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Editorial.

THE PASSING OF PERSONAL

JOURNALISM.

of the country made it a point to deal large-

ly in personal matters. If an editor took a

dislike to somebody he vented his spleen on

him in the editorial department of his pa-

per. Hence under that regime our papers

teemed with abuse, vituperation and person-

ally offensive matter. But, for the most

part, that style of journalism has ceased to

exist. A few years ago we had one paper

in Texas of this character. It gathered the

domestic and social scandals of the day and

exploited them in its columns. But finally its

editor died with his boots on, and with him

the paper passed away. Recently we had

another one of a slightly different type. It

assumed the same relation toward politics

and public officials that the former did to-

ward domestic and social matters. It at-

tempted the role of political iconoclasm, and

it slashed right and left. While it lived,

however, it managed to defeat every man

whose cause it espoused and to help elect

those whom it opposed. It had no respect

for officials and dignitaries, and when it

dealt with them it magnified molehills into

mountains. But the public sentiment of

the State had no place for that style of news-

paper, and it wound out its brief day and

hied itself to that journalistic dreamland to

which, when a newspaper venture once goes,

it never returns. It is well that such is true.

Texas has outlived that sort of institution.

In fact, no paper can live now that has no

higher aim than to pull down and overturn

the work and official character of those whom

the people delight to honor. Legitimate

newspaper criticism is right and proper, es-

pecially when that criticism is supposed to

be made in the interest of the public weal,

but when made to gratify the temper and

the spite of some disgruntled and disap-

pointed individual it is all wrong. People

will not sustain it, and when the people fail

to support it it dies of inanition. Legiti-

mate journalism is a great blessing to the public, but personal and abusive journalism

is a curse to any people. The people are

quick to detect real merit and they know

how to pass judgment upon the things not

needed. This is an era of intelligence. Pub-

lic sentiment is reaching a higher stage of

development. The ideals of life are being

elevated and there is a larger demand for

reading that will refine and instruct the

minds of men. Journalism has reached ap-

proximately a loftier realm. It deals in

facts, figures, information and principles.

It is not people but measures that need to

be discussed. We want to know more about

the deeper principles of government, the

best methods for the improvement of the

home, the farm and the social weal of the

community, and the improved advantages

of education. We want the home, the school

and the Church more largely developed, and

we want the results of literature, science,

There was a time when the newspapers

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art and commerce brought within our reach.

and the bad.

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HOW TO SPEND THE WINTER EVENING.

The newspaper is the medium for this sort of moral and intellectual progress. And the The winter season is upon us. Its days paper that turns aside to lower and unare short and its nights are long. This fact worthier matters has no place in this age and is an advantage of which we ought to avail generation. The wrecks of this sort of jourourselves. It is a good opportunity to cultinalism ought to be a warning to all venvate family life. The father ought to spend tures of this character. The survival of the as much of the evening around his fireside fittest is the rule that governs the journalas possible. His home is a sacred retreat and ism of this day. That which is worthy to its sympathies and confidence ought to be live has a field, but that which is unworthy passes to its resting place with none to mourn its demise save its unfortunate creditors. We rejoice in the life of the good, but shed no tears over the grave of the unworthy MOVING INTO THE PARSONAGE. Some five hundred preachers' families will either remain or move into as many parson-

ages at the beginning of this new Church year. These houses are, for the most part, good homes, prepared by the people for the comfort and convenience of their preacher's family. They spent money to build and furnish them, and this was a very kind act. They want their minister's household to be comfortable. What a blessing to the pastor is a good parsonage! When he goes to the charge he does not have to look all round the community for a house in which to live. But he finds it already built, and often furnished and waiting for him. One good family moves out and he takes his in without inconvenience. Often he finds a sumptuous dinner or supper in readiness for him and a joyous committee of ladies and gentlemen ready to serve him. What is the duty of the pastor's family toward that parsonage? Why, to keep it clean and in good condition. There is no excuse for an unkept and an untidy parsonage. When one family goes out of it, it ought to be left like a new pin for the next one to enter it. This encourages people to take an interest in their pastor's home. But when it is abused, kept unclean, walls marred, window glass broken out, locks injured, the furniture scratched, the pickets off the fence, the gate off its hinges, the front yard made a pasture of for the cow and horse, and the scrubbery bitten off-then the people are sorry that they built the house and the ladies are sorry that they furnished it. No preacher's family is excusable for leaving a dirty parsonage for the good women of the Church to have to clean up and put in repair. Any family who thus treats a parsonage ought not to have one. They ought to be required to go and rent a house and pay for it. People are justly ashamed of a preacher and his family who will move out of a parsonage and leave it in such condition that it requires them two or three days' hard work to make it a fit place for decent habitation. There is no sort of excuse for this, except laziness and filthy habits. But who is willing to accept this sort of an excuse? Soap and sand

are plentiful, and with a little industry the

parsonage can be kept clean and sweet the

year round. Sister, do you live in a par-

sonage? Then take good care of it and keep

it a nice and tidy place.

his supremest delight. A good romp with his children is not bad idea, and a close and intimate talk with his wife about the matters of his business and her domestic affairs will help both of them. After this an hour or so of good reading will broaden his mind and bring to him useful and entertaining knowledge. Two or three good books of history, biography or fiction will afford relief from the care of his hard day's toil. An excellent magazine will open up a world to him and bring him into mental touch with the latest thought. The mother also needs to find surcease from domestic worry in a few pages of good literature. The winter evening will give her a wonderful advantage in this respect. As a rule our good mothers neglect the reading habit because of their hundred and one duties and cares about the home. As to the children, the winter evening is a fruitful season for reading good books. One hour devoted to a history will acquaint them with the story and development of one of our great countries before the short summer nights come on. Or let them take a good book of poems and become thoroughly familiar with it. By the use of these scraps of time the mind of childhood can fix within it the permanent habit of reading that will go with life to its end. How many valuable hours we permit our children to actually throw away with the frivolities of the passing moment. Good books will instruct them, make them intelligent, broaden their thought-life and lift them out of the little ruts that narrow and circumscribe their lives. Try these suggestions through these winter evenings and see what a blessing they may become to your

THE PREACHER AND HIS CONGRE-

The conferences in Texas are now all over and their sessions have passed into history. We have had the pleasure of attending them all, and we do not hesitate to say that in their religious spirit we have never seen them excelled. The preaching was good to the use of edifying, and if there was anything akin to what is usually called wirepulling, or scheming for good places, we did not observe it. Of course there was anxiety in many hearts, but the cabinets were left free to do the best that could be done for the men and the charges. The interest of no man was pressed to the detriment of another. That every preacher is satisfied with the result is not to be supposed, and that every congregation is satisfied is not probable. Nevertheless the best was done that could be done with all the complications that necessarily arise where there are

so many men to be placed and so many charges to be served. Of course there were mistakes made. A few men have been assigned to places where they are not, in all things, specially suited; and some of the charges have been given to men not according to their liking. But we are hard to convince that any man was given a work with the intention of hurting him, or that any charge was intentionally injured by being given an unsuitable man. The presiding elders were conscientious, and we know the Bishop made the appointments the subject of much prayer and deliberation. Therefore it is the duty of every man to go cheerfully to his charge, and it is the duty of every charge to give to its pastor a cordial reception. If the preacher did not get what he wanted he got a place to preach the gospel, and this is no mean privilege. And if he loses sight of himself, goes to his work in the spirit of the Master, he can make it the best work he ever served. If, on the other hand, a charge received a man whose members did not want him, they have a pastor at any event, and if they will throw open their hearts to him, give him their earnest co-operation, he may prove the best preacher who ever served them. It is in their power to make him and his work a success. So that the advantages and the disadvantages of our system are not very unequal after all. Any preacher can make his work a good one, and any congregation can make their preacher a fine one. Mutual helpfulness is the safe rule to practice. What if you did not want the preacher whom the conference has sent you? May be that he did not want to be sent to you either. But he is there, and no worse off than you are. Now if he will go to work and make himself a blessing to you, he is the man you ought to have; and if you will pitch in and help him to succeed, why you are the very people to whom he ought to preach. He had nothing to do with his coming to you, and you had nothing to do with your becoming his congregation. But as a loyal preacher he is with you, and as a loyal people you are his charge. So whatever may have been your desires as a people and as a preacher, the matter is now settled, and let both go to work in the fear of God and make this the best year in your history. Labor, pray and study to the end that the preacher and the people may get the best possible spiritual results out of this year's efforts. This sort of work will bring about the salvation of souls and the edification of Christ's kingdom.

It is easier to tell people how to live right than it is to do the right living yourself. Yet unless you do live right your preaching will not amount to much. It takes a good sermon plus a good life to convince people of your sincerity.

Going to church is both a duty and a privilege, and in their enjoyment there is great advantage. The man who rarely ever goes to his Church service misses the opportunity of worship and he loses much spiritual instruction.

LIC CHURCH."

The issue on Ritualism is a far more important question than many imagine. Some will be glad to use it, for the more solos, quartets and chants or ritualistic repetitions have the less pulpit study will be demanded. Others will advocate it from the desire to be in harmony with the "regular order," and at least to some extent the "powers that be." Some are naturally fond of ceremony. They will like it well. But the overwhelming mass of our people do not want it, and will never use it.

Our Bro. Barton thinks we can ill afford to spare the sentence "holy catholic Church," which he thinks is the only one that will wholly and completely express the idea of the worldwide membership of Christ's body, the Church in its broadest sense.

Now, my dear brother, we file the following objections to its use:

1. The origin and sole use of it when originated was the organic, "visible" Church; for both the Greek and Roman Catholic bodies reject the church, the body of Christ, or when God speaks, that is the truth we Church, as used in Col. 1:18-23; 1 Cor. are to heed.

13:13, 14, 25-27; 1 Tim. 3:10; Eph. We will say something on divorce 1:22, 23, etc. All are damned who are outside of the Catholic Church. All infants even are damned who die un baptized is the universal catholic LETTER FROM NORTH ALABAMA. creed. Hence the distinction our brother has in mind does not apply

That title was never applied to the Church from the beginning to Christ's time, nor during his personal ministry, nor during the apostolic period. Certainly if they did not need we do not. And Paul discussed the Church question most elaborately, but never used the word "catholic." how gladly he exclaims the general Church, Hebrews 12:23, "The general assembly and Church of the first born' (first born ones) embraced in a king-dom that "cannot be moved," peren-nial (Daniel 11:44) was amid the desolations of all other kingdoms. Nay, should be "confirmed," "stablished," as the word there both in Hebrew and Chaldee in the form it curs there always means-to stablish, make firm, confirm.

3. In all the years from Adam till the third century the Church got on without the word "holy catholic." Wny not still?

4. But Bro. Barton thinks the dictionaries, etc., express the fact that the word was in common use (when?) and "not necessarily associated with bad things." The only bodies using nd things." The only bodies using were catholics, and "holy catholic Church" was not used till quite late, save by them and the semi-Roman catholics of England, and certainly in Engiand it had a horrible association under Henry VIII, Bloody Mary, James I. Charles I, Charles II, and James II. What horrible associations these!

5. None of the spiritual, evangelical Churches ever used it, such as Lutherans, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Baptists.

6. It expresses an utterly false doctrine. It expresses a principle utterly against the Bible—utterly false and

The Bible never in a single place in its sacred records advances the false, dangerous doctrine of "I believe in the Church," let alone "I believe in the holy catholic Church." No such thought is in the Bible. We believe the Prophets, the Epistles, as 2 Chron. Acts 8: 2, 13, but believing in the Church is unknown in Bible thought. It is "believe in God," in Christ," "believe," "trust in the Lord," "in whom ye also trusted," etc. (Eph. 1:12, 13; but never believe in sou the Church. And we humbly think pel. that our dear Bro. Barton on reflection will see that there is far more in this year-Z. A. Parker, P. K. Brindley, R.

In Cyprian's day, middle of the third century, it was settled that there was master. They died well. Sunday af My Dear Father:

Eo salvation outside of the catholic ternoon the conference held memorial we returned to Church. The Church, as an organized services and made mention of these body, administered salvation, sacra- worthy comrades. mentally, or more nicely speaking, As the Church administered faith in the saving power of the ally it soon followed that this form

as using a ritualistic service. Wesley was an Episcopalian; died one. He Church's methods when directed by adopted in the organization of Metho- cess to him. dism in America—vastly more so. No Dr. Law urged the claims of the Bi-

Cooper, so we must admire the new serving that truth, make new arguments and start new instrumentalities, but we cannot improve repentance, Falsehood is very ancient. Nor must

next.

ence. Methodism has the sympathy and confidence of the masses. They appreciate the many sacrifices and the good work done in building up a fine type of civilization. The daily pa-pers of the State vied with each other in giving to the readers a detailed account of its sayings and doings. In the pulpit, chair and cabinet the Bish-op gave satisfaction. Besides performing faithfully and well the ordinary duties of a President, he preached the prevail. Thanksgiving sermon and delivered a "masterful" address on missions. Those of us who heard him when Missionary Secretary are prepared to be-lieve that the reporter used the proper word in describing that address. There remains to him many more years of effective service. Our conference felt honored in having him present.

Rev. F. T. J. Brandon preached a semi-centennial sermon before the conference by request to a vast audience with salutary effect. In characterizing it reporters used many of the choicest and most expressive adjectives. While the matter of the sermon was good, its principal charm was in the personality back of it. To have become a Methodist itinerant preacher in 1854 in this country, and to have served missions, circuits and districts without a break to this day is a wonderful record. Angels may not know the measure of praise due such a man and service, but the One who "learned obedience by the things He suffered" does know and will gladly bestow "in that day." When rights dear to the South were threatened he went at the head of a company into the "thickest of the fight." It is gratifying to see a growing appreciation of the hard work done by the pioneers of this country. However, after all the toil and sacrifice of paradise. But for love of Christ and souls they would go without the gos-

Four of our number died during the than is supposed in our unthinking A. Timmons and Wilson Williams. age. le service for the

A class of eleven young men were received on trial and twelve into full salvation, of course, each penitent connection. In that class of eleven looked to the Church, not Christ, for were some who have had rare opporremission of sins—salvation. Hence 'unities for an "up-to-date" equipment. mer place, from the railroad, is a hard faith in Christ was substituted with Our colleges and universities are on day's ride over the mountain trails. trial in their person. They need to Church through its rites. Very nature remember that though they may have tains, but got to the former place all

day and represented the great interest was an intense believer in his committed to his care and thought. I took my rifle and went into the for real piety. But our present system is fitted and capable to plead for Chris- tirely hid everything that it was imalready more ritualistic than that tian education in Church schools. Suc-

such sentence is in the early Dis ble cause before the conference. D. M. the faithfulness of these dear, poor such sentence is in the early Disble cause before the conference. D. M. the faithfulness of these dear, poor ciplines. I have the oldest published. Smith was on hand to tell of the success of our Publishing House and royally, from their standpoint. Rowellisent in the sheckels "due on achistorian knows that since the vast count." Dr. Parker plead for the Eperture of the count of t

BRO. BARTON AND "HOLY CATHO- rely more on ceremony than on Christ, resented the Mission Board as only there Wednesday morning to get here methods of the modern evangelist, etc. tion in Montgomery, Mobile, Atlanta, But this view overlooks the whole is- Richmond, St. Louis, Nashville or Birsue. All these things are necessarily mingham. He further said that one man's inventions; hence may always dollar given for missions in Alabama be more or less improved by man. But had the value in China of \$90. If these God's religion is not of man's make, or are near the facts in the case the invention. Sin always has, always will writer is confirmed in the belief that require the same remedies. We may the time may come when these so-improve our methods of handling, pre- called "dark places" may become the very centers of religious achievement.

Two important and far-reaching movements were set on foot at this faith, regeneration, witness of the session. The one looks to the consoli-Spirit, nor find a substitute. A thing is dation of our educational interests in not necessarily good because old the State. That means a united Methodism in educational work. We will we reject anything because new. But then have one school for girls and an-when God speaks, that is the truth we other for boys. Such schools can be We will say something on divorce ext.

J. DITZLER.

made every way strong and commanding. The other movement contemplates the erection on a prominent contemplates this city of what is to be known as "Advocate Building." It is to be a "sky-scraper," and thus furnish all needed convenience for the Advocate Alabama Conference met in the city of and have a rental revenue to go to Talladega Nov. 23, and adjourned the wards supplementing the support of night of 28th. Bishop A. W. Wilson conference claimants. The Publishing was President and Dr. J. W. Newman Committee was further empowered to was Secretary for the fifteenth time. make the editor its business manager, The weather being propitious and the or else employ a layman to look after country generally prosperous, there the financial matters of the concern. was an unusually large attendance. Rev. S. P. West, a member of the Nothing draws like an Annual Conferconference, has been business many to ager for eight years. Laymen are to the front in both plans and are apt to be enterprising.

Later in the session the Board of Education gave it as their judgment that the time was not yet for the consolidation of our educational interests. There the matter rests for the present. A thing so much needed and desired will come to pass. The day is not far away when better counsels will

The appointments show changes and some surprises. There is a limit to human wisdom. In an attempt to adjust 220 men to as many charges, so as to meet the demands of the kingdom of God, misfits are pos- pray for this meeting. sible. In a few weeks all will be love-ly. Our people are loyal and the love to all. Your letter received yes-preachers brave and consecrated. Be-terday. Your affectionate son. sides preachers and people can endure some hardships for one year.

Statistics. Increase in membership during year, 2,010. Contributed for conference claimants, \$8,413.55. Number of Epworth Leagues, 85; members, 2,854. Number of Sunday-schools, 634; teachers, 4110; scholars, 43,519. Con-tributed for American Bible Society, \$795.15; for foreign missions, \$13,-255.60; for domestic missions, \$5,-777.71; total for missions, \$19,033.31. For presiding elders and pastors, \$127,-943.91. ages, \$1.119.842.29. Value of school property, \$130,000.

conferences. Athens will have the of reformation. Then, I think, he honor and pleasure of entertaining the should be loose for a little season, to honor and pleasure of entertaining the next session.

Note: It went abroad through this writer that Dr. Riddick, pastor of our First Church in this city, would ask for a location at the recent session. So he had announced to all concerned. these past fifty years there are many At the urgent request of forty-four difficult and "hard places." This is no stewards he changed his mind. He is stewards he changed his mind. He is

> M. H. WELLS. Birmingham, Ala.

A SON TO HIS FATHER.

We returned yesterday from a tough trip into the mountains, speaking from the side of the flesh. Thinking that the rainy season had passed away, and Kitten having accompanied me over all the rest of the district. I took her to Tecolotlan and El Cobre. To the for-We got into some rain in the moun-"all nowledge" and be without the right on Saturday and spent the Lord's ally it soon followed that this form all nowledge and be without the right on Saturday and spent the Louis was substituted for faith in Christ, witness of the Spirit in regeneration, day. On Monday we left for El Cobre, Hence the catholic implicitly believes a distinct call to the ministry and His a little village of the poorest people on blessing on their work, their teachers the district, living at an altitude of the control of the con 7. My good brother refers to Wesley and the Church will be disappointed. about 8000 feet above sea level. It is Dr. Hammond was present the first cold up there the year around. There miserable existence in silence, and I was no meat to be had, so the first day We are fortunate in having one so well ests for a deer, but the clouds so enpossible to see; so we returned with-

out meat. I wish I had time to write you about

When night came on we were well around through the rocks, lost—lost, around their hearts we could while O what a feeling! Wandering aimless- they were alive and could enjoy them. ly around in the cold and rain, with wet feet. I struck all my matches, but in vain. After finally crying to God, I found the trail, only to lose it again shortly, for the mule was tired and hungry and would not follow the path. I was worse bewildered than ever, and after doing all I could, was about to give up. Kitten wanted to wait for daylight, but I was afraid to stay there, with wet feet, all night and no protecfeet struck the grass, then I would pull him around until I found the trail. railroad town, at 11:30 at night.

I leave you to judge how we felt in the body, but we were happy in the Lord. Poor little Kitten took it all like a duck, with not a word of complaint.

a duck, with not a word of complaint.

of \$25,000. To the St. Louis Bethesda saying that was a part of the missiona he also left \$25,000. A few years ago ry's work. So it is, and how glad I am he gave \$25,000 to the endowment of ry's work. So it is, and how glad I am that I can do this hard service, under which so many have broken down.

After a few hours of rest we took the train and at 10 a. m. were at home. Ah what a good place! Who can criticise me for having a comfortable one, for I do enjoy it after the days of hard exmany posure!

It is still cloudy and rainy.

Our revival begins on Sunday, and my soul takes hold of God for a great victory. I feel it in my faith. Pray, oh,

KINDNESS IN OUR HOMES.

F. S. ONDERDONK.

How cruel the man who will take a girl from her comfortable home and from under the care and protection of her kind parents, to be his-lawful and wedded wife, and finally become mean and unkind to her. A man that will marry a good, true woman and treat her mean and unkind just because he has it in his power to do so, deserves 3.91. Value of churches and parsonto be sent to a reformatory and puntoperty, \$1.119.842.29. Value of school ished daily by the application of a barrel stave in the hands of a strong
We had nine men to spare to needy
man until he exhibits strong evidence run at large during good behavior. I have no language strong enough to exfor a man who mistreats them when he is sober.

There are very few men, if any, who have not been unkind to some one durone who loves him best and who has fellowmen. forsaken all that was near and dear for

I have a little curly-headed girl three lisrael?"
years old; how much I love her lanMarshall, Mo. guage is too feeble to express, and I had rather go out to-morrow and carry her to the grave than to know she would grow to womanhood and marry a man that would be mean to her. I my life who kept their best foot in besides, he was "captain of the boats," succeeded in capturing some good Christian girl, then their lives would reverse in a short time, and I could not see but very few traits and principles in them that go to make up a gentleman or good husband. The girl would wake up to the fact that she had been deceived, but rather than resort to the divorce courts for relief she spends her imagine thoughts like the following:

O, glorious orb, supremely bright, Just rising from the sea To cheer all nature in its light. What are thy beams to me!

What are all nature's charms combined

touch a drop of whiskey or speak undeclined most sadly in spirituality.

To conceal this many false issues section and our conference hears him to conceal this many false issues and himself. Bishfound it raining, and it continued on, marry for convenience, and they would superficial superficial.

Of the many, this is common. That as we are improving methods of husbandry, merchandise, travel, and so would not think of returning to the ship of Columbus, the vehicles of Montezuma, the plows of Egypt, nor the first and arrow of yoemanry, the flint lock of the deer-slaying Bumpo of ing the past year in Canton, China, Cooper, so we must admire the new than in any Church of that denominathan in any Church of that denomina- and at 2 p. m. started. Cold! My. but never weaken, but grow stronger for it was cold! and as wet as water, evermore. Oh, we should take heed to our ways and try to treat our loved down the mountain side, but a long ones as kind as we would if we knew way from the town. It got so dark we we would never spend another hour could not see the trail. Water poured with them this side of eternity; then, down the mountain, the clouds swept when the time does come for us to go around us, on the right was a canyon to the city of the dead and plant flow hundreds of feet deep, while on the ers around their graves, it will be ers around their graves, it will be hundreds of feet deep, while various first sweet to know that we planted an other side the mountain towered. First sweet to know that we planted an and nally we lost the trail and floundered flowers of love and kindness in and nally we lost the rocks, lost—lost, around their hearts we could while

Luther, Texas.

MISSOURI LETTER.

W. T. KINSLOW.

Our St. Louis Methodism has suffered a great loss in the death of Mr. R. M. Scruggs, who died of pneumonia November 22 in the eighty-third year of his age. He was a member of Cook Avenue Church. of which Dr. W. D. tion. I cried unto the Lord again and Bradfield is pastor. He gave \$45,000 made one more effort, finding the trail. of the \$75,000 which the building cost By listening closely to the noise the and had given hundreds of thousands mule's feet made I could tell when his of dollars to religious and charitable purposes during the thirty years that he was a member of the Church. Less we worked on in this way until we than a year ago he gave \$5000 to build struck the main road, and O how good a house for the C. M. E. Church in it did feel! How thankful I did feel to St. Louis. In his will he left \$147.500 the Lord! We got into Ameca, the to religious and charitable purposes. He gave some years ago the building occupied by the St. Louis Provident Association, was its President many years and left for it a bequest Central College and he bequeathed \$25,000 more. He left \$10,000 to Cook Avenue Church, \$8000 of which is to provide a parsonage and \$2000 for repairs on the church; \$10,000 was given to a Presbyterian Orphans' Home at Lynchburg Va., where he was born, and where he was buried, and \$5000 to the Assembly Home and School at Fredericksburg. Va. He left to Bishop Candler \$5000 for our Mexican Mission and \$5000 for the Cuban Mission. He left \$5000 to Dr. Lambuth for the Girls School at Hiroshima, Japan, and \$5000 each to Bishops Wilson, Galloway, Hendrix and Hoss for foreign missions He gave \$5000 to the St. Louis Conference for the benefit of the superan nuated preachers, \$5000 to the Girls' Industrial Home of St. Louis, and \$2500 to Marvin Collegiate Institute at Frederickstown, Mo. He was more than fifty years old when he was converted. The change in his life was a radical one and from the time he surrendered his life to Christ he served him with an earnest devotion that made his life as fruitful to the cause of Christ as any life St. Louis has known for thirty years. He never married, but years ago he built a palatial home on Olive Street and into it gathered brothers and sisters and other kindred, so that he was at the head of quite a household. His house was the regular stopping place for several press my contempt for a man who will of our Bishops during their visits to get drunk and abuse his wife and chil. St. Louis and many other Methodist dren. Neither do I have any respect preachers have enjoyed his gracious hospitality. Though one of the most prominent and successful business men of St. Louis, he spent but little upon himself, but used the large earnings ing life, but it is a mystery to me why brought in by his great business skill a man will be cruel and unkind to the chiefly for the service of God and his

"Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in

A BRAVE BOY.

