington, Top-lady, Cennick, Edward Perronet, and others and many other rare objects of historic interest.

The following is a taken from the Alabama Advocate just before Bishop McCoy left for Texas. It is a note from the North Alabama Conference and will meet with hearty endorse ment among the brethren of Texas:

"Bishop McCoy's visit was neces sarily brief, because of his having to leave to continue holding the Texas Conferences, but was much enjoyed, and he by request delivered two ex-cellent addresses. He is exceedingly popular among Alabamians, of whom he is one himself, and there is at all times a brotherliness about him that causes every preacher to realize afresh the great kinship of the children of God, no matter in what particular place they labor. There is a heart touch, and a soul touch, about him that ties men to him, and one of the very greatest compliments that was ever written about him was when it was said of him by a prominent man in another State, 'He has never yet found out that he is a Bishop.' There was a tremendous amount of affectionate and vital meaning in that expression. He is at all times the brother—the warm hearted co-laborer, and therein is found one of the reasons why he is so much beloved wherever he goes."

Bishop James Atkins is now making his tour of our mission fields in the far East. His latest letter is from Karinzawa, the great Japanese sum-mer resort, where our missionaries in Germany, more than thirty are said to be in the army. The President of lowlands. There he spoke to a great the Wesleyan Conference of France audience in the English tongue. At of that method among those peoples: "All the rest of my public speaking except on one other occasion has been I find that this method of de livery does not prove at all becoming to my style of oratory. Those long interstices give too much oppor-tunity for the fervor to leak out and for the accumulated moral force of the discourse to evaporate. To stand stock-still for periods of from five to terestedly to your partner in distress November 18 and 25, respectively. No while he presumably tells the audi-Bishop has rendered a more willing ence what you have been trying to and helpful service to Arkansas Meth-odism than has be needed inspiration for the remaining parts of the discourse. It reminds one of the shooting of a Roman candle south Carolina Conference is that of much sparkle and splutter between

# A SURPRISE PARTY.

Rev. I. B. Manly and Mrs. Manly were delightfully surprised by a do-nation or "pounding" party given them last Saturday evening by the members of the North End Methodist Church, of which Rev. Manly is pas The occasion was the fourteenth wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. of both young and old friends of this popular couple, spent a merry even-ing with their host and hostess, whose surprise only added to the pleasure of the affair.-Beaumont Journal.

Those persons who claim never to have any "downs" in their religious Rev. J. E. Bird, D.D., pastor of the life are really persons who have never experienced the real "ups" of

> It is not necessary that we should their spirit. It is not of any special

# Epworth League Department

917 N. Marsalis Ave., Station A, Dallas, Texas,

our borders has blown away. Evil traffic is more under restraint. A steady, reverent hand has been upon the national helm. We give thee devout thanks.

thee, for bread and bed, shelter and raiment, She forgot to take her purse with her, fireside with all its sweets, for love and and had no money in her pocket, friendship, for work and rest, for the rare Presently she met a little girl with a

Brood over those on the fighting line. Restrain low passion. Hear the softly-breathed prayer. Help men to be true to thine inner

Brood over wounded and dving. Bring to their remembrance what they know of Jesus. Brood over the women and children, the weak and aged, homeless, burdened, sore-

Brood over all, at war and in peace, with thy restraining presence. Help men to forgive even as thou dost. Help those in peace to strive mightily in prayer for those at war.

Hasten the coming of peace. Hasten the coming of the Prince of peace. Thy kingdom

+ "Tick," the clock says; "tick, tick, tick;"
What you have to do, do it quick;
Time is flying fast away;
Let us act, and act today.

The above is a good motto for each one to take, individually and collectively.

A letter from Miss Zimmerman, League editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, expresses her appreciation of the Texas Christian Advocate and of the work of Mr. Thomasson as former League editor of it. We are glad to get in touch with the League editors

into darkest Africa, and we await with confidence the result of their endeavors,"

## ATTENTION, FIRST DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS.

Presidents. We are far into the second quar- change. ter and if we expect to accomplish great things this conference year, we must get to work. Please write now.

JAMIE WEBSTER.

114 N. 17th St., Paris, Texas.

Editor confident that the study last year in a fine Roberts Avenue Church, Beaumont, Texas, is League class which I was privileged to lead still a live member and hard at work. Its brought to many of the members their first records for the past year show that it has real conception of the field for labor and of accomplished very much indeed, and this STATE OFFICERS.

the forces that could be employed in bringing cess is attributed mainly to the good efforts of President-Rev. T. F. Sessions, Corpus Christi, in the kingdom. May its leaders and mem-

censorious habit; the moral loathsomeness of This is not so with the camel. He of an empty, Christless heart."

## BEAUMONT, TEXAS.

We are glad to note that the League of

Superintendent Girls of Epworth—Miss Ollie
Ferguson, Corpus Christi.

Superintendent Knights of Ezelah—J. Richard
Spann, San Marcos.

Chairman Ruby Kendrick Memorial Fund—
Gus W. Thomasson, 5115 Victor St.,
Dallas.

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER IN TIME

People's Society gave \$300.

"I will pray more for the work abroad, and this will help me to reach that higher standard of life which is set forth in some of the lives of the missionaries and native Christians."

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The Tours the League expects to accomplish more in the coming year than in any past years, as officers, members, and all are full of interest in the work. They have changed their meeting night from Sunday at 7:30 p. m. (before preaching) to Wednesday at 8 p. m., this to be during the summer months only. After a brief trial they found it to work well, and, it

A young lady had gone out walking. privileges of prayer and sympathetic service, basket on her arm. "Please, miss. of giving, and of brotherhood with all the will you buy something from my world.

basket?" said the little girl, showing

brute force and the strength of strong dependence on thee.

"you've done me just as much good as if you had. Most persons that I meet say: "Get away with you!" but you have spoken kindly and gently to me, and I feel a deal better." That was "considering the poor." How little it costs to do that! Let us learn to speak kindly and gently to the poor and suffering. If we have nothing else to give. let us at least give them our sympathy.-Selected.

# HAVING ANCESTORS.

Dr. Frank Crane says he hasn't kept track of all his ancestors, but that he is proud of them. Here is the way he

My father and mother each had a father and mother; that is, I had two grandfathers and two grandmothers, which make four.

Each of these four necessarily had a father and mother; so in the as-cending generation I had eight ances-

Calculating in this manner on back for the 56th generation—that is to the time of Christ—the number is of course raised to its 56th power.

Hence, in order to introduce so important a person as I into the world, there has been the co-operation of

W. G. Fletcher. a former missionary to of the great commoner, to any man Cuba. "Immediately following the close of the Spanish-American war the Epworth League entered the Island of Cuba. Within ten years from that time that land was evangelized. Now the content of the spanish and brags about his grandpa being a pidge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges this means that thousands of tourists and several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a judge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a judge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a pidge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a pidge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a pidge. He has nothing on me. I have doubtless had several hundred judges the content of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being a pidge. He has nothing on me. I have being connected at Bristol highway, and the pidge of the great commoner, to any man who points to the picture on his wall and brags about his grandpa being connected at Bristol highway. from that time that land was evangenced doubtless had several number of the Epworth League has gone into a new field. in my life, also many prisoners, attorneys and bailiffs.

all of us have had lots of ancestors. and he is a poor man who did not have someone to be proud of among seems impossible to communicate with them. Some ancestors even of the laeach First Department officer, I take this borer on the street or the section may a letter that the famous hunter left means of begging that you write me imme- have been crowned with laurel way reveals that he left his horse on Roan diately. I want your name. If your League back there in the past. He is not is at work tell me about it. If not I have bragging about it, and we may all something to tell you, so please send me your very well be prouder of what we have name and address at once. This means you. done ourselves than what some of also wish to hear from the District Vice- our forebears may have done .- Ex-

# CURRENTS OF INFLUENCE.

Very shrewdly it was said: "You English people will never be able to pay the debt you owe us for our Gulf Stream. It has been a kind of free EFFECTS OF MISSION STUDY.

"I am so glad to send my little testimony as to the value of mission study. It meant a proader vision in study. It meant

to make the Pacific Coast in its bleak northern borders comfortable. The ocean is full of generous warming conduits. Many lands and many passing vessels on the sea feel the good effects, feel them ever though they do not acknowledge and often do not recognize them. ognize them.

There are sunny natures that have Most of all we thank thee fer our Lord Jesus, who died for us, through whom all things come.

But there is sorest sadness. Our brothers across the sea are at war, never so terrific, Teuton and Celtic brothers, Latin and Slav stopped a moment, and spoke a few knowing it, and without others con-Teuton and Celtic brothers, Latin and Slav stopped a moment, and spoke a few and Mongol. Thou givest gladness. Man's kind words to the little girl, and then use of his freedom has made broken-hearted sadness. With thanksgiving must mingle intense prayer.

We pray for those in authority: restrain, words guide, teach them the weakness of the stopped a moment, and spoke a few knowing it, and without others confessing it, genial currents that warm and refresh in every direction. Get into the system. The sun is the center, but the soul is the channel.—

### TO MARK TRAIL OF DANIEL BOONE.

The Daughters of the American How Revolution are marking the trail of Daniel Boone through Tennessee, by placing suitable stone markers at different points where the great hunter and frontiersman of American history is known to have figured, says the Chattanooga News. The first monument of the kind has just been placed at the foot of the famous beech tree on Bcone's Creek, in Washington County, where Boone carved the immortal inscription in his rude way— "D. Boon cilled bar in tree, 1730."

The blazing of a trail through the try has almost ceased to flow.

Tennessee and Kertington in Europe the war began in Europe the try has almost ceased to flow. Tennessee and Kentucky played no little part in the history of America, for it was by this trail that civiliza-tion marched westward across the American Continent, and to Bcone is given the credit for the courage and fortitude, almost superhuman in its character, that was nocessary to such

The patriotic women will not cease their efforts along this line until durable mileposts have been planted all of the other Advocates.

The richest part of the Church was called upon when the Epworth League was called upon to work in the mission field," said Rev. lower my helmet, to use the language to get in touch with the co-operation of along the memorable noone train.

