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The Outlook.

SOUTHERN METHODISM.—On the 27th ult., Bishop Marvin dedicated a church in Columbia, Mo. More than $2,000 was raised on the occasion to pay the debt resting upon it....Rev. O. P. Fitzgerald, D.D., has been nominated for the fourth time as Superintendent of Public Instruction in California. He accepts the nomination with Bishop Pierce's approval....The *Western Methodist* of the 15th, announces the death of Rev. Charles Collins, D. D., President of the State Female College, near Memphis....Bishop Kavanaugh and Dr. McFerrin had a good time at Round Lake camp-meeting.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL.—Rev. P. F. Stevens, of South Carolina, has left the Protestant Episcopal Church, and united with the Reformed Episcopal Church.

PRESBYTERIAN.—Rev. Dr. Wilson, of Louisville, who recently refused to acknowledge the authority of his Presbytery, has sought and found admission into the Northern Presbyterian Church....The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions reports twenty-six different missions, at which they have employed 138 male and 160 female missionaries; and 500 native laborers, 8 newly ordained missionaries, 2 physicians and 10 unmarried ladies have been sent out the past year. They have built 130 new churches, and 1,200 youths have been received into the schools and colleges of the new missions....Dr. Stuart Robinson has gone to attend the Pan-Presbyterian Assembly, which began in London, July 15....The Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church during the year just closed effected 93 new organizations; 38 were made self-supporting, while 5,338 conversions were reported. The number of home missionaries employed the past year was 1,123.

BAPTIST.—The Seventh-Day Baptists purpose forming a church settlement in order to gather into one colony their scattered members in this country....The Baptist *Year Book* reports 943 associations, 21,511 churches, 13,354 ordained ministers, 102,496 baptisms. A total membership of 1,761,710, being an increase in 1874 of 128,170.

FRIENDS.—The Quakers have recently held their yearly meeting in London. An unusual religious interest was apparent....The number of Friends in England is 14,199, showing an increase of 113 during the past year....In four mission schools in London are 1,840 children and 2,625 adult worshipers. Open air meetings, Bible reading, mothers' meetings, sewing meetings, reading rooms, breakfast meetings with the poor, are among the agencies employed. The issue of tracts in London under their auspices were 153,980. John Bright was present and showed great interest in the preaching....The North Carolina yearly meetings have doubled in seven years.

CATHOLIC.—Cardinal McCloskey is expected to sail for Rome the 7th of August....The Catholic population of Pennsylvania is estimated at 500,000, with 641 priests....We see it stated that a niece of Edward Everett is the Mother Superior of the Convent of St. Vincent de Paul, Jefferson, Texas....Cardinal Manning lately received $32,500 from Roman Catholics of England as a token of their pleasure at his promotion by the Pope....The consort of Prince Alexander, of Hysia, not being able to admit the infallibility of the Pope, has embraced Protestantism....On St. Peter's day the Pope received a large number of pilgrims. They protested love and fidelity, and received the Pope's blessing.

HEBREW.—The old Jewish custom of confining women to the galleries of the Synagogues is yielding to the influence of the surrounding social and religious customs. In New York a Hebrew congregation recently so changed their custom as to admit all the members of each family in a pew as among Christians. An old member of the congregation felt outraged, and applied to Judge Larremore for an injunction to prevent it. The Judge, however, decided that the property was not acquired subject to a condition that worship in any particular mode should be conducted, and that the society had the right to change the mode. He therefore denied the injunction.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Five missionaries sailed for Liberia from New York, a few days ago....By the will of E. F. Bradler of Boston, the Home for the Aged of that city will receive $50,000. Many a gray headed man or woman will bless the memory of the giver.....Rev. J. J. Hight, of Bloomington, Indiana, has accepted the assistant editorship of the *Western Christian Advocate*, made vacant by the death of Erwin House....A union concert of Old Catholics, members of the Greek Church and of the Church of England, is to be held at Bonn.....Rev. E. P. Hammond is still at work on the Pacific slope. After closing his work in San Francisco, he accepted an invitation to visit Portland. The rink, which will hold two thousand persons, was crowded, many having come from a distance to share in the exercises. A number of children's meetings have been held. Mr. Hammond, one night, gave an account of his work among the sporting men at Denver, when a gentleman, well known at Portland, related his conversion, stating that as a gambler he had won and lost on that coast one hundred thousand dollars, and was now trying to work for Christ. Meetings, at last accounts were growing in interest.....The Wellesley College for women, founded and built by Henry F. Durant, of Boston, at a cost of $300,000, will be opened September 8th.....The Board of Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania have voted to fix the amount, aimed at in the centennial effort, at $300,000 additional endowment.....The Republic of Costa Rico grants religious liberty to all sects and religions. It has a population of 1,000,000 inhabitants, and but one Protestant minister in the whole country. An appeal has been made to the Methodists of the United States to send missionaries to that region.....The will of Mrs. H. D. Cruger, which gave $240,000 to the American Bible Society and Board of Foreign Missions, has been rejected by Surrogate Hutchins, of New York City. The estate goes to her heirs.....Rev. Philip Schaff, of New York, was present at the meeting of the Council of the British Branch of the Evangelical Alliance, (June 16th) and announced the contemplated biennial meeting of the American Branch in Pittsburgh next autumn. The receipts of the British Alliance from July 1, 1874, to May 31, 1875, were £1,349, and expenditures £1,468.....The question of Bible wine, which has interested some in this country, came up for discussion in the Wesleyan Conference at Belfast; Dr. Punshon, President. A resolution was offered to the effect that the use of unfermented wine should be permitted in those congregations desirous of having it, and an amendment was proposed that no change was desirable in the present mode of administering the Lord's Supper, and that the use of unfermented wine was not permissible. The amendment was carried by a vote of 84 to 11..... There are 397 churches in New York. Protestant Episcopal, 76; Methodist Episcopal, 49; Roman Catholic, 46; Presbyterian, 42; Baptist, 33; Jewish, 26; Dutch Reformed, 25; Lutheran, 21; African Methodist, 9; United Presbyterian, 7; Congregational, 6; Universalist, 5; Reformed Episcopal, 1; Miscellaneous, 21.....A new religious belief is gaining ground in Ohio. Its adherents are called Eternalists. They hold that the soul is immortal, and occupies a succession of bodies on earth—both men and animals.

ABROAD.—Rev. H. Chauncey Riley states that the "Church of Jesus" in Mexico, which he aided in founding, now numbers fifty congregations; several of which are self-supporting.....The meetings of Moody and Sankey at the West End of London having ended, movements are now to be made at the South End and East End. Crystal Palace has been offered them free of charge. The noon prayer meetings have been well attended. Mr. Spurgeon has given himself earnestly to the work. This is only what all anticipated who were acquainted with the evangelical spirit of the man. At an address from him at Bow Road Hall, 9,000 were present. Mr. Moody has received a letter from a converted infidel in Edinburgh, who has become a preacher. At one of his meetings, out of 30 inquirers, 17 were well known for their infidel sentiments....The General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland recently took decided grounds in favor of disestablishment. ....It appears that the ministers in Milbourn and North America showed that they are better paid on the voluntary principle than those in Scotland under State patronage .....An Englishman, at a late Unitarian festival, said the chief danger of English Unitarianism was the threatened extinction of their ministry. The number grows less yearly, and, if it continues at the same ratio, it will disappear in less than thirty years.....Father Gavazzi purposes publishing a reply to Dr. Newman's answer to Gladstone's pamphlet....A Japanese dispatch states that the natives, terrified by the rumors of small pox, are flocking to the idol Nio, under the belief that whoever will crawl between its legs is safe from the contagion. .....At Lagos, in Western Africa, there are 27 mosques, with 8,000 Mohammedans. Its votaries are energetic and as it leaves the people with all their vices, is popular. The Russian Church embraces 59 dioceses, besides 1 in America. They are administered by 3 metropolitans, 35 bishops, 19 archbishops and 27 coadjutors. There are 397 monasteries, 4,678 monks and 4,212 lay brethren; also 130 convents, with 3,061 regular nuns and 10,519 temporary inmates. In 1873, there were in the empire 37,636 churches and 13,282 chapels. The clergy numbered 1,075 arch-priests, 35,919 priests, 12,372 deacons, 54,708 unordained clerks or readers. The collection for religious purposes the same year amounted to $7,000,000 ....The British and Foreign Bible Society has translated the Bible into over two hundred different languages. In addition to thirty-seven millions of copies circulated in Great Britain, Ireland and the Colonies, this society is prosecuting its work in all the countries of Europe, in the principal Asiatic nations, in Africa, Madagascar, the chief islands of the South Pacific, in South America, Mexico, Salvador and Greenland, and is ever ready to furnish Christian Missionaries with the Word of God, in the languages of the natives among whom they labor....The statistics of the India Methodist Conference show 1889 members, being a gain on last year of 322. During the past year 253 adults and 244 infants were baptized. There has been an increase of over 1,000 children in the Sunday-schools, which now number about 5,500 scholars...Missionaries in China and Japan report a blessed work going on among the English and American men-of-war in those countries; many sailors who left home wicked and reckless men have returned devout and earnest Christians.....The American Board have now a church in Kobe, Japan, numbering eighteen members....In Australasia many missionary contributions of the native Wesleyan churches are in dried cocoanuts, worth $35 per ton. At one port the missionary ship took on 100 tons, and 200 tons were waiting her arrival at another port. Missionary ground is productive. In a few years the mission field will send out its laborers into the "region beyond".....In Orizaba, Mexico, the Methodist Episcopal mission has gathered a congregation of fully eighty converted Romanists and established a school for their children....The Wesleyans of England have had the unusual increase of 6,000 members the past year.... The Protestants in Japan with 70 missionaries have 200 converts, not 20,000 as published by some papers ....During the past twenty years the Wesleyans of England have erected 1,923 chapels at a cost of £2,155,357 or over $10,000,000. The General Chapel Committee sanction the erection of one hundred and thirty chapels to meet the growing wants of the connection ....George Muller, of Bristol, recently preached for Mr. Spurgeon in the Metropolitan tabernacle. In the course of his sermon he mentioned that besides his orphanage where there are now two thousand orphans who are supported and educated at a cost of $44,000, he had a chapel with 1,000 members to whom he had been ministering for nearly fifty years. During that period he had been stationary, but now when fifty years of age he felt bound to go to other places to tell what great things the Lord had done for him.

BRO. S. P. WRIGHT, sends the following correction: "I find an exceedingly complimentary notice of myself in the last number of the ADVOCATE, over the signature of *James B. Weil*, which should, I am sure, be *Joseph B. West*, D.D., since I know Dr. West to be the President of Soule Female College at Murfreesboro, Tenn. Hoping you will do Dr. W. and myself the justice to correct, or insert this, I am yours truly—SAM. P. WRIGHT, President Waco Female College."

THE Archbishop of Canterbury, in a recent letter, says of the revival under the labors of Moody and Sankey in London: "It is impossible not to take the deepest interest in the movement, which is so wonderfully successful in drawing great masses of persons to hear addresses on gospel salvation." Christ lifted up is the power that draws the hearts of men to God. By the way, what will some of the pretentious high churches of America think of the new departure of one of the highest dignitaries of the church.

PASSING EVENTS.

