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I promised to write you, when the Texas tour was over, what the outlook is. Good, I am thankful to say, good! The old doctrines and methods are vital. By their fruits we approve them.

The Book Editor, Dr. Harrison, sums the year past, with three conferences yet

sions; the evils of moderate dram-drink- in this divine service. ing and intemperance are being abated; pastoral influence is becoming more inbut spade-work. The Lord is raising up laborers for his vineyard. The people honor him with their substance in supporting them more cheerfully; and in church extension at home and abroad, and maintaining institutions for Chris-

Dangers correspondingly beset us. Most of all-worldliness. Social condithan ever before. Worldly-conformity is presented in many ways, pleasing, spein, like a flood, may the Lord lift up a banner in the office of the TEXAS CHRIS-

the successor takes hold where the predecessors left off, without loss of time. them. How nicely that was done when a journey, found himself and family at home, and among friends! Many such cases your columns give. Depend on it, parsonages are not only convenient, but they are essential to the working of the itinerancy. I have seen a wagon go. after a fashion, by hard-pulling, with only three wheels-a dragging pole being where the fourth wheel ought to be. So have I seen a circuit go-without the pastor's home. But that rate and style of going cannot long be endured.

To the neglected work of church and parsonage building, Texas Methodists and they will not only take, but hold, that

well. I send you and your readers a New Year's greeting, and trust you may be happy and useful, and they the same, and a thousand times as many more as

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, Jan. 1, 1886.

# HOLIDAY NOTES.

REV. GEO. W. F. PRICE, D. D.

The arrival of your bright, cheery issue of Dec. 26th reminded me sharply of my derelictions. I had intended to send you a few jottings for your Christmas number, both to testify my gratitude to you plead a busy life and the distractions of humanity as he is at this hour. which befall a school-master upon the verge of a Christmas vacation.

A BLESSED CHARITY.

continued to pour in, until ample and the Rev. Gross Alexander, now of call for us. The faith that saves the ence at Denton. It was my privilege to urday night was perhaps the ablest effort.

A GREETING SENT ON NEW YEAR. thousandchildren, with surplusage for dis- man of experience, a man of versatility, faith that may be on the morrow. It is Bishop F. lecture his preachers and de- hardly equal to a sermon from the same We may take courage and go forward. houses, were alike put under levy, and ly loves the church, the children, the "Now, Lord, right now, I believe." conferences, 18,879; probationers, 2.763— I notice the conference reported adults turkeys, chickens, wild fowl, hams, men. He has sauces, candies, fruits, clothing, toys, up 50,000 increase of our membership and gift-books in generous proportions. remarkable for pronounced features: (1) creates the love and image of God in his day-schools, with 1818 officers and teachto be held. The increase of the quadto be held. The increase of the quadsenting the best social and religious elethe school. (2) The very large proporChrist Jesus our Lord. Old things pass years has not been very great, or very I close by praying heaven's choicest remium is quite the largest in our his- ments of the city, without respect to tion of quite young children in the classes. away and all things become new. As encouraging, especially in the Austin blessing upon the Alabama Conference. peculiarities of individual opinion, were The latter grows out of the fact that long as faith holds, keeps fixed upon the Conference. With all this, there are signs that the aided by willing men and boys, and by West End is the church of a great many moment, there is a living, growing expechurch is on a higher plane of spiritual many of the leading young ladies of the young families, men who have settled in rience of grace in the heart and life. If life. Family altars are increasing; Sunday-school work results in more conver-

ily the new pastors fall into place, and were well-nigh barefoot, their toes stick- gressive, and spiritual little church. ing through their rent and ragged shoes. NASHVILLE, TENN., Dec. 28, 1885. These went away with boots or shoes The hearts of the people are opened to dangling about their necks, or thrust kindly upon their feet. The merchants, the preacher, of that name, at the end of hats, underwear, clothes of suitable qual- the best and brightest season of the year the devil in. Perhaps no form of sin said, "I differ with the Bishop." I suphundred bats. Indeed, it is a charity of us, who are older and less susceptible soul. The moralist, the legalist, may point when this brother whispered the sight, and hurled away full of tender thoughts, thrusting money into the ford the pleasure they gave when the if the devil can only slip in a drop of that the seeming turn that matters took Fashionably-dressed society women drove we were young it was, or it seemed to be, worst sinners in the world, the hardest to lively, and I hope a lasting, impression up, looked about upon the children, and an age from Christmas to Christmas; but reach, have the form of godliness, but upon the heaver. nodded approvingly to their daughters now, Christmas always comes before we deny its power. They pray after a sort, What more contemptible character erty, perhaps of sin and degradation, making preparations for a great time. these. are awaking. Let this be followed up, whose days are haunted by hunger and Too few of them, alas! ever think of Versona, Miss. whose nights are embittered by cursing Christ in connection with Christmas, and strife and drunken debauch, daintily though the name is suggestive of the true The Lord preserved my going out and coming in; and I found, on my return some two days before Christmas, all some two days before Christmas, all the hopes of hopest, but people, and the pure and the pure and the import of this festival. Our Christmases have been so given over to frivolity and have been so given over to fri coming in; and I found, on my return served by the rich and the pure and the import of this festival. Our Christmases the homes of honest, but peorly requited | sin that many of our young people, and | by smiles and seasoned with words of for this. They have not magnified the tinguished preacher or lecturer, if I can Master withal. help and cheer. My thoughts, as I walked name of Christ as they should have done without neglecting other duties enjoy BRYAN. TEXAS. pensively down stairs, saluted on all sides at this season of the year. They have the privilege. I do this partly for my by the cheerful din of tin trumpets and not been open on Christmas for the wor- own benefit, and parily to ascertain, if I the boisterous glee of merry children, ship and praise of our Lord. The devil can, "wherein their great strength lieth." turned to the utterances of those who, with and the world have bitter cynicism, declare that Christianity discharge an obligation to my own con-

A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS SERMON,

If I am not ruled out of court, I should Church yesterday afternoon set this truth life of Christ into the minds of our chil- his disciples. It was alternately argulike to tell you of some excellent things before our admiring thoughts in a most dreat which I have seen and heard within the impressive manner. After a learned When Christmas comes there is al. To me it was good to be there. He had laborers in the vineyard that they were last few days. The Chris Child has allusion to the great perplexities and un- ways a kind of letting go of the old in just organized the first conference of the twenty-one years ago, when I first saw visited us at this glad season. His com- certainties in reference to the precise order to take a firm grip on the new year. M. E. Church, North, in Texas. This them. ing has brought joy and blessedness to day of the Nativity, the Doctor finally This is well. To some people Christmas | comprised a few white American preachthousands of happy and festal homes, launched forth upon his proper theme- is the time to begin anew-to renew, ers and members, a few Germans, and and forty, all were found blameless in Franklis and Hawley Streets, Boston, Mars. noble charity. The county court-room, in to the last "syllable of recorded time." day may bring forth;" and a wiser than formed. There were then 189 traveling Seven of the brethren had passed the third story of our city courthouse, was I attempt no analysis, and am sensible he said: "Therefore be ye also ready, and 248 local preachers; 3,706 probation- from labor to reward in the past twelve of benches; six long tables were spread and when the last prayer was offered, folly of procrastination in matters that parsonages—the whole valued at \$120,000. Phillips, I. I. Tatum and J. M. Crews in this large hall with capacity for three many were the tears of blessed hope and concern the immertal soul! Next year, Bishop Peck, in 1876, held a conferone of them quite young; two in the try districts, and from every quarter of ference, October past-has already pro- hour, the last minute, the city, came wagons, carts, buggies, duced a decided impression for good. He

tribution to the parents of the little ones, a man of pulpit power and of rich re- not the faith of the past hour or minute, liver two great gospel sermons. text he preached in Hope, Arkansas, in and to other needy and deserving poor. sources. He is a stirring, energetic, wide- nor the faith of the next hour or minute. The following statistics were obtained 1882. When our connectional men get Larders and pantries, store-rooms and awake pastor—and therein lodges much It is the faith that fixes down on the last summer from Bishop Mallalieu: out West they seem to feel called upon barn-yards, retail shops and wholesale of his power and past success. He deep- present needle-point of time and says: Number of members in the four Texas to do their best. from these multifarious sources came work of the ministry, and the souls of When the penitent sinner comes to this total, 21.642; local preachers, 347. There baptized, 1625; infants, 995. In Texas

A FINE SUNDAY-SCHOOL,

future of the church to see whole house. sin-cannot sin. Faith and sin never The scene once beheld can never be holds thus crowding to the Sunday-school exist, never will exist, at the same time forgotten. The eager faces and restless benches. With respect to teachers, the in the same heart. Faith and sin are in- Writer Tickings. dividual, and shows not only plow-work, activities of the children; the glad anxiety school is rich. It draws from the Vanactivities of the children; the glad anxiety turned into ine flable happiness, when the little ones gazed upon the rich profusion, and realized that it was really for them; the rude struggle for precedency hushed into orderly, expectancy by the tender. contributing to missions, and aiding in into orderly expectancy by the tender, of the children, is a spectacle full of eninsistence of the good angels of the festival; the intense satisfaction with which the children hugged to their breasts the the children hugged to their breasts the disease it paidates and greatly refleves. Lemon amongst the worshipers Bishop McTyeire, sin of unbelief. This sin produces protreasures with which they went away just returned from his long travels; Chanloaded down; the pitiful evidences of color Garland, and Professors Vaughn, some other form or forms of sin in still makes the Bishop to praise the good tions expose us to this temptation more abject want and grinding poverty and Baskerville, Smith, and Alexander, of the another. Even if all the open forms of mixer, but he causes him to put him in another. Even if all the open forms of incessant struggle which were already Vanderbilt faculty. A goodly company sin were lett off, written upon the faces of many of these to inspire the faith and warm the zeal of social waifs,—these all were facts and the pulpit. Dr. Leftwich told me that would send the soul to heil. Indeed, no contrast between these—the jester and ter and his eyes with tears. Many of the children were in tattered and scanty garments. To these were given articles of click thing according to the children were in tattered and scanty garments. In the talk of the children were in tattered and scanty garments. To these were given articles of click thing according to the children were in tattered and scanty garments. To these were given articles to reflect sunday-school celebration of the blood. After physical and distinct, but in no way opposite or so that he had witnessed in a passate of click thing according to the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click thing according to the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click thing according to the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects, that he had witnessed in a passate of click the children were in tattered and scanty respects. The respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respects. The respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respects of the children were in tattered and scanty respe It is very comforting to see how read
of clothing according to their need. Many cast great things for this vigorous, aghath damned thee. The morality of the as preachers and pastors, but in a differtory Rheumatism for the last twelve months. I

HOLIDAY THOUGHTS.

CIL EROY.

CAPTURED CHRISTMAS.

THE LAST SECOND

terial had been provided for feeding a the Vanderbilt. But Dr. Leftwich is a soul is not the faith of yesterday, nor the attend two of these bodies, and hear of his life. His sermon on Sunday was

THE SIN OF UNBELIEF

TYPE-WRITER TICKINGS.

Entering the courthouse at the appoint- My people at Chappell Hill were so ed time. I saw perhaps thir y gentlemen, good as to grant me a short leave of ab-

hundred and forty plates. The summons tender retrospect and solemn resolution next month, next week, to-morrow, I will ence in San Antonio, and preached an vigor of manhood's prime; the rest behad sounded out through the public that gathered in the eyes of the worship- turn to God; but to-night my soul is re- admirable sermon for us on Christian longed to the honorable roll of those who prints inviting contributions. A tide of ing congregation. The brief pastorate quired of me, and I go to meet my Lord. holmess, in the Solidad Street Church, of have lived long and well. The memorial benevolence flowed in response to this of Dr. Leftwich in this fruitful field-he Put it off as we may, but the last year, which I was then pastor. The Austin service held on Sunday night was cerinvitation. From the surrounding coun- was appointed to this charge at last con- the last month, the last week, the last Conference, composed exclusively of tainly a time never to be forgotten. The ized at this time. The fall conferences that heaven was very near. barouches, men, women, and children, has a difficult, a delicate, an onerous will come, and we know not which one for 1885 were held by Bishop Foster. Bishop Wilson had so far recovered bearing gifts for the occasion. In pro- place. He succeeds two elequent, labor- may be the last. The only safe way is The German Conference at San Antonio, from his protracted illness as to be able fuse abundance, in dainty richness, in lous, very popular men-Rev. Robt. T. to be ready. The reason for being ready the Texas Conference at Houston, West to do full work in the chair and elsesubstantial quality, the contributions Nabors, who died during his pastorate, is that we do not know when God may Texas at Austin, and the Austin Confer- where. His missionary speech on Sat-

point, he steps into life-God forgives are 284 churches, valued at \$310,752, and it is often the case that we report more his sins. The Holy Ghost renews, re- 91 parsonages, valued at \$45,374; 364 Sun- infants than adults, which indicates not The ladies of the Relief Society, repre- The number of experienced teachers in heart. He is made a new creature in ers and 15,758 scholars. The gain in ten theology—Bishop McTyeire being judge.

"A GOOD MIXER."

"Happy is that pastoral charge that

has for a preacher a good mixer."-Type-The type-writer has evidently fallen

contrast with the jester and retailer of ROSADALIS cures Serofula, Rheumatism, meralist and the legalism of the legalist ent way. One brother, who followed the was induced to try your preparation, Rosadalis, are alike abominable in the sight of God. Bishop's speech at this point until he had and feet are still enlarged, but I feel so much being numixed with faith in them who pretty nearly completed his picture of a better that I want to continue taking the ROSAdo these things. Unbelief may, often "good mixer," whispered "that's me," DALIS. does, take the form of religiousness- but when the Bishop had put the finishwith characteristic liberality, sent shoes, The Christmas season is now upon us, "steals the livery of heaven" to serve ing touches to the picture, this brother ity and size. One house donated one to our children and young people. Some is so rulnous, so blinding to the human pose H. S. T. heard the Bishop up to the which touches the public heart in its to the enjoyments peculiar to this festi- have and hold much truth, but he holds "that's me," and then had his attention finest chords. Men came up, gazed upon val, are not so glad. Indeed, to older per- it in unrighteousness, in sin. What does diverted, and failed to see the completed hands of the good women in waiting. Christmases were further apart. When poison to ruin the soul? Some of the just about the closing words made a

the tables. Thus the extremes of social span long now. I wonder if the years week; but, after all, they are in the gall mingle with all classes of society, interlife met upon the broad platform of our will continue to grow still shorter as age of bitterness and in the bonds of iniquity, est all, and win the esteem of old and holy Christianity. Here were the lowly comes on? The little folks, so numerous fast bound in the chains or sin; full of young without distinction of character, and sorowful children of toil and of pov- in this country, and the young people, are forms, but destitute of faith. God pity trade or profession? "The wicked plot- carry teth against the just and gnasheth upon | CRITIES MOORE xxxvii:12. And everywhere in the Bible in the same spirit. "Mix with him, fellow-ship him, and treat him as a good fellow tions of not only labor, whose hearts were yearning for not a few of the old ones, have come to I stepped from the New Orleans steamer, there is a true philosophy of human nasome of the tender outpourings of a hu- regard this as the season for unbridled at the wharf in Galveston, I heard one ture, as certain as it is that there is no man sympathy and love which should be license, particularly in the use of ardent gentleman remark to another that concord between Christ and Belial. "Be able to carry the hand of plenty with the spirits, and "such diversions as cannot "Bishop Simpson would preach that courteous" even to the wicked. But he heart of affection, and these were the re- be used in the name of Christ." In some morning in the courthouse." I never who undertakes to mix with him is sure cipients of a generous bounty sweetened places our churches are largely to blame miss the opportunity of hearing a disto get mixed himself and to be tray his

ALABAMA NOTES.

REV. W. W. GRAHAM.

is dying out in the world. Here was the and turned it against Christ. In some and not quite as many ladies. In the sence, that I might visit my mother, who science for service which I had pledged all such pessimistic philosophy. Christ this festival is an occasion for impress. Army, Judge Watrons, of the U. S. Alabama Conference being in session at myself in my secret heart to do. I must was never so firmly entrenched in the heart ing on the minds of the children and Court, Dr. II. V. Phalpott, and a few Union Springs, I saved time enough people the story of the incarnation other members of the M. E. Caurch, from other duties to spend three days and birth of our blessed Lord. When South, and some other citizens of the with the comrades of other years. It properly used, the occasion and the cus- Island City. The audience was small; was certainly good to be there. The Dr. Leftwich's beautiful Christmas ser- tom of making presents are calculated the sermon was one never to be forgotten; fathers and brethren were just six years mon, which was delivered in West End to grind these great initial facts in the it was on Christ's prayer for unity among older than when I saw them last. Old mentative, persuasive, sublime, pathetic. all, but they were the same faithful

but not to the rich and the great alone the birth of Christ. He showed us how Many pledges and promises of better a larger number of negroes. has he made this Christmas visit. Here Jesus is the key of the world's history, the living are made. New leaves are turned A year later the same Bishop held a people, with a pure min's ry. Dr. Linus in this deeply religious community have answer to the world's questionings, the over, and some lives are made better. conference in Houston; and the year fol- Parker (afterwards Bishop) once said been felt the pulsings of divine charity. solution of the world's doubts, the h pe Some who promise to amend their lives lowing, I believe it was, Bishop Scott that the Alabama Conference furnished and have been seen the lavish outpouring and the light of rien. Take away Christ at Christmas, or on New Year's day, die held another conference in the same city. the ablest debaters in the whole church. of this gracious spirit of beneficence, out of the ages and his ory becomes a before the time arrives. They do not I also visited both of these conferences, A high compliment, to be sure, but Amongst the many organizations, which tangled web, science a vain philosophy, live to see the beginning of a better life, and heard the B shops preach and lecture. Linus Parker did not speak at random. are the outgrowth of a religious interest civilization a baseless dream, government Others pass this day without improve- In 1874 it was my privilege to attend a The Western army always felt easy when in the less fortunate of our kind, the a synonym for tyranny and oppression, ment, and flatter themselves they will be conference, held by Beshop Harris, in they knew that Joseph E. Johnston was Nashville Relief Society is one of the liberty a despot's thrail, honesty a thin gin next year. Thus they go from year Brenham, and hear him lecture on his in the saddle. Even so may the rank most popular and most useful. For the veneer, virtue but lack of opportunity, year, getting further from God and trip around the world. He was the first and file of any conference feel easy when past two years this association has been the family a warring precinct of lust, and deeper into the darkness of sin. Some Methodist Bishop who visited Asia and they have such men, and Blue, McCarly, in the habit of providing a free Christmas home but a den of shame. In his glow- people do not know, or, knowing, do not the distant missions in the East. At Motley, Mark Andrews and others to dinner for the poor children of Nashville. ing periods we beheld the conquering care, that to-morrow never comes. The this session the Germans were, if I am steer the craft. In three days I heard Saturday, the 26th, was the day appointed | Christ pushing on his glorious dominion | wise man says: "Boast not thyself of not mistaken, set off into a separate con- more in the way of public discussion for the third annual entertainment of this to the remotest boundaries of space and to-morrow, for thou knowest not what a ference; and the West Texas Conference than I heard in five years in the West.

appropriated to the objects of this annual that I rather mar than magnify the great for in such an hour as ye think not the ers and 16.980 full members of the months: Dr. Eilison, Zach. Dowling. festival. A space 60x46 feet was cleared theme. All hearts were deeply touched, Son of Man cometh." O the danger and church; 105 church buildings and 12 Herman Humphrey, J. T. Roper, Elisha white preachers and people, was organ- Holy Spirit came down and we all felt

I shall hardly ever meet with these brethren again, but I do confidently expect to meet them all in heaven. GREENVILLE, Ala., Dec. 24, 1885

LEMON ELIXIR.

coercive. When the enemy would come incidents to fill one's mouth with laught the recent Sunday-school celebration of to put it more strongly, men are not the "good mixer." They were different impure condition of the blood. After physical condition of the blood incidents to fill one's mouth with laught the recent Sunday-school celebration of the blood.