Other markers are to be placed. Another has already been dedicated at the town of Elizabethton, in Carter to work in the mission field," said Rev. lower my helmet, to use the language Renfroknob, just east of the town of the co-operation of along the memorable noone train. who will come South from New York and the New England States within The fact is, as Dr. Crane points out. the next few years will be able to ill of us have had lots of ancestors. find the "Boone trail" without the slightest trouble. As an evidence that Boone was on the Watauga River at what is now the town of Elizabethton. Creek, and months later returned and found the animal. Roan Creek flows into the Watauga River a few miles east of Elizabethton. The trail of Boone will be followed by the patriotic women who are doing the marking until it is lost in the westward progress of the hardy pioneer.-Exchange

# HOW A CAMEL IS SHOD.

A camel is a very wise beast. Although its feet are covered with natural pads or layers of thick skin, blisters sometimes form, and these "I am so glad to send my little testimony as to the value of mission study. It meant a broader vision in student days and was one influence in determining my life work. I am sources here and there. Japan helps while the trouble is being corrected.

cooking down on people; the maddening ache simply lies down when a long journey has caused his foot to blister and nothing will persuade him to move. In this way the camel driver knows that something is wrong, and he im-mediately looks around to find the blister. This has to be done with caution, for the camel strenuously objects to having its feet touched. When blister is located, four or five of the strongest men in the caravan Secretary-Treasury—J. W. Pitman, Corpus and devotion."

"A very large increase. Some members of Dean of the Encampment—Rev. Glenn Flinn, Bryan.

Bryan.

Junior Superintendent—Miss Pearl Wallace, 209 E. Tenth St., Dallas.

Superintendent Girls of Epworth—Miss Ollie Ferguson, Corpus Christi.

Superintendent Knights of Ezelah—J. Richard Spann, San Marces.

Superintendent Knights of Ezelah—J. Richard Spann, San Marces. suddenly rush upon the camel when leather that is used in the shoeing process is made from the camel skin. of life which is set forth in remarkable that the missionaries and native Christians."

"It was wonderful how the young people began to pray in our mission study class."

OF WAR.

By Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gordon.

Our Father: In this hour of gladness and active the cankering sore of set was turn anew to thee.

It is a time of gladness. The earth has admess we turn anew to thee, given us grain and fruit in overflowing full- a twisted, self-centered life; the writing ser- self-absorption; the sting of nourished grandges, and a fault-ness. Thy rainbow promise has been kept pents of envy and venomous dislikes; the person could stand, the neighbors being companded self-look, and simply rail of nourished grandges, and a fault-ness. Thy rainbow promise has been kept pents of envy and venomous dislikes; the pents of

### MAN WITH ALL THE COUNTRIES.

Phillip Nolan was a "man without country" but the man we propose to speak about is a man with more than even one country. This man is Woodrow Wilson, the President of the United States. As far as we re-member, no chief executive of the United States has had as much to contend with as he has had in the duration of his service. The Mexico trouble that was on hand during two trouble that was on hand during two administrations before him. he has had to settle. The Panama Canal, the San Francisco Exposition, the tariff and currency questions, averting a possible railroad strike that would likely have included eighty or more railroad lines, trouble with Janean control of California. pan over the California alien land question, the European war and other things we do not now call to mind. On top of all these things he has had to give up his bosom companion, the one who has stood by him in the thickest of battles. Added to this, two of his three children have married, leaving only one to be with him where before there were four. Certainly he has had a great load to bear up under. Where was ever a braver man under such conditions? Where was ever a man that has stay-ed closer to his work? Certainly his purpose has been to serve his country and all the world must admire such a character.—Central Methodist.

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# Woman's Department

communications in the interest of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society should be sent to Mrs.

Milton Ragsdale, care Texas Christian Advocate, Dallas, Texas.

### CRESSON AUXILIARY.

Our Cresson Auxiliary is still a live society her sorrowful plight! and has done fine work the past two years. Young People's Society, I am, Our faithful women have put a nice piano in the church and paid for it this year and in every way tried to look well to the needs of their pastor and family. The pastor's wife To the Indian Creek Young People's Society: The faint-flushed clouds were listening to the was given a nice linen shower and shall ever Dear Friends: I will tell you a little about cherish the true spirit of love and kindness my brief itinerary on the 6th of July to the which prompted the donors, and as conference village Shamba, some four miles to the north drew near these same faithful women gave of our compound. My personal boy, Lembetheir pastor a fine suit of clothes. Truly it lembe, and the evangelist, Mudimbi, accomshould be a pleasure to serve such good wom- panied me. Our path, not much used, soon

Voice is in our midst and is a great helper. The hymn book in his side coat pocket was The Women's Home Missionary District soaked. Conference of Cleburne District will meet at Going on out of the forest into tall grass

Cresson, Texas.

### OUR CONGO MISSION.

reached me from our newest mission field— at night. Several such charmed spots were Africa. As all of our Methodist people are in- seen on this trip. terested in our work in the Congo I feel like sharing these splendid "pen pictures" with it unlike the villages located on important the readers of the Advocate.

Miss Cora Posey, Leader Indian Creek Young People's Society, Texas, U. S. A. My Dear Miss Posey:

I have read with much interest the account you gave relative to the activities of the Inn Creek (Tex.) Young People's Society, and noted that you are taking up the study of Africa. Perhaps the enclosed copy, giving an account of a little itinerary, may be of interest to your group.

Congo Mission on February 12 of this year, departed the next day, leaving the paddle wheels splashing water with much trepidation, like a ship with no experienced pilot at the

The industrial work shows three dwelling houses (later to be used for kitchens), three sheds for brick-making, a carpenter shop, a cow shed, a house for storing supplies, a hospital, a home for the seven boys now in training for evangelistic work, and a church large enough to hold about eight hundred per-

140 patients each month.

In the line of evangelism one native evangelist conducts the daily sunrise prayer meet-

The school attendance is about sixty, bereceived from the printers at Luebo, the Pres-byterian station, and the press is now at work

We passed from the printers at Luebo, the Press-byterian station, and the press is now at work byterian station, and the press is now at work on a second reader and catechism. Some chapters of the Old and New Testaments have been translated and from 1500 to 2000 words.

We passed from one little group of houses to another until we reached the home of the chapters of the Old and New Testaments have been translated and from 1500 to 2000 words. been translated and from 1500 to 200 and expressions are listed. As a rule these people are quite eager to be taught. Some of them have learned to read and write in less than two months with instruction only two hours a week. At worship they bow their heads on taking their seats in the church, listen quietly and respectfully to the preaching and sing such hymns as "Onward Christian Soldiers" with a vim. For the Sunday collection they bring salt or a portion of their

The principal food grown by these people consists of millet, rice, cowpeas, sweet potatoes, peanuts, manioe root and such fruits as kept in the background at first, but perceiving bananas, plantations (resembling long bananas), that our visit was a friendly one they venpine apples and paipais (resembling muskmelons but growing on trees). Men make the rice fields by clearing the forests on hill sides or in marshes, but women clear away the grass and prepare the ground for other reals though the men may help to plant the

Seed is scattered on the unplowed or spaded Seed is scattered on the unplowed or spaced God. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing ground and then dirt is hoed over it. Women by the Word of God." are expected to do all the harvesting and prethe food from the grain. A mother carries her young baby to the fields and place it unclothed upon the ground to amuse itself by eating grass or dirt while she cultivates the crops with a short handle hoe. The status of woman is summed up in the word "nyomi," signifying not only mother but dirti-

ness, uncleanliness and the like. Pity, pity

With best wishes to the Indian Creek Very cordially yours,

C. C. BUSH.

en. We want to tell just here of the kindness entered a forest and then to my discomfort of our Acton ladies-though not members of was substituted by a winding stream of water this society they possess its same spirit. Be-which was of no embarrassment to the unsides the many other things which found their clothed natives. Mudimbi offered to carry me way to the parsonage home a nice box of and I consented with the expectation of the linen found its way also. Our kind-hearted path leaving the stream at the next bend of Fall Creek ladies pieced and quilted their past the crooked course. On and on he carried tor a beautiful friendship quilt as their exme, stooping often to keep my head free from
pression of love and appreciation. Our society
the low hanging vines and jungle growth, findis fortunate in having Mrs. S. G. Lemmons
for our President, as she is indeed faithful
became wet to the waist while perched upon his back, feeling his way with bare feet among We have two meetings each month—one water covered roots and snags until the dis-ousiness, the other social. The Missionary tance of more than half a mile was traversed.

Cresson next year, which will be a great in-spiration to our society, we are sure. and scattered trees we came to a path leading into ours, and saw a smooth place on the We wish for every auxiliary in our beloved ground about four feet long and the width of Methodism a great year of good things, spiraman's bare foot. I was informed that it is itually and financially. itually and financially.

MRS. A. E. WATFORD,

Press Reporter.

Press Reporter.

"leopard medicine" put on the ground
travelers rubbing their feet there would not be
caught by these much dreaded beasts. My personal boy, Lembelembe, being in the lead proceeded to rub his feet on the ground when he reached the spot. His confidence in this The following interesting letters have just induce him to be willing to travel this path

We reached the village Shamba and found Wembo, Niama, Congo Belge, Africa, Par palms and high grass. The houses are circu-Lusambo, care A. P. C. M., Aug. 29, 1914. lar, walls three feet high, no wind ney, but smoke to go out at the eaves; roof conical in shape and made of palm fronds thathed with grass. Three or four houses face an open clean swept circle making a common yard, and tall stalks of banana plants surround an open clean swept circle making a common yard, and tall stalks of banana plants surround the houses in the rear. In the yard a bundle of vines is ready for the process of pounding and extracting rubber; and a bundle of raffia palm is being peeled by bending the upper Bishop W. R. Lambuth having set in motion end over the index finger, cutting with a south the machinery of our Methodist Episcopal through the inner fiber and peeling the thin the machinery of our Methodist Episcopal through the inner fiber and peeling the thin the machinery of our Methodist Episcopal through the inner fiber and peeling the thin the machinery of this year, strip of raffia from the outer side of the palm

As we approached the village the oldest inhabitant, wearing an inadequate breech cloth, tattered and soiled but nevertheless his "only Sunday best," was sweeping the yard with a bunch of stiff grass. On offering him one of the hymns, which we had previously type "mukanda" which he evidently considered as bad medicine for him.

A little boy standing by took it gladly. On finding the old man's name to be Sumbo I wrote it on a leaf of my note book, which he was still afraid to touch. Then I wrote his name in the sand and told Mudimbi to gelist conducts the daily sunrise prayer meetings and the Sunday services in our comdound, while another evangelist holds similar services in a nearby village. About thirty are being trained in a catechumen class.

The school attendance is about sixty, be
The school attendance is about sixty, be-

> middle aged man, wearing a cloth in the man ner of a skirt and held in place by a few folds at the waist, soon made his appearance with his court officials, some more than six feet tall and armed with long knives. gave the chief a booklet of fourteen hymns in Batetela and passed around a dozen copies of "Onward Christian Soldiers," which we sung to the manifest delight of our audience.