When Coley Patteson was a boy at Eton he was popular with all his have known a few young men during schoolmates. He studied well, and, front and acted very plous until they and on the cricket eleven. At a certain gathering coarse songs They were part of the traditions of the school, and had been sung for years. But Coley was as brave morally as he was physically. He declared that those songs should not be sung in his presence. When one was started he left the room-something few boys would have dared to dounder the circumstances. Then and there, however, the custom stopped.

That brave boy at Eton, who courageously stood up for his principles, even at the risk of being described as "tied to his mother's apron-strings, became a famous missionary in the South Seas. As Bishop Colerida

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Devotional and Spiritual

Too often we keep our joys to our- scheme, so to speak, is our own selves,

And fail to offer Him part; Saving for Him all the sorrows and

The pain and the aching heart; We remember that halving our bur- the Oriental one. den

Doth give us less to bear, -W. J. B. Connell.

ABOUT THE REAL AURA.

was explaining to me, not long ago, counts for so much in this world is the teachings of theosophy-that is, but a personal atmosphere of elec-I will not swear it was theosophy, tric energy, good-will and power. but it was something of the kind The deeply, darkly, but, not beautiwhich she and others had formed a fully blue atmosphere which broods class in, in the cultivated, eager forever over some natures, is rec-Boston way, and were pursuing to ognizable a square away. There are its last particle of information. people whom it does us good even "The thing I want to learn about," to pass on the streets, without she said, "is aura. It seems, you knowing them from Adam. The know, that every human being has idea of aura does not seem unreaan aura-well, a kind of colored at-sonable when we consider this. It mospera you might call it, that ra- simply transfers to the eye percepdiates from their souls. No, it isn't tions which the spirit has long an aureole-that only comes around guessed at. the head, and is always golden or "Woman's sphere," Dr. Van Dyke light-colored in the pictures; and it has wittily said, "is an atmosphere." isn't real, anyway, but just an ar- But really, every man or woman has tistic fiction. A real aura may be a sphere of atmosphere. We each pass that way again.—Selected. dark blue or green as well as white create around us, to some degree, or yellow. And only an expert, who our own individual air, which may has studied and meditated for be pleasant and inspiring for others could trust them, or what you could

venient. Love at first sight could leisure. At one glimpse the most suave impostor would be discovered as a yellow peril and the dangers of intimacy avoided. Physiognomy is too complex a science of education for the most of us to learn. Phrenology requires assent on the part of the subject, and has made remarkable mistakes besides. In genophy can teach us this, then this much, at least, of theosophy we and they are given into our own in-heart. Jesus loved.-Dolan. would all like to learn.

all be plaids and checks and polka dots. A yellow aura with blue spots -small blue spots-would be my fate, I am sure!" It would indeed be a variegated show that most human beings would make-more like the spectrum than anything else. But on the whole, each of us would have some predominating color, and be judged by that. What effect good intentions have upon aura, the Boston disciple did not say-probably as little as they have on anything else. Yet the soul must be colored, to some faint extent, by its weakest intentions, just as the spectrum, on its side, reveals the weaker elements in a star as well as the powerful and dominating ones.

One thing is hopeful—that aurae are distinctly the creation of the wearer. On that point the Boston

choice, not that of fate. On this line theosophy squares with common sense, and recommends itself to the practical American mind as well as the dreamy imaginings of

And perhaps if we changed the word aura to just what it means in But often forget that He multiplies the Greek-"air"-and then trans-The blessings with Him we share, late it afresh into English as "atmosphere," the whole idea becomes less novel. We all know friendsand foes-whose "atmospheres" are entirely noticeable and individual. A very interesting Boston woman The personal magnetism that

preciated" and the rest of it.

The human soul is forever jibing at this wholesome truth. Being responsible for oneself is no fun. Creating sweetness and light around one, under all circumstances, is a job little short of heroic, though as simple as all heroism is. The plaid dividual power. If we are sour and There might be perplexing points discouraging, or mean and narrow, about it, though. "Most of us are or jealous and nagging, or dismal or of fate are daily loaded with the complaints of those who fail to realize this; but fate shrugs its shoulders comfortably of the alien burden, and goes ahead unheeding. If we are to have success, happiness, joy, we must make them ourselves out of whatever material we have: and so universal is the stuff out of which life is made that we have (whether we believe it or not) just about the same chances as anybody else. The same sunlight falls alike on all; and out of its seven colors we can make our aura what we will and persevere till we get just the right shade!-Priscilla Leonard, in North Carolina Advocate.

THE LAST GOLDEN-ROD.

preferred to yellow, blue can be depths, where she expected to find body.

Sylvia noticed a fine spray of gold- to meet the inevitable. From that en-rod, the first of the season. "How time there were no tears, no combeautiful that is!" she exclaimed. plaints, no apparent thought of herand take it home." But the wood ers. Her room became the center pilgrim wandered about, and in and of the whole house. The children out, following beguiling little paths brought their joys and their sorthat seemed to go everywhere and rows to her. There was always led nowhere after all, and when she cheer and to spare. turned her face homeward she came Years went by, and at school and out of the wood a long distance college the humpbacked girl made from where she had entered it. The many friends. When she came to place was not very familiar; and be a teacher no room in the great Sylvia, while thinking that she public school was so popular as knew where she was, searched every- hers. The number of girls who where about for the golden rod left. "took a fresh start" under her in-She could not find it, nor any like it, fluence was legion. There seemed and went home without the coveted to be no limit to her activity and bloom. "The next time I'll take it her interest. Although her strength as I pass, and not wait till I come was often taxed to the utmost, her back," she resolved, with wisdom enthusiasm never flagged. She had born of disappointment. "The the true missionary spirit. Whersafe way is to take such things when ever, outside her own small circle, you see them first, otherwise you there was a soul that needed light may miss them altogether." There and guidance-whether it was in is a little sermon wrapped up in this the slums of the city, in a mining as if this were a matter of doubt, reflection about the golden-red. Ex- town in Arizona, or in the heart of and she were making a concession pand it, and it may prove practical. China-there the warmth of her for argument's sake-there's nac-Learn to take the little sweetnesses nature reached out to that soul and and pleasant things of life as you go gave help. and do not be in haste to go farther, She died at home at the age of promising to enjoy the first things fifty. The city had never seen such upon the edge as you return. It a funeral. There was no display may be possible to find them again? of flowers or of music, but the great And when a bright little opportun- church was thronged to the street ity blossoms as you pass, stop to with friends who mourned her, and pluck and use it. You may not for whom the world would be for-

THE LOVE OF JESUS.

years, can see auras. But everybody to breathe, or quite the reverse. It men; that wins their allegiance was not one. has one, if you can only see it. Peo- may be acrid or perfumed-which- away from every other master; yet. But the last expert who talk- stance, and on luck, and on the ny could find no fault in him. Is Companion. ed to us said he could see the aura faults of others, but our atmost it the perfect beauty of his char-of every one he met—like a glow or phere refuses to be blamed on any-acter? None nor all of these will darkness emanating from the whole body else. It is a poor thing, per- account for the wonderful attrac- In all high work of endeavor for Early in 1819, while waiting to form! Just think! If you only haps, but our own. If it is such as tion of Jesus. Love is the secret. others, we need a direct link and a see a patient, a young physician in could see a person's aura you would to repel others, we waste our time He came into the world to reveal stout support from above. Recent- New York took up and read a tract know at first sight whether you complaining of "sensitiveness" and the love of God-he was the love of ly preparations were being made to on Missions, which lay in the room "lack of congenial companionship" God in human flesh. His life was paint the blank side of a very high where he sat. On reaching home he find in their souls and dispositions!" and the like. In some atmospheres all love. In most wonderful ways house wall. The narrow, easily low-spoke to his wife of the question It certainly would be very con- friendship cannot breathe. The at- during all his life did he reveal ered scaffold was swung high up, which had arisen in his mind. As mosphere has to be changed-there love. Men saw it in his face and It was a dizzy, somewhat uncertain a result they set out for Ceylon, and justifiably follow a blue or white is no other remedy for being "un- heard it in his voice and felt it in footing for the painters. But a later India, as foreign missionaries. aura, with no need of repenting at loved," "misunderstood," unap- his touch. This was the great fact strong cable secured on the roof of For thirty years the wife, and for tenderly.

Nothing but love will kindle love, and energy. aura is easier than the self-controll- Power will not do it. Gifts will not

A MODERN SAINT.

"I think if I were in her place I so mixed," as one friend musingly observed, "that there would hardly be any plain colors worn. It would sent the suggestion. The shoulders so young!" replied her mother, and worked so young!" replied her mother, and her voice broke into a sob.

"Yes, she is young," said the doctor, "but she has character, and I think the truth will help her to adapt herself to her life. She will get well the faster for being told the truth. Bad as it is, it isn't the worst."

So the wise doctor's advice was taken, and the fourteen-year-old ful battle.

As she passed beyond the edge of often, and her depression of spirit to set a watch over our lips that no mind was clear. If blue is pre- the woodland, on her way into its reacted unfavorably on her frail senseless or insane or incompetent

When I come back I will gather it self. She absorbed herself in oth-

ever a better place that she had lived in it. It was a triumphant me-the roses and the carnations funeral—as if for a conquering and the bonny mossrose—and I What is it in Jesus that so draws hero. Who should say that she judge that the oat-cake and milk

The battle had been set in the ple with bad tempers have red au- ever we please. We cannot logical- that makes them willing to leave all girl's sick room when she was first for it had been ill-treated by my God, ras, and wicked people have yellow ly blame it on anyone else. What- for his sake and follow him told the terrible truth. It had for if he didna give me ae think he enes; and if you are very good, your ever it may be, we produce it. through peril and sacrifice, even to been waged year after year. If gave me mony things instead.

"And, mind ye, it's no as if I'd ligher till you're a saint, and then lit's practically white. I've tried my been was so truly royal that the ing? "Never man spake like this ered by a new victory before it was seen once and lost my sight; that micht ha' been a trial and my faith post to see one, but, of course I. best to see one, but, of course, I disciple and brother in spirit. We in his miracles? Is it his sinless- loyal. No missionary was ever micht ha failed. I've lost nothing; couldn't expect it for a long time can blame a good deal on circum- ness? The most malignant scruti- more self-forgetting. — Youth's my life has been all getting.

HOLD ON THE ROPE.

which his disciples felt in his life, the house, swinging down by the thirty-six years the husband, la-His friendship was unlike any side of each man, gave him just the bored among the heathen; and then friendship they had ever seen be- sense of safety and supporting went to their reward. Apart from fere, or even dreamed of. It was steadiness which he needed while what they did directly as missionthis that drew them to him and he worked. For by his left hand he aries, they left behind them seven made them love him so deeply-so held the rope, and with his free sons and two daughters. Each of

eral society the perception of aura ed pale-blue one, not to mention do it. Men will take your gifts and hands are thus employed, grasping Already have several grandchildren would be a boon indeed. If theos- the white. Neverthless we are re- then repay you with hatred. But the cable of God's promises and the of the first missionary become missponsible for our own atmospheres love begets love; heart responds to sure word of his support with one hand, while the other is filled with that family, the Scudders, has given all that material and practical work five hundred and twenty-nine years which aids our fellow men, and to India missions.-Indian Witness. helps to perfect the kingdom in the

worked freely, because firmness much about our own pleasures. We and fearlessness were assured him can only have the highest happiness, by his strong clasp of the rope with such as goes along with being a his left

hand, work for others in the right, world as well as ourselves.—George is our attitude as workers for God. -New York Observer.

UNHEARD PRAYERS.

girl was told that she would recover directly to the earth. There is not will find half the battle is gained if from the terrible illness, but when even a hearing for them. These are she went from her sick room it the prayers made without thought thing gloomy, -L. M. Child. would be with her pretty, girlish or meaning. If our prayers are not figure twisted into the ugly form of worth our own attention, we can be the humpbacked woman. Could she sure they are not worth God's atbear it? At first it seemed a doubt- tention. Our national government sets a watch at its gates that no The little invalid was silent for helpless, insane, or incompetent hours at a time. The tears came persons come in at them. We need prayers go out through them. If worn in time, though the grada- the choicest treasures and to hear But there came a day when the we transferred some of our anxiety tions be many and long. The color- the sweetest secrets in the stillness, girl's whole nature gathered itself that the Lord should hear us into

Baby's Skin **HEISKELL'S Ointment**

watchfulness that we hear and heed ourselves what we pray, we might often face our greatest difficulty.-Sunday School Times.

BLESSINGS THAT COMPENSATE.

This pathetic little story of a

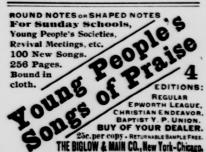
blind girl is told by Ian Maclaren: "If I dinna see"—and she spoke body in the glen can hear like me. There's no footstep of a Drumtochty man comes to the door but I ken his name and there's no voice oot on the road that I canna tell. The birds sing sweeter to me than to enybody else, and I hear them cheeping to one another in the bushes before they go to sleep. And the flowers smell sweeter to taste richer because I dinna see them. Na, na, ye're no to think

A TRACT WHICH CHANGED FIVE HUNDRED YEARS.

right he spread the paint with skill these sons married, and, with their wives and both sisters, gave them-In every Christian labor our two selves to the same mission work. sionaries in India. And thus far

It is only a poor sort of happiness The right hand of the painter that could ever come by caring very great man, by having wide thoughts Prayer and promise in our left and much feeling for the rest of the Eliot.

You find yourself refreshed by the presence of cheerful people. Why not make earnest effort to con-Some prayers are lead. They fall fer that pleasure on others? You vou never allow yourself to say any-



Secular News Items.

In response to an inquiry, a high official of the State Department said that it was true President Roosevelt expected all members of the Cabinet and the American Ambassadors and Ministers to foreign countries to submit their resignations to take effect lowed at the end of an administration, but there has been some hesitancy on the part of office-holders in the classes mentioned, and this reminder from the State Department is expected to have the desired result. This does not but necessarily mean that President change. Roosevelt will make a clean sweep in the diplomatic service.

It is reported that a company has capital of \$300,000 for the manufacture of artificial silk (mercerized cotton). It is also proposed to open another factory, employing 400 operatives, in Northern France. with a capital of \$500,000, has been or ganized in Brussels, Belgium. Much of the artificial silk produced in German and French factories is shipped the manufacture of textiles of various

Japan favors the suggestion of the ference at The Hague.

The United States stands at the head with a production of 18,010 tons against 17,820,000 in 1902 and 15,800,odo in 1901.

The production of iron, which in 1901 was 39,940,000 tons, increased to 43,480,000 tons in 1902, and reached 45,480,000 tons in 1903.

The United States, with 44,000,006 horned cattle, 481,800,000 sheep and 57,000,000 hogs, can, after providing food for a population of 80,000,000 inhabitants, export meat to the value of \$240,000,000; Canada, with 4,000,000 cattle, 4,000,000 sheep and 5,000,000 inhabitants, can export \$25,000,000 worth of meat; and Australia and New Zealand, with 10,000,000 cattle, 80,000,000 sheep and 5,000,000 inhabitants, have meat exports to the value of \$33,000,-000. But Argentina, with 28,000,000 cattle, 110,000,000 sheep, exports only \$20,000,000 of meat.

In the presence of 60,000 people assembled in St. Peter's, Pope Pius canonized and biessed Alessandro Sauii and biessed Gerardo Maeila, descendants of whom, including Marquises Ambrosia, Saola, Negretto, assisted in the canonizations, a ceremomy so rare in recent times that this is only the second that has been held since 1870. The basilica was beautiful with electric lights, its immense heights showing the illuminations to perfection. The throne had been erected behind the high altar and chair of St. Peter, having a device of rays of gold with a picture of the Trinity in Altogether the throne took up a space of 90x70 feet. Four banners hung under the dome, showing the chief miracles of new saints.

It is asserted that President Roosevelt is standing squarely on his message in reference to the fixing of railroad rates by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and desires that action be taken by Congress at this session. Many Senators and Representatives have caned on him to .earn his views, and he is said to have told them frankly that he thought some thing should be done in the way of enlarging the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission to remedy this evil, and should be done immediately. The Senators who have determined that nothing shall be done until the beginning of the next Congress have accepted the situation, and the contest between the White House and the Senate on the great question of railroad rates and increased powers for the interstate Commerce Commission is now fairly on.

The world has a stock of gold money total, the United States possesses \$1,-

Governor-Elect Douglas, of Massa chusetts, has selected Gen. Nelson A. Miles for the Adjutant-General of that State. This not only carries a salary of \$3600, but restores the General to full pay in the army, \$10,500, making trade will prevail between the canal bis total salary \$14,100. The intention zone and the Republic of Panama. is to make the Massachusetts militia the first in the country.

The internal revenue receipts of the United States last fiscal year reached Great was unveiled in Washington, D. \$232,904,004, an increase of \$2,163,079 over the previous year.

The World's Fair at St. Louis, designed fittingly to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the purchase of the Louisiana territory, was brought to a close December 1 with simple exercises, including speeches by Governor Dockery and President David R. Francis, in whose honor the day was called "Francis Day," and to whom a silver service was presented. The enterprise has been as an exposition largely and in a financial way moderately successful. During the seven months in which the Exposition

has been in progress the best of order has been maintained, and there has been no loss of life from accidents. The total admissions to the Fair were 19,000,000, of whom, for some unexplained reason, 6,000,000 came in free. The receipts from admissions have been approximately \$6,000,000, and from concessions about the same sum was realized. The total receipts, actual and prospective, are estimated to be \$13,000,000. While St. Louis has taken great pride in the Exposition, on the beach, and he was found dead that city probably looks at a World's on the shore. Fair as Chicago did in the fall of 1893 -as something to be endured once, never again attempted.-Ex-

During the last three weeks the daily papers have been filled with a sensational story concerning a Mrs. been formed in Lyons, France, with a Chadwick, of Cleveland, who is credited with obtaining large sums of money, running into the millions, from various individuals and banks, mostly in Ohio. A Brookline (Mass.) victim A similar factory, has finally brought suit to recover drew Carnegie's signature (whether ganizations are now genuine or not is uncertain) figures in the Mormon power suspended because of the resulting been arrested on the charge of forgery United States of a second peace con- and is confined in the Tombs, New York City, pending a hearing.

James N. Tyner, late Assistant Attorney General for the Postoffice Department, died on Monday, Dec. 5, aged Judge Tyner was a few months ago acquitted of the charge of conspiracy in the "get-rich-quick" postoffice frauds, but felt greatly aggrieved at President Roosevelt's reflections on his administration.

ered by Rev. P. Delattre in the excavations at Carthage is a carcophagus of large size containing relief sculptures. The sarcophagus, which was found at a depth of nearly sixty feet, is of white marble, and is painted. On its two main faces is a relief which pictures the monster Scylla with her arms extended, with a representation of dogs which are facing in different directions, following the ancient tradition. The same subject is found in the mausoleum of El-Amoroumi in Tripoli. which belongs to the later Punic period, and occurs among other well known mythological subjects. It is. therefore, of interest to find that at the Punic period of Carthage the myth of Scylla already occupied a prominent place. Up to the present it has been only found on Roman remains.-Exchange.

Mr. Madden, Third Assistant Post-master-General, in his annual report shows that last fiscal year the deficiency in the Postoffice Department was almost double that of the preceding year, the increase being chargeable to rural free delivery. Were it not for this extraordinary expenditure the 582,624, and the total expenditures President decided that a more vigor \$8,779,492. The deficiency for the previous year was \$4,560.044.

tained at the White House. On behalf the next few years Japan may substi-of the Mikado, he presented to Mrs. tute the English alphabet for its char-Roosevelt and Mrs. Hay, wife of the acters now employed in the written Secretary of State, each a fine cedar- and printed language of that country. wood chest, bound and trimmed with suver, and containing a wonderful pan among the nations of the world, maze of mysterious compartments, and its Europeanization, lead to the drawers, closets, shelves and boxes, belief that this statement is some. While the outside of the chests is det hing more than a mere complimenvoid of ornament, with the exception tary reference to the Anglo-Saxon of silver trimmings, the interiors contain most skillful and artistic workmanship in carving, inlaying and other Each compartment contained some treasures from the Orient, such as silks, embroideries, fans and jewel

Secretary Taft has completed a setamounting to \$5,000,000,000. Of that tlement with the President of the Panama Republic, of the difference regarding the canal zone. The customs re-ceipts of the terminal ports will go to the Panama Government, but the United States will control sanitary and quarantine regulations in the cities of Colon and Panama. Absolute free zone and the Republic of Panama. What is done concerning the lottery concessions do not appear.

The bronze statue of Frederick the C., Nov. 19. The statue was the gift of Emperor William to the American people. The Baroness Speck von Sternberg, wife of the German Ambassador, unveiled the statue. The ceremony was marked by great military and official display.

The annual report of Secretary of the Navy Morton, just made public, states that the naval estimates for the next fiscal year are the largest ever submitted, notwithstanding the fact that they have been cut down from those sent in by the bureaus more persons failing to keep appointments, than \$17,000,000. Last year the navy cost a little over \$1 per capita. Of the late trains and for-bound cabe."

total enlisted force of the navy, num bering 29,321, 80 per cent are native born, and 11 per cent are naturalized.

Two weeks ago Capt. Peder Nessen, of Chicago, attempted to cross Lake Michigan in a combination of boat and balloon, which he named "Fool Killer No. 3." He succeeded in getting across, but was unable to land successfully, and after hours of evident struggle and exposure to cold and wave, his craft was dashed to pieces on the shore.

Opposition to Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, and the Mormon organization in politics has been renewed. Congressman Robert M. Taylor, who conducted the fight against Senator Smoot last winter before the United States Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, is in Washington making pected will take place within ten days. \$190,000, and wholesale exposures have his seat in the Senate. The Churches followed. A \$500,000 note bearing An- of the country and various reform orman and French lactories is shipped genuine or not is uncertain) figures in the Mormon power in politics as a to the United States to be used here in the reports. One bank at Oberlin has peril to the Republic. Mr. Taylor states that new evidence is to be sub complications. Mrs. Chadwick has mitted, and promises far-reaching and been arrested on the charge of forgery startling revelations.

Immigration Commissioner off in the number of immigrants com a better class is coming, though Italy still leads with 193,296, which is 37. The modus operandi was as follows: 326 less than the previous year. tro Hungary comes next with 177,156, which is 28,855 less than the year before. Russia sent 145,141. The immi-Among the objects recently discov- gration from England and Scotland inthan 50,000.

> The west of Ireland is threatened with a serious famine. Two-thirds of dreds of thousands of people are in dire need.

> third industry in point of importance in the State.

> Virginia came over and took part in signal exhibition of the patriotism of a united people.

> The French Premier has submitted the separation of Church and State in cordat of 1801, and contemplates the ultimate perfect independence of civil affairs from priestly domination or interference.

Judge Benjamin S. Baker, of New sustaining. The total receipts from all complaints filed with him regarding sources for the fiscal year were \$143, affairs in Bernalillo County. The \$152,362,116, leaving a deficiency of ous and strict Judge was needed to remedy the evils complained of.

There is deep significance in the Prince Fushima, a relative of the statement of Prince Fushimi, who Mikado of Japan, was recently enter visited the World's Fair, that within The position recently assumed by Jadealings of Japanese officials The with European Governments, the relations of Japanese merchants with handiwork from noted artists of Japan. those of our own country and Europe, the interchange of written documents between Japanese and Anglo-Saxon scholars, have led to a general desire which this may be most readily accom-plished. English is already more generally spoken in Japan than most peo- paper .- Zion's Herald. ple suppose, and the language is taught in many of the Japanese schools.

A proposition is now made that the Panama Canal be a sea-level waterway. Engineers say it is feasible, but will cost \$100,000,000 more and take five years more time. A mountain would need to be tunneled.

The British statistician declares that fogs cost London \$25,000,000 every year. On one of the foggy days London burns, it is said, 150,000,000 cubic feet of gas, and the extraordinary use of electric lights, oil lamps and cand'es adds greatly to the cost. The London Express says of the bad effects of the fog: "People are generally too depressed to buy anything, and appetites are so seriously affected that the restaurant keeper loses much of his profit. Places of entertainment are neglected, business is lost through

THE CHURCH PAPER, AND HOW TO CIRCULATE IT. THE LATE REV. J. O. PECK, D. D.

My work on the above topic is cut out for me. The editor does not want any of my "theories," but by "experience." How does he know that I have no "theories" that are worthy of his paper? But cheerfully I give my experience on one of the most important collateral duties of the pastor. I did not dream, when I was making the historic experience, that I would so often hear of it and be asked to give the repetition of it.

I did have large success in securing subscribers to the Church papers within whose patronizing territory I was pastor for twenty-five years. I believe the Church paper my best and most effective assistant pastor. I believe any other paper displacing the Herald or THE ADVOCATE (according to my locality) to be undermining of the Methodistic intelligence and loyalty of the members of my Church. Hence, to circupreliminary arrangements for a resumption of the hearing, which it is ex-late the Church papers became a conviction, a passion, a joy. I felt it a duty; a part of my legitimate pastoral work, as much as the con-The contest against Mr. Smoot has it a duty; a part of my legitimate pastoral work, as much as the congone beyond the question of holding version of souls and the building up of the saints in holy living. Yes, I conceive it to be a strong reinforcement in effecting these results. Hence ganizations are now making war on I threw my brains, soul, tact and enthusiasm into getting subscribers for the paper. I worked for it as I did for a revival, and on the same ground-that it was necessary to the highest success of my pastorate.