TUCKER'S

Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Liver and Kidney Troubles,

and friends, who were helpfully serving are ready for it. The years are hardly a pay tithes of all they have, fast twice a than that of a mixer, who can mix and when the simple directions are followed. No

W. L. TUCKER.

r both week day and Sunday reading. The "Ansy, edited by "Pansy" herself, holds the list place in the hearts of the children, and a the approval of earnest-minded parents, Among the more interesting teatures for 1886 viii be Pansy's serial story.

Drugg'st and Pharmacist, WACO, TEXAS.

REACHING OUT.

ing a further account of "Little Fishers; and theor Nets." The Golden Text Stories, in the five the title, "Six O'clock in the Evening," ill be told by a dear old Grandma, who knows cany interesting things about what happened therself when she was a little girl. Margaret adner will furnish a charming story.

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LETTER FROM FLATONIA. Chappell Hill-Conference-Flatonia-

Partings and Greetings. Recently I have visited some places notable in the Texas Conference. First, Chappell Hill. An acquaintance with tellectual training; nothing to divert her mind from study; no evil social current to draw her away from the right path, send her to Chappell Hill. I had the Missionary Auxiliary there, which, I believe, is the strongest auxiliary in the conference, and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference, and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest auxiliary in the conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and which has the best president I agest a conference and the conference are a conference are a conference and the conference are a conference and the conference are a conference and the conference are a conference are a conference and the conference are a conference and the conference are a conference are a conference are a conference and the conference are a what they see on the surface of what lies beneath. So when I see zeal and devolution to the surface of what lies beneath. tion to the cause of missions, I know of

Conference time coming on, my good husband bade me make ready to accompany him to Austin. Well, we all saw something of our beautiful capital and its people, and I, like others who have cannot be described, and were renewed spiritually by the power of God which was present and better prepared for the

year's work before us.

I enjoyed seeing the Bishop and grand, inimitable old Dr. McFerrin, and all the notable doctors and regen's and our edi-tor. But I confess I bow my head lower before the old soldiers of the rank and the wives by their sides, who, year after year, take the hard work, with no hope of ever filling the stations where there is ease and plenty and refined associations and the praise of men to help them on One by one, as they grow too feeble for the "hard places," they fall out of the line and begin the struggle of maintaining themselves as the snadows lengthen into the night of death. Who that ever attended conference has not seen how these dear old soldiers look with longing eyes at the column as it goes on leaving them behind? And the grandest lesson the conference had for me was the fortitude and patience two of these soldiers of Christ showed as the line moved on and they were left-left out of their loved employ to take up some uncongenial labor for bread and clothing. God for-give the church that does not help them more. But conference, and home-going, and packing, and leave-taking and moving all over, we step off the train at Flatonia, and a good brother meets us and tells us that the ladies are waiting at our new parson; ge for us; and we go in and find supper ready and everything in readiness for a good night's rest at home. Yes, even before our goods come there is enough furniture and bedding and car-pets, that the kind and skillful hands of the Flatonia ladies had supplied, for the parsonage; and in the pantry enough to furnish the table for a month. A few days after came a fine turkey and a early and middle ages. days after came a fine turkey and a Christmas cake, and a ten dollar bill on the Christmas tree, and better than all, kind words of greeting, and hearty Christian welcome, and assurances of prayers and co-operation in the work before us. So our hearts joyfully join in the Christmas paean, "Peace on earth, good will to men," and we look forward humbly, trustfully, hopefully, praying God to make us channels of his blessing to these dear people. Thanks to our worthy predecessors, the church is in good condition. Nothing but the kindest words are spoken of those who have been here before us. Indeed, the hearts of these people seem so fully given to Brothers Wootton, Dimmitt and Sears that we

ed with our new people.

MRS. H. W. ARMSTRONG. FLATONIA, Texas, Dec. 28, 1885.

and turn to the work of getting acquaint-

would despair of getting a share only that we know that the Methodist heart,

like the mother heart, "always has room for another." So, with loving good bye

# MEXICAN BORDER MISSION CON-

REV. J. D. SCOGGINS.

As the most of your readers know, our border mission has taken shape as an annual conference. Thus a people that were no people are entering the ranks of God's Israel. It is now a fact no longer. As the most of your readers know, our God's Israel. It is now a fact no longer to be questioned that we can transact the business of an annual conference. Our local preacher, known to me as "a genthe Baptist, to "the Lamb of God who native brethren took right hold and worked well. I suppose a more unmurmuring band of preachers rarely ever received appointments at a Bishop's hands. It was trying I am sure. Many changes were made. Long moves were necessary. In a word, it was a full-fledged annual conference "shake-up;" but all quietly returned home and went to packing up. returned home and went to packing up, and are at work as though nothing had happened. I have heard cheerful news from almost every one of the thirteen pastors in my own district, and am sure the entire conference is looking up. Rev. P. C. Bryce, of Monterey, has married, and of course is hopeful and happy. His school is increasing almost daily. A late school is increasing almost daily. A late says man is a worshiping animal by grace, and may day before." May God crown his untiring efforts with a great success, and may he and his noble lady into a very wonderful plant, and he holds into a live long and happily among us. Rev. J. that if this seed-plant-or faith, be not operation of God" does he mean that F. Corbin, of Saltillo, was here a few encumbered, or embarrassed, it will be days ago and gave a good report of the outlook in that city. Says he has employed a Bible woman who he thinks will help the work consideraby. I believe any other rational man can object to his fluence of the Holy Spirit."

M.—I think so. Mr. Pope says "faith, whether receptive or active, is an exercise of the human heart under the influence of the Holy Spirit." she will. I wish we could employ one in each mission. Any Sunday-school could pay one all she demands over and above its ordinary collections. Why not open this question? "Every little helps." We are working for a new departure this year. Self-support is our object now. Of course it will not be attained at a leap but "poco a poco," little by little. Last year the highest assessments made for a large of the Holy Spirit."

M.—I see also (looking at the paper) to each man about all the faith he ever will give, and that it is not worth while for anyone to pray for faith, or for more faith.

C.—It may mean that in a general sense, as through the Word of God.

M.—No, he guards that point, for he continues, "Not mere'y under that general agency by which all preliminary grace is wrought, but through his actual revelation of Christ to the soul, the eyes of which are at that moment opened. The unveiling of the Savior to the penitent of the Holy Spirit."

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pastor was \$20, and for presiding elder \$6, which was all paid. At district conference a sermon was preached on the subject and I told the brethren that should I be returned to the district I would endeavor to stir matters on this line. The first quarterly conference held after conference assessed for preacher in after conference assessed for preacher in the story of getting faith by praying for it is just as though a man would seek to lift himstory of the story of the after conference assessed for preacher in charge \$80 and for presiding elder \$15. They are poor, and it occurred to me that this was an encouraging move. In fact, they did it unexhorted, and then gave me many of the graduates of the college their plan as follows: Each member had there, whom I had found to be such use-ful women and devoted workers in the support of the ministry and other conferchurch of God, had naturally made me ence collections, or \$2.60 capita annually. They have few members, and after dedesirous to visit the institution. I found ducting the amount assessed against the both in the college and community a charge by the district stewards, the above strong and decided religious and Meth- named amount was left for the ministry. odistic influence, fully capable of the results I had witnessed; and came away instance the Jacksonville circuit of the prepared to say that if a parent wants to send a daughter where she will have five hundred members. Why they would good home-care and fare; good examples pay Bro. Boone \$1000 and \$300 for other both in and out of the college; good in- collections. And he ought to have it. So of many, many other charges and pastors. This plan is Methodistic and purely the whole article carefully and am sorry Wesleyan. Nay, more, it is Pauline. Why is there no more method among us insinuation. pleasure of meeting with the Woman's dissionary Auxiliary there, which, I be-

The Laredo Seminary is flourishing. It is a pleasure to visit it. May God bless all connected with the institution. What a pity that its influence is turned. my humble opinion, it ought to be. Not complaint, but an earnest request.

terday. Preached four sermons, was disappointed because he did not get to preach the fifth, and was up and gone this morning before breakfast. My opinion is that our church has never had more than about fifty such workers since all your readers have had a merry Christmas, and wishing an a mark."
I bid you adieu until "mas alla." is, and wishing all a happy New Year,

PELAGIANISM PRAYING FOR

M .- Neighbor C., I am glad I have

overtaken you, as, since we had our last conversation, I have been posting myself in regard to Pelagianism. C .- I also am glad that we have the

prospect of an hour or two's uninterrupted chat, as I always learn something | Bible requires. from you when we go to town together. me to estimate his teachings?

M .- His Celtic name was Morgan, which means the sea-born. He was a monk, but never a preacher; and was been able entirely to resist the influence, born, probably in Wales or in Brittany, about the middle of the fourth century. and have heard some of the best of peo-

thought that he was a very bad man. M.—On the contrary, it is contended by some that his personal morality led him to exalt human ability and merit.

maxim, "If I ought I can." They hold that obligation implies ability; and, therefore, that since the fail, as well as before, man has natural ability to do all God requires of him, even without any faith unless the Father draw him, by a special, divine aid.

Father draw him, by a special, divine aid.

By the courtesy of the publishers, we sense of his sins, and by the fear of that

C .- Well, all that appears very rationto the dear ones left behind, and a word

to the sympathizing ones who have com-miserated me on being an itinerant's wife—which is, "please waste your sym-pathy on somebody else for awhile"—I wish you a happy New Year, Mr. Editor,

have your views of the article.
M.—(Looking at the paper) I see this

tieman and a scholar."

see that.
M.—(Hands C. the paper.) Read for the human heart.
M.—I will give

M.—Please read it again. (C. reads it very slowly and emphatically.) Now as he admits that it is the language of the Bible to pray for faith, be must undertake to prove what he insinuates, i. e., that it is not the language of inspiration also. The prima facie evidence is against

his insinuation. C .- You are right in that, but I read

M .- Candor forces me to admit that he

M .- If I were disposed to criticise him written, saw the celebrities of the con-written, saw the celebrities of the con-ference room, and we felt the thrill of for members' sake, but for the vital help it freely, as you seem to be, I would object to this paragraph in which he says: "Aside this paragraph in which he says: "Aside from experimental knowledge, the best munication. Our untiring Sutherland was here yes- way to get a knowledge of faith is a

St. Paul and Mr. Wesley died. Hoping a Christian a better idea of faith than any process of reasoning.

C.—Well, you know our views. We are not very strong believers in what you call experience. As to the matter of pardon, we believe that a man has ability to do what he ought to do, as you say Pelagius taught. The word tells us what to do. We take the Bible for it, and do what God says, and when God has told us what to do in order to pardon, and when we have obeyed the infallible word, we have all the evidence of pardon we need.

the question?

M .- To suggest that possibly you are not correct in your views of what the

Please tell me, first of all, who Pela- be absolutely certain that his views of gius was, which will the better enable Scripture requirements are correct. You have as good a right to your views as we have to ours.

M .- I like your candor. C .- I will say to you that I never have C.—No doubt you are quite accurate in all these matters, but I always supposed he was a preacher—a good man, and not a monk.

M.—Though a monk, he was a good M.—Though a monk, he was a good man, and may be a good man, and not a monk.

M.—Though a monk, he was a good that under this conviction they prayed to God to enable them to trust in Jesus prayer, enable them to look to Christ, C.—I have generally heard him spoken of as a heretic, and I very naturally looked to the brazen serpent, and that in looked to the brazen serpent, and that in looked to the brazen serpent, and that in looked to the brazen serpent.

M .- Yes, there is the convincing power of God's truth in such an experience. C .- I do not believe in total hereditary | Fletcher says: "With respect to faith depravity as you Methodists do, and I none can enjoy it but those who have understand that your circuit rider felt their need of it. Jesus Christ never charged the Christian Church with Pegives this sweet assurance, this testimony lagianism, and I don't like it a bit, though I don't like it a bit Before the Spirit of God convinces the world of righteousness he convinces 'of improvement in the quality of the paper sin, because they believe not in Jesus.' on which it is printed, and a large addition to the amount of its reading matter. punishment which he merits."

al, and I think that everyone ought to believe it.

M.—I beg leave to assure you that Methodists, and all other orthodox Christians, believe quite the contrary.

C.—Mr. Fletcher presents the matter very forcibly, and I admit that God convicts sinners of their unbelief, through the word; but praying for pardon and receiving it by faith only is a different matter.

Christians, believe quite the contrary.

C.—Perhaps so; but I was reading when you overtook me, or just before that time, in the Texas Christian Advocate which you sent me, a very able article under the heading, "What is Faith," and—

M.—Yes, I read it before I sent you the paper, and—

C.—Tell me, does the writer advance any Pelagianism?

M.—Mr. Fletcher is equally Scriptural and forcible in teaching that the sinner thus convicted should pray for faith. He says: "If these truths have dissipated your doubts; if you no longer halt between God and Baal; if you are convinced that you can never see the 'king-dom of God' without being 'born again,' and that the sole means of obtaining this blessing is by a 'faith of the operation of of things hoped for, and the evidence of taketh away the sins of the world,' and

God inworks this faith?
M.—I think so. Mr. Pope says "faith,

his own boots. Don't you—

M.—I see that Bro. A. admits that the language of the Bible is to pray for faith.

C.—Are you not mistaken? I didn't ty from God's Word—not human testimony-to prove that God works faith in

C.—Here it is: "But says one, is it not the language of the Bible to pray for faith? Granted. But all the language of the Bible is not the language of inspiration."

M.—I will give you one such scripture if you will promise to give it the full weight and authority to which it is entitled in determining this question. Will you do so?

C .- I certainly will. M .- You will find it in the third verse of the 12th chapter of first Corinthians and thus it is written, "No man can say that Jesus is the Lord but by the Holy Ghost."

C .- Now state again what you would prove by this text. M.—Simply this, that it is by the Holy Ghost operating upon the human heart a man is enabled to realize in his personal experience or consciousness that Jesus is the Lord, and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord but by the Holy Ghost

who manifests it unto him. C.—Well, sir, I am not at present pre pared to disprove your position, but I do not finally yield the point. I would like however that you would still further un-

fold the peculiar views of Pelagius.

M.—Most gladly would I do so, (takes out his watch) but we have tarried here tion to the cause of missions, I know of the spiritual wealth underlying it—the wealth of Christ-love going out to all humanity, not shut in to self.

Conference time coming on, my good

Conference time coming hereby call the attention of the Woman's Board to this matter and cordially invite them to have its saving help turned to the por Mexican congregation where, in God's Word.

Settler How. Before starting I win merely whether in Paul's day or not, there is a say, "Both reason and experience show that Pelagianism leads to Arianism, to Deism, to Fatalism, to Pharisaism, and (I hope I may not offend you) to Campbellism.

C .- You have not yet told me fully your views in regard to Brother A's com

M .- That is true, but as we must now ride in a hurry, I hope you will excuse me on that point. I will only say that I hope he will at least modify some of his expressions which appear to lean too far toward the leading error of Pelagius

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Report of Committee on Books and Periodicals. To the Bishop and Members of the Texas Au

The Committee on Books and Periodicals report as follows:

In regard to

BOOKS FROM OUR PUBLISHING HOUSE. Your committee find that the number sold by the preachers of this conference M.—Is your understanding infallible? is very small. The value of those sold C.—Of course not. Why do you ask this year is approximately \$500. The is very small. The value of those sold committee are constrained to believe that the preachers have, in the main, failed to bring these books fairly to the C .- That is true. No fallible man can attention of their charges. By this failure the church is suffering loss. Our people can and will read. In the absence of our own wholesome literature, they are too likely to buy and to read books which are worthless and even viti-ating. So the interes's of the Publishing House and the morals of our people are both placed in peril. Under our system, if the church is not supplied with good books, it is the fault of the preachers.

THE QUARTERLY REVIEW. Among our ninety-eight itinerant, and membership of 12,394, there were thirty copies of this periodical taken this year. This is a larger subscription than the Review has in the other four conferthe moment they trusted in Christ they were healed. circulation in our conference is almost incredibly small. The editor calls for an addition of fifty names from this conference. He ought to have them. THE TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Your committee are pleased to be able ence. They call attention to the marked reading matter than required by the terms of their contract. And yet the editor-in-chief proposes to make a further improvement, by adding a family department to cover about four columns. This the publishers will permit only on condition of a still larger circulation—say up to 12,000 during this winter, with a fair promise of 16,000 the next year. The circulation in this conference is now only 1076. Your committee are of opinion that with a membership of over 100,000 in Texas, and with a population of nearly a million, habitually attending upon the ministry of Methodists, and with the resources of this State to look to, it would be not difficult to the control of the state of the be no difficult matter to comply with the condition named by the publishers. They feel assured that a proper presentation of the claims of the ADVOCATE in every Methodist family, will secure this and more before the end of another year. The question is: How are the preachers to be stimulated to the performance of this work? If resolutions would accomplish

J. D. THOMAS, WHERE FIRE-CRACKERS COME FROM.

Nine-tenths of them come from Canton, China, where they are made by convicts hired by Fatshing & Chow Hing, from the governfire-crackers is made of bamboo film, and is without doubt the strongest paper made. Each cracker is filled, rolled, and pasted by hand, and the nimble fingers of the convicts finish them with astonishing rapidity. The powder is different from any other made, and despite the fineness of it, is nevertheless equally as powerful as our best blasting powder. When ready for the market they are sent to Hong Kong, from whence they are distributed all over the world. In the year 1884, 500,000 boxes of fire-crackers were entered in this country. Each box contained forty packages, and each package from sixty-four to eighty crackers. From this, some idea of the number of fire-crackers exploded on Independence day may be gained.

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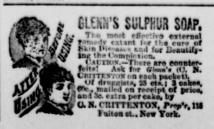
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#### ANOTHER PREACHER MARRIES.

There was quite a rustle in society and church circles at Greenville on Dec. 23, course circles at Greenville on Dec. 23, occasioned by the marriage of Rev. Eugene C. DeJernett, of the North Texas Conference, to Miss Lutie Worsham, daughter of Dr. G. H. Worsham of the aforesaid city. Miss Worsham was very popular with all classes here—especially with the young man These

humor with DeJernett at this writing.

The marriage took place at the residence of the bride's father, and in the presence of a number of friends, on the loving mands, the husband closed here to be made the properties of the bride's father, and in the presence of a number of friends, on the loving mands, the husband closed here to be made the properties of the bride that told of life to come, so full joy and peace, they bore her to her rest.

Back to the home the husband bent his well as the properties of the p day aforesaid at 4 p. m. The rites were solemnized by Rev. Jas. W. Hill.

The happy pair were made happier by a large number of handsome and costly presents. They are ready for house-keeping in good style. After farewells and kisses and tears and wishes and prayers for future happiness and prosperity, the twain, now one flesh, took the 5 p. m. west-bound train for Decatur, where Rev. D. has been stationed for the past four years, and where he has a number of friends, with whom he and his wishes of the entire community and the prayers of not a few follow them to their

new home-Montague station. Among the well-wishers, and along with those who breathe a prayer for their very best fortune, this rising young preacher and his fair bride may safely place the humble name of

GULLIVER.

#### FROM PARIS.

Characteristic Reception. I have been in no hurry to write of our reception in the Paris station, taking it for granted that everybody would understand in advance that Paris would "take the cake."

vious by attempting to describe it.

After the sisters had seen us comfortcheerful spirit and hearty good will.

The element of permanence in this liberal spirit showed itself when, in view of the preacher's juvenile resbonsibilities, the Board of Stewards, voluntarily, venture and beartily voted on in the control of the preacher's power of the preacher's power of the preacher's juvenile resbonsibilities?

Indicate the loss and the rate of the king and to be overlooked in this instance, and is she, perhaps on the very next day, expected to wind wreaths and otherwise assist in the decoration of church or hall for the Christmas festivities?

Indicate the loss and the rate of the king and to be overlooked in this instance, and is she, perhaps on the very next day, expected to wind wreaths and otherwise assist in the decoration of church or hall for the Christmas festivities? unanimously and heartily, voted an increase of twenty per cent. in the pastor's work in our power.