> Then our evangelist, Mudimbi, talked to the people and arranged to return every Monday and teach them the principles of Christian liv-

The women and girls were quite shy and tured near, and on our leaving they came running after us in the path to say "muoyo!" In appreciation of my visit the chief gave me

We returned by a longer path with less water to wade and left these people waiting for the next privilege of hearng the Word of

"The restless millions wait
The Light whose dawning
Maketh all things new.
Christ also waits,
But men are slow and late.
Have we done what we could?
Have I? Have you?"

C. C. BUSH. .

THE SONG OF AN HUMBLE LIFE.

Old Michael Oaktree lay dying. He was only an ordinary old man of 80 years, a labor ing man who is taking leave of his aged wife who sits in the twilight of that summer even ing. Of all our poets none ever sang sweeter than Alfred Noyes. He touched the human chord. What sweeter note could there be than his recounting of the farewell of old Michael as he takes leave of his aged companion? Beginning with a beautiful \*descrip tion of evening, the poem speaks for itself:

It was the quiet hour before the sun Gathers the clouds to prayer, and silently Utters his benediction on the waves That whisper round the deathbed of the day.

tale
The sea tells to the sunset with one sigh,
The last white wistful seabird sought for

peace, And the last fishing boat stole o'er the bar. And fragrant grasses, murmuring a prayer, Bowed all together to the holy west. Bowed all together thro' the golden hush, The breathing hush, the solemn, scented hush; The holy, holy hush of eventide.

He had retained his childhood. Death for him Had no more terror than his bed. He walked With wind and sunlight like a brother, glad, Glad of their companionship and mutual aid. We, toilers after truth, are weaned too soon From carth's dark arms and naked, barbarous breast.

We pass our lives in most laborious idleness, For we have lost the meaning of the world; We have gone out into the night too soon; We have mistaken all the means of grace And overrated our small power to learn, And the years move so swiftly over us; We have so little time to live in worlds Unrealized and unknown realms of joy.

He seemed a part
Of all that he believed in. He had lived
In constant conversation with the sun.
The wind, the silence and the heart of peace;
In absolute communion with the Power
That rules all action and all tides of thought,
And all the secret courses of the stars;
The power that still establishes on earth
Desire and worship, through the radiant lanes
Of duty, love and beauty.

At last I tapped and entered, and was drawn Into the bedroom of the dying man. Who lay, propped up with pillows, quietly Gazing; for, through his open casement, far Beyond the whispers of the gilly-flowers He saw the mellow light of eventide Hallow the west once more; and, as he gazed, I think I never saw so great a peace On any human face. There was no sound Except the slumbrous pulsing of a clock, The whisper of the garden and, far off. The sacred consolation of the sea. His wife sat at his bedside; she had passed Her eightieth year; her only child was dead. She had been wedded more than sixty years, And she sat gazing with the man she loved Quietly, out into that unknown deep.

Then Michael Oaktree took his wife's thin

WHY SHOULD LIGHT COME FROM THE LEFT SIDE?

The well known fact that, when using the eyes for any near work, the illumination should come from the left side rather than the right is often disregarded. Let anyone who con-siders the matter of little importance once demonstrate to himself the dif-ference and he will never forget it. Take a pencil and paper and try to write while in such a position that the light will fall from the right side. The written on slips of paper, he put both hands light will fall from the right side. The behind him and refused to touch this shadow of the hand or pencil or both is thrown on the paper in such a way as partly to cover the characters one is making. This necessitates a closer viewpoint and a conscious strain on the eyes. Now let the position of the writer be reversed so that the light falls on the work from the left side. He will notice that the shadows fall away from the work he is doing and leaves the field unobscured. In making the change he cannot help but notice the feeling of ease that immediately is experienced by the eyes. This applies to any other kind of near The school attendance is about sixty, besides afternoon instruction for our workmen. The Batetela language is being put into writing by the help of the two evangelists. A small hymn book and first reader have been received from the printers at Luebo, the Presence of the printers at Luebo, the Presence of the second of the printers at Luebo, the Presence of the second of the printers at Luebo, the Presence of the second of the printers at Luebo, the Presence of the second of schoolrooms, workrooms, office and

> "Then, too, Thanksgiving cures covetousness. It magnifies our little things till we fail to wish for the great things of others. It is the quintessence of contentment; and contentment joined to pure, practical good-ness is the acme of all life. And just such an acme of life is within the reach of every lowly heart that will trust God fully."

"We thank Thee for thy bounteous love: We would recall from whence has

come The constant care, the blessings So free, we cannot count the sum."

This festive day brings joyous reunions and pleasant greetings; the table is loaded with flush autumn cheer; it is a time to banish anxiety and sadness, to revel in all the good things of life. But this thoughtless, indifferent stage does not always continue. Later on there comes a consciousness that gratitude is due Someone for the countless blessings bestowed. This dawning consciousness often awakes feelings of thank-fulness, not considered before.

WEALTH THE GREAT.

The mighty voice of Wealth the Great Is heard through the land Proclaiming bold command: Let schools their mother-Churches hate; And Christian faith and truth The ready heart of youth And open mind not satiate.

Let Churches be content to know Their day of grace is past, I, I have seen at last A vision which I wish to show To youth aspiring high: A Christ rejected, nigh His end of triumph as my foe.

The Spirit of the South replies:
The Christ, let it be known,
As Lord of all I own:
When school or church or wealth denies
The living Christ his place,
Or seeks him to disgrace,
My indignation can but rise.

Both science, art and literature Religion's children are To cherish and admire. In love parental all secure. Who, in an atmosphere. Of Christian faith, appear Man's good most able to assure.

Egyptian court could not impart,
With wealth of nation fraught
And wisdom's learning taught,
The dauntless spirit and the heart,
By burning bush awoke.
Which bands of thralldom broke
And led the captive slaves apart.

Rabbinic wisdom was content
To dress in world-renown
And wear provincial crown.
Till near Damascus Heaven lent
A voice by wisdom heard.
In wisdom new life stirred.
To world-wide service wisdom sent.

From Oxford once pure Learning went
To home on Aldersgate.
There met a life-long mate.
There wedded Faith in Christ. God-sent,
Then England, first inclined
To scoff, became resigned,
Then found it needful to repent.

The urgent need of youth I plead: A mind by wisdom taught:
A mind by wisdom taught:
And skilled in ways of thought;
A heart that ever feels the need
Of Christ to satisfy
And drive away thereby
The money changers with their creed.

Since Methodism's greatest school
For million in pure gold
Her heritage has sold:
And loathing Church she did befool.
Without a blush of shame
Reproached her very name
And disavowed all mother-rule.

I urge upon the people all
Who love the Christ denied,
Who love the Church, his bride,
On God in humbleness to call,
With hope and faith to see
Much greater things to be,
For guidance and for help withal.

Both from the liberality
Of all the many poor,
And the abundance sure
Of all the rich—whoso can see
The fullest need of youth,
The danger great to truth
All stripped of Christianity.

I seek for mammon that shall be A ready servant near To serve with filial cheer The highest end of destiny Of body, mind and soul, Of man, a triune whole. For time and for eternity.

ESTIL A. TOWNSEND. Talihina, Okla.

# SUDDEN DEATHS IN A SILO.

A recent fatal accident in Ohio

calls attention to a danger to farmers which cannot be too widely circula-ted. Since 1875, when the first American silo was built by Dr. Man-ley Miles, this method of preserving forage for livestock has been generfirst ally adopted. Although the Department of Agriculture has frequently called attention to the danger of carbon dioxid gas accumulating in silos under certain conditions, no fatalities have been reported heretofore. On the morning of September 19, four workmen on the farm of the Athens, O., State Hospital, ascended the laider on the outside of a silo to an open door about twelve feet from the top and jumped down one after another onto the silage, the top of which was about six feet below the door. About five minutes after, two other work men following them found them un conscious. Although a large force of workmen were immediately sum-moned and the bodies of the four men removed at once through a lower door, the physicians of the hospital who were at once on the ground were enable to resuscitate any of the four Evidently the carbon dioxid and forming a layer of carbon dioxid gas six feet deep. Such accidents, says The Journal of the American Medical Association, might easily be repeated on any modern farm. Agriculture journals should call the attention of the farmers to this dan-ger and should urge that silos be carefully ventilated before being en-

Benjamin Franklin, statesman and philosopher, once said: "A Bible and to book the order. If you want it in a newspaper in every house, a school a hurry the machine can be appreciated as they merit, are the principal support of virtue, morality, you, at once.

and civil liberty. He who shall inhouse in every district, all studied and troduce into public affairs the principles of primitive Christianity will change the face of the world."—Christian Standard.

## PURE THOUGHTS.

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-C. F. WRIGHT. Gainesville, Texas.

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[No. 278.]

Department of Insurance and Banking, State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, October 22, 1914.

To All Whom It May Concern: This is to certify, That the Humboldt Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Penn., has in all respects fully complied with the laws of rexas as conditions precedent to its doing business in this State, and I have issued to said Company a Certificate of Authority from this office entitling it to do business in this State for the year ending the 28th day of February, 1915.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Austin, Texas, the date first above written.

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Captain von Moller of the German cruiser Emden, which was attacked by the Australian cruiser Sydney and driven ashore on the Cocos Island, where she burned, and Prince Island, where she burned and Prince Island Islan

A new ruling by Solicitor Johnson, of the Treasury, will require payment of the stamp tax on all loans of building and loan associations throughout the United States. It is said to affect more than 6400 association, having nearly 3,000,000 members and handling annually about \$1,750,000,000. The opinion of the Solicitor differs from the present as and the of Spanish War days is held by loan association officers in Washington to be identical. It is probable an effort will be made by the associations to fight the present construction of the law. The language of the act is point follows: "That stock and bonds issued by co-operative building and sociations, or companies that make loans only to their shareholders, shall be exempted from the tax herein provided." Solicitor Johnston and the solicitor share no exemption except for their son held that under this provision love associations have no exemption except for their son held that under this provision love associations have no exemption except for their

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Henry Pope, president of a large knitting mill in the East, in an article in the Dry Goods Reporter, says: "Shipping of vast quantities of cotton abroad in payment of foreign obligations is not good business judgment. We should and could pay those obligations in the high priced grains and breadstuffs and manufactured products, of which Europe is in urgent need. They will come to us for them later, even to a greater

which developed the frenzy of the war.

The ten railroads being sued by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas for alleged excess overcharges on cattle shipments, amounting to a total of \$147,857.33, will have to fight the suit individually instead of collectively, according to a decision of Iudee E. R. Meek of the United States District Court at Fort Worth.

