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NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The twenty-seventh session of the North Texas Conference convened in the Court-house, in the city of Wichita Falls, November 29, 1893, at 9 a. m., Bishop A. W. Wilson in the chair. Religious services were conducted by the Bishop reading Luke 16 and singing hymn 221.

After Rev. C. I. McWhirter, the Secretary of the last session, had called the roll, he was re-elected Secretary, with Revs. P. C. Archer and O. S. Thomas as assistants.

The bar was fixed at the rear of the third window from the front. The hours for meeting and adjournment were fixed at 8:30 a. m. and 12 m.

The following committees were then appointed:

Bible Cause.—J. F. Archer, J. N. Hunter, Robt. Kerr, S. W. Miller, J. D. Foshee, T. J. Wilson, W. D. Yeager, J. D. Garland, J. B. Adair.

Memoirs.—W. A. Edwards, J. R. Allen, T. J. Milam, S. C. Riddle.

Epworth League.—J. W. Hill, P. C. Archer, W. F. Clark, J. F. Pierce, C. S. Sexton, S. A. Ashburn, C. M. Harless, R. C. Hicks, J. M. Nichols, C. E. Lamb.

Conference Relations.—R. N. Brown, C. B. Fladger, A. F. Hendrix, J. H. Reynolds, J. B. Guber, J. E. Vinson, Stuart Nelson, E. B. Thompson.

Books and Periodicals.—J. F. Alderson, W. B. Patterson, A. S. Whitehurst, J. F. Barlow, W. H. Lemons, J. H. Bowman, B. H. Scott, H. H. Robertson, F. M. Bishop.

Church Property.—P. L. Smith, E. B. Perkins, W. A. Kelsey, W. M. P. Rippey, R. A. Morris, M. H. Whaley, W. H. Huddle, J. O. A. Whaley, H. H. Smith, J. H. White.

Distric Conference Records.—F. B. Carroll, W. D. Mountcastle, H. N. Tuck, C. C. Davis, C. B. Carter, P. A. Edwards, J. L. Morris, E. G. Knight, J. A. Hunter, H. O. Moore.

Public Worship.—R. M. Powers, F. O. Miller, H. T. Moore.

A communication from the Book Agents, Barbee & Smith, was read and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

A communication from the Parent Sunday-school Board was read and referred to the Conference Board. Also a communication from the Parent Board of Church Extension, after reading, was referred to the Conference Board.

A communication from the Committee on General Conference Entertainment was referred to the Joint Board of Finance.

Two new committees were then appointed, to-wit: Auditing Committee, J. F. Archer, J. A. Wyatt and P. A. Kelsey, On Paline and Lane Institutes, J. R. Allen, W. D. Mountcastle and M. L. Hamilton.

A communication from Lane Institute was referred to the Committee on Paline and Lane Institutes.

A report from the Joint Board of Publication of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE was read and referred to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

Reports from the Curators and Trustees of the Southwestern University were read and referred to the Board of Education.

A communication from the Parent Board of Missions was read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

Question 20 was then called, and the following names were called, their characters passed, and they were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Supernumerary and Superannuated Relations: For supernumerary—T. B. Norwood, J. C. Randle, I. M. Woodward, Superannuated: J. L. Angel, L. P. Lively, J. B. Rabb, W. R. Davis, W. P. Read, R. Lane, R. G. Rainey, M. C. Blackburn, J. W. Chalk, A. C. McDougal, A. H. Brewer, J. R. Randall and R. R. Nelson.

The names of the several presiding elders were also called and their characters passed. They are: E. W. Alderson, George T. Nichols, J. A. Stafford, W. L. Clifton, O. P. Thomas, F. A. Rosser, J. M. Binkley, R. M. Powers, C. L. Ballard and J. R. Wages.

Question 1 was then taken up and the following persons were admitted on trial: William C. Pryor, Lewis S. Barton, Charles A. Tower, Pat G. Huffman, Sterling P. Pirtle, Charles W. Glanville, Miller C. Hill, Homer L. Jamieson, W. T. Harris and Jackson P. Lowery.

Question 2: Who remain on trial? Answer: Z. V. Liles, Z. B. Pirtle, J. C. B. Turrentine, I. J. Coppedge, J. C. Clark, N. C. Little, R. H. Kimball, C. M. Shuffler, A. R. Sellers and F. L. Farrington. W. C. Wallace and W. K. Strother were discontinued at their own request.

Question 3: What traveling preachers are elected deacons? Answer: W. D. Morrow, H. M. Pirtle, W. E. Jordan, J. M. Sweeton, E. C. McVoy, J. M. Nichols, Guy A. Jamieson, I. S. Smith, W. D. Wheeler was discontinued at his own request.

The name of Joseph Jamieson was called, and pending the consideration of his case the conference adjourned, on motion, to meet at 2 p. m. this afternoon. Benediction by the Bishop.

to the presiding elder of the Bonham District.

A committee of trial was appointed in the case of M. L. Blaylock. The name of A. W. Clark was called and it having been stated that he had left his work in the interim of the conference, a committee was appointed in his case also.

After considerable discussion Bro. Jamieson was discontinued.

Question 1 was resumed. Who are admitted on trial? Answer: Geo. A. Marvin.

A paper signed by J. A. Wyatt and W. D. Mountcastle, urging the payment of subscriptions to the North Texas Female College in view of a debt hanging over that property of about \$800 not covered by the gift of Mrs. Halsell. Referred to the Board of Education.

The Bishop then announced the following committees of investigation and of trial:

On the case of M. L. Blaylock: I. S. Ashburn, C. B. Fladger, Geo. S. Sexton, J. L. Angel, T. J. Milam, B. T. Hayes, W. T. Ayers, L. P. Smith, P. L. Smith and S. C. Riddle.

On J. R. Jones' case: J. H. McLean, J. R. Allen, L. P. Lively, H. C. Rogers, J. E. Vinson, C. C. Williams, C. M. Harless.

On A. W. Clark's case: T. R. Pierce, C. L. Ballard and J. A. Wyatt.

The conference then adjourned with the benediction by Rev. J. M. Binkley.

SECOND DAY.

The conference met at the appointed hour and was opened with religious services conducted by Rev. L. P. Lively.

The minutes of yesterday's morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved.

Reports from the North Texas Female College and the Scarritt Bible and Training School were read and referred to the Board of Education.

Question 7 was then taken up: Who are the deacons of one year? Answer: J. W. Beckham, J. W. Murphy, J. M. Peterson, W. B. Walker, J. W. Clifton, J. F. Pierce, J. C. Carr, T. H. Morris, D. P. Brown, J. P. Rodgers and L. H. McGee.

J. T. Kirkpatrick, J. D. Hudgins and D. W. Gardner were left in the class of the third year.

Question 12: What traveling preachers are elected elders? Answer: J. A. Kerr, J. L. Morris, W. A. Stuckey, R. C. Hicks, J. M. Dunn, W. H. Brown, L. A. Hanson, J. C. Fowler, L. L. Nangle and L. H. McGee.

Question 10: What local preachers are elected deacons? Answer: Geo. M. Fletcher, Chas. A. Tower, Robt. F. Wilson, A. R. Sellers.

Question 14: What local preachers are elected elders? Answer: I. J. Coppedge, N. R. Carson, Dallas W. Luter and Robt. M. Kerr.

Joseph B. Trammell, a local deacon from the Chico charge, asked for the restoration of his credentials. Request granted.

Rev. I. Z. T. Morris came forward and presented his Book Depository at Fort Worth.

Question 20 was resumed and the following brethren made their reports and their characters were passed: J. F. Alderson, W. J. Owens, M. M. Dunn, J. H. Hunter, W. J. Bludworth, A. C. Benson, J. L. Angel and J. W. Hill.

The Bishop had been announced to preach at 11 o'clock, and it being now 10:45, Rev. R. M. Powers was called to the chair and the Bishop retired. After divers and sundry announcements had been made, on motion the conference took a recess.

The Bishop preached a magnificent sermon to a packed house, after which the conference adjourned and proceeded to destroy many Thanksgiving turkeys and other good and wholesome things.

THIRD DAY.

The conference was opened at the appointed hour with reading the Scriptures and prayer by Rev. I. S. Ashburn. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Question 20 was taken up and the name of Rev. E. S. Boyd was called, his character was passed and he was located at his own request.

Dr. J. H. McLean reported for the committee in the case of J. R. Jones. Defendant suspended for twelve months.

Question 20 resumed and the following names were called, their reports made and their characters were passed: E. L. Spragins, W. F. Clark, P. L. Smith, J. F. Archer, W. H. Stephenson, C. L. McWhirter, C. B. Fladger, O. S. Thomas, W. S. May, Samuel Weaver, John H. McLean, J. R. Allen, H. O. Moore, J. B. White, J. E. Smith, H. M. Pirtle (continued in class of second year), D. J. Martin, W. B. Patterson, E. B. Thompson, E. C. DeJernett, William Hay, S. C. Riddle, J. B. Minnis, W. R. Manning, J. Woodson, S. A. Ashburn, Stuart Nelson, C. B. Carter, James McDugald, A. S. Whitehurst, G. C. Hardy (committee in case of A. W. Clark reported no ground for trial and he was granted an honorable location), P. C. Archer, E. M. Murrill, E. S. Williams, J. T. Bludworth, P. R. Eaglebarger, C. H. Peele, J. B. Guber, J. F. Sherwood, M. G. Jenkins, J. H. Keith, R. N. Brown, C. M. Harless, W. D. Mountcastle, A. W. Gibson, W. H. Hughes, W. M. Robbins, J. M. McKee, T. J. Milam, L. F. Palmer, W. A. Coppedge, R. S. Gorsline, H. K. Agee, J. B. Powers, I. S. Ashburn, S. C. Cobb, Josiah Godbey, J. A. Wright, W. M. P. Rippey, S. Crutchfield, C. E. Lamb, A. F. Hendrix, G. H. Adams, J. C. Weaver, T. R. Pierce, J. E. Vinson, W. M. Leatherwood, S. W. Miller, L. L. Ball, T. J. Beckham, J. D. Whitehead, C. C. Davis, W. G. Graham, H.

P. Shradar, T. L. Miller, L. P. Smith, W. L. Harrison, H. C. Rogers, B. H. Webster, F. M. Sherwood, B. H. Bounds, W. T. Ayers, F. C. Pearson, F. B. Carroll, F. O. Miller, C. C. Williams and T. J. Minnis.

The name of W. H. Hughes was at this point referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

Rev. R. M. Powers presented to the Bishop, in a short, felicitous speech, a fine gold-headed cane on behalf of the conference. The response of the Bishop was characteristic, and was well received by the conference.

The class to be received into full connection was then called before the Bishop, and, after a very fine, practical lecture by him, they were all admitted. The names in that class are: I. W. Clark, J. M. Sweeton, E. C. McVoy, J. M. Nichols, G. A. Jamieson and I. S. Smith.

The committee in the case of M. L. Blaylock reported through the Chairman, Rev. J. F. Archer. He was expelled from the Church.

Bonham was chosen as the place for holding the next session of the conference.

The following transfers were then brought forward and introduced: Rev. T. E. Sherwood, from the Denver conference; Rev. J. M. Langston and J. D. Scoggins, from the North Mexico conference; Rev. E. H. Casey, from the North Mississippi conference.

To-morrow, at 10 a. m., was fixed as the time for the election of delegates to General Conference.

Rev. J. R. Allen submitted the report from the Committee on Paline and Lane Institutes. Adopted.