E. W. ALDERSON.

# FROM WEIMAR.

"Beautiful for situation" is Weimar, both from its natural location and surrounding scenery. A new, beautiful, and growing town, upon the highest elevation made us forget our fatigue, and rejoice

nice furniture, and all culinary requirements fully met. Our larder was well stored with meats of various kinds, lard. sugar, coffee, dried and canned fruits, milk, butter, honey, preserves, cakes, etc., etc., and flour sufficient for several months. And in addition to this provision, the ladies had made ready a nice hot supper, consisting of the substantials fortunate in being provided with a Jersey cow to milk, through the mess of Sister Brasher. May God school.] and delicacies of life. And we are also very fortunate in being provided with a kindness of Sister Brasher. May God ss these kind and generous people. Mr. Editor, give us a call. I must close,

our privilege since we came here.

# OLD AND YOUNG.

"SHE KEPT THE BOOKS."

R. B. M'CULLOCH.

An old man, being called as a witness in the courts, and being questioned by an attorney iniquities," and how "he was oppressed and touching a certain transaction, replied: "I cannot tell you anything about it, for when my wife died, I—I lost my books." It was an right from wrong as well as grown people, odd expression, yet it was a fitting tribute to have sinned against God. Now, God is angry the memory of a wife. In it we read the story | with us because of our sins, and will punish

with little goods, perhaps, but with strong for us; and now if we will confess our sins and loving hearts. Far from the highway of and ask God for Christ's sake to forgive them, to help him in his work. the world they built an humble home, and in he will do so, and we may reach a life of everthe clearing that they made, in field and wood, lasting happiness in heaven. But in this they wrung from earth a scanty living. Then | children have no more reason to be grateful neighbors came and shared with them the toil than grown people. But there is a special reason why children ought to love Christ. them, and filled the cabin with their noise That is because they are treated so much bet- best and most faithful young men we ever and prattle, and so they lived. Each year ter in Christian lands than in those countries they laid aside some little sum, and, as it where people do not know and love Christ. in the Spanish language, and this year is sent to grew, they added to their lands, until it was To make this plain to you, I will tell you how the city of Chihuahua in Mexico. I received said that they were thrifty people. When the badly children were treated in some heathen a letter from him also, a few days ago, asking evenings came and work was done, the good | countries. man hastened home. His wife would meet cares, would bend and catch the items as they otus, for he was a most charming story-teller.

were, each in its proper place.

The days and nights went on and melted told one of these Spartans that the arrows of do he did not know. Little Benny's playmate

woods, yet they lived on their quiet, humble

At last there came a day when, bent with years, and worn by toil and care, the wife laid especially with the young men. These same young men are not in the very best loving hands, the husband closed her eyes. down the burden of this life. With gentle, were said that told of life to come, so full of

> ways to fix in mind the matters kept for him he wandered here and there, and when they his side.
>
> At seven years of age the little Spartan boys ears.) or his plans, he said to all:

"I cannot tell you, for I've lost my books," Oh simple story of a useful life! There may e carved on many a marble shaft high-soundeere life than just these words: "She kept

# "WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH HERP"

ALICE H. BIRCH.

In a town, situated but a few miles away, lives a saloon-keeper of pleasing appearance and manners who has recently taken unto himself a wife, handsome in form and feature, and said to possess ability, and perhaps also accomplishments. The question which now agitates Pleasuretown (for convenience we will so name it) is: "What shall we do with

Pleasuretown contains two struggling church socieues. One, in which the bride has previously been interested, is endeavoring to build As the preacher and family stepped a church edifice. The lady in question seems from the train they were met by a committee of elect ladies, who conducted socials; her husband also seems willing to them to carriages in which they were give liberally to all church purposes. The driven to the parsonage, where a similar question arises, and seems more especially to committee waited to receive them. After require an answer from the ladies, how far pleasant greetings, we were invited to shall this generous assistance be received? the dining-room; and what a dinner! How far shall this lady be allowed to enter Well, I will not make the other brethren the ranks of social and family relations? who have written of their reception en- Would it be high-minded, or even just, to receive from her assistance and funds, while she is at the same time reminded by both manner ably domiciled, they retired and left us and action that it is thus far and no farther? and not alone, for all around us in other words, is she to be called upon? Is and generosity. Flour, meat, lard, fish, coffee, sugar, piles of canned goods, chickens, turkeys—in short, everything a family would need, and in abundance, had been provided. The first burden of the feet words, is she to be called upon? Is she to be invited to dinner parties, tea parties, weddings and other festivities which are of a more private nature than socials and public entertainments, where no one can question entertainments, where no one can question unto you, except ye be converted and become had been provided. The fluishing touch her right to appear? Perhaps at an evening as little children ye shall not enter into the was given when the preacher espied boxes of fragrant cigars quietly waiting to be smoked—and smoked they were, with a smoked—and smoked they were, with a smoked. Are she and her hus-

On the other hand, let us imagine the people of Pleasuretown in every way consistent in his loving words, children cannot be treated salary. God helping us, we intend to give this noble people the very best year's in any public endeavor. What is the exam- tian lands little weak children are not thrown ple? What argument can this same lady use, into pits to die, nor put where wild beasts can who was desirous that her husband should devour them. But because they are weak enter upon some other line of business, and their parents care for them all the more tenwho was promised by him that it should be as she wished, after marriage. The months roll lands are not taken from their parents when on, the promise is not fulfilled. When she re- only seven years old, and taught to fight and minds him of it, he replies: "What can you steal, as the fittle Spartan boys were. But from Houston to San Antonio, on the wish for more? I can provide you with more they stay at their pleasant homes, where they Sunset route. Into this lovely town we entered, after a hard day's travel, with loaded wagon, just as the evening shadows faded into the darkness of the best society of Pleasuretown. Its horizontal them noble Christian gentlemen. shadows faded into the darkness of night. Having no parsonage, a cozy little house had been selected for the weary itinerant. The good ladies had taken possession of the same, and although coming late, lights preceded us to the contrary, by diminishing the contrary, by diminishing the contrary. d us to the will, on the contrary, by diminishing the con- will tell you one way. Your mother loves parsonage, and their revelation to our tents of your purse, to the same extent lessen you so much that if anyone does any kind act eyes, the cordial greetings to our hearts, the amount of your influence." What can his to you she feels as if it were done to herself. wife say in reply to this practical argument? There are a great many little heathen children that the Lord had gone before us, to What effect is produced upon other young yet whose parents know nothing about the within reach, she hides them under the carmen who are tempted to enter the same busi- loving, gentle Jesus. Jesus loves these chil- pet. She then sits beside them, and cries most I will not enumerate more than to say, ness, and who feel that their social position at dren so much that if you will help to send pitifully, until Mr. or Mrs. Nice hangs them we found the parsonage provided with least will not be lowered an iota? Is it not missionaries among them he will look upon it up in their place. She is very affectionate, obligatory upon the God-fearing, temperance- as done to himself. I will read you a few and distressed if her master or mistress be loving people of Pleasuretown even to repel verses from the Bible to show you that Jesus unwell or in trouble. the advances of this pleasing lady for the sake | feels this way: of God and Home and Native Land?

Let some liberal-minded person, on this question well informed, kindly advance a few remarks, either pro or con.-Union Signal.

# MISSIONS-THE CHILDREN.

This is the anniversary meeting of the unto me. Children's Missionary Society. I think it is his aspirations for the presiding elder- sionary work. My reason for thinking so is thee; or thirsty, and gave thee drink. ship, and General Conference, he mght this: When a person is very kind to you, and does you a great deal of good, do you not does you a great deal of good, do you not in; or naked, and clothed thee? I wish every Methodist preacher could think that you ought to be very grateful? meet as cordial a welcome as has been And when you have it in your power, ought you not to do something for that kind person.

and in this way show your love and gratitade? Well, Jesus has done a great deal for children. You learned in your lesson last Sunday, in that wonderful prophecy of Isaiah, how Christ "bore our griefs and carried our sorrows;" how "he was wounded for our and thus show their love for Jesus who has transgressions," and was "bruised for our done so much for them.

afflicted," and was put to death. This means that we all, children who know They started out in life, this man and wife | Christ came into the world, suffered and died

Many of you have studied geography and him at the door and kindly welcome him. The know that there is a country in the southern rant, but they wish to educate their children. evening meal despatched, the lamp was light- part of Europe called Greece. In the southern This they cannot do unless the schools are ed, and as she plied the needle he would re- part of Greece there was a famous city named free, and books and, in some cases, clothing count the doings of the day; what he had Sparta. The people of Sparta were a very are given to the children. In the school the bought, what sold, what moneys earned, what brave people. There is a book written by missionary can gain the love of the child and spent, what was owed to him, and what were Herodotus, a man who lived more than four the prospects of the coming day. And she, hundred years before Christ. I think the seemingly busy with her household children in that day must have loved Herodfell and store them in her mind. Thus matters | He could tell as many pretty stories as Dr. Conwent on until she held within her mind the nor or your good grandfathers can now. And sum of his every day's dealing. She knew he not only told his stories to the people who what was due to him, when due, and how se- lived then, but he wrote some of them in his cured; she knew his debts, to whom, and book. I have a class reading his book now, and when accruing; her busy, thoughtful mind became his guide, his day-book, journal, about those brave Spartans. Three hundred ledger. There she had placed from day to of them once stood in a narrow road between day the items as they fell, and there they were, each in its proper place.

a mountain and the sea and fought against more than a million of men. When some one bad. He hadn't anything to ride, and what to

gave place to a statelier building. The children they had reared went out to battle with fight in the shade." When they fought until get one either." the world. The neighbors came and went. they had broken their swords, they used their Little Benny lay awake one night, thinking Time wrote its changes on the fields and hands and teeth. At last every man of the of that Shetland pony, and how he could not three hundred was killed.

when I tell you how they treated little chil- carry me?"

were taken from their mothers, and were and privation. All their education was in- didn't give it up. He caught the pig and got tended to make them brave soldiers. They ng words and touching epitaphs, but what can were also taught to steal. And if they were down hill as fast as it could go. It ran down tell more of a thoughtful, loving, busy, sin- caught stealing, they were whipped unmerci- the hill to the very bottom, and threw Benny fully, not because they were stealing, but because they were so awkward as to be caught. Sometimes they were whipped to death. Once a Spartan boy stole a young fox and hid it under his coat; and he let the fox bite and scratch him to death before he would let it be

In other parts of Greece and in Rome children were treated almost as badly as in Sparta. Their parents would often throw them away to perish. Sometimes they died where they were left. Sometimes people picked them up and kept them until they were large enough to be sold as slaves. Sometimes beggars took them and put out their eyes, or deformed them some other way, so as to work on the feel-

ngs of kind people. But Jesus did not think children should be treated in this way. You remember that once young children were brought to him that he should touch them. The disciples thought that Jesus ought not to be troubled with children, so they rebuked those that brought them. "But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them: Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them and blessed

Another time the disciples were disputing about which should be the greatest, and Jesus wished to teach them to be humble. So he "called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said: Verily, I say And whose shall receive one such little child

By his tender, loving treatment of children Jesus put an end to the heathen way of treating them-that is, wherever he is loved and worshipped. Wherever the gospel goes with

"Then shall the king say unto them on his right hand, come ye blessed of my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in. "Naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and

ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came "Then shall the righteous answer him saying, or, as Gulliver was disappointed both in very proper for children to be engaged in mis- Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed

"When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee

"Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison and came unto thee? "And the King shall answer and say unto them, verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye

have dene it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Hence, as I said in the beginning of my remarks, I think it highly proper for children to be engaged as you are in the missionary work,

Then, too, the children of this school have a special interest in missions, for two persons who used to be members of it are now missionaries in Mexico.

Many of you remember Rev. P. C. Bryce, who was for several years your faithful superus forever if they are not forgiven. But intendent. He is now teaching the little Mexican children in the city of Monterey. Only a few weeks ago he wrote me, asking our school

> Perhaps not so many of you remember Rev. Samuel G. Kilgore, for he graduated and left us about six years ago. He was for several years a student in the University and a member of our Sunday-school. He was one of the had among us. He can preach to the Mexicans our school for help. He says that a great many of the Mexicans are very poor and ignoparent; can visit them at their homes and get them to attend Sunday-school and church.

> I have mentioned these cases thinking that perhaps the children of the Missionary Society may think favorably of sending help to these

> LITTLE BENNY AND HIS PIG. Little Benny went to school with another boy whose father was very rich. And little Benny's playmate had a Shetland pony-a little black horse not much bigger than a

into years. In time the cabin they had built the enemy would fly so thick as to hide the was a proud boy, and often used to say to

ride, and a bright thought struck him. He Young people are apt to admire these brave said: "We have got a nice pig. What's the men; but you will not think so well of them reason I can't ride the pig, and teach it to

dren. In Sparta every child was taken when So little Benny got up very early the next a few days old before some old men, who ex- morning, and went out to the pen and took out The neighbors came, and when the words amined him closely to see if he was sound and his little pet pig. There were three pigs in healthy. If they thought he was sickly, and the pen with their mother. Benny was in the oy and peace, they bore her to her rest. would not grow up to be a strong man who Back to the home the husband bent his way, could fight hard, they sent him to a mountain and their mother knew him, and they didn't but it had lost to him its light and charm. Out near Sparta and had him thrown into a deep make any fuss when Benny got the pig out. in the world he went, and strove in various pit to die. If they thought he was sound in Now this pig had never been away from the body and would make a good soldier, he was rest. And Benny jumped boldly on its back, these many years. With weary, listless step sent home and laid on a shield with a spear by and took it by the ears (not having any brid'e or anything to hold on by, he took it by the

The pig was frightened, and ran right up taught by the State to fight and to endure pain and privation. All their education was in on it again. Then the pig started and ran into a ditch. He went home crying, and told his grand-

> ma. She said: "Benny, everything was made for something; ponies and horses to ride, cows to give milk, oxen to pull heavy loads, dogs to take care of the house; but pigs, Benny, were ot made to ride."

> Benny cried, and said: "What were they nade for?"

> Then his grandma said: "To eat things that nothing else will eat; to make sausage, ham, and pork-pie." "Still," said Benny, "grandma, is everything

nade for something, and will it do that and othing else?" "Well," said his grandma, "somethings can

used in a great many ways; but most things are made for some one purpose. Benny at first was much afraid that his

tell him. Strange as it may seem, his playmate, instead of laughing at him, said: "Benny, you haven't got a pony, and I have. I am going away

ext week to see my grandpa, and you may ride the peny every day." So Benny thanked im, and he did ride the pony. About three weeks after this Benny was siting with his papa in the church, and the min-

ster read about the devil going into the hogs and running right down the steep places into the sea. And when he thought about his oig running down the hill with him, and dashog him into the ditch at the bottom, he said: "Papa, was that what was the matter with my pig?"-N. Y. Advocate.

COPSY.

One of the most sagacious little dogs in Lonion belongs to Mr. Nice, the keeper of Highoury chapel. Topsy is not an idle dog. She s busy from Monday morning until Saturday night; for what with keys to watch, doors to attend to, and many other things besides, her time is fully occupied. Sunday is Topsy's rest day, and right glad she seems not to be expected to do any work on Sunday. She has been trained to distinguish the difference between Sundays and week-days. Mrs. Nice has a fine cat, which lives in the same rooms with Topsy. She pays all due respect to passy. When the can has her milk, Top-y sits quietly by to watch her drink it. When pussy has finished, Topsy expects the saucer refilled for herself. If she is kept waiting for her milk longer than she thinks right, she rings the bell; that is, she taps the saucer. If not at it be by her master or by the person accustor to give them up at night; and, if left anywhe



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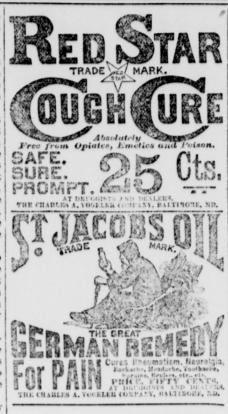
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Benny at first was much afraid that his playmate would find out about his trying to inde the pig, but he did not; and after awhile Benny wished to tell him very much, and did tell him.

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THE LABORER AND HIS HIRE.

The five conferences have held their hundred preachers have received their appointments and have entered upon the upon us, and more than four hundred boards of stewards are busy assessing the allowances upon which this army of pastors must depend for their support. We beg these hard-working and faithfui brethren, the stewards of the Methodist while we repeat, for their benefit, a true story. We received it at the hands of one of the most faithful and successful pastors in the State. It was a bit of his substance of what fell from his lips:

Sinners were awakened and converted and the membership largely increased. At the close of the year the Bishop sent me to another charge. Feeling interested in the welfare of the church under my successor, I was present when the board of stewards met to make his allowance. After some discussion, they voted to that the old insufficient salary ought not bers to give? To this they readily agreed. By my invitation four or five of these new members were present, and when informed of my proposition, immediately a subscribed four hundred dollars. The stewards added this amount to that already agreed upon and fixed the salary at the sum of the two."

This story affords food for serious thought. Many pastors in this State have labored faithfully during the past year, all the while living on meagre salaries. God has blessed their work, and the financial strength of their charges. the financial strength of their charges has been greatly increased. These new members are surely willing that the faithful preacher, who ministered to them in spiritual things, shall share liberally in their carnal things. Whether this shall be the case, depends upon the stewards and leading men who fix the salary. Brother Steward, what use do you propose to make of this increase of membership, the fruit of your pastor's faithfulness? Will you use it to decrease your own contributions, or will you use it to relieve the pastor from his burden of financial care that he may still more faithfully serve you? You must use it for one or the other of these purposes. Which? God help you to answer that question on your knees.

THE WORKING MAN'S SUNDAY. In the course of an elaborate reply to the views of this paper on Sunday Observance and the Labor Problem, the Galveston News smiles at "the prominence given to the oppression caused by the requirement of Sunday labor." This is not surprising in an article which treats the Sabbath as a "convenience," and refers to conscience as "a luxury." We look at the question, however, from a somewhat different standpoint. In common with a vast number of patriots and Christians, we regard the maintenance and perpetuation of the Sabbath as vital to the Christian system upon which our civil institutions rest and the good order | Who is S. P. Putnam? He is the secreand safety of society depend. Moreover, in our view man is more than an animal, the American Secular Union, of which and conscience more than a luxury : Man is above all things immortal, and con- dent, and the professed objects of science the voice of God in the human whose organization is to secularize the soul. The Sabbath was "made for man:"

conscience whenever it is necessary to work, and who do not consider it an oppression to work on that particul r day or part of it, if such work is not unreasonably imposed, and if they are allowed to have proper rest and intervals for recreation at other times. These employes would resent as impertinence the suggestion that they are less conscientious than some persons, whose particular con-science as sabbatarians they would nevertheless not desire to offend.

So much the worse for the system. The most telling argument against our ceived a note from an editor of a newspaper old system of slavery was the very one published in the city of New York, inwe were fondest of using in its defense, closing a clipping, with the request that namely: that our slaves did not wish to the President contradict the slander it be free. That institution is doubly contained. From the President's reply sessions and adjourned. More than four cursed which not only deprives a man of we take the following: his liberty, but destroys also his native I don't think there ever was a time when work of the year. The first quarter is business staggers under a twofold weight of condemnation, which begins by forcscience at all; so that we equally befriend those who approve and those who prefer Church in Texas, to listen prayerfully who loves his neighbor and has the fear of the average daily newspaper is not and influence into the scales against it.

own experience. We cannot be sure of proper interests, are now agitating the not, however, on the increase. Many his exact words, but here follows the question of the secularization of the secular newspapers are published simply American Sunday, the News says:

substance of what fell from his lips:

"The —— charge paid me rather a meagre salary. I bore it uncomplainingly. We kept no servant, and my wife did her own work. Yet we found it hard to make buckle and tongue meet. During the year God prospered his work.

Whether our views are pessimistic or which met in London, had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Congress it is desirable to support the opening of the National Museums and Art Galleries on Sundays wherever they exist, as an education al, elevating and recreative advantage to the working classes.