Palo Pinto County voted prohibition by 284 majority. This is the first time in eighteen vears this county has been dry. Santo, Brazos, Mingus, Strawn, Gordon and Lyra have saloons. Mineral Wells precinct saloons will have the co-opgration of the Department of Labor in the work.

J. C. Jones, trustee in bankruptcy of the Southern States Court for the Northern District of Texas against John W. Wright and Reagan P. Wofford, seeking to recover alleged surious interest charged in a loan to the cotton corporation and a final payment made on a note which plaintiff claims was illegal because it had the effect of making the defendants preferred creditors. On the first count of his suit plaintiff asks Mingus, Strawn, Gordon and Lyra have saloons will

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\$45,394.45, the total penalties being \$51,222.25. At the time of the transaction involved Mr. Wright was president and Mr.
Wofford easher of the Commonwealth National Bank. The petition filed sets out that on April 14, 1913, the Southern States Cotton Corporation made a note payable to itself for \$62,500 with interest at the rate of ten per cent, indorsing the note in blank, upon which the defendants loaned the corporation \$50,000. The note was run four months. On August 21 of the same year, plaintiff alleges the defendants demanded and received \$37,519.40 as part payment of the note. The balance was renewed in the sum of \$25,000 at eight per cent and on October 27 defendants demanded and received the sum of \$25,394.45, the \$394.45 being interest at eight per cent. The delendants, planntiff alleges in his petition, "charged the grossly excessive and usurcous sum of \$12,500, or interest at the rate of seventy-five per cent per annum" for the loan. Recovery of deuble the amount of the alleged usury, or \$25,827.80, accordingly is prayed for.

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### CONFERENCE NOTICES.

### NORTH TEXAS.

By the time this issue of the Advocate reaches you all the assignments for homes will have been made. Please do not make further special requests. Ample time has been given and we are compelled to close the lists. You will receive your conterence reteriory just as soon as it comes from the printer.

E. L. EGGER.

Rev. R. G. Mood, presiding elder of the Sherman District, is advised by W. G. Crush, general passenger agent of the M., K. & T. Ry., that reduced rates to the North Texas Conference at Denison have been refused by the Texas General Passenger Agents to whom the matter was submitted at their recent conference.

### BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

That our brethren may understand things as ey are, we ask the Advocate to give us space That our brethren may understand things as they are, we ask the Advocate to give us space to inform them. The already accumulated applications for help, and others to come, prove the needs of our churches and parsonages in the North Texas Conference. The total for donations asked this far has reached the thousands already. Unless our brethren collect the money the board will be unable to do much for the applicants this year. Last year 77 per cent of the assessment was paid which inconvienced the board very much.

The minutes of the North Texas Conference for 1913 show that many of the brethren put the shortage on the benevolences to the Church Extension assessment.

Brethren, do not lay all of the calamity to our charge.

Acting Secretary Church Extension Boar

Preachers of McKinney District.

The standing rule of the conference requires that all preachers turn their reports into the hands of the auditor on the first day of conference. I will of necessity observe this rule; so, brethren, please take notice.

GUY F JONES, Auditing Committee.

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The class of the third year will please meet the committee in the First Baptist Church, Denison, Tuesday, December 1, at 9 a. m. Those who have certificates from the Summer School of Theology or from Vanderbilt University, will please get them in the hands of the committee not later than Tuesday evening.

W. F. BRYAN,
S. M. BLACK,
S. C. RIDDLE,
Committee.

Remember that in making your reports to the conference that the new blanks must be used. Hand your report on the first day of the session to your District Auditor, who is responsible for all of the statistics of his district. The Statistical Secretary only landles the totals after the District Auditor has tabulated the statistics of his district.

# The District Auditors Are:

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I have been transferred to the Los Angeles Conference and have asked Rev. L. D. Shawver, Krum, Texas, to act as Secretary of the Board of Church Extension until the meeting of our conference. All communications will therefore be addressed to him.

(Signed)

J. H. GRIFFIN.
Sec. N. Tex. Conf. Bd. Ch. Ex.

Will our reports to the approaching conference be on blanks formally used, or those ordered by the late General Conference? Annawer, some one who has authority to speak, and spare us trouble later.

D. F. FULLER.

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The class of the second year. North Texas Conference, will meet the committee at the First Baptist Church in Denison, 9:30 a. m.. December 1.

Let the class come prepared for written examination. Those who took the course at the Summer School or the Correspondence Courses will please to have their written sermons at Denison on December 1.

O. S. THOMAS, For Committee.

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Poetry Can in No Case be Inserted. Extra copies of paper containing obitu can be procured if ordered when manuscri sent. Price five cents per copy.

MANN-Rufus G. Mann was born in Salem, Illinois, on July 11, 1858 He came to Texas in 1876 and settled in Dallas County. He ed here two years and went to Williamson County and settled a few miles cast of Georgetown, where he met Miss Belle Mankins, who on January 20, 1881, became his wife. They lived on here until in 1886 when they moved to Hardeman County and settled near Goodlett, Texas, where he answered the st that comes to all, on March 17, 1914. Brother Mann was converted and joined the Church in the summer of 1878, and from that time to the day of his death he lived a con sistent and devoted Christian life. The community in which he has lived since 1886 feels the loss of a true and noble citizen who ever stood for truth and right. The Church to which he belonged feels the loss of a true and valiant soldier of Jesus Christ and a willing hand that ever stood ready to share trials and victories. A place in the home has been left vacant and instead of his presence is grief and deemed saints shall be reunited on that side.

Gounty, Virginia, September 20, 1845, and mistakes, as we are do, died and she sought him as her Savior. "There who died at his home, five miles southwest citizen, a tender and affectionate husband and citizen, a tender and affectionate husband and a loving father. He was the father of eleven a loving father. He was the father of eleven a loving father. Dowd, Harvey and Woodson the day following. After religious the flesh, but after the Spirit." Rom. 8:1. deemed saints shall be reunited on that side. County, Virginia, September 20, 1843, and Ross, and seven girls, two having died in in- services at the family residence and also at Speaking of a misunderstanding that came into fancy, the living are: Mrs. Mark Walkup, the church the Masonic fraternity placed the their mother—Amie, Mae and Elba Mann. To

Brother Woodward had been a member of these and Mrs. Mann the entire community the Methodist Church for forty-nine years—

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Stephens County about twenty years ago and that will help you to carry your sorrow and eighteen years ago was, with his wife and the Lord, doing whatever her hands found to

born eight children, two daughters and six Dupley, he going by the same. Laura, Addie. John, George, Asbury, the same. At the place where the first Church better land. Her loving sister, MRS. BAMA Clarks. Nat and Stephen. Both the daughters was organized there is now no Church, but still preceded their father to the home above. The Sister Boyd lives there and is faithful to her wife and sons survive to mourn the departure vows for God.

The III of Brother Woodward's labors he did of the husband and father, who crossed the "mystic stream" November 2, 1914, at his it all for the glory and honor of God. He home near Charlie, Clay County, Texas. Broth. er Fleming's health had been failing for about twenty years, and for several months during fault and fail in this and that and the other his last days he was not able to be out of he remained steadfast. He is missed at the his room; his was a nervous and kidney trou. Cook's Chapel congregation, of which he was ole, resulting finally in paralysis. In his semi- a member, and the little flock know not how ble, resulting finally in paralysis. In his semi-delerium not long before the end came he was heard repeatedly to speak to his mother who had been in heaven about forty years; also his ther's work and the Church to pray more had been in heaven about forty years; also his ther's work and the Church to pray more had been in heaven about forty years; also his ther's work and the Church to pray more had been in heaven about forty years; also his brother. William, who had been dead one and earnestly for a Heavenly Father's guiding a half score years. As his vision failed that hand.

J. W. WATSON, Pastor. he could no longer look upon loved ones in the earthly, his immortalized vision broke in upon those in that "house not made with he lived eight years, coming to Texas in 1890. He was a splendid little boy, but his life was was so great. She leaves a priceless inherit-Was converted and joined the M. E. Church, short on this earth because of Bright's dis-ance to husband, children, brothers, sisters tian life, ever a friend to his pastor. Texas School and gave evidences of making a good ed after the Master's. No word or act to be had no nobler men nor truer citizens than man. The parents were tender in their care repented of at the close. We buried her in the "struggle of the sixties," and was in many to save his life, but the angel of death called gone before. Through a mistake this obituary his family in that home in that "house of fort and lead the bereaved parents to that land Texas, November 7, 1914, whither Christ hath gone to of eternal rest. prepare us a place. His pastor,

JNO. L. SULLIVAN.

dren, of whom six are living. They were all call her back, so let's live so we can go to present at their father's death. He was buried her some day where there will be no more friends followed him to his last resting place. bys. Brother Herren was converted and joined the his membership remained until his death. His death did not come as a surprise, for he was sick for four or five months and he and his friends knew the time was limited. When the writer visited him a few days before his death and asked if he was ready if his sickness should go against him, his reply was that he was submissive to God's will—ready to live or die. While a good man is gone, yet, thank God, he left the assurance that he was ready. God, he left the assurance that he was ready.

May the Lord bless and preserve his wife warm hearted and type Heart hear



NATHAN M. WOODWARD.

The above is the picture of Nathan M. waiting for that day when all re- Woodward, who was born at Rose Hill, Lee

grief, and who knoweth all things and doeth daughter, Mrs. Hazelwood and Sister Tillie do. While not strong she was ever happy all things. His pastor,

T. J. REA. Boyd, the members of a Church that was or and cheerful, teaching her children, with the FI.EMING—William Snodgrass Fleming was born in Sullivan County, Tennessee, July 24, 1835; was married to Miss Mary E. Davidson October 1, 1867. To them were born eight children, two daughters and six Duprey, he going up the river nine miles for the same. At the place where the first Church better land. He for the children and help of her Christian husband, that Christ is the only way of salvation and to accept him is joy and peace. Weep not, dear ones, as those who have no hope, for she is waiting for you "safe in the arms of Jesus." May her the same. At the place where the first Church better land. Her being and help you to the

Woodson, Tex., Nov. 4.