Rev. W. F. Easterling resigned his place as a member of the Joint Board of Publication of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and Rev. I. S. Ashburn was elected to fill the vacancy.

C. I. McWhirter was elected as editor of the minutes and a collection was taken to remunerate him for the work. The conference ordered 1500 copies.

The Committee on Divine Service announced the following services this evening at 7:30: At Methodist Church, Dr. J. D. Barbee; at Presbyterian Church, C. B. Fladger; at Baptist Church, B. H. Bounds; at Campbellite Church, D. J. Martin.

After other announcements for many other meeting, boards, committees, etc., had been made, the conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. E. W. Alderson.

FOURTH DAY.

The conference was opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Adair. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved. The Committee on Colportage submitted its report. Adopted. The report was against depositaries.

The report of the Joint Board of Finance was read and adopted. Also the report of the Committee on District Conference Journals. Rev. W. H. Vaughan, of the Northwest Texas Conference, read an address from that body to this conference concerning the Orphan's Home at Waco. The address was referred to a Special Committee. The Committee on the Bible Cause reported, and after a few timely and appropriate remarks by the Bishop, it was adopted. The Committee on Books and Periodicals submitted its report, pending the adoption of which the hour having arrived for the election of delegates to the General Conference, the report was laid on the table.

The Committee on Conference Relations reported after the adoption of which the ballot was spread and the following delegates to the General Conference were elected on the first ballot: Clerical—R. M. Powers, E. W. Alderson, James W. Hill and J. H. McLean. Lay—E. B. Perkins, B. M. Burgher and J. A. Weaver.

Rev. M. A. Smith, a transfer from the Indian Mission Conference was announced and his name was entered upon the roll of this conference.

The Committee on Divine Service announced that the missionary anniversary would be held in the conference room (the Court-house) at 7:30 this evening, and that Dr. J. D. Barbee and J. W. Hill would speak and take the collection. The Committee also announced the following appointments for Sunday:

Love-feast 9:30 a. m. at Court House, conducted by B. H. Bounds. Preaching by Bishop Wilson 11 a. m., followed by the ordination of deacons, at night by Joseph Jamieson. The following were ordained deacons: E. C. McVoy, J. M. Nichols, G. A. Jamieson, Geo. M. Fletcher, Chas. A. Tower, Robt. F. Wilson, A. R. Sellers and Cornelius T. Gore.

At Methodist Church—11 a. m., L. P. Lively; at night by M. H. Neely. Baptist Church—11 a. m., E. W. Alderson; at night, M. C. Little. Christian Church—11 a. m., J. W. Hill; at night, E. L. Spragins.

Northern Presbyterian Church—11 a. m., C. M. Threadgill; at night, H. O. Moore. Southern Presbyterian Church—11 a. m., J. F. Alderson; at night, E. H. Casey.

Colored Baptist Church—3 p. m., W. H. Stephenson; at night, B. H. Bounds.

The hour for adjournment having arrived the conference, on motion, adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m. to complete the election, as two more clerical and three lay delegates were yet to be elected.

Benediction by Rev. O. P. Thomas.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The conference met at 2:30 p. m. and was opened with religious services conducted by Rev. J. R. Allen. The Bishop took the chair. The reading of the minutes of the morning session was deferred until Monday and the balloting for delegates was resumed with the following result: Clerical—

W. L. Clifton and J. M. Binkley. Lay—H. N. Tuck, Rev. R. A. Morris and W. A. Cann. Alternates: Clerical—T. R. Pierce and J. R. Allen. Lay—F. H. Welch and B. H. Scott.

The report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals was then taken from the table, and after speeches by Jas. W. Hill and J. H. McLean, the report was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Sunday-school Board, submitted by Rev. E. B. Thompson, was also adopted.

The report of the Special Committee on the Orphan Home was submitted by Dr. McLean. Committee recommended the appointment of a Commissioner to represent this conference in a Board of Commissioners created by the united action of the several Texas Annual Conferences. Dr. J. H. McLean was appointed Commissioner.

An addendum to the report on Books and Periodicals was read by Rev. W. B. Patterson, asking that a copy of the contract between the publisher of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE and the Joint Board of Publication be filed with the Secretary of this Conference. Adopted.

The report of the Board of Education was submitted by Dr. McLean, pending action upon which the conference adjourned to meet Sunday at 3 p. m. for the memorial service and the ordination of elders.

FIFTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The conference met at 3 p. m., to hear the report of the Committee on Memoirs, and was opened with prayer by Dr. J. D. Barbee. The Bishop then took the chair, waived the reading of the minutes of the previous session, and called for the report on memoirs, which was presented by the Chairman, Rev. W. A. Edwards. The report set forth the sad intelligence that Rev. C. N. Riggan, U. B. Phillips, A. D. McVoy and D. P. Brown had passed from labor to reward since the last session of the conference. A paper setting forth the leading facts in the life and death of each was read by the following brethren: On Bro. Phillips, Rev. W. A. Edwards; on Bro. Riggan, Rev. T. J. Milam; on Bro. Brown, Rev. J. R. Allen; on Bro. McVoy, Rev. S. C. Riddle. The following brethren spoke, paying touching and brotherly tributes to the memory of the deceased: Rev. W. L. Clifton, J. R. Wages, W. A. Edwards, J. M. Binkley, J. R. Allen and O. P. Thomas.

The report was then adopted.

A resolution was also adopted expressing the sorrow of this conference at the death of Bro. J. W. Falton, of Paris, a devoted layman, and for years a delegate to this conference and to the General Conference. The resolution was signed by J. R. Allen and P. C. Archer.

The following elders elect were then called before the Bishop and ordained: J. A. Kerr, J. L. Morris, W. A. Stuckey, R. C. Hicks, J. M. Dunn, L. A. Hanson, W. H. Brown, J. C. Fowler, L. H. McGee and L. L. Nangle.

The conference then adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

SIXTH DAY.

The conference met at the usual hour and was opened with religious services, conducted by Rev. R. M. Powers. The minutes of the two previous sessions were read and approved.

Report No. 3 of the Board of Education, having been laid over from Saturday, was taken up, and after some discussion, was adopted.

D. J. H. McLean addressed the conference.

J. H. Bowman, of Plano, was elected to fill a vacancy on the Board of Managers of the North Texas Female College.

Rev. S. C. Riddle, Secretary of the Board of Missions, announced the assessments upon the conference for another year.

Dr. J. R. Allen added some timely and appropriate remarks upon the needs of domestic missions.

The report of the Board of Church Extension was read and adopted.

Also a report from the Woman's Home Mission and Parsonage Society. The Sunday-school Board made a supplementary report asking for an agent and proposing to give him \$250 for his services. Request was granted.

Rev. J. J. Clark submitted the report on the Epworth League, which on motion was adopted.

J. A. Wyatt was elected Financial Agent of the North Texas Female College, with special reference to the collection of the notes and accounts due that school.

The report of the Committee on Paline and Lane Institutes was read and adopted.

Pending the preparation of the report of the Auditing Committee, Rev. J. R. Allen represented his work in the Ladies' Annex of the Southwestern University.

On motion, Rev. L. P. Lively was requested to preach on the first night of the next conference session his semi-centennial sermon.

The Auditing Committee then submitted its report.

On motion a Standing Committee on Memoirs was appointed, with Rev. W. A. Edwards as chairman.

The following resolution, signed by J. W. Hill and C. I. McWhirter, was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this conference are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Wichita Falls for the very cordial and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body during its present session, and to the county authorities for the use of their comfortable and commodious court-house, and to the several Christian denominations for the use of their houses of worship, and to

the Fort Worth and Denver, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the Cotton Belt and the Texas and Pacific Railroads for reduced rates to and from the seat of the conference.

The minutes were then read and the Bishop, after brief and pointed remarks, read the following:

APPOINTMENTS.

Dallas District.
E. W. ALDERSON, P. E.
Dallas, First Church and South Dallas—E. L. Spragins, C. B. Carter; W. H. Hughes, supernumerary. Dallas, Floyd Street—W. F. Clark. Dallas, Trinity—C. M. Threadgill. Dallas, Oak Lawn—J. B. Lewis. Dallas, City Mission—L. A. Hanson. Cochran and Caruth—P. L. Smith. McKinney—F. O. Miller. Bethel—J. W. Blackburn. Renner—M. W. Shearer. Lewisville—J. A. Edwards. Grapevine—H. P. Shradar. Argyle—B. H. Webster. Smithfield—H. K. Agee. North Fort Worth—W. S. May. Southwestern University—J. H. McLean, Regent; J. R. Allen, Professor.

Terrell District.
C. B. FLADGER, P. E.
Terrell Station—P. C. Archer. Kaufman—D. J. Martin. Wills Point Station—W. A. Edwards. Rockwall and Royse—J. M. Nichols. Garland—J. B. Adair. Mesquite—D. T. Brown. Forney—W. E. Jordan. Chisholm—J. A. Thomas. Poetry—J. H. White. Kemp—J. A. Kerr. Wills Point Circuit—G. A. Marvin. Crandall—J. J. Coppedge.

Greenville District.
J. A. STAFFORD, P. E.
Greenville—F. H. Carroll. Farmersville—J. C. Weaver. Weston—S. W. Miller. Floyd and Merit—W. M. Hay. Nevada—C. I. McWhirter. Celeste and Lane—J. M. Peterson. Clinton—Charles M. Keith. Allen—J. B. Minnis. Leonard and White Rock Mission—M. M. Dunn, Guy A. Jamieson. Blue Ridge—J. H. Hunter. Kingston—W. J. Bludworth. Wylie—C. C. Little. Emory—W. T. Harris, R. H. Kimball. Oak Oak—E. M. Murrill. Anna—J. P. Rogers. Roberts—A. C. Benson. Assistant Editor TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE—J. W. Hill.

Sulphur Springs District.
W. L. CLIFTON, P. E.
Sulphur Springs Station—E. H. Casey. Sulphur Springs Mission—J. M. Dunn. Pittsburg—W. B. Patterson. Mt. Pleasant—E. B. Thompson. Sulphur Bluff—H. M. Pirtle. Mt. Vernon—J. N. Hunter. Commerce—E. C. DeJernett. Cooper—C. W. Glanville. Fairlee—S. Weaver. Campbell—J. M. Sweeton. Black Jack Grove—J. W. Beckham. Leesburg—L. H. McGee. Quitman—C. A. Tower. Willsboro—R. C. Hicks. Carrollton—W. T. Morrow. Gilmer—J. C. Carr. Winfield—S. W. Jones.

Jefferson District.
O. P. THOMAS, P. E.
Jefferson—A. S. Whitehurst. Hughes' Springs—Julian Woodson. Coffeewill—W. M. Manning. Daingerfield—W. J. Owens. Atlanta—T. J. Milam. Texarkana, State Line and Fairview—Desatur Station—O. S. Thomas. Denton Station—J. F. Pierce. Woodbine Circuit—H. L. Jamieson. Dexter—J. W. Clifton. Marysville—L. L. Ball, M. D. Hill. Era and Valley View—J. C. Moore. Roseton—T. J. Beckham. Decatur Circuit—J. D. Whitehead. Denton Circuit—C. M. Shuffler. Aubrey—C. C. Davis. Mountain Springs—F. L. Farrington. Sanger—Z. V. Liles. Greenwood—A. R. Sellers. Aurora—J. W. Murphy. Dye Mound—Z. B. Pirtle. Sunday-school Agent—M. A. Smith.