It is estimated that one hundred and twenty million postal cards will be issued the present year.....Italy declines taking part in the centennial....The refusal of Gambetta to fight a duel is considered an evidence of approaching civilization in France .....The decision that Jesse Pomeroy will be hung is final.....During the year ending May 1875, the number of railroad accidents is reported to have been 1,124, and the killed only 179. This report surprises us.....A citizen of Westerville recently started a saloon in that place. There had been no saloon in Westerville for a good while, and the citizens remonstrated without avail. One night somebody put a quantity of powder under the saloon, and when it went off, the saloon went off too. The saloon keeper had the preachers and a number of the most respectable citizens arrested. He assumed that the respectable citizens were the guilty parties....A monument in honor of Washington Irving is to be erected in Central Park, New York city.....An effort to establish an anti-tobacco club in Pittsburgh, Pa., proved a failure....The Bank of England has about 800 clerks. They usually enter about 18 to 25 years of age, on a salary of about $400. From this they advance until when about 44 years old they receive $1,700 per annum, the highest that is paid them....The University of Pennsylvania is receiving larger donations than any other institution of that section this year....All the money in the case and reserve vaults in the United States Treasury has been counted, and the aggregate agrees with Treasurer Spinner's books, excepting the $47,000 recently stolen...It is said that in the Beecher case, Evarts received $25,000, Tracy $10,000 and Hill $5,000. Shearman makes no charge for his services. The same authority states that Beach received $5,000 and Fullerton, Morris and Pryer $2,500 each....A railway accident on the Southern Railway, Long Island, July 5th, was attended with the loss of nine lives....The newspapers in Norway apprehend a financial crash, owing to bad freight and stagnation of the timber trade.... A monument is to be erected in memory of the author of Robinson Crusoe; another to Dr. Isaac Watts ....On the 4th of July Dean Stanley alluded in handsome terms to the Declaration of Independence. ....It is estimated that 16,000 lives were lost in the late earthquake in the United States of Columbia... It is reported that a man in Georgia has invented a flying machine in the shape of an eagle. Former experiments have been suggestive of a goose....In Toronto a man has been sentenced to twenty lashes and three months' imprisonment. Were he black the friends of freedom would shriek....Seven persons in New York have been made sick from eating pickles containing arsenate of copper. Moral: make your own pickles....In the city of Washington a suit has been commenced by a white man against a negro, under the Civil Rights Bill, for being ejected from the latter's lodging house....Another confession has been made about Charley Ross. This time it is John Westervilt. The detectives are working it up... It is claimed that the new Keely motor (cold vapor produced by the consumption of air and water) will produce a pressure of 16,500 pounds per square inch, and that it will be carried up to 50,000 pounds....On the 6th and 12th, two young ladies were drowned in the Sabalus river, Maine, six boys at Fall river, a boy at South Framingham, a young man at Lawrence, another at New Lawrence, one at Auburn, Mass., and on the 5th ten persons at Norfolk, Va., by the sinking of a tug, another at Providence, R. I., and another at Pawtucket....A Jewish Synagogue in New York, not only seats the sexes on the same floor, but has an organ and a choir....The fee for a registered letter to any part of the United States, or to a foreign country is 10 cents in addition to the regular postage, all to be prepaid....The net earnings of the railroads in the United States for 1874, is figured up to be $189,570,958.....The length of the railroads in the United States is said to be 69,273 miles.....The amount of church property in the United States exempt from taxation is said to be $650,000,000.....The buildings for the Philadelphia centennial will cost $7,600,000, and will cover 50 acres....Only twelve persons were killed in the recent railroad collision at Rockaway, N. Y.....A white man having been elected President of the Howard University, Mr. John M. Langston, a colored candidate gets mad about it, and declares that the colored people must eschew white men in the various departments of business, religion and education. Fred Douglass is likeminded, and now Gilbert Haven has the question of color to cure in a new place.....A boiling lake has been discovered on the Island of Dominica. It is situated on the forest covered mountains near the town of Roseau some 2,500 feet above the sea. It is two miles in circumference, and the margin is lined with sulphur....One-fourth of the area of Russia is covered by timber which is controlled by the government.....One farm in Illinois has in cultivation 10,000 acres of corn, 2,500 acres of flax, 1,000 in oats, and enough in grass to produce 8,000 tons of hay.

CASUALTIES.—Heavy rains along the Ohio valley are reported, 10,000 acres of corn in the Wabash bottom and throughout Kentucky and Southern Ohio have been destroyed ....The bleaching boiler of Rose & Sons' paper mill, Iowa city, was blown up, killing six men. Two were blown over houses across the street and two into the river. Loss $20,000. One of the men went up, it is estimated, full 500 feet; falling, he went through the roof of a paint shop knocking a hole through the shingles and the inch sheathing beneath, and breaking two rafters. He was found lying on the floor of the room beneath....A fire in Charleston, S. C., the 24th. Estimated loss $250,000....Three seaman were drowned while deserting from the U. S. Steamer Powhattan, at Brooklyn Yard, July 24.....A man named Johnson with his wife and five children drove into the Coosawatie river in Gordon county, Ga. They got into deep water and all the children were drowned.

MUSICAL.—We acknowledge receipt of the following: One piece sheet music, from J. W. Slaughenhaupt, Taneytown, Md. It is a religious composition, well printed, and recommended by true merit.

Brainard's *Musical World* for July contains the usual amount of really choice musical productions and interesting miscellaney. S. Brainard's Sons, Cleveland.

Southern Musical Journal, containing choice productions adapted especially to Southern tastes and opinions. Really a publication of a high degree of merit, and deserving of large patronage. Ludden & Bates, Savannah, Georgia.

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The Family Circle.

WHILE THE DAY LASTS.

There are harvests for reapers to reap;
There is seed for the sower to sow;
There are sentinel vigils to keep;
There are duties wherever we go;

There is work that dishonors the race,
Webs of action, dark-woven with crime;
There are wrongs that no tears can efface,
And woes all unconquered by time;

There is work that is noble and grand,
In the pathway of duty and right;
There are deeds no traitor has planned,
Born of motives transparent as light.

There is work in the fields of our God;
There are wrongs to erase from the world;
There are conflicts to wage 'neath His rod,
Till all symbols of conflict are furled;

There are sorrows and woes to assuage,
And tears the soul's anguish that tell.
O, actors on time's busy stage,
Act truly, act nobly and well!

There is work for the angels to do;
Glad missions of wisdom and love
Await them, the pure and true,
In yon blissful region above.

While the day lasts there's work for us all,
And soon will the day-star decline,
And soon will the night-shadows fall;
Shine forth, then, O mansions divine!

The Owl that Thought He Could Sing.

"What can bring the people into the groves to hear those nightingales sing?" said the owlet to his mother.

The old owl didn't know, and she didn't care—she was busy watching a bat.

"I am sure I have as fine a voice as a nightingale, and far stronger."

"Stronger, certainly, my son," said the owl with a blink, for the bat had escaped.

"I shall go into the grove to-night, and give them a song," said the owlet.

The owl opened her round eyes very wide, but said nothing.

Accordingly when night came, and the hour for the sweet trilling of the singing birds drew near, he flew heavily along, and placed himself in a conspicuous part of the grove, that he might be seen and heard to a proper advantage.

Now the nightingales did not by any means admire the prospect either of his company or his co-operation in their concert; so those who were bent on singing sought another grove, while those who were content to be quiet for the night kept snugly at roost.

"Where can the nightingales be?" said the people who came to hear them.

Upon this the owlet set up a hoot so loud and so long that it nearly frightened them into fits.

"That creature has terrified them, and scared them all away," said one. "I will soon dispatch him. Where's my gun?"

But the disconcerted owlet took the hint, and before the gun came he had got back to his mother.

"Your feathers are ruffled, my son. Have you been singing?"

The owlet reluctantly related his disgrace and narrow escape.

"It is just what I expected, and I am glad you are safe back."

"Then why did you suffer me to go?" said the owlet, indignantly.

"Because I was sure that it was a point on which nothing but experience could convince you. I don't understand music, and cannot tell you why people should take the trouble and go and hear nightingales sing, and at the same time shoot owls for hooting, but I know it to be a fact. There is much difference between our voices, which I can discern myself every time I hoot. Ours may be superior for anything I know; but as the prejudice of the public mind is strong on the other side, I shouldn't think of disputing the point; and, probably, now you have experienced the effect of your performance on their ears, you will be satisfied, with me, to leave them alone in their mistake."—*Mrs. Prosser's Fables.*

A BEAUTIFUL BLESSING BY A CHILD.—Lucian Rule was about three years old, when I visited his father, Rev. J. Rule, Presbyterian minister. As I took the quiet little fellow on my lap, his grandmother said, "I will tell you a blessing that Lucian asked. He went into the yard and gathered up some peach-stones. He split them, and set them empty as cups on a little table built of sticks and bark. He then sat down, with not a particle of food on his table, and very devoutly said, 'The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.'"

The Lord will surely be the shepherd of that little boy, through life. In my own trials since, I owe much comfort to his sweet words of faith.

"HERBERT," said a perplexed mother, "why is it that you are not a better boy?" "Well," said the little fellow, soberly looking up into her face with his honest blue eyes, "I suppose the real reason is that I don't want to be!" We think the child gave the real reason why all of us, big as well little, are not better than we are.

WHAT is necessary cannot proceed from vanity.

The Two Bills.

Two bills were waiting in the bank for their turn to go out into the world. One was a little bill, only one dollar; the other was a big bill, a thousand dollar bill.

While lying there side by side, they fell a talking about their usefulness. The dollar bill murmured out:

"Ah, if I were as big as you, what good I would do! I could move in such high places, and people would be so careful of me, wherever I should go! Everybody would admire me, and want to take me home with them; but, small as I am, what good can I do? Nobody cares much for me. I am too little to be of any use."

"Ah, yes! that is so," said the thousand dollar bill; and it haughtily gathered up its well-trimmed edge that was lying next the little bill, in conscious superiority. "That is so," it repeated. "If you were as great as I am, a thousand times bigger than you are, then you might hope to do some good in the world." And its face smiled a wrinkle of contempt for the little dollar bill.

Just then the cashier comes, takes the little murmuring bill, and kindly gives it to a poor widow.

"God bless you!" she cries, as with a smiling face she receives it. "My dear hungry children can now have some bread."

A thrill of joy ran through the little bill as it was folded up in the widow's hand, and it whispered, "I may do some good, if I am small," And when it saw the bright faces of her fatherless children, it was very glad that it could do a little good.

The little dollar began its journey of usefulness. It went first to the baker's for bread, then to the miller's, then to the farmer's, then to the laborer's, then to the minister's; and wherever it went, it gave pleasure, adding something to their comfort and joy.

At last, after a long, long pilgrimage of usefulness among every sort of people, it came back to the bank again, crumpled, defaced, ragged, softened, by its daily use. Seeing the thousand dollar bill there, with scarcely a wrinkle or a finger mark upon it, it exclaims—"Pray, sir, and what has been your mission of usefulness."

The big bill replies: "I have been from safe to safe among the rich, where few could see me, and they were afraid to let me go out far, lest I should be lost. Few indeed are they whom I have made happier by my mission."

Then the little dollar bill said, "It is better to be small, and go among the multitudes doing good, than to be so great as to be imprisoned in the safes of the few." And it rested satisfied with its lot.

MORAL.—The doing well of little every-day duties makes one the most useful and happy.

AN EXEMPLARY GANDER.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* says: "An American author has lately published the biography of a goose, aged twenty-three. There is, doubtless, no goose like an old goose; but we find the memoir deficient in incident, and prefer that of a gander which has lately appeared in a New York journal. Our hero was, after four weeks of much anxiety and trouble, hatched by a hen, to whom, with six others, he had been confided while still in the shell. He was, at first, much beloved by his foster-mother, to whom, however, he caused some anxiety on account of a habit of getting his feet wet; but he rapidly out-grew her care, whereupon she left him to himself, and took to setting again. The gosling now underwent a period of loneliness which would have demoralized an ill-conditioned bird; but no sooner did his little half-brothers and sisters appear than his vocation in life was revealed to him. He devoted himself to their protection and support, gathered the chicks under his wings when it rained, found, and shelled corn for them, and drove off all other fowls that attempted to interfere with his charges; and when, at last, the indefatigable hen went off to hatch another brood, he undertook the entire management of the whole family. He is now to be seen, happy in the grateful attachment of his foster-mother and her numerous progeny, and enjoying besides the esteem and respect of his owner, as well as of all to whom his exemplary life is known.

A FEW years ago a little boy told his first falsehood. It was a little solitary thistle weed; and no eye but God's saw him as he planted it in the mellow soil of his heart. But it sprung up—O how quickly! and in a little time another and another seed dropped from it to the ground, each in its turn bearing more seed and more thistles. And now his heart is overgrown with a bad habit. It is as difficult for him to speak the truth as it is for a gardener to rid his land of the ugly thistle, after it has once gained a footing in the soil.—*Myrtle.*

The Story of a little Princess.

There are some little girls who have often fancied that it would be nice to be a queen or princess. When they are obliged to learn hard lessons, or to wait upon themselves or when they have to wash the breakfast cups, and sew up long seams, they think how delightful it would be to live in a palace, to have lords and ladies in attendance, who would anticipate every wish. I remember very well some of my own idle day dreams on this theme.

Well, my dears, in point of fact the little queens and princess have anything but an easy life. The children of the royal families of Europe are under tutors and governors long before and long after out little folks here are busy in school. They have to learn thoroughly a great many things which is not thought necessary for you, and they live, in the matter of eating and drinking, much more simple than you do. As for sugar candies and sweetmeats, I presume almost any of my young readers have a great many more of them than the palace people ever have at the same age.

Queen Victoria's daughters have all been very carefully educated indeed; and as for Queen Victoria herself, why, when she was a little girl, there seemed to be no end to the things that were expected of her ladyship. It was not until she was twelve years old that she understood she might become Queen. Being only the niece of the reigning monarch, William IV., who had no children, but who might possibly have them, her wise mother did not want Victoria's head elated with dreams of a crown which she might never wear. However, she one day discovered it by what we might call an arranged incident, for a genealogical table was slipped into her history, and there little Miss found it. She took it up, so her old governess told the story, and reading it, said:

"I see I am nearer the throne than I thought. I never saw that before."

"It was not thought necessary that you should, Princess," replied the governess.

"Now," said the child, after some moments of thought "many a child would boast, but they don't know the difficulties. There is much splendor, but there is more responsibility!"

The princess lifted up the forefinger of her right hand as she spoke, and then putting her little hand into her teacher's she said:

"I will be good. I understand now why you urge me so much to learn even Latin. My cousins Augusta and Mary never did, but you told me Latin is the foundation of English grammar, and of all the elegant expressions, and I learned it, as you wished it, but I understand all better now. I will be good."