He first moved to Missouri, where January 21, 1910, and died October 19, 1914. ness swept over the entire town, for our lo ought battles under General Early, in for him and the home has been made sad. Colonel Clark's Battalion, namely, at Cold How comforting to know that C. E. is with Harbor and Winchester, passing through hard Jesus who will take good care of him through service in many important battles near Rich-the endless ages of a blessed life. He has mond, among others, Cedar Creek and Fisher's passed beyond all suffering and is at rest with Hill. No doubt the suffering of these years the good who have gone on. We cannot bring of failing health is largely due to the hard- him back, but the way is open over which we Monday, November 9, expressed a deep sor-

Big Springs, Texas.

in Ringgold Cemetery. A large number of his sickness and sorrow and no more sad good-

A. L. MOORE.

Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1897 ABBOTT-Martha Abbott (nee Stogner) at Cypress Church, Williamson County, where was born March 4, 1844; converted and joinhis membership remained until his death. His ed the Church at the age of 15; was married warm-hearted and true. Her hospittality knew P. S. WARREN. no bounds. She made her guests feel that she The fact that most diseases arise from an opportunity of serving them. Her Church (the Methodist Church) she loved with an unfailing love. She

both knew and loved her doctrines. But few women, living or dead, have entertained so many preachers and religious workers and none have served them more unselfishly. She never posed as a martyr, but, like Mary, she did what she could and gladly. The home life was beautiful. The world was shut out and love shut in. There her husband and children always found love waiting and ready to serve. For many years she was almost at-in, but she was a born optimist and only a few moments before death came, in spite of the pain, she was cheerful and patient and hopeful. She has gone on to meet her Lord, who was very real to her, three children and many loved ones gone on before. She leaves an aged husband (Rev. T. J. Abbott), six children, a number of grandchildren and many friends to mourn for her and sorely miss her. We laid her body to rest in the Asperment Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just at the last day. If we are faithful we shall see her again. She rests. "She hath done what she could."

M. M. BEAVERS.

LAUGHLIN-Ollie, beloved wife of James C. Laughlin and loving daughter of J. J. and R. C. Brown, was born in Milam County, Texas, February 9, 1879; went home to be with Jesus August 5, 1914, from Bartlett, Texas, where she had lived since her marriage in November, 1898. She was the mother of six children, three boys and three girls, two boys and one girl having preceded their mother to the glory world. These little ones were ever calling her and their going only made heaven sweeter. None came within her influe without knowing that she loved and served the Lord. Her greatest desire was to help others and win souls for Christ. She early gave her heart to God and while she may have made her life shortly before her death, she said she carried it to the Lord and he comforted her as he always did when she put her trust in him. She died suddenly of Bright's disease, but we ganized there. From that time until his death help of her Christian husband, that Christ is

MRS, BAMA CRENSHAW.

FITZPATRICK-Mrs. Mollie Fitzpatrick was born in Mount Pleasant, Texas, Thanks-giving Day, 1852. Was married to F. W. Fitzpatrick Thanksgiving Day, 1872. A beau-tiful life has been lived by Sister Fitzpatrick. True always to God, her Church of which she has been a member since childhood, and her family. Never absent from any Church serv in April we felt their places could not be filled, but we hoped home and friendship ties would draw them back. When on September 21 the message came that Sister Fitzpatrick SHIVES-C. E. Shives, Jr., was born had gone to the home beyond a wave of sadance to husband, children, brothers, sisters South, in 1888, in which he lived a loyal Chris- case. When able he was regular at Sunday and dear little grandchildren-a life pattern-Four years of his life were spent in and attention and all was done that could be Mount Pleasant Cemetery, near her loved ones was delayed. Her pastor,

G. L. TAYLOR.

# C. W. GODWIN.

The San Antonio Preachers' Meeting, on With all tears wiped may pass to the heavenly shores and abide row in the death of Brother C. W. Godwin, away may we one day again see him with all with him. May the God of all grace com- which occurred at his home in San Antonio. the most useful men in the West Texas Con- invitation, the Kingswood School, at ter of great assembles? But such is MEDFORD—On November 2, 1914, death born October 22, 1865, in Utica, Hines County, Medford and took their darling, Loraine. Their ty. Mississippi. He was married to Miss Almetta Crews, 1885, and moved to Fannin County, Texas, 1893. Thence to Williamson all things well." We know she is safe, for County, Texas, and from there to Clay County, Jesus said, "Except ye are converted and because of the conference Board of Missions. With great patience and dauntless courage he suffered much during the past year. He died in the triumphs of a living faith. His funeral county, Texas, 1893. Thence to Williamson all things well." We know she is safe, for County, Texas, and from there to Clay County, Jesus said, "Except ye are converted and because of the conference Board of Missions. With great patience and dauntless courage he suffered much during the past year. He died in the triumphs of a living faith. His funeral pays and sorrows which are the common lot of childhood.

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J. T. CURRY, W. D. BRADFIELD, OSCAR BENOLD.

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Hide from our view the cheer-

ing way!

It will compass all His creatures

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"LIKE THE WIDENESS OF THE SEA."

Bishop William F. Anderson, D. D.

If God's mercy be as constant As the movement of the sea, None among His countless millions May be slave—all shall be free.

If God's mercy be as wondrous As the granduer of the sea, Moved by its supernal beauty, Lord, I yield my heart to Thee.

Lord. Thy love is far more boundless Than all wideness of the sea; It will save unto the utmost-It will cover even me.

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# CLARKE.

By Edward G. Mackay, in Christian Advocate.

It was early on a June morning when we alighted from the train at the extreme northeast of Ireland, famous alike for the natural beauty of its surroundings and the health-giving quality of its climate. It is a favorite holiday resort for the toilers and pleasure seekers of the large cities and in the summer is gay with the merry ad care-free spirit of recreation. In literary circles it is remembered that Charles Lever, the gifted Irish novelist, lived and practiced medicine here for a number of years, during which time he was visited by Thackeray. Our purpose, however, was not that of the ordinary holiday maker; we were bent on a pilgrimage to the boyhood home of Adam Clarke, early Methodism's illustrious son. With our bicycles, which

brought with us, we were soon spin-ning along the narrow, winding, en-chanting road that led us toward the location of the now famous little cot-tige. It was a beautiful summer's day. We had taken an early start, and the sparkling dew had not disap-peared from the hawthorn hedgerows or the smiling fields. Everywhere there was the exquisite feeling of morning—morning in Ireland. The atmosphere was filled with that indescribable something which Gray call— "the breezy call of incense-breathing morn." The mellow note of the blackbird or a snatch of the linnet's song made the beauty audible; and the late-blown hawthorn blossoms, strewing the roadway as if for a fairy wedding, brought to our minds the wistful memory of wedding bells, suggesting the infinite harmonies of nature. Now and then a fleecy cloud flitted across the face of the sun, dimming for a moment the emerald sheen for which the Irish landscape is noted, but in the next instant bringing out in greater relief the charm of waving grain and daisyflecked meadows. It was indeed a rare and rapturous day in June. A mile to the southward was soon

covered, and we arrived at the little farmhouse where the great com tator spent most of his early life. He was born at Moybeg, in the County of Londonderry, in 1760, and removed with his parents to the house at Agherton while very young. It was shelter it was to enter at Mr. Wesley's

approach disturbed the equanimity of a flock of ducks and chickens, which occupied the green triangle, and startled into big-eyed wonder three little rosy-cheeked children who were playing in front of the house. quickly made friends with the children, who we found lived in the cottage. The oldest sister was ministering to the infirmities of her sturdy little six-year-old brother, who, she said in a pleasing accent, had "a wee thorn in his foot." glance at the old house impressed one

THE BOYHOOD HOME OF ADAM immediately with its quaintness Probably two hundred years old, it was still typical of the Irish farmhouse. Though a little larger, it was not unlike Burns' cottage at Alloway. The walls were of stone and over a foot in thickness. The roof was low Portstewart, a small seaside town in and thatched with straw, held down in places by long rods of willow. The windows were small, and a person of ordinary height stooped a little to en-ter the doorway. The floor was tiled and somewhat lower than the level of the yard. The front door led immediately into the main room of the dwelling. This, with its open hearth, low ceiling, and dim light, was kitchen, diningroom, and living room combined. The bedrooms were on each side; that to the left of the door and having the largest window was said to be the one occupied by the future commentator.

Despite its somewhat dilapidated exterior, the small, low rooms of the interior had an air of coziness and neatness about them that was invit-ing. In the large room the tick of the antique clock on the high mantel, the old-fashioned dresser with its rows of spotless dishes, the smolder-ing fire on the hearth and the cat blinking before it added a touch of the quaint and the homelike not without its strong appeal even to the casual visitor. The whole scene spoke in silent eloquence of the simple, quiet, country life led by those who had successively called that cottage home and who were now steeping under the grassy mounds in the old churchyard less than three hundred yards away. A multitude of thoughts crowded unbidden to the mind of the more serious traveler, and in a moment he was peopling the mystic realm of the past with a vanished race, those sturdy planters who, often in privation and always in toll, laid the foundations of the present prosperity and happiness of the Scotch-Irish people. But in the midst of his day dreams the visitor saw one outstanding figure, that of a call at least of the saw one outstanding figure. tall, athletic lad, ruddy of complexion and red of hair, with a face expressive of good sense and good hu-mor, lit up by small, gray, brilliant eyes, whose boyhood was marked by "hardihood of body, tenderness of conscience, thirst for knowledge and aptitude in acquiring it. This was the boy who at a later day was to become the companion of the great and the voice and conscience of early Methodism. Who would have thought that from under the thatched roof of in this house, therefore, that he spent the humble cottage a lad would go his boyhood; and when he forsook its forth to dine with princes, to preach before multitudes, and to be the masference, loved and honored by his brethren. Bristol. Here under its low, thatched the romance of human worth, which

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church at Agherton, the roofless ruins of his Creator who does not cultivate the which still stand in the midst of the burying ground near the cottago. It was in this school that the lad received his early education. The bare walls of this old house of worship and learning are still standing, though to mix markable mental vigor, of almost uncertainty of his Creator who does not cultivate this mind in all useful knowledge to the grass was just as green, Tom, Barefooted boys at play were sporting, just as we did then, With spirits just as gay; But the master sleeps upon the hill which, coated o'er with snow. Afforded us a sliding-place Some forty years ago. crumbling gradually down to mix with the unrembered dust of the generations who have found their long home under the mouldering and usually unmarked mounds. A few of the tombstones are of recent erection: but the rest, like the old church itself, go back beyond the memory of living man, It seems a strange place to have taught school, in the midst of a burying ground where the merry voices of boyhood would echo around the vaults of the dead, and where the high ambition of youth would have a centinual reminder that the grave was the ultimate goal. No doubt it was after the congregation had found a church home elsewhere that the building was transformed into a rechoolhouse, for the strict notions of those days would scarcely have pertagened and usually down to mix with the course of his life. And the bell schoolhouse is altered some. The benches are replaced green ward to the wesleyan fifty years he rejoiced in the toils as well as the conquests of the Wesleyan movement.