After an animated discussion, the motion was lost, and the following adopted by a vote of 77 to 51:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Congress, it is undesirable to augment Sunday labor by opening the National Museums and Galleries, but it approves of their being opened

In support of this motion one speaker nity. said that the Sunday opening of museums and art galleries would lead to a great augmentation of labor, and, as tradewas diametrically opposed to the very best interests of the working classes. views are not surprising. Working men, when they view the question clearly, are bright enough to see that it is not to their interest to obliterate the distinction between work-days and Sundays. Who, then, are the men so eager for this pecuthen, are the men so eager for this pecu- influential paper in the State, says:

the notorious Bob Ingersoll is the presi-American government and banish the

mandments fall a vast duty rises, for he that breaks the least of them is guilty of the whole. Holding these views, it is not surprising that we should oppose with might and main the destruction, by enforced labor, of the working man's Sunday. We know not how to regard, with the least degree of allowance, any system which wrongs that which is highest and best in our common humanity.

The fact that many employes have grown accustomed to this grievous saystem, and count it no hardship, does not targy opinion:

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A few days ago President Cleveland re-

desire to be free. And that system of business staggers under a twofold weight under the sun where it flourished as in this. of condemnation, which begins by forcing a man to disobe his conscience, and ends by leaving him with no canlove for decency and fair play of which we

This is strong language, but not strongthe system when we call upon every man er than the facts warrant. The influence of God before his eyes to cast his name only irreligious, but immoral. There are exceptions to this general statement, we In defence of these who, under the are giad to say. We wish these excepplea of securing their common rights and tions were more numerous. They are to make money. They seek to influence rather than to elevate public opinion. They aim to please and hence gather servance and the Labor Problem. news to satisfy the appetite of all classes. Details of crime of every grade are procured at vast cost. Religious news is also gathered, and even sermons are pub- of the Northwest Texas Conference, died lished, but as has been well said, "nobody Christian, and the true difference between suspects that the preacher is held in the this place, at 3 o'clock p. m. yesterday. these two ways of dealing with the facts same repute as the actor or base-ball His sufferings were protracted and painof human life, we shall take pleasure in discussing next week. Just now we de-per." The leading dailies of our larger the last he was rational, and said he was sire to say that, while we have no dispo- cities are great in circulation and great going to heaven. R. C. Armstrong. sition to call off working men from the in business enterprise. The influence study of industrial questions and mem. which they wield, if cast on the side of hold it at what I had received. Feeling bership in tradez-unions, or from any virtue, temperance and good government, other form of study or association which | would be a power for good incalculable. to be retained in the face of the increased promises to better their condition, we As they are now managed, the conviction financial ability of the church, I made would rejoice to see every one of them grows, and daily becomes more general the board this proposition: You are called off from training in company with and well founded, that instead of being fully able to keep up the salary you gave such men and such institutions as are conservators of the public welfare they me without the aid of the new members; leading this crusade against the Chris- are, many of them, destroyers of purity will you not, then, agree to increase the tian Sunday. Who are these men? Are and morality, and, as the President says, printed in italies, with a rather weak insalary this year by the amount which I they working men? Not at all! Not "insults to the American love of decency troduction, filled the first four columns of hibition as such, they generally call it a long ago the great Trade: -Union Congress, and fair play." Where the remedy is to the editorial page. Following this, and an failure in Maine, but when they refer to be found it is difficult to say. One thing | nounced as "specially cabled to the Inde better until we both deserve and demand Tennyson's new book. Of the feature it. As long as the people find pleasure first mentioned the New York Advocate in sensational writing, social gossip, in- says: tense partisanism, details of crime and The "departments" of the Independent tense partisanism, details of crime and apologies for vice, just so long may we expect these things to fill the columns of the morning paper, served in a style most inviting to the depraved appetite. And yet there is upon the secular press this responsibility: It might do much to heal sponsibility: It might do much to heal the depraved appetite of society by serving the higher interests of the commu-

# ATLANTA REDEMPTA.

The local option contest in the courts unionists, they should oppose it, because it of Atlanta, Georgia, has been decided against the liquor men on every point. We do not hear of any further proposed Another speaker declared that if the interference with the will of the people hours were so long that no shopman as expressed at the ballot box. The great could get into a museum on one day in reform, it appears, is about to be put the six, it was their duty to help him to upon trial in one of the leading cities of get a weekly half-holiday. It was not the South. This kindles new hope, and their duty to adapt national arrangements | we trust that every future bulletin from to the greed of capitalists, nor to take this goodly city may add fuel to the lessons of labor from the French. These flame. We are sure of the triumph of views are not surprising. Working men, the principles at stake if the trial which

then, are the men so eager for this peculiar form of "social prevision and change or removal of institutions?" Not long since a morning paper of the city of New York contained the following:

Many thousand copies of a petition requesting the trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History to open, free of charge to the public, these institutions on Sunday are being circulated in various parts of the city. The petitions were prepared by S. P. Putnam, to whom, when filled with signatures, they will be teturned. "I feel very much encouraged over our work," said Mr. Putnam, "for the indications are that half a hundred thousand persons wi.l join in our request."

Who is this friend of the working man who feels so "encouraged over our work," will be received by the secretary of the National Liberal League, alias the American Secular Union, of which

All this has the right ring; but let not

All this has the right ring: but let not the Constitution expect too much. It is quite likely that the drinking of intoxicating liquors will not wholly cease in Atlanta. Murders, and crimes even more that is, for man the spirit. It was not Bible from the public schools. S. P. Put- foul and unnatural, exist in spite of good dently confidential, the Independent has established for his physical welfare mere- nam is also the chairman of the Executive laws and heavy penalties. Prohibitory been guilty of an outrageous breach of the word of God. To obey this word is the word of God. To obey this word is the highest and most solemn business of life. Wherever the simplest of its com
as the command to observe it rests upon the same foundation as the command: Thou shalt not kill; the word of God. To obey this word is the highest and most solemn business of life. Wherever the simplest of its com
as the command: Thou shalt not kill; of the most vicious and corrupting sort.

In the present condition of faith. It should have quietly declined the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst the offer of the Truth Seeker, formerly the organ of D. H. Bennett, who society absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst the offer of the prising. They will not do so in this insociety, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society, absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst society. The vole of the individual society absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst. The vole of the individual society absolutely banish any form of the offer instead of crucifying a correst. The vole of the nearly president society, absolutely banish any form of the offe

Thus far the returns of new subscribers ful. Every head of every new-made family; every person who has joined us from another denomination; every new convert; every official member who is not a subscriber; every intelligent family not members of the church, but of the congregation; every young man of brains, likely to be useful in the world-all these should be invited now, in the beginning of the year, to take the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

#### A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Where? At the Southwestern University, Georgetown. Wherefore? Let Dr. Bourland tell. In a note just at hand, bearing date Jan. 1, he says:

Happy New Year! This is the happiest of our life. Wherefore? Three thousand dollars given to the Helping Hall of the Southwestern University by a good sister, an elect lady, who withholds her name, but whose name is in the Book of Life! God bless the giver and the gift. The hall will be opened to a limited number at the beginning of the spring term. Who next to serve God and their generation by giving of their substance to equip and endow this great institution?

THE work of the associate editors vet uncredited, including this issue, is as follows: Rev. Horace Bishop: Sunday Ob-

#### REV. S. S. YARBROUGH.

Rev. S. S. Yarbrough, a supernumerary peacefully at his home, two miles from WAXABACHIE, Jan. 1, 1886,

### . THE PRESS.

### Among our Exchanges.

The Independent, in its holiday number. fell into "a place where two seas met." The Old Testament prophecies of the birth, character and work of our Lord. seems clear: we shall not obtain anything pendent," were two poems from Lord

from the mingling of the fatherly and the "goody-goody" in the introduction.

The second feature is discussed by the New York Tribune, as follows :

New York Tribune, as follows:

The Independent publishes two poems from Lord Tennyson's new book which were, as that religious journal states, "specially cabled" to it. It was, unfortunately, oblivious of the fact that the first of these poems was published two years ago in the Youth's Companion of Boston, having been written expressly for that journal. Most American papers at that time copied the poem—even the Independent quoted it, with some satirical comment. What adds to the pleasantness of this episode is the fact that Tennyson's book was at the time easily procarable in this city, as the readers of the Tribune discovered the same morning from the copious extracts furnished without being "specially cabled."

The Christian Union adds: The Tribunc is mistaken in supposing that "Early Spring" is in the new volume; it is too old to be included in it. But "Tiresias"

The Independent is in receipt of a letter from a prominent member of one of our conferences in Alabama. Omitting name, address and the title of the book referred to, this letter reads as follows:

- ALA., Dec. 17th, 1885. EDITOR NEW YORK INDEPENDENT:

EDITOR NEW YORK INDEPENDENT Dear Sir: I have, just out of the press, published by the Southern Methodist Publish-ing House, Nashville, Tenn., a book bearing What will you charge me for two editorials a co will you charge the for two entorius a column long in your paper, giving a favorable
notice of my book? I think my book possesses
merit, and would like to get for it a favorable
and rousing notice from the press of the country. Direct your letters to Rev.

D. D., Alabama.
Yours truly,

This letter the Independent prints, name, address and all, and remarks: Every one has his price. Ours is a million follars a line.

This strange incident suggests two re-

1. In giving publicity to a letter evi-

and must forage for a living.

The Nashville Advocate celebrates its golden wedding:

The Christian Advocate with this issue The Christian Advocate with this issue enters upon its semi-centenary year. It was begun in 1836, and has lived to see the beginning of 1886. Its life thus covers a period of fifty years. And what eventful, fruitful years they have been to the Church and the country! The men still living who were on the stage of action fifty years ago are few, but a swift review of what they have seen would make the brain dizzy. Fifty years is a vast period in this rushing modern life of ours.

Bey S. A. Weber, the verticing editor.

Rev. S. A. Weber, the retiring editor of the Southern Christian Advocate. Charleston, take leave of his readers and introduces his successor, Rev. W. W. Kirkland, with graceful words. He asks his friends and brethren to follow him with their prayers.

A new exchange goes on our list this week. The Methodist Times of London. In reading this number we were greatly impressed with two things: the ability of the editor as a writer and his exceeding ignorance of American affairs. As a sample of the latter, witness the follow-

Yesterday week William H. Vanderbilt, the American Railway King, died suddenly in the library of his Fitth Avenue mansion, while engaged in an animated discussion with the president of one of the principal American railway companies. His father, the notorious Commodore Vanderbilt, though utterly liliterate, had contrived to amass a feeture. can railway companies. His lather, the hotorious Commodore Vanderbilt, though utterly
illiterate, had contrived to amass a fortune estimated at £20,000,000. About four-fifths of
this sum he bequeathed to William, his second
son, who more than doubled his huge inheritance. The most moderate estimate of his
wealth puts it at £35,000,000, invested at an
average of 5½ per cent. Much of his accumulations was due to his excellent manazement
of the railways and other gigantic concerns
which he had acquired, but very much was
obtained by skillful but grossly unscrupulous
financial operations. He was a mere moneymaker; the only benevolent actions on a large
scale recorded of him being a gift to Kentucky
Institution, and his handsome treatment of
General Grant. His patronage of art was only
a form of vulgar ostentation, for he was destitute of artistic tastes, though his wife, to
whom he was largely indebted for his success,
is said to be a highly accomplished lady.

Zion's Herald, Boston, asks:

Who knows best whether the prohibitory law of Maine really prohibits—with the criminal of course, that make breaches law of Maine really prohibits—with the criminal exceptions, of course, that make breaches upon all law—the men living five hundred or a thousand miles from the State, or its own intelligent critzens? Whose word can best be relied upon, that of leading ministers and laymen who have made the question a study, or occasional unknown letter writers who seek simply to support a theory?

when the political papers discuss prothition as such they generally call its it incidentally the truth comes out. Thus, the New York World says in the course of an editorial:

The recent bitter election contest in Georgia over the local-option issue of prohibition, which promises to leave Atlanta, the most progressive of Southern cities, as free from iquor-saloons as any Maine town, has attracted attention to the unlooked-for and almost phenomenal spread of the temperance movement in the South.

The following, from the Western Adrocate, is food for serious thought: That young minister who has been fretting

ever since conference because his appointever since conterence because his appoint-ment is so poor, and has done little or nothing to make it better, will probably fare about the same next year. The men who do brave and successful work on small fields are those who are called to higher stations,

One of Sam Jones' sayings is quite certain persons who make much noise and yet accomplish nothing, he said they were like a little Alabama steamboat with a big whistle: whenever she whistled the boat had to stop. The Congregationalist has turned the incident into a proverb: Bigger the whistle, smaller the work.

# SOUTHERN METHODIST OPINION.

Rev. W. H. Potter, D. D., Macon, Ga.: One thing is almost certain, if the State edu-cates the children, with no basic faith in God, the devil will get the grown people.-Wesleyan Advocate.

Rev. Paul Whitehead, D. D., Richmond Va:
The two-year term, thank God, is dead. A
revolution buried it in 1896 and it will never
come to life. This revolution will go forward,
some day in time to come, and prolong the
pastorate to six years, and perhaps in the life
of our children or grandemidren to eight.—
Richmond Advocate.

Rev. R. H. Rivers, D. D., Louisville, Ky.:
Punctuality in all things is a prominent virtue of great men. President Polk was so punctual that, during a college course of four years, he was not tardy, either at lecture, recitation or prayers. Stonewall Jackson was remarkable for his punctuality. It helped to make him what he was. Make it a rule, always, to meet an appointment. Let our preachers set the example.—Central Methodist.

Bishop J. C. Granbery, St. Louis, Mo.:

The only peace is harmony with God, harmony with truth and right. Justified by faith, we have peace with God. Purified in heart, we are freed from the tumult and discord of lust, passion, pride, and self-will. Trustful and resigned, seeking above all things, and in all things the glory of God, we suffer not the corrosion of care nor the torment of fear. Loving all men, we live peaceably with them as far as in us lies. But peace is not indifference to right, is not letting things take their course without remenstrance and warning against sin. John the Baptist did not let Herod and Herodias alone in the interest of peace. Peter and John kept not quiet when the council commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. The fight must go on steadily, boldly, without compromise, against every lie and evil.—Nashville Advocate.

# SOUTHERN METHODIST NEWS.

#### GENERAL RELIGIOUS.

The Chautauqua Society was begun as a Sunday-school, and has a membership of 100,-000, of which 60,000 are regular workers.

To see what the Romanists would do if they could, read the following from an editorial in the Catholic Mirror on the Pope's Encyclical letter: "Impudent sects of heretics, infidels, atheists, claim to be treated by States on an equal footing with the one true church. How shall we view this deplorable and perplexing problem?"

M. Renan has been trying to improve on the Apostle's great declaration: "Now abideth faith, hope, charity (or love); these three; but the greatest of these is charity." The Frenchman prefers to say that the "three great things are goodness, beauty, and truth, and that the greatest of these is truth." We prefer the saying of Paul to that of Renan.

The annual auguitor sale of years in the Com-

the saying of Paul to that of Renan.

The annual auction sale of pews in the Central Congregational Church, Brooklyn, of which the Rev. D. Behrends is pastor, took place recently. About \$25,000 was received, a slight increase over last year. The highest priced pew. \$200, was bought by David M. Stone, for \$100 premium, the fixed retal being \$110. William T. Pratt secured the second choice, 160, for \$65; rental, \$110, and A. S. Haight the third choice, 170, for \$60; rental, \$110.

Among the anniversaries to be arranged in connection with each annual session of the Wilmington Conference, M. E. Charch, in the future will be that of the Historical Society. The society, in return, has resolved that carefully prepared histories of the growth of Methodism in the neighborhood of the successive seats of conference shall be read at these anniversaries, and be afterward deposited in its archives. There is good hope of thus preserving the local history of all the Methodist centers on the Peninsula; and the example set by the Wilmington Conference might well be followed in other places.

The anniversary of the Missionary Society. Among the anniversaries to be arranged in

followed in other places.

The anaiversary of the Missionary Society of the Methocist Episcopal Church, held on the evening of the seventeenth instant, in the Academy of Music, New York, was a grand occasion. There was an immense audience, and the New York Advocate says "a more thoroughly representative Methodist audience of so large a size was never gathered in the city of New York." Bishop Harris presided, and Dr. William Butler, for years a missionary in India, offered a prayer. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Reid, Gen. Fisk, Dr. Buckley and Bishop Hurst. After this came the inevitable collection, which amounted to \$30,300.

Rev. Dr. Moses, a Jewish Rabbi, in a lecture at Louisville in defence of Reformed or Re-forming Judaism, says: "We are more en-lightened now-a-days. We light and burn, we lightened now-a-days. We light and burn, we ride and trade as much on Saturday as we please. Old-time notions! We have cast them aside and almost forgosten them. As to eating and drinking. I eat and drink what I please. I have often ham on my table, and there is no voice within or without to blame me for it. Hares, rabbits, and all other kinds of game are just as nutritions and helpful to a Jewish, as to a Christian stomach. I buy my meat wherever I know it to be of a healthy animal and of a good quality. I do not inquire

Bishop Taylor writes a letter from London poid II. of Belgium. His interview with the poid II. of Berguini. His interview with the king was quite characteristic. He learned from one minister at Brussels that it would take fourteen days to secure an interview. Bishop Taylor's "King's business" requires Bishop Taylor's "King's business" requires haste; so disregarding all royal routine, he went at once to the palace, and in a half an hour made arrangements for a meeting. At the appointed time the king met him at the door, and gave him his hand with a hearty welcome. The Bishop gave the king a full account of his mission and his proposed visit to the Congo Valley. The king expressed his great pleasure and readiness to co-operate with him by all the means at his command. The Bishop finds much unexpected aid, and is deeply moved by the repeated instances of the Lord's leading hand in his great work, and naturally breaks out into the devout docology, "Glory to His holy name forever! Amen!"

# TEXAS PERSONALS.

-The postoffice address of Rev Geo. likely to become classic. Speaking of Hinson is Waelder, Gonzales county,

> -The posteffice address of Rev. T. B. ane is Farmington, Grayson county. - Rev. W. W. Hopper, transferred from

the Missi-sippi Conference and stationed at Nacogdoches, has arrived and taken charge of his work. -San Marcos Free Press, Dec. 24 : Rev. W. J. Joyce, with kindly considera-

tion, is again arranging to give the prisoners in jail a Christmas dinner. -Rev. R. F. Beasley, who has been transferred from the Texas Conference to

Montana, and stationed at Helena, will make Galveston his home until March. -Jacksonville Intelligencer, Dec. 25: Rev. L. M. Fowler, of Kilgore, spent two

or three days in Jacksonville this week, shaking hands with his numerous old -In the report of appointments of the East Texas Conference the following was omitted: San Augustine district, Carthage station, W. L. Pate, and Con-

cord circuit, D. W. Towns. -Fort Worth Gazette (special from Pilot Point, Dec. 28:) Rev. J. R. Wages was the recipient of a valuable Christmas present-a solid silver ice pitcher-from a

number of his members. -Rev. E. S. Smith, pastor of St. Johns Church, Galveston, preached last Sunday morning from the text "Occupy till I

come," an able sermon, with special reference to the week of prayer. -Rev. C. F. Moore, pastor of St. James Church, Galveston, has recovered from his recent illness and begun the new year by a good sermon last Sunday morning on "The New Commandment."

—In another column the marriage is announced of Rev. E. C. DeJernett, Secretary of the North Taxas Conference, and Miss Lutie Worsham, of Greenville. The ADVOCATE wishes them much hap-

-Fort Worth Gazette (special from Whitewright, Dec. 28:) The Methodist Church gave a Christmas dinner, the proceeds of which are to buy a bell. The amount raised was \$70.50. The church

expects a prosperous year with Rev. T. L. Miller as its pastor. -Rev. G. A. T. Smith writes: "What has become of all the local preachers

Have they all gone to the Local Pres ers' Conference? I am an old-fas local preacher; have been preach

M. C. S.

are precious to me."