You see the little princess felt that a great responsibility, and a great estate involved preparation on her part. She studied hard, because she had a place in the world to fill. Now, though you and I have not been called to sit on a throne, we have our every day work to do; and if we do it well, we shall be as honorable and honored in God's sight as if we wrote princess or queen before our names.—*Christian Union.*

A PUNGENT REBUKE.—From a late English paper we learn that the celebrated Father Ignatius recently gave a very sharp and doubtless well merited rebuke to a people to whom he had been called to preach. Before the sermon the well known hymn of Dr. Watts was sung:

"When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride"

The last verse is very expressive:

"Were all the realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all."

When the hymn was ended the preacher arose and slowly repeated the last line:

"Demands my soul, my life, my all."

Then looking round he added: "Well, I am surprised to hear you sing that. Do you know that altogether you have only put fifteen shillings into the bag this morning?

The effect of such a comment on such a fact may be well imagined.

PURE GIRLS AND IMPURE BOYS.—Girls in treating dissipated young men as equals, do a wrong they can scarcely realize. Such men should be made to feel that until they walk with correctness and honor in the paths of right, good people stand aloof from them. Girls who respect themselves will not be seen with such men, and will decline to receive them on the familiar footing of friendship. It is a mistaken kindness to poultice when caustic is needed, and I am inclined to think that a little sharp decision on the part of the girls of to-day would go far to correct the general looseness and immortality among young men.—*Woman's Journal.*

HOPE AND FEAR.—St. Lewis the king, having sent Ivo, Bishop of Chartres, on an embassy, the bishop met a woman on the way, sad, fantastic, and melenchloy, with fire in one hand and water in the other. He asked what those symbols meant. She answered, "My purpose is, with fire to burn paradise, and with the water to quench the flames of hell, that men may serve God without the incentives of hope and fear, and purely for the love of God." But this woman began at the wrong end. The love of of God is not produced in us, after we have contracted evil habits, till God with his fan in his hand hath thoroughly purged the floor, till he hath cast out all the devils, and swept the house with the instruments of hope and fear, and with the achievements and efficacy of mercies and judgments.

I'LL RUN FOR HIM.—A few days ago, I was passing through a pretty, shaded street, where some boys were playing at base ball. Among their number was a little lame fellow, seemingly about twelve years old—a pale, sickly-looking child, supported on two crutches, and who evidently found much difficulty in walking, even with such assistance.

The lame boy wished to join the game; for he did not seem to see how much his infirmity would be in his own way, and how much it would hinder the progress of such an active sport as base ball.

His companions, good-naturedly enough, tried to persuade him to stand one side, and let another take his place, and I was glad to notice that none of them hinted that he would be in the way; but they all objected, for fear he would hurt himself.

"Why, Jimmy," said one at last, "you can't run, you know."

"Oh, hush!" said another, the tallest boy in the party. "Never mind, I'll run for him, and you can count it for him;" and he took his place by Jimmy's side, prepared to act. "If you were like him," he said aside to the other boys, "you wouldn't want to be told of it all the time."—*Child's World.*

MANY a preacher, says Dr. Broaddus in the *Baptist Teacher*, does not know to this day that speaking to children and teaching them in Sunday-school has been the making of him. Without it, he would have been dry and dull. And, as good books for children are delightful to grown people, so the concrete, pictorial, and direct style of speaking which is indispensable in addressing children, is a most helpful and needful thing in preaching to adults.

WHEN slanderers, gamesters, and drunkards, associate with their chosen friends, they are in the greatest danger.

Waste Basket.

SOME one says that railroads are now built in three gauges; broad gauge, narrow gauge, and mortgage—generally the latter.

A YOUNG LADY, being asked by a rich old bachelor, "If not yourself, who would you rather be?" replied, sweetly and modestly, "Yours truly."

THIS world would be a sandy desert of lonesomeness if women were not privileged to attend auction sales and pay more for an old bureau than a new chamber set would cost.

THE young woman who had no time to spare for making garments for the poor has been at work three weeks embroidering a blanket for her poodle dog.

THERE was once a Pennsylvania legislator who laid by thirty thousand dollars in one session. When he was asked how he managed this with a salary of one thousand dollars, he said that he had saved it by doing without a hired girl.

IT is the sagacious remark of a keen observer that you can generally tell a newly-married couple at the dinner-table by the indignation of the husband when a fly alights on the bride's butter.

A MAN who made a conscientious discrimination between temperance and abstinence drew up one night at a lettered street-lamp to say: "Well, I'll be [hic] blest if somebody hain't stuck an advertisement on the [hic] moon!"

"GET out of the way! What are you good for?" said a cross old man to a little bright-eyed urchin, who happened to stand in his way. The little fellow, as he stepped one side, replied, very gently: "They make men out of such things as we are."

THE other day a minister offered prayer at the laying of a corner-stone. A brisk young reporter bustled up and said: "I wish you would give me the manuscript of that prayer?" "I never write out my prayers," said the preacher. "Well," said the reporter, "I couldn't hear a word you said." "I wasn't praying to you," quickly responded the parson.

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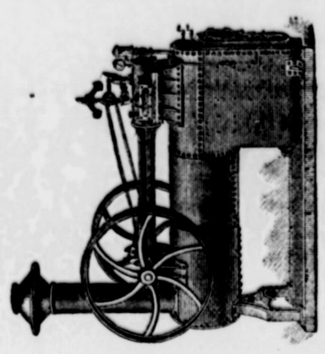
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A NAME IN THE SAND.

BY G. D. PRENTICE.

Alone I walked the ocean strand,
A pearly shell was in my hand:
I stooped, and wrote upon the sand
My name, the year and day.
As onward from the spot I passed,
One lingering look behind I cast—
A wave came rolling high and fast
And washed my lines away.

And so, me thought, 'twill quickly be
With every mark on earth from me!
A wave of dark oblivion's sea
Will sweep across the place
Where I have trod the shady shore
Of time, and be to me no more;
Of me, my day, the name I bore,
To leave no track nor trace.

And yet with Him who coun's the sands,
And holds the water in his hands,
I know a lasting record stands
Inscribed against my name,
Of all this mortal part has wrought,
Of all this thinking soul has thought,
And from these fleeting moments caught,
For glory or for shame.

Correspondence

Tread Lightly on the Ashes of the Dead!

BY MRS. A. V. WINKLER.

'Twas the quiet twilight hour. Through the open casement refreshingly floated the balmy evening zephyrs. Upon a couch, drawn before the window lay one of nature's noblest children breathing out the last few hours of his existence. He had wandered far, and in distant lands had drank freely from the well-springs of knowledge; but now he had returned home *to die*. Upon his pallid brow intelligence sat enthroned, and in his once eagle eye the fire of genius still lingered; but his sunken cheek and emaciated frame told that the destroying angel had marked him for a victim. Turning to a loved one near, with a mournful look, he said: "*My darling, tread lightly on the ashes of the dead!*"

The circumstances, time and place all served to make a deep and indelible impression upon my mind. I would repeat it as a warning. Whatever the hallowing finger of affliction has touched should be held sacred. It matters not what the faults, foibles and deficiences of the departed have been, oh! tread ever lightly and speak ever gently of them, for they have passed from earth forever, and the awful stillness of the dread monster fills their silent homes. "There are none perfect, no not one;" we all live beneath the curse of Adam's race.

Of all places on earth the grave of an enemy is the most rebuking. It may be one who for long years has tormented us with his tireless persecutions. Nothing may have been left undone to render us unhappy. Sorrow after sorrow may have been caused by his endless tortures, and the dull lines of care sown ere their time by the hand of the man whose hatred was so intense. You chafe beneath the troubles he unsparingly inflicts. Finally death steps in and, with his iron grasp, compells the strong man to bow beneath his power. Now you are revenged for all the insults and injuries heaped upon your defenseless head. But can you feel at enmity with the pale slumberer whose power is forever over? Can you be prompted to war with the pitiful remnant of dust decaying before you? No! Speak not of him with disrespect, expose not his mistakes to view, bring not his dark deeds to light, and leave his crimes to be punished by a Higher Judge than yourself, for it is noble to *tread lightly on the ashes of the dead!*

Had you a friend bound strangely to your heart? Something may have caused that eye to cease to brighten at your approach, and although you remained unchanged, yet somehow it is manifest *he* was no longer true to the friendship which had existed for so long, and your childhood playmate was cold and reserved. Regret may have filled your spirit with grief at this falling off of the flowers of friendship; but you are too proud to reproach him with his faithlessness, and henceforth your paths in life are widely parted. Time passed. You wander far away, but return once more, and as you pass along the streets a silent procession winds along toward the city of the dead. You follow and inquire whose body it is the sad mourners are bearing to its last resting place. You start back shocked; it is your once cherished friend, who scorned your overtures of affection! Memories of by-gone happy hours flash across your mind, and the pleasures you once enjoyed together; but, like a dark shadow resting upon a bright plain, seems the latter days of your lives. Will you not forgive that waywardness? You know not how the tongue of scandal may have injured you in the estimation of him who once loved you truly. How can you tell the motives which caused him to desert and leave you alone? Look leniently upon the past, and *tread lightly upon the ashes of the dead.*

Yonder in the solemn cemetery, where the willow branches wave and the dark cypress casts its gloom, amid the awful stillness is a grassed-tossed grave. Beneath lightly rests one you fondly loved and idly worshiped. All the wild passion of your existence was poured as a willing libation at her feet; but she, after promising to become your bride, coolly crushed every living flower in your heart, which would have shed its last warm drop in her defense. A few brief months and the devoted husband stands in speechless agony over her senseless clay. You were indignant at her cruelty to yourself, and insulted pride never could be appeased. A strange fascination impels you to visit the spot where they have laid her down to sleep. As you stand *alone* beside her *grave*, can any but saddening thoughts fill your brain? You had hoped for happiness in her dear society, but those anticipations had been dashed by her hand. She had wronged you foully, depriving you of "man's best gift"—confidence in humanity. You felt nothing could ever atone for the deed of injustice; but does not a feeling of pity fill your soul for the youthful dead suddenly called away in the springtime of existence? Bend down, uncover that grave, and see what remains of that once lovely form—a hideous skeleton and a few handsful of mouldering dust. Is she not now forgiven all the misery she caused? Yes; that dismal home speaks to you in trumpet tones, biding you *tread lightly on the ashes of the dead.*

Sherman District Conference.

It is made my duty, by the request of your agent, Rev. Wm. McK. Gillum, and the conference, to give you a sketch of the proceedings of the District Conference for Sherman district, North Texas Annual Conference, held at Pilot Point, Denton county, beginning on Thursday morning before the first Sunday in July. It was the largest district conference I ever attended, and the most harmonious. There were, probably, fifteen or twenty preachers, and from twenty to thirty lay delegates. The preaching was fine, and created a good and elevating feeling among the people who crowded the church. We listened to sermons from Bros. Blair, Couch, Hill, Morse, Alderson, Petty, Binkley, Martin, and others, who continued to preach after some of us left. In fact, I understand that a great revival has been going on there ever since the conference adjourned.

Sunday morning we had a good, joyful time in love feast; and at 11 o'clock Rev. J. M. Binkley preached one of the best and most affecting gospel sermons I ever heard from his lips. The church was crowded, and many reluctantly left because they were unable to get inside the building.

Saturday night we held our missionary anniversary, and listened with much pleasure to interesting and instructive speeches by Brothers Petty and Binkley. A very handsome amount was raised for missionary purposes.

The Rev. J. W. Chalk, presiding elder, opened the conference Thursday morning with divine service. J. R. Cole was elected Secretary, and Y. A. M. Starks, Assistant Secretary. Committees on missions, Sunday-schools, education, finance, churches and parsonages, divine service, temperance, books and periodicals, and pastoral relation were appointed.

On Friday various reports were made embracing the whole work of the district—encouraging in some respects; in others, discouraging. Financially, everything is very backward—not for lack of will, but for lack of money.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals reported, and among other resolutions recommended, was one pledging support to the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and distributing the books of the church. The resolutions were adopted. Your agent, Brother Gillum, was invited to address the conference, which he did in his bold, convincing style, and won, I think, a heartier good will for the ADVOCATE. The prospect for fine crops being good, I think your subscription list will be greatly augmented from this portion of our conference.

The Committee on Finance made their report. It appears that the assessments for pastors' claims amount to $6200, of which only about $1629 have been collected.

Church property on the district is valued at $24,000.

After the report on missions had been read, a lengthy and entertaining discussion arose on a resolution to petition the bishop at the next annual conference to send more experienced preachers to the frontier missions. Witty, pleasing, instructive, pointed, vigorous—aggressive *or otherwise*—speeches were made on the subject by Brothers Binkley, Smith, Robbins, Starks, Crowder, Hill, Shearer, Alderson, etc.

The Committee on Education reported, recommending highly the Methodist Conference school at Sherman, under the management of Rev. J. C. Parks. This school is well located. The building, grounds and furniture are owned by the conference, and the management is under an accomplished gentleman, a fine preacher, an experienced teacher, and an indomitable worker. Few places, if any, in Texas have better schools than our conference at Sherman; and the intention is to increase the faculty and elevate the course of study.