Gainesville District.
R. M. POWERS, P. E.
Gainesville, Denton Street—T. R. Pierce. Gainesville, Broadway—J. E. Vinson. Denton Station—O. S. Thomas. Denton Station—J. F. Pierce. Woodbine Circuit—H. L. Jamieson. Dexter—J. W. Clifton. Marysville—L. L. Ball, M. D. Hill. Era and Valley View—J. C. Moore. Roseton—T. J. Beckham. Decatur Circuit—J. D. Whitehead. Denton Circuit—C. M. Shuffler. Aubrey—C. C. Davis. Mountain Springs—F. L. Farrington. Sanger—Z. V. Liles. Greenwood—A. R. Sellers. Aurora—J. W. Murphy. Dye Mound—Z. B. Pirtle. Sunday-school Agent—M. A. Smith.

Montague District.
W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.
Montague and Belcher—T. L. Miller. Bowie Station—W. A. Stuckey. Bellevue—L. P. Smith. St. Jo Station—E. C. McVoy. Bonita and Illinois—J. D. Scoggins. Nocona and Burlington—H. C. Rogers. Sunset—F. M. Sherwood. Crofton—H. E. Smith. Chico—B. H. Bounds. Alvord—W. T. Ayres; J. R. Randle, supernumerary. Post Oak—F. C. Pearson. Henrietta—Geo. S. Sexton. Wichita Falls Station—Geo. F. Boyd. Iowa Park and Beaver—J. J. Minnis. Holliday—C. C. Williams; T. B. Norwood, supernumerary. Archer City—J. M. Langston. Blue Grove—J. D. Hudgins.

Sherman District.
J. M. BINKLEY, P. E.
Sherman, Travis Street—I. S. Ashburn. Sherman, Willow Street—J. J. Clark. Sherman Circuit—G. H. Adams. Bells and Savoy—Josiah Godbey. Van Alstyne—J. A. Wyatt. Denison Station—W. M. P. Rippey. Denison Mission—L. S. Barton. Pottsboro and Preston—T. E. Sherwood. Gordonville—I. S. Smith. Pilot Point—C. E. Lamb. Whitesboro Station—A. F. Hendrix. Whitesboro Circuit—S. Crutchfield. Pilot Grove—W. H. Brown. Collinsville—S. S. Cobb. Whitewright—J. F. Archer. Howe—J. H. Reynolds.

Bonham District.
J. R. WAGES, P. E.
Bonham Station—W. M. Leatherwood. Bonham Circuit—R. N. Brown. South Bonham—L. L. Nangle. Dodd—C. H. Peele. Honey Grove—J. F. Alderson. Petty and White Rock—A. W. Gibson. Ladonia—C. M. Harless. Wolfe City—S. C. Riddle. Ben Franklin—J. M. McKee. Brookston—W. H. Stephenson. Randolph—L. F. Palmer. Fannin—W. B. Walker. Lake Creek—R. S. Gorsline.

TRANSFERRED.—J. H. Keith, to Western North Carolina Conference; M. G. Jenkins, to East Texas Conference; J. B. Nutter, to East Texas Conference.

NOTES.

—The transfer of I. N. Crutchfield from the New Mexico Conference to the North Texas did not reach Bishop Wilson in time for him to give Bro. C. work. Though he was left without an appointment, he has labored too long and faithfully in this conference for the brethren to let him need. He is a fine revivalist and will get all he can do helping the brethren here and there in their meetings. May the Lord bless dear old Ike and his little family!

—Bishop Wilson made more changes at this session of the conference than has taken place for years. As the old colored brother said of his quails, they were scattered "hither and yon," but there was little or no complaint. These Texas preachers have an apostolic grip on the work of the Lord. All they want is a fair, honest deal.

—The Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society had a big rally at conference. Quite a number of the elect ladies were in attendance, among whom were Sisters R. W. Thompson, F. B. Carroll (who was elected President), L. P. Smith, Viola Hunt, F. A. Rosser, W. S. May and W. H. Purcell, who is the Conference Organizer. The ladies are doing a fine work and I hope to see an auxiliary established in every Church in Texas this conference year. Brethren, "help those women who labor with us in the Lord."

—N. rth Texas Conference Brotherhood largely increased its membership at this session of the conference. Any brother desiring to become a member in the interim of the conference can do so by sending his name and one dollar to Rev. J. A. Wyatt, Van Alstyne, Texas. Bro. Wyatt will also furnish copies of the Constitution and By-laws to any one desiring to investigate the matter with a view of becoming a member.

—A collection was taken Saturday evening at the conference for missions, amounting to \$83.40. R. A. Morris, of Pittsburg, and B. M. Burgher, of Dallas, walked up and duplicated each the amount given. Such men as Burgher and Morris do not grow in every fence corner in this, nor any other country, and I was glad when the delegation of intelligent laymen sent them both to the General Conference. Lest some might suspicion that their generosity was an electioneering scheme, I am glad to state that the vote had already been taken.

—In consequence of reporting the doings of two conferences this week our subscribers must pardon us if we are a little late in reaching them.

—Two new presiding elders were put to work at this conference—Revs. W. D. Mountcastle and C. B. Fladger. These beloved have both been in that place before, and the harness will fit them nicely—though, to tell the truth, the straps, and at least one of the bands, will have to be let out a little in order to meet the increased demands of the growing corporosity of "Old Fladger."

—The North Texas, like the Northwest Texas Conference, is too big. The Committee on Boundaries at the next General Conference will have to relieve us in some way.

—There is a fine panel of strong young men coming on in the North Texas Conference. Unless I am much deceived the Church is going to be proud of them.

—This reporter, in a speech before the conference, spoke of the days when he used to be a missionary in West Texas, and remarked that on one occasion he ran several Indians quite a distance, when a voice called out: "You were in the lead, were you not?" Of course everybody laughed, but the fun did not stop there. At a subsequent session Rev. J. C. Weaver, in taking a collection for a brother, had occasion to speak of his record as an itinerant in the same territory, and informed the conference that he had preceded this scribe three years in that wild and woolly country, and that he had seen but one Indian in his entire travels. This brought down the house and persuaded all present that the Indian race aforesaid took place only in the mind of this reporter.

—My home and that of Rev. E. L. Spragins was in the family of Mr. P. H. Hawkins, a merchant of that place and a cultivated and intelligent gentleman, who, with his good Methodist wife, made "Old Sprag" and this

writer feel perfectly at home. Indeed, I think Spragins felt more than at home; and if he eats at the parsonage in Dallas like he did at our home in Wichita Falls, his salary will be "powerful swunk up like" before the end of the year. Our host subscribed for that great paper, the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and we breathed a prayer that through its columns, if in no other way, he might be led to accept the Savior of his wife and sweet little children. Amen.

—Rev. Geo. T. Nichols' account of failing health was forced to supannuate. This is regretted by his brethren as much as by himself, if possible. George T. is a grand man and has been faithful to God and to the Church through many long years of most efficient service.

—The city of Wichita Falls is beautiful for situation and contains the most energetic and progressive class of people of whom I have any knowledge. There are only about 3500 inhabitants, but they entertained the conference and its visitors in grand style. I heard no complaint from any quarter.

—The business of the conference was all gone through without hurry and yet we were astonished when the end came and we found that the grist had been ground out. This dispatch is due for the most part to the wise and prudent way in which Bishop Wilson guided our deliberations; but there is something to be credited to those "talky" brethren who generally occupy so much of the conference's time, and who on this occasion were as quiet as little mice. Why this mouse-like mouseness deponeth refuseth absolutely to say.

—Bro. Binkley lost his watch-chain at conference and rose up during one of the sessions and made inquiry therefor. As he took his seat E. W. Alderson straightened his "strong men" and informed the brethren that he had lost a very charming pipe. Whereupon Old Ben Bounds lifted high into the presence of everybody an old ten-cent variety of short-stemmed briar-root and called out: "Here she is, Alderson!" This threw the whole house into convulsions of laughter. Old Ben needs thrashing!

—Dr. J. D. Barbee is a great favorite with the Texas preachers, especially with those of the North Texas Conference. His speaking and preaching at Wichita Falls was up to the usual high standard.

—I was greatly pleased with the report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals, especially with that part of it which referred to their organ, the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. They endorsed the paper in the most unambiguous terms and commended the action of the Board of

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BRYANT AND HIS POETRY.

Class Work—Paper by Member of Literature Class.

The little town of Cunnington, Massachusetts, in its beautiful setting of hills, was the birthplace of our first great American poet, William Cullen Bryant, who holds to-day an exalted position in the "ever-widening realm of books" as when the world first saw and recognized his genius. From his father, Dr. Peter Bryant, himself a scholarly man, he inherited a love of nature and an appreciation of good literature, which were fostered by a boyhood passed much in wood and field, and by constant access to an excellent library.

His propensity for rhyming became manifest at an early age. Few poets of eleven experience, as did he, the gratification of seeing their productions in print. When "The Embargo—A Satire, by a Youth of Thirteen" was published in Boston, not a little doubt was expressed as to the real age of the young author.

In 1810 Bryant entered the sophomore class of Williams' College, but, becoming dissatisfied with the narrow range of study, he left before graduating. Soon afterward he adopted the profession of law, and only abandoned it in 1825 when he went to New York to assume the editorship of the New York Review, a new monthly magazine. This venture proving unsuccessful, he formed the connection with the Evening Post that was severed only by his death. In the sphere of editor and critic he has done much toward elevating the tone of American journalism.

His unerring insight and ready information were supplemented by intercourse with the most brilliant minds of the day on both sides of the Atlantic. After a well-spent life, he died in 1878, ripe in years and in honors, and was buried upon a hillside of "Roslyn," his Long Island home.

Bryant is eminently a pastoral poet, and as such ranks with Wordsworth. Nature has never had a more ardent yet philosophic devotee. In all his writings he betrays his familiarity with the moods of the "many faced year." His range of subject is wonderful, but he has shown himself master of all the phases of his art.

His master-piece, "Thanatopsis," was written at nineteen, and together with a fragment entitled, "An Inscription for the Entrance to a Wood," appeared in the North American Review in 1817. The somber grandeur of this hymn to death has never been surpassed. It is said that had Bryant written nothing else this would have embalmed his memory.

"Lines to a Water-fall" is a dainty bit of imagery, and by imitation is really the sincerest flattery. "The Death of the Flowers" has undoubtedly been flattered to excess. Its frequent parodying tempts us to lose sight of its beauty, but that the beauty remains is undeniable.

Most of Bryant's poems are short. The longest are "The Ages," "Sella," and "The Little People of the Snow." The first-named, read before the Phi Beta Kappa Society of Harvard, traces the progress of virtue from the world's beginning, and proves that it has ever triumphed over wrong, drawing from this a cheerful augury for the future. "Sella" resembles "Undine," and is allegorical in nature, while "The Little People of the Snow" is a genuine fairy story, charmingly told to little auditors.

Mrs. Bryant, fairest of the rural maids, was an invalid, and the influence of her pure and patient spirit brought the poet very near to heaven. The tenderest and sweetest of his strains are those addressed to her. "The Future Life," "A Sick Bed," "The Life What Is," "The 27th of March," written on her birthday, and "October, 1866," written at her death.

Bryant excelled not less in translation than in original composition. Among his minor translations are "Love and Folly," "The Paradise of Fears," and "The Lady of Castle Wyndec." The most elaborate work of his life was his exquisite rendition of the "Iliad" and the "Odyssey," undertaken in his seventy-second year.