It is a far call from the quiet cottage in rural Ireland, surrounded by the verdant beauty of hill and dale, to the grave at City Road Chapel, in London, where Adam Clarke was buried by the side of John Wesley. All around is the continual tumult of commercialism lulled only by the Sabbath rest, when the voice of praise comes softly from the sanctuary. But the place of his burial is in keeping with the course of his life. The cottage knew only the eager-hearted youth: the great world knew the elothouse, for the strict notions of the days would scarcely have pertagened into a recollable of the day of the dead, and where the high ambition of youth would have a continual reminder that the grave was the ultimate goal. No doubt it was after the congregation had found a church home elsewhere that the place of his burial is in keeping with the course of his life. The cottage knew only the eager-hearted youth: the great world knew the elothous the place of his burial is in keeping with the course of his life. The cottage knew only the eager-hearted youth: crumbling gradually down to mix markable mental vigor, of almost un-with the unrembered dust of the paralleled industry and of extensive schoolhouse, for the strict notions of those days would scarcely have permitted a church to be used for educational purposes. It was here, how-ever, that the youthful Clarke re-ceived, under the direction of his father, the rudiments of an education upon which he later built the imposing superstructure of his scholarly attainments The life of young Clarke was no

doubt similar in most respects to that
of the average Irish boy of like circumstances in those days of few advantages. He had the blessing of
good parents. His father was an Episcopalian, and his mother a de-vout Presbyterian. In his studies he was not the only boy later to win renown who earned the reputation of being dull. But he redeemed his dullress by patient plodding. It can safely be conjectured that the lad made frequent excursions to the sea coast, a mile and a half distant, and heard, as only a boy can hear, the surge and thunder of the breakers as they swept in from the North Atlantic. He would

reer. One biographer says of him: A more carnest, faithful, and diligent preacher never lived, and few

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where, as is recorded. Adam Clarke walked thoughtfully to and tro trying to decide whether or not to accept Mr. Wesley's invitation to Kingswood. The father of Adam Clarke was a schoolmaster of great ability, but scanty purse. He taught in the old church at Agherton, the roofless ruins of which still stand in the midst of his mind in all useful knowledge to The grass was just as green. Tow.

youth; the great world knew the eloquent preacher, the tireless student,
the gifted leader. And it is fitting
that he should sleep by the side of
his chief who called him from the
obscurity of the cottage and turned his
energies into the broad and productive channels of religious service.

And took some flowers to strew
Upon the graves of those we loved
Just forty years ago. As we turned our faces away from As we turned our faces away from this humble dwelling which once had sheltered genius, it was with a stronger impulse to push forward on the pilgrim way. The little excursion was well worth while, and in our minds there was no doubt that the humble proportions of the boyhood was well worth while, and in our laptace with those we loved some forty years ago.

I hope we'll meet with those we loved some forty years ago.

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Webberville Cir. at W., Jan. 2. 3.

University Church, Jan. 4.

First Church, Jan. 4.

Plano, Nov. 22, 8 p. m.

Anna and Melissa, Nov. 23, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)

Plano, Nov. 24, 8 p. m. (Q. C.)

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Allen and Melissa, Nov. 23, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)

Beeville District—First Round.

Nov. 20, Calallen

Nov. 21, 22, Bishop, conference Saturday, a.m.

Proceeding Sunday, p. m.

preaching Sunday, p. m.

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Plano, Nov. 22, 8 p. m.

Anna and Melissa, Nov. 23, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)

Allen and South McKniney, at S. McK., Nov.

25, 8 p. m. (Q. C.)

Richardson, at R., Nov. 27, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)

Richardson, at R., Nov. 27, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)

Nov. 21, 22, Bishop, conference Saturday, a.m.

Proceeding Sunday, p. m.

preaching Sunday, a. m.

CHAS. A. SPRAGINS, P. E. human worth and achievement.

# PROBLEMS OF THE FEEBLE.

thunder of the breakers as they swept in from the North Atlantie. He would not seen to be asst, and that weird and wonderful rock formation could not but arise made a feep impression upon his youthful mind, in his seven-teenth year he received strong religious impressions while retredines some Methods are more assessment of the strength of the work which were but he joined the Methods of the strength of the

able to determine it. From our present knowledge we are not able to segregate all 'he feeble-minded. Although a mental test may strain off 20 or 30 per cent off the segregate strain off 20 or 30 per cent off the segregate strain off 20 or 30 per cent of the segregate strain of 20 or 30 per cent of the segregate strain of 20 or 30 per cent of the segregate strain of 20 or 30 per cent of the segregate strain of 20 or 30 per cent of the segregate strain of 20 or 30 per cent of 20 or 30 per c of the so-called feeble-minded, beyond that point it is not reliable. What are needed are tests of selfcontrol of emotions, of feelings and relation to social duties: in other words, tests of moral judgment. Until this type of investigation is adopted, segregation of the feeble-minded will be a matter of the personal equation of the investigator. These problems, says The Journal of the American Medical Association, are vital and affect every community. They are not alone the care of the physician, but of all persons. The proper procedure to better the con-

Minded.

Mexico will always raise sheep of the wool type, and not the mutton type, because they have sheep that will herd well; their nethods of social inquiry and scientific investigation men will not be sheep feeders. So they will be so they will be seen take the place of superficial observation always have more or less old ewe sto sell in the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year. These ewes can easily the string of the year.

well as psychometric studies and a about sin is that it darkens the moral purely scientific investigation of the understanding and leaves one, so to factors of heredity and environment, speak, largely color blind as to what The settlement of these questions is right and wrong. This is the reacannot come from the physician alone, son that worldly minded persons are nor will the social investigator be unable to discern the harmfulness of unable to discern the harmfulness of many of their practices. About the first work that the Holy Spirit has to do in effecting the salvation of a lost human soul is to clarify its vision. that it may realize its true condition. This is what we call "conviction." And even among Christians the clearness of their spiritual perception is in pro-portion to the depth of their piety. The Master said: "Blessed are pure in heart, for they shall see God;' and Paul's wonderful prayer for the disciple at Ephesus contained the fol-lowing petition: "The eyes of your understanding being enlightened, that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the greatness of His pow-er to usward who believe." Men and physician, however, must be able to women of spiritual sight have been determine early the need of help when the need of the Church in all the ages, it exists and be able to direct the and never was the call for them more imperative than it is today.-New Orleans Christian Advocate.

### **NEW MEXICO**

Albuquerque District-First Round. Albuquerque District
Gallup, Nov. 21, 22.
Watrous, Nov. 28, 29.
San Jon Cir., San Jon, Dec. 5, 6.
San Marcial, Dec. 12, 13.
Vaughn Cir., Vaughn, Dec. 19, 20.
Tucumcari, Dec. 26, 27.
Albuquerque, Jan. 2, 3.
GEO. H. GIVAN, P. E.

El Paso District-First Round,

El Paso District—First Round.
Toyan, Nov. 21, 22.
Van Horn, Nov. 22, 23.
East El Paso, Nov. 25,
Alamogordo, Nov. 28, 29.
Carrizozo, Nov. 29, 30.
Clint, Dec. 2.
La Mesa, Dec. 5, 6.
Las Cruces, Dec. 6, 7.
Highland Park, Dec. 9.
Deming, Dec. 12, 13.
Lordsburg, Dec. 13, 14.
Trinity, Dec. 17.
Alta Vista, Dec. 19, 20.
HUBERT M. SMITH, P. E.

# Pecos Valley District-First Round.

Pecos Valley District—First Round.
Hagerman, Nov. 21, 22.
Dayton and Lakewood, Nov. 22, 23.
Sacramento Mis., Nov. 28, 29.
Hope, Nov. 29, 30.
Artesia, Dec. 1.
Rocky Arroyo and Queen, Dec. 5, 6.
Carlsbad, Dec. 6, 7.
Malaga and Lake Arthur, Dec. 7, 8.
Lovington Cir., Dec. 12, 13.
Eunice Cir., Dec. 13, 14.
Toyah Valley Cir., Dec. 19, 20.
Pecos, Dec. 20, 21.
Odessa Circuit, Dec. 21, 22.
Roswell, Dec. 27, 28.
S. E. ALLISON D.

### WEST TEXAS

### Austin District-First Round.

Austin District—First Round.
Columbus, Nov. 21, 22.
Weimar Cir. at Weimar, Nov 22, 23.
West Point Cir. at West Point, Nov. 25.
Bastrop, Nov 28, 29.
Smithville, Nov. 29, 30.
Fred Allen Memorial, Dec. 2.
McDade at McDade, Dec. 5, 6.
Lagrange and W. at L., Dec. 9.
Liberty Hill and L. at Leander, Dec. 12, 13.
Leander Cir. at Merriltown, Dec. 13, 14.
Elgin, Dec. 19, 20.
Manor, Dec. 20, 21.
Ward Memorial, Dec. 27, 28.
Webberville Cir. at W., Jan. 2.
University Church, Jan. 4.
First Church, Jan. 6.
V. A. GODBEY, P. E.

Beauille, District—First Round.

Gamtswife District—Found.

Era and Spring Creek, at Era, Nov. 21, 22.
Sanger Sta., Nov. 22, 23.
Myra and Hood, at Myra, Nov. 28, 29.
J. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Greenville District—Fourth Round.
Caddo Mills Cir., Nov. 21, 22.
Floyd and Salem, Nov. 28, 29, at Floyd.
C. M. HARLESS, P. E.

McKinney District—Fourth Round.
Princeton and Wilson Chapel, at P., Nov. 2.
Plano, Nov. 22, 8 p. m.
Anna and Mclissa, Nov. 23, 2 p. m. (Q. C.)
Allen and South McKinney, at S. McK., Nov.

interested in diversion. In the specific of the advisory board of the Texas Industrial Congress, in the following statement:

"The sheep men of Western Texas and New Nov. 28, 29, Aransas Pass.

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Paris District—Fourth Round.

Emberson Cir., at Mt. T., Nov. 21, 22.

Centenary, Nov. 22, 23.

W. F. BRYAN, P. E.

San Angelo District-First Round

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Miles, Nov. 21, 22.
Sonora, Nov. 28, 29, a. m.
Eldorado, Nov. 29, p. m.
Sherwood, de Sherwood, Dec. 5, 6.
aodland, Dec. 12, 13.