If you want it in a nutshell-I worked to get subscribers with all gent's annual report shows a falling the tact and enthusiasm I could if I had owned the paper and received ing to this country last year, the total all the profits. There you have it. I was a partner in the concern. arrivals being 812,870. On the whole I received my dividends in a more intelligent and devoted membership.

1. I took the paper into the pulpit. I opened it wide and showed it to the people. I expatiated upon its beauties, its benefits, its departments, its necessity to any member who would be an intelligent Methodist creased some 17,000, but is still less and know the current history of his Church. I warmed with my theme and exhorted. I appealed to their loyalty; I excoriated the disloyalty that dropped the Church papers and took outside papers, especially if the patoto crop is ruined, and hun- they were cheap. I portrayed the fact that the paper was worth five cents a week-ail it cost-to any family. I swept the whole keyboard The beet crop of Colorado is the of incentives to take the paper. Then when the iron had been made hot by striking, I struck to weld it by taking subscribers on the spot! Johnstown, the Flood City, was the I got all I could on Sunday as a religious work. I used blank cards scene of a remarkable event recently often in the pews. I nailed their ears to the paper with a pencil, when fifty Confederate veterans from

2. I followed up this bombardment from the pulpit by a renewed the reunion of the Fifty-fourth Pena attack at closer range in the prayer-meeting. I repeated this effort in sylvania Infantry Regiment. The oca warm prayer-meeting.

3. I next put a clean copy of the paper in my pocket and started for consideration the plan proposed for on my pastoral visitation each afternoon. By this means I had made a France. It does away with the Conlist of all who ought to take the paper, but had not subscribed. With this list and the paper in my pocket, I began sharp-shooting at close range. I went to the house, the store, the shop, the factory. I pulled out my paper and my list. I submitted the question. Most surrendered this extraordinary expenditure the Mexico, has been removed by the postal service would now be about self- President as the result of a series of stayed with till they "saw a great light" and subscribed! Only here and at once when thus individually appealed to. The few that hesitated I there an obtuse or stingy soul escaped.

4. There were always a few poor people who could not afford to take the paper. On Christmas or New Year I would state this fact to the public congregation and ask the well-to-do to send a Christmas or New Year gift to these poor, that would come every week in the year. This always met with a quick response.

5. At the close of the revival each year I appealed to all new converts to take a Church paper. I explained the benefit, and urged on them the duty of taking a Church paper, as they were now to be Methodists.

6. Finally, I attended to this work personally. I no more allowed some indigent woman or aged preacher to do this for me than 1 invited them to lead the revival for me. When I found such agent (appointed by a predecessor for the revenue he got out of it), I always relieved him or her, and gave back the commissions quadrupled.

This is my "experience." It fills me with joy to recall it. Halleon the part of the Japanese to become experience. I ask no "royalty" on its use. It would be a good thing more closely allied to us, and the written language is the great medium by if the General Conference would pass a regulation that no person should be appointed a member of the Official Board who does not take a Church

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

Sam'l Weaver, sub. D. S. Pearson, subs. J. J. Franks, subs.

Dec. 9-R. F. Bryant, sub has attention. Chas. A. Spragins, sub. M. S. Leveredge, change made. C. L. Browning, sub. J. W. Bowden, sub has attention. M. W. Clark, sub. S. L. Ball, subs. F. M. Winburne, sub. O. P. Kiker, sub. H. R. Taylor, sub. Dec. 10-John Adams, sub. J. W. Hill, sub. L. G. Rogers, sub.

Dec. 12—Chas. E. Brown, sub. J. Vinson, sub. D. S. Pearson, sub. C. G. Shutt, sub. J. L. Massey, sub. Geo. F. Fair, sub. John W. Good-

win, sub. J. A. Wyatt, sub. Dec. 13-J. I. Weatherby, sub. C. M. Shuffler, sub. Jerome Duncan, sub. C. L. Bounds, sub. J. L. Res, subs.

J. M. Perry, sub. O. P. Kiker, subs. Dec. 8—L. E. Riddle, sub. G. W. F. B. Buchanan, sub. C. G. Shutt, Kincheloe, sub. H. K. Agee, sub. Sub. J. T. Bloodworth, sub. Lee Jos. P. Callaway, trial sub. W. W. Sanders, subs. D. S. Pearson, sub. Horner, sub. J. E. Vinson, sub. Dec. 14—L. G. Rogers, sub. C. B. Meador, subs. H. B. Smith, sub has attention. Jesse Willis, sub. A. L. Brown, sub. F. J. Perrin, sub.

ALL PLACES SUPPLIED.

Please state in the Advocate that allplaces left in Tyler District to be sup-plied have been filled and well filled and greatly oblige E. W. SOLOMON, P. E.

Tyler, Texas.

Congress opened on Monday, Dec. 5. The President's message was not re-ceived until Thursday. It was quite a voluminous document.

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Preacher's House Broken Open.

J. R. Atchley: While I was gone to Orangeville last Monday night, and while no one was at home but wife and two children, a number of Tren-ton's citizens, consisting of men, women and children, broke into my house and gave my wife a severe pounding. They left the kitchen filled with good

N. C. Burrow, Layman, Dec. 12: Owing to the delicate condition of his wife's health our new pastor, Rev. S. A. Ashburn, did not reach us until last Saturday. He preached, both Sunday morning and evening, to the great delight and edification of the large congregations that assembled to hear him, we are pleased to state, Methodism is sell was returned to this work. He is not in the least exaggerated; it's simply the recitate of a cold fact), it was but natural when the great iron wheel turned out its first grist that we should feel a little flurt. But thanks to that arrangement in our economy which provides for a readjusting so as to place all the multiple sources. Of course we had made up our minds to receive the first brother sent towns, for two reasons: Firstly, we are loyal Methodists and have not forgotted that when we joined the Methodist town has been town to make the method with the word. The most had not a provided the method with the word of the strong our pastors, just as a preacher surrendersh in right to selecting our pastors, just as a preacher surrendersh is right to select an appointment. Secondly, because we found one of cerving month since confirmence, and to the the town. With a buoyant heart we he town. With a buoyant heart we he control flow of the town with a head and nones. Of course we had had eup our minds to receive the first brother sent town for the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the second takes the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the course of the surrendersh and the sent of the morning and evening, to the great de-

of our life.

Midland.

Lydia G. Watson, Dec. 1: Another year has been added to our time. Twelve months more of history is

TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

tokens of regard, but there is One who knows all about it. Our reception on this charge has been very cordial. A nice pounding by the Church at this place was in evidence before we had unpacked our goods. Surely the "lines I was assigned. The people met us have fallen unto us in pleasant places, and we have a goodly heritage." Our predecessor, Bro. N. M. McLaughlin, has a high place in the esteem of this people, and we take up the work where first service on the new charge and the day was bad. I was sorry. I went of our life. at the work just like the day had been fine. A good crowd met me at Nash and gave my wife a severe pounding.
They left the kitchen filled with good things too numerous to mention. This is the first time I ever heard of a preacher's wife being pounded while the parson was still living. All I have to say is, if they decide to come again, my wife thinks she will be able to stand it. Our hearts overflow with gratitude. May the Lord abundantly bless every one of them, and help us night of minister to their spiritual needs, and prove ourselves worthy of such tokens of their love! We are beginning our second year at Trenton. Everything is running smooth up this way. My Board of Stewards raised the preacher's salary over last year. We expect a good year.

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N. C. Burrow, Layman, Dec. 12:

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WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Waelder and Thompsonville.

Notes From the Field
North TEAG COPTERENCE.

1. A syntham of the second Bro. Callin, who had a large hole in his battered old hat pinned up with a safety pin, was fined for having an or nament on his hat. One lady was fined for having a ruffle on her calico dress. It was a "merrie companie." Bro. Nath left the work in good shape, and we found the parsonage comfortably for found the parsonage comfortably fur-nished, and ready for us. The "pounding" began before we reached it, and

our way to the parsonage, situated in ing petitions from the Jno. M. Gunn, Dec. 10: 'Tis about Marshall, but our work lay out around League, has the honor of carrying a month since conference, and to the the town. With a buoyant heart we Morrison, men, women and children

Morrison, Okla.

nished, and ready for us. The "pounding" began before we reached it, and like a rainy day, kept coming down all along through the afternoon, thickened up toward night, and near sunset came in good earnest. The Epworth League assumed this pleasant task, and on behalf of the Church brought a free-will offering of good things to start the new pastor and his family comfortably to housekeeping. In our hearts we thank them, and night and morning remember them in our petition to our heavenly Father, from whom cometh every good gift. We are well pleased. The people are exceedingly kind, and seem willing to take us on trial. Perfect harmony between all the Churches so far as I can see. God grant us a great and good year. I am now trying to head off Monsieur La Grippe. May he be anathema!

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Morrisc I arrived here Friday, November 11, and have been trying to master the complex problem which I have been sent here to soive. This town is in Noble county, between Perry and Pawnee. It is but little more than a year old. Besides ours, there are a Baptist and a Campbellite church, both new and both larger than ours. Out of 79 members when I came here only seven were Southern Methodists before they moved to this place. Nearly all were Northern Methodists. One of the prettiest parsonages (five rooms) in the conference has been completed since my family came here. It is very comfortable and cozy. I find the people friendly, but not much addicted to church-going. This is their first year's experience as a full station. Eight members have been received, the League has been reorganized, a weekly prayer-meeting has been established, arrangements made for monthly sermon to children. Our Harrison Circuit. for monthly communion services and Davis, Dec. 3: It was our lot, a monthly sermon to children. Our as the conference wheel turned in 1903. Woman's Home Mission Society netted to be placed on the Harrison Circuit, \$41 at their Thanksgiving dirner. The in Marshall District. We soon found Southern Methodist Church, circulat-

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Don't grieve, my friend, tho' all the world

Should pass you coldly by; And count your life a misspent one. But know a sleepless Eye. Which seeth not as mankind sees Looks down, and marks each sigh.

Don't ask the world to treat you well, But, falling on your knees, Lift up your spirit's gaze on high, Until your heart's at ease: Yea, till you find in God your all, Seek only Him to please

If you're a sinner, look to Him, He ne'er turned one away; Tho' father, mother, cast you off, He'll freely love for ave. Those burdens, more than you can bear.

On Christ, your Savior, lay.

Then let the world pass jeering by With glitter and with g'are; I'd rather wear a crown of thorns And Jesus' sufferings share, Than die a pauper in the street, If angels met me there.

Poor suffering one, rejoice! rejoice! If God but knows you true. For the glory you shall shortly share, Is for the tested few—

Whom Christ says shall forever shine Like the stars in ether blue E. N. PARRISH.

Georgetown, Texas. ** **

BRER RABBIT AND BRER FOX GWINE TO CONFERENCE.

'Ole 'oman, whar is dat dar backaxsion, self cleaner coat ob mine? "What yer want wid dat dar coat, Brer Rabbit?

"Case Brer Fox an me is gwine de comference, an' I has ter look mity de comference, an' I has ter look mity fine."

"Dat it wuz, an' ef I could preach reach fer Brer fine when I goes long wid Brer Fox.

An' sides all dat, de Bishop an' all like him, I sho would preach fer Brer makes me sick to think about them."

The mental distress:

"Plague on them old 'taters! It "Yes," she answered; "we spank like him, I sho would preach fer Brer makes me sick to think about them."

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'Umph! Brer Rabbi', yer sho is haint yer?"

I sho is Miss Rabbit. Git dat coat: I mus' be gittin' reddy, fer de karr will soon be er holerin' fer me."

"All right, Brer Rabbit, here tis, but I spect when yer cums up wid now, Miss Rabbit! Didn't I tell yer dat Brer Fox on dem kars he won't see Brer Fox wuz a Mefodist an' some-

"Don't yer fool yerself, hunny. Brer Fox done an' tole Brer Hoss in dis awful bad ter go hum. Brer Rabbit, yer Church what I is pasture ob, dat yer comference, an' he gwine ter be ments? powful mity good ter him.'

'Did Brer Fox say dat?"

"He sho did, hunny."
"Well, Ise powful glad ter hear dat, but don't git yer sites too hi, Brer out dar by dat depo er watin' fer us

"Good-bye, Miss Rabbit, an' little Rabbits. O Miss Rabbit!"

Whut yer want wid me, Brer Rab-

"Ise dun writ Brer Deer at de comference ter git a place fer yer an' de little Rabbit ter eat an' sleep durin' de time, an' when I gits dar Ise sho gwine ter write yer

"All right, Brer Rabbit," "Good-bye, Miss Rabbit.

"Good-nye, Brer Rabbit."

'Mr. Karnductor, I wants a tickit fer ter go ter de comference."

"All right, sir; the fare to Mahnob is two dollars."

"Here's de muny, boss, an' Ise mity much oblige ter ver. Good-bye, boss, Dat sho is a mity fine kar; I spec' Brer Fox is on dar."

"All aboard!" 'Whars my grip an' obercoat?"

"Have you a ticket, sir?"
"Yes, sar, boss, one Ise givin' ter de comference."

"Why Brer Fox de ridin' elder! Nebber min', boss; I seen him er gittin'

"Good mornin', Brer Fox." 'Why, good mornin' Brer Rabbit;

Ise mity powful glad ter see yer; how yer cum on, an' how is Sister Rabbit an' de chiluns?"

"Dey is all well an' able ter eat all dey can git, Brer Fox. Does yer fink dat dey'r gwine ter be much ob a mity shakin' up at de comference?

I don't know. Brer Rabbit, but ef is, yer member Ise dun an' tole little Sister Rabbit when I wuz at her prome process going on in the home home durin' de foth quarter comfer- which will make the most of the marence dat I sho wuz gwine ter gib yer gins. The amount of ability wasted a good place. Res' easy an' sleep in the most sacred place called "the

know, Brer Rabbit, Ise not keerin' when the hand begins to acquire inbout mysef, but jist bout dem."

an' sleep soun'. Brer Fox dis mornin'?'

you cant see 'em.

write Miss Rabbit.

"Hey O. Miss Rabbit, Ise sho glad ter see yer an' little Rabbit. I spec' Ise got bad news, do. Brer Pecock dun an' tole me dat he spec' Brer spicieus ter me

"Oh, Brer Rabbit, yer mus' not be

an' sometime dey falls frum grase. I make himself useful. hear 'em say dat de Bishop is mity "Billy," said Mr. H. one day, when is er tryin' ter rite out dem pintments to work on that little patch of potanext Monday-but Brer Fox an' Brer toes? Wolf an' Brer Bear is a wor'en' ob "Aw." whined Billy, "there's so "Oh, yes," she him mity bad. Miss Rabbit, did yer many of them 'taters. I'll never get them out again." hear dat sermont ob de Bishop on Sun- them hoed."

day?"
"Yes, Brer Rabbit an' it wuz sho

Fox an' call him fer a mourner, Well, pintments dis mornin', an' Ise feelin' gwine ter hab a powful mity time. mity still now; dey is gwine ter gib dem ter us in a minit. Dar is Brer since I got up this morning." Fox an' he haint spoke ter me sence "How long, Billy, will it re Ise bin here. Yes, Miss Rabbit, I spec' yer won't want ter speak ter Brer Fox when dem pintments is red out. Dar now, Miss Rabbi'! Didn't I tell yer dat it ever since you got up?" time dey postertise?"

And you've be
"Yer sho did. Well, I hate hit mity than five hours?"

"I sho did, an' I spec' his stumac minutes.-Golden Days. hurt him mity bad, case his face look

so bad " "Brer Rabbit, who is dat er standin'

ter cum hum?" Brer Lion!"

"Howdy, Brer Rabbit! Brer Rabbit, of it whar yer goin' dis year?"

"Way down ter dem big prairies."

"Brer Rabbit, who dun dat?"
"O: Brer Fox. Den Brer Hoss comes up an' he lows, Brer Fox tole him, he came. Ye wuz sho gwine ter take keer ob Brer this time."

Rabbit but Brer Fox, he powful sly. don't like it; den he gits Brer Tiger in the world arises from the lack of and old."

an' Brer Squirrel, an' dey goes down it."

"Then' ter Brer Elfant's house an' dey tell "Yes," said Sue. "While we are Home": Brer Lion an' Brer Elfant sho did der it."
mash Brer Fox's tail; den while dey "Too bad, Sue, I'm really sorry. The "Tickets, please."

"Here tis, boss. Boss, is yer seed Brer Fox on dese yere kars?"

"Whee"

"Whee"

"Too bad, Sue, I'n hole him fas' Brer Rabbit an' his fammext thing I do for bly cum hum. Twas a mity powful do it theroughly."

close call dat Brer Rabbit had. Brer

"The same to you for the same to you fo Fox. Brer Wolf an' Brer Bear all run a smile, as she handed him his glove. Brer Rabbit. Dey make him put down his behine legs an' his before legs an' lay his years on his back. Brer Rabbit sho did run, an' dey wuz jist arter when she came in, and it's swinging him—but jist 'fore dey coch him. Brer Lion an' Brer Elfant step in an' stop all de race.

never wuz a bear so powful ceptin' dar wuz one jist as powful.

T. J. BECKHAM.

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LEARNING AT HOME.

Education at home is the one suhome," because there is no education-supplement his work with the rake.

al task summoning the mental powers "Whew! My back aches, and my "Prer Fex, what make yer eyes luk at task summoning the mental powers red kiner an' waters outin' de korners to exercise themselves, is very large, hands smart! But I think I've made like?"

As much also is the waste of time, good, honest work of this. Mother," "O. Brer Rabbit, Ise a worrin' an' The moments that are arid as deserts, a worrin' bout what is ter cum ob dese and as unproductive also, leap with look. There now—you don't see any watch for faults or idleness in others, po prechers an' dey famblies. Yer energies and blossom with meaning slighted spots about here, do you?"

This will keep us out of mischief, and when the hand begins to acquire in"It is beautifully done," said mothwention and when the unemployed er. "I fancy the grass and bushes Folks.

jist now fine out whut make yer hair nent. It would justify every sacrifice and read, so I'm going to wheel them I've crept in with mother. I've kissed come out, des a layin' wake ob nites and effort to make it successful. Take away in the morning."

Studyin' an' prayin' bout 'em. Well, just one phase of it as a matter of "Is that 'thorough?'" asked the The robes soft and warm has she Brer Fox, de comference opens in de morals. It is a fearful loss, never to mother.

mornin' an' I see yer den. Good-nite." be entirely remedied, when the ac"Yes, as far as it goes. There's not To keep off the chill winds of etern-"Good nite, Brer Rabbit, res' good tive life of the body and the intellect- a bit of harm in leaving them till the 'sleep soun'."

"Good mornin' brudders, is yer seed ed within the home life, where the In the rer Fox dis mornin'?" sweet and potent moralities and "Naw, Brer Fox is wid de Bishop, an graces thrive. No desk which can be placed in any great school room is as desk in the guiet corner of the home, lawn "Deer Miss Rabbit—Ise bin here where all that is fair and beautiful in "Well, there's another day of my To know that each soul beat she can two days; got fine home wid Brer an' the family life mingles with all that vacation gone. I suppose it served understand.

Sister Durham, but haint seed Brer is attractive and exalting in the inmeright." Fex but one time, den he look kiner tellectual life. It will be a great day sad an' long face like. Ol' Brer for our country when our citizens will

THOSE 'TATERS.

A task never grows smaller nor Fox haint dun spoke ter me but onet that it must be done, and there is an bring up a family in a house surroundthing "once begun is half done."

so skeert. Brer Fox dun tole me an' of fourteen years, named Billy, who of a canal to the English-speaking Brer Hoss at hum dat he's gwine ter is like a good many other boys of my child suggests the delights of a sudtake kere ob yer."

A canal to the English-speaking brer Hoss at hum dat he's gwine ter is like a good many other boys of my child suggests the delights of a sudtake kere ob yer." "Yes, Miss Rabbit, but yer mus' a cloud immediately overspreads his member dat Brer Fox is a Mefodist, mental horizon when he is asked to

powful deep down in de diesionary an' I was at the farm, "why don't you go known."

mental distress:

"Why do you think about them then?" I said, laughingly.

"I have to," he replied dolefully. kiner weak like in de nees. Keep with a sorrowful shake of the head, it gives to the world an impressive mity still now; dey is gwine ter gib "I've been thinking about them ever exhibition of Christian magnanimi-

"How long, Billy, will it really take you to hoe them?

"Well at least an hour." "And you've been distressed about

"Well, I-I"-Billy began to grin,

yer Church whut I is pasture ob, dat dey ain't many Brer Rabbits in dis dey ain't many Brer Rabbits in dis Bishop wuz a readin' ob dem pint- thought of that!"

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FRED'S "THOROUGH."

"Sue," said her mother, "I wish you r cum hum?"
"Why, dat's ol' Brer Lion. Howdy, rer Lion!"
Why, bear Babbit Brow Babbit Brow

"I sewed it well enough," said Sue, inspecting the glove, "but I guess I didn't fasten it thoroughly enough at ly. the end. That's where the trouble came. Yes, I'll be thorough with it

"Thorough' is a good word," said Brer Lion he roar an' he roar; he mother. "A great deal of the trouble Christ who taught to care for the sick

him how Brer Fox dun treat Brer Rab- talking about it Fred. I want to rebit: den Brer Elfant he lif up his mind you that you didn't fasten that other end of the town.' snout an' he roar an' he sez, sez he: bracket in my room thoroughly the "Why, father," No dat he wezzent gwine let Brer Fox other day; the nail on one side came "there is not a good thing left! I would treat Brer Rabbit dat way, case he out. There was a little vase of flowers not live in such a town for anything! can't help hisself; den he frow mud on it. It fell down, and was smashed. Does knowing about Jesus make all all over Brer Fox; den Brer Fox git The water spoiled half a dozen or so that difference?"—Unknown. all over Brer Fox; den Brer Fox git The water spoiled half a dozen or so his tail in de crack ob de fence an' of books which were on the table un-

"The same to you," said Sue, with "I wish you would run and close the side gate. Fred," said his mother. "Nora did not fasten it thoroughly loose

"Another 'thorough.' "

"I'll close the gate" said Fred; "I'm just going out to rake up the leaves in the yard. It will be a good day's work, I tell you-well worth the quar-ter father's going to pay me for it. But I want the quarter, so I'm glad to do it.'

"Let it be thorough work," said mother; "no neglected corners, leaves left among the bushes."

The amount of ability wasted from stooping in a corner, and leaned most sacred place called "the on the broom he had brought to neatly

he called, "please come out here, and our duty we will not have time to

and Fred looked from his window in the morning to see with great vexation the For me where she is it lessens the leaves he had so carefully gathered "Well. I wate a day or so, den I valuable for character-making as the swept in every direction over the

Without a word of complaint, he O the plans I have made! O the tasks went over the ground again. Mother left undone! Rooster he crow an' 'low Brer Fox he be willing to leave not only the sation.

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Rooster he crow an' 'low Brer Fox he be willing to leave not only the sation.

It is pec' yer an' de lit- and the corner grocery, but even the the last load of leaves. He looked up gwine ter fix me. I spec' yer an' de lit- and the corner grocery, but even the the last load of leaves. He looked up gwine ter fix me. I spec' yer an' de lit- and the corner grocery, but even the the last load of leaves. He looked up at her with a rueful smile, saying: But grittin' kiner lonesum like case Brer and say, "I must go home to learn."—

"Thorough' is a pretty good word, mother.—Youth's Evangelist."

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WHERE CANALS ABOUND.

One can imagine the average Eng-Fox dun fix me, an' sides dat Brer lighter by sitting down and lamenting lish or American mother trying to With nothing to do, lie my hands on sence Ise bin here. Dat look mity old maxim that teaches us that a ed by canals. She would never have With nothing to think of my brain A farmer friend of mine has a boy were in bed. But then the mere sight

An Englishman inquired of a Dutch-woman: "Does a Dutch child ever by For

any chance fall into a canal?" "Yes," she replied, "cases have been I'll fear not the night, since the night

tinued the questioner.
"Oh, yes," she answered. "We haul

"But what I mean is," explained the His father walked away, and I heard Englishman, "don't you do anything But Father just smiled and answered Billy exclaim in a tone indicating great to prevent them falling in? To save them, "Nay,

them from falling in again?"

The man that has the advantage

of on enemy, and yet forbears to use My Father has promised sweet dreams ty.-Selected.

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TAKING OUT CHRISTIANITY.

Norah had a model village, and she ever since you got up?"

"Well I hate to hoe 'taters."

And you've been up a little more her father. "Is it a Christian town or a heathen town?"

"Well I...!"

Billy began to the father of the father of the father. "Ah,

"Oh. a Christian town," Norah an-"Suppose we make it a heathen

The potatoes were hoed in just forty town" her father suggested, "what At his kiss I shall waken to eternity. must we take out?"

it to one side.

"Is that all?"

public school must go. There are no dawns bright—
public schools in heathen lands. Take I've crept in with mother. Good night, he public library, too," her father directed.