For profundity of thought, purity of diction, and force and clearness of expression, Bryant is without superior. In America's Pantheon, all honor is due to this grand high priest of nature, to the poet and the man.

ALMA EVANS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

(Prepared by Rev. L. W. Clark, A. M., Greenville, Texas.)

FOURTH QUARTER, LESSON XI.—DECEMBER 10.

GOLDEN TEXT: Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.—Col. 1:12.

This epistle was written from Babylon to Christians scattered over Asia Minor. "They were chiefly Jews, descended from those Jews who were transplanted from Babylon by order of Antiochus, King of Syria, about 200 years before the coming of Christ, and placed in the cities of lesser Asia."—Matthew Henry.

These people were poor, and were suffering untold persecutions. When we remember that this was under the reign of Nero, we may well imagine the contempt in which the name of Christian was held by those who were in authority.

They were strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia. Peter, learning through Silvanus or Silas the true condition of these Christian Jews, makes haste to comfort them with this epistle. This Silas was the same Silas who was with Paul, and who was delivered with Paul from the

Philippian jail by the anger of the Lord.

Even the careless reader will not fail to see in this epistle the absence of anything that could be construed into a claim on Peter's part to primacy or superior power over the rest of the apostles.

He begins by stating that he is an apostle of Jesus Christ; but nothing is said about any special gift above other apostles, or that he was placed as general overseer over the whole Church.

1, 2. Peter begins with the salutation usually found in the epistles of the New Testament. He addresses these Jews as elect according to the knowledge of God.

The election of God can not be explained as personal and unconditional without doing violence to other portions of the Scripture. It is safe to discard any interpretation that does not harmonize with other Scripture of easy interpretation.

The election is conditional; those who believe and those who do not believe constitute the two classes, and those who believe are elected according to the foreknowledge of God. This is plainly exhibited by Paul: "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his son that he might be the first-born among many brethren. Moreover, whom he did predestinate, them he also called, and whom he called, them he also justified; and whom he justified, them he also glorified."

We observe that all the verbs in this Scripture are in the past tense, showing that all this election and predestination was simply preparing the way by which man as a moral agent might be saved on the condition of faith. Now the foreknowledge, predestination, calling, justification and glorification, so far as the Scriptures show, took place at the same time. It does not say whom he did predestinate to be saved; but it says whom he did predestinate he did call. God laid the plan of redemption by preparing the calling and justification and glorification when his foreknowledge grasped the conditions and necessities of things. "He that believeth not shall be damned," must mean the unbelief of the damned, and he that believeth shall be saved must mean the faith, or belief, of the saved. If God believes for us, then salvation is not promised to us, for it is only to those who believe.

Election is from all eternity, but it is the election of faith.

Now if man believes he is elected, and if he is a moral agent, he can believe or not, as he pleases.

Unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood. Man's moral agency is clearly taught. Obedience is the effect, and sprinkling of the blood of Christ is the cause, when accompanied by the faith of the subject.

Grace and peace are to be multiplied, a growth in grace, heaping up, like figures growing by multiplication. Multiplication is a continued addition, and this is what is meant by adding to your faith.

3, 5. Blessed means praised. God is to be praised for his goodness to us in that he hath begotten us unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, and for the promises of heaven and eternal glory.

Without gratitude, man will grow cold and lifeless in worship, and soon degenerate into a selfish formality. Praise and thanksgiving are the life of prayer and song, and when the feeling of praise to God is cultivated by meditating on his goodness to us, begetting in us genuine feelings of gratitude, we are delighted with the service that produced such a glow of pleasure in our hearts. But when we pray for blessings and never give back to God the feelings of praise that his blessings were designed to give, we are injured by those gifts, and God will in mercy withhold them.

A blessing that fails to bring gratitude has been bestowed in vain. The inheritance is incorruptible and undecayed, and we are kept by the power of God unto salvation, ready to be revealed, but, mark you, we are kept through faith.

6. The reference here is to the persecutions through which these Jews were then going. Poor and strangers, and among people who despised their religion, they were in a sad condition. Manifest indicates the suffering of these people who had but little consolation outside of their religion.

7. Gold is tried in the furnace. It can not be destroyed by fire, but the dross can be separated from the gold by fire.

Fire purifies that only that it can not destroy. Water cleanses that which will not dissolve; so trials strengthen our faith, showing it to be superior to all afflictions, but its power to comfort is derived from Jesus Christ, and this begets within us the feeling of praise and honor and glory to him.

8. These Jews had never seen our Lord in the flesh, but they knew more of him probably than many who know him personally. No man can know Christ except by faith. Color is for the eye, sound is for the ear, but grace is known only by faith.

9. Whatever faith may do for us while in the flesh, the end of faith is salvation, and whatever experience we may have by faith is an experience looking to salvation.

10, 11. Peter consoles these Jews by referring to the prophets, in whom the Jews greatly believed. He tells them of the care and earnestness of the prophets in following the spirit of God. They searched diligently; they sought for the time indicated as to the sufferings of Christ. There could be no mistake as to the ground of their faith. The prophets, after diligent search, find that it was not unto them (the prophets), but unto us these things should come. Now is the glory of God in Christ manifest according to prophecy, and the angels desire to look into these things. They are interested in knowing anything that gives knowledge of God, but they cannot understand these things, for it is learned only in the school of suffering and by faith. Peter encourages them with the truth that though they are suffering untold sorrows, this sorrow will bring out of them things too deep for even the angels of God to understand.

The lowest suffering indicates the possibilities of the highest attainments.

OLD AND YOUNG.

THE WAY-WORN PREACHER.

(Published at the request of a number of preachers and laymen in the West Texas Conference.)

I saw a way-worn preacher
In seamy garments clad,
Holding down the station,
It seemed that he was sad;
His pocket-book was empty;
Provision nearly gone;
But he shouted as he tramped around,
Deliverance will come.

CHORUS.
Then palms of victory,
Crowns of glory,
Palms of victory,
I shall bear.

The summer sun was shining,
The sweat was on his face,
His step of early morning
Had quickened to a pace,
But the people still they grumbled,
Which put him on the rack,
But he shouted as he tramped around,
Deliverance will come.

CHORUS.

I saw him in the evening,
The sun was bending low,
His face from his only round—
His step was very slow;
His heavy-laden head,
As he went dragging home;
But he shouted as he wended
Deliverance will come.

CHORUS.

He went to bed that evening,
But could not sleep,
For the wife had said for breakfast
They had not much to eat;
But when he rose next morning,
With a heart so sad and sore,
He found a ham of bacon,
And some flour at the door.

CHORUS.

The conference was a-coming on,
The day was behind;
He had no clothing fit to wear,
And he weighed upon his mind;
But the day before yesterday
The ladies rigged him out
In a new suit from head to foot
Which made our preacher shout.

CHORUS.

The conference ground out business
Along from day to day,
'Till the time came for appointments,
And the bishop had his say.
Our preacher listened closely
To see where he was put;
He was made presiding elder,
And that suited him all.

CHORUS.

GULLIVER.

A SECRET SACRIFICE.

"Have some?" offered Adele. She held the little, open bag of white peppermint lozenges toward the two girls who were on the same long seat with her. The three were in the waiting-room with the other people who were expecting to go on the 9 o'clock boat. The girls had been attending a ladies' all-day-foreign-and-home-mission meeting, and, after coming down to the ferry, Adele had bought her peppermints at the counter in the waiting-room.

"I told her not to buy them," declared Stella, picking two peppermints out of the bag. "I told her she ought to save her money for missions."

"Well," Adele complained, "last time when I came home from a city mission meeting, I said two or three times to Stanley, 'Oh, I wish I had bought some peppermints,' and he said, 'Why didn't you?' and I told him you wouldn't let me. So I was going to do it this time."

"She had a right to buy them this time," said Louise, as she helped her, self to peppermint. "You put 25 cents into the collection this evening."

"How do you know?" demanded Adele.

"I was sitting at the table, jotting down the minutes of the meeting, and you came and put that quarter in with the rest of the money, after you had taken up the collection," reported Louise.

"Yes," confessed Adele, "I did give 25 cents to-night, and 10 cents in the collection this afternoon. Now, hadn't I a right to buy the peppermints? Only 10 cents for them!"

She looked at Stella, the reprover, who smiled, and continued to nibble her peppermint lozenge.

There was a sound of many footsteps outside the doors. The boat had come in, and the passengers were landing. In a few moments the doors of the waiting-room were thrown open, and the three girls hurried, with the numerous other passengers, to board the ferry-boat.

Seated in the cabin, under the electric lights, Louise listened absently to the band playing at the other end of the boat, and thought a good deal, while her companions talked. Louise had been able to put only 5 cents into the evening collection. To the afternoon collection she had given nothing. She had not as much money as Adele. It had taken all of Louise's money to pay her fare to the city and back and put that 5-cent piece into the collection. And yet she wanted to give. She had heard things that day that stirred her. She did not blame Adele a bit about the peppermints, and yet it seemed to Louise that, if she had had that 10 cents, and had listened to those missionaries, telling about the pitiful needs of little orphan children in Alaska, and the needs of some nearer fields, she should have put the 10 cents into the collection with the 25.

"But it's not my place to judge her," thought Louise. "Peppermints are all right, I suppose."

Stella's voice arrested Louise's attention.

"Don't you say anything to my little sister against this hat of mine," Stella laughingly admonished Adele, "for that child criticizes my things a good deal anyway, and she hates this hat, and the other day I told her I must wear it all winter. I can't get a new one, with good conscience, when I think about our mission circle's treasury. I'm going to give my hat money to that."

Louise smiled a little, thinking Stella's hat looked very well. It was better than Louise's own. Louise could not afford a new hat, either. And yet, if Louise had saved hat-money for missions, she would not have told of it, for it was her nature to be more quiet than Stella.

"There's no harm in telling, though, I suppose," she thought. "Maybe telling might influence some one else to save for missions, too."

The boat stopped at the landing, and the girls took their train.

"Now," proposed Adele, as the three separated near their homes, "let's see how much money we each can save to bring to our Church circle when it meets week after next. I think that we all ought to do our best after such a mission meeting as we've been to. And so many of our Church

ladies were at day's meeting that I think the next meeting of our circle ought to bring in a good deal of money. Let's try, anyway."

The girls agreed. During the next week Louise saved in every way she could think of, and, being unusually fortunate, the result was 65 cents.

"I'll have so much to put in, anyway, she thought with satisfaction, 'and it's been hard work saving it, too.'"

The Saturday before the mission circle's meeting, Louise had a little spare time, and she went to visit an old lady member of the Church. The old lady, Grandma Thorne, was knitting lace.

"It's the only way I can earn any money for the mission circle," said the old lady. "My son would give me the money if I asked him, but he hasn't very steady work, and he has all to support, and I'd rather earn it myself. I earned my two dollars—a dollar for foreign missions and a dollar for home—last year, knitting this kind of lace. I don't know where I'm going to sell this, though."

Louise looked at the wrinkled old hands, patiently working.

"I did want to get it sold before our next mission circle meeting, Tuesday," went on the old lady, wistfully. "I owe some yet on my mission dollars this year, and I want to pay it, but I haven't any money yet. Maybe some one will come in, though, before next Tuesday."

Grandma Thorne's old eyes contracted a little as she gazed at her lace a moment.

"I suppose I could do it," Louise thought, uneasily, "but grandma doesn't know I have a cent!"