Abilene Reporter, Dec. 26: Rev. J. A. Hyder, pastor of the Methodist Church, South, arrived on last evening's train with his family from Putman, where they have lived since their arrival from Missouri. The family were soon comfortably ensconsed in the newly improved parsonage.

-We congratulate Dr. H. S. Thrall on the new edition of his Pictorial History of Texas. It is on the finest quality of paper-sized and super-calendered; has ome twenty new and elegant illustrations; a copious index, and brings the history of Texas down to the present We notice that canvassing agents are wanted for every city and county in

Methodist and Congregational Churches gave Christmas-trees to the children of the Sunday-schools last evening. The presents were many, and some very valpresents were many, and some very valsides other gifts.

-In the following note, bearing date Dec. 31, Bro. Geo. W. L. Fly announces the death of a good and useful man: "Our church at Gonzales is bowed down with grief at the death of our brother, J. H. Kent. Pray that God may sanctify this loss to our good and his name's glory and raise up others to fill the places left vacant by the death of our dear brother.' An obituary will appear next week.

-Rev. S. E. Burkhead, in St. Louis Advocate: "The people of Georgetown are glad to get Dr. Connor back as their preacher for the next year. He has done good work in this station. Everybody loves Dr. Connor, for he is such a consecrated man. He has nothing in view but the good of mankind and the glory of God. Such a man will have his reward in the "end of the days." Dr. Mackey has been returned as the presiding elder. He is a faithful servant of God. It will not be many days before he will move into the district parsonage. which is almost completed. Georgetown has provided good homes for its pastor and presiding elder. \* \* Bro. Bourland, the Financial Agent of the Southwestern University, is doing faithful work in his agency. Dr. Heidt, the Re-gent of the Southwestern University, is a genial gentleman, and has endeared him-self to all the pupils. \* I was glad to meet with Bro. B. M. Stephens at Corsicana. He is a transfer from the Ten-nessee Conference. I knew him years ago in Tennessee. He is a faithful servant of God, and any conference should be happy in the acquisition of such useful material as he is. He will do good. faithful work for the cause of Christ wherever he goes. There is room in Texas for all such men as B. M. Ste-

#### SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT. The New Transfers-"Smiths" at a Premium.

I have received notice of the transfer of W. W. Hopper and C. F. Smith from the Mississippi to the East Texas Con-ference. Bishop McTyeire has appointed W. W. Hopper to Nacogdoches, and C F. Smith to San Augustine station. I per, informing me that he will be in Nacogdoches the first Sabbath in January. He is thirty-three years old; is married. We have five, and each one is a success. Any charge might well receive a Smith from our conference upon the reputation of the name. This brother has a name already made honorable among us, and all he has to do is to throw himself into line along with the other Smiths, and prove himself to be a true Smith in the regular line of succession. We hall with joy the coming of these brethren, and a whole one?

But I had almost forgotten that I was their stay pleasant and their work pros-perous. J. W. Johnson, P. E.

# WEATHERFORD LOCALS.

#### The Talk in the Air-A Little Righteous Emulation-"A Beautiful Custom of Paying Their Debts."

Everything betokens a year of religious prosperity. Our congregations are full and running over. The reasons for a new house of worship are not only of the canonical kind, but intensely ad hominem. We are obliged to build or despise all the indications and overtures of a benign and urgent Providence. Seeing this need, and as pastor and representatives agreeing, during the late session of our con-ference to heed and build, our nomination for the next session was withheld. That answers many inquiries. We were afraid that the coming of the conference might precipitate some inferior arrange-ment—such as the patching up of the present house. Were we wise? Time must tell. The talk in the air is thusly: secure an eligible site near the public square; do what we can the coming year, and finish up neat and complete during 1887 and have the Northwest Texas Aunual Conference of that year come to the dedication. All to cost not less than \$15,000 nor more than \$25,000, and to be ledicated free of debt. No member or visitor is to find anything lacking as an excuse for contributing a dollar.

There is lack of room to accommodate to recite in such close proximity that i is difficult for teachers and scholars to make themselves heard. It may make good elocution practice, but that is not the prime end of such instruction. If the new church is not speedily built, the world may safely conclude that the children of Weatherford are without friends. Our met at the depot by a committee of the weatherford are without friends. Our class and prayer-meetings are well attended. We shall claim no patent on any feature of them except punctuality. In many ways they might be made more instructive and inspiring. For a classmeeting I want a modified Wesleyan plan, and for a prayer-meeting a modified word in a modified wesleyan plan, and for a prayer-meeting a modified wesleyan plan and for a prayer-meeting a modified wesleyan plan and for a prayer-meeting a modified wesleyan prayer-meeting a modified wesleyan plan and for a pray Bible reading. Some people seem to think that the only business of such a for the pantry suitable for future use, presents are to be distributed. This is pounding! And for a week it has been to the pantry suitable for future use, presents are to be distributed. This is pounding! And for a week it has been the plant, and others will note this distributed the pantry, loaded a dittion, an elegant and abundant repast smiles as they look forward to the joys packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a dittion, an elegant and abundant repast smiles as they look forward to the joys packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a dittion, an elegant and abundant repast smiles as they look forward to the joys packages. They filled the pantry, loaded to the joys packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a pantry, loaded a pantry spirately packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a pantry packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a pantry packages. They filled the pantry, loaded a pantry packages. They filled the pantry packages packages packages. They filled the pantry packages packages pack

Brother local preachers, speak out through the Advocate. Your names would furnish, three hundred hymn books through the Advocate. Your names and four hundred Bibles will be needed. be gathering around their new pastor. and four hundred Bibles will be needed. be gathering around their new pastor, Will some brother panting for fame sug- with a purpose to hold up his hands in

Since conference we have had eighteen additions to our membership. But for a few removals we would now number over four hundred and fifty. I am only concerned to place a Scriptural estimate on "numbers in society," but a little right-eous emulation may not be amiss. It has come to the knowledge of your correspondent that a little of this kind of church pride has crept into two societies ocated respectively at Waco and Fort Worth. They claim from three to five times the population of this town, and last year had each the help of noted evangelists, and yet the little town on the frontier may cause them to "stir their stumps" if either wins the blue ribbon. -Fort Worth Gazette (special from Mark you! thousands be my witness that Paris, Dec. 25): The children of the I put fitness for membership as high as the highest, and if any come among us uable. The presiding elder, Rev. T. W. mere numbers we might now have "on Pierce, and the pastor, Rev. E. W. Alderthe roll" a multitude. If there is any mere numbers we might now have "on son, each received a handsome chair, be- providence in denominationalism, it is to our interest that many converted at our meetings join other denominations. It I have come. I feel at home. I received is glory enough that we have and to spare. coming."

> school creeds need revising? The average Christmas tree affords a first-class opportunity for the well-to-do to show their appreciation of their kith and kin. Financially we are moving up. But few stations have so good a p an and so faithfully worked. The pastor's salary is \$1500 and paid in monthly ins allments of \$125 in advance. The pastor has faith in and practices the "pay as you go" policy. Not a nickel has he bought on a credit here, nor will he again while be has such 'backings." Yesterday I took the collections ordered by the annual conference," and in a few minutes secured nearly three fourths of the amount. But for the absence of some generous contributors, no doubt but that every dollar would have been paid. However the small amount remaining will be "picked up" before another Sunday's sun goes down and all amounts needed for present use forwarded. And all this in the face of the fact that the district stewards honored the station by making the assessments for this year near double that of former times. Our people here have a ducted to the parsonage, where we were beautiful custom of paying their debtsall assessments. A claim against them is worth exactly one hundred cents in the dollar. W. H. Wells. the dollar.

of this festival? Don't our Sunday-

#### WEATHERFORD, Texas, Dec. 21. FROM DEL RIO.

# Christmas on the Border-Retrospect of

Seventeen Years. Seventeen years ago to-day the writer first set foot on American soil, and looking back over those seventeen Christmas days we cannot remember one unhappy one among them; although five were spent in bondage to Satan; but even the devil allows his poor slaves one day of enjoyment occasionally. On Dec. 12. 1868, after pressing to my heart a sainted father (whose benediction yet sounds in of valuable things, for which the preacher my ears) and a large family of brothers and his wife are very thankful. Such and sisters, whose sobs and tears told too parties not only help the presener to live. have received a letter from Bro. Hop- plainly what that word goodbye means. we steamed out from the shores of old him to work for the good of the people. England—greatest and most glorious of In them an appreciation is shown which breathes the spirit of a true itinerant, and if his letter is a true index to his in-

telligence, his heart and character, we have in him a valuable accession to our conference, and Nacogdoches, Lufkin of my native land—the "Emerald Isle;" and Timpson, a number-one preacher. that land of living beauty, for which God All I know of the San Augustine preacher is that he is a single man, and that that bright jewel dropped from the hand his name is Smith. The Smiths in the of God into the deep blue sea, where, East Texas Conference are at a premium. | anchored by his omnipotence, she has brought forth some of the world's greatest preachers, statesmen, soldiers and poets. American Methodism cannot afford to forget "Ould Ireland." She gave us one of the world's most renowned Christian scholars-Adam Clarke, and everybody who knows anything, knows that John Wesley was haif an Ir shman.

> on this side of the Atlantic ocean, 3,000 miles from where I started. (How thought annihilates distance and time.) I wanted to say that our seventeenth Christmas has been a most enjoyable one. God has been good and very precious to us. find ourselves to-day in the best of health. in the midst of kind friends, with a table full of presents-and still they come Turky! well I should say so. They don't grow out here much, but the preacher S. A., cammanded by my kind, gental est kindness in sending expressions ADVOCATE, we do have Christmas on the border, and although we cannot hear the 'merry chimes" ring out their music, still we have many more substantial comforts, and they make music in our hearts, at least it is always so with the writer. We wish the ADVOCATE, if not too late, and all its readers, a "Mercy Christmas" and a "Happy New Year." J. R. CARTER.

# DEL RIO, Christmas, 1885.

#### FROM CROCKETT. 'The Church Gathering Round the New

Pastor." Rev. B. R. Bolton and wife, appointed by the late Methodist conference to the pastorate of Crockett and Augusta, arburning and everything in place; and in mas. The little folks are all radiant with came with buckets, baskets, sacks and meeting is to furnish inspiration after the fashion of a furnace supplying steam to a room. A religious meeting that does not instruct is largely a failure. Legitimate inspiration is the product of right teaching. An editor recently said, well and right, when he wrote that the preacher who saw no need of preparation is the pantry suitable for future use, such as sugar, coffee, hams, syrup, potatom in this charge, and it is with feelings of much gratitude to the discrete the markets or farm afforded. Giver of all good that I record the generator ous and well-timed reception given to the writer on his arrival here as their pastor for another year. Before coming and words of welcome, and religious service, all partook of the substantials and delicacies provided, and passed together of first the bouse of Bro. Thomas

gest how the books can be had and kept from sneaking away and from abuse? his labors, and bring out the happiest issues through his ministry.—Texas Pat-

### FROM WHITE HOUSE.

"Come On, Bro. Ogburn." We have not seen our new preacher yet. I know we are well pleased, for we knew him a long time before he was a preacher. Come on, Bro. Ogburn; our hearts and houses are open to you. E. R. LARGE.

#### FROM KILDARE.

Linden Circuit-Promising Outlook. Have made a full round on Linden circuit; moving along nicely; had a merry Christmas; was "suited" and 'pounded," for which we are thankful. Hope to have a loutlook is premising.
R. S. Gorsline. Hope to have a prosperous year. The

# FROM GOBER.

# Not Much Christmas Here"-Speech-

Making. I am on my circuit. Have preached four times. The people seem glad that two members by certificate last Sunday. Our people are agog about "Christmas I have just filled a Campbellite brother's Don't this Christian world appointments. Text: Luke xix:10. There need instruction as to the true meaning is not much Christmas here. I delivered an address last night to the school taught at Gober. Good attendance and good order. The students, boys and girls, made speeches. B. T. HAYES.

#### FROM CARTHAGE.

Kind Favors-The Year's Work Begun. W. L. PATE. with God.

#### FROM LONGVIEW.

A Hearty Welcome-A Grateful Pastor. The good people of Longview gave us a hearty welcome and a bountiful donation. We were met at the train and consoon seated at an inviting table, spread by kind friends, who know how to make their preacher feel at home. We found the pantry supplied with an abundance partment. May the choicest blessings of our common Father rest upon this people, is the prayer of their pastor.

#### GEO. A. LECLERE. FROM TROUPE.

# ▲ Christmas Surprise Party.

Christmas passed off quietly and pleasnight the good people of Troupe gave the inmates of the parsonage a surprise party. They brought with them quite a number but they help him to preach and nerve

# FROM HARWOOD.

sonage. We received substantial tokens of remembrance: a couple of tarkeys, ham, butter, potatoes, apples, etc., be-sides several nice cakes, one of which was put on the Christmas tree for my self. Every member of the family was kindly remembered by our friends and relatives who visited us. The presents put on the tree were selected with care, and were beautiful and appropriate. The Searcher of hearts alone knows how much these tokens of regard are appreciated by a minister and his family. May God bless ANNIE PASSMORE.

# PROM ALVARADO.

The Work Begun-Dr. McFerrin vs. Drs. Harrison and Miller.

I arrived at Alvarado Friday, Nov. 20, conference having closed Nov. 17. I found a hearty reception from the church and the community; preaching every Sunday morning and night; Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m., and class-meeting at has one all the same, and that one a 2:30 p. m.; prayer-meeting every Wed-present from Troop D., 8th Cavalry, U. nesday night. I mean to hold church conference once a month, especially to friend, Capt. Randlett. Truly I can write have reports of committees: on the sick, as one of old did, "The white troops have done nobly," but the "one of old" was not writing about turkey, at least he did not "say turkey." In like manner all our friends, representing the various denominations, and some of no did the strangers, on the sacraments, on church repairs, on Sunday-schools, on missions, etc. I mean to put every member on some one of our committees, so all may have something to do, and by this means bring about healthy influence in current work and better state of denomination, have manifested the great- ence in church work and better state of church feilowship. I want all my memof their good will and esteem, for which bers to know each other. We are doing we are profoundly thankful, and pray that our best to have a revival. To "save to God may bless every one of them. Dear the uttermost" is the gospel we preach. We believe in depravity, not as Drs. Harrison and Miller and their sort teach. but as enunciated by our venerable father. Dr. J. B. McFerrin, and the fathers of Methodism. All Methodist should know the difference between Calvinism and Arminianism. A few lessons on motives would belp our modern school of philosophy (?) Our Sunday-school is doing well. We teach the doctrines and usages of Methodism, and mean to be loyal to the vows of our ordination.

# W. H. LEFEVRE.

#### FROM KOSSE. Radiant Little Folks-Introduced to

a Pile of Bundles. I am in my charge and at work; arrived last Saturday eve, preached Sun-day morning to a crowded house; good

ffteen years, and I find plenty work to do yet. I fill five appointments. The Lord has wonderfully blessed my labors.

for his prayer-meeting would soon see his other work frazzling. For the use of a business, and I supposed singing, prayer and religious conversation and mortar will soon give us a little city. would be the order of the occasion. After Our church is alive. Fine Sunday school, a song or two had been sung. I was introduced by Bro. James Burleson to a considerable pile of bundles, containing preach for us.

prayer-meeting and regular class-meeting. We want Bro. Briggs to come and preach for us.

J. W. LIVELY. sugar, coffee, rice, soda, soap, butter and preserves, dishes, etc., to the amount of 80 or 100 pounds. The writer was considerably embarrassed, nevertheless he received the pounding with as much of the grace of endurance as was possible on the occasion. Such tokens of appreciations warm a pastor's soul and make him feel like entering upon his work in right good earnest. May the Lord bless this people more abundantly this confer- John Abney, and met during the evening ence year than ever before. W. K. TURNER.

# FROM FARMERSVILLE.

#### Rev. W. H. Hughes-A Christmas Service-New Year's Thoughts. We are starting off, I trust, with hope-

ful prospects. Bro. W. H. Hughes was with us on the 26th and 27th ult. and held our first quarterly conference. He preached two good sermons, and made a line impression upon the church. We weekly prayer-meetings—not well attended, but lively and interesting to those had a pleasant, and, I trust, a profitable quarterly meeting.
We have had but little excitement

and the holidays, except a few Christmas trees, from which presents were taken according to that part of it which is much and dis ributed to the children and the neglected. We have about two hundred adult people who were in attendance. Not a few turkeys, of course, were slain to do honor to Christmas day, and such occasions as grew out of it. This scribe tried to preach on Christmas day, as it is his custom to do when circumstances questions which I put to each leader at will allow. We had a very good sized congregation, and they listened well, but answer: as to whether the preacher imparted any information, or did any good, is a ques-We arrived safely at this place Dec.

22, and are snugly domiciled in a neat and comfortable home. We find an appreciative people, and their many kind preciative people, and their many kind. Proceeding the Texas Christian Abyonic last the judgment. The holidays are passing slowly away, and ere this reaches the readers of the Texas Christian Abyonic last the judgment. The holidays are passing slowly away, and ere this reaches the readers of the Texas Christian Abyonic last their many kind. Proceeding the process of the Texas Christian Abyonic last the place Dec.

22. Are any sick? 3. Are any indistress of any kind? 4. Are any guilty of open sins, such as dancing. Sab-preciative people, and their many kind. favors make our hearts glad. Preached CATE, should it not find its way into the attend church and prayer-meeting, and yesterday at eleven a. m. and at seven p. waste-basket, the new year will have do they partake of the Lord's Supper dawned upon the world. And shall the our year's labor trusting in God for his old year, 1885, breathe its last breath Spirit to guide us, and for his grace to into our faces, and chant its funeral dirge sustain us, and praying that we may have into our ears, and thus die away and "every day and every hour" the blessed leave us unpardoned and unsaved? 1 delight and satisfaction of a soul in union | pray not. There is always something | pers, also Bible reading), family and priserious and sad to me in the dying of the old year. It reminds me of the terrible fact that I, too, must pass away, and stand face to face with my Maker, in eternity. An itinerant Methodist preacher winds up his work in the fall of the year and renders an account of his work to his brethren at conference, and thus closes his ecclesiastical year, and in the short space of a month or two witnesses the close of the calendar year. So he experiences two events in the space of of everything usually found in that de- twelve months that should make him R. Nelson last summer. If one shows thoughtful and prayerful, to say nothing an inclination to go astray the leader's of other events. D. J. MARTIN.

#### FROM PILOT GROVE "First Christmas in the Lone Star

State. antly. The children enjoyed a Christmas have just spent my first Christmas day tree on the night of the 24th. Christmas in the Lone Star State-the most pleas ant Christmas of my life in some respects. I found the work without a gerous to worship in; but good schoolbers; good and true lovers of the church day. of God, who opened their houses, homes and hearts to receive us. I found for a parsonage a house which was built hur

Priot Grove. Our Sabbath-school agreed to meet in connection with a well-trained and assessed salary, agreeing to pay singing class. A fine crowd a sembled. monthly. So we will say that the preachand this writer gave a talk upon Christ- er and his new wife are pleased with this mas and Sabbath-schools, which was pre- good people, and, on the other hand, they selected and admirably executed pieces of music. The evening was enjoyed by know how to appreciate a good preacher. a gathering of children at Mr. Drye's, to [1'il define the word "good" in my next whom they gave a special dining-all article.) A merry Christmas to you. Mr. from seven to fourteen years of age. Editor, and dear readers of the Though there is a saloon in our town, I CATE. have not seen a drunken man in town today. Is not that remarkable? I wish you and your many readers a happy A Parsonage in Prospect-Santa Claus a Christmas and successful year.

I forgot to tell you of the nice cakes. pies, fruits, etc., sent in Christmas Eve. which are not all yet consumed. S. W. MILLER.