Midland Cir., at Prairie Lee, Dec. 13, p. m.
Junction, at Junction, Dec. 19, 20.
San Angelo, First Church, Dec. 27, a. m.
Chadbourne Street, Dec. 27, p. m.
Sterling City, at Sterling, Jan. 2, 3, a. m.
Edith, at Moon's Chapei, Jan. 3, p. m.
Ozona, Jan. 9, 10.
Water Valley, at W. V., Jan. 16, 17.
Eola, Jan. 22.
Paint Rock, at P. R., Jan. 23, 24.
Rochelle, at Live Oak, Jan. 30, 31.
F. B. BUCHANAN, P. E.

## San Marcos District-First Round. 22, Manchaca, Preaching. 28, 29, Kyle and Buda, at Buda.

6, Seguin. Harwood, at Harwood. Waelder, at Waelder. Luling.
Lusting.
Leswille, at Bebe.
13. Belmont, at Belmont.
Gonzales.

cess in matters of attendance and reports. I appeal to the official brethren to make as good a beginning as possible, and to attend the conference. The preachers will announce the bour of meeting.

THOMAS GREGORY, P. E.

### Uvalde District-First Round.

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Del Rio Sta., Nov. 21, 22.
Cotulla Sta., Nov. 28, 29.
Laredo Sta., Dec. 5, 6.
Rock Springs, at R. S., Dec. 11, 12.
Dilly Cir., at Dilly, Dec. 19, 20.
Pearsall Sta., Dec. 20, 21.
Batesville. at B., Dec. 23.
Uvalde Sta., Dec. 26, 27.
Sabinal Sta., Jan. 2, 3.
Hondo Sta., Jan. 3, 4.
Utopia, at U., Jan. 6.
Eagle Pass, Jan. 9, 10.
Fowlerton, Jan. 16, 17.
Devine and Lytle, at Lytle, Jan. 23, 24,
Crystal City, Jan. 30, 31.
Carrizo Springs, at C. S., Jan. 31.
S. B. JOHNSTON, P. E.

### NORTH TEXAS

Bonham District-Fourth Round. Dodd, at Dodd, Nov. 21, 22. Ladonia, Nov. 29, 30. W. W. WATTS, P. F

Dallas District-Fourth Round, Oak Cliff, Nov. 20. Grace, Nov. 25. Ervay, Nov. 26. O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Decatur District-Fourth Round. Alvord Sta., at A., Nov. 14, 15. Chico Sta., at C., Nov. 15, 16. Mexican Mis., at C., Nov. 16. Bridgeport Mis., Nov. 21, 22. Decatur Sta., Nov. 22, 23

Gainesville District-Fourth Round. Era and Spring Creek, at Era, Nov. 21, 22. Sanger Sta., Nov. 22, 23. Myra and Hood, at Myra, Nov. 28, 29. Denton St. Sta. (Q. C. Nov. 27), Nov. 29, 30 J. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Princeton and Wilson Chapel, at P., Nov. 2.

Sulphur Springs District-Fourth Round. Sulphur Bluff, at Nelta, Nov. 21, 22. Brashear, Nov. 28, 29. Sulphur Springs Sta., Nov. 29, 30. R. C. H1CKS, P. E.

Terrell District-Fourth Round. Hutchins and Wilmer, at W., Nov. 21, 22 Lancaster Sta., Nov. 28, 20. A. L. ANDREWS. P. F.

## NORTHWEST TEXAS

Abilene District-Fourth Round. Nugent, at Nugent, Nov. 21, 22. Clyde Mis., at Dudley, Nov. 28, 29. First Church, Abilene, Dec. 5, 6. St. Paul's, Abilene, Dec. 5, 6. C. N. N. FERGUSON, P. E.

Amarillo District-Fourth Round. Amarillo Mission, Nov. 21, 22. Amarillo, Polk St., Nov. 22, 23. Umbarger, at Day S. H., Nov. 29. J. T. HICKS, P. E.

Big Spring District-Fourth Round. Brownfield, at B., Oct. 22, 23.
Plains, Nov. 28, 29.
Coahoma, at New Hope, Dec. 5, 6.
W. H. TERRY, P. E.

Clarendon District-Fourth Round. Wellington Sta., Nov. 21, 22. Shamrock Sta., Nov. 28, 29. J. W. STORY, P. E.

Hamlin District-Fourth Round. Rule, at R., Nov. 21, 22.
Rochester, at R., Nov. 16.
Knox City, at K. C., Nov. 17.
Vera, at V., Nov. 18.
Peacock, at Brazos Valley, Nov. 28, 29.
Spur, 8 p. m., Nov. 30.
Sagerton, at Sunny Side, Dec. 5, 6.
G. S. HARDY, P. E.

Plainview District-Fourth Round. Happy, at Lakeview, Nov. 21, 22. Lockney Sta. and Mis., at Lockney, Nov. 28, 29. Plainview Mis., at Ellen, Dec. 5, 6. O. P. KIKER, P. E.

Stamford District-Fourth Round. Seymour Mis., Nov. 21, 22. Seymour Sta., Nov. 22, 23. Albany Sta, Nov. 28, 29. J. G. MILLER, P. E.

Sweetwater District-Fourth Round Sweetwater District Found New York Streetwater Sta., Nov. 22, 23. Blackwell, at Blackwell, Nov. 28, 29. Roscoe, Dec. 4, 6. B. W. DODSON, P. E.

A new seismograph under construction at the University of Chicago will record earthquake shocks occurring anywhere in the world.

# **Better Than Spanking**

Spanking does not cure children of bedwetting. There is a constitutional cause for Dec. 14, Gonzales.
Dec. 15, Lockhart,
Dec. 16, Lytton Springs, at Lockhart, 10 a. m.
Dec. 17, San Marcos.
Dec. 18, Martindale.
Dec. 19, 20, Staples.
Dec. 22, Manchaca.
Dec. 26, 27, Dripping Springs.
Dec. 30, Blanco.
I think it wise to make first round as quickly as possible. Let each preacher put forth his best effort to make first conference a sucthis trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 187, South Bend, Ind., will send free to any mother



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# NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

(Continued from page 5)

wenty-two accessions to the Churches-seventeen to the Methodist and five to the Baptist and only three or four of these by letter. It a great spiritual uplift to our town, sevhey had been benefited more by Brother lives. Brother Green's influence will long be felt in Lexington and he will always find a warm welcome here.-H. F. Schlosshan.

Recently held two fine revivals, receiving wenty seven members, twenty on profession of faith. Organized North End Church with eighty members. Sunday School has 137 on the regular roll, 157 during the year. Thirteen officers and teachers. Epworth League and Junior League organized in January and both doing most excellent work, with fifty-one that the dangerous illness of my baby I did not attend regularly. We have had a very good year in every respect, except financially. Owmembers. Woman's Missionary Society has year in every respect, except financially. ongregation filling the house, and we have found. We are ready for progressive work in a very important and growing part of this thriving city. At Deaton Chapel, in the southpils. Here we also have a church building,

I am closing my second year on the Du- Buffalo Gap. has rendered us good service. His sermon on full, but no doubt the faithful officials will get Texarkana, and everything was reported in ful people.

ing. He prevailed on a number in my charge to sign a pledge to The effects are tithe for at least one year. already being made manifest. The Dumsa charge, situated far out on the border upon the north plains of Texas, has many hardships to meet with, but we have a fine clasof people who love the Church and do not let of different faiths testifying publicly that the preacher suffer. This has been a go year for this preacher and his family. - B. J.

We are closing up the year on Cushing Circuit. We held our last meeting for the year at Cushing begining September 18 and con-Dallas, did the preaching. His manner, though sample, was yet clear and forceful and had the moral conditions been even normal we would have doubtless had great results, as it ing to the stringency of the times, the disdone great service for the Church, having ing to the stringency of the times, the dis-raised more than \$300. Every department of the Church is well organized and at work, the the absolute indifference of a large majority of and one body of men as can be or the Church, has brought us up against the thing from a coonhide to an auto in payment Sunday School has enrolled ninety-seven pu- finding out. Five cents a week from every D. Womack, P. C.

We have had the old-time revivals dinner together. Promptly at 2:30 the busi- tions, and they don't even run when

### "CHURCH STATISTICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS."

The following figures of great interest to the Methodists of Texas are partment of Religious Education we quoted from the Midland Reporter, Midland, Texas, Brother C. C. Watson,

### Students at University of Texas.

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Methodist											*	
Baptist		. *								*		
Presbyterian			*									
Episcopal												
Christian												
Roman Catholic										*		
Lutheran												
Jewish							 			*		
Church of Christ												
Congregationalist									*			
Christian Science												
German Evangel	ica	ıl										
Universalist												

Total ......2358 Brother Watson is a Methodist and the son of a Methodist preacher, and shows his interest in the cause of education by calling attention and publishing these figures. He is one of a large number who are interested in such things. It is earnestly hoped that every individual in Texas will take these figures and study them carefully. It is well to remember that Methodist institutions everywhere are overflowing and yet Methodist stu-

The report sent in by Rev. Frank-n Moore, Granger, Texas, for his Sunday School was a most excellent one. It showed the largest attendance and largest offering in its history. made a talk to the school on the Department of Religious Education to be a part of our Theological Department. as his school has already taken bonds towards its support. There were 130 some work to have so many outsiders interested and present. This school expects to grow steadily in membership and in great results.

busy and enable the paster to make a full re- full. Brother Davis has had two good years SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SACRIport at conference. O how good a poor and our Church is becoming more and more reacher feels when his name is called out at a power for good in that city. No special conference and he can say, Everything in full, revival meeting has been held this year, but We had no service Saturday night. Sunday there has been nearly a hundred additions, morning was cloudy and cold and the ground and many of them on profession of faith, at wet, but we met again at 11 and my, my, the regular services. The parsonage debt has what a trash lifter! Well we all love Brother all been paid. Saturday, November 14, found Ferguson and highly appreciate his wise coun- me at Reeves Chapel on the Pittsburg Circuit. down the creek we stopped at the Knight the conference at 2 o'clock was well attended. Schoolhouse, an evening appointment, and The reports on salary and collections showed Brother Hasler gave us a splendid talk on the quite a deficit, but they all said that they Mountain top Experience. We are taking sub- were not through, and that the next two days scriptions for the Advocate, the best paper in would show a decided change for the better, the world. We are praying to make a full. This is one of our best circuits, and we have

### the membership to the welfare of the pastor Cason. Daingerfield, Hardy Memorial, First Church, Texarkana, Pittsburg Circuit and Pittsburg Station. Saturday, November 7, and Sunday morn-

thriving city. At Deaton Chapel, in the southing spite of the fact that I offered to take anyastern part of the city, have organized the in spite of the fact that I offered to take anyat Cason, for his last quarterly meeting. The They always give the preacher a fine hearing Epworth League and a Woman's Missionary society, both of which have done remarkably well in every way during the year, and the finding out. Five cents a week from every showed that there had been finding out. Five cents a week from every showed that there had been finding out. and the reports showed that there had been in full. This Church keeps up its record assessment was \$1500. Lampasas always pa hard work on the part of the pastor and of making fine reports. While there has been all assessments. Z. V. LILES, Pastor. member in the Cushing charge would have stewards. The salaries and colletions are bad- no widespread revival in this charge there raised \$1630—enough to have paid the preach- ly in arrears, but this may be accounted for have been many additions in the regular serv pils. Here we also have a should be a standard of the interior. Have received and painted on the interior. Have received some eighteen or more members there, to get some idea of systems! Well, with a before the conference to raise a debt of \$500 ference today, not knowing what may await of his sin." The old proverb-maker who first wrote that down knew life. so close this was about all that the people where the pay will be meager, and many hard-felt that they could do; there will be some ships will have to be endured, but God will felt that they could do; there will be some other payments on these interests in the clos- be with us all the way, and the other payments on these interests in the case be with us an the way, and the way, and the hard and namper and hinder us, no mating days. Here, again, I narrowly escaped this present time are not worthy to be comter which way we turn. Occasionally, mas charge. They have been delightful years.