"I always did believe in foreign missions," talked on the old lady, in an anxious tone, "and home, too; and I can pray about them while I knit. That's one thing I can do. But I do hope I can sell this lace before Tuesday. I hate to have the circle meeting come and not have any money to give, even if I am an old woman."

Louise tried to think of some one who would be likely to buy the lace. She could think of no one. She knew that the few who had bought grandma's lace heretofore would not be likely, for various reasons, to do so now, for the lace, though pretty, was not a necessity of life, and times were somewhat hard with a good many of the Church members.

"I want to give my money to missions weekly," Louise protested, inwardly.

Would it not go for missions just as truly if Grandma Thorne gave it, as if Louise did? Who would be likely to come in and buy grandma's lace? The old lady would grieve if she could not have anything to give next Tuesday.

"I've worked just as faithful as I could on this lace," piped Grandma Thorne, "and I rather think the Lord will send somebody to buy it before Tuesday. I think so."

"There!" Louise inwardly chided herself. "If I go and find that money myself to missions, Tuesday afternoon, and see Grandma Thorne sitting, not able to give anything, and wanting to, and feeling bad, I just know, Louise Montgomery, that that won't be doing the real missionary thing, even if other folks thought I was doing right when they saw me giving the money. Do I give for the looks of it?"

"I rather think the Lord will send somebody before Tuesday. I think so," murmured Grandma Thorne, softly.

"Grandma!" energetically burst out Louise, "I guess I'm the one that's sent! I have a little bit of money just now at home. How much is your lace?"

Grandma Thorne looked up in surprise. She had not thought of such a thing.

"Do you want it now? Do you, really?" asked the old lady in delighted surprise. "Why, Louise, I never thought of you being the one!"

"Well, maybe I can't pay as much as you ought to have for it," cautioned Louise.

Grandma took out the pin that held the lace wound in a ball.

"I believe there's about two yards," she calculated. "Folks pay me just what they've a mind to. I haven't any price. Sometimes they pay me 25 cents a yard. There's just a little bit over two yards here."

Grandma had measured the lace from her nose to her outstretched arm and hand, and there was about a finger's length of lace more, after going twice the distance between the points of measurement.

"Twenty-five cents," said Louise. "There are two yards and a little over. Would 60 cents pay for it all?"

"I guess so," agreed grandma cheerfully. "It would pay my foreign mission dues mostly, too."

"Well," returned Louise, "I'll go home and get my money and bring it to you."

"I'll leave me just 5 cents to put into the collection next Tuesday," signed Louise, as she walked home. "And I don't want to do it. But there! That money will go for foreign mission, just the same as if I paid it directly myself, and what more do I want?"

We buy lamp-chimneys by the dozen; they go on snapping and popping and flying in pieces; and we go on buying the very same chimneys year after year.

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Bying that lace is the true mission thing for me to do. I am sure. It's a combination of home and foreign mission—home for me in buying the lace, and foreign for grandma in giving the money."

Nevertheless it was a little trying to Louise the next Tuesday when the ladies were all handing their money to the treasurer, to be able to give only 5 cents. Adele was the treasurer and saw Louise's nickel.

"I did think she would try to save more than that!" cried Adele, silently. "After such an all-day mission meeting as we attended, it seems as if any one ought to have more interest than that! Five cents!"

Over the other end of the room sat Grandma Thorne, radiantly happy in the thought that she had paid 60 cents toward foreign missions.

"I earned it all my own self, knitting lace!" Louise heard grandma proudly informing her next neighbor.

Not a word did Grandma Thorne say of who had bought the lace. Grandma did not think to do so. No one knew that the 60 cents came from Louise. No one else there had given as little as 5 cents. Louise felt herself color as she thought of it.

"But I did the real mission thing, as the Lord looks at missions," she comforted herself. "I can ask Him to bless the 5 cents, and I don't believe I could have asked Him to bless the 65, if I'd put it in, and Grandma Thorne had of her choice to give! It was the real mission thing!"—Mary E. Bamford, in Advance.

THE LARGEST IDOL IN THE WORLD.

Two miles out from Kamakura, and about twenty miles from Yokohama, in Japan, on a terrace near the temple of Kamakura, sits the most gigantic idol, or heathen god, now known to exist. This immense brazen image of a deity was built or made during the reign of Shomu, who was forty-sixth in the present line of emperors, and who died in the year 748, A. D. This idol, which has been prayed to daily for more than 1200 years by the crowd of devotees that hourly cluster about it, is still in perfect repair and justly reckoned as one of the greatest wonders of the Orient. Frank Dobbins, who visited Dia Batsu, has given the best description of the god that has yet been written. He says:

"The dimensions of this God are truly colossal. His height from the base of the lotus flower upon which he sits to the top of his head is 63 feet, and above this rises an aureole 14 feet wide, above which again rises for several feet the flame-like glory which encloses or arches in the whole figure. The face proper is 16 feet long; its width 9 feet. The eyes are 3 feet 9 inches long from corner to corner, the eyebrows 5 feet, and the ears 8 feet. The chest is 20 feet in depth, and his middle finger is exactly 5 feet long. Around the sides, head and shoulders of the god, in front of the aureole, are sixteen figures, each sitting in posture, and each eight feet in height. The

leaves of the immense lotus upon which the god sits are each ten feet long and 6 feet wide, there being 56 of them in the cluster. The casting must have been wonderfully well executed, although the fineness of the leaf edges and other parts, which I was able to examine, and the elaborate engraving, which can still be traced upon the flower itself in the unimpaired parts, leave no doubt that the founders' art was supplemented here and there by artists with file and graver. The right hand is open and raised upward; the left rests upon the lap."

The image weighs about 450 tons, and is made of a combination of gold, tin, copper and mercury in these proportions: Gold, 500 pound; mercury, 1954 pounds; tin, 16,827 pounds; copper, 996,080 pounds. Total, 1,005,361. All other existing colossal images are pigmies compared with Dia Batsu, whose hard-visaged face has looked down on the meaningless rite of the heathen idolaters for more than twelve centuries.—Exchange.

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the Committee on Paine and Lane Institutes. It was adopted.

J. W. McMahon read the report of the Board of Missions.

Resolutions of thanks to banks, citizens, churches, railroads and the Houston Post, were adopted.

E. D. Moulton read the report on temperance. It was adopted.

Tom Murray presented a report from the Preachers' Aid Board, which was adopted.

The minutes of the session were read and approved.

The Bishop delivered an interesting talk to prepare the brethren for what they were waiting to hear. Hymn No. 231 was sung, and the Bishop read the appointments as follows:

Houston District.
R. W. SOLOMON, P. E.
Houston, Shearn Memorial—G. C. Rankin.
Houston, Washington Street—A. J. Wheeler.
Houston, McKee Street—C. A. Hooper.
Houston, Tabernacle—John E. Green.
Houston, City Mission—D. H. Hotchkiss.
Galveston, St. John's—J. L. Massey.
Galveston, St. James—E. D. Moulton.
Galveston, West End—E. L. Shettles.
Baylor—John C. Stewart.
Richmond Station—Geo. H. Collins.
Cedar Bayou—G. S. Sander.
Alvin and Sandy Point—T. B. Graves.
Vesado Circuit—Supplied by J. F. Sullivan.

Columbia and Brazoria—Ira M. Bryce.
Matagorda Circuit—J. W. Morris.
Eagle Lake—Supplied by W. R. Campbell.
Patterson—J. W. Holt.
Wharton and Hungerford—J. K. P. Dickinson.
Dickinson Circuit—J. W. Cullen.

Austin District.
J. B. SEARS, P. E.
Austin, Tenth Street—G. W. Briggs.
Austin, Twenty-fourth Street—S. W. Thomas.
Austin, First Street—S. W. Holt.
Merrilltown Circuit—John W. Thompson.
Manchaes Circuit—E. G. Hocutt.
Webberville Circuit—J. P. Childers.
Manor Station—James Kilgore.
Elgin Station—M. H. Haynie.
McLade Circuit—J. L. Yates.
Bastrop Station—W. S. Myers.
Winchester Circuit—J. W. Harmon.
LaGrange Station—W. W. Wimberly.
Columbus Station—J. W. Horn.
Weimar and Oage—S. H. Morgan.
Flintston Station—W. W. Horner.

Chappell Hill District.
E. H. HARMAN, P. E.
Chappell Hill Station—C. H. Brooks.
Brenham Station—George S. Clothier.
Giddings Circuit—W. H. Brooks.
Caldwell Station—A. S. Blackwood.
Lyons Circuit—R. T. Blackburn.
Cameron Station—G. A. LeClere; D. H. Linebaugh, supernumerary.
Cameron Circuit—To be supplied by T. K. True.
Davilla Circuit—H. T. Hart.
Mayfield Circuit—J. W. Kelley.
Milano Circuit—Sam P. Brown.
Rockdale Station—J. W. McManis.
Pleasant Hill Circuit—W. M. Myers.
Lexington Circuit—J. P. Skinner.
Sealy Circuit—R. T. Woolley.
Bellevue Circuit—J. C. Moore.
German Mission—To be supplied.

Calvert District.
F. L. ALLEN, P. E.
Calvert Station—O. T. Hotchkiss.
Marlin Station—A. E. Goodwin.
Brenham and Reagan—J. B. Cochran.
Hearne and Whittier—S. Willford.
Kosse Circuit—J. C. Mickie.
Franklin Circuit—George H. Phair.
Jewett and Buffalo—A. J. Anderson.
Centerville Circuit—F. O. Favre.
Fairfield Circuit—W. E. Aronson.
Durango Circuit—J. J. Callaway.
Rosebud Circuit—T. R. Cain.
Una Circuit—C. E. Simpson.
Pail Prairie Circuit—Ira B. Gordon.
Personville Mission—To be supplied by J. O. Jordan.
Roger's Prairie Circuit—A. M. Eubank.

Huntsville District.
W. WOOTEN, P. E.
Huntsville Station—R. Ward; C. L. Farrington, supernumerary.
Prairie Plains Circuit—Gideon Powledge.
Zion Circuit—Hubert C. Willis.
Navasota Station—C. M. Keith.
Anderson Circuit—H. G. Williams.
Madisonville Circuit—J. M. Adams.
Willis Station—H. V. Philpott.
Montgomery Circuit—L. P. Davis.
Conroe Mission—J. R. Murray.
Cold Springs Circuit—W. T. McDonald.
Shepherd Mission—E. E. Langford.
Plantersville and Courtney—Robt. W. Adams.

Hempstead Station—G. C. Stovall.
Hockley Mission—M. F. Daniel.
Milliken Circuit—C. C. Bracewell.
Bryan Station—C. R. Lamar.
Dodge Mission—C. M. Thompson.
Missionary Secretary—J. G. John.

TRANSFERRED—J. M. Nickles. to Southwest Missouri Conference; A. C. Benson, to North Texas Conference.

After which J. P. Childers was located at his own residence, and the conference adjourned sine die.

NOTES.

—A "beloved" said of a certain preacher's work that he had brought order out of chaos. "Then," said the Bishop, "he is an orderly man. No man can bring order out of chaos who is not an orderly man himself."

—Holding a brother on trial when not adapted to the work of an itinerant preacher is a nice point. It often does him and his family, as well as the Church, a great injustice. Conferences have great responsibilities at this point, and should discharge them carefully and honestly.—Bishop Hendrix.

—I am not like the Chinaman who thinks the stomach is the seat of the soul, but it is in that vicinity much good work is prevented and many sermons spoiled by eating too much. A German brother once said our preacher always preaches on eternal punishment because he eats too much supper.—Bishop Hendrix.