J. W. Hearne, J. R. Cole, Wm. Midkiff and J. W. Lanius were elected delegates to the next annual conference.

Bonham was selected as the place where the next district conference shall be held.

After three days of work, worship, harmony and good feeling, the conference adjourned.

Pilot Point is a pretty town, in a beautiful location, surrounded by a net-work of outstretching farms, green with their summer crops. Her citizens are hospitable and kind, and deserve all the thanks so heartily tendered them by the conference. They attend church, day and night, better than any people with whom I am acquainted; and there is a moral tone about the town not excelled, in my opinion, by that of any town in the State. There are perhaps a dozen stores, and all the other paraphernalia of towns generally, except in one respect—there is not a *doggery* or *drinking* establisiment in the town nor within several miles of it. Rev. M. C. Blackburn is a popular preacher among his people, and has evidently done a good work since he was sent to that section.

J. R. COLE.

Weatherford District Conference.

The Weatherford District Conference convened at Caddo Grove, July 7, and closed July 10. It was well attended, not only by its own members, but by many spectators. There were sixty-odd members who answered to roll call, and during the entire conference there seemed to be a disposition to look after every interest of the church. Various subjects were brought up and discussed at length. Many of the speeches were fine. Some of the speakers were not inclined to "stick" to the question, but our President, Rev. T. W. Hines, generally held them to the point. By-the-way, Bro. Hines not only knows how to preside, but he has firmness enough to put that knowledge into practice. The conference was very pleasant and instructive, and crowds of people attended to learn more of the government and usages of the church. So, I trust, good has been accomplished by elucidating the various subjects concerning the interests of the church.

I believe we had twelve conversions—two to "district conferences"—both of whom made a public confession and profesion. Ten were converted to God, and most of them shouted His praises aloud. We had ten additions to the church. Let all who are opposed to district conferences attend one or two good ones, and, I think, they will be soundly converted. The preaching was very fine, and it told with wonderful effect, if one might judge from tears seen and shouts heard.

On Sunday night, after preaching, the elder, Bro. Hines, announced that exactly at midnight Bro. Burnett, of Fort Worth, would preach. The people were wearied; still, hundreds stayed to hear the midnight sermon. At the appointed time the brother took his text—Matt., XXVI., vi: "And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh: go ye out to meet him." O how solemn the hour and the subject! and from the number shouting at the close of the sermon, it seemed many were ready just then to go "out and meet him." I think all the Christians present came nearer getting happy at that hour than I ever saw before at any place.

The statistics of the conference show that there have been 57 adults and 117 infants baptized; accessions to the church, 246; total assessment to preachers, $6900; receipts on the same, $1,613.80; missionary money collected, $48.60. Some other small collections have been made. Steps are being taken to build a district parsonage.

The next conference is to be held at Cleburne, Johnson county, Texas. Two who were with us at our last conference did not attend this. They are gone; but, blessed be God! they left the testimony that *all* was *well*. One was the Rev. R. B. Wammack, of the Northwest Texas Conference; the other was Rev. Milton H. Jones, who for forty years had been a watchman upon the walls of our beloved Zion. They are dead; yet they live, fresh and green, in our affections. O brethren, let us who still remain be faithful until death!

J. J. SHIRLY.

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Yours, C. H. GUY,
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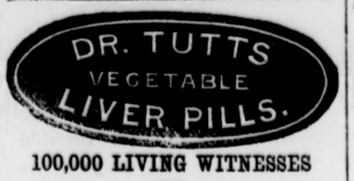
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CAMP MEETING.—A letter from Rev. S. H. Brown of the Matagorda Mission, Texas Conference, desires us to call the attention of preachers and people to the camp meeting to be held near Elliot's Ferry, on the Colorado, some twenty-five miles from the mouth, to include the second Sunday of August. Preachers and people are cordially invited to attend. They will be cordially welcomed, and will have ample opportunity for work.

WILLARD RICHARDSON.

On the morning of the 26th, Mr. Richardson, after a long illness, closed his lite. He had been prostrated for some time from abscess of the liver, and though his death had been expected for many days, it made a deep impression on the community. He was a man of marked character and ability. Patiently industrious, he built up by his prudence and enterprise one of the leading journals of the South. Beginning life with no means but his own resolute will and strong intellect, he carved out for himself success in one of the most uncertain and responsible vocations in life. His confidence in the prosperity of Texas and the Island City led him to make investments which secured a fortune that he now leaves to his only child. As one of the links binding the present to the past generation, his demise marks the swift advance of time which is bearing each one to his final home. He was buried with the honors of the Masonic and Odd Fellows fraternities, while the representatives of the press and a large concourse of citizens testified their respect for the memory of this prominent citizen.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

At their late meeting at Nashville our Bishops appointed a Week of Prayer, beginning August 8, for the special blessing of God on our missionary labors, and for our institutions of learning. It was not their design, however, to make these so prominent that prayer for the revival of God's work in each charge and throughout the entire work should hold a second place in the devotions of the people. All the work of church must begin in the hearts of the people. When they are aflame with the love of Christ their love for souls will follow, and earnest prayers for the spread of the gospel, earnest efforts for the salvation of souls, liberal offerings for the support of the cause of missions and of those grand institutions which stand as efficient coadjutors of the preacher and missionary will follow as an inevitable result. Let all our people remember the Week of Prayer.

LAST year there were 4694 marriages in Connecticut and 492 divorces. Nine out of ten of their marriages stand. Pretty well for the land where habits are steady.

LORD CARNS, the Lord Chancellor, is recognized as one of the ablest lawyers of the British Empire. The fact that he has been a frequent attendant of the meetings of Moody and Sanky, is one that we commend to those who pronounce the revivals which are arousing the church a movement of the fanatical minds of the Protestant world. Emotional religion it seems can exist along with the broadest intelligence and the severest thought.

THE House of Lords was lately exercised at the possibility of a plebian preaching the gospel to sons of noble sires—that is of noblemen at Eton—and recently the House of Commons was exercised over a speech of Sir Wilfred Lawson against a motion to adjourn one day for the Derby races, in which he severely ridiculed the idea of the National Legislature patronizing this sort of gambling. Of course the House adjourned to attend the races.

A LITTLE MORE PLAIN TALK.

In last week's ADVOCATE there was some very plain talking indeed. It was more than plain—it was startling. It is enough to bring every Methodist to his knees, and throw every heart into an agony of prayer. Drunkards and libertines in the church of God! How can we expect it to prosper? If one Achan in the camp was enough to defeat the army of Israel, surely debauchees, gamblers and tipplers in the Methodist church are enough to make us tremble lest the invisible fingers of God write "Ichabod" upon our walls. What is to be done? In the first place, that member of the church who knows men in the church guilty of such immoralities as stated in last week's ADVOCATE ought to report to his preacher. If he fails to do so upon any considerations whatever, he is derelict in duty. But if the pastor is already acquainted with the facts, and yet fails to excommunicate such unworthy members, while the curse of Almighty God still rests upon them, yet their blood will God require at his hands. There are men in our church, in Galveston, who frequent bar-rooms, and if possible, places of worse character. Members of the church can put their hands on such men, but on account of business or personal relations do not report. The question then comes up: Is it right to hold the Methodist Church responsible for such outrageous and hypocritical conduct? We certainly can not hold her principles responsible. Every doctrine of Methodism condemns such practices. Such conduct is not the legitimate fruit of Methodist teaching; but whenever any particular church passes over such crimes in silence that church by virtue of her silence becomes *particeps criminis*. Concealment, though done from the tenderest considerations of family ties, is sin. Silence is sin. Inaction is sin under such circumstances. The man who fails to do his whole duty in purging the church of such moral abscesses assumes a more perilous responsibility than he would by a bold and candid statement of the real facts. Unless we get rid of such members, we had just as well close up our churches, disband our prayer-meeting and cease our supplications for the prosperity of Zion. With such a moral stench rising to heaven, we need not hope to see the Shekinah symbol of divine presence flaming upon our altars. The heart of the writer has been sickened time and again by the sneers and criticisms of the world upon the Methodist Church on account of unworthy members. There is a way of getting rid of men of this character, and the sooner it is done the better. Prompt and impartial action is the only way to vindicate the purity of Zion. Let every member of the church then do his duty. If he knows of a member guilty of living in violation of any of the rules of the church let him report. regardless of consequences, to the preacher in charge. If the preacher in charge has not enough moral stamina or backbone to bring the offender to justice, ask of the Bishop a man that will do it. But in nine cases out of ten, whenever a preacher is sustained by the moral sentiment of his church he will be equal to his duties. It is no use to be mincing matters. It is no use to get sentimental on such subjects and say, "wait, and it may be, they will reform afterawhile." The only way to reform such mem is by excommunication. When a man puts on the livery of heaven to serve the devil in, the longer you wait on such a man the bolder he becomes in his immorality. Strip him of his livery. Hold up his corrupt and hypocritical heart to the inspection of the world. Fire off the columbiad charged with the anathema of the church at his sin coated soul broadside. Then may-be by the spirit of God his petrified conscience will be stirred. In this age above all others, the church must be prompt in her actions. So many men in high stations are prostituting their sacred offices, that infidelity is looking out from its hiding place, and smiling with a hellish satisfaction. In the name of God let us put the ax at the root of the tree; and first of all let judgment begin at the house of God. *

SOME FACTS.

Rowell's *Newspaper Directory* shows that during the past year over one thousand newspapers in the United States have suspended, and that in their failure $8,000,000 has disappeared. These facts, more clearly than any others, show how heavily the financial pressure in the land has fallen on its publishing interests. Those which have survived, have in many instances been forced to a course of rigid economy, and in many cases have been reduced in size and amount of reading matter. Religious journals have been among the chief sufferers. This is owing to two facts. In the first place they give more reading matter for the price of their subscription, and in the next, are limited as to the amount of advertising space. Again the advertisements which are excluded from religious journals are those which yield the largest income to secular papers. In the Northern Methodist press only three, according to the New York *Christian Advocate*, are paying expenses.

With these facts before us we feel grateful as we recall the history of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE during that period. For a while in 1874, under the pressure, we had to bend, but since the 1st of January, 1875, there has been a steady advance, and from the cheering words from agents we are satisfied that our future will be more prosperous than ever before. While we are endeavoring to present our readers a paper alive to all the interests of the church, filled with fresh intelligence from the church and the secular world, faithfully representing the doctrines and policy of our church we confidently rely on them for support. The ADVOCATE is now on a safer business basis than at any former period of its history, and while the church appreciates and supports we have no fear of the future.

WAS IT CHANCE?

Last Monday, while we were sharing the kind hospitalities of an old friend, Rev. J. H. Shapard of Columbia, Brazoria county, his house was struck by lightning. He had just completed, and moved into it, but had not put up lightning-rods. The bolt struck the chimney and divided, the main force passing down and shattering the chimney, besides tearing the mantels both in the second and first story from their fastenings and scattering their contents over the room. The other bolt passed across the roof descending to the parlor in the opposite end of the house at the base board, and kept its track up the wall to the ceiling where it parted, and passed out at opposite points in the room.

Miss Kate Shapard, the eldest daughter, was entering the room at the moment when the principal force of the discharge was exploded, and was prostrated by the shock. There were twelve persons in the house, and some one in every room except the three into which this terrible visitor entered and played his eccentric pranks. About ten minutes before the house was struck, Mrs. Taylor and several of the children were at the piano, within a few feet of the chimney, singing some of our Sunday-school songs. Did not the finger of Providence direct that bolt? We felt grateful that the messenger left us all unharmed.

WORK for the Premiums.

SUSPENDED.

With feelings of sorrow we can not express we have read in both church and secular papers of the suspension from the ministry of Rev. John W. Hanner, D.D., of the Tennessee Conference. The following is the action of the committee as reported in the Nashville *Union and American* of July 11:

The committee of investigation called by Bishop McTyeire in the case of Rev. J. W. Hanner, Sr., met in Murfreesboro, at ten o'clock A. M., July 9, in the Methodist church. Committee: Rev. H. Rivers, D.D., Revs. L. C. Bryan, W. H. Hughes, J. R. Plummer and J. D. Barbee.

The witnesses were examined, after which the accused was given an opportunity to speak for himself, and to explain an anonymous letter, the authorship of which was attributed to him; said letter being the basis of the charge of immorality.

The committee deliberated until eleven o'clock P. M. on Friday, and resumed their session at nine A M. on Saturday, and at twelve o'clock they reached and signed their conclusion, of which the following is the sum:

"The committee called in the case of J. W. Hanner, Sr., have investigated the same with painful and conscientious dilligence, and with prayerful reference to their responsibilities to God and his church. They have not been unmindful of the eccentricities that have marked the accused for some years, but which have not been deemed of sufficient gravity and significance to call for formal discipline. His peculiarities have been considered in explanation and mitigation, and are not without weight in estimating some things said and done by him. The frankness and honesty of his confessions and explanations before the committee duly impressed their minds and hearts. Important evidence was given by the accused against himself, while he protests his innocence of certain *intentions* and would have certain things explained as quizzing and enigmatical only.