# FROM WINSBORO.

#### A Parsonage "Finished," "Furnished and "Stormed."

Our parsonage is finished. \$1000 has recently been expended in preparing a home for the preacher of the Whisboro circuit. Bro. Shook had the right men in the right place. Bros. Anderson, Sheen and Cheek were a judi-cious building committee. They have domiciled us in one of the best and neatest houses in town-perhaps the best parsonage in the district. Bro. W. A. Shook. He is a silent man, but from what we see and hear, we have not a more active and efficient man in the North Texas Conference.
Our parsonage is furnished. Winsboro

has a number of live, go-ahead women. They take hold and never let go. Happy the preacher that is met by such a Ladies' Aid Society. The last stroke of the painter had not been given before a livery team began to put load after load into our home. From pantry to parlor educate your son at Georetown, but you they met every want. From shovel and tongs and andirons to an elegant parlor could ask, and then they said: "If any article has been overlooked, name it; it ty. Please lay this before your members shall come." Ob, such a Ladies' Aid at once. Society! Bless the dear creatures; we love each one of them!

Our parsonage was stormed. The first night they came—such a troop of cheerful, happy faces! Led by Grandpa to change the time of the first quarterly Farris, they pounded us until we were amazed, perplexed and bewildered. They

# FROM HILLSBORO.

#### Fifteen Class-Leaders-The Way the Work is Done-An Interesting Marriage.

On Saturday, 21st Nov., I reached this place, and several of the brethren met me at the depot with a warm grasp of the hand and a welcome smile. taken to the hospitable home of Judge several of the prominent members and felt quite at home, both around their fireside and in the pulpit. My wife was due on Dec. 1st, and on the last day of November the ladies met at the church and made arragements to give us a reception on Tuesday evening. This they did to perfection at the residence of Dr.

Our Sunday-school is doing well; two who do come. One very interesting feature I wish to emphasize-our class-lead-We have had but little excitement through this section during Christmas started the work. My predecessor had started the work just before conference. It was according to the Discipline, and according to that part of it which is much and twenty members, and fifteen classleadears, each with a class of from eleven to eighteen members. The pastor meets the leaders regularly, and I can give a better idea of their work by copying the every meeting-keeping a record of every

1. Have you conversed and prayed with each member of your class since our last 6. Are our children baptized, and are all, who are old enough, in Sabbath-school Do all give attendance to reading, here a good opportunity is afforded to work for our good books and church pavate prayer? 8. Do you know of any holding church letters? 9. Do you know of any serious, unconverted person? 10. Have you collected anything for the poor or other objects? 11. How does your soul prosper?

Each leader has a copy of these questions to work by. I cannot express my appreciation of our leaders and their work. We have a great many new members here; most of them were converted during the great revival held by Bro. J. arm is about him. If this is not sufficient. the pastor and others are called in. With fifteen active leaders we will have few stray sheep. Already I have seen several lambs brought back to the fold. I called on a member who was ill. "My leader I am a transfer to the North Texas Conference from North Mississippi, and forced me much." He was a business man and could not go in the day time, so he went at night. In giving this sketch of our leaders and their methods of work goes. we do not consider that we have invented J. R. McCormack, McKinney: church-house, except one which is dan- anything. It is as old as Methodism, and older than the Methodist Church, and houses, and a goodly number of mem- yet it is new to many Methodists of this subscriber.

A very interesting marriage occurred He is thirty-three years old; is married but has no children. His letter to me but has no children has no lack of comfort was counteracted some- est-Miss Julia M. Williams. After the what by the welcome supplies which ceremony, the preacher and his wife enwere found the rein-such as sugar, cof- joyed the entertainment, given at the res-A Merry Christmas-Presents Beautiful fee, flour, meal, meats, etc. I have been idence of Bro. T. S. Smith, very much. The good people of Hatwood circuit have made Christmas a time long to be try than for many years past, still I am try than try than for many years past, still I am try than satisfied that we will be cared for. The interesting feature, namely, a splendid spiritual status of the work is quite as supper, followed by the best of music good as I expected to find.

Christmas day will be memorable in life to Bro. Torner and his wife.

eded and followed by a number of well- force us to conclude that the satisfaction CHAS. S. FIELD.

# FROM RANCHO.

Subscriber to the Advocate. We will finish our first round this week, and find a great many good and hospitable people here. They have bought a nice piece of property for a parsonage. Arrangements are being made to comfortably house the preacher and his family. The Christmas-tree at this place was a success—nicely dressed.

M. H. Neely. Terrell, Kaufman county T. R. Pierce. Dallas, Dallas county this place was a success—nicely dressed.

M. C. Blackburn. Gainesville, Cooke county this place was a success-nicely dressed and well-loaded with gifts. The preac ... and well-loaded with gifts. The preactor's family were kindly remembered. As Holt. Greenville, Hunt county While we were in attendance at the tree Santa Claus' paid the parsonage a call. H. Matthis. Bowie, Montague county Rev. R. A. Morris Linden, Cass county He did not hunt for stockings, but unloaded by the box full. I desire to thank

him for his generous v sit, through the ADVOCATE, for I am satisfied he is a subscriber. God bless the generous ladies and friends, unknown to us, at Rancho, for their kind attention to the paster and his family. God grant that we may profitably serve them this year.

#### HELPING-HALL FUND. Further Contributions-An Appeal.

From Houston a brother sends \$20; a sister, \$10; Rev. L. P. Smith, Henrietia, sends \$10 to help the young preachers. Brethren of the ministry, you want to cannot pay the usual board. If you will send me \$10 and upwards between this set; superb book-case, mirrors, water-sets, dressers, lamps, oil, shades, cur-tains, cooking stove—every article we tains, cooking stove—every article we 18th, I can give you the advantage of the "Hall," which will reduce expenses nearly one-half. This is your opportunity. Please lay this before your members at once.

11. A. BOURLAND.

12. Canada and the second state of a man is depressed with cares, the mist is dispelled when the bottle appears. Not a bottle of spirits, oh no! but a small vial of that invaluable compound known to civilization as Dr. Bu'l's Cough.

#### GBORGBTOWN, TEXAS, Dec. 21, 1885. CHANGE OF TIME.

# meeting on Waco circuit to the third Saturday and Sunday in January. Offi-cial members and others will note this

#### FROM BULLARD. A Quiet Christmas-A Good Pastor.

#### At this little pleasant place we have had the most quiet Christmas I ever experienced. Everybody has seemed quiet, pleasant and happy, and trying to make each other happy. Christmas eve night we had a beautiful Christmas-tree in the new church, and had the best of order. Now, let us one and all begin with the new year with new resolutions to love and serve God more earnestly. We are grateful to have our dear pastor, Rev. T. T. Booth, returned to us. May God bless

#### A CORRECTION.

his labors in the future.

I see in last week's ADVOCATE a distribution of the expenses of delegates to General Conference of our conference. I know nothing of your authority, but the resolution passed by the conference requested the Board of Finance to divide the amount necessary for expenses in proportion to the domestic missionary assessment on the districts, and the district stewards of the Huntsville district will act according to resolution of the conference; others can do as they see proper. I. Z. T. MORRIS, P. E. WILLIS, Dec. 28, 1885.

# THE ADVOCATE FOR 1886.

#### All Along the Line. Rev. R. R. Nelson, Bonham I will send you a list of subscribers soon.

Rev J. R. Carter, Del Rio: Am trying to get up a good list of subscrib-

Rev. S. W. Miller, Pilot Grove

I hope to put the ADVOCATE in many hands this year.

Rev. Eugene T. Bates, Wortham: I am hard at work for the paper. Will make

a close canvass. Rev. J. F. Archer, Baumont

I love the ADVOCATE. Shall do what I can to increase the list here.

Rev. W. H. LeFevre, Alvarado: I intend to bring the ADVOCATE before my

congregation to-morrow. Rev. J. F. Denton, Beeville I always canvass for the ADVOCATE, and

expect to continue to do so. Rev. B. F. Stone, Granbury:

I think I will be able to send you a goodly number of subscribers before long. Rev. R. S. Gorsline, Kildare:

The outlook is promising. Will make as earnest canvass for the ADVOCATE. Rev. A. Davis, Corsicana:

The ADVOCATE is becoming more popular with our people from week to week. Rev. J. W. Kelley, Plantersville:

I am proposing to make an honest canvase for the ADVOCATE all over my work. Rev. N. W. Keith, Helena:

I am still presenting the claims of the Ap VOCATE. Meeting with some success. Rev. J. C. S. Baird:

You may count me doing what I can to get subscribers. That family department is just

what we want. Rev. Sam'l Morriss, Corn Hill: God bless the ADVOCATE, its editors and

publishers. It is a benediction wherever it

Find inclosed two dollars to renew my sub scription to the ADVOCATE. Will be a life

Rev. H. M. Glass, Sweetwater:

here on the evening of the 16th at the Methodist Church. Our handsome young Sabbath-school secretary, Mr. Edward M. Turner, was married to one of the fair-transport of the fair Seventy-five per cent, of membership have

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE-THE TEX AS DELEGATION.

Mexican Border Mission. CLERICAL.

A. H. Sutherland ... San Antonio, Bexar county

LAY. andez....Saltillo, Coahulla, Mexico

#### West Texas. CLERICAL.

B. Harris. .... San Marcos, Hays county H. S. Thrall .... San Antonio, Bexar county 

Northwest Texas. CLERICAL.

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Horace Bishop. ... Waco, McLennan county
E. L. Armstrong. .. Corsicana, Navarro county
J. T. L. Annis. .. Belle Plain, Callahan county
J. K. Lane. . Liberty Hill, Williamson county LAY.

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Texas. CLERICAL.

E. S. Smith... I. G. John.... G. W. Briggs... 

B. D. Orgain.... East Texas. CLERICAL.

R. S. Finley...... Tyler, Smith county John Adams..... Tyler, Smith county T. S. Garrison......Timpson, Shelby county T. W. Ford.....Beaumont, Jefferson county

Trusting to luck is only another name for trusting to laziness.

# An Offensive Breath

is most distressing, not only to the person af-flicted if he have any pride, but to those with whom he comes in contact. It is a delicate matter to speak of, but it has parted not only friends but lovers. Bad breath and catarri-are inseparable. Dr. Sage's Catarri Remedy cures the worst cases as thousands can testify

It takes two women, his mother and his

SHORTHAND WITHOUT A TEACHER. The Self-Instructor's Manual or Shorthand, published by Bryant & Stratton, Business and Shorthand College. St. Louis, is the best book for self learners. A copy will be sent by mrst prepaid, for & cents. HOW SPANISH KINGS HAVE DIED. [Condensed from o. A. Berstadt, in Christian

The death of young King Alfonso, of Spain, recalls the old truth, that the grim destroyer shows no more mercy to the monarch in his palace than to the peasant in his hove! Alfonso died mournfully enough, but some of his predecessors came to their ends under still reloomier circumstances.

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# SCIENTIFIC, CURIOUS AND USEFUL.

Paper is now molded into spokes for carriage and wagon wheels. It is claimed to be both cheaper and better than wood for the

Paper is made in France from hop vines; and it is claimed that the fiber secured is the best substitute for rags yet obtained, as it pos-sesses great length, strength, flexibility and delicacy.

The inventor of a process for refining sugar by electricity at an expense of forty cents a ton has appeared, and asks \$12,000,000 for the patent. It is said that the process is to be

tested in England.

A new alloy, a combination of manganese and tin, has been introduced as suitable for bearings in which shafting is required to run at a high speed, and for other articles for which a high degree of tenacity and great and grain are required.

which a high degree of tenacity and great closeness of grain are required.

Regarding the manurial value of freshly fallen tree-leaves, it has been ascertained through the researches of Prof. Emmerling, Dr. Loges and Herr Emeis, that beech, oak and birch leaves contain only 2 to 2,3 per cent, of utilizable matter, plane up to 4, the poplar and willow 5 to 5.7 per cent.

of utilizable matter, plane up to 4, the poplar and willow 5 to 5.7 per cent.

A correspondent of the National Stockman says his way to cultivate wheat is to sow it two years in succession on the same ground, and with the second crop he always sows grass seed. This gives the soil sufficient rest and rotation. Some sow herd's grass, others timothy, but the best thing to go with it is, in our country, orehard grass and clover—the former in the fall, the latter in the spring. Timothy is too uncertain to depend on. With some soils timothy is very fine, while with the majority of our soils it is a failure. It is easily killed by drouths and freezes. It stands well in the North where cold is continuous and snow lies on the ground all the winter, while with us we have frequent alternations of freezes and thaws. Of course this 'smore trying to plant life than the other. Herd's grass, or red top, suits low ground or bottoms, but does not do well on upland except the most fertile. Orchard grass combines within itself a grass suited equally for grazing or meadow. While not so good for hay as timothy or red top, it has the advantage of assurance of a crop. Clover adds to its value as hay, and is of great advantage to the land. The above remarks apply to what is naturally known as "good wheat land," limestone soil or soil composed of clay, sand and humus. But the successful growing of wheat is mainly a matter of cultivation and fertilization, and, as a general rule, a soil that will produce good clover will grow good wheat.

# A Dangerous Remedy.

We cannot too earnestly urge the necessity of using the Compound Oxygen Vitalizing Treatment of Drs. Starkey & Paien, 15:29 Arch St., Philadelphia, in the very commencement of Pulmonary trouble and before the disease has made serious inroads upon the system and reduced its power to contend with so dangerous an enemy. If your cough is becoming troublesome, if you are beginning to lose flesh or strength, and have night-sweats, send at once to Drs. Starkey & Palen for such documents and reports of cases as will enable you to understand the nature and action of their Treatment.

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A Mother's Fatal Mistake.

BALTIMORE, MD.—Every Saturday of this city, has an account of a sad accident, which happened in a family last week. A little child was threatened with croup, and the mother gave it too large a dose of a cough mixture which undoubtedly contained opium, as the child sank into a comatose condition, and died. The Coroner spoke strongly on the danger of such medicines, and remarked that the new cough remedy,—Red Star Cough Cure, is free from opiates or poison, that the governor and many public men of Maryland have warmly endorsed it, and that physicians in hospitals have adopted it in their treatment of throat and lung troubles. It costs only twenty-five cents a bottle. A Mother's Fatal Mistake.

A woman has invented a window and had it patented. Now who will invent a post-hole and get a patent on it?

NEW BOSTON, TEXAS, Jan. 10, 1884. Messrs, Morley Bros.: GENTLEMEN: Send us 4 dozen MORLEY'S
TWO-BIT COUGH SYRUP. It is the best
Cough Syrup known. Send by Express, Are
entirely out. HOSKINS & HUGHES.

There are four Taylors in the New York legislature. There will probably be some new mea ures introduced about the clothes of the session concerning breeches of the peace.

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### CHURCH NOTICES.

PALESTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

BAITMORE, Mo.—Every Saturday of this city, has an account of a sad accident, which happened in a family last week. A little child was threatened with croup, and the mother gave it too large a dose of a cough mixture which undoubtedly contained opium, as the child sank into a comatose condition, and died. The Coroner spoke strongly on the danger of such medicines, and renarked that the new cough remedy.—Red Star Cough Cure, is free from opiates or poison, that the governor and many public men of Maryland have warmly endorsed it, and that physicians in hospitals have adopted it in their treatment of throat and lung troubles. It costs only twenty-five cents a bottle.

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If "peace hath her victories no less renowned than war," we may certainly class as one of them that valuable preparation known as Home Saxative Countal, meeting as it does the requirements alike of the healthy and the invalid.

The Home Saxative Cordial, has become not only a household word, but a household remedy; its reputation being unsulted when the wood-engraver goes for the mixt manufactured.

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Harrison cir, at Willie's chapel Jan 9, 10
DeBerry cir. Jan 16, 17
Contennial mis, at Social Point Jan 23, 24
Hally ile cir, at Hally ille Jan 30, 31
Henderson cir, at Union chapel Feb 6, 7
Troupe and Overton Feb 13, 14
Kilgore, at Danville Feb 20, 14
Kilgore, at Danville March 8, 7
Church Hill cir, at Church Hill March 6, 7
Longview sta, at Longview March 13, 14
Marshall sta, at Marshail March 20, 21
The district stewards meet at Longview, Jan 2, at 10 o'clock a. m. Call at the parsonase. A full board is very much desired. Brethren, please all come; there is much to be done.

R. W. Thompson, P. E.

CALVERT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 

FREDL. ALLEN, P. E. TYLER DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

TYLER DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Larissa cir, at Pleasant Hill Jan 16, 17
White House cir at Lane chapel Jan 23, 24
Tyler cir, at Antioch Jan 30, 31
Linda'e cir, at Union chapel Feb 5, 7
Mineola sta, at Mineola Feb 13, 14
Edom cir, at Kdom Feb 20, 21
Canton cir, at Wallace Academy Feb 27, 28
Athens cir, at Philips' chapel March 6, 7
Malakoff cir, at Malakoff March 13, 14
Tyler sta March 20, 21
The district stewards will meet at Tyler on Tuesday, Jan, 12, at 10 o'ci ick a m A full attendance desirable.

R. S. FINLEY, P. E.

Center City mis, at Center C Williams Ranch mis.

Brownwood and Comanche.

Commanche Cir, at Indian Creck.

Bibb mis, at New Hope.
Pecan mis, at Gap Creek.
Coleman cir, at Thrifty mis, at —
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MONTAGUE DISTRICT

SHERMAN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. SHERMAN DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Whitewright, at Whitewright. Jan 9, 10
Bells and Savoy, at Bells. Jan 16, 17
Pottsboro cir, at Pottsboro. Jan 23,24
Bonham sta. Jan 30, 31
Bonham eir, at Cottage. Feb 6, 7
Collinsville cir, at Collinsville. Feb 13, 14
Pilot Grove cir, at Horshow's Feb 20, 21
Fannin cir, at Gum Springs Feb 27, 28
Gordonsville cir, at Gordonsville. March 6, 7
Sherman cir, at Greenwood. March 20, 21
W M. SHELTON, P. E.

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Alvin cir, at Wilkens Jan 9, 10

Able Springs cir, at Eliis chapei Jan 16, 17

Foster, at Eliin Grove Jan 23, 24

Kemp mis, at Grays' Prairie Jan 39, 31

Roberts mis, at Wire Grass Feb 6, 7

Seagoville mis, at Farmers Feb 13, 14

Mesquite cir, at Pleasant Mound Feb 29, 12

Kauiman cir, at Kaufman Feb 27, 28

W. H. HUGHES, P. E.

VICTORIA DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 

J. T. GILLETT, P 

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. WEATHERFORD DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.
Springtown, at Walnut Creek. Jan 9, 10
Whitt, at Whitt. Jan 16, 17
Cartersville, at Poolville. Jan 23, 24
Vineyard City mis, at Center Point Jan 30, 31
Finis, at Long Hollow Feb 6, 7
Seymour, at Seymour Feb 13, 14
Farmer, at Farmer Feb 26, 21
Vernon, at Vernon Feb 27, 28
Eidorado, at East Mound March 6, 7
Weatherford sta, at Weatherford March 13, 14
C. H. ELLIS, P. R.

STEPHENVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. GRANBURY DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

GRANBURY DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Lipan cir Jan 9, 10
Paco Pinto mis Jan 16, 17
Strawn mis Jan 23, 24
Breckenridge mis Jan 30, 31
Throckmorton mis Feb 6, 7
Eastland mis Feb 13, 14
Cisco sta Feb 20, 21
De Leon mis Feb 27, 28
The preachers in charge will please notify me at Granbury, the place appointed for their first quarterly conference.

E. A. BAILEY, P. E.

March 20, 2
Orange sta, at Orange... March 27, 28
The district stewards' meeting for the Beaumont d strict will be held at Woodville, Saturday, January 39, at 2 o'clock p. m. The following are the siewards: J. M. Bruce, W. J. Barrett, J. M. Wilson, C. G. Holland, R. J. Brailsford, Wm. A. Bishop, T. E. Kent, Jas. Larue, E. P. Anseil, P. J. Waldrip, M. B. Crow, R. R. Ridley, W. M. Clark. It is very important that all the stewards be present.