—Always manage to get the grip in a handshake. Do not let the other man shake the bones of your hand—you get the grip first. There is as much generosity to be seen in handshaking as in many other things.—Bishop Hendrix.

—A lazy preacher is a monster. You had as well say a lying preacher. The one is as inconsistent as the other. Bishop Hendrix.

—There are two good points about that brother. The first is, he got his collections on his heart; and the second

is, he got them there early in the year. He had the joy of doing a good thing all the year. The taste of it was all the way down.—Bishop Hendrix.

—It must be a great mortification to those brethren who put off their collections until the last Sunday in the year, and then get rained out. There is a curse resting on those who do the work of the Lord negligently.—Bishop Hendrix.

—The Houston Post showed characteristic enterprise by sending a reporter to Navasota to report the conference, and both the conference and the paper are to be congratulated in having Mrs. Julia Truitt Bishop for the reporter. Mrs. Bishop is not only a facile writer, but thoroughly acquainted with Methodist terminology, and better able to report the doings of a Methodist body on that account.

—Navasota is a small town, but it spread itself in hospitality, and the Rev. C. M. Keith made himself equal to the emergency.

—Bishop Hendrix captured this conference both in the chair and pulpit. This note is written before the appointments are read out. We judge, however, that there will not be very many disappointments.

APPENDIX.

Treasurer's Report.
Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Church Extension, Texas Annual Conference, 1893.
Collected on the assessments \$1140 15
To Parent Board (Dr. Motion) 223 00
To Conference Secretary 10 00
Cash on hand 46 10
Total on hand \$1319 15

APPROPRIATIONS.
To Wallis, Sealy Circuit, Chappell Hill District 500 00
To Lodi, Durango Circuit, Calvert District 175 00
To Midway, Madison Circuit, Huntsville District 100 00
To Muldoon, Muldoon Circuit, Austin District 100 00
To Rosebud, Wilderville Circuit, Calvert District 175 00
To printing minutes 10 00
To Church Extension Bulletin 10 00
Cash on hand 19 15
Total \$1319 15

THE NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE AND THE DIVISION QUESTION.

The report in the ADVOCATE of November 23 concerning the action of the Northwest Texas Conference on the subject of division is misleading.

The following is a correct statement of what was done:

1. The conference resolved, on account of the great drought and the financial depression, not to avail itself of the power granted it by the last General Conference to divide.

2. The conference memorialized the General Conference to grant it the authority to divide within the next quadrennium.

3. The conference furthermore memorialized the General Conference not to alter the boundaries of this conference.

All this was done by a unanimous vote.

W. L. NELMS.

THE ANNUAL RESOLUTIONS.

(Adopted by the late session of the Northwest Texas Conference and published at the request of that body.)

Whereas, The mission and motto of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is to spread Scriptural holiness over these lands; and,

Whereas, Her doctrines, polity and usages are eminently fitted to this end; and,

Whereas, Our College of Bishops, seeing the mischievous and hurtful tendency of certain organizations, such as holiness associations, operating on eccentric lines, in the name but without the authority of the Church, made the following deliverance in their address to the General Conference, which, having been sanctioned and endorsed by the conference, carries with it the force of law, to-wit:

"The Church has not abandoned the truth of entire sanctification taught by its founder, nor turned away from his express aim to spread Scriptural holiness throughout these lands. Nor can it agree that this whole purpose of its being shall be taken out of its hands by unauthorized, self-constituted agencies, working upon eccentric lines and claiming exclusive rights, methods and movements not included in the economy of the Church and not in agreement with its order and administration. It will not delegate its responsibility nor give its glory to another. It is quite competent to discharge its own functions, and until its candlestick is removed out of its place will not consent that any shall usurp its prerogative and wield its authority;" and,

Whereas, There is known to exist in the bounds of this conference an organization known as a Holiness Association, in violation of the will of the Church, as expressed through her Bishops and the General Conference; and,

Whereas, Said Holiness Association, operating in the name but not by the authority of the Church or this conference, has acquired property and holds the same by trustees of its own appointment in utter disregard of the provisions of our Discipline bearing upon the acquisition, title and control of property for the use and benefit of the Church; and,

Whereas, In raising means for the unauthorized purposes of said association some of its members have involved pastoral charges against the will and wish of the "preacher in charge;" and,

Whereas, Such unauthorized and erratic movements, operating along independent lines, must necessarily be confusing to our work and bring discredit and trouble; and,

Whereas, The whole movement upon the part of these brethren is an impachment of the efficiency of the Church in the promotion of holiness; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Northwest Texas Annual Conference, That we steadfastly affirm our allegiance to the doctrine, polity and usages of our Church as eminently fitted to promote Scriptural holiness; that we endorse most heartily the condemnation of all erratic and independent movements usurping the prerogatives and mission of the Church as recited in this paper, taken from an address of the Bishops and sanctioned by the last General Conference.

2. That in harmony with the foregoing preambles and resolutions we request the members of our conference to withhold membership from said organization, and that they are also requested to cease to buy or receive as a bequest property deeded to said association, and that they be required to desist from holding meetings within the pastoral charge of another without the consent of the presiding elder and preacher in charge in whose bounds said meeting is to be held.

J. T. L. ANNIS,
Geo. S. WYATT,
J. M. BARCUT.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.



Topics For Prayer-Meeting.

DECEMBER.

17. Hope.—Rom 5:1-5.
20. Christmas.—Luke 2:8-14.
24. The Final Account.—Matt. 25:1-46.

TOPIC FOR DECEMBER 10.

Cultivating Faith.—1 Peter 1:3-9.

The Scriptures abound with passages which teach that faith can and must be cultivated. There is a "little faith," and there is a "great faith," spoken of by the Master as being possessed by two separate individuals, and between this "little" and "great" faith there is room for growth. The disciples recognized the need of this on one occasion and prayed: "Lord, increase our faith."

Faith should be considered both as a faculty and as an exercise of that faculty. The faculty is natural to man as a being. All men have it in a greater or less degree, and its exercise increases its power as the exercise of any other faculty is calculated to improve and develop it.

In order to this cultivation there must be:

1. An object upon which to believe.
2. That object must be worthy or faith which it is deceived in that which it trusted.
3. Faith in exercise must take hold of and lean on that object. It is not enough that the judgment pass upon the worthiness of the object, but there must be a stepping out into the realm of trust or faith in exercise.
4. The venture must involve consequences, and the more important the better prospect of cultivation, since the exercise is greater.
5. There must be hindrances and difficulties to holding on after faith has taken hold. It takes strength to catch, and an increasing strength to hold; but both these exercises cultivate and develop the faculty.
6. The end of it all is salvation.

NOTES.

We invite short reports from the several Chapters of the League for publication in this department of the paper.

We are to have faith in God. Many people pin their faith to the sleeve of some poor fallible human being, and when their prop falls they are undone. "Have faith in God," the Master said. Though men should fail the Word of the Lord endureth forever.

THE reports from the several conferences show that the Epworth League is growing very fast in Texas. Let the good work go on; and in the meantime let the Secretary of every chapter send the name and number of his chapter to the State Secretary, J. W. Hill, Dallas.

REV. W. B. McKEOWN reports a new Chapter of the Epworth League organized at Hico, December 2, with thirty-five members. Officers: Prof. J. E. Major, President; Prof. E. Core, Vice-President; C. M. Pattillo, Secretary; Miss Mary Pattillo, Treasurer; and Miss Pearl Dunnagan, Organist.

PERSONALS.

—The postoffice of Rev. H. C. Jolly is Gail, Borden County, Texas.

—The address of Rev. J. W. R. Bachman is Kirkland, Childress County, Texas.

—Rev. A. C. Benson called at the ADVOCATE office one day this week. He will tear old Roberts mission open and put it together in a better shape this year.

—Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Herman F. Long to Miss Kate, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Chas. E. Lamb, at Pilot Point, Texas, December 13, 1893. THE ADVOCATE congratulates the young people and flings the rice and old shoe in advance.

—In a private note from Rev. M. L. Moody, of Raby, Texas, dated November 29, he says: "Our little Horace Norton fell on deep yesterday. We are under the dark cloud, but God doeth all things well. Pray for us in this trying hour." May the Lord bless this bereavement to the good of his servant and handmaiden and to his own glory, is the prayer we breathe while writing these lines.

—Rev. Horace Bishop writes from Corsicana, December 2, 1893: "I don't know how my pen slipped so as to make me say 'Bro. Mussett' on the effective list." I retained a copy of the article which says: "Bro. Mussett and Lidpage are the only ones still on the effective list." But the wrong copy was sent you. I know well enough that my friend Lidpage is very effective in the pulpit or the parlor, in a "fight or a foot-race." I would not venture to accept his pleasant challenge. May the Lord bless the truth and pardon error.

Christmas will soon be here. To make your friends happy, select what you want from C. P. BARNES & BRO., Louisville, Ky. They are reliable and you will not be disappointed in quality. Write them for a catalogue of what you want.

CHIHUAHUA AND SONORA DISTRICT.

With your permission, Mr. Editor, I will give the friends of our mission work in Mexico a few dots from our ripe harvest field.

I am just starting on my first round to visit the missions and am greatly encouraged at the outlook. We have a good opening in San Bernardino, and I baptized two adults and two children there last Monday night, and five persons gave their names for membership.

We have just held the first Quarterly Conference for this year in Phoenix, Arizona. Bro. Elliott and his consecrated wife opened this work less than two years ago, and the success has justified the outlay. We have a nice little chapel—not completed—twenty-three members and several friends. Our native preacher, Bro. Quinones, is taking hold of the work with a firm and vigorous hand, and we expect a good year.

There is as great reason why we should have work in Los Angeles, San Diego, Santa Ana and other points in California and in Yuma, Gila Bend and other points in Arizona as there is in having such work in San Antonio, Austin, Luling, San Marcos and other places in Texas. Some one objects that the local Church ought to do this work in California. If so it ought to do the same in Texas. The soul of a Mexican is worth just as much in California or Arizona as it is in Texas or Mexico.

We are doing our best to do real evangelical work among the Mexican people, and God is honoring our efforts. Before closing this letter I may say we must have some young lady or young man to take charge of our boys' school in El Paso, Texas, or it must close. We have a house, desks, etc., and about thirty-five boys, who will have no religious instructions unless they get it in this school. Who will say: "Here am I, send me?" If any one worthy and well qualified will write me, I will see if the Bishop and Board will employ her or him.

J. T. CORBIN.

THE GRAB HOOKS.

THE latest triumph of Yankee inventive genius is an India rubber fish-worm. It is said to be a remarkably good imitation of the common earth-worm, is indestructible and in actual use proves as alluring to the fishes as the genuine article. The old fisherman will be quick to perceive its advantage. A hook baited with this worm for a day's sport without digging over a whole garden in his search for bait. A handful of India rubber worms will last him a whole season and there will be no necessity of pulling up the line every few minutes to see if the small fry nibblers have left the hook bare.—Times Democrat.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL STOCKTON, of New Jersey, has begun suit against the American Tobacco Company, which is incorporated under the laws of that State, with a capital of \$30,000,000. The Attorney-General in the bill filed cites the history of the combination, which he alleges gives the trust an absolute monopoly of the trade in paper cigarettes, and asks that the charters of the company, "if it has any," be revoked, and the company be restrained from doing business in that State. A New York dispatch, commenting on an Attorney-General Stockton's motion, says: "This motion, if granted, means that the trust, otherwise known as the American Tobacco Company, must withdraw from New Jersey, and it is intimated that in the event of success similar actions will be begun in all the other States where the Trust is doing business, so that it will practically be driven out of existence."—Exchange.