"Anything else?" Norah asked, sad-"Isn't there a hespital over there?" "But, father don't they have hos-

pitals?" "Not in beather countries. It was

"Then I must take out the Old Ladies" Home," said Norah, very soberly. "Yes and the Orphans' Home at the

"Why, father," Norah exclaimed, "there is not a good thing left! I would

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WATCHING FOR FAULTS.

"When I was a boy," said an old ones around us for bread man "I was often very idle, and used give? to play during the lessons with other boys as idle as myself. One day we ling "calls" to any form of service, but were fairly caught by the master. God has unmistakable ways of making Boys,' he said, 'you must not be idle; his will known to every one whose you must attend closely to your books. own will is to know it. We have but The first one of you who sees another to keep our ears open to hear his

boy idle will please come and tell me, voice, our eyes to see his beckoning.

"'Ah,' I thought to myself, "there Every opportunity is a call; every outis Joe Simmons, that I don't like; I'll stretched hand that ours can meet watch him, and if I see him look off helpfully is God's beckoning hand to his book I'll tell the teacher.'

"It was not long until I saw Joe look off his book, and I went up at once to tell the master.

'Indeed,' said he, 'how did you know he was idle? 'I saw him,' said I.

This will keep us out of mischief, and

In the night a strong wind arose. I've crept in with mother, there always is room

gloom, To nestle close to her, to press her

dear hand.

left undone! sighed, "There's no sleep till I've finished each one.

mother knew best so she called me to bed, "For Father will tend to your duties," she said.

I'm weary, so weary, how welcome this

my breast.

seeks repose. on earth and its sorrows my heavy eyes close.

How easy the pillow! Ah, mother has said

three days it rested our dear Savior's head

has been His. "Don't you do anything for it?" con- Like Him I shall waken to triumphant bliss.

> That my day might be lengthened my sisters deigned pray.

Her part hath she done and she needs her reward .-Sleep to H's beloved-the best gift of

God."

shall be given To me and the sweetest of all will be Heaven. Its visions of glory now break on my

sight. I'm glad, O so glad that so long is my night.

tired, so careworn, what if I o'ersleep? Ah, Father has promised that near by He'll keep.

And when the sun rises He'll hasten

"The Church," said Norah, setting I've crept in with mother, now hushed her soft tone

In slumbers—calm slumbers—they'll "I suppose so." soon be my own.
"No, indeed," her father said, "the I've crept in with mother till morning

all, good night. #

A CLEAR CALL. "It is very noble and lovely of you. Elsie, to give so much of your time to that work among the tenement house children. I'm sure I admire you for it: but for my part, I never had any

"Any call?" Elsie's eyes were gravely questioning. "Yes, of course. I suppose you felt

called to go into it, didn't you?"
"I don't know. I don't think I ever thought of it just in that way. I saw the need of something I had time and strength to do-that was all. But wouldn't that be call enough? Would it not, indeed? What plainer

call can there be than a need that we can meet? What more eloquent ap-peal than the cry of the hungry little There are not many loud and start-

To most of us no other call will ever come than that which comes through human lips, no other than the revealfill, a need for work which we can do.

If we wait in idleness for some other on your book when you saw him?"

y "I was caught and the other boys laughed, and I never watched for idle boys again."

If we wait in idleness for some other vocation than comes to us in these ways, we are but losing time, and the world is losing our service. Let us instead find in "the duty that lies nearest" our present, definite call, sure that when we are wanted for another work that too will be shown us. Opportunity-that is God's clear call to us.—Young People.

A waspish disposition gets no honey from the rock.

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The pastor who achieves success must do so in two provinces—in the well as believe. pulpit, and outside the pulpit. If the pastor may be said to pos sess a throne at all, the pulpit is that throne. If fully be termed a success. No outside work can quite atone for such failure. And we are persuaded that all the essential elements to success here may be grouped under the term, "the preaching genius." A prominent writ-er would make this mean the born tendency to preaching, rather than both the born tendency and the acquired tact in its performance; but we prefer using it in the compreive manner indicated.

To possess "the preaching genius," the man must be a "genius" with which to start. If not such he can not possess "The preaching genius." But what constitutes a genius? We are wont to think of such as a rare creation, a character altogether But not so. The will of the individual has more to do with mak a man a genius than we are wont to think. An acknowledged genius is quoted as having said that "genius is two per cent. inspiration and ninety-eight per cent. perspiration." This being the case, there are few men who can not make of themselves geniuses they set themselves to do it. And whether or not this be extravagant, we are certain that there have been no es who were not incessant toilers, furnishing the necessary "perspiration" to supplement the small amount of "inspiration" given.

What we mean by all this is, that the preacher must be, above all other things save piety, a student. He must shut himself up with his books for five hours in the day and five days of the week, if he is to be a success in the It is not enough to be familiar with the Bible even; but one must know how others greater than himself understand that great Book, would he be prepared for the pulpit. And he must be familiar with God's greater book, so far as size is concerned—the Book of Nature—would he understand the Bible; for nature is God's own commentary on his smaller Book, and his own is superior to any other's commentary, however learned. know this, he must have a practical knowledge at least of the natural iences, and these, too, in the light of the very latest discoveries. Be this, he must be familiar with God's providences as wrought out in the lives and destinies of the peoples and the nations of the earth. To be this he must know the history of the

NATURAL LAW DISCOVERY A Discovery of Effects.

nables a person to control the action of his heart, correct the circulation of the blood, to generate the electricity which circulates the blood, to resupply vitality, which makes one feel well and strong, to relieve pain, cool fever, etc.

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It has a direct effect upon the sexual organs of men and women and lessens woman's suffering more than any other remedy both at her monthly period and at confinement. It cures disease by resupplying electricity, the circulator of the blood, and vitality, the supporter of the blood and nerves.

This is accomplished by employing the natural law which God arranged to govern our life and which He willed for man to know. It is not hard to learn, but is simple, as are all of Nature's laws when undertood. It should be taken advantage of now as this ad may cease to appear and the opportunity pass. It costs but little to learn the information and may ever afterward be employed without cost curing those diseases that no other remedy can cure.

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he is a failure there, he can not right- truth is God's thought, the same yes ped up in two so-called "dead lan-guages," that the record might change not, permitting us to see the words with which the prophets clothed their utterances, as well as those in which the Master expressed himself while here in the flesh.

We need not enumerate further; but the preacher must be a scholar, and a student that he may be a scholar, if he is to possess the preaching genius. He must dig for his facts as diligently as the miner digs for the ore, if he is to furnish the large per cent. of perspiration with which to supplement the smaller per cent. of inspiration. He must give his twenty-five hours a week to his study, regardless of the intrusions of book agents. peripatetic solicitors, presidents of the ladies' aids, Sunday-school superin-tendents, and the host of other vis-itors, whose names are "legion."

But he must have manner, as well as mentality; manner which will impress the hearers with the same thought and feelings that he himself thinks and feels. And to do this he must be a man of conviction. We make much nowadays of having "opinions. We talk about the right a man has to opinion as if opinion were the highest possible achievement. But opinion is worth little in the pulpit, if it is nothing more than opinion. There must be conviction there-a burning conviction. Opinion is merely what one thinks; conviction is that which one feels, as well as thinks. And the manner of expressing these convictions must be such as will impress same that is expressed. The elder Talmage declared oratory to be the ability to make others feel as does the speaker upon the subject considered. In this sense the preacher must be an orator, if he is to possess the preaching genius. A critic describes the difference between the two great crators Cicero and Demosthenes, by saying that when Cicero had spoken, his auditors went awa, "What a fine oration! What a splendid "What a fine oration! But Demosthenes, orator is Cicero!" But Demosthenes, when he had delivered one of his burning orations against Philip of Macedonia coming to invade Greece, utter-ing sentences which burned their way into the hearts of the hearers, the auditors went away saying, not "What a fine oration, but what a splendid orator is Demosthenes!" but, with clenched fists muttering between their teeth: "Let us go fight Philip!" mosthenes had convictions which burned their way into the hearts of those who heard him, making them feel as Demosthenes felt upon the sub ject discussed in their presence. So likewise must the preacher have convictions which will tremble in his voice, quiver upon his lips, shine out through a pale countenance, cause the hand to tremble in gesticulation, com-ing from the heart of the speaker and finding their way to the hearts of the hearers, sending the auditors away saying, not "What a fine sermon!" merely; nor "What a splendid preacher!" so much as, with the deep feeling, "Let us go fight sin!" This man who can accomplish this has the preaching genius, though his rhetoric

needs. To do this he must see his as myself—Mrs. M. A. Nixon, Palace, Texas.

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ELEMENTS OF PASTORAL SUC- world; for it is there that we have a the parishioner as well as the preach- coming but the are not in sight yet."

the preacher must confidently trust as and therefore systematically. Selecting a number of homes agreeable to say she was related to General Robert In the description of sulphur will recall to the pastor, and giving E. Lee, and I was 17 years old. Number The mention of sulphur will recall to the pastor. genius, he must even be a practical them his attention to the exclusion of 4 was the daughter of a Confederate mathematician; for all mathematical others less to his taste, but just as colonel. Her mother was related to truth is God's thought, the same yesterday, to-day and forever. He must know language likewise; for God has relied so much upon the part that accurate language has to do with the cording to the pleasure of the pastor, but accurate language has to do with the cording to the needs of the people. And as a summer supset Innecesses and preservation of his revealed will control to the people. preservation of his revealed will con-cerning man that he, under his wise systematic in calling upon his fam-providence, had that revelation wrap-ilies as he would be were he a grocery silken curls about her snow-white neck clerk soliciting orders. From house to and shoulders, and her smile was as house in the order in which they come will the successful pastor be found in kissed dewdrops brushed from a bow-his daily round of visitation, if he is to be successful in helping all his peo-morning. I thought of all this as I hurto be successful in helping all his peo-ple, instead of winning a few selfish ried toward that barbershop, and wonsouls to him, who will pine after him souls to him, who will pine after him dered if someone would think to say: when he leaves the charge, as after a "Just look at the representation of the lost friend, and abusing all others who beauty and the chivalry of the South." are not seen joining in the performance. The one is the winning of a heard angry and boisterous talking. few souls to self, while the other is the winning of many souls to Christ and his church. The one is selfish gratification; the other is "pastoral work." A great difference this.

And then, there is much to be said in the name of Christ that can not best be said from the pulpit. To say it to the proper person privately is about the time I got to the door, but shown to be kindness. To deal with I couldn't turn back, for I had an enthe mistakes of individuals, this is the only safe and effective method. "Don't your pastoral work in the pulpit, said a bishop, some years ago, in addressing the Conference class. And in this he spoke wisely. There are duties which are too personal to be done in the public congregation. There are duties which done there is in itsel: an undoing just as in the mid-week prayer service we may get much nearer to the more pungent and hidden meaning of the Word, so in the perconal visitation can the pastor get much nearer to the real wants of the individual life and character, enabling him to say the word peculiarly suited to the matter in hand, impressing the one needing it that it is his, and his only, and coming from a heart yearning for the good of his own soul's destiny; a something too sacred to be given out before the great audience gathere' to hear that merely which is of common interest to all. And this very work brings the pastor into that ser relation to his people which enables him to speak more sympathetically from the pulpit when he returns to service. It freights the sermon with that spiritual fervor and that burning desire for the betterment of his people which must win its way into the hearts of those who hear him. Such "pastoral work" becomes secend to the study only in the proper preparation for and execution of the Sunday service.

With this "preaching genius" exercising itself faithfully in the study twenty-five hours a week, and with "working" genius finding its way into the homes of the people at least four afternoons in the week, other things being reasonably favorable, any pastor must succeed; for these have in them the "elements of succes Rev. H. D. Clark, in Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

A YOUNG SOLDIER'S COURAGE TESTED.

In the spring of 1864, I was one of a squad of ten men who were doing special duty in one of the towns in We had much leisure time which some of us were only too glad to spend in the hospitable homes of the good people, especially where we could enjoy the society of young ladies. I was just seventeen years old and began thus early to learn the art free and prepaid, a bottle of Vernal Pal-

This certifies that Natural Law Discovery cured my son, Oille LaGrone, of heart trouble after ablest physicians of the State falled to benefit him and after I despaired of his ever being cured.—H. C. LaGrone. Deadwood, Texas.

Above party is reliable.—Publishers Texas Christian Advocate.

Prior to learning Natural Law Discovery for a few years I suffered with ner vous prostration and neuralgia. I tried medicines which I had to take regularity for relief, but without permanent relief or benefit. The five years I have known the information I have not taken five centus worth of medicine. I believe anyone using the treatment according to directions can't do otherwise than grow well. I would under no consideration discontinue its use and I have quite a number of friends as enthusiastic in its praise as myself.—Mrs. M. A. Nixon, Palace, Texas.

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Presenting genius, though his rhetoric may not be entirely faultless, nor his elocution wholly according to the rules of the teachers. He has convictions upon others.

By the province outside the palpit we may reliable, province outside the palpit was pastoral work." The preacher who is a success "perspires" physically and mentally. He owes his afternoons to his secularly as he does his forenoons to his study. He is paid for finding out the needs of his people as certainly as he is for providing for the supplying of those providing for the supplying of those he does his form providing for the supplying of those he is people in their homes, in their stores, in their shops, on their farms, or in their shops, on their farms, or in their shops, in their stores, in their shops, in their stores, in their shops, on their farms, or in the presence of this and the same time.

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Now let the ra alry soldier had four girls. One he quarreled with, one he laughed and joked ed with, one he made love to, and one he admired very much and, therefore, always tried to taik and act sensible when in her presence. Numbers 1 and 2 he soon forgot and number 3 soon forgot him, but number 4 got a firm hold on his memory. He never thought of even pretending to fall in love with her and was quite sorry that she neither decaded nor proposed for an avoidable. Sold by druggists everywhere.

record of the will of the Divine Being, er.

But I was to escort a young lady to a that overruling Providence in which

This work must be done impartially, musical entertainment. I was a Conbright and sweet as a shower of sun-

> As I drew near the barbership, I many threats and much profanity. Such expressions as "I am the best man in town." "I'll kill any man who says I'm not a gentleman." "I'll cut your throat and make my dog lap your blood." "I'll cut your heart out and make a football of it."

I felt sure the shooting would begin about the time I got to the door, but gagement that I was bound to keep, and, hoping that if I was wounded unto death, I might live long enough to send for Number 4 and get her to how I died. For I must shave or perish in the attempt. When I reached the door and looked in I felt somewhat relieved to see just one man standing before the mirror with a mug of dirty water in one hand and a comb in the other. There were no dead men on the floor, so I quietly took a seat. The fellow saw me and turned and looked at me. I returned the gaze and said good morning. He placed the mug and comb on the table, and began to beg my pardon, saying he hoped I wouldn't think that he meant me, that he had no idea anybody heard him, and if I would be kind enough to forgive him he would relieve me of his preand making a very low bow, he left the shop. Just as he stepped into the street the back door opened and the barber entered-an old time Southern darkey, with a face looking like a mud pie with a chicken gizzard stuck in the middle of it. He never spoke until he reached the front door, where he stood gazing at the receding form of the

quarreling with his own image Moral: Let no preacher be afraid to go to his new appointment, for all the roaring that greets him on his arrival s apt to come from some slack-twisted Methodist who is offended because his former paster wouldn't let him dictate his administration.

bershop to find a drunken deadbeat,

J. C. S. BAIRD.

Water is good; but there's no sense in turning Niagara loose on a geranium.-Ram's Horn.

WE WANT TO SEND YOU

mettona (Palmetto Berry Wine). Every stand that every well regulated cavalry soldier had four girls. One he quarreled with, one he laughed and inflamed

What Sulphur Does

The mention of sulphur will recall to many of us the early days when our mothers and grandmothers gave us our daily dose of sulphur and molasses every spring and fall.

It was the universal spring and fall "blood parifier," tonic and cure-all and mind you this old-fashioned remedy was not without merit.

The idea was good, but the remedy was crude and unpalatable, and a large quantity had to be taken to get any ef-

Nowadays we get all the beneficial effects of sulphur in a palatable, concentrated form, so that a single grain is far more effective than a tablespoon ful of the crude sulphur.

In recent years, research and experi-ment have proven that the best sulphur for medicinal use is that obtained from Calcium (Calcium Sulphide) and sold in drug stores under the name of Stuart's Calcium Wafers. They are small chocolate coated pellets and contain the active medicinal principle of sulphur in a highly concentrated, effective form.

Few people are aware of the value of this form of sulphur in restoring and maintaining bodily vigor and health sulphur acts directly on the liver, and excretory organs and purifies and enriches the blood by the prompt elimination of waste material.

write to my mother and tell her gently they dosed us with sulphur and molas Our grandmothers knew this when ses every spring and fall, but the crudity and impurity of ordinary flowers of sulphur were often worse than the disease, and cannot compare with the modern concentrated preparations of sulphur, of which Stuart's Calcium Wafers is undoubtedly the best and most widely used.

They are the natural antidote for liver and kidney troubles and cure constipation and purify the blood in a way that often surprises patient and physician alike

Dr. R. M. Wilkins, while experiment ing with sulphur remedies, soon found that the sulphur from Calcium was superior to any other form. He says: For liver, kidney and blood troubles especially when resulting from constipation or malaria, I have been surpris ed at the results obtained from Stuart's Calcium Wafers. In patients suffering from boils and pimples and even deep-seated carbuncles, I have re-peatedly seen them dry up and disapgazing at the receding form of the vociferous friend, until he had turned pear in four or five days, leaving the screen when he broke the silence as a corner, when he broke the silence as skin clear and smooth. Although follows: "Youse gawn is you? I hope to Stuart's Calcium Wafers is a proprie tary article, and sold by druggists, and de Lawd yo neber come to dis year shop agin." And then looking about for for that reason tabooed by many physical statement of the reason table. the first time, he said." Young Marster, clans, yet I know of nothing so safe does yo know what ails dat man? Cose and reliable for constipation, liver and does yo know what and dat man? Cose yo don't. Well, all de mattah wid him forms of skin disease as this remedy."

he mad becaze I won't shave him on a credick." A few times in my life I At any rate people who are tired of have faced real danger, but never did pills, cathartics and so-called blood 'purifiers," will find in Stuart's Calci I have my courage put to a more se-vere test than when I entered that bar-um Wafers, a far safer, more palatable and effective preparation.



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is growing rapidly, and a paper which take their cases to the County Court dition of the city. Bah! best interests of the city, morally as them. This does not set well with less meet with approval by the people thankful to say that we have a County of Dallas. We understand the new Court that will look well after the The antis are moving earth and than \$200,000. This will give it ample the City Court fails. But what are the number of our dry counties. As the capital to successfully launch the en- facts in the case? Why, we have had two-year limit expires they have terprise. It is claimed that Houston two murders in the past two or three brought on elections to undo the will has three afternoon papers, and that weeks. Those who perpetrated one of the people as formerly expressed two in Dallas would not overburden them are now behind the bars as the at the ballot box. To accomplish this the field.

and will receive and receipt for subscrip- necessary. But the Chief says he does If any subscriber fails to receive the not need them. At the same time JUST WHAT WE EXPECTED. would represent in its columns the in order to get justice meted out to well as in a business way, would doubt- these new-born reformers. We are Grand Jury has indicted them. The advantage of a decision of the Crimi-Our old friend and brother, Rev. F. county and city authorities are doing ages by the wholesale into local op-P. Ray, died at Waxahachie the 13th their best to unravel it. In addition tion communities, and they have so inst. He was one of the old men on to these two crimes, these blood-and- distributed some of this liquor as to the superannuate list in the Northwest thunder agitators can not point to a produce unusual drunkenness in such Texas Conference. He was born in single bona fide holdup, a single bur-communities and then point to these by Bishop Kavanaugh in 1857; and he city there have been more arrests election will come off next Saturday. joined the Texas Conference and was made for gambling, vagrancy and Sun- They did it to the fullest extent postransferred to the Northwest Texas day saloon opening, and fewer escapes sible last week and the week before Conference in 1866. For a great many for other crimes, than can be shown in Trinity. Red River and Panola

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Was never known to give to the city a a long telegram from Dallas on the On another page we give a list of in upon us the other day.

BACK NUMBERS.—Subscriptions may better enforcement of our laws. Now, subject as full of misrepresentations the dry, partially dry, and the wet take to furnish back numbers. We will behind all this blood-and-thunder per- as could be packed into that much countles in Texas at the present time. do so when desired, if possible, but, as formance there is a well conceived space. And to add to this tissue of we are indebted to Rev. W. J. Moore, Bro. W. H. Terry, of Alsdorf. a rule, subscriptions must date from the plan, and in connection with its ex- prevarications, the Enterprise follows now of Hobert, but formerly in charge hibition there is usually added a side it up with an editorial as wide of the Anti-Saloon League work in All remittances should be made by remark, calling on the Court of Crim- truth as the telegram from this city. Towas, for this classification. The draft, postal money order or express in al Appeals to come to the relief of Some of its statements are actually work is as nearly correct as we can ters. Money forwarded in any other way the people by hastening its decision in laughable. That paper does not even make it. It is barely possible that a ters. Money forwarded in any other way leave the Commission case, now pending be-know that the Dallas Commission has elight mistake may occur here and ed through the city to that charge BLAYLOCK PUB. CO., Dallas, Texas.

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who are opposed to the Commission and that Chief Winfrey, whom it reet. Now we will be much obliged work. fore that tribunal. The very crowd been in vogue more than five years there, but for the most part it is cor- other day. He is pleased with his because all the laws are being en- praises, was the product of the Com- to all our readers if they will go over forced, especially against gambling, mission. When he was appointed the those lists accurately, and if they dis-The Dallas Democrat, edited by Mr. are the people stirring up this un- Commission had been in charge three cover an error, let us know it at once, the Advocate a good visit the past N. T. Blackwell, of this city, brought seemly hurrah. They want to make years and more. Yet that paper has as we want to get the list absolutely week. out a special edition recently com- it appear that the present police force, him elected by the people! And there correct. There is now an election pendprising about fifty pages. It was full under our efficient Commission, is in- was more gambling and Sunday saloon ing in Navarro County, and we conof interesting matter touching everycompetent, and that it is necessary to business, together with doping and fidently expect it to go dry. Also there us not long since He is beginning his thing about the city, and its pages have it displaced by the court so as to panel door robberies, going on then are elections pending in Red River, new year hopefully. were handsomely illustrated. Dallas put this department back into the than now. We happened to be on the Trinity, Hill, and perhaps one or two has never had a better descriptive pre- slums of politics. They have found Grand Jury three months during his other dry countles, brought on by the sentation of her enterprises and varied pleasure in circulating cards with the administration, and the reservation antis. But we confidently expect them moved to the city and is hard at work industries than this number of the following inscription, "Have you been was in the worst condition in its his- to remain in the dry column. Cooke with his task of se Democrat. To read it is to acquaint held up?" and later on in the day tory. We investigated several mur- County ought, by rights, to be in the oneself with everything of interest would hand out others with this in- ders that took place then, one of which dry column, but the Court of Criminal within our corporate limits. We con- scription, "No, they missed me." This has never been unraveled. Yet there Appeals put it in the wet. As mat- from Bro. C. M. Jacobsen and his son. gratulate the editor on his enterprise is the alternative resorted to for the was no hurrah made over this, for the ters now stand, we have, out of 242 Master Lawson, of Lewisvi'le. He is a in giving to the public such a credit- purpose of making sentiment against most of the people now disseminating counties, 148 of them totally dry. 52 useful layman in his Church. able edition of his excellent paper. the Commission. And the Herald these exaggerated reports were in partially dry and 42 totally wet. This makes merry over this sort of busi- sympathy with the Chief and the Com- is a magnificent showing for local op-The movement looking to the or- ness. Another motive back of this mission which appointed him. But tion, and if the liquor and beer people ganization of a joint stock company whole affair is found in the fact such is not the case with them now, have any sense left them, they ought address him at Los Angeles, care for the publication of a first-class after- that, it is claimed, the City Court and hence these tearful lamentations, to be able to read in these figures a Globe Mills. noon paper in Dallas will doubtless has been turning a lot of offenders They hope to accomplish something significant lesson. Nearly all these meet with hearty support. The city loose and the police have had to by these pathetic tears over the con- victories have been achieved within

LOCAL OPTION STILL IN THE SADDLE.

company will be capitalized at not less law and order of the community when hades to overturn local option in a result of good police work, and the end they have been busy of late taking decisions of the Court of Criminal Aparandhe has a fruitful field. That he is DEATH OF REV. F. P. RAY. other is wrapped in mystery, but the nal Court to ship C. O. D. liquor pack-Tennessee Sept. 12, 1830. He was con-glary, a single arson, or a single pocket things and decry local option. That verted and joined the Church in 1843; picked during the time that all this is, they do the devilment and try to was licensed to preach at Galveston crime is said to have been in progress. hold local option responsible for the Dec. 6, 1853; was ordained a deacon On the contrary, under the present ad-result. This is going on this week by Bishon Pierce in 1855 and an elder ministration of the police affairs of the in Hill County, where a local option to bring on a State campaign. years afterwards he did hard work in for the same length of time under for- Counties, where elections came off last the conference, until age and infirmity mer administrations. During the late Saturday and Monday. But their efforced him to take a nominal relation. Carnival, when there were thousands forts proved worse than futile. Two full of "light" reading matter, He was a good and true man and he of people in the city, there was not a years ago in Trinity the pros carried will be remembered for his own and holdup, not a pocket picked, not a the county by a small majority, but for his work's sake as one of our most burglary; neither was there any other last Saturday it was recarried by a faithful preachers of the old type. We serious crime that was not detected large majority. In Panola County two have in our possession a sketch of his and brought to justice by our excel- years ago the pros won by less than morning that no excuses would be life, prepared by himself, and if those lent Police Department. Yet not a fifty majority, but last Saturday they granted for absences during the few preacher in Dallas. The crowds that who are appointed to look after con- good word has the Herald had to say triumphed by two to one! And the ference memoirs desire it we can fur- for the Chief and his force, except to majority in Red River is out of sight. avoidable cas damn them occasionally with half There have been these second elec-

WHAT A GREAT MATTER A LIT- praise. But that paper has persistent- tions forced by the antis in several \$14,000 to the endowment fund of the first twelve.