"But the committee could not escape the conclusion, from the evidence before them, that John W. Hanner, Sr., is not only guilty of what is improper and reprehensible in the highest degree in a christian man and a minister, but that his conduct in this affair deserves the formal verdict: *That he is guilty of immorality* in writing a letter to a young lady, dated June 25th, apparently designed to corrupt her, and to seduce her from the path of virtue, and couched in terms intimating a readiness to be the instrument of her ruin."

Whereupon the Bishop pronounced the *suspension* of John W. Hanner, Sr., from the ministerial office until the next session of the Tennessee Annual Conference.

LORD SHAFTESBURY recently said that Mr. Moody was producing more effect by a single discourse under a tent than had been produced by Canon Liddon in all the grand discourses delivered in White Hall or St. Paul. This is simply a new statement of a fact as old as the prophets declaration: "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts," and another illustration of the truth of the apostle's declaration that the treasure of the gospel truth and grace is found in earthen vessels.

IT appears from the report of the Minister of War at St. Petersburg that Russia can bring into the field in case of war, 1,463,000 men including their regular troops. The army properly speaking, consists of 730,000 men, and the reserve 206,000; the troops doing garrison duty number 120,000, and those in depots 257,000. Local forces, chiefly Asiatic, 80,000, and the Cossacks 70,000. When the nations beat their spears into plow-shares what an immense addition will be made to the productive force of the world.

BISHOP HARE says civilization is making some progress with the Sioux. So it is with all the other Indians, and at the present rate of progress, before the close of the present century, it will leave no trace of their existence, only on the pages of history.

WE regret to learn of the death of Bro. J. Clark Smith's wife. Notice will appear next week.

BRO. M. A. BLACK, writes from Brazos Station, July 21, concerning Concrete circuit: "I began a meeting at Terryville Saturday before the second Sunday in July and closed the Wednesday night following. The congregations were large and attentive. And the few nominal members scattered through the country were much revived. A society had been organized by Bro. Sutherland, but had become defunct. The society was re-organized with twenty-five new additions. There were thirty penitents at the altar the last night of the meeting. At this meeting I was assisted by Bros. Dickenson, Shapard and Nolen, the Brethren did good work. I have also just closed a meeting at Burns' Station, which resulted in two accessions to the church. Here I was helped by Bros. Gillett and South, and better help (in the way of preachers) I have never had. I hope great good was done at this meeting. Dr. Light of the Texas conference is dead. He died within the bounds of the Concrete circuit, at Dr. Johnson's. He died in great peace. His funeral was preached by the writer."

BRO. JAS. MCDOUGALD writes from Gilmer, July 17: "I have just closed the first of my protracted meetings for the present conference year on Gilmer circuit, Jefferson District, North Texas Conference. The meeting lasted five days and nights, and resulted in nineteen conversions and fifteen additions to our church. Adults baptized, 5; infants, 3. The members are very much revived. There are five copies of the ADVOCATE taken in the neighborhood where I have just closed this meeting. I have been administering discipline in the letter and, I trust, in the spirit too. I have dismissed ten by letter. One has died, and one has withdrawn. Thirty-two have been dismissed by order of church conference. We have sixteen of our church paper taken within the bounds of my circuit. My charge now numbers 164 members, whose whereabouts are known. I have church conferences in successful operation at each one of my appointments. I am succeeding tolerably well in restoring class-meetings. We are in the midst of severe drouth. It is a very hard matter for me to keep meat and bread for my family. I am very fearful that my missionary and conference collections are going to fall short; but if I can get my brethren to pay one-half as much to these claims as they have already paid out to the 'Grange movement,' my collections will all be met in full. I do not like the idea of expecting each preacher, who does not get five subscribers for the ADVOCATE to pay $1.25. It seems to me that, if the ADVOCATE is the property of the five conferences of our church in Texas; each one of the traveling preachers in those conferences ought to have it (the ADVOCATE) free of all charge. I shall do all I can to increase its circulation in my charge. I am very sorry that 'Rutherby Biggs' has quit writing on worldly amusements. It is currently reported in this section of the country that some of your Galveston preachers indorse social wine-drinking at their tables by precept and example. Is it true? or is it a slander?" [We can answer for the *Methodist* preachers of Galveston, that the above charge is groundless. It is hard work to get sufficient bread and meat, much less wine, for their tables.—ED].

BRO. R. H. NEELY, writes from Kaufman, Texas, July 17: "My third quarterly meeting commences to-day. I hope for good times. I sent a list of subscribers last Tuesday from Sulphur Springs. Will soon send another. *I intend to teach agents how to work for the Advocate.* We need it, and must have it; it is a power in the land wherever it goes. Glad you want to increase the reading matter. God bless you in your efforts."

BRO. J. S. CLOWER, in a "subscription note" of July 26, appends the following pertinent memorandum: "'Money is close, but not close enough to reach,' and so I must wait until fall to make collections."

THE following, from a *live* agent and good friend, we hope will be read carefully. It points out a fault that, we trust, will be remedied. Agents will please call the attention of delinquents to it: "I am sorry that I have not done more for the ADVOCATE. We all love it, and are proud of it, but money is so scarce. And now, Mr. Editor, I will just here take occasion to say *there is another difficulty your agents have to contend with*, to wit: the carelessness of subscribers. The agent sends their names, with instructions to charge to him. After a while the quarter is out, and here comes his account from the Advocate Publishing Company. He has been patiently waiting all the while for the brethren to remember that they were expected to pay for their paper sometime during the quarter. Occasionally he reminds them that he wants to remit soon, but they 'can't make the change,' or 'have not got the money then; will hand it to him in a few days,' and that is the last of it, may be, for weeks. So the agent must advance the money, or the Publishing Company must wait. Now, Mr. Editor, that is one reason why I have not sent more subscribers this year. I am getting sore on that point. I hope you will call the attention of delinquent subscribers to this duty through the columns of the ADVOCATE. God bless the ADVOCATE—I do love it, and will work for it, but I can't advance money to pay for it.—(Signed) EARNEST."

BRO. J. C. A. BRIDGES writes from Carthage circuit, July 23: "This is my second year in charge of this circuit, and I must say the better I become acquainted with this people the more I feel endeared to them. They are, indeed, a noble, generous hearted people, fully alive to the interests of the church in every department. We had on this circuit last year over three hundred conversions and two hundred and fifty-one accessions to the M. E. Church, South, and the responsibility of watching over so many young converts is truly great. I feel that I need the prayers of the church. We have had no special visitations of revival influence, yet a good state of religious feeling prevails throughout this entire circuit. I closed my first protracted meeting last Tuesday night, resulting in one conversion and one accession. This meeting was held at the town of Carthage, where the next session of our conference is to be held. Here we have a membership of about 126, and a more hospitable community is not to be found in Texas. If you wish to be treated kindly, Bro. John, come over to our next annual conference, and you shall have the finest turkey that can be found in Panola. On the whole, the general state of the charge is good, But I fear we shall fall behind in our financial matters this year, as crops are badly cut off by the drougth."—(Bro. J. expects to be on hand.—Ed.)

BRO. A. HINKLE writes from Houston, July 26: "We closed our meeting at Chapmanville church last night, to be resumed next Wednesday. Result of two weeks' labors, eighteen received by ritual into church fellowship, and about the same number of conversions. Many more persons deeply concerned. Bros. Littlepage and Dr. Kavanaugh have labored all through the meeting. The church and community have been greatly blessed and benefited by the good work of grace. We are all happy, and give God the praise for the good done."

BRO. J. J. DAVIS writes from Jewett, Texas, July 23: * * * "I regret not being able to do more for the ADVOCATE, but times are so hard that people can't get money to pay taxes. Crops are failing because of the dry weather, though I think there will be plenty of corn made. I think the ADVOCATE gives general satisfaction, and if times were not so hard, I could send you a long list of subscribers. I have presented its claims, and hope to do more for it between now and conference."

WORK for the Premiums.

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THAT enterprising manufacturer's agent in Houston, H. Scherffius, Esq. displayed at the Texas State Fair the celebrated Revolving Head Cotton Gin, manufactured by the Daniel Pratt Gin Company, Prattville, Ala. These well known gins have given universal satisfaction wherever they have been given a fair trial, and those who have tried them speak of them in the highest terms.

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ADVICE TO TRAVELERS

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway has become so well known to the people of Texas as one of the finest and most comfortable Roads on the continent to travel on, that it seems almost unnecessary that we should say aught in its praise. Yet we cannot ever get back from a trip over this line without saying something in praise of the management who always seem to be striving to make their patrons comfortable while traveling over their road. The track is always in the best possible condition and trains are at all times run at uniform speed. Pullman's finest Drawing Room Sleeping Cars accompany all through passenger trains, and if you are going north or east, by making your wants known, you can either go via Hannibal or St. Louis. And for Kansas City, Denver, California, or any of the Northwestern States or Territories, it is much the best route we have from Texas. Their Dining Stations and Hours of Meals are all that a traveler could wish for, and in fact there seems to be nothing left undone to render a trip over this road pleasant.

TO PLANTERS AND DEALERS.—H. Dudley Coleman, 12 Union street, New Orleans, is known as a leading manufacturer of machinery and dealer in machines of all kinds—flour mills, corn mills, mill furnishings and gearing, cotton presses, steam engines, cotton gins, feeders, etc. Among the latest machines of merit, he presents, through our columns, (double column illustration, seventh page), the Simmons' Belt-Geared Cotton Press. It carried off the premium at the State Fair of Mississippi in 1872 and 1873; first premium of Louisiana State Fair, 1873; and Texas Fair, 1873. The following is a brief description of the press: It is driven by a belt, the same as a gin stand or mill, and the screw and follower are run either up or down with the same motion of the belt, and it is not necessary to stop or slacken the speed of the line shaft on which is placed the pully or drum drawing the press, to move the screw in an opposite direction. It can be placed either in the lint room or outside, the framing being complete within itself. The illustration elsewhere represents the press just after the bale has been made. The doors are open and the top of the lower follower is seen. When this press is put up in a lintroom, it is calculated to have the sides or doors open down on the lintroom floor. The end doors are taken out, so that the ends of the bale may be sewed while the bale is under pressure. Each press is put up, and the parts are properly marked, showing how it should go together; it is then taken apart and carefully packed, and such parts as might be lost in shipping, if sent loose, are boxed. By this arrangement of marking the parts, any unskilled person is enabled to put the press together. Mr. Coleman guarantees the press to make a 500-pound bale of cotton.

AMONG the efficient and hard-working young lawyers of Galveston, the name of C. H. Cleveland stands high. We commend Mr. C. to the readers of the ADVOCATE as a gentleman possessing both personal integrity and exceedingly fine business qualifications. All business, such as claims, etc., entrusted to his hands will receive prompt and careful attention. See card.

J. E. MASON, Esq., the popular proprietor of MASON'S PARLOR BOOK STORE, is visiting the principal cities of the East for the purpose of making large and valuable selections of literature, stationery, and all the latest games of amusement of the day. By thus doing, this enterprising gentleman will largely increase his already immense stock of goods, and enable his numerous patrons to keep up with the times.

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NOTE change in schedule of Direct Navigation Company.

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Church Notices.

Camp-Meeting.

There will be a camp-meeting at Spring Creek camp-ground, Redland circuit, embracing the fifth Sabbath in August (29th). It will be on the self-sustaining plan. Preachers will all be provided for. Services will commence on Friday night. Let us pray for God to meet us there, and make one in our midst. Our Third Quarterly Conference meets at the same time and place. J. J. DAVIS, P. E.

Camp-Meeting.

There will be a camp-meeting, commencing August 27th, at Colorado Chapel, six miles below Webberville. Ministers cordially invited to attend. R. W. KENNON.

San Marcos Camp-Meeting.

The San Marcos Camp-meeting will begin Thursday, August 12, four miles below San Marcos, east side of the river.
W. J. JOYCE, P. E.
O. A. FISHER, P. C.

Camp-Meeting Changed.

The Camp-meeting at Johnson's Lake will commence the 30th day of September, 1875, which is Thursday before the first Sabbath in October. E. T. BRASHEAR, P. C.

Marlin Circuit Camp-Meeting.

The Camp-meeting for Marlin circuit will embrace the third Sunday in August, (Aug. 15,) instead of the second Sunday. Bro. Connor is compelled to be at Calvert on the second Sunday, hence the change from the second to the third. J. M. TRUITT.

Angelina County Camp-Meeting.

The Camp-meeting of Angelina county will begin on the 10th of September. Also the Quarterly Meeting will embrace the 11th and 12th, in connection with the Camp-meeting. The location may be known as the Ryon Camp Ground, ten miles west of Homer. (Self-sustaining.) All are solicited to come. We especially call for ministerial help.
J. A. MILLER.

Palestine District.

The Palestine District Conference will convene at Jacksonville on Thursday, August 12th, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

A District Sunday-school Convention is be organized at the same place, Saturday, August 14th.