MR. J. G. SCOTT has returned from an expedition among the Was, a tribe of head hunters in a portion of British territory. They are divided into "tame" and "wild." The tame men let their hair grow long, and wear a bang over the forehead. The wild Was country is very populous, and has good roads from village to village. The Scott party is probably the only one that ever came through this region with their heads shaved. They are very diligent agriculturists and great drinkers. Outside of every village is the avenue of skulls. Some skulls must be added every year if the crops are to prosper, those of distinguished men and strangers being the most efficacious. Unlucky or lazy Was may purchase their heads. When a new head is secured it is hung in a basket on a tree until the skull is bleached, when it is placed with noisy ceremonies in the avenue.—Times Democrat.

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NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

The beneficiary members of this Brotherhood will please send me the names of those whom they wish to designate in their certificates as beneficiaries of the monetary fees of the Brotherhood, to be paid in case of their death. We also want the postoffice address of every member of the society.

R. F. DUNN,
CICERO, TEXAS. Secretary and Treasurer.

THANKS.

Mrs. Franks desires to express her thanks to the kind ladies of Merrow Street Church for the beautiful silk quilt, together with many other nice things which came in just as we were leaving for conference. God bless the good people for their kindness toward us.

S. J. FRANKS.

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A CARD.

At the last session of the West Texas Conference, at my request and also at the request of some of the presiding elders, the Bishop gave me a nominal appointment with the understanding that I was to spend the year in revival work. I have just closed my first meeting for the year. The meeting was held at Oak Forest, in Gonzales County. It rained nearly all the time and yet the meeting was a grand success. Convictions were deep and the conversions clear. I have had many calls for work, and would be glad if the brethren, who want me to help them during the year, would let me know soon, as I want to have my work for the year arranged as soon as possible. Write me at Seguin, Texas.

ROBT. J. DEETS.

"PULL IT UP BY THE ROOT."

"Father, here is a dock," said Thomas, as he was at work with his father in the garden, "shall I cut it off close to the root?"

"No," replied his father, "that will not do; I have cut it up myself many times, but it grows again stronger than ever. Pull it up by the root, for nothing else will kill it."

Thomas pulled again and again at the dock, but the root was very deep in the ground, and he could not stir it from its place; so he asked his father to come and help him, and his father went and soon pulled it up.

"This dock-root, Thomas," said his father, "which is an evil and fast-growing weed in a garden, puts me in mind of the evil things that grow so fast in the hearts of children. A bad passion, even when found out, is hard to be removed; it is no use to trifle with it. There is no way to overcome and destroy it, but to pull it up by the root."

"You have often seen in our garden, that when the weeds are allowed to grow, they spoil all the plants and flowers that grow near them. So it is with evil passions in the heart of a child. If a little boy is ill-tempered, we must not expect to find in him good humor, cheerfulness, thankfulness, and a desire to make others happy. And a little girl who is idle, we need not expect to be industrious, neat or cheerful. As weeds injure the flowers, so bad passions injure the good qualities. If a child is unduly fond of his parents, and despises the commandments of God, we might as well look for a rose or a tulip in a bed of nettles as to hope to find in his heart those graces and good desires that we love to see growing there. Now this is quite a sufficient reason why all bad passions should be pulled up by the root.

"Every bad habit, every evil passion which troubles you, you should try with all your heart and mind to overcome; you should, if possible, tear it up. But you will find your own strength but weakness, and you must apply to that Almighty Friend who alone is able to strengthen and assist you."—Angon.

BE PROMPT.

Don't live a single hour of your life without doing exactly what is to be done in it, and going straight through it, from beginning to end. Work, play, study, whatever it is, take hold at once and finish it up squarely; then to the next thing, without letting any moments drop between.

It is wonderful to see how many hours these prompt people contrive to make of a day. It is as if they picked up the moments the dawdlers lost. And if ever you find yourself where you have many things pressing upon you that you hardly know how to begin, let me tell you a secret: Take hold of the very one that comes to hand, and you will find the rest will all fall into line, and follow after like a company of well-drilled soldiers; and though work may be hard to meet when it charges in a squad, it is easily vanquished if you can bring it into line.

You may have often seen the anecdote of the man who was asked how he had accomplished so much in his life. "My father taught me," was the reply, "when I had anything to do, to go and do it." There is the secret—the magic word, now!—The Lutheran.

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THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

The Bank of England was founded in 1694—the prime object being to assist the Government by lending it funds. It was constituted as a joint stock company, with a capital of £1,200,000, which was lent at 8 per cent interest to the Government of William and Mary—at that time in a state of embarrassment. Its charter has been renewed at various times, the last renewal having taken place in 1844. By the act of that year the bank was divided into two departments, the issue and the banking. In the issue department the sole business is to give out notes to the public. Before this time the Government owed the bank £1,015,100. This sum was declared to be a debt due to the issue department and for the issues of notes to that amount no gold is held. The bank was allowed to issue additional notes on securities to a limit, which in September, 1877, amounted to £5,181,900, and this without holding gold. The total amount which may be thus issued is £16,200,000. Notes above that sum can only be issued in exchange for gold.

At the passage of the act of 1844 the limit of notes to be issued against the Government debt was fixed at £14,000,000. The addition of the £1,750,000 is an extra issue, upon the profit of which the bank has to account to the Government, and also upon the £14,000,000 of Government debt securities, which at 3 per cent is £420,000 yearly. But out of this the bank pays the Government £180,000 for its privileges. The bank also makes a profit of £15,000 a year upon gold bullion and foreign coin. The amount of notes

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The third annual meeting of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society, West Texas Conference, convened at Goliad, Texas, October 29, 1893. Bro. W. H. H. Biggs, of Boeville, delivered the anniversary sermon from the text, "She hath done what she could" (St. Mark 1:5), at 11 a. m. The anniversary services at 7:30 p. m. opened with hymn 424; Scripture lesson and prayer by Judge Shive; then hymn 16. Address of welcome was read by Miss Olivia Biggs. Response by Mrs. Godwin. The good ladies of the Church, with the assistance of the attentive audience with songs and recitations to the delight of all present; after which a collection of \$11.85 was taken for the benefit of the society.

Mrs. A. M. Ireland explained to the congregation the object of our meeting, and called for a donation of \$10 to make Mrs. S. A. Davis a life member, which was liberally responded to. Then for \$5 to make Sister Williamson a patron; but the friends were so liberal that they made a further offering, and Sister Biggs a patron. Many thanks were returned to donors by Judge Shive.

The business session convened at 9:30 a. m., October 30; opened with singing, reading of 27th Psalm, and prayer conducted by Mrs. Evans. Our President, Mrs. Davis, then occupied the chair and read the annual address.

The Recording Secretary being absent, Mrs. E. T. Smith was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The Secretary was then asked by the President to call the roll of officers and auxiliaries.

Those responding were: Mrs. S. A. Davis, President; Mrs. A. M. Ireland, Vice President; Miss Alice Starkey, Conference Corresponding Secretary; Cuero Auxiliary, Miss L. Nichols and Mrs. Evans; Sherman Street Auxiliary, San Antonio, Mrs. E. T. Smith; Oakville Juvenile Auxiliary, Miss Tiny Gilmore.

Minutes of last conference meeting were read by Miss Alice Starkey for the benefit of those not present.

Several committees were appointed: Committee on Extension Work, Miss Alice Starkey and Mrs. E. T. Smith; Committee on Finance and Publication, Mrs. A. M. Ireland and Mrs. Morris Evans; Committee on Resolutions, Miss L. Nichols and Miss Tiny Gilmore.

The next business was the reading of the District Secretaries' reports.

Mrs. M. Dugan, of Llano District, and Mrs. J. G. Burney, of San Angelo District, sent encouraging reports. The adult auxiliaries' reports from Cuero, Seguin, San Antonio and Kerrville were read; also juvenile reports from Seguin, Oakville and Kerrville were read.

The following report was rendered by Miss Alice Starkey, Corresponding Secretary:

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Adult auxiliaries 10
Juvenile auxiliaries 14
Total members 24
Number added to Sunday-school 122
Deductions for local work \$500.00

LITERATURE DISBURSED. Copies.
Sixth annual report 24
M. p. chart 24
Adult studies 60
Juvenile leaflets 60
Adult program 100
Total 292

The importance of juvenile work was discussed by Mrs. Ireland and others.

The meeting adjourned to meet at 5:30 p. m. The benediction was pronounced by the pastor, Bro. Biggs.

A 2:30 p. m. the meeting was opened with devotion exercises conducted by Sister Williamson. Hymn 773, Scripture lesson twenty-sixth Psalm, and prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following report from Mrs. M. E. Moore, Conference Treasurer, was read and pronounced correct by the auditor, Miss L. Nichols.

Report of Conference Treasurer from May, 1892, to September, 1893:

Due 812.50
Contingent fund 1.00
Special donation 1.00
Loan fund 1.25
Total 815.75
Sent General Treasurer 775.25
For postage and exchange 40.50
Total 855.75
Amount on hand 814.00

The importance of promptness on part of District Secretaries was discussed and a committee of three—Mrs. Ireland, Mrs. Evans and Miss Starkey—was appointed to select names for District Secretaries and report to the President for appointment immediately after Annual Conference.

It was unanimously decided to ask Bishop Wilson to request each pastor to remember the W. P. and H. M. work in a special sermon during the month of February, 1894.

The following report was submitted by the Committee on Extension of Work:

We, your Committee on Extension of Work, recommend the following:

1. That each pastor in the West Texas Conference be requested to preach a sermon on Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission work during the month of February, 1894.

2. That each District Secretary be urged to visit her District Conference, or secure a substitute to represent our work, and solicit the co-operation of the preachers.

3. That our Vice-President be requested to use every possible opportunity to enlist and organize children.

MISS ALICE STARKEY,
Mrs. E. T. SMITH,
Committee.

The Committee on Finance and Publication rendered the following report:

Our Homes, the organ of our society, is ably edited, and we insist that every member of our society take it and read it for the sake of spreading and deepening the interest of our work. We appreciate and heartily en-

dorse the leaflets published for the use of our societies.

We recommend that each member be assessed 25 cents additional for expense fund, and that one half be kept at home and the other be sent to the Conference Treasurer for conference expenses.

We recommend that a copy of the minutes be sent to Our Homes, TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE and Goliad Guard.

We recommend that the Treasurer pay the bill of the Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. A. M. IRELAND,
Mrs. MORRIS EVANS,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was as follows:

We, your Committee on Resolutions, respectfully submit the following:

Whereas, We have enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the good people of Goliad; be it

Resolved, that we express our thanks and appreciation of the cordial manner in which we have been entertained in their homes. That we cordially thank—

1. Mrs. S. A. Davis and Mrs. W. B. Campbell for their untiring efforts to provide for the comfort of each delegate and the success of the meeting.

2. The choir for the excellent singing and music.

3. We return thanks to Bro. W. H. H. Biggs for his valuable assistance and co-operation in the interest of our society, and for his instructive and encouraging sermon.

4. The children we thank for the entertaining evening furnished by them.

6. Mr. Shive for ministerial services.

6. Mrs. Ireland for the successful manner in which she conducted the public collection.

7. We extend to Mrs. Smith our hearty thanks for her services, which we appreciate very much.

MISS L. NICHOLS,
MISS TINY GILMORE.