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In praise, But that paper has persistent- tions forced by the antis in several \$14,000 to the endowment fund of the country was used in every way used its influence to months, but, with a single exception, the great in the conference of the conferenc BLAYLOCK PUB. CO Publishers. ed its columns with blood-curdling re- reports sent out by the Herald have County did local option fail in a sec- because it shows confidence in these Office of Publication-Corner Ervay and ports of horrible crimes which are al- one aim and one purpose, and that is ond election, and that was before the officers. leged to have occurred from night to to get the papers of the State to talk. Terrell election law passed. Beside Texas Conference in the interest Published Every Thursday at Dallas, Texas,

leged to have occurred from night to ing about crime in Dallas! And its this, it is a small Western county, the University and the Summer object thus far is accomplished, for sparsely settled and the vote of Midschool of Theology.

It is with regret we announce the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town, gave death of the baby of Professor and the some of the papers are writing fearful land, which is a railroad town. that the city is laboring under a ver- things about the existence of crime in the small majority for the antis. Now itable reign of terror. As a result, the city. But thoughtful people, who there is something a little singular of the entire community. many people living here have become love their city and take pride in in these second elections brought on SUBSCRIPTION—IN ADVANCE.

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one year alarmed, and to meet these excited fears, a special session of the City stand plays of the Times-Herald. We the frequent elections brought on these second elections brought on the Charge them alarmed and to meet these excited ship, are disgusted with these grand-they urge to our local option laws is stand plays of the Times-Herald. We the frequent elections under its op-hope to have the circular letter out in 50 Council was held, the criminal code have lived in Dallas when there was eration. Particularly when an elec- a few days. They hope to receive a TO PREACHERS (Half Price)...... 100 of the city revised and an order was far more crime rampant than now, but tion is ordered by the pros in a wet For advertising rates address the Pub- passed to add twenty extra men to the this virtuous organ of a wide-open precinct or county. Nevertheless these lishers.

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the past ten years, and the most of the marriage of their daughter. Miss them within the past four or five years. Ruby, to Mr. Patrick H. Walters, Among these dry countles are the which largest and most populous in the State, Church Dec. 28. and the local option work is only begun. Of course, the liquor and beer Carthage that the people down there interests are doing all in their power are delighted with the return of Rev. to injure the cause in local ontion W. L. Pate, their efficient pastor. Many counties by shipping C. O. D. packages good things are said of him, and described them, and by organizing clubs into them, and by organizing clubs and cold storages. In doing this they Rro, Day is moving off well at are merely taking advantage of the Clark's Chapel. He is a young man decisions of the Court of Criminal Ap-peals: but instead of this injuring going to work it well is a foregone conclusion. His people are very much local option, it is only preparing the pleased with him. State for an amendment campaign in the not distant future. If the liquor people had any sense they would not the Advocate a pleasant visit this try to override the will of the people in this way in local option territory, and then they would be willing to meetings this year. stop their fight in their county work. But the way the liquor people are

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY NOTES.

are over and the students are happy: but the professors find their hands

The students' petition to have school on Monday and dismiss Wednesday, in- of this week. stead of Thursday, was granted. So

all will reach home one day sooner. days preceding and succeeding

and in every way used its influence to months, but, with a single exception, ence, are very encouraging to the detract from his good work in public local option has won by a greatly in-Herald, an afternoon paper, has fill-sentiment. Therefore all these gory creased majority. Only in Midland only financial standpoint, but

Dr. Hver and Dr. Nelms visited the

Mrs. Young. They have the sympathy

The Alumni Committee having in hearty response.

The new department of Biology received six handsome compound microduring the holidays to the Y. M. C. A. Training Conference. Prof. Hardy will deliver eight lectures and two address-

Mr. C. T. Tally, a former Southwestteam in the debate won from the University of Tennessee recently.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

Rev. L. A. Hanson, of Merit, looked

We had a pleasant call recently from

Brother Ogburn, of Lindale, was in the city the past week and did not forget to make us a pleasant visit.

Rev. L. L. Naugle, of Mabank, pass-

Rev. J. D. Young, of Fort Worth

Rev. Jno. R. Nelson has already with his task of securing funds for

We recently had a very pleasant call

Rev. W. J. Jovce, of San Marcos, Texas, wi'l spend a season this winter

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Wallace, of this will take place at Trinity

We notice from the local press at

Rev. Ren Rounds, of Hereford, made week. He is looking well and hearty. and gives promise of some good service for the brethren in protracted

In a private letter from our corre spondent, we learn that the neonle are very much pleased with their new pasabusing local option they will be sure tor. Rev. Allen Tooke. We are not sur-prised at this, for Bro. Tooke is one of our best young preachers.

The faculty of the Medical Branch The second six weeks' examinations of Southwestern University have extended us an invitation to a hanque he tendered Bishop Hoss and Dr. John R. Nelson, and it will take place at the Oriental Hotel on Thursday evening

Rev. J. W. Smith has struck things Dr. Hyer announced Wednesday with popular force at South Ervay, norning that no excuses would be Those people think they have the best have tried to hear him on the two Sunholidays, save in extraordinary and un- days just passed have not been able to get into the house. They are getting The Texas Conference added about ready to take out the side of the

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the meantime they are making all brotherly man. their arrangements to begin their new great success. church enterprise. Dallas Methodism is on the up grade.

A note from Rev. C. R. Gray, who was recently transferred to California, says: "I find a loyal set of Southern Methodists out here, and they have

given me such a hearty welcome that already I feel at home. The outlook is very encouraging."

We are in receipt of a neatly gotten up invitation to the marriage of Miss Stella P. Little to Mr. DeWitt B. Bell. The happy event took place the 14th Bishop Ca of this month at Tyler, Texas. Miss several time Little is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. work there. Albert Little, of the Texas Conference.

Hon. George W. Carroll, of Beaumont, their schools. late candidate for election as Vice-President of the United States on the Prohibition ticket. He is one of the best laymen in the Baptist Church in Texas, and he is doing fine work in his city for moral sentiment.

ginning at Oak Lawn. His people ferred to the Indian Mission Confer-speak very highly of his sermons and Rev. Ed Barcus has made a fine bepastoral work. Uncle Buck Hughes from a young preacher in many years Woman's Foreign Missionary Society that suited him better than the one are supporting sixteen missions. preached by Bro. Barcus last Sunday. the foreign field.

at Wallis, Texas, Dec. 27. "John" began out of 28,000 church buildings in this his business life in this office, and of country, the society has helped build course hearty congratulations are ex- 13,914. tended by the Advocate force. Mr. Baldwin is a member of First Methodist Church, Dallas.

We are in receipt of the wedding invitation of Mr. Walter S, Lemmon and Miss Thetis Allien Wells, which happy event will take place in the First Baptist Church of Oak Cliff Dec. 29. Mr. Lemmon is a prominent attorney of Dallas and his family are active members of Trinity Church, this city. The Advocate extends congratulations.

We appreciate very highly a num-ber of most excellent private letters been reading the paper more than a Southern Methodism. quarter of a century, and her appreciation of it increases with the years.

Rev. J. L. Morris, the new presiding elder of this district, preached last Sunday morning at Grace Church and at night at Oak Cliff. He captured both his death and his name will endure. sermon, and he had things his own way. He is an orator, and a preacher, and he will have the right-of-way on this district. Beside these eminently

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present church and make it larger. In fine qualities, he is a most lovable and nation. The Rev. Dr. Alexander Mac- THE STATUS OF COUNTY LOCAL

The people of West Dallas gave their retiring pastor, Rev. J. H. Tay-lor, a fine send off as he took his departure the other day. A large num-ber of them met at the parsonage and expressed their satisfaction with the good work he had done, spoke of their sorrow at his going, but bade him an affectionate good-bye. Bro. Taylor did three years of good work with that

CHURCH NEWS.

Bishop Candler has visited Cuba several times in the interest of our

The Baptists of Virginia have set We had a delightful visit from the out to raise \$250,000 in five years for

> Col. W. R. Denny, the father of Dr. Collin Denny, of the Vanderbilt, died at the home of his son a few days ago.

> W. K. Piner at the recent session of the Memphis Conference was trans-

The Advocate is in receipt of an invitation to the marriage of Mr. John S. Society of the Methodist Episcopal Baldwin and Miss Margaret E. Frayard Church is indicated by the fact that,

Dr. W. W. Wordsworth, who filled a useful term of service at Church Street, Knoxville, Tenn., transferred to North Georgia Conference and was sent to a much smaller congregation in his home field.

Bishop Brent, of Manila, is credited with this remark: "The Methodists raise the people out of the mud; the Baptists wash them; the Congregationalist iron them, and the Episcopa-lians starch them."

Bishop R. K. Hargrove is seriously from various persons anent the Advosick at his home in Nashville, Tenn. cate and their appreciation of our His illness is of such a character as to work, but especially the one from Sister A. Worsham, of Cumby. She has one of the great and strong men in our

> The recent death of Dr. J. D. Barbee removes from the Church one of her great and good men. Such were his powers of body and mind that he labored efficiently till the very day of

> Dr. J. J. Tigert is giving the Church a very excellent Quarterly Review. He is a man of the strongest type of mind and his grasp of a subject is very radical and thorough. He is a great writer. His correspondents are fine.

Bishop Keener still retains his strength, and he is well for a man of session of the North Texas Conference, thing from his facile pen at any time.

The death recently of R. M. Scruggs. of St. Louis, removes from Missouri and liberal laymen. He did good with his money all through his life, and in

not to keep the Sabbath holy, but because they see, as some of our people do not, man's need of a rest day.

He has caught the practical spirit of his work and is adapting his writing to the needs of the young people. He has really become a very popular man on the platform, and his speeches at the late conferences were very taking.

The North Alabama Conference, which met recently, showed a net increase last year of 2010. The conference raised for all purposes \$355, 945.50, an increase over the year previous of \$39.711.35. The average salary of the preachers is nearly \$587. On the whole, that conference is one of the best in the connection.

last been fixed to meet in London.
England, on July 10 to 17, 1905, both
days inclusive. Such a gathering will
be unique in the history of the denomicate."

We predict for him laren, whose health has greatly improved during recent months, has consented to act as President of the Con-

> A considerable agitation has been caused among the leaders of the Roman Catholic Church in this country by the withdrawal from the Church of Mary Gwendolin Caldwell. This lady had given \$300,000 to found a college of divinity in the Catholic University at Washington City, and one of the buildings had been named for her. She has become dissatisfied with the management of Church affairs, hence her withdrawal.

NOTES FROM THE WEST.

H. G. H.

The last time we ever saw Dr. Barbee he was standing up before the West Texas Conference while that body passed resolutions approving his management of our Publishing House

Here in Seguin the Church gave our new preacher and his wife a warm welcome. The ladies had spent much time and money in beautifying and refurnishing the parsonage.

We were glad to hear that I. K. Waller is once more on his feet and in charge of a work. He has proven him-self to be one of the most energetic men in the West.

A new Georgia preacher at San Angelo and a new Georgia preacher at Eagle Pass and an old Georgia preacher er at Stone Mountain. Dear old Nath! come back to us and bring a few more

goober-grabblers with you.

If anybody imagines B. Harris is laid on the shelf just let them watch him round up all sorts of Church interests. His head is near heaven, but his big heart is warm toward fallen men and women.

Bro. Davidson, in San Antonio, seems to have already made a deep impression upon his congregation from what we hear. Small as he is they say he measures way up yonder.

When Bro. Beall, of Corpus Christi, looks at the "Headen memorial window" he will remember it was put there in token of esteem for one of the finest old Irish Methodists who ever trod the soil of Texas.

The German Methodists of Seguin are now completing one of the most ommodious churches in West Texas, built of fine brown brick, with white

Some of the appointments made by Bishop Hoss were hard, but we, in younger days, have been on works just as hard as the hardest—and we man-Jones aged to get to conference at the end of the year.

A new preacher last year in the Sabinal Valley and a new preacher this year in the same beautiful valley. tracks of Indians were followed The by the tracks of Methodist preachers in that fairest of sections. But, unlike John Wesley in Georgia, Methodist preachers did not go there expecting to convert the Indians. Since early days there has been a fine type of Methodism in the old canyon.

EPISCOPAL PARSONAGE.

All those who subscribed, at the late his age. His name is still a tower of to the collection raised to meet the strength in the Church, and the Advodeficit of \$700 yet unpaid on the apcate would be delighted to have some portionment of \$2500 to this conference for the conference of the strength of the stre ence for the purchase of the episcopal residence, will please remit to Rev. G. W. Owens, Dallas, by or before the 1st of January. This done and North Texas will have raised over \$7000 for Methodism one of her most princely this laudable enterprise. It is to be and liberal laymen. He did good with hoped that the presiding elders of the other patronizing conferences will take death he devoted the most of what immediate steps for raising any deficit was left to good purposes. what immediate steps for raising any deficit yet unpaid of the amount apportioned to their respective conferences. A missionary of the Presbyterian Church. South, in China says that many of the Chinese Government and private schools now close on Sunday—not to their respective conferences. We El Paso Should make quick work of the deficit on the purchase money, while the la-Guadalupe dies vigorously prosecute their work of Hardeman raising funds for furnishing the home. Henderson Consolers

LOCAL OPTION AGAIN CARRIES.

A prohibition landslide in Panola Dr. DuBose is giving to the Church County. Two years ago the pros won a very fine Epworth League organ. in Panola by a majority of 46 votes. He has caught the practical spirit of Recently the antis asked for an election, which was held Dec. 10. The pros won again by a majority of about 825 votes. Very faithful work was done by the women of Carthage and other communities. Granville Jones, "Cyclone" Davis, W. A. Reagan and C. B. Hines canvassed the county in the interest of prohibition, as did also one Rainer, a colored man from Calvert, Texas. So old Panola holds her place Texas. So old randing in the advancing hosts.

W. L. PATE.

Carthage, Texas.

Rev. S. L. Ball, of Fate Circuit, Jefferson writes: "I went to my new appoint- Jackson The Baptist World Congress has at ment last Sunday and moved among

OPTION IN TEXAS.

The following is a list of the counties in Texas that are totally dry:

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Angelina Knox Burnet Kent Kimble Baylor Kaufman Bosque *Bowie Liberty Limestone Bandera Live Oak Brazoria Lampasas Brown Lubbock Collingsworth Lynn Camp Coke Montague Morris Childress Martin Crosby Mitchell Madison Cherokee Moore Collin Milam Mills Concho Matagorda Comanche Cottle Montgomery Cass Newton Clay Nacogdoches Dallam Ochiltree Deaf Smith Orange Dickens Parker Roberts Denton Randall Red River Dimmit Robertse Ellis Rockwall Ector Rusk Edwards Sherman Swisher Floyd Stonewall Franklin Scurry Shackelford Fisher Frio Stephens Fannin Sterling Shelby Gray San Saba Grayson San Augustine Glasscock Schleicher Haskell Somervell Hansford Hartley Titus Hall Taylor Trinity Hunt Tyler Hopkins Van Zandt Wilbarger Houston Wise Wood Hidalgo Walker Hutchinson Waller Young

UNORGANIZED COUNTIES AND DRY.

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(All communications intended for this department and exchanges with articles to be commented upon, should be sent to Gus. W. Thomasson, Van Alstyne,

Second Vice-President—Miss Laura Allison, Austin.

Third Vice-President—W. A. Palmer, San We are still with Marcos. Houston.
Junior Superintendent-Mrs. C. W. Henry, Cleburne.
The Van Ale

ENCE OF 1907.

would be a candidate for the International Enworth League Conference of 1907 considerable interest has been manifested in the movement not only in our own State, but in nearly every State in Southern Methodism. Just Agent, Miss Pluma Johnson. what our Northern brethren think about the matter we are unable to say, since none of their denominational papers are at our command. It will be of iterest to our people to know just how the location for the International Conference will be determined, and the chance we have of securing it. There is an Executive Committee composed of twelve members, six from the Northern branch, three from the Canadian and three from our own Church, whose duty it is to select the place of meeting. The conference of 1907 properly belongs to our Church, since each of the three branches alternate in entertaining it. It will, there fore, devolve upon our three committeemen to recommend a place. committee is composed of Drs. H. M. DuBose and A. F. Watkins and Mr. T. B. King. It is customary for the Executive Committee of twelve to act favorably upon the recommendation of mourn our loss. the committeemen whose Church is entitled to entertain the conference, so the recommendation of our brethren is of the utmost importance in securing the great meeting. Drs. DuBose and Watkins have already expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of Dallas, and the last member of the sub-committee, Bro. T. B. King, has been heard from, and his letter is published herewith for the information of Missionary Work"—be given due attention by clearing by cleari our readers. In view of the expressions from our committeemen it is reasonably assured that we will secure the sionary spirit, and who will magnify conference. All that remains is for the office by faithful work. We want Texas to send a large delegation to no figure-head at the head of the Denver next year to forcibly impress fourth department. Since it should be upon the Executive Committee that we our aim to make the whole League really want the meeting and give addi. missionary in spirit, we should be very tional weight to the recommendation careful to get wise and able persons as of our own committeemen and the prize is ours. The letter of Bro. King is addressed to Mr. W. C. Everett, work. Let him form a mission study addressed to Mr. W. C. Everett, of Dallas, the prime mover in the enand is as follows:

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 3, 1904.

Mr. W. C. Everett, Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir: 1 acknowledge receipt of your letter of Nov. 28th calling my attention to the invitation that Dallas would extend to the International Ephonomer for 1967. worth League Conference for 1907.
Knowing by experience something of the hospitality of Dallas and of her ability to make her promises good. I shall take pleasure in not only voting to have the conference go to Dalas, but will do what I can to influence other members of the Wyontin B. members of the Executive Board to do likewise. With best wishes, I am, THOS. B. KING.

NOTES.

The exact date of the seventh annual session of the International Con-

the mistake of attaching the title "Rev." to communications addressed to the editor of this department.

Bro. Cole, in charge of Weston Circuit, contemplates the organization of new League Chapters at Weston, Anna and Melissa as soon as possible.

head the committee to arrange for the entertainment of the eighth annual session of the International Conventions of the International Conventions of the International Conventions of the International Conventions of the Institute for the Blind. tion if it comes to Dallas.

The Dallas Daily News says Allan Ragsdale has an extra supply of hats. Ragsdale has an extra supply of hats. First Street League opened its tem-Some of our good charity and help sisters might find it to their interest a very impressive program. After the to write Bro. Ragsdale for a donation. usual devotional opening there follow:

sea lion story played havor with the man being, namely, "Character Build- AUSTID VIITE LIME CO. Manufacture dignity of the members of the Annual ing."

Conference in its recent session at The Doctor presented the subject in Bonham. Incidentally it is acknowl- a new and very striking manner, fol-

edged that the Doctor landed with lowing a parallel of developing statuboth feet and captured everything in sight.

Rev. A. D. Porter's address is now Krum, Texas.

The pastor of the colored Methodist country-intemperance. Church at Van Alstyne before leaving

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Was favorable.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERTHE INTERNATIONAL CONFERTHE INTERNATIONAL CONFERTHE Van Alstyne Epworth League Young men, Leaguers, let us never has elected the following officers for rest satisfied till under the guiding next year: President, Jas. A. Slaugh hand of the Divine Sculptor our charter; First Vice-President, Gus. W. acters are chiseled from Thomasson; Second Vice-President, classic marble of purity. Since the announcement that Dallas Edward W. Geer: Third Vice-President, Classic marble of purely.

The program closed with a pathetic dent, Miss Minnie Cantrell; Fourth stereopticon song of a little child Vice-President, Miss Clara Wood; pleading with her father to come home Treasurer, Miss Annabel Hughes; Sective Hughes; Section With the Fourth of the saloon, which he retary, Miss Fannie Golden; Era did after oft-repeated entreaties, only

> It is expected that all the members of the Cabinet will accompany the As- in the memory, and go into a saloon sembly Committee on its tour of in- must be truly deep down in the mire spection in January.

It is with sincere regret that we whiskey shop must go." learn of the death of Dr. Barbee. We thought much of him. During our stay in Nashville we often visited in his home, and was much in his company. We esteemed it then a rich benediction to be thrown with such a godly man, true to every noble instinct. a man of deep piety, broad-minded, generous to a fault, refined and cultured. He was truly a gentleman of the old school and the world would be better to-day if there were more like him. We G. W. T.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

To the Epworth Leaguers of Texas: Dear Fellow-Leaguers-During the month of December your League will elect its officers for the ensuing year. tention by electing as its leader a person who is really imbued with the misclass as soon as possible. Let him have a class that will "study." If it be very small at first he should not discouraged. The "Hand Book" and the "Mission Class Manual," to be gotdom," which our agents at Dallas will any service be frank to write me. Yours in the work,

C. A. LEHMBERG, 4th V. P. State League Conf. Fredericksburg, Texas.

FROM AUSTIN.

First Street League Notes.

business a bright thread of pleasantry, so that one scarcely realizes that the prosaic had begun till the social feature of the program was reached. This consisted of an excellent paper read the Mrs. Templeton, beautiful intruby Mrs. Templeton, beautiful intru-remedies used and finally settling mental music, mandolin, by Miss Lucie down to the conviction that a cure Moreland, with organ accompaniment in their cases was impossible. Pyraby Mr. Haberline: and a pathetic recitation on intemperance, by Miss all such, as it seldom, if ever fails to W. C. Everett is the man we think to Hunt. Three new members were enprofit

First Street League opened its temto write Bro. Ragsdale for a donation. usual devotional opening there follow- the causes and cure of piles, as it is ed, by Dr. J. W. Carhart, a lecture on sent free for the asking. We understand that Dr. DuBose's a subject of vital interest to every hu-

ary, giving in plain, emphatic terms the importance—the great need in this special age—of manly men, etching a graphic mind-picture of the greatest hindrance to upright character building-the greatest evil of this great

How beautiful the parallel of sculp-State Epworth League Cabinet.

President—Gus. W. Thomasson, Van Alstyne.

First Vice-President—Rev. A. D. Porter, Cleburne.

Second Vice-President—Miss Laura Alli
fifty-three pieces!

Cited at Van Alstyne before leaving for conference asked all who were "in ture and character-building. Especially good fellowship with him" to manifest to young men must this strongly application of the president of the presiden We are still without authentic reness, indeed all the elements of true,

white marble.

W. acters are chiseled from the white,

to find his baby boy—dead.

Any one who could go forth with this scene and the Doctor's words burning of sin. Ah, Leaguers, let us keep con-stantly in mind the fact that "the

The Church Board of officers specially invited the Leaguers to join them in a reception tendered as a farewell to Bro. E. S. Smith upon his leaving the office of presiding elder of this man, and now that he is gone we shall district. Resolutions were drawn up cherish the memory of our association and passed touchingly expressing deep as one of the sweetest experiences of appreciation of Bro. Smith's faithful Dr. Barbee was a great and good discharge of duty, for which he ex-

> All business being finished, all repaired to the pastor's study and joined in a pleasant social time with refresh-

And now we come to our "good by" to our gentle, watchful pastor, Bro. A MESSAGE FROM THE FOURTH Booth, and his highly esteemed wife. Even while welcoming the new, our hearts still cling with a tender love to the other, the faithful, successful toiler in the great field white with the harvest of souls. May God's richest blessing rest upon them ever and for-

There is an infinite sadness in doing a thing for the last time. Bro. Booth has given us his last sermon—Sister Booth her last song. They have given us the last warm hand-clasp of welcome to our Father's house. Many of us, perhaps, have looked upon these loved faces for the last time. Leaguers, sometime there will come to us a last time. We will have paid our last visit to the sick, will have spoken our last encouraging words to the suffering; will have carried for the last time the fragrant rose message to the "shut-in;" will have sung our last sweet song of hope to the perishing; will have joined for the last time in the League services. When next that League meets our place will be vacant, our voice silent. Ah, Leaguers, will it be well with our souls?

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First Street League Notes.

At our last business meeting, owing to the absence of our President and Secretary, Mr. C. B. Moreland, and Miss Ida Lee McDonald acted pro tem. Mr. Moreland possesses the happy faculty of weaving into the dull woof of business a bright thread of pleasantry, piles becomes unbearable.

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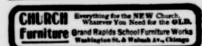
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BELLS.





By Mrs. M. Helen Neff.

trils the breath of life, and man be-came a living soul." He named this new being "Adam." making him ruler over all else he had created.

God saw that Adam needed a com-

its attendant sorrow and suffering, had never entered our world. But Eve, the woman, was tempted by the serpent woman, was tempted by the serpent woman, was tempted by the serpent cain and sent him forth a vagabond other souls had perished.

After this God made a covenant with to partake of the fruit of which God in the earth.

We pass out the Garden), and she in turn tempted

state.