All the pastors, Sunday-school superintendents, and one delegate from each Sunday-school in the district are to be members of the convention.

The preachers in charge will please see that all their Sunday-schools are properly represented. Be sure to bring up the Sunday-school statistics. JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

Mt. Nebo Camp-Meeting.

A camp-meeting will be held at Mt. Nebo, seven miles south-west of Waxahachie, Ellis county, commencing Friday, August 13th, at 8½ o'clock, A. M. This is to be strictly a self-sustaining camp-meeting. All are invited.
C. H. ELLIS, Pastor.

Camp-Meetings.

There will be a Camp-meeting held at each of the following places, on Trinity Circuit, Dallas District, North Texas Conference:
Whorthington's Camp Ground, August 1, 8.
Derryburry's Camp Ground, three miles east of Plano, Aug. 15, 22.
Eureka Camp Ground, Aug. 29.
Duck Creek Camp Ground, Sept. 4.

These are self-sustaining meetings, and we expect them to be carried out to the *very letter*. No huckster shops, nor picture galleries are admitted on the camp ground. We wish this distinctly understood.

Ministers, both itinerant and local, are requested to attend. We shall greatly need their assistance. GEO. S. GATEWOOD.

Camp-Meeting.

There will be a camp-meeting on Sandy Creek, five miles from McDade, near the railroad, commencing August 6th. All ministers cordially invited. Persons coming can get off the cars near the ground.
R. W. KENNON.

Camp-Meeting.

The camp-meeting for Marlin circuit will begin on Thursday night, August 5th. The following preachers are expected to be in attendance: Bros. Pugh, Melugin, Browne, of Marlin; Glass and H. Taylor, of Coryell. We expect Bro. Veal to attend, if possible.
J. M. TRUITT.

Camp-Meeting.

There will be a Camp-Meeting, on the self-supporting plan, at Johnson's Lake, eight miles north of Pennington, four miles south of Hudson's Store, commencing on Thursday, September 23, 1875. Ministers and people are invited to attend.
E. T. BRASHER, Pastor.

San Augustine Dist. Conference.

The San Augustine District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will be held at Nacogdoches, commencing on Thursday, August 4th, at 9 o'clock, A. M. The Conference Sermon will be preached on Thursday night by Rev. J. P. A. Bridges, P. C. of Carthage circuit. J. R. BELLAMY, P. E.

Starrville Circuit.

The following are appointments of meetings on the Starrville Circuit, East Texas Conference (Marshall District):
Red Springs, Aug. 7, 8.
Antioch, Aug. 14, 15.
White House, Aug. 21, 22.
Bascom Chapel, Aug. 28, 29.
Jamestown, Sept. 4, 5.
Starrville, (Camp-meeting), Sept. 10.
Canton, Sept. 25, 26.

All ministers are earnestly invited to attend the Starrville Camp Meeting who can do so. It will be on the self-sustaining plan; but ample accommodations will be provided for all ministers and their horses, and also all visiting brethren from a distance. We invite and request all the aid possible in all our meetings from brethren in the ministry. Come one; come all! and come in the spirit.
S. W. TURNER, P. C.

Long Point Camp-Meeting.

The Camp-Meeting at Long Point, Austin county, three miles north of Pittsville, will embrace the third Sabbath in August, commencing on Thursday, the 12th day of August. The ground is beautiful and pleasant; water good and plenty. It is desirable that the meeting be on the self-sustaining plan.

Preachers and people are cordially invited to come and tent with us. Come in the name of the Lord Jesus. THOMAS WHITWORTH.

Quarterly Meeting Appointments.

GALVESTON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Shearn Chapel, at Houston, Aug. 1.
Matagorda, a camp-meeting, near Elliot's Ferry, Aug. 7, 8.
St. James' Church, at Galveston, Aug. 14, 15.
St. John's Church, at Galveston, Aug. 21, 22.
Cedar Bayou, at Cedar Bayou, Aug. 28, 29.
Washington street, at Houston, Sept. 4, 5.
Velasco cir., at Hoskins' Chapel, a camp-meeting, Sept 11, 12. I. G. JOHN, P. E.

HUNTSVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Madisonville cir., at Ellwood, Aug. 7, 8.
Prairie Plains cir., at Bay Chapel, Aug. 14, 15.
Cold Springs cir., Aug. 21, 22.
Bryan sta., Aug. 28, 29.
Anderson, Sept. 4, 5.

The District Conference will convene at Willis on the 22d of July. Opening sermon by Rev. F. T. Mitchell, at 11 A. M.
J. M. WESSON, P. E.

WACO DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Wheelock, at Camp Creek, July 31, August 1.
W. G. CONNOR, P. E.

COMANCHE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Burnet cir., at Crownover's Chapel, Aug. 1.
Lampasas miss., at Lampasas, Aug. 8.
Rockdale cir., Aug. 15.
P. W. GRAVIS, P. E.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Sulphur Springs sta., Aug. 1.
Emory mis., at ——, Aug. 8.
Winnsboro, at Sand Ridge, Aug. 15.

CORSICANA DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Butler cir., at ——, August 1.
Navasota miss., at Tacker's, Aug. 8.
Centerville cir., at Pleasant Ridge, Aug. 22.
Redland cir., at Spring Creek, Aug. 29.
W. C. YOUNG, P. E.

MARSHALL DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Marshall sta., at ——, August 1.
Harrison cir., at Willey's Chapel, August 8.
Elysian Fields, at Walnut Springs, August 15.
Henderson and Bellview, at Ch. Hill, Aug. 22.
Hallville cir., at Cave Springs, Aug. 29.

The District Conference, at Overton, to commence on Thursday, July 8th.
DANIEL MORSE, P. E.
Marshall, June 1, 1875.

BELTON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Georgetown, at Organ's Chapel, July 24.
Liberty Hill, at Jinks' Branch Camp Ground. Aug. 15.

The District Conference convenes at Jinks' Branch Camp Ground, Saturday before the third Sunday in August, at 9 A. M. Delegates and preachers are requested to be prompt in attendance. W. R. D. STOCKTON, P. E.

WAXAHACHIE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Milford cir., July 31 and August 1.
A. DAVIS, P. E.

JEFFERSON DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Kellyville cir., at Kellyville, August 8.
Soda Lake cir., at Trinity Chapel, Aug. 15.
Linden cir., Aug. 22.
Mt. Pleasant cir., at Mt. Vernon, Aug. 29.

The District Conference will meet at Longview on Thursday, July 29.
JNO. H. MCLEAN, P. E.

PALESTINE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Tyler cir., at Pleasant Retreat, July 25, 27.
Tyler sta., August 1, 2.
Athens cir., August 8, 9.
Jacksonville cir., August 15, 16.
Kickapoo cir., at Tennessee Colony, Aug. 29, 30.
Palestine sta., September 5, 6.
JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

STEPHENVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Fort Griffin mis., at Lynch's, July 24, 25.
Jacksboro cir., at Jacksboro, July 31, Aug. 1.
Black Springs mis., at Boon's Creek, Aug. 7, 8.
Palo Pinto cir., at Burns' Store, Aug. 14, 15.

The exercises of the District Conference are to commence July 9th, at Corinth, six miles above Stephenville, and the Conference proper to open at 8½ o'clock, July 10, 1875.
JOHN F. NEAL, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Cartersville cir. and Springtown mis., (a camp-meeting,) at Springtown, Aug. 1.
Mansfield, at ——, Aug. 8.
Fort Worth sta., Aug. 15.
Marysville sta., Thursday, Aug. 26.
Cleburne sta., Friday Aug. 27.
Cleburne cir., Aug. 29.

The District Conference will convene at Caddo Grove, Johnson county, on Wednesday morning, July 7th, at 9 o'clock. It will be a camp-meeting. Let every preacher see how many of his people will go and camp. We will have a general rallying of the district. Every member is expected to answer on Wednesday, at 9 o'clock, A. M., to roll call.
T. W. HINES, P. E.

DALLAS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND.
Bethel cir., August 14, 15.
Trinity cir., Aug. 28, 29.
Dallas cir., 5th Saturday and Sunday in August.
McKinney cir., Sept. 4, 5.
Denton cir., Sept. 18, 19.
Grapevine cir., Sept. 25, 26.
Decatur cir., Oct. 2, 3.
Dallas miss., Oct. 9, 10.
Dallas sta., Oct. 16, 17.

We call special attention to the following prescribed duty of a Presiding Elder:

"To procure at the Fourth Quarterly Conference full statistics from every charge, to be reported at the Annual Conference, in case the preacher in charge fails to make his report."

The brethren will please have their reports ready for us. W. F. EASTERLING, P. E.

CHAPPELL HILL DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Brenham sta., at Brenham, Aug. 7, 8.
San Felipe cir., near Pittsville, (a camp-meeting), Aug. 14, 15.
Hempstead cir., at Fields' Store, Aug. 21, 22.
Chappell Hill sta., Aug. 28, 29.
Burton cir., at Union Church, Sept. 4, 5.
Bellville cir., at Nelsonville, Sept. 11, 12.
Birch Creek miss., at ——, Sept. 18, 19.
T. B. BUCKINGHAM, P. E.

SAN ANTONIO DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Bandera mis., at Monod Valley, Aug. 7.
Kerrville cir., at Center Point, Aug. 8.
San Antonio sta., at ——, Aug. 15.
Sutherland Springs cir., at Bird's, H., Aug. 22.
Cibolo cir., at Cotton Wood, Aug. 29.
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WHEREAS oath has this day been made before me by Wharton Branch that A. N. B. Tompkins is absent from the State of Texas, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him, and praying for services by publication on him, you are hereby commanded that you, by making publication of this writ in some newspaper, printed in Liberty county, if there be one—but if there be no newspaper printed in said county, then by publication in some newspaper printed in the nearest county where there is one—for three successive weeks before the return day hereof, summon the said A. N. B. Tompkins to be and appear before me at my office in the town of Liberty, in the county of Liberty, on the first Monday in September, being the sixth day of said month, A. D. 1875, to answer the complaint of the said Wharton Branch for the sum of seventy gold dollars and interest, due upon a promissory note, executed by said Tompkins, for $70 00 gold dollars, dated Liberty, June 5th, 1872, and payable ninety days after the date thereof to James Minter, or order, at Liberty, Texas, and endorsed by said Minter. Herein fail not, and of this writ make due return as the law directs.

Given under my hand this 19th day of July, A. D. 1875. J. M. C. LACOUR,
Justice Peace Liberty County,
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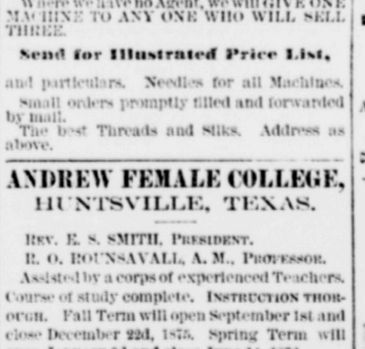
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Necessity of Church Discipline.

The signification of the word "discipline" is education and government, order or rule. The plan which I have adopted to set forth the necessity of church discipline is: First. To show that discipline had its origin with God; and, secondly, to show its necessity in a general sense. It has been truthfully asserted that the Supreme Being is a God of order, and not of confusion. This fact is vindicated in the Book of Revelation, and also in the Book of Nature. And all genuine discipline had its origin with Him as an indispensible prerequisite. This idea is set forth upon the very first page of God's revelation. In the work of creation, the first thing was to adopt some system, and then to execute the work in successive order until the whole was accomplished. And we are caused to admire the sublime wisdom of God when we consider the perfect adaptation of everything to the sphere which it was intended to occupy, from the smallest microscopic insect that dwells in the air to the largest planet that revolves in space. Behold, again, the wisdom of God in designing a place for everything in his government, and that each in its order should occupy its place. The moon can not fill the place for which the sun was intended. Neither can the sun occupy the sphere which was intended for the earth. And even while man is exalted upon the throne of dominion over everything else upon the earth—and none are capacitated to fill his place—neither can he perform the flights of the eagle that soars above the cloud-capped heaven. Thus we discover the wisdom of God penetrating through all things into the minutia of all his works, striking as it were the walls of time, and rebounding as a mighty echo laden with glory to God. And from the insect—for instance, the bee that sips the sweet from the flower to the camel, the strongest beast of burden God made to serve man, (and he made man to serve Him); and from God's theocracy, the inexhaustible foundation from whence all genuine discipline or government flows—are to be discovered flowing down in a parallel line the fundamental principles of all law, civil, military and ecclesiastical. No nation can exist in peace and harmony without law and discipline, or government; and no government or discipline can be properly administered without officers, and no officers can be sustained without the support of the people. Here may be clearly seen the admirable operations of civil law when properly executed, running from the circumference to the centre, and from the centre to the circumference; or, like the genial shower, saturating throughout the whole. The legislative hall, whose members are the representatives of the people, is the reservoir of the nation, into which may be emptied from the fountain of heaven, through the channel of God's word, the principles of all right government. And as the blood is circulated from the heart to the extremities of the human system, dispensing life and vigor, so may be ushered forth through the nation the principles of justice and equity which may be borne to the most insignificant branches of the same. The power is not in the officer, but in the law. A just law is as binding upon the king as it is upon the subject. And in view of the fact that law and discipline, or government had its origin with God, the advice of the Apostle Paul is: "Let every soul be subject to the higher powers. There is no power but of God. The powers that be are ordained of God; whosoever, therefore, resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God; and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation." And this same principle of government as derived from God may be well applied in a military sense. What would be the state of an army entering battle without officers or discipline but confusion worse confounded? or like the Philistine host when attacked by Jonathan and his armor-bearer, who turned every man's sword against his fellow?