R. M. Sproule, P. E.

GALVESTON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. GALV & STON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Alvin cir, at Alvin. Jan 9, 10
Cedar Bayou cir, at Cedar Bayou. Jan 18, 17
Bolivar cir at Johnson's Bethel. Jan 23, 24
San Felipe, at Patterson. Jan 20, 31
Matagorda cir, at Matagorda. Feb 3, 7
Velasco cir, at Oysier Creek. Feb 13, 17
Columbia cir, at Columbia. Feb 20, 21
McKee St., Houston. Feb 27, 28
Richmond cir, at Richmond. March 6, 7
St. James. Galveston. March 14, 15
St. John's. Galveston. March 21, 22
West End Mission, Galveston. March 21, 22
Shearn Church, Houston. March 22, 25
Shearn Church, Houston. March 28, 25
J. F. Follurs, P. E.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. The district stewards will meet at Brownwood, Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 2 o'clock p. m.
J. K. LANE, P. E.

SAN SABA DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 

Gober eir, at Gober

Leonard eir, at Hickory Creek Jan 16, 17

Kingston eir, at Kingston Jan 23, 24

Greenville sta, at Jan 30, 31

Lone Oak eir, at Lone Star Feb 6, 7

Campbell eir, at Shady Grove Feb 13, 14

Winsboro eir, at Winsboro Feb 20, 21

Winsboro cir, at Winsboro.

Feb 20, 21

Quitman cir, at Liberty.

Feb 27, 28

Leesburg cir, at Leesburg.

March 6, 7

Pittsburgh sta.

W. L. CLIFTON, P. E. CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Lavernia cir, at Lavernia Jan 9, 10
Lagarto cir, at Lagarto Jan 16, 17
Hellena mis, at Hellena Jan 23, 24
Rockport mis, at Rockport Jan 39, 31
Corpus Christ' and Laredo mis, at Laredo ...

District stewards will meet at Goliad Dec. 26, at 2 o'clock p. m. A. C. Biggs, P. E.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Italy cir, at Smith's chapel. Jan 9, 10
Red Oak cir, at Ovilla. Jan 16, 17
Lancaster cir, at Lancaster. Jan 23, 24
Rice and Chatfield cir, at Marvin's chapel,
Jan 30, 31
Ennis cir, at Pearidge. Feb 6, 7
Irene cir, at Salem Feb 13, 14
Sims and Glenwood cir, at Glenwood, Feb 20, 21
The district stewards will meet at Waxahachie, Dec. 9, at 10 o'clock a. m.
I would respectfully remind the stewards of the importance of making early collections.
Bretaren, begin at once and make collections quarterly. R. C. Armstrong, P. E.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

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Gainesville sta. Jan 9, 10
Dexter cir. Jan 16, 17
Marysville cir. Jan 23, 24
Decatur sta. Jan 30, 31
Aurora m's Feb 6, 7
Decatur cir. Feb 13, 14
Denton cir. Feb 20, 21
Mountain Springs cir. Feb 27, 28
District stewards' meeting at the Methodist
Church, Gainesville, Jan. 9, 1886, 2 p. m. The
preachers in charge in the district will please
notify me at once as to the places of holding the
first quarterly conferences in their respective
charges. M. C. BLACKBURN, P. E.

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From the Rev. Dr. Whippie:

AUSTIN, TEX., Nov. 10, 1883.

From Hon. J. B. McFarland, Judge of the Thirty-second District: Messrs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin: JUNE 9, 1884.

AUSTIN, TEX., March 25, 1883.

Gentlemen—Your Liver medicine has been thoroughly tried on myself and family during the last year, and it has proved itself to be all and even more than you claim for it. It is beyond a doubt the most valuable medicine now known for any liver trouble, dyspersia or constipation of the bowels. We use nothing eise. Respectfully,

JAS. R. JOHNSON.

Letter from Hon. A. W. Houston, President pro tem. of the Senato: SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Jan. 1, 1883. Drs, J. J. & W. H. Tobin:

Drs, J. J. & W. H. Tobin:

Gentlemen—Your Hepatozone has been used in my family for over a year, and I unhesitatingly say it is the best remedy I have ever used for my liver trouble or constipation of the bowels. I would not be without it.

A. W. HOUSTON.

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Col. Claiborne Tells What he Knows of the Merits of Hepatozone.

Bastrop, March 26, 1884.

With much pleasure I add this statement to the many testimonials and published cards of many creditable persons coming under my observation in the public journals relative to the virtue and curative qualities of Drs. J. J. & W. H. Tobin's Hepatozone.

In December past, 1883, I was attacked with pneumonia and flux combined and was extremely sick. After very many days of lingering painful sickness (despairing of my recovery), I got a friend at dead of night to procure me a bottle of Hepatozone and commenced its administration at once, after midnight.

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PHIL CLAIBORNE,

Attorney at Law, Bastrop.

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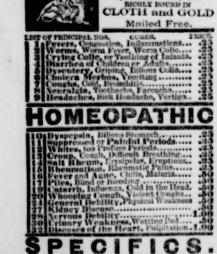


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Neck, Diphthe ia, Influenza.

Coughs, Coids, So e Throat, Stiff
Neck, Diphthe ia, Influenza. or rebound. The same word appears in ad-ligo, softened to alligo-allegiance, that is, legiance to, or bound to. Now, adlegiance, or allegiance, may be the first and an unbroken legiance between two, but a relegiance can only be the renewal of a fealty broken by one or both parties. The sinless angel may hold allegiance to its God; only the sinful soul by a new pledge of fealty can hold relegiance. What, then, is relegiance? It there is no more parting.

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Price 25 cents per box, Sold by all druggists. the duties devolving upon him in the new or reformed relations. When one has

> ing of sin and departure from God is the only doctrine allowing or demanding re-legiance. There be faiths and beliefs many, but, strictly, but one religion. The other point is the need of, the character, the person, of a Mediator between the breaker of the allegiance and the keeper thereof. Of one who, having also been tempted, can symathize, but who also by his loyalty may come into the presence of the True, and the prese thize, but who also by his loyarty may come into the presence of the True, and so "lay his hand up m both." What, then, is not religion? When the injured but true-hearted King opens wide the palace door, and sends out to you his palace door, and sends out to you his palace door, and sends out to you his palace door. The come and renew where weeping and sighing shall case forever.
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> W. L. FAGG. own son, inviting you to come and renew your allegiance, but you suddenly stand without, refusing every act of loyalty, even though you hurl no missile of open war against the palace walls, or strike down no servant of the King as he goes to and fro doing his sovereign's will; or if you go round about the walls, knocking with the hilt of your sword at every closed door, demanding entrance, contemptuously ignoring the door standing wide open, and the waiting messenger by it; or if you come to the open door, and, ignoring the waiting messenger, unannounced stalk boldly into the presence of the King, despising his ways and denying his authority, although you may have some into his presence, you give no sign.
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> Lone Oak, Texas, Dec. 15. own son, inviting you to come and renew

of re-allegiance, you are not religious.

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MARRIAGES.

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Shuford—Barton.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 24, 1885, by Rev. D. C. Robinson, Rev. J. M. Shuford and Miss Mary J. Barton—all of Kerr county, Texas.

LATIMER-VARDEMAN.—At the residence of the bride's fath r, Dec. 3, 1885, by Rev. G. A. T. Smith, Mr. W. J. Latimer and Miss L. A. Vardeman—all of Hill county, Texas. STOCKLEY—SONDEL.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 22, 1885, at 7 p. m., by Rev. J. T. Simpson, Mr. J. F. Stockley and Miss Annie E. Sondel—ali of Welborn, Brazos county, Texas.

BATTLE—PEARCE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 24, 1885, at 7 p. m., by Rev. J. T. Simpson, Mr. C. B. Battle and Miss Fannie Pearce—all of Welborn, Brazos county,

YOUNG—FIELDS,—At the home of Mr. John Mathis, near New York, Texas, Dec. 23, 1885, by Dr. T. H. Hall, Mr. Willie Young and Miss Jimmie Fields.

Jones.—Mary G. Jones, the wife of A. J. Jones, was born Jan. 20, 1853, and died July 31, 1885. She professed religion in early life and joined the church. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn for her. God grant that mother, father and children, will meet where there is no more narring.

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Or reformed relations. When one has done this concise answer I purposely omit two things as not in the question. First, the general misuse of the word religion, as meaning a faith or belief. The Moslem may have an allegiance to the prophet, or the Hindu to Brahm, but as neither acknowledges any breaking of bonds there can be no rebinding. The Scripture teaching of sin and departure from God

LONE OAK, Texas, Dec. 15,

of re-allegiance, you are not religious.

What, then, is religion? It is deep contrition for the past, in full condence in the faithkeeping of the king, humbly but gladly taking the hand of the messenger, entering into the Sacred Presence, and there with new vows reconsecrating every weapon of rebellion and your ownself also to his service for time and for eternity, and thenceforth living to fulfull your vow—this is reallegiance, this is rebinding, this is religious?

Will you be religious? Answer to the King before you lay this my answer down.

HALL.—Amazon El mira Hall, wife of John M. Hall and daughter of William and Mary Eldridge, was born in Madison county, Ala, Sept. 28, 1845; her parents moved to Leake county, Miss., when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; was narried to John W. E. Church, South, when she was about thirteen years of age; passed into rest from tert house of one triend, or loved one, before death comes to spread his banquet in the same circle. Miss Annic Arnoid, the subject of this oblitant the proving the departure from earth of one triend, or loved one, before death one shock occasioned by

CLARK.—Mary E., wife of J. O. A. Clark, age thirty-five years, died suddenly at their home on Barton's creek, Erath county, Texas, Dec. 9, 1885. Sister Clark was a sister of Rev. G. W. Swofford, of the Northwest Texas Conference. She was a member of the M. E. Church, South, a devout Christian, a kind and indulgent mother, a loving companion, a true friend; but the ties are broken, another lesson and another warning. She leaves a husband and another warning. She leaves a husband friend; but the ties are broken, another lesson and another warning. She leaves a husband and ten children, one an infant ten days old, many relatives and friends, to mourn, but not without hope, for she died, as she had lived, in great "peace." By her patient endurance and Christian fidelity, the co-operation of a devoted husband and the grace of God, she saw her children, who had arrived to years of maturity, profess religion and join the church. May they ever remain steadfast. May the blessing of Almighty God rest upon all the children and the bereaved husband, who must pass his second ordeal with increased responsibility, and may we all finally meet in heaven.

R. V. Gallaway.

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Texas.

Young-Fields.—At the home of Mr. John Mathis, near New Yerk, Texas, Dec. 23, 1885, by Dr. T. H. Hail, Mr. Willie Young and Miss Jimmie Fields.

Buster—Howard,—At the residence of the bride's tather, Mr. Velvin, Dec. 13, 1885, by Rev. W. M. Crowson, Mr. John S. Buster and Mrs. Donie Howard—all of Lamar county, Texas.

Caveness—Shannon—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Shannon, Dec. 17, 1885, by Rev. W. M. Crowson, Mr. John Caveness and Miss Florence Shannon—all of Lamar county, Texas.

Garner—Shapard.—At the residence of the bride's mother, Dec. 24, 1885, by the Rev. P. E. Nicholson, Mr. G. C. Garner and Miss Mamie Shapard—all of Galveston.

Fisher—Ozmant.—At the residence of the bride's father, near Burns City, Cook county, Texas, Dec. 17, 1885, by the Rev. H. C. Rogers, Mr. Wm. Fisher and Miss Fannie Ozmant.

Sanderson—Moore.—At the residence of the bride's father, Gordonville, Grayson county the bride's father, Wr. GallLaway.

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ty, Texas, Nov. 3, 1885, by the Rev. H. C. Rogers, Mr. Henry Sanderson and Miss Mary Moore.

White—Fout.—At the residence of the bride's mother, in McKinney, Collin county, Texas, Dec. 16, 1885, by Rev. Z. Parker, Rev. L. M. White, formerly of the North Texas Conference, and Mrs. Henrietta V. Fout.

SANDERS—GAUSE.—At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 23, 1885, by the Rev. J. L. Lemons, Mr. Edwin Sanders, of Cameron, and Miss Annie Gause, of Gause station.

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Jones.—Mary G. Jones, the wife of A. J.

Total carried and miss Mary dillers in suffering was most intense, yet he bore it with Christian fortitude; no murmuring or words of complaint passed his lips, but he endured patiently until death put an end to his suffering and he passed into that heaven-tune sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more. Brother Cuthbert was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was loved and highly esteemed by away of sympathetic sorrow to pass over the whole community where he lived. His friends was

CAMPBELL.—WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Dictator of the Universe to remove from our midst our esteemed friend and brother, Wm. H. Campbell; therefore be it Resolved, 1. That in our Brotherhood tonight, Fincastle Lodge No. 1559, Knights of Honor, feels itself deprived of the wise counsels and pleasant society of one of its most worthy members.

worthy members.

2. While we feel deeply pained and afflicted at the removal of our Worthy Dietator from our circle, we bow in meek submission beneath the chastening rod of our Heavenly Father.

3. We feel that our Order and our country that the chast is a submission beneath the chast end of the country that is a submission beneath the chast end our country that the chast end of the chast end our country that end our country that end our country that the chast end out the chast end have lost a valuable man; but feel our loss to e his gain.
4. We, in respect to his memory, will wear

our usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

5. We deeply sympathize with his bereaved family in their irreparable loss, and extend to them our condolence in this their hour of trial, invoking God's richest blessings upon

We direct the Reporter of our lodge to 6. We direct the Reporter of our lodge to spread a copy of these resolutions on our Lodge Record, and present the family of our brother with a copy; and also furnish the Texas Christian Advocate with a copy for publication. Respectfully submitted.

T. H. Hall.,
J. C. Adams,
H. C. Turner,
Committee.

FINCASTLE, Texas, Nov. 29.

ATKINS,—The subject of this brief memoir was born in Lincoln county, Ky., Dec. 3, 1806. Her maiden name was Susannah Renfroe, She was the daughter of Rev. Bartlett Renfroe, one of the pioneer Methodist preachers of Tennessee and Alabama. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church in Lincoln county, Tenn.; was married to John Atkins in Tennessee, in 1834, by the Rev. Asbury Davidson; moved with her husband to Texas in 1850; lived ten years in Cherokee county; came to Bee county in 1850, and beacefully passed away from a world of suffering Sept. 22, 1885. Grandma Atkins was known to all the old settlers of Bee county as one of the best and purest women of her day. She lived a faithful, consistent Christian for near seventy years. She cied at the home of her youngest son, Bro. B. B. Atkins, with whom she had lived quietly and happily since the death of her husband. The itinerant preachers and their families never had a truer friend than Grandma Atkins. But she is gone to rejoin her husband in that land where there is no night, no sin, no suffering; where no wave of trends of the proper of the passed. ATKINS,-The subject of this brief memoir alght, no sin, no suffering; where no wave rouble, no note of discord, will ever reach, she has left the example and influence of cautiful, patient and consecrated life for children and grandchildren and her many her children and grandchildren and her many friends to copy after. Her children are all in the M. E. Church, South, and, I believe, are trying to live so that they will be permitted to meet their gjorified parents in that beautiful home beyond the river of death. May the good Lord help us all so to live that when the end shall come we may truly say: I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course: I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of right-cousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give that ome at his appearing and his kingdom.

J. F. DENTON,

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on her.
Though modest, reticent and retiring, her deportment, distinguished by its very modesty, alprecious
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ways commanded the respect as well as the
admiration of the strangers she chanced to
meet. No pen or tongue, however eloquent,
could so well express the general sentiment of Sing before you lay this my answer down.

Sing before you lay this my answer down. What is their loss is her even developed and the control of the strainty of we find it to be also a complex substance. So we may eat and drink the words of Jesus, and be fed by them; yet when we study them we find a depth of meaning which makes them of an inexhaustible interest to the imagina ion and the understanding. So the simplicity of Christ's doctrine is not meagre simplicity, on the surface of our thought, to be fully comprehended in a moment, but deep, complex and far-reaching.

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#### SECULAR.

AN EFFECTIVE OFFICER.

Mr. Clint, of Dallas, who some time ago waged a successful war against gamblers in Dallas, now proposes to make war on the saloon-keepers who keep open houses on Sunday, and will also give attention to variety theaters and kindred institutions that are frequented by small boys. He deserves, and

SKATING RINKS.

Some Northern towns are setting a good example in taking vigorous measures to abate these nuisances. They have caused so many divorces and so much domestic unhappiness in Madison, Wisconsin, that the common council has entered upon the work of driving the rinks out of the city. Providence, R. I., is reported to have done the same thing. Let Southern towns fall into line and take up the crusade. No institution exists in our towns and cities much more barmful as respects health, morals and social life.

#### A COMMITTEE OF SAFETY.

The mysterious murders which have suc ceeded each other so quickly in the city of Austin have led to the organization of a Committee of Safety, of which A. P. Wooldridge is chairman. The committee has offered \$1000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of the following murders in Anstin during the past year:

Mollie Smith, killed December 3, 1884; Eliza Mollie Smith, killed December 3, 1884; Eliza Shelly, May, 1885; Irene Cross, May 23, 1884; May Ramy, August 39, 1885; Gracie Vance, September 28, 1885; Orange Washington, Sep-tember 28, 1885; Mrs. Eula Phillips, Decem-ber 24, 1885; Mrs. Susan Hancock, December 24, 1885.

ANCIENT PROHIBITION IN GEORGIA. The following, quoted by the N. Y. Tribune from Our Country, by B. J. Lossing, is interesting in view of the recent prohibitory election in Atlanta, Ga.: "Rum appears to have been freely used at first in Georgia. In the minutes of the trustees, under date of Aug. 11, 1733, is the following record: 'Read a letter from William Oglethorpe with an account of the death of several persons in Georgia, which he imputed to the drinking of rum. Resolved, that the drinking of rum in Georgia be absosolutely prohibited, and that all which be brought there be staved.' This was a short, but pretty effectual, prohibitory law."

#### BUSINESS TROUBLES.

R. G. Dunn & Co. report the total of business failures for the years 1884-85 as follows: The total number of business failures in the Juited States during 1885 was 10,637, with Habilities of a little more than \$124,000,000, as compared with 10,968 in 1884, with habilities of \$25,000,000. While the failures for 1885 are of 25 000,000. While the failures for 1885 are only 3 per cent, less in number than in 1884, the liabilities have decreased nearly 50 per cent. The number of traders reported in business in 1885 was 919,300. Of these 1 in every 56 falled. In 1878 with 674,000 traders 1 in every 64 came to grief. The average amount of liabilities of each failure was: In 1885, \$11,668 against \$20,642 in 1884, and \$22,369 in 1878.

It is seen from these figures that, while the business casualties decrease but slightly, they are far less significant in amount and import-

### CONGRESS AT WORK.

Many congressmen left Washington for the holiday vacation. Very nearly all are now at their posts and the actual work of the session has begun. The principal subjects under discussion are the silver question, the tariff, discussion are the silver question, the tariff, coast defenses, the reconstruction of the navy, the probabilities of increased appropriations in consequence of the distribution of the appropriation bills, and the proposition to admit Dakota as a State. We are not able to say at this writing in what committees the Texas members will fall, though the probabilities are that Mr. Stewart will be assigned to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors; Mills, Ways and Means; Crain, Foreign Affairs; Culberson, Judiciary; Jones, Postoffices and Post-roads; Lanham, Colnage, Weights and Measures; Miller, Banking and Currency; Sayers, Foreign Affairs. The Texas members Skely to receive chairmanships are Reagan, Wellborn and Throckmorton.