For the benefit and information of visitors present reports of donation by Central Committee and the application for help on Sterling City Parsonage were read by Miss Alice Starkey.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. S. A. Davis Goliad.
Vice President—Mrs. A. M. Ireland, Seguin.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. T. Smith, San Antonio.

Treasurer—Mrs. M. E. Moore, Seguin.

Conference Corresponding Secretary—Miss Alice Starkey, Kerrville.

Sherman Street Auxiliary, San Antonio, sent a pressing invitation for the next annual meeting, but the decision of this question was left until a later date and with the Executive Committee. Everyone present took part in a most gracious love-feast and the meeting adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m., October 31.

At 9:30 a. m., October 31, the meeting opened with devotion exercises, conducted by Mrs. Simons, hymn 130, Scripture (Mark 14) and prayer.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved. The ladies of Goliad presented a petition to organize an auxiliary of eight members. A Juvenile Society was organized, consisting of twenty-five members. The following resolutions were offered and adopted:

1. We regret the absence of the pastor, Bro. Biggs, from our meeting, and tender him our heartfelt sympathies in his afflictions.

2. We appreciate the kindness of the Goliad Guard in offering to publish our proceedings, and we return a vote of thanks for the same.

Being no further business our third annual meeting adjourned with singing hymn, "God be with you till we meet again."

Mrs. S. A. DAVIS, President.
Mrs. E. T. SMITH, Rec. Sec.

TO W. M. S. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

Hope to hear at once from each auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society of Waxahachie District, I again insert in the Woman's Department of TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE a notice that I wish to hold a District Conference of Waxahachie District of the Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, December 15, embracing second Sunday. Will each auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society, and each lady manager of juvenile societies elect a delegate and write to me before this time that I may appoint a reception committee and have homes provided?

We invite you all to come, and visitors, too, will promise you a warm welcome and pleasant homes among our hospitable people of Waxahachie, who know how to entertain. Let me hear from all. Respectfully,

Mrs. MIRA C. JOINER,
District Secretary Waxahachie District.

Mrs. Catchall—What do you think you can make out of Miss Nextdoor's voice? Professor of Music—Five dollars a lesson.

Life is Misery.
To many people who have the taint of scrofula in their blood. The agonies caused by the dreadful running sores and other manifestations of this disease are beyond description. There is no other remedy equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla for scrofula, salt rheum and every form of blood disease. It is reasonably sure to benefit all who give it a fair trial.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills.

"And you really consider it good luck to find a horse-shoe, then?" Certainly. They're worth 2 cents apiece at any junk dealer's, and every little helps, these hard times."

EVERY MAN SHOULD READ THIS.

The excitements of life, cares living and pressure of business are making our boys old men before their time, and our middle-aged men, need from loss of nervous vitality. If any young, old or middle-aged man suffering from nervousness, lack of health from any cause, will enclose a stamp to me I will send him the prescription of a genuine certain cure of Dr. J. C. R. R. Gans, Box 555, Marshall, Mich.

Teacher—Now, Robbie, take four slices of cake from six slices, and what will there be left? Robbie—A lick-a-me!

Experience continually shows its power—its healing properties are wonderful, P. D. E. Do not trust any worthless substitutes for the Genuine

Since Papa Doesn't Drink.
My papa's a awful happy now.
And mamma's happy, too.
'Cause papa doesn't drink no more
The way he used to do.
And every time he says now,
'Tain't like it used to be.
When papa never staid at home
With poor mamma and me!
It made me feel so very bad
To see my mamma cry.
And though she'd smile I'd say the tears
A-hiding in her eye.
But now she laughs just like we girls—
It sounds so cute, I think—
And sings such pretty little songs,
Since papa doesn't drink.

You see my pretty Sunday dress.
It's every bit new.
It ain't made out of mamma's dress.
The way she used to do.
And mamma's got a pretty cloak,
All trimmed with funny fur,
And papa's got some nice new clothes
And goes to church with her.
My papa says that Christmas time
Will very soon be here,
And maybe good old Santa Claus
Will find our little home.
I hope he'll bring some candy, and
A dolly that can walk.
He'll know where our home is, I'm sure,
Since papa doesn't drink.

—Exchange.

DISEASES DUE TO DRINK.

Wine and Beer Are Not Less Injurious Than the Stronger Liquors.

Turning from the effects of alcoholism on the nervous system to its effect on the other organs, and bearing of course in mind that it is always difficult to determine whether this latter is direct or only secondary as a result of neurotic disease, we find numerous instances both of acute and chronic diseases of the mucous membrane of the pharynx, stomach and intestines. These are important, not only from their frequent occurrence, but especially for their bearing on the general alimentation. I believe most physicians will agree with me in the view that inflammation of the stomach and bowels in adults is almost invariably due to alcoholic poisoning.

But alcohol exerts its essential and most significant influence on the vital organs by being taken up in the circulation and thus brought into direct contact with their cellular tissue. We have no clearer evidence of the direct action of a poison in producing primary cell death than is afforded by the action of alcohol on the liver, producing liver cirrhosis. Typical liver cirrhosis was found in 3 per cent of all the male bodies examined at the Leipzig Pathological Institute.

But the organic changes which my own experience compels me to place in the first rank as denoting the most injurious effects of alcoholic indulgence are the diseases of the muscles of the heart and its nervous apparatus, the diseases of the arteries and of the kidneys.

But while it has long been known that delirium tremens, neurosis and cirrhosis live over their existence to alcoholic poisoning, it is by no means generally recognized that chronic heart and kidney diseases are due to the consumption of precisely this form of alcoholic poisoning, apart even from its frequency, is of the highest, from the fact that these diseases are induced not so much by the use of concentrated alcohol, but especially by heavy beer drinking. This habit of excessive beer drinking is very widely prevalent among the cultivated classes and claims its victims among men who regard the drinking of schnapps as an act of moral degradation. It is not only the quality of alcohol consumed by heavy beer drinkers is excessive, but the consumption of liquid involved in the habit is not less excessive and injurious. To this, too, must be added as hardly less prejudicial the consumption of an extra and undue amount of nutritive matter contained in the beer.

All these conditions tend to that disease which is rarely absent in steady beer drinkers. The prime anatomical change exhibits itself as hypertrophy of the muscles of the heart, especially of the left ventricle. This is the result of a continuous overtaxing of the heart's powers. The prime factor here is the excessive amount of water which before it can again be given off by the kidneys, skin and lungs must be taken up by the blood and maintained in motion by the heart. The excess of nutritive matter furnished by the beer contributes to the same result.

Kidney diseases as a result of alcoholism are still more frequent, and with wine and beer drinkers the extra labor imposed on the kidneys by excess of fluid renders them especially susceptible to the large influence of the accompanying alcohol.

Finally, there is another interesting group of diseases resulting from alcoholic action in disturbing and upsetting the chemical processes of assimilation. The leading types of diseases due to this cause are gout, diabetes and fatty degeneration of the heart, and while allowing that in many cases alcoholic action may be supplemented by contributory causes I think it will be apparent that the sum of the evils properly ascribable to alcohol is such as to warn us physicians that here is a matter in which all our forces should be enlisted.

—Dr. Adolph Strampell.

Education Is Not Proof Against Rum.

The injurious influence of social drinking usage extends to the educated as well as the uneducated. Dr. J. W. Barrett of Australia, whose attention had been directed to the extent of the damage done to members of the medical profession by alcoholic liquors, instituted an inquiry, making it as complete as he could, with regard to bachelors of medicine of the Melbourne university. Of those of 1881-2, the great majority of whom are now dead, he found that 13 per cent had been decidedly injured by alcohol, those of 1883-4, 10 per cent, and those of 1885-6, 12 per cent. His investigation disclosed the fact that more than 11 per cent of the medical men trained in the Melbourne university are, to use his own words, "distinct alcoholics."

Shepherds, Look to Your Flocks.

There is need of noble hearted, self sacrificing men and women who are burning with a desire to uplift humanity and save some at least from dishonored graves, who will throw themselves into the gap and exert every God given power to restrain the drunkard and stop him in his murderous career. The first to enter the lists are those to whom God has given the care of souls, who are

taken from home and family that they may the better devote themselves to the saving of the weaker brethren. Blessed is the ministry of the many good shepherds who have not been content to sit idly within the sanctuary of hell, but who, by practice and precept, have preached from the houseposts and have gone out after the fallen drunkard, and have boldly attacked the ravening wolves who have made desolate the homes of the chosen people. It would be strange in the face of the tremendous proportions the drink evil has assumed, numbering its victims by 75,000 yearly, that any pastor of souls could go to his reward with a record of never having spoken one strong word against intemperance or never having antagonized the traffic, whose business is to feed and, in satisfying, to increase the cravings for alcohol. United with those whose lives are devoted to the saving of souls are the noble hearted men who have enlisted under the white banner of total abstinence; who, whether in societies or out of societies, by personal example, by practicing professed glass, or by public word, with avowed profession of the blessings of temperate lives, have done their share in the limited circles in which their lives have been cast to lessen evil. Possibly, too, the time may come, when, as a last resort, those to whom the duty has been confided failing to perform it, women will be obliged to raise their voices against this vice and to stand at the door of their homes and save husband and brother and son from the blighting influence of intoxicating drink. There is not one of us but could have done more did the magnitude of the evil come thoroughly home to him.—Rev. A. P. Doyle, C. S. P.

Good Tempers In Great Britain.

The Order of Good Tempers in England celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary last month in the city of Birmingham. The order now numbers 1,400 subordinate lodges and 700 juvenile temples, with a membership in both of 110,000.

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"I'll have to leave you, mum," said the lady to the lady of the house, who was finding her to be most too much to bear. "Thank heaven!" she exclaimed, "you don't have to take me along with you."

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I am highly pleased with the Pastor's Book. I have been buying Pastor's Records, not half so well bound nor half so convenient and full in arrangement, and paying from 65 cents to \$1 for them. Annie's Book is the best in the world. Don't say so, but I have improved upon it. J. C. RHODES.

BARKADA, ARK.

WELL PLEASED WITH THE PASTOR'S BOOK.

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These departments look for a large holiday business, irrespective of present-giving. We have successfully made and substantiated the claim that no clothing store in this city has come near us in magnitude of assortment, or surpassed us in perfection of workmanship, style or price. Our large cash purchases in a stagnant market have made themselves felt so far, and will do so to the end of the year; thus making this the most successful year for Boys' and Men's Clothing we have ever known.

MEN'S AND BOYS' HATS.

This department will also come in for a very large share of holiday trade the next three weeks, and takes this opportunity of making known to its many friends that we have desirable and handsome styles for Men, Boys and Children.

LADIES' CLOAKS.

A line of Ladies' Coats, all this season's desirable styles, that have been marked \$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.50, will be sold at \$12.50 each.

A lot of Ladies' Cloaks, worth up to \$35.00 will be sold at \$19.50 each.

Our line of \$25 Ladies' Coats advertised some time ago is nearly closed out, but from various styles, odds and ends, among very fine garments, we have selected a line that are as good as new at this price as we have ever offered.

All our French and Berlin Models, worth from \$75.00 to \$125.00, will be closed out for \$50.00 each.

CLOCKS.

Alarm Clocks, 75c to \$1.75.
 Wood Clocks, one half-hour strike, cathedral
 style, \$3.00 to \$1.75.
 Enameled Iron Clocks, half hour strike
 cathedral style, \$4.35 to \$11.25.
 Only Clocks, \$ 5.00 to \$39.00
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