Discipline is indispensably necessary to the healthy existence of any organization whatsoever. Its necessity is realized in the Masonic fraternity, the Odd Fellows' hall, and the temperance council, and found to be indispensably necessary to their extended longevity. And, taking an analogical view from this standpoint, we may clearly see the necessity of church discipline. The church is contending, and must contend, against a common enemy—the world, the flesh and the devil. The devil has his coworkers in every department of his dominion, ready and willing to do his bidding. This world (so to speak) is the battle-ground of the universe, and there are no terms of peace being offered but victory or death. Then how all important that the discipline of the church be so constructed as to bring all her forces to bear in order that she may come forth "fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners!"

Right is right, since God is right,
And right the day must win;
To doubt would be disloyal,
To alter would be sin.

That church discipline which fails to give occupation to every individual within her pales, from the smallest Sunday-school scholar to the highest talent of her host, needs revision. God wills no idlers in his vineyard, but has given to all talents, and has said, "Occupy till I come." But let us turn our attention more directly to the discipline of our own branch of the church, in order that we may remind ourselves of the disciplinary requirements in the various departments. The General Conference, whose body is composed of one clerical delegate for every twenty-eight members of each annual conference and an equal number of lay delegates, is the highest judicatory of the church, and, in the law-making power, bound by certain constitutional restrictions. The first constitutional restriction wisely says, without any qualification whatever, "The General Conference shall not revoke, alter or change our articles of religion, or establish any new standards or rule of doctrine contrary to our present existing and established standards of doctrine." The observance of which is plainly necessary to our identity. And it is to this supreme judicatory of the church that each Bishop is, and should be, held strictly amendable for his moral conduct and official administration as an executive officer of the church. The annual conference, as a subordinate judicial body of the church, also has its functions to perform in the execution of her discipline; and it is before this church court that the character of every traveling preacher is caused to pass annually for examination in answer to the question, "Are all the preachers of this body blameless in their life and official administration?" And if complaints be made the annual conference is vested with full power to try and acquit or expell them.

The quarterly conference, the membership of which is composed of the various church officers residing within its jurisdiction, and whose duty it is to supervise the spiritual and financial interests of the church, is a very necessary auxiliary to her well being and prosperity. And it is to this authority that every local preacher is held amenable for his moral and official conduct; and the exhorters, together with the stewards and trustees are all held to a strict account for their official delinquencies; and, according to disciplinary regulations, it is within the compass of the authority of each society of this church to hold each member thereof to a strict account for his immoral conduct and neglect of Christian duty. The regulations, by which the spiritual interests of the church are promoted, require that every member observe its rules by avoiding evil of every kind and by doing good in every possible way, trampling under foot that enthusiastic doctrine that we are not to do good unless our hearts be free to it, together with the attendance upon God's ordinances, such as the preached gospel, the Supper of the Lord, prayer in the family and in the closet, the careful reading of God's word and periodical fasting or abstinence. And the discipline assests that if there be any who observe them not, who habitually break any of them, let it be known to them who watch over the soul, as they who must give an account. We will admonish him of the error of his ways, we will bear with him for a season; but if then he repent not, he hath no more place among us. We have delivered our own souls. Every branch of the church must have discipline, whether written or unwritten; and in the discipline of our church are to be found a complete compact of church regulations which have been built upon the wisdom and experience of ages, binding every part without friction, and which we confidently believe to be extracted from God's Word. It requires every officer and member in this church to do a certain work. Each bishop, when initiated into his office of presiding officer of the church, is required to avow entire consecration to God and his service, even as is also required in God's Word. The bishop must be blameless; and as the vows to execute this, the greatest work ever entrusted to man, are required to be answered in the affirmative before God and the great congregation, he is not only responsible to the church for their performance, but to God himself. Every traveling preacher, before he is admitted as a member of the annual conference, is required by the discipline to obligate himself to devote his whole time and talent to that specific work; and as the work is sufficient to engage his whole time, he is required, as far as possible, to avoid all secular engagements; and the requisitians are to be diligent; never to be unemployed; never to be triflingly employed; never trifle away time, neither spend any more time at any place than is strictly necessary; be punctual; do everything exactly at the time; and do not amend our rules, but keep them, not for wrath, but conscience sake.

The discipline also provides that if any elder or deacon obstinately refuses to attend the work assigned him without good excuse rendered, he shall not be allowed to exercise the peculiar functions of his office, or even be allowed to preach among us. And in view of the fact that God has ordained the preached gospel as an indispensable means whereby to extricate the world from the predominant rule of Satan, how all important it is that every one called should be busily engaged in this great work! For, says the apostle, "how can they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how can they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how can they hear without a preacher? and how can they preach except they be sent?" It is the law of God, as well as the law of the church, that they that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel; they that minister in spiritual things shall be ministered to in temporal things. The local preacher, as the name indicates, is not subject to removal or appointment. But it is supposed and provided that he will improve his opportunities for doing good as his own best judgment may dictate, with the advice of the preacher in charge Accordingly, it is made the duty of the itinerant preacher, so soon as he enters his new field of labor, to apply to each local preacher residing within its bounds to ascertain what amount of labor he is able and willing to perform, in order that there may be a systematic plan adopted whereby to supply the people with the preached gospel; and if the local preacher fails to supply those opportunities which he agrees to accept when applied to by the preacher having charge, he is liable to be complained of in the quarterly conference for neglect of duty. Every individual, before he is admitted as a member of this church, is required to avow his belief of the doctrines as set forth in its discipline; he also obligates himself to submit to the disciplinary requirements as laid down in the general rules and elsewhere—to attend upon its ordinances and support its institutions; and that member of this church who fails to pay a part of his substance for the advancement of the cause of Christ according as the Lord shall permit him to prosper, is undoubtedly guilty of the sin of omission by withholding God's just right, and of the sin of commission by applying it to his own use and benefit.

We have now arrived at that point from which we may not only see the plain necessity, but the complete code, of church regulations by which we, as a church, are governed. The private member is bound for his moral conduct by the law of the church, the execution of which is vested in the society of which he is a member and in the preacher in charge. The local preacher is bound by the quarterly conference; the traveling preacher, by the annual conference; the bishop, by the general conference; the general conference in its deliberations, by the constitution; the constitution is bound by what we conceive to be taught in God's word; God's word is bound by himself, and God binds himself by his divine attributes, which are the very essence of purity.

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The Sunday-School.

A MALAGASY SUNDAY-SCHOOL.—The first regular Sunday-school in Madagascar has been gathered at Antananarivo. An interesting sketch of it appears in the London *Sunday School Chronicle*. An English printer, connected with the Friends mission, is its superintendent seemed out of the question, for "the Malagasy, even those who know a good deal, have not the smallest idea how to rule or keep order. An English child of ten could keep order in a large school of boys as well as any of these people." On the first Sunday six hundred and thirty boys and girl crowded into "the boy's school at Ambohijatova," a building about thirty feet square. It was not an easy matter to enroll the new scholars, for according to the report of one of the teachers, "their names are very queer, and the girls *will* cover up their mouths with their lambas when they are asked a question, so that it is almost impossible to make out what they say, and if I asked them to repeat it they would all laugh. These people have no surnames, so we get plenty of the same name, and have to number them—especially such names as Raketaka, for that only means 'youngest child;' Raketabas, which means 'the newborn youngest child;' Ramatoa, 'the eldest child;' Razafy—*i. e.* 'a grandchild;' Razafimanga—*i. e.* 'Miss Blue grandchild.' It seems funny to hear of Miss Blue or Miss Red, though I don't know why it should be worse than Miss White or Miss Black. Some names are much longer, such as Rasoamanadino, Ramananzanabary."

ON the subject of wisely selecting the features of the lessons best adapted to the wants of classes or individual scholars, Dr, Hall remarks: One of the first things that an intelligent teacher ought to do, after looking at the lesson, is to look over the members of the class, to form an estimate, so to speak, of their capacity for understanding sequences in thought; to look at their circumstances, to consider for example, whether they are girls or boys, and, if boys, to consider of what age they are, what rank in life, what kind of families they come from, how they are likely to make their way in life, and then, in your own mind, to say: "Now, what part of this lesson ought I to emphasize and to enforce? What direction ought I to give to this lesson, so that it will touch, at the greatest number of points, the thoughts and lives of these pupils to whom I am to bring the Word of eternal life?"

Omnibus.

THE greatest misfortune of all is not being able to bear misfortune.

WE throw our influence into the world—good, bad or indifferent—and then step out and are forgotten.

A GREAT nature reveals itself less by its escapes than by its recoveries, as sickness shows the native vigor of the constitution.

To invest the pursuit of truth with the sanctity of a religious duty is the true reconciliation of religion and science.—*Stanley.*

TEMPTATION rarely comes in working hours. It is in their leisure time that men are made or marred.—*Dr. W. M. Taylor.*

THE difference between a fool and a looking glass is that the fool speaks without reflecting, and that the looking-glass reflects without speaking.

SHALL I not be ashamed of the roses around my brow when I see him and all the princes of his kingdom with the crown of thorns?

GRACE is glory militant, and glory is grace triumphant. Grace is glory begun, and glory is grace made perfect. Grace is the first degree of glory—glory is the highest degree of grace.

IT belongs to every large nature, when it is not under the immediate power of some strong, unquestioning emotion, to suspect itself and doubt the truth of its own impressions, conscious of possibilities beyond its own horizon.

THE great ocean is in a constant state of evaporation. It gives back what it receives and sends its waters into mists, to gather into clouds, and so there is rain in the fields, and storm on the mountain, and beauty everywhere. But there are men who do not believe in evaporation. They get all they can and keep all they get, and so are not fertilizers, but only miasmatic pools.

LOOK into the lite and temper of Christ, described and illustrated in the gospel, and search whether you can find anything like it in your own life. Have you anything of his humility, meekness and benevolence to men? Anything of his purity and wisdom, his contempt of the world, his patience, his fortitude, his zeal?—*Doddridge.*

Household.

FALSE ECONOMY.—We do not believe that any of our readers are guilty of the following practices, but we will enumerate a few that a "farmer's wife," in the New York *Tribune*, complains of: Stop putting lard into your butter; if we must eat hog's fat, pray give it to us pure, and not mixed with rancid butter. Girls, stop dipping your fingers in the bucket of milk and wetting the cow's teats; of all dirty habits, this is the worst. Wives, stop setting the cream jar in the family-living room to make the cream sour. Husbands, stop hanging your socks on that same cream jar to dry over night. Women, stop putting your butter in the back bed-room, to stay till you are ready to market. Ladies stop holding your noses when you go to your cellars to attend to your milk. Might as well smell the rat and mold as to eat it daily in your butter and cream. Women, stop telling fibs when you take your butter to the store. Did anybody ever know a woman to sell butter over a week old? Stop coloring your butter with annatto, and then ask folks if they can't taste the blue grass in it.

WHORTLEBERRY MUSH. — Stir slowly into boiling water coarse Graham flour enough to make a mush that will not quite settle flat at once when left to itself. Then for each quart of water used add one half pint of whortleberries; mix evenly, then cover close, and cook gently, without stirring, forty or fifty minutes. Dish carefully, and serve warm or cold, with milk, cream, sugar or syrup.

PEA SOUP.—Use the white marrowfat, whole or split. Look over, wash, and cook slowly, from three to five hours, or until well cooked to pieces. Then run through a colander, and add water to the taste—one pint of peas should make two quarts of soup. Thicken with two spoonsful of Graham flour, wet with cold water. Boil five minutes, and serve with bread, Graham crackers or oatmeal crisps.

APPLE JOHNNY CAKE.—Scald one quart of fine or medium cornmeal with one quart of boiling water, and add one pint of sweet apples, pared, cored, and chopped. Mix evenly, spread one inch thick on a tin, and bake forty minutes in a quick oven, or until the apples are tender. Serve warm.

DRY PEAS.—The Blue Imperial pea is one of the peas which cook soft after ripening. Look over, wash, and put to cook in four times their measure of water. Then cook more evenly without soaking. Cook slowly in a closely covered pot three hours, if not very old, or until any of them mash readily between the thumb and finger. If cooked slowly they will not boil to pieces. Salt, if at all, just before dishing, and serve without draining.

Farm and Garden.