# IN THE SOUDAN.

The English government betrays some anxiety as to the situation in the Soudan. The Mahdi, as has been reported in these columns, has a successor who has collected a large force in the neighborhood of Dongola, and is moving northward. One serious attack has already been made on the English station at Wady Halfa and the dispatches of Jan 3 report that a number of Mahdist fanaties penetrated the British lines at Snakim and attacked the soldiers in the streets of the town. be known except that he seems to have inherited the military zeal and energy of the "False Prophet," and is likely to prove a thorn in the

#### side of the English in Egypt. GROWTH OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

The News and Courier, of Charleston, S. S., prints a review of the industrial growth and resources of South Carolina covering a period of five years since the census of 1880. We clip

the following: There is an increase of \$25,142,865 in the value of real and personal property, or nearly 20 per cent, and a decrease of more than \$500,000 in the public State debt during the same period. In 1880 the value of productions of the State and of agricultural machinery was \$74,189,879. In 1885 the value is \$114,998.677, an increase of \$40,718,798. Individual deposits in the State and national banks during the past year show an increase of \$911,086. Commercial capital is estimated at \$46,952,000 as compared with \$40,155,000 in 1880. There are \$256 manufacturing establishments in the State, as compared with \$208 in 1880. Capital employed has increased from \$11,205,894 to \$23,657,570, while the products have increased from \$16,738,000 to \$33,403,257. During the five years 740 miles of railroad have been built, at a cost of \$2,600,000.

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From this it appears that the people of South Carolina have added in five years \$66,300,000 to the total wealth of the State.

A BRITISH OPINION OF CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE.

The Methodist Times, of London, Dec. 17, discusses President Cleveland's message. After stating that the message has been most favorably received by the British press, the

Times says:

The Democratic President has so far fully justified the action of those who were responsible for his selection, and also the action of those who saw in him a statesm in whose attitude towards England would be as cordial as that of Mr. Blaine would have been hostile and irritating—that is, had the latter realized the hopes of his Irish supporters. But his treatment of foreign politics generally is the antipodes of what might reasonably have been expected from his opponent. He appeals to Congress to devote itself exclusively to the democratic interests of the Republic. Under his rule there will be little fear of any development of Spread-Eagleism. His caution is far

more in harmony with the feelings of the American people than would be the magnificent protectorate schemes of Mr. Blaine. One recommendation of the message, the repeal of the Bland Act, which requires a large annual coining of silver dollars, is dictated by simple common-sense. Its effect on the price of silver would probably prove considerable, and would still further augment the financial difficulties of the Indian Government.

### THE PASTEUR SYSTEM.

The four children from Newark, N. J., who were bitten by a mad dog, and who have been under the treatment of M. Pasteur, of Paris, France, have sailed from Havre for New York. They are reported to be perfectly cured. One doubtless will receive, the support of all good of the results of the American faith in this discovery is the establishment of the American Pasteur Institute, which filed its certificate of incorporation in New York city Jan. 2. Its objects are the gratuitous treatment by the Pasteur system of all persons threatened with or suffering from hydrophobia.

#### Teachers' Week.

Captain S. J. T. Johnson, of Corsicana, State Commissioner to the New Orleans Expo-sition, suggests that there be a week during the exposition, known as teachers' week, to commence the 7th day of March next, and that Wednesday of that week be set apart espe-cially for the teachers of Texas. Mrs. Browntow.

Mrs. Brownlow, widow of the famous parson, ex-Governor and United States Senator, is still living in the Brownlow homestead at Knoxville, Tenn., a lady of sixty-seven years, remarkably shrewd, well preserved and in full possession of all her faculties. She has with her one daughter; all the other children are scattered over the country. are scattered over the country.

Navajoe Indians.

An Albuquerque (N. M.) special says: There is more or less uneasiness among the Navajo Indians. There are about 5000 of these indians, and some of them manifest a disposition to go beyond the limits of their reservation on hunting and marauding sexcursions. The cattlemen are determined to prevent this, and there is some apprehension of an out-

Wanted to Learn a Trade

Wanted to Learn a Trade.

Sheriff Baylor arrested, in Weatherford
Texas, on Saturday, John Gifford, said to be
from the Indian Territory, charged with stealing a pistol Friday night from Dan Ligon, in
one of the wagon-yards. When the boy was
arrested the sheriff asked him why he did it.
He said he was ignorant and had no trade,
and that he would go to the penitentiary two
or three years in order to learn a trade. He
is now in [ai]. Emperor William's Anniversary.

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Berlin, January 3.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the accession of Emperor William to the throne of Prussia was observed quietly to-day. The emperor's reception was attended by all the foreign embassadors and diplomats in the city. In his conversations with foreign representatives the emperor avoided making political allusions, except to express his satisfaction at the friendly relations existing between Germany and other countries.

#### American Observatories.

Our principal observatories all work at specialties. At Harvard the relative magnitude of the stars is the chief object of study; at Princeton, spectroscopy; at Allegheny Observatory, the dark part of the solar spectrum and the effect of the invisible heat rays on the earth; at the National Observatory, positions and orbits of satellites; at Cincinnati, double stars; at Chicago, Jupiter's surface, and at Albany and Yale, perfecting maps of the heavens.

tacked the soldiers in the streets of the town. It is stated that furious fighting ensued, in which a number of English were killed or wounded. The government, it is said, has suppressed the report of the affair, and the British loss, therefore, cannot be ascertained. Of the Mahdi's successor nothing appears to be known except that he seems to have inhered the matter to the segretary of the treasury for the secretary of the treasury for the sec the matter to the secretary of the treasury for him to pass upon it.

# Why Concrete Work Disintegrates.

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Captain G. B. Phillips, who is constructing the new wharf for the lighthouse department, says the Key West Democrat, thinks that he has at last solved a problem the solution of which has puzzled civil engineers for some time; that is, he has found a reason why some parts of concrete work will remain intact and others will disintegrate a short while after being built in the water. While examining a concrete pillar last week he motions a concrete pillar last week he noticed a peculiar color to the water, and he broke off a piece of the concrete just about to crumble away. It was placed on a piece of white paper and dried, which process took about a week, when to his astonishment he noticed that the paper was full of animalcula and the concrete perforated with small holes, not larger than the point of a cambric need'e.

# The Jewish Rabbis.

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At the meeting of the conference of Jewish rabbis, in New Orleans, La., December 31st, the following officers were elected for the next year: President, Rabbi J. K. Gutheim, of New Orleans, on a rising vote; vice-president, M. Samfield, of Memphis; secretary, N. Voorsanger, of Houston, Texas; treasurer, S. Hecht, of Montgomery, Ala; executive committee, Rabbis Leacht, Berkowitz and E. S. Levy. After the adoption of resolutions thanking various persons and bodies to whom the members were indebted for attentions during the session, the conference adjourned to meet in Atlanta, December 30, 1886. The following is the resolution in full relative to the Sabbath, which was adopted yesterday by a vote of 13 to 2:

Sabbath, which was adopted yesterday by a vote of 13 to 2:

"We, the rabbis of the Southern conference, do hereby declare that the observance of the Sabbath of the decalogue and the practice of the Abrahamic rite are just as binding today on Israel as they ever were."

# Especially to Women.

"Sweet is revenge especially to women said the gifted, but naughty, Lord Byron.
Surely he was in bad humor when he wrote such words. But there are complaints that only women suffer, that are carrying numbers

For Hoarseness, Whooping Cough, Spasms of the Wind-pipe, known as crowing disease, and indeed for all pulmonary ailments most common among the little people, MORLEY'S TWO-BIT COUGH SYRUP is a certain cure. of them down to early graves. There is hope for those who suffer, no matter how sorely, or severely, in Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription." Safe in its action it is a blessing, especially to women and to men, too, for when women suffer, the household is askew.

Some one advertises in a Philadelphia paper for "a young man to play a plano—white or colored." We never saw a white plano, but it seems there is such a breed in the market.

Near Dallas, Jan. 1, Mrs. S. Legow was killed by lightning. San Antonio is troubled with burglars and threatened with small-pox.

An effort is being made to secure for Galveston the next session of the Democratic State Convention. The Paris Compress has compressed 48,758 bales of cotton this season. The amount shipped is 22,479 bales.

Tyler has sold to date 18,511 bales of cotton. It is thought that one-third of its tributary crop is being held back for better prices.

In the State Cemetery, near Austin. are the graves of Gen. Albert Sidney Johnson, Ben. McCulloch, Ed. Burleson and William R. Scurry. The receipts of the office of Commissioner of Insurance, Statistics and History for the year past was \$21,782 - \$5000 fees, the remainder taxes.

Sulphur Springs, Hopkins county, is to have a new national bank. The incorporators are; J. A. Weaver, J. W. Whitworth, B. D. Fos-cue and others.

J. B. Harrold, one of the main witnesses in the case of the State vs. Milliken, of Weather-ford, recently tried for the killing of Jas. Lee and admitted to bail, has been arrested, charged with perjury.

The Secretary to the American Legation of Japan, Maj. F. S. Mansfield, with his wife and child, and Mrs. S. Hubbard, mother of ex-Governor Hubbard, Minister to Japan, left the State Jan. 2, en route for Japan. Prof. W. M. Crow, Superintendent of the Galveston city schools, has been elected Presi-dent of the Texas State Teacher's Associa-tion, and delegate from Texas to the next ses-sion of the National Association.

#### Throughout the Union

There are seventy-five applications for posi-tions on the Naval Committee. The asylum for the insane at Newark, N. J., was burned Saturday, Jan. 2. Loss, \$15,000; covered by insurance.

Pure petroleum has been struck near Park Hill, Ontario, at a depth of 175 feet. There is great excitement over the discovery. Emancipation day, Jan. 1, was celebrated at Music Hall, New Orleans, by representative colored men from all over the South.

Jan. 2 Oliver Dond Byron was convicted, in the police court of Cincinnati, of violating the law prohibiting theatrical performances on Sunday.

There are a larger number of total abstainers in the Senate than ever before, including Senators Frye, Saulsbary, Colquitt, Teller and Blair.

The ceremonies attending the inauguration of Gov. Hill, of New York, on New Years day, were the most imposing that were ever witnessed at Albany.

Lieut, Greely, of Arctic exploration fame has returned from his visit to England, where he received a warm welcome and many atten-tions from distinguished men of learning. The National Health and Sanitary Corven-tion will assemble at Lake de Funiak, Florida; in March. Its object is the prevention of yel-low fever and other diseases, and the advo-cacy of strictly national quarantine.

The Southern Hotel, New Orleans, corner of Caroadelet and Julia streets, was burned Sunday, Jan. 3. Louis Kissner, of the Ford Opera Company, one of the guests, is supposed to have lost his life in the burning building. During the month of January the commissions of more than one hundred presidential postmasters will expire. Since the first of July there have been more than 9000 changes made in fourth-class offices, of which there

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In all cases of neuralgia there are certain localities where pain is more intense—these are called the "painful points." Rub the "painful points" theroughly, when afflicted with this disease, with Salvation Oil, the great pain annihilator. Price 25 cents a bottle.

You can inject morphine in the calf of your leg, but you cannot take quinine by barking your shin.

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A mule having received a nice present, hid A mule having received a nice present, hid it carefully a way in a bollow tree. "Why did you hide your present?" asked one of the animals. "Because I intend to keep it for my children." "Eut suppose you should have no children." "Then it will do just as well for my grandchildren," replied the mule, with a poetic expression of paternal tenderness. Moral: This fable teaches that a man's foresight may be so far-reaching as to sag in the middle and get blunt at the business cont. middle and get blunt at the business end.

# Snug Little Fortunes

may be had by all who are sufficiently intelligent and enterprising to embrace the operfunties which occasions live are offered them. Hallett & Co., Portland, Maine, have something new to offer in the line of work which you can do for them, and live at home. The profits of many are immense, and every worker is sure of over \$5a day; several have made over \$50 in a single day. All ages; both seves. Capital no required; you are started free; all particulars free. You had better write to them at once.

This story is told of a party taking a late supper. For dessert they had oranges, and there were just thirteen for twelve persons. The dish was passed around, and each party took an orange, leaving one on the plate. When the plate, with the remaining orange, was passed, everybody looked at it covetously, but simply said: "No, I thank you." A sudden gust of wind blew out the lamp, and in the darkness six gentlemen and six ladies shooks hands right on the coveted orange.

Do be natural; a poor diamond is better

A base ball player elected to the legislature, is said to have been very successful in catching the eye of the speaker.

### ERRATA.

There is an omission in the advertisement of Dr. J. McLean's I ar Wine Lung Balm in not giving the address of Mrs. Dr. R. S. Fischruecken, who lives at Neave, Ky., where she practices medicine. She claims it is the best Throat and Lung medicine ever used.

Second thoughts are always best. Woman

There is nothing that adds so much to personal beauty as a set of pearly white teeth and pure, sweet breath. Buy using ORIDONTO the Teeth and Gums are kept in perfect order and a fragrant breath assured. Only 50 cents box. Liquid and Powder. At all Drug and Cancy Stores.

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EXCHANGE AT NEW YORK. [Telegram to Cotton Exchange.] 

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#### The General Market.

Quotations represent wholesale prices. AXLE-GREASE-60as0c per dozen boxes, as

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APPLES—Western, per bbl, \$3 00a3 75.

AMMUNITION—Powder, per keg, \$5 5a4 00, according to brands. Blasting powder, \$2 00 per keg, agents' price; jobbors charge \$2 25. Shot—drop, per sack, \$4 70a1 75: buck, \$1 95a2 00.

EELSWAX—Guoted at 15a16c.

BACON—Packers' agents quote as follows for round lots: Shoulders, 54. Long clear, 64c; short clear, 64c. Jobbers fill orders at ha 4cc advance. Wholesale grocers quote brenkfast baron 9a94.

BAGGING AND TIES—Standard, 24 5. 114a 15c; 2 5. 11c; 14 5. 164c; 115 5 94c. Fron ties, \$1 25 per bundle. Balling twine, 15c 5 5. Figures are for carload lots.

BRAN—In good demand and stiff. Quoted at 80c in round lots from mills; jobbing from store 95a81 00.

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1 per ton deliverd on track. Horns, fresh
d clean, ox, 4c each; steers, 2c; cows, 14c BUTTER-Kansas, 20a22; Western, 20a22c; BUTTER-Kansas, 20a22; Western, 20a22c; Texas, nominal; Goshen, 20a27c; fancy cream-cry, 30c; oleomargarine and butterine 17a18

BUTTER—Kansas, 20a22; Western, 20a22c; Texas, cominai: Goshen, 25a27c; fancy creamery, 35c; oleomargarine and butterine 17a18 for good to choice.

CALIFORNIA CANNED GOODS—Wholesale grocers fill orders at the following quotations per dozen for 2½ b cans: Peaches, \$2 50a3 00; pears, \$2 75a2 90; apricots, \$2 75a3 90; currants, \$2 15a2 15; plums, \$2 75; black cherries, \$3 55; culinees, \$2 75a3 90; currants, \$2 10a2 15; plums, \$2 75; black cherries, \$3 55; strawberries, \$3 35; quinees, \$2 75; grapes, \$3 75; blackberries, \$2 35.

CANDLES — Quoted as follows: 16-ounce weight from first hands, in carload lots, 11½c; from wholesale grocers, E215½c.

CANDY—Flint stick, 9½a12c per b.

COFFEE—Wholesale grocers, 12a15½c.

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Condary, 9a94; fair, 9½a9½; prime, 10½a10½; choice, 11a11½; peaberry, 11½a12½c; Cordova, 12½a13; old government Java, 21½a25½, according to grade. Importers of Rio coffee fill orders for round lots, at the following prices: Fair, 8½a85½c; good, 9½a95½c; prime, 9½a95½c; choice, 10½a105½c. Peaberry, 11½a119½.

CORNMEAL—Western, per obi, \$3 25a3 40; pearl meal, \$4 00 per bbi. Grits, \$4 00 per bbi. Cracked corn, \$1 50 per 160 lbs, in drayload lots. Oatmeal, \$6 50a7 60 per bbil, \$3 75 at 40 per half-barrel. City mills—Corn-meal in sacks, \$2 60; in barrels, \$2 95, Grits, \$3 75. Pearl meal, \$75; hominy, \$7 51; cracked corn, 1 40, Feed meal, \$1 40. Wholesale grocers, from store, 20a30c highers as xasa advance.

CANNED GOODS—Two-pound standard goods, standard, \$1 55a160; peaches, standard, 2-35, \$1 50a1 60; seconds, \$1 60a1 75; tomatoes, 2-5, \$1 60a1 50; tomatoes, 2-5, \$1 60a 15; string beans, \$6ca1 65; corn ranges from \$1 00a1 50; tomatoes, 2-5, \$1 60a 15; cysters, 1-5, 1. w., \$1 50a1 50; cysters, 1-5, 1. w., \$1 50a1 5

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per doz. Com beef, I-b. \$3 per dozen; 2-b. \$4 per doz.
CHEESE—Quotations are as follows: Western, Idalle; cream, He; Swiss, 2:e; imitation Swiss, Ba26e; Limburger, in case lots, 12/4e; Young America, Idalle,
DRIED FRUITS—Dried peaches, nominally Sa34e \$5. Prunes, 7c. Dried currants, 7a14e. Dried apples, 4a14e for quarters, 6a 65e for sliced, 8a94e for evaporated.
DRY SALT MEATS—No shoulders; bellies 74a8. Jobbers fill orders at 4a4e advance.
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FLOUR—Quotation for round lots from mills, in sacks, per barrel; XXX, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) choice family, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) on the sacks, per barrel; XXX, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) choice family, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) in the sacks per barrel, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) on the sacks per barrel, choice family, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) (ancy, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) on the sacks per barrel, choice family, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1}{2} \) (ancy, \( \frac{1}{2} \) \( \frac{1} \) \( \frac{1} \) \( \

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ONIONS—Western, per bbl, \$2 75a3 25.
PETROLEUM—in steamy supply at 17c per gallon, barrels; 20c in cases for five-gallon cans; and 32, in cases for one-gallon cans; 160 test, 30c in cases and 37c in barrels. These are jobbers' prices; a small advance from wholesale is charged.

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POTATOES—Western. \$2 50a2 75 per barrel.

Northern. seed, 3 50a3 75,

POULTRY—Mixed coops of chickens, \$2 50a 3 50; Turkeys, mixed coops, \$6 00a8 00. Geess duil; plucked, nominal; unplucked, nominal. Ducks, nominal.

BAISINS -Layers, new, \$2 75a2 80 per box; London layers, \$3 20 a3 40 per box.

RICE—Wholesale grocers quote new Louisiana choice 6% a7c; prime 5% a6%; fair 5% a6c; ordinary, 5% a6%; or full supply and strong; coarse quoted at 90c per sack in carload lots; Liverpool fine, \$1 20. for carload lots; 130 for small lots; Louisiana coarse, 70c; Louisiana fine, 85c. f. o. b. shipped direct from mine at New Beria.

SARDINES—Imported, quarter boxes, \$125 60 613 00 per case; American, quarter boxes, \$7 25; mustard, %8, \$6 25a ; mustard, %8, \$7 55a.

SUGAR—Round lots are quoted by plea-

mustard, %s. \$6 25a; mustard, %c. 759, SUGAR—Round lots are quoted by plantation agents as follows: Louisiana pure white, 65-16a6%; choice white, 6 3-16a6%; choice off white, 6a6%; yellow clarified, 6a6%a6%, according to grain and co or. Northern refined, firm; wholesale grocers quote as follows: Crushed and cut-loaf. \$%a5%c; powdered. 7%a8%c; granulated. 7%a7%c; standard & 7%a7%c; off 5 2%a7%.

and cut-loat. Sharner A. 7%a7%c; on granulated. 7%a7%c; standard A. 7%a7%c; on A. 7%a7%.

VEGETABLES—Good cabbage, Western, per crate, \$3 50at 00; green peas, 3%ato \$\mathbf{y}\$ in ew yellow peas, nominal; black-eyed peas, 4%e per \$\mathbf{b}\$; lady peas, 6c; white beans, 4%a4%c \$\mathbf{p}\$ is whippoorwill peas, 4c; claybank peas, 3%ato \$\mathbf{p}\$ b. Sour kraut, \$3 75 per half barrel; \$7 50 per harrel.

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WHEAT—No. 2. Mediterranean, Walker and other varieties of strict No. 2, 85%a90c on track.

WOOL—Buyers quote spring clip: Fins, twelve months, light sarinkage, léalée; medium, twelve months, light sarinkage, léalée; medium, twelve months light sarinkage, léalée; medium,