Adam lifts her up and by loving ords and caresses endeavors to com-grace in the eyes of the Lord." Not ort her, thus striving by his superior every one deprayed or gone astray! fort her, thus striving by his superior

With God's curse upon them, they against her), while he, with the ground cursed for his sake, must earn their and he gave him the pattern of it. bread by the sweat of his brow, in "And behold I, even I do bring bread by the sweat of his brow, in "And behold I. even I do bring a tilling the accursed earth, which hence flood of waters upon the earth to de-

tles.
Oh. sad and fallen state! Oh. remorsefu!, suffering pain! To thus bring condemnation, not alone upon the merelyes but on all their restority.

children." This the curse pronounced against her; but much as it involved of sorrow and responsibility, it was of sorrow and responsionly, it was offered to the serpent: "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between they seed and her seed; it shall consider the service of forms of the service of th

had not respect." Let us not suppose from this that flood came and took them all away. thought of Abel was pure and good, thus making his offering acceptable

NOT IN THE TRUST while his brother's was rejected. Cincinnati Seating Co. countenance fell." Thus it is with SAYS___ evil men; when they see the good fa-Opera House Rolles. Tet. vored and prospering, they become angry-suffer their evil passions to rise, while the sin in the heart manifests itself in the countenance.

"And the Lord said unto Cain, why art thou wrath? and why is thy countenance fallen? If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the dcor." if thine offering spring from a pure heart and purpose, shall it not in all justice be accepted? but if, on the other hand, it be given grudgingly, or with an impure motive or desire, it is jus ly rejected.

So we see there was no injustice with God, for he is not a partial God, other but always rendering righteous

"And Cain talked with Abel his Take No Substitute. brother: and it came to pass while

After God created this beautiful death, the death of a brother—an with the worldly and wicked to this world, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, He saw that there own works were evil and his brother's warnings of God's faithful ministers, was lack, and He created man, "in his own image, breathing into his nostrils the breath of life and man in their sins." been raised against his brother, taking After awhile the waters covered the that which he can not give back, his highest mountains, and there remained life! Ah! how many, many murders one vast expanse of water. a shore-

fall upon him, by a miraculous process, he formed woman, and brought her to him for "an helpmeet," calling her name "Eve," designing that together they share this beautiful paradise in which He placed them.

Had they been content to dwell thus in security and innocence, sin, with its attendant sorrow and suffering, had

So it was that they lost this beautiful estate, and were banished to the outer world, to wander as exiles to earth and that every imagination of his flood.

After several generations had come has the beautiful estate to then and reminder to man that the earth will no more be destroyed by earth and that every imagination of his flood. and fro.

Mrs. Browning, in her "Drama of Exile," has beautifully and touching-ly described their fallen state. She pictures the young and fair Eye, as pictures the young and fair Eve, as I will destroy man whom I have cre pictures the young and fair Eve, as I will destroy man whom I have crefilled with sorrow and remorse over her sin and her sad lament that she had drawn Adam, him she so loved. into the same condemnation. And when reproached by the lower animals for they, too, suffer, she sinks down under the great weight of sorrow and remorse, bewailing their sad its control of the sins of man! Thus has it been row and remorse, bewailing their sad its control of the sins of man! Thus has it been row and remorse, bewailing their sad its control of the sins of man. row and remorse, bewailing their sad since sin first entered our world, the inrocent must suffer with the guilty.

"Noah, the son of Lamech, found strength to lessen her sorrow and suf-fering.

One soul is found who is in favor with God. And unto him God unfolds his plans, giving to him a commission. Bewander forth, she to bear multiplied cause all flesh had become corrupt and sorrows in the conception of children the earth was filled with violence God (this the curse pronounced upon or decrees to destroy it. He commanded Noah to make an ark of gopher wood

forth would bring forth thorns and this- stroy all fiesh wherein is the breath

themselves, but on all their posterity image, has, by his own acts, so outraged this mighty God, so trampled 'In sorrow thou shalt bring forth upon His love and mercy, that He re-

bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise about the animals he should take into ment which followed his ghostship disits heel." The first promise, or propht the ark with him; for food, for sacriappeared almost as mysteriously as he ecy of the Savior, who ages after, fice, and for the preservation of seed had entered. came to earth to redeem man from his upon the earth, after His purposes fallen and lost estate,
"And she conceived and bear Cain

After the ark was finished, the Lord

the fruits of the flock should of ne-Perhaps at first they were not fright-cessity have precedence or acceptance ened; but when the rain continued with God, over the fruit of the ground; from day to day, and the waters rose SOUR LAKE, BEAUMONT DISTRICT. position we often forget how few are with God, over the fruit of the ground; from day to day, and the waters rose far from it. God, who seeth all the till all the high hills were covered, and

Rev. Alvin P. Bradford came to Sour "Much wants more," and many time

"And Cain was very wroth and his AN OLD ADAGE

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solid flesh to the body.

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BIBLE CHARACTERS: THEIR INDIVIDUAL, COMBINED AND GENFRAL INFLUENCE.

they were in the field, that Cain rose creeping up to this last refuge, we may
up against Abel his brother and slew well believe that they wished they had
him."
given heed to his warning, that the Thus early after sin was conceived wrath and vengeance of an offended in the heart of man it brought forth God might have been stayed. So it is

have blackened the pages of history less sea, upon whose bosom floated the since Cain killed his brother Abel! numberless corpses of those impeni-God saw that Adam needed a companion, and causing a deep sleep to fall upon him, by a miraculous process, know not; am I my brother's keeper?" evidence of life—the ark with its liv-

After this God made a covenant with had said: "Thou shalt not eat" (though they might partake of all others in they might partake of all others in they might partake of all others in ters, of whom but brief mention is more destroy the earth by flood, conthe Garden), and she in turn tempted the man, causing him to eat of the same.

After several generations had come has the beautiful rainbow remained a

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lins, it seemed, were in the air.

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among the guests, silently waving his arms up and down. In his hands he held the two prizes for the best storytellers. These he placed on a table near the alcove, and in the excite the little while we have them?

Immediately the rooms were bril-

ing and giving in marriage, till the mentioned above no booby was given. the cause of Christ, let me say ELSIE MALONE McCOLLUM.

heart and thoughts of man, was able they were forced to flee to the meun-to distinguish between these offerings, tains for safety, doubtless they began boom, finding a Church roll of only five but Dead Sea fruit after all. There and he saw the heart of Cain that it to think of the preaching and proph-was evil, and his offering sprang from ecy of Noah, at which they had only nest and zealous work on the part of ing—one key that unlocks all its prob an impure motive, while the heart and scoffed. When they saw the waters the minister and the good people of lems-and that is, living unto Go = Sour Lake, we have now a membership

> over in February and organized a sea between meals are symptoms of dys-Home Missionary Society of fourteen pepsia, which Hood's Sarsaparilla always members (now forty-two), with Sister cures. Felder as President. who, in co-operation with the pastor, erected a most modern church building-valuation, riches in glory. when completed, three thousand dol-lars; lots for the same being donated by Mr. Ambrose Merchant, Mayor of the city. Near by there was erected a convenient parsonage. All the assessments upon the Church have been fully paid and Sour Lake generally has assumed a normal state.
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others, that each guest told her story.

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"YOUR LIFE."

What shall we do with our lives in were all made in God's image; but w need to be more maturely, conside ately and intelligently accepting the leading of the Spirit. We should make liantly lighted, and all signs of gloom the best of life, devote it to the high \$1.00 to \$3.00 per day.

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T. H. GLANCY, M. D. WATSON,

And she conceived and bear Cain and said, I have gotten a man from the Lord." And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper I seen righteous before me in this gen of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of eration." Thus has God ever saved the ground. And in process of time and rewarded all who trust in Him

The refreshments were cake and the life of the fruit salad. The salad was served in the lord the lord. The refreshments were cake and the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire most? Why, the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire the carpeter and the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire the carpeter and the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His time in doing good; which do you admire the carpeter and the life of the Galilean Carpenter, who spent His the carpeter and the life of the Galilean Carpenter an the ground. And in process of time it came to pass that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. And Abel he also brought of the firstlings of his flock. and of the fat thereof. And the Lord and of the fat thereof. And the Lord ing, but unto Cain and his offering had not respect."

Thus has God ever saved ese napkin and tied with ribbon.

An appropriate booby prize for such and entertainment would be a home made doll, with a pignut head (any beasts and creeping things, was gath-hickory-nut would do) and dressed as either a spook or a kuklux. The as either a spook or a kuklux. The robe could be made of black, with had respect unto Abel and his offering he but were eating and drinking, marry-had not respect." von, "Now, then." perform the In the mad race for wealth and socia

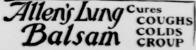
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MRS. B. M. HINES.

tice, by an inadvertence, did not get near.-Philadelphia Inquirer. the attention of this editor in time to insert it earlier in the month, but we

Antonio home, you will do great good." It is woman who stands behind most pour sisters, mothers and sweet girls, of these blessings of the world. It is your love for your own should be the woman and woman's clubs that are to only call needed to interest you for be credited with many of these good the girls of other mothers. They have influences, gone out from homes as inviting as It is woman and her Home Missions yours, and love has exhausted itself ary Society, woman and her Church to no purpose, to bring them back, fair, woman and her eagerness to Your home may be an Eden's bower, help, that make possible many of these Your home may be an Eden's bower, help, that make possible many of these but the trail of the serpent is upon dearly bought luxuries. - ChicagoNews. of Foreign Missions, both at Matanzas, Strange that one should be asked to interest mothers to give to this THE SPECIAL NEED IN CUBA—OUR under Miss Carson, funds are needed cause. God has different ways of calling us to duty. It is sometimes said that when our own boy becomes a wanderer we are interested in the The inference needs not writtetn. Deny yourself some indulgence in dress, or pleasure, the piece of furniture you have coveted. take some shares in the Dallas Home. -King's Messenger.

The auxiliary of the W. H. M. Soclety at Atlanta, Texas, was organized March 1, 1904, with thirty-two connectional members. Although comparatively small in membership, our Soclety is thoroughly wide-awake, up and Each member realizes her inresponds to every duty. Our President is a godly woman, in whom we have confidence, and who is possessed of splendid executive ability. When a call is made on the transfer of the final reckning comes.

Iter that we may not be ashamed when posed upon him. But the gods understood how heavy these were, and just as they hurried to his assistance—splendid executive ability. When a call is made on the transfer of the leading leading to the leading the leading leading to the leading to the leading leading to the leading to the leading leading to the leading leading leading to the leading le call is made on the treasury every member rallies to the sound of her gavel, every shoulder is put to the wheel and the money is forthcoming

Since organizing we have expended for connectional work \$62.50, Furnished a room in the Sue Bennett Memorian task before them.

School at a cost of \$30.00, paid \$5 on the deaconess scholarship, \$5 on furnishing the Bishop's residence, clothnishing the Bishop's reside ed a room in the Sue Bennett Memorial plies valued at \$50 to the Orphanage.

Local work is looked after, according.

bership 50 per cent and in number of the richest in the gift of God, and passing any decreed to the mighty Her-Local work is looked after, accordingly, the sick are visited and strangers made to feel welcome. That one dollar per member extra will be paid the next quarter. Our President says so, the local strangers will be done.

The whole island is wide open and there is not a town where the earnest worker could not build up a Church. O that we had more men and more money! O that the disciples here at

Our meetings are twice each month. They bring us in closer touch with each other, socially, and draw us near-er our Father, who has crowned our Truly th er our Father, who has crowned our Truly there "the fields are ripe unto efforts in this wonderful work with the harvest." The present mission-MRS. ONIE WILLIS.

SEVEN WONDERS OF KOREA.

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is two springs, far distant from each nim to visit them. He thought to the connected by a subteranean to go and went. He preached to them day when the words of prophecy shall passage. When one spring is full the two days and a large number believed other is always empty. All the water and were baptized.

Two years ago or more a circuit system of the control of the carth."

ways a breeze strong enough to take a strong man off his feet. The fourth have had our greatest increase and the strong man off his feet. The fourth have had our greatest increase and the have had our greatest increase and the strong man off his feet. The fourth have had our greatest increase and the have had our greatest increase and the second to the services, and have contributed of their means the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the floating stone. It is a large irregular continually sprouting, no matter how and have contributed of their means the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the floating stone. It is a large irregular continually sprouting, no matter how and have contributed of their means the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the floating stone. It is a large irregular continually sprouting, no matter how and have contributed of their means the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the floating stone. It is a large irregular continually sprouting, no matter how and have contributed of their means the roots are mutilated. The fifth is the roots are mutilated of them have been converted and these country charges are affame with religious interest and zeal. It has been carelessly remarked by thus far, for the benefit of the Eliza Bowman's Board of Foreign Missions, will need the amount to meet expenses of minutes. We need also the conference expense fund sent in.

MRS R M HINES der. This is kept in a temple, and for of helping them would be imperative; Uvalde, Texas.

(We regret that the foregoing no- or tree will grow or animal will go is of Spanish descent and speaks that

M. Society, Springtown, Weatherford also for maps, charts, and other equip District.)

ism occupies the Western world and open field before them. holds it for Christ, Protestantism must speedily occupy and hold Cuba." And dism must have much to do with the work, and the part the Methodism is their children, and better all to bear in this far reaching to be do not be

gelization of Cuba as being the special ful lesson in that sublime patience charge of Southern Methodism. Then with which Hercules is represented to

aries from all of the leading denominations, besides some independent workers who show more zeal than judgment in their activity. All of the provinces are occupied, but the combined number is not oover one hun-

The whole island is wide open and cules. home would pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth more

aries are overworked and can not meet the calls that come to them to preach in the towns near them and Little Korea has its own "seven won- visit others where people are sending

"Recently a missionary observed in NIII INVITATIONS AND his congregation two strange men. His sermon ended, he hastened to speak to them, and found that they were from a town forty miles distant, and had come to hear the gospel and to invite the missionary to their town. Upply UO,

He gave them some Testaments, some tracts, and a promise to visit when time allowed. Ere long a letter came

from one of them saying that he had send you far hence. The wider the been reading and talking about the scope the grander the glory."

bocks and that there were twenty-five Our duty in this hour of marvelous people in the town anxious for the opportunity is to study more thoroughmissionary to come and preach. He ly these fields white for the harvest, but him off by writing him a letter to deny cursolves that the means way

other, yet one is bitter and the other tem was adopted in two or three of the provinces, with a view to reaching The third wonder of Korea is the the people on the sugar plantations Cold Wind Cave, in which there is al- and in the villages. The plan has ways a breeze strong enough to take been wonderfully successful. Here we

language, and there are all grades of them, just as there are in other na-Where a community is blessed with good Churches—look for the woman. Where the public schools have teachers of worth and the schools are of recognized standard—look for the output of the schools are of recognized standard—look for the output of the schools are of recognized standard—look for the output of the schools are of recognized standard—look for the output of the schools are of the schools are of recognized standard—look for the output of the schools are of t

In the work of our Woman's Board under Miss Toland, and in Havana. (A paper read at a meeting of W. F. are dependent upon such help. And ment which would enable them to do Bishop Candler says: "If Protestant. better work. Both schools have a wide

> We ought to have a corps of Bible their children, and better still to tell them the story of Jesus and His love. You have had some of the special

been left to Southern Methodism."

All other branches of the Methodist needs of Cuba laid before you. Now, what is "our duty?" There is a helpwith which Hercules is represented to have accepted the arduous labor imcuirass, Apollo his bow and arrows and Psoeidon a horse—so the moral universe of God hurries to encourage and help and equip that soul which patiently and faithfully accepts the m dred and is wholly inadequate to the ifest duty of destiny. And even the task before them. "perversity of inanimate things" will ing any decreed to the mighty Her-

Bishop Wilson sums up our duty thus: thus: "Go-not stay at home. Your thoughts must go, and your prayers and sympathies must go; your money must go, and yourselves must go: nothing less than all. God is not going to laborers into that part of His moral accept your plea of home interests. He vineyard! selfish plea of home inclinations, of home affections; He is not going to accept any plea you may make.

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"From Victory unto victory His army He shall lead, Till every foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed."

MRS. H. B. OWENS.

Whipping the devil round the stump 4 IMPORTANT GATEWAYS only makes a deeper track for sin to travel in.—Ram's Horn.

THE WEATHER CALENDAR.

the attention of this editor in time to insert it earlier in the month, but we hope it may not even now fail to do good as a reminder.—Ed. W. D.)

SUPPLIES.

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A good layman. His name was Stephen. He lived nearly 1900 years ago in Jerusalem. Of his early history we know nothing, but his first appear ance reflects honor upon him, and his short and tragic history is full of lessons for the laymen of to-day.

God never intended to make a priest-hood in the Christian Church to whom should be committed the entire work of propagating Christianity. The plan of the Catholic Churches to give to laymen, unordained, or to women who have not entered convents no the early Church. Laymen had much are all Methodists our people to do with establishing the Church and are all Methodist for that occasion, and all Baptist when our guests are advancing its interests. Stephen, Cor-nelius, Aquilla, Philemon, Publius, and many others upon whose heads no or. denominations. We will gladden the daining hands had been laid, did much daining hands had been laid, did much for Christianity in its first years. But laymen can no more work without being qualified than can preachers. To do any good work in the Christian Church laymen should first be plous. Church, laymen should first be plous. Church, laymen should first be plous. them from coming. Let everybody Barnabas was a good man, full of faith come; they will be welcome, and may and of the Holy Ghost, and so was God bless the conference and its work.

I am sorry to say that a deep religious experience is not regarder as a necessary qualification for a good deacon or a good steward, or a good trustee, or even a Sunday-school superin-tendent. The question concerning the steward is as to his financial strength and his business judgment; so in an official board there will be sometimes men who do not know anything of a genuine religious experience. These are good Methodist club men. They willing to be at church Sunday morning and pass round the baskets or collection plates, but they are utterly ignorant of what is meant by being full of faith and of the Holy Ghost.
The men chosen to control Church affairs who are deeply religious, such
men as Judge James Jackson, General
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Saulsberry, Robert A. Smith—men of
active business, but men full of faith
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an official board, are a blessing to a
Church beyond that of any minister
who once a week fills the pulpit.

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owes to Robert Strawbridge, Philip Embury. Captain Webb, not one of whom was ordained, not one even supported by the people to whom they preached, and each one of whom had secular work to perform, a debt she can never pay.

Stephen was eminently religious and his religious life manifested itself in strictly religious work. He handled the money, that was true, but his work did not end there. He visited and relieved and talked. He was the John Vassar, the Miller Willis, the Harlan Page of his time. His life was consecrated to the work. He was decidedly annoying to those who controlled the synagogue of the Libertines, who were unable to answer his arguments or to deny the beauty of his life. It is a rare thing now to see aggressive layman who brings his religion into business, into politics, into his society life, who is as ready to lead a prayer-meeting or talk to a penitent, or pray at a sick bed, or talk to a man about his soul in a counting room; whose face shines and who is ready, like my old friend, Henry Russell was, to mount a cotton bale and make an exhortation. He is apt to be looked on as a crank, but he is a crank who will be a great blessing to the world.

Stephen's piety was of the courage-

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COUTS.-We are sad to chronicle the death of James Robertson Couts, knew. Her life was one of constant which occurred Nov. 29, 1904. The toil and sacrifice for the sake of othbusiness circles of Weatherford lose ers. She wrote many letters of symone of their great men and Methodism pathy, exhortation and warning to loses one of its strong supporters.

Couts' Memorial Church is specially bereaved at this loss. His charities ment to those who were struggling never stopped with his own Church, against the hardships of life; and at He was religious and a supporter of all the time of her death she was engaged he educational interests of our city. in sending gospel messages to the in-Bro. Courts was born in Robertson mates in prison. She did her work in County, Tennessee April 6, 1833. He an humble, quiet way, and God only was taken from Robertson County knows what the record will when but a small boy to Arkansas, when the books are opened. Though where he followed the occupation of our hearts be filled with sorrow, we farming till he came to Texas in 1858. have a hope that disperses the gloom, His educational advantages were poor, and we look with an eye of faith to but he managed to get a good business that bright home where parting will education. From Randolph County, be no more. To all the bereaved ones Arkansas, he moved to Texas and set- I would say, though we cannot call tled in Palo Pinto County in the spring her back, we can go to where she is. of 1858. He bought a 160-acre preemption and started farming and started farmin emption and started farming and stock er County, where he began trading. He organized and established the private professed religion at the age of 9 and bank of Couts & Fain, beginning with a capital stock of \$10,000. This bank to day is known as the Citizens' Na- 1899, and died May 15, 1904. He was tional Bank, with a capital stock of snatched from life, home and loved \$250,000. Bro. Couts was the Presi ones by the hand of an assassin just dent of the Couts & Fain Bank, and reasilife seemed to be worth so much to boy, moved with his parents to Texas and settled in Rusk county, where he all of its changes up to his death. He little girls are left to mourn the loss of with J. N. Simpson, who was afterward the love and protecting care of a hus-President of the National Exchange band and father. A father, brother Bank of Dallas, but now in Paris, and sisters, with a host of kindred and in business with that well-known lay-France, drove the first cattle into Tay- friends, also mourn for a good, noble or County. Their stock at that time and true son, brother and friend. All amounted to 14,000 head. He took the that medical skill and loving hands keenest oversight of all his business could do was done for him. In the hour and kept up his banking interests with of death, like his Savior, he prayed for out of business. At that time, on activities here were not all his warderer. He was at peace with cattle raising. Prosperity crowned all his murderer. He was at peace with his efforts, and he grew to be one of his God; he had no fear in death. It Bro, Couts was twice married. He ties, but he said the Lord's will was was married first to Miss Martha Har-din, of Arkansas, in 1852, from which quainted with the Master. Twice had union there were nine children born. he visited him in great sickness. He Three of the children-Henry John- had had two long, hard strugg'es with son. Jonathan Hardin and James S .- disease and death, yet the Lord raised lied young. Of the remaining six, him up, and for some strange, myste-Mary, now Mrs. S. B. Burnett, resides rious purpose he suffered him to be at Fort Worth; Susan, now Mrs. A. N. stricken down by the hand of wicked-Grant: Maggie, now Mrs. Moseley, re- ness. His suffering days are over, and side at Weatherford; Martha, the wife we can see him now on the sweet of Rev. J. G. Putman, of Waco; Leah, banks of deliverance with his sainted the wife of W. P. Anderson, of Mineral mother, singing the songs of the just. Wells, and James Robertson, Jr., are all living. Mrs. Cout's died in Weatherford Feb. 6, 1894. His second unica was with Miss Sallie Buster, daughter Lavender was born Oct. 7, 1898, and of Col. Buster, of this city, a woman of died July 4, 1904. George was a bright lofty bearing and strong Christian char-acter. This union was consummated left of Brother and Sister E. J. Laven-Dec. 11, 1895. Bro. Couts and his sec-der, we having buried their baby and companion lived in happy unison just a few months before, which made to the end of his life. There was not it the harder to part with him. About young man and at once united with a more happy home in Weatherford. 12 o'clock on the 4th of July he coma more happy home in Weatherford. 12 o'clock on the 4th of July he com-They shared that kind feeling for each plained a little, and his mother gave other and confidence in each other him a dose of medicine, and in less supported her institutions and attendances.

They shared that kind feeling for each plained a little, and his mother gave supported her institutions and attendances. The conjugal relation than three hours he was dead. It was sweet. The writer has been delighted with the mutual respect they showed for each other, as well as blest by the perpetrator of this awful deed in this contribution. After a dozen years one of his former pastors remembers most pleasantly for the weekly prayer-meetings in which contributions of the weekly prayer-meetings in which contributions. Christian influence that went out from life, but there is coming a time when our brother's prayers, moved by their the home. Bro, Couts' last days were the "secrets of all hearts shall be simplicity, directness and faith, proved days of peace. We visited him often made known." Then we will be judg such an inspiration. Not quite two through the year and spent an hour ed according to the justice of God. It years ago, in a confidential talk to this with him the night he passed away. was hard to see one in the bloom of writer, Brother Avery referred to his He had no fears of the future, but said health to be cut down so quick, but home as being a "happy home." The he enjoyed religion every day. Age our heavenly Father has promised that he did not be reaved widow writes that he did not have the him from the him f and infirmity kept him from the his "grace is sufficient for us." To him, a triumphant death. It is easy for home without being asked to conduct sad hour of grief and pray that you he died well. "Mark the perfect man, religious services. No man in this may find it so. R. B. MORELAND. and behold the upright: for the end than Bro. Couts. Many prominent people came to honor his burial. Gov. Lanham came from Austin to take part in the obsequies. Nearly all the County of the Co members of the family were present Oct. 23, 1904. She was converted early at the funeral, which was preached by in life and united with the M. E. his first wife, and the Church where he ten children were born. Two of them held his membership. We pray God's are dead, and eight remain with the call shall come to them, that one by been a great sufferer, but in it all she der, Hall's Great Discovery, cures all one they may take their places with never murmured nor complained; but kidney and bladder troubles, removes no more tears. J. R. HALL, Pastor.

STEWART.-Mrs. Louisa M. Stewart (nee Osborn) was born April & in childhood that she did not rememshe obtained the experience of perfect 23, 1904. HER GRANDDAUGHTER. love and lived in this blessed expe rience until the death summon called her home. I being her brother and confidant friend was admitted to the inner circle of her life; and there found one of the purest and most unselfish Christian characters I ever J. T. OSBORN.

ading stock men of the country. was hard to break the heart and home A FRIEND.