The fourth Quarterly Conference for the having a 'possess and that I would be expectively and received us each time in a many vember 7 and 8 was the date and Elm Grove was in readiness and that I would be expectively and received us each time in a many vember 7 and 8 was the date and Elm Grove was in readiness and that I would be expectively and received us each time in a many vember 7 and 8 was the date and Elm Grove was in readiness and that I would be expectively as a present time are not worthy to be compared this person time are not worthy to be compared to the person time are not worthy to be compared this person time are not worthy to be compared to the person time are ner to inspire our very best efforts. Dumas the place. Elm Grove is away up Elm Creek, ed to "come to the feast." I am glad to re-is a half station, having in addition two other fourteen miles west from Buffalo Gap. Broth- port that when the day of slaughter arrived, appointments, which makes it an ideal work or Ferguson, our beloved elder, came down and they went to get Mr. Possum he had for a young preacher. The folks are to Buffalo Gap Friday evening and preached made his escape. And I didn't turn him out, ference I was moved from Burnet to Manor, thoroughly Methodistic. My fourth Quarterly for us at the Gap Friday night. We had a either, but I would have done so rather than On arriving here wife and I found that the Conference is a matter of history, being held small crowd, but a sermon big enough for a have had to eat a part of his royal highness, pounding which is usual had begun before our five weeks before conference. The Board of thousand. We left the parsonage bright and Sunday night I preached at Daingerfield and arrival and it continued for some two days Stewards reported preacher and presiding elegarly Saturday morning, Three of us big held the conference Monday at 1:30 p. m. The after we came. For all of which we are der's salary paid in full and a few dollars over, preachers all in a single buggy (Brother Ferpeople heard the Word gladly and the atvery thankful and I shall endeavor to give and I am going to be able to report all my guson, Brother Hasler, a young preacher who tendance upon the conference was good. The good people the very best service of which I assessments paid in full. We observed "Work contemplates joining the conference at Sweet- salaries were reported paid in full, but the am capable. Had the first preaching service Day" and as a result sent the Orphan Home water in Decmber). Those two and this conference collections are considerably behind, last Sunday morning and a splendid congre-Brother Burroughs wrote me that so far scribe all in a single buggy together. We But Brother C. H. Adams is leaving no stone gation at both hours. There is a good Sunmy charge led the State. While this is grati- made the landing at Elm Grove in due time. unturned to improve this condition. The mu- day School of about one hundred attendance, fying to us I am sure it is a disappointment We only have to cross Elm Creek twelve tual admiration between pastor and people also Epworth League doing good work. Taken to him. Surely every Methodist in Texas times. We met a nice little congregation, our continues. Wednesday night, the 11th inst., as a whole this seems to be an inviting field could have given a day's work to such an elder gave us the Every-Man-a-Beam sermon, 1 preached at Hardy Memorial Church, Texappealing cause as this. I think the plan which was enjoyed immensely by all present, arkana, to a fine audience that gave close at the saloons back in Manor, but the pros are was the best that could have been devised. after which dinner was spread in due and tention to the message and seemed to enjoy awake and will put up a stubborn fight. Come We have held some splendid meetings. Quite ancient form. Brother Ferguson and Brother what was said. There are very few places in a number have been converted and several re- Hasler ate very heartily and we all enjoyed the the district where we have larger congregaand people have shouted in the old-time way. ness of the conference convened. Every point know that the "beloved" is coming. Brother Bother J. T. Hicks, is on the charge was represented. Every item of Cummings reported the collections in full, and in high favor with us all. My people are dethe business was carefully looked into. Brothlighted with his services and speak in high er Ed Oden, a very promising young man, the stewards assured me that they would be
terms of his preaching. His preaching is inwas recommended to the District Conference paid. They have had good meetings and have

Brother Pyle is a splendid preacher and pas-

# GOOD WISHES FROM THE "CAR-

# NEY CLASS," BEAUMONT.

As the interest grows in our Decontinue to receive letters of endorsement from both teachers and pupils of our different Sunday Schools. We have just had a splendid letter from Mr. B. D. Carney, who must have as students, efficient workers, all of them sending best wishes for the Department and clinching such wishes by a check to pay the first payment on their bond for fifty dollars—this without a notice of its due date from our things about the work we propose to hext five or six years.

We also received a number of the propose to hext five or six years. send in the money to make his wishes come true. Who will be next?

Among the "Rally Day Reports" which we received was one from Kan-sas, Oklahoma, C. M. Brandt, Superintendent: Rev. O. S. Snell, pastor. This school was only organized February. 1913, with thirty-five members, and now has a membership of fifty-six. On Rally Day it had twenty-four new members present and fifteen visitors, and had a splendid offering. It is a small town school, and we are expecting to hear splendid things from it in the future.

Wouldn't you like to have been the dents predominate in the State Uni- author of the following letter, which came to the University under date of the last day of September? Doesn't it breathe the spirit of a true man? Should we print his name, you would say "That's him."

"Here come my payments on sub- we have scriptions—Founders' Club and Key to see Memorial Fund.

"When I think of the proposed plan for the growth and development of Southern Methodist University it makes me wish that I were able to

Yours for success and in his name."

back The morning service was a helpful one, and a large number of very fine people among our members here, and when they fail there is likely to be failure almost everywhere. The services on Sunday morning were helpful, and day night I preached in the Pittsburg Church and enjoyed looking into the faces of the good WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE MINUTES. ing following, I was with Brother Adams people whom I served two years as pastor. no widespread revival in this charge there

# A MOVE AND ELSE.

At the late session of the West Texas Con. going integrity has been presented The anties have called for an election to vote

P. B. SUMMERS.

# Southern Methodist University

Among the bonds received last week for the Department of Religious Education was one from the young son of Rev. R. L. Reese, pastor at Ma-lone, Texas, who bears the name of Fierce, and who is only thirteen years old. This bond is for fifty dollars and signed by the young man, individ-ually, and he alone is responsible for the payment. His father informs us that Pierce became so interested in our Department for the making of Sunday Schools more efficient that he insisted on giving the bond. We expect him to be one of our best stu-

the class known as "Scout" and composed of Boy Scouts from that town. They worked, not only for the bond they gave, but were instrumental in helping to secure several others. The teacher of the "Scout" class is the wife of the pastor at that place, Mrs. C. W. Macune, and the class is an enthusiastic and hard working onethereby achieving results.

If, as we are told, the value we place on a thing is measured by our willingness to sacrifice for it, then the following letter from one of our subscribers will speak for itself:

"Times are awfully hard, but I wan" to pay this if I have to wear my old last winter suit again. With very best wishes for the success of our Southern Methodist University, I am.

One of the best circular letters we have been fortunate enough to see in a long time is that one which Rev. E. L. Silliman, pastor at Chico, Texas, and one of our District Sunday School Commissioners is sending to the men in his district. It is clear, to the point present, twelve new members and fifty do something really worth while. At and full of meat, and must bring forth visitors. They must have been doing any rate, I can say, with the Apostle good fruit. We are expecting to have Peter: 'Silver and gold have I none great results from Rally Day in his but such as I have, give I unto thee.' district, and we hope, with him, that "Command me when I can serve, they will keep full and accurate re-

# FICE THEIR OWN PLEASURE FOR EUROPEAN ORPHANS.

The children of the respective Sunday Schools of Calvert have decided to deny themselves the pleasure of their usual Christmas trees and instead to donate the money to the orphans of Europe. In this way they have raised over \$150 with no work and very little trouble. Instead of counting this a sacrifice, our children have given this money with eagerness and joy. Could not such a movement be trated in your town?

Think what it would mean if the cost of every Christmas tree in Texas could be sent to the little ones across the ocean. We will send our donation to President Wilson, Chairman of the American Red Cross Relief Com-mittee. MRS. W. C. TAYLOR, Chairman S. S. Associa

# A CORRECTION

weather was not favorable, and the attendance and say nice things to him. Brother Lee has preacher in charge in full-\$1500. The min-was rather slim, but we had good services, had a good year and will report all finances utes state, Assessed \$1600, paid \$1500. The

in a wonderful way. It is the wrong things we do that tie us all up in knots rings of and hamper and hinder us, no mathear an opposite philosophy expressed. We have even been told of men who were too honest to succeed. Thoroughsometimes as a bar and obstacle, but that is the devil's doctrine, born not only of a perverse but of a foolish mind. Honesty and right-mindedness never kept any man back from success, that is any success that was worth trying for. But dishonesty and wrong-mindedness have, times times without number. It is when we begin to mix up with wrong thing that we lose the directness, the clear vision, the steady sureness that mean achievement and success. Look life over from what point you will, and you will find that it has been sin that has tripped men up and held them back and spoiled health and happiness and hope. Truly we are holden with the cords of our wrongdoings, and our sin is the thing, more than all -Guardian.

terns of his preaching. His preaching is inwas recommended to the District Conference paid. They have
tensely spiritual and moves men. Brothfor idense to preach. I am very sorry to paid off some annoying debts. Thursday tor, hence he has a good grip on the situafine Christianity, yet they know
or John A. Wallace, our district lay leader, have to say that the collections were not up in night I held the conference for First Church, tion there. He serves a good, loyal and faithmore about it by experience than
Terretain and everything was reported in ful people.

J. N. McCAIN. many of the philosophers.