LAVENDER.-Little George Newton

the writer in Couts' Memorial Church, South; was married to John Church—a church built in memory of W. DeVilbiss Oct. 20, 1877. To them blessings upon the bereaved family father to mourn their loss. For the that they may be prepared when the past three years Sister DeVilbiss had call shall come to them, that one by him in the land where there shall be every one who visited her was deeply gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emis-Weatherford, Texas.

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McKIE STAMMERING

Thave but one regret, and that is to leave husband and children." May God children. If not sold by your drugbles the husband and kindly watch over the little or than children and sold by your drugbles to her busband and kindly watch over the little or than children and sold by your drugbles to her busband and kindly watch over the little or than children and sold by your drugbles to her busband and kindly watch over the little or than children. If not sold by your drugbles the husband and kindly watch over the little or than children. and school combined. Conducted by keep the older ones in the way that treatment, and seldom fails to perfect former stammerer. Thorough course leads to light, so that one day they over the little orphan children and of \$1. One small bottle is two months

LATTA.-Mrs. Pernetta Gordon was born in Hopkins County, Kentucky, 1863; was married to V. A. Stewart April 22, 1819, moved to Hickman Coun-Dec. 25, 1878; died Nov. 19, 1904, leav-ing a husband and seven children to child. In 1837 she was married to Wilmourn their irreparable loss. But liam Harvey Latta. There were nine all who knew her will know where to children born, five boys and four girls, find her. She was converted so early eight of whom survive. She moved to Texas with her husband and family in ber the time; and the holy fire kindled the fall of 1870. She became a Chrisby her first love was never allowed to tian and joined the M. E. Church, grow cold. And in the summer of 1992 South, when young. She died October

> MOUNTS.—Christine Mounts, infant made his father ask: "What makes daughter of T. F. and Etta Mounts, you so glad to-day?" was born Oct. 30, 1904, and died Nov. He replied: "I awoke in the night, 26, 1904. This precious little girl stayhearts of father, mother, brothers and has come in."-Observer. While sorrow has sisters. this Christian home, yet the father and mother weep not as those who have no hope, but know that little Christine is safe with Jesus. The writer conducted the burial service at the Hale Center Cemetery on the evening of Nov. 27. 1904. Dear parents, look up to God, who gave you this precious jewel, and may this trial draw you nearer heaven.
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> J. W. CHILDERS, P. C. J. W. CHILDERS, P. C.

Emma, Texas.

SIMMONS.-Elbert Leon Simmons, infant son of J. L. and Viola Simmons, was born June 24, 1904, and died Nov. A NOIRE DAME LADYS AFFEAL
To all knowing sufferers of rheumatism, whether musuiar, or of the joints, selatica, lumbagos, backache, pains in the kidneys, or neuraight and took his own to himself, and even the longest time will really be but a short while, when the innocent, loving little hands will welcome father and mother to the eternal city of our God. May the good Lord sustain and comfort the hereaved parents.

A NOIRE DAME LADYS AFFEAL
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L. B. TOOLEY.

AVERY.-Wm. T. Avery was born in Georgia July 7, 1859, and died at his home in San Antonio, Texas, October 13, 1904. Brother Avery, when a man and successful business man, his uncle, Capt. T. S. Garrison. This busicount of failing health, Brother Avery meyed to San Antonio. For several years his health seemed much improved, but some months ago there was a perceptible change, and the end was not unexpected. Our brother was twice happily married, first to Miss Lizzie Ross, of Rusk county, who died in January, 1892, and on November 25, 1894, he was married to Miss Florence Todd, of Shelby county. By the latter marriage there were born three children, who, with their devoted mother, are left to mourn, but not without hope. It was at one time the privilege of this writer to live for almost a year in the home of Brother Avery, and most gladly does he bear testimony to the real worth of this humble, unpretentious man of God. In business matters he was not ed of wrong dealings or of duplicity. He was the son of religious parents converted at a camp meeting when a

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He answered: "I would say, 'Come in,' "She said to him: "Then say to the Lord Jesus, 'Come in.' "Next morning there was a brightness and joy about Robert's face that made his father ask: "What makes you so glad to-day?"

He replied: "I awoke in the night, and I felt that Jesus was still knocking at the door of my heart, and I said, 'Lord Jesus, come in,' and I think he has come in."—Observer.

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San Antonio District-First Round. San Antonio District—First Round.
Amphion cir, at Amphion, 3d Sun Dec.
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Dei Rio cir, 3d Sun Jan.
Bexar cir, at Lytle, 4th Sun Jan.
Utopia cir, at Utopia, 5th Sun Jan.
Laredo, 1st Sun Feb.
Uvalde, 2d Sun Feb.
West End, Feb. 15.
Sherman St., 11 a. m. 2d Sun Feb.
South Heights, 7:30 p. m. 3d Sun Feb.
Travis Park, 11 a. m. 4th Sun Feb.
Prospect Hill, 7:30 p. m. 4th Sun Feb.
Carrizo Springs and Batesville, at C. S.,
1st Sun Mch.
W. J. Johnson, P. E.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

December 15, 1904.

W. J. Johnson, P. E. Llano District-First Round. Kerrville, at K, 7 p. m. Dec. 15. Bandera and Medina, at Tarpley, Dec. 17, 18.
Center Point, at C. P. 3 p. m. Dec. 21.
Boerne, at Boerne, Dec. 24, 25.
San Saba sta, at San Saba, 7 p. m. Dec. 30.
San Saba mis, at Chapel, 3 p. m. Dec. 31.
Cherokee and Valley Spgs, 9 a. m. Jan. 2.
W. H. H. Biggs, P. E.

Austin District-First Round. Austin District—First Round.
Walnut cir, at Walnut, Dec. 17, 18.
LaGrange sta, Dec. 20.
West Point cir, at West Point, Dec. 22.
Hill's Prairie, at Red Rock.
First Street, Austin, Dec. 29.
McDade cir, at McDade, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Eagle Lake cir, at Eagle Lake, Jan. 7, 8.
Columbus sta, Jan. 19, 11.
Welmar cir, at Welmar, Jan. 14, 15.
Cedar Creek cir, at Hill's Prairie, Jan. 21.
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J. M. Alexander, P. E.

Cuero District-First Round. Cuero District—First Round.

Victoria, 3d Sun Dec.
Hailettsville, 4th Sun Dec.
Yoakum, 1st Sun Jan.
El Campo, at El Campo, 2d Sun Jan.
Palacios, at Markham, 3d Sun Jan.
Rancho, at Rancho, 4th Sun Jan.
Leesville, at Liberty, 5th Sun Jan.
Shiner, at Shiner, 1st Sun Feb.
Port Lavaca. at Port L., 2d Sun Feb.
Nursery, at Nursery, 3d Sun Feb.
Cuero, 4th Sun Feb.
Clear Creek, at Clear Creek, 1st Sun Mch.
J. C. Wilson, P. E.

San Marcos District-First Round. Beimont, Dec. 17, 18. Luling, Dec. 18, 19. Gonzales, Dec. 31. Lockhart, Jan. 1. Lockhart, Jan. 1.
Staples, at Hunter, Jan. 7, 8.
San Marcos, Jan. 8, 9.
Pleasant Grove, at Martindale, Jan. 14, 15.
Tilmon, at MacMahan, Jan. 21, 22.
Dripping Springs, at Driftwood, Jan. 28,29.
Where one Sunday is given to twoplaces, the first named will have the
morning service and the second will have
the evening service.

Jno. W. Stovall, P. E.

Beeville District-First Round. Beeville District—First Round.
Floresville, Dec. 13.
Goliad, Dec. 17, 18.
Beeville, Dec. 20.
Rockport, Jan. 7, 8,
Kenedy, Jan. 14, 15.
Mathis, Jan. 21, 22.
Oakvile, Jan. 28, 29.
Stockdale, Feb. 4, 5.
Laverma, Feb. 11, 12.
Brownsville, Feb. 18, 19
Berclair, at B, Feb. 25, 26.
Joe F. Webb, P. E.

San Angelo District—First Round.
Center City, at Center City, Jan. 1 and Saturday before.
Goldthwaite (night), Jan. 1.
Lometa, at Lometa, Jan. 2.
Sherwood, at Knickerbocker, Jan. 7, 8.
Ozena, Jan. 19, 11.
Sonora, at Sonora, Jan. 14, 15.
Paint Rock, at Mustang, Jan. 21, 22.
Sterling City, at S. C., Jan. 28, 29.
Pontotoc, at Fredonia, Feb. 4, 5.
Mason, at Mason, Feb. 7.
Brady sta, Feb. 8.
Brady cir, at Live Oak, Feb. 9.
Milburn, at Miburn, Feb. 11, 12.
Junction City, at J. C., Feb. 18, 19.
Menardville, at Hext, Feb. 22.
I hope all the pastors in the district will look after and secure the general collections at once, pay off domestic missions.
Orphanage and Rescue Home assessments in the next few days.

J. D. Scott, P. E. San Angelo District-First Round.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE.

Abilene District-First Round. Abilene District—First Round.
Aspermont, at Aspermont, Dec. 17, 18.
Avoca, Dec. 21.
Albany and Moran, at Albany, Dec. 22.
Abilene sta. Dec. 24, 25.
Truby, at Truby, Dec. 28.
Roby, at Roby, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Sweetwater sta, Jan. 3.
Sweetwater mis, at Brownlee, Jan. 4.
Merkel sta, Jan. 6.
Merkel mis, at Tebo, Jan. 7, 8.
Putnam, at Scranton, Jan. 11.
Clyde, at Clyde, Jan. 14, 15.
Capps, Jan. 18.
Ruffalo Gap, at Tuscola, Jan. 21, 22. Capps, Jan. 18. Buffalo Gap, at Tuscola, Jan. 21, 22. Jno. R. Morris, P. E.

Clarendon Dis'rict—First Round.
Canyon City. Dec. 17, 18.
Clarendon Dec. 24, 25.
Amarili). Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 1995.
Hereford sta, Jan. 7, 8.
Hereford mis, Jan. 8, 9.
Channing and Dumas, Jan. 14, 15.
Dalhart and Stratford, Jan. 21, 22.
Hansford and Hutchison mis, at Huff's Chapel, Jan. 25,
Higgins, Jan. 28, 29.
Canadian, Feb. 4, 5.
McLane, Feb. 11, 12.
Cataline and Shamrock, Feb. 18, 19.
Silverton, Feb. 25, 25.
Tulia. Mch. 4, 5.
The District Stewards will meet at the district parsonage in Clarendon Dec. 13, 10 o'clock a. m. We desire as full an attendance as possible.

Jas. M. Sherman, P. E. Clarendon District-First Round

Waxahachie District-First Round. Waxahachie District—First Round.
Ovilla, at Ovilla, Dec. 16.
Hillsboro and Line St., Dec. 18, 19.
Waxahachie, Jan. 1, 2.
Palmer and Boyce, at Boyce, Jan. 7, 8.
Ferris Jan. 8, 9.
Forreston, at Forreston, Jan. 11.
Venus, at Cahill, Jan. 14, 15.
Alvarado, Jan. 15, 16.
Bristol, Jan. 21, 22.
Ennis, Jan. 22, 23.
Milford, at Milford, Jan. 28, 29.
Italy, Jan. 29, 39.
Bardwell and Avalon, Jan. 30.
Grandview, Feb. 4, 5.
Red Oak, at Red Oak, Feb. 8.
Lovelace, at Woodberry, Feb. 11, 12.
Jas. Campbell, P. E.

Dublin District-First Round. Green's Creek cir, at Harbin, Dec. 15.
Granbury cir, at Panter, Dec. 17, 18.
Granbury sta, at G, p. m. Dec. 18, 19.
Iredell and Fairy, at Fairy, Jan. 21, 22.
De Leon cir, at De Leon, Jan. 24.
Carbon and Gorman, at G, Jan. 25.
Eastland cir, at Eastland, Jan. 27.
Cisco cir, Jan. 28, 29.
Cisco sta, at Cisco, p. m. Jan. 29, 30.

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Desdemona, at Desdemona, Feb. 1.
Carbon, at Bear Springs, Feb. 2.
Duffau, at Britton Chap., Feb. 4, 5.
Bluff Dale cir, at Marvin Ch, Feb. 9.
Glen Rose cir, at Glen Rose, Feb. 11, 12.
Carlton cir, at Fairview, Feb. 18, 19.
Huckabay cir, at Oak Dale, Feb. 23.
Morgan Mill, at Smith Spgs., Feb. 25, 26.
The district stewards are requested to meet in Dublin at the Methodist Church Jan. 26, 2 o'clock p. m. Will say to the stewards in Dublin District that this district made at conference the best report in its history. Let us commence now with head, heart and hand to make this the best of all.

E. A. Bailey, P. E.

Brownwood District—First Round.

Robert Lee, at Robert Lee, Dec. 16.
Ballinger, Dec. 17, 18.
Glen Cove, at Crews, Dec. 19, 20.
Brownwood, Dec. 24, 25.
Bangs, at Bangs, Dec. 27.
Cross Plains, at Burnt Branch, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Sipe Springs, at Sipe Springs, Jan. 7, 8.
Rising Star, Jan. 8, 9.
May, at May, Jan. 14, 15.
Comanche cir, Jan. 21, 22.
Comanche sta, Jan. 22, 23.
Gustine, at Gustine, Jan. 27.
Proctor, at Proctor, Jan. 28, 29.
Indian Creek, at I. C. Feb. 4, 5.
Blanket, at Blanket, Feb. 11, 12.
Coleman mis, at Indian Creek, Feb. 18, 19.
District stewards' meeting at district parsonage, Brownwood, 9 a. m. Dec. 22.
B. R. Bolton, P. E.
Waco District—First Round. Brownwood District-First Round.

Waco District—First Round.

West, Dec. 17, 18.

Hubbard, Dec. 21, 25.
Mart, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.

Hewitt, Jan. 7, 8.

Morgan and Walnut, Jan. 14, 15.

Abbott, Jan. 21, 22.

Penelope, Jan. 28, 29.

Mt. Calm, Jan. 29, 30.

Waco, Austin Ave., 11 a. m. Feb. 5.

Waco, Morrow Street, 7:39 p. m. Feb. 5.

Peorla, Feb. 11, 12.

Whitney, Feb. 12, 13.

Axtell, 11 a. m. Feb. 18.

Waco, Fifth Street, 11 a. m. Feb. 19.

Waco, Elm Street, 7:39 p. m. Feb. 19.

Aquilla, Feb. 25, 26.

Bosqueville, Mch. 4, 5.

District stewards are called to meet
Thursday, Dec. 15, at 1 p. m. Austin Avenue Church, Waco, Texas.

J. G. Putman. P. E. Waco District-First Round.

Gatesville District-First Round. Gatesville District—First Round.
Hamilton, at Hamilton, Dec. 17, 18.
Meridian, at Meridian, Dec. 20.
V. Mills and Clifton at Clifton, Dec. 21.
Crawford, at Crawford, Dec. 22.
Pearl, at Pearl, Dec. 24, 25.
Oglesby, at Oglesby, Dec. 28.
McGregor, at McGregor, Dec. 29.
Brookhaven, at Sparta, Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 2.
Jonesboro, at Jonesboro, Jan. 7, 8.
Turnersville, at T., Jan. 8, 9.
Maxdale, at Maxdale, Jan. 14, 15.
China Springs, at China Spgs, Jan. 21, 22.
Evant, at Liberty, Jan. 28, 29.
Gatesville mis, at W. Ch., Feb. 1.
Copperas Cove, at Pidcoke, Feb. 11, 12.
District stewards will meet in Methodist Church at Gatesville Dec. 8, at 7 o'clock p. m. Where only one day named preaching at night; Quarterly Conference at 3 p. m. S. W. Turner, P. E.

Vernon District-First Round. Vernon District—First Round.

Vernon cir, Dec. 17, 18,

Vernon sta, Dec. 24, 25.

Wellington sta, Dec. 30,

Quail cir, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.

Crowell cir, Jan. 7, 8.

Paducah mis, Jan. 11,

Matador cir, Jan. 14, 15.

Knox City cir, Jan. 21, 22.

Munday and Goree, Jan. 23.

Seymour cir, Jan. 25.

Spring Creek mis, Jan. 27.

Seymour sta, Jan. 28, 29.

J. G. Miller, P. E.

Colorado District—First Round.

Hale Center cir. at Hale Center, Dec. 16.

Plainview sta, Dec. 17, 18.

Lubbock cir. at Lubbock, Dec. 20.

Tahoka mis, at Tahoka, Dec. 22.

Colorado mis, at Cuthbert, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.

Gail mis, at Gail, Jan. 7, 8.

Gomez mis, at Gomez, Jan. 10.

Big Springs sta, Jan. 14, 15.

Midland sta, Jan. 21, 22.

Colorado sta, Jan. 28, 29.

District stewards, please meet at Colorado City, Thursday, Dec. 29, at Methodist Church, 2 o'clock p. m. As far as possible let each local preacher be in his first Quarterly Conference, in view of laying out special work for the year.

J. T. Griswold, P. E.

Weatherford District-First Round.

Weatherford District—First Round.
Weatherford mis, at Bethel, Dec. 17, 18.
Aledo, at Aledo, Dec. 24, 25.
Milisap, at Milisap, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Palo Pinto, at Graford, Jan. 7, 8.
Santo, at Santo, Jan. 14, 15.
Gordon, etc., at Gordon, Jan. 22, 23.
Ranger, at Wayland, Jan. 25.
Crystal Falls, at the Falls, Jan. 27.
Breckenridge, at B., Jan. 28, 29.
Springtown, at Springtown, Feb. 4, 5.
Peaster, at Peaster, Feb. 8.
Whitt and B., at Whitt. Feb. 11, 12.
Graham mis, at Gooseneck, Feb. 17.
Graham sta, Feb. 18, 19.
Farmer, at Red Top, Feb. 21.
Eliasville, at Eliasville, Feb. 22.
Throckmorton, at T., Feb. 25, 26.
District stewards' meeting at Weatherford at 11 a. m. Dec. 14. Dear stewards, let me urge you to begin your work at once. We lose so much by delay. Follow the Discipline, give all your people a chance, and let not the cause of God and

Pendletonville, at Cedar Creek, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.

Belton sta, Jan. 1, 2.

Troy, at Eddy, Jan. 7, 8.

Holland cir, at Wilson Valley, Jan. 14, 15.

Granger, at Granger, Jan. 21, 22.

Taylor sta, Jan. 28, 29.

Taylor Bohemian mis, Jan. 28, 29.

Hutto, at Hutto, Feb. 4, 5.

Salado, at Prairie Dell, Feb. 11, 12.

Florence, at Florence, Feb. 18, 19.

North Georgetown, at Berry's Creek, Feb. 25, 28.

North George 25, 26. Moody sta, Mch. 4, 5. J. S. Chapman, P. E. Fort Worth District—First Round.

Riverside, Dec. 10, 11.
Glenwood, Dec. 11, 12.
Mansfield, at Mansfield, Dec. 17, 18.
Kennedale, Dec. 18, 19.
Peach Street, Dec. 21.
Polytechnic, Dec. 22.
Grapevine, Dec. 31.
Smithfield, at White's Ch, Jan. 1, 2.
Cleburne, Jan. 4.
North Cleburne, Jan. 5.
Missouri Avenue, Jan. 8, 9.
Mulkey Memorial, Jan. 11.
Bono, at Bono, Jan. 14, 15.
Blum, at Blum, Jan. 15, 16.
North Fort Worth, Jan. 18.
Azle, at Dido, Jan. 21, 22.
Arlington, Jan. 28, 29.
Joshua, at Marytown, Feb. 4, 5.
Cresson, Feb. 11, 12.
Covington, at Covington, Feb. 18.
Grandview cir. at Watt's Ch, Feb. 19, 20.
First Church, Feb. 26, 27.
District stewards will meet in the First Methodist Church, Fort Worth, at 2 p. m.
Dec. 27.

NORTH TEXAS COMETERS Fort Worth District-First Round,

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Gainesville District-First Round. Gainesville District—First Round.
Woodbine, Dec. 17, 18.
Sanger and V. V., at Sanger, Dec. 24, 25.
Montague, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Nocona, Jan. 1, 2.
St. Jo and Forestburg, Jan. 8, 9.
Rosston and Myra, Jan. 15, 16.
Other dates later.
District stewards meet at Denton
Street Church, 1:30 p. m. Dec. 27.
J. A. Stafford, P. E.

Terrell District-First Round. Terrell District—First Round.
Kaufman, Dec. 18.
Terrell, Dec. 25.
Reinhardt, at Pleasant Mound, Dec. 31,
Jan. 1.
Mesquite, at Mesquite, Jan. 2, 3.
Fate, at Fate, Jan. 7, 8.
Rockwall, at Rockwall, Jan. 8, 9.
Crandall, at Sego, Jan. 14, 15.
College Mound, Jan. 21, 22.
Garland, Jan. 28, 29.
Elmo, at Egan, Feb. 4, 5.
Mabank, at Mabank, Feb. 11, 12.
Chisholm, at Chisholm, Feb. 18, 19.
Kemp, at Kemp, Feb. 25, 28.
The district stewards will meet at Terrell at 2 p. m. Wednesday, Dec. 21.
O. S. Thomas, P. E.
Greenville District—First Round.

Greenville District—First Round.
Merit, at Merit, Dec. 17, 18.
Floyd, at Floyd, Dec. 18, 19.
Celeste and Lane, at C., Dec. 31. Jan. 1.
Leonard and Orange G., at L., Jan. 1, 2.
Kingston, at Kingston, Jan. 7, 8.
Greenville, Wesley, Jan. 8, 9.
Commerce mis, at Mt. Zion, Jan. 14, 15.
Commerce sta, Jan. 15, 16.
Campbell, at Campbell, Jan. 21, 22.
Quinlan, at Quinlan, Jan. 28, 29.
Kavanaugh, Jan. 29, 30.
Greenville mis, at Concord, Feb. 4, 5.
Lone Oak, at Lone Oak, Feb. 11, 12.
Neola, at Bethel, Feb. 18, 19.
Fairlie, at Fairlie, Feb. 25, 26.
District stewards will meet in Wesley Church 2 p. m. Dec. 13, where the conference meets on Monday; will convene at 10 a. m. J. M. Peterson, P. E. Greenville District-First Round.

RENCE Corsicana District—First Round.

Coolidge, at Prairie Hill, Dec. 15.
Horn Hill, at Ben Hur, Dec. 17.
Thornton, at Steeles Creek, Dec. 19.
Groesbeck, Dec. 25.
Barry, at Barry, Dec. 31.
Corsicana cir, at Harrison's Ch, Jan. 2.
Eleventh Ave., Corsicana, 7:30 p. m. Dec.
Servay Street sta, 11 a. m. Dec. 25.
Oak Lim sta, 11 a. m. Dec. 25.
Oak Cliff sta, 11 a. m. Jan. 1.
Wheatland, at Desoto, Jan. 1, 8.
Lancaster sta, Jan. 14.
Lancaster sta, Jan. 14.
Lancaster sta, Jan. 14.
Hill, Jan. 21.
Z.
Argyle, at Argyle, Jan. 28, 29.
Denton sta, Feb. 4, 5.
First Church, Jan. 2, 22.
Where not otherwise stated it is expected that there will be dinner on the ground and preaching at 11 o'clock and the Quarterly Conference at 2 o'clock p.
m. John M. Barcus, P. E.

Colorado District—First Round.
Hale Center cir, at Hale Center, Dec. 19.
In the conference at 2 o'clock p.
m. John M. Barcus, P. E.

Colorado District—First Round.
Hale Center cir, at Hale Center, Dec. 19.
In the p. m. Dec. 13, 18.
Ervay Street sta, 11 a. m. Dec. 25.
Oak Cliff sta, 11 a. m. Dec. 25.
Oak Cliff sta, 11 a. m. Jec. 25.
Oak Cliff sta, 11 a. m. Jec. 25.
Oak Lawn sta, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 1.
Wheatland, at Desoto, Jan. 1, 8.
Lancaster sta, Jan. 14.
Lancaster sta,

Jan.
Pursley, at Hopewell, 1st Sun Feb.
Mt. Vernon, at Pine Forest, 2d Sun Feb.
Sulphur Bluff, at S. B., 3d Sun Feb.
Klondike, at Klondike, 4th Sun Feb.
Lake Creek, at Enloe, 1st Sun Mch.
Birthright, at Birthright, 2d Sun Mch.
The district stewards' meeting will convene in Sulphur Springs Dec. 29, at 3 p. m.
C. B. Fladger, P. E.

Paris District-First Round. Paris District—First Round.

Paris, Bonham Street, Dec. 24, 25.

Woodland and Kanawha, at Kanawha,
Dec. 31, Jan. 1, 2.

Lamar Avenue, Jan. 4.

Marvin cir, at Reno, Jan. 7, 8.

Blossom and Sylvan, at B, Jan. 8, 9.

Centenary, Jan. 11.

of your families suffer. Encourage your preachers and your brethren by attending the quarterly meetings.

E. F. Boone, P. E.

Georgetown District—First Round.

Temple, First Church, Dec. 17, 18.

Temple, Seventh Street, Dec. 18, 19.

Pendietonville, at Cedar Creek, Dec. 18, 19.

Pendietonville, at Cedar Creek, Dec. 18, 19.

Pendieton sta, Jan. 1, 2.

Troy, at Eddy, Jan. 1, 2.

Troy, at Eddy, Jan. 21, 22.

Troy, at Eddy, Jan. 23, 29.

Holland cir, at Wilson Valley, Jan. 14, 15.

Emberson cir, at Bethel, Jan. 23, 29.

Holland cir, at Wilson Valley, Jan. 14, 15.

Emberson cir, at Bethel, Jan. 28, 29.

Alto mis, at Palestine, Feb. 18, 19.

Chicota mis, at Palestine, Feb. 18, 19.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth.

Be sure to use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winstows Soothers the child, softens the gums, all all and the palestine, The p

Bowie District—First Round.
Fruitland, Dec. 17, 18.
Bowie, Dec. 18, 19.
Rhome, Dec. 24, 25.
Boyd, Dec. 25, 26.
Bridgeport, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Paradise, Jan. 1, 2.
Bryson, Jan. 7, 8.
Jacksboro, Jan. 8, 9.
Benvanue, Jan. 14, 15.
Henrietta, Jan. 15, 16.
Blue Grove, Jan. 21, 22.
Bellevue, Jan. 22, 23.
lowa Park, Jan. 28, 29.
Wichita Falls, Jan. 29, 30.
Holliday, Feb. 4, 5.
Archer, Feb. 5, 6.
Crafton, Feb. 11, 12.
Gibtown, Feb. 18, 19.
Decatur cir, Feb. 26, 26.
Decatur sta. Feb. 26, 27.
The district stewards will meet in Bowie Wednesday, December 21, at 2:30 o'clock.
T. R. Plerce, P. E.
Bonham District—First Round. Bowie District-First Round.

Bonham District-First Round. Bonham District—First Round.

Gober, at Gober, Dec. 17.

Bailey, at Bailey, Dec. 18, 19.
Lannius, at Lannius, Dec. 22.
Lamasco, at Lamasco, Dec. 23.
Honey Grove cir, at McCrow, Dec. 24, 25.
Bonham and Ravenna, Bonham, Dec. 21.
Bonham sta, Jan. 1.
Randolph, at Edhube, Jan. 6.
Trenton, Marvin, Jan. 7.
Ector. at Ector, Jan. 7, 8.
Ladonia sta, Jan. 14, 15.
Brookston, at High, Jan. 21, 22.
Dodd, at Windom, Jan. 22, 29.
District stewards will meet at the Methodist Church in Bonham, Friday, 10:00

Tidges that break up the smoothness of their path.

Who appreciate the fact that the world was not made for them alone, and who do not always expect the best it has to offer.—Exchange.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES.

The Rock Island System and connections has authorized one fare plus two dollars for the round trip to points in Tennessee, Alabama. Mississippi, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, on December 20, 21, 22 and 26, limited thirty days for return. This system odist Church in Bonham, Friday, 10:00 a m Dec. 16 Jno. H McLean, P E

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Tyler District—First Round.

Cedar Street, Dec. 11.
Chandler, at Chandler, Dec. 11. 12.
Lindale, at Lindale, Dec. 17. 18.
Wills Pt. cir, at Wesley Ch, Dec. 21, Jan. 1
Wills Pt. cir, at Wesley Ch, Dec. 21, Jan. 1
Wills Point sta. Jan. 1, 2.
Fruitvale, at Fruitvale, Jan. 3.
Mineola, Jan. 5.
Grand Saline, Jan. 6.
Canton and Edgewood, at C. Jan. 7, 8.
Alba, at Golden, Jan. 14, 15.
Emory, at Emory, Jan. 15, 16.
Colfax, at Tunnell's Ch, Jan. 21, 22.
Snyder Springs, at China Grove, Jan. 23.
Mt, Sylvan, at Antioch, Jan. 24.
Eig Sandy, at Big Sandy, Jan. 26.
Tyler cir, at Bascom, Jan. 28, 29.
Athens, Feb. 3, 4.
Malakoff, at Malakoff, Feb. 4, 5.
White House, at W. H., Feb. 11, 12.
Marvin, Feb. 12, 13.
Edom. at Shady Grove, Feb. 19.
Meredith, at Mallard Prairie, Feb. 20, 21.
Troup and Overton, at O., Feb. 25, 26.
The district stewards will meet me in Marvin Church, Tyler, on Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 10 a. m. to adjust the assessments and assess the salary for the presiding elder. I am exceedingly anxious to have a full meeting of the board.

E. W. Solomon, P. E. Tyler District-First Round.

Calvert District—First Round.

Hearne sta, Dec. 28.
Calvert sta, Dec. 39.
Marlin sta, Jan. 1, 2.
Kosse, at Kosse, Jan. 2.
Bremond and Reagan, at R, Jan. 4.
Fairfield mis at Mt. Zion, Jan. 6.
Fairfield and Dew, at F, Jan. 7, 8.
Jewett, at Oakwoods, Jan. 14, 15.
Leon mis, at Pleasant R, Jan. 18.
Rogers Prairie, at R. P, Jan. 20.
Centerville, at Centerville, Jan. 21, 22.
Franklin sta, Jan. 25.
Petteway, at Petteway, Jan. 28, 29.
Rosebud sta, Feb. 4, 5.
Travis, at Powers Ch, Feb. 7.
Lott and Chilton, at Lott, Feb. 10.
Durango, at Blevins, Feb. 11, 12.
Wheelock, at Hickory G, Feb. 18, 19.
The district stewards will meet me a
Hearne Dec. 28, 1994.

Marshall District, First Round. Calvert District-First Round.

Marshall District-First Round

First Church sta, 11 a. m. Feb. 12.
Trinity sta, 7:30 p. m. Feb. 12.
Lewisville sta, Feb. 18, 19.
Cochran and Caruth, at Caruth, Feb. 25, 26.
McKinney District—First Round.
McKinney sta, 11 a. m. Dec. 18.
Plano sta, 7:30 p. m. Dec. 18.
Nevada sta, Dec. 24, 25.
Allen cir, at Perkins, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Weston cir, at Anna, Jan. 7, 8.
Princeton cir, at Princeton, Jan. 14, 15.
Renner cir, at Renner, Jan. 21, 22.
Wylie and Murphy, at Wylie, Jan. 28, 29.
Frisco cir, at Frisco, Feb. 4, 5.
Prosper cir, at Prosper, Feb. 11, 12.
Celina and Roseland, at C., Feb. 18, 19.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Josephine cir, at Josephine, Mch. 11, 12.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Josephine cir, at Josephine, Mch. 11, 12.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Josephine cir, at Josephine, Mch. 11, 12.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Josephine cir, at Josephine, Mch. 11, 12.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Josephine cir, at Josephine, Mch. 11, 12.
Blue Ridge cir, at Verona, Feb. 25, 26.
Copeville mis, at Copeville, Mch. 4, 5.
Farmersville sta, Apr. 1, 2.
Liwit Carriage at All Sum. Peb.
Mit. Vernon, at Pine Forest, 2d Sum Feb.
Mit. Vernon, at Pine Forest, 2d Sum Feb.
Lake Creek, at Enloe, ist Sum Mch.
Birthright, at Birthright, 2d Sum Mch.
Birthright, at Birthright, 2d Sum Mch.
Bonanza, at Rockadle, 3d Sum Mch. Longview, Kelly Memorial, Feb. 18, 29.

Coffeeville, at Cox School House, Mch 4, 5.
Beckville, at Beckville, Mch. 11. 12.

San Augustine District—First Round.
Shelbyville, at Shelbyville, Dec. 31, Jan. 1.
Center sta, Jan. 1, 2.
Garrison cir, at Caledonia, Jan. 7, 8.
Timpson sta, Jan. 3, 9.
Tenaha, at Tennessee, Jan. 14, 15.
Center sta, at Newburne, Jan. 21, 22.
Keltys cir, at Clawsons, Jan. 28, 29.
Lufkin sta, Jan. 29, 30.
Butke cir, at Burke, Feb. 4.
Nacogloches sta, Feb. 5, 6.
Melrose, at Chinero, Feb. 11, 12.
San Augustine sta, Feb. 18, 19.
Tenaha, at Fornson, Feb. 25, 26.
Minden cir, at Milam. Feb. 18, 19.
Appleby mis, at Bethlehem, Mch. 11, 12.
Cushing cir, at Pinegrove, Mch. 18, 19.
Appleby mis, at Bonita, Mch. 25, 26.
The district stewards will meet at Timpson Thursday, Dec. 29, at 7,30 p. m.
C. A. Tweer, P. E.
Dacksonville sta, Dec. 11.
Elkhart cir, at Elkhart, Dec. 17.
Cottenary Church, Palestine, 11:00 a.
Dec. 18, Groveton sta, Jan. 1, 2.
Jacksonville cir, at Larle's Ch, Jan. 7, 8, Neches cir, at Neches, Jan. 13, 15.
Brushy Creek cir, at B. C. Jan. 14, 15.
Mt. Selman cir, at Walnut Grove, Jan. 21, Willard cir, at Carmona, Jan. 28, 29.
La Rue cir, at County Line, Jan. 21, 22.
Willard cir, at Carmona, Jan. 28, 29.
La Rue cir, at County Line, Jan. 21, 22.
Willard cir, at Carmona, Jan. 28, 29.
La Rue cir, at County Line, Jan. 21, 22.
Willard cir, at Carmona, Jan. 28, 29.
La Rue cir, at Carmona, Jan. 28, 29.
La Rue Gentary in the Holidays, send us your name and address stogether with that of any of or the Holidays, send us your friends who are contemplating a similar journey, tell us where you wish to far the Holidays, send us your friends who are contemplating a similar journey, tell us where you wish to far the Holidays, send us your friends who are contemplating address stogether with that of any of or the Holidays, send us your friends who are contemplating address stogether with that of any of the tholidays, send us your friends who are contemplating address stogether with that of any of the Holidays,

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Who are lavish with their smiles and are sorry when they are obliged

Who are only so happy because they make people about them see the sunshine

Who try to jump over all the little ridges that break up the smoothness

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES.
The Rock Island System and connections has authorized one fare plus two dollars for the round trip to points in Tennessee, Alabama. Mississippi, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, on December 20, 21, 22 and 25, limited thirty days for return. This system has through service to Memphis and connects there in union depot with all lines, thus avoiding transfer across town. The General Passenger Agent, Mr. Phil Aduer, Fort Worth, Texas, will be glad to send rates from your station, details of service, connections, changes of cars, etc.

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Rate of one fare plus two dollars for round trip, limited thirty days, will be in effect December 20. 21, 22 and 26, to points in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, lowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Arkansas, lillinois, Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Missosippi, Georgia, Florida, North and South Carolina.

To Okiahoma and Indian Territory, the rate will be one fare plus fifty cents, selling December 24, 25 and 31 and January st, limited January 4th.

Locally in Texas, rate will be on convention basis, one and one-third fare for short distances and one fare plus ten per cent to points beyond one hundred miles, selling December 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, January 1, limit January 4th. See local agent or write General Passenger Agent Phil. A. Auer, Fort Worth, Texas, who will advise regarding train service, changes, schedules, etc.

One fare plus two dollars for the round trip can be secured via the "Katy" to the Old States, selling dates December 20, 21, 22 and 26, with final limit of thirty days from date of sale.

For rates and information, see any "Katy" Agent, or write W. G. CRUSH, Dallas, Texas.

Stockmen's Excursion to Denver.

On account of the annual convention of the National Live Stock Association and National Wool Growers Association, to be held at Denver, Colorado, beginning January 19, 1956, the Port Worth and Denver City Railway Company ("The Denver Road") announces a rate of one fare plus \$2 for the round trip, applicable from all points in Texas. Tickets will be sold January 7th, 8th and 9th, and will be good for return until January 3lst, and holders will be allowed stopover privilegs on the going trip at and north of Pueblo within final limit.

As many matters of vast importance to On account of the annual convention of

north of Pueblo within final limit.

As many matters of vast importance to live stock interests are to receive attention in these conventions, an unusually large attendance is expected from all sections and it goes without saying that Texas will, in all respects, be well represented.

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in Texas is over and the adjustments tianity. to new fields are made, the time for study and pulpit preparation has come. the Spirit" is well worth the cost of have been better for some of the rest I venture to call the attention of my the book. The same may be said of of us could we have first seen the light brethren in the ministry to a great the chapter on the blasphemy against book which has recently issued from the press bearing the title, "The Mission of the Holy Spirit." by Rev. J. W. communion with God the reading of nectional officers sion of the Holy Spirit." by Rev. J. W. communion with God the reading of Keithly, of the St. Louis Conference, this book will be an inspiration, and M. E. Church, South. No book on this to the preacher it has an homoletical subject since "The Tongue of Fire," value far away and beyond such peby Wm. Arthur, has so interested me riodicals as the Homoletical Review, on this vital theme. It passed to the He gives no dry skeleton, but there is ter its publication. It is a well-bound own sermonic forms. volume of 390 pages, sold by Smith & volume of 290 pages, sold by Smith & This discussion is most opportune in Lamar, Dallas, at the very reasonable this materialistic age for there can be price of \$1.25. It throbs with life and no doubt in the mad rush for wealth charms while it instructs. His argu- form and less life. ments are reinforced in every case by a "thus saith the Lord," and sparkles "Tis life whereof our nerves, our scant, with the choicest selections from Oh, life, not death, for which we nant: standard literature, both ancient and More life and fuller that we want." modern. I fully agree with a former Texas preacher, Dr. T. H. B. Anderson, who writes "To me it is a wonderful statement of Methodist Theology," and with another who states "There is not a dull or uninteresting page in it."

After a careful and I may add a

First. The work is of great histori- adults. ories that have been advanced from In the light of this investigation we see how the old, exploded irresistible force of personal testim heresies are now exploited as somerestatement of the essential doctrines of pure Christianity.

In the next place, the discussion is evangelical, proceeding along the lines of the reformers from the time of Luther, Melancthon and Zwingle to the Wesleys and his co-workers, who res- Texas, cued religion from the dead formalism of the seventeenth and eighteenth cen- Avenue, Fort Worth.

The author magnifies the offices of the Holy Spirit and rebukes the trend of this age toward formalism.

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fire and is at the same time a logical we are in danger of forgetting the argument that seems to me irrefutable. things that make for peace. There is
The author uses the purest English a decided tendency in the pulpit to and has a refreshing originality that cater to the popular taste for more

the author quotes deserves serious con- that they were! sideration

I have reached the following concluciples, which, however, useful for infathers hailed from, all marks of desions:

The work of great historic fants, promotes rather childishness in scent had vanished except the names. First. The work is of great historical value, dealing with the various the the reformation of drunkards to quacks with secret remedies. We mal Sabellius in the third century to Uni- direct efforts to save hardened sinners, tarianism in the eighteenth century, and send forth few laymen or minis-separating in this historical review the ters competent to grapple unbelievers pure from the false, the precious from and overcome them, not by argument in the plane of polemics, but by the thing new. The time has come for a advise all to get this book and read it. to the power of the Holy Ghost." H. A. BOURLAND.

POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES.

Rev. B. A. Snoddy, Cisco. Rev. F. M. Sherwood, Woodbine,

Rev. J. P. Mussett, 203 W. Central

WANTED.

A good doctor that is a member of The book is doctrinal. He deals with the M. E. Church. South, for a good to-the work of the Holy Spirit in convic- cation in my charge. For particulars Copperas Cove, Texas.

CONFERENCE ECHOES.

By Gulliver.

The North Texas Conference is a roll," all the preachers were present at call to us from the head of the column tained in that street conversation. Our and assure us that victory is in sight. preachers are giving until it bleeds to occupy the land they have so heroical-

Bonham was the most delightful I have ever attended. There was not a ripple on the surface nor a cloud in the sky. None of our preachers had "kitchen cabinet" appointments in died during the year. The reports from Sunday morning's issue of that paper. the several charges were above the average. The preachers were in good kept hot between Dallas and the Bish-health and spirits. The weather was op's room (so it was alleged), much to be desired; the speaking and preach- seems that Dallas presented the apful language of Bishop Candler, "he is came near to killing the calf." To a plum sight!" The "elderamuses" re- change the figure, there were more port that in the "Cabinet" he is the snakes in the hole than they counted soul of courtesy, and manifests a on when they poured the water in!
brotherly solicitude that is a credit to Bro. Nelms was present in the interhis head and to his heart. Bishop est of the "Summer School of Thelo-Hoss is a deeply religious man. He is gy," and the conference voted \$300 to not on the "goody-goody" order; but assist him and his faithful co-workers he has an intelligent grasp of the in securing some of the best talent in teachings of the Bible and an experimental acquaintance with Jesus Every undergraduate and every other Christ. Such a man is necessarily preaheers in Texas should attend that optimistic; and it is impossible to be near him without catching his spirit of hope and cheer. One remark indicates his well poised, Pauline view of Christian life: "A man's piety is no more ern University at Dallas, John R. is improved by starvation than by flagel- a big man in any place, and he made lation." Not that he ignores fasting at proper times, or condemns the spirit that prompts to self-sacrifice. Quite the contrary. But he repudiates that pessimistic kind of piety which pulls down the corners of the mouth, rolls that school! mark the prediction.

Dr. Hyer's face was a study while like a weary wind in a wet place. He raised a laugh on Dr. Rankin by saying that some ardent advocate of missions to the "Mountain Whites," had refer-red to the doughty Doctor as a specimen of what might be accompli by the education and culture of that belated people. But our popular editor retarted that the Bishop himself was reared among the mountains; The chapter on "The Dispensation of whereupon I reflected that it would

Drs. Lamar, Ward, DuBose, Hamm!l, Whisner and Watkins were the connectional officers present. They all made good "hits" before the confer-ence. When Dr. DuBose "came on to be heard," as the lawyers say, I arranged my proboscis for a sniff of "Cossia and alloes out of the ivory palaces;" but what was my surpriseea, a general surprise-when the good Doctor flung bouquets to the bow-wows and launched out into one of wows and launched out into one of the man that the antis dread. Then help for meetings and did not fix place the most taking speeches ever deliverable came Cyclone Davis, and his wit, logic, and date, please let me know the date ered before our conference. It was a and eloquence literally got up cyclonic and place as soon as possible. Those side-splitter from start to finish, and when he had done the people rushed forward and subscribed for the Era, like country folks at a fair rushing for the tent of a fakir when the fakir has finished his song. Some of the Doctor's peripatetic confreres made like they had heard those tales before, and Dr. Buckley, whose words of wisdom refused to laugh-envious wretches

Dr. Watkins rang the bell on his list The Churches are pursuing a course of foreign names among the preachers which shows how little confidence we in Texas and the Indian Territory. He have in the power of God. Our methods of securing accessions proceed increasingly upon the kindergarten printage of these which here were the confidence we in Texas and the Indian Territory. He have making the point that our American confidence we in Texas and the Indian Territory. He have in the power of God. scent had vanished except the names. To illustrate this he said that "Bro Boaz said that Bro. Limberger told him that Bro. Sensabaugh had told Bro. Knickerbocker that Bro. Eaglebarger was going to assist Bro. Hunka-pillar in a meeting." This tore off the aw! Boaz, Eaglebarger and Hunkapillar were present, and it was amuse ing to notice them glance at each other, cross their legs, change their quids and modestly balance their hon-The general verdict was that 'Watkins was a dandy."

The North Texas Conference subscribed \$16,400 toward the endowment of the Southwestern University, Nine tenths of this amount were given by the preachers. Concerning this, an intelligent Baptist minister who was present, remarked to me as we walked away from the conference room, that the difference between the Methodists and Baptists as it concerns the support of their denominational institu- will continue through the 30th. 1. Les tions was that with us the preachers

he, "our big rallies and get our people -lay people-together; have wise men 'who know what Israel ought to do,' to instruct them; and when they fine body of men. The majority are are thus instructed and in this way in-young and vigorous, and it does not formed, they respond nobly to the calls take the ken of a prophet to forecast of the several interests of the Church. future. With the exception of a few givers I know of, but your laymen of our oldest brethren on the "honor seem to be either wofully in alarmingly indifferent to their duty in these matters." It would pay the our late session in the city of Bonham. these matters." It would pay the We missed those dear old soldiers Methodist Church in Texas to employ whose presence among us is like that Baptist preacher to canvas the "sunny spots in a shady place." They State and press the propositions con-May the Lord spare them yet many support the institutions of Methodism, years to inspire and encourage us who while thousands of our wealthy laymen either give nothing, or a mere pitwon! tance compared with their ability to The session of the conference at give! It is a shame—a measley shame!

Some of our bright young preachers, who wished a little fun, loaded the Dallas News reporter and got in some The result was that the wires op's room (so it was alleged), much to ideal; the entertainment all that could the annoyance of that prelate. It ing were an a high plane, and the so-pearance of a "rough house" until as-cial and Christian fellowship was lovely in the extreme. Bishop Hoss is an epert with the gavel, and as a was all a joke. The "boys" meant no preacher, to use the homely but force-harm; but in "shooting at the cat they

Medical Department of the Southwest-

a fine impression on our conference. Bro. Kilgore, the Financial Agent of the Southwestern is, to use one of Sam Jones' phrases, "the slickest duck in

the big collection for the endowment was being taken. Poor fellow! his heart and soul are in that school. I watched him I thanked God that the Church possessed such intelligent and consecrated men.

There was-but these "echoes" have reverberated far enough. "There are others" of whom I would speak, and

Denison, Texas.

THE ELECTION PANOLA COUNTY.

I guess you noticed in Sunday's News how dry Panola County went Dunn and his accomplished helper last Saturday? Two years ago, when were in the parsonage at Junction the antis had their guns and ammuni-ready and full of faith and hope for a tion, it was all that our forces could do to win the fight with the small majority of 46, but this time they went down labors.
and buried by nearly 800 majority.
Granvill Jones (the man of all men who gets results) spent three days in our county. Jones is above all others waves in the hearts of our people, and who know me and want my assistance the victory was easy. Our people are in meetings write me at Lometa, Texthankful, and if the next Legislature as. Those who do not know me and thankful, and if the next Legislature as. Those who do not know me and will pass a law which will make us immunes from the jug business, then we red to Rev. J. M., Alexander, Austin, will be satisfied. The work that the Texas.: Theo. Lee, Burnet, Texas, and Advocate has done for humanity by J. D. Scott, San Angelo, Texas. They opening the eyes of the people and then keeping them posted cannot be fixing my list of meetings for the year. Burnet, Texas.

D. A. GREGG. persuaded that all denominations would take it if they knew the good it is doing. Long may it remain in the hands of wise men that much good may be done for the people in the name of the Lord

R. F. HARNESBERGER. Beckville, Texas.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Members of the Methodist Benevolent and Fraternal Association need not become impatient over the delay in forwarding their certificates. Your protection is safe and secure, as each one is protected on the receipt of application with entrance dues. The delay is caused by the absence of J. H. Shumaker from office in Nashville. Your certificates will be sent out as soon as he can do so. F. A. WHITE, Sec.-Treas.,

West Texas Auxiliary.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Clarendon District.

The Clarendon District Conference will convene at Clarendon, Texas, April 28, 1905, at 8:30 a, m., and th us take our collections early and gedid most of the giving, whereas with them out of the way 2. A revival in the Baptists it was the laymen—the every charge. 3. Emphasize our mismen who had money—who did the sionary interests and Christian educabulk of the giving. "We have," said



MARRIAGES.

Lane-Kerr.—At Joy, Texas, Dec. 11, 1904, Mr. Ed Lane, of Plano, Texas, and Miss Bessie Kerr, Rev. J. A. Kerr officiating.

Knittel-McCain.--At the residence of the bride's parents, Taylor, Texas, Dec. 11, 1904, Mr. Chas. H. Knittel, of Burton, Texas, and Miss Pearl Mc-Cain, Rev. J. C. Mimms officiating.

Ammans Green.-At the home of the bride, near Palace, Van Zandt County, Texas, Dec. 11, 1904, at 2 p. m., Mr. Matthew Ammans and Miss Janie Green, Rev. J. F. Everitt officiating.

Kellis-Hines .- At the home of the writer, near Palace, Van Zandt County, Texas, Dec. 11, 1904, at 4 p. m., Mr. Lewis Kellis and Miss Hattie Hines, Rev. J. F. Everitt officiating.

Stonecipher Higgins .- At the resi-John R. Neims was present in his dence of the bride's parents, near Mar-ew role as Commissioner for the tindale, Texas, Dec. 5, 1904, Mr. ledical Department of the Southwest- Charlie Stonecipher, of Oxford, Ala., and Miss Addie Higgins, Rev. W. A. Scott, officiating,

Pritchard-Kinnebrew. - At Water Valley, Texas, Dec. 4, 1904, Mr. Marion Pritchard and Miss Susa Kinnebrew, Rev. D. C. Ross officiating.

Dollar-Caloway.—Dec. 4, 1904, Mr. Horace Dollar and Miss Nina Caloway. Rev. J. P. Mussett officiating.

Brown-Mitchell.-At the Methodist Church in Lynn Fat, Nacogdoches County, Texas, Nov. 20, 1904, Rev. M. I. Brown and Miss Allie Mitchell, Rev. C. A. Tower officiating

Driver Foster.—At Dr. Hall's, New York, Texas, Dec. 8, 1904, Mr. Ed Driver and Mrs. Willie Foster, Rev. Dr. Hall officiating.

Dunn-Guthrie.—At Eden. Nov. 20, 1904, Rev. Sidney C. Dunn and Miss Mattie Guthrie, Rev. D. C. Ross officiating.
A few days after the nuptials Bro.

ready and full of faith and hope for a year of pastoral labor at that place. God bless them, their people, and their labors. D. C. ROSS.

NOTICE TO MY BRETHREN.

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