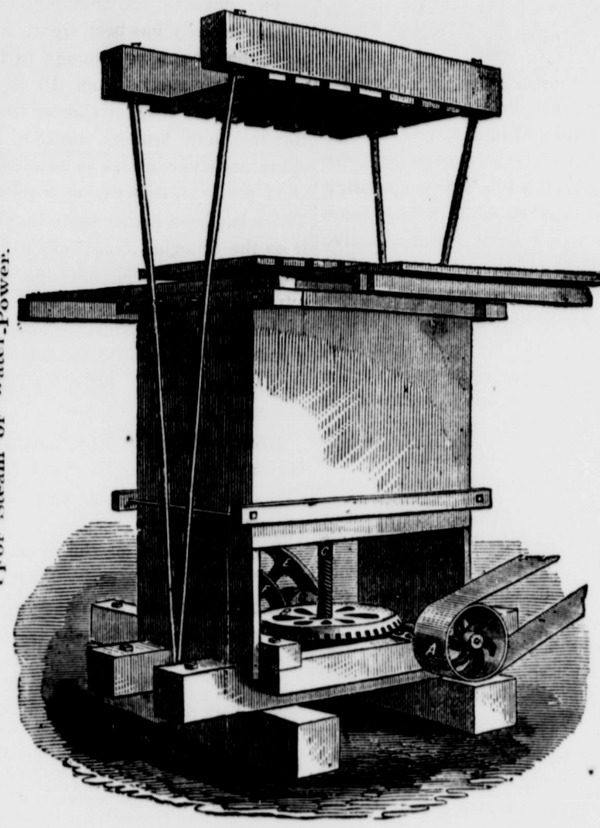
Grasshopper Ravages.

The ravages of the grasshoppers in Cass county, Missouri, are thus described by a committee of the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis:

The whole of Cass county is laid waste. The grasshoppers, after destroying the crops in many places, had started in on the trees, girding them in many places so badly as to kill them. Probably one-half the acreage of Cass county was planted in corn, but not a solitary stalk of corn is now to be seen. In the woods the undergrowth is stripped of both leaves and bark, and now the large grasshoppers are working on the foliage in the tops of the large forest trees. Osage orange hedges were completely denuded of both bark and leaves. The once trim and beautiful barriers present only the appearance of a tangled *chevaux de frise* of dry, thorny, bushes, which will never grow again. In short, the country is stripped bare of almost every living thing in the way of vegetation. The whole broad expanse presents an appearance of perfect isolation. The only sign of vegetable life is an occasional solitary stalk of milkweed, which the voracious insects will not touch. A great inconvenience is also experienced on account of bad water. The wells through the country are open at the tops, and, indeed it is very difficult to cover them up so that the myriads of grasshoppers which cover everything will not find their way into the water. If, by any accident, the well is left open for a short time, the bucket comes up with a mixture which may be properly styled half-and-half. In other directions the reports are the same, but the scourge is the worst in Cass, Lafayette and Jackson counties.

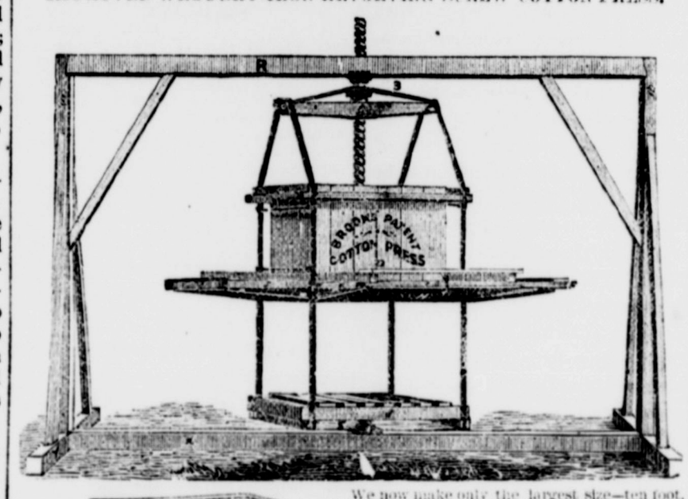
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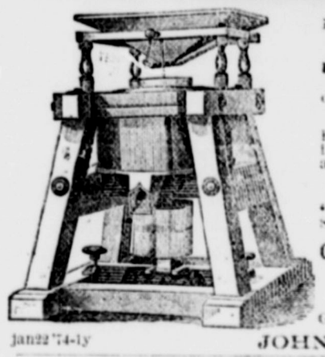
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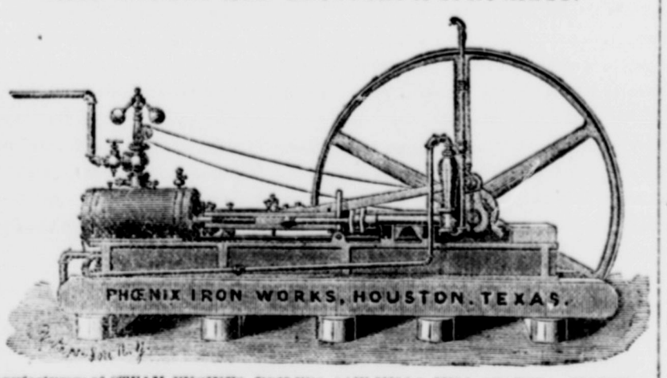
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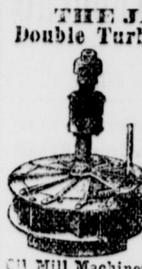
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Christian Advocate

GALVESTON, TEXAS, JULY 31, '75

We call special attention to the advertisement of Andrew Female College, which appears in another column. This institution was chartered in 1853; is under the patronage of the Texas Conference, and has had a long course of usefulness as one of the leading female schools in Texas. The trustees have lately secured the services of Rev. W. S. Smith, formerly of the Alabama Conference, as president, who comes highly endorsed as a christian minister and educator. He will be assisted by Prof. R. O. Rounsavall, A. M., a teacher of scholarly attainments and experience in his profession. To these will be added a corps of teachers of established reputation in their several departments. It is the purpose of the trustees and faculty to make this institution, under its new organization, equal to the most exacting demands of an enlightened public, in the range and thoroughness of its training. While the best facilities will be afforded for the cultivation of the ornamental branches, stress will be laid upon the training necessary to prepare the pupil for real life as a cultivated christian woman, ready alike to adorn the parlor and meet the duties of the domestic circle. The trustees would not put Andrew Female College forward as a cheap school; yet it will be seen by reference to the advertisement, that they rely upon a *liberal patronage* rather than *high rates* to sustain the institution.

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J. D. Sawyer, the lightning news dealer, has a general newspaper agency in this city. All persons wishing to subscribe to the most popular magazines, periodicals, and other literature of the day, will please refer to the list which will be published from week to week. The subjoined list of popular weekly papers are offered to readers by the year as follows: *Advance*, Chicago, $3; *After Dinner*, Boston, $4; *Age*, Philadelphia, $2; *Albion*, Philadelphia, $5; *Albany Law Journal*, $5.

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Wm. Harry Hays publishes his legal card elsewhere. Mr. Hays fills with credit his place in the legal fraternity of Galveston.

There is a manifest change in the tone of secular papers respecting the cause of missions. Sydney Smith and Dickens have had their day, in which it was the fashion to ridicule the zeal of the missionary and caricature the liberality of those who gave to the support of the mission work. The history of the Sandwich and Fiji Islands have effectually banished their sneers. The leaders in the scientific world have published their indebtedness to that unwavering zeal which has opened the pathway of knowledge to unknown shores and contributed largely to the solution of questions which for ages have been sealed to the knowlege of the learned. Merchants have sought their aid in opening new paths for commerce, and powerful nations have found them valuable aids in the maintenance of peace among an ignorant and turbulent people. Steadily the gospel is moving to the front of the great forces engaged in the civilization of the world. The world has ceased to sneer, but now patronizes the gospel; and ere long it will cease to patronize and gladly lean upon it for support.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

Miscellaneous.—A desperate fight between two families in Perdido, Escamba county, Georgia, named Hallett and Byres, occurred the past week. Five were killed, another dying. Both families are of Indian extraction. An old family fend the cause....A young lady residing near Iuka, Miss., was brutally outraged and beaten in May by a negro hack driver while waiting at an early hour for an escort. He was recently tried and sentenced to the penitentiary, when a party of men feeling outraged by the sentence, took him from jail and hung him. .....Up to the 4th the cotton crop prospects in Georgia were excellent....A swimming match between two men, Johnson and Coyle, near Gloucester, New Jersey, resulted in the success of Johnson, who made ten and a half miles in three hours and ten minutes. Coyle failed, and the physicians are apprehensive he will die.....The English centennial commissioners on the 22d, broke ground for their buildings, four in number.....Gen. Joseph E. Johnson has been elected President of the Arkansas Industrial University.... Loaders bail for perjury against Beecher has been fixed at $30,000. The trial occurs in September....More whisky ring indictments are reported at St. Louis.....Mrs. Merritt, wife of the acting Adjutant General of New York, (on the 22d), was enticed on board the tug Mike Morton and outraged. Two men have been arrested on suspicion....On the 22d, Messrs. Fletcher, Faulkner and Harris left for the Red Cloud Agency, to commence an investigation of Indian frauds.....The National Bank of Winthrop, Maine, was robbed by experts on the 23d. The safe was blown open by nitro glycerine it is supposed, as there was no sign of gun-powder. There were three distinct explosions heard by several persons. The robbers left within ten minutes after the last explosion, which blew out all the windows in the front part of the bank and caused a general smash up on the inside. The contents of the main safe were so badly mutilated that the amount realized by the robbers could not have been large....Internal revenues for the month of July, up to the 24th, are nearly $8,000,000....On the 24th, Attorney General Field, in New Orleans, filed an information against Charles Clinton, auditor; also against the Secretary of State and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of Louisiana, all members of the Funding-Board in 1874, charging them with misdemeaner in office, for funding five warrants of Auditor Clinton's amounting to $138,557 30, and representing an illegal and invalid claim against the State. Bail $10,000 each.....On the 24th, the Secretary of the Navy Yard at Washington, received a telegram from Pensacola under date of June 23d, stating that there were twenty-nine cases of yellow fever at Barrancas. Quarantine strict. He suggests if the disease breaks out in the vicinity that the yard be closed and placed under acclimated employes, so as to let the officers and families go, and save thousands. No sickness in the quarantine or in Pensacola. On the 24th, Dr. Harris announced yellow fever has ceased at Key West.....An industrious German named Frank Williams was murdered some forty miles above Memphis, on the Arkansas side of the Mississippi, for $10 by two negroes. They were arrested, and confessed they belonged to a band led by a white man named Burton, organized for robbery, and that they had murdered a number of men. ....The sailors of the British steamer, State of Alabama, lying at New Orleans, was charged with theft, but the captain refused to surrender them. The British Consul was appealed to, but in the meantime the Alabama sailed to Liverpool with the accused on board. Attorney General Field states that when legal points have been examined, should the law decide adversely to the captain, he will be made a party to the crime, having harbored the accused persons, and steps will be taken for his arrest and the return of his vessel to this port.

Commercial.

WEEKLY REVIEW.

Advocate Office,
Friday Evening, July 30, 1875.

There has been during the past week a limited inquiry from the interior for most classes of goods, there having been a few buyers operating in the market, while at the same time there has been a more active demand through orders than had been previously apparent. The prospects for an early resumption of trade are now very favorable, and should no disaster befall the cotton crop there is little doubt but that there will be a largely increased amount of business transacted throughout the entire State during the coming season. The corn crop of the State though not a heavy one is generally sufficient to prevent the necessity of purchase by the farming community. There has been a more active inquiry during the week for bagging and ties than had been previously apparent, though it is yet by no means heavy. We are pleased to note that during the week there has been an attempt made by a portion of our mercantile community to inaugurate a plan for the handling of grain by the organization of a stock company with shares of five hundred dollars each, which, if met by a proper spirit of liberality and progress on the part of those who should foster and encourage this to us new branch of traffic, will enable something to be done in this direction even during the present season, and prepare the way for its growth and extension to liberal proportions in the future. But to accomplish this, energy must be put forth, as this business is not a plum ready to drop into the lap of Galveston, but must be labored for, as numerous other hands are stretched out to pluck the promising fruit. If Galveston does not move promptly and energetically in this matter she will have the mortification of seeing it grasped by others who are bending their energies to secure it to themselves. But we feel confident that our people have been awakened to the necessity of straining every nerve to assist our neighbors of the great Northwest and the Northern portion of our own State in obtaining a convenient and profitable market for their surplus cereals. From the failure of crops in several portions of Europe a greater demand than usual will be apparent during the year, and if we but do our part there is no doubt but that foreign capital will come to our aid for the purchase and movement of all that can be controlled. We learn that a portion if not all the grain already received here will be shipped to the North. Reliable parties here are now offering to purchase at fair figures, and we have no doubt but there will be a considerable amount sold in our market during the season. The elevator recently erected, though not yet fully prepared for business, is sufficiently advanced to handle the grain that is now coming to hand, and in a few days it will be ready for full operation. Crop prospects are still generally favorable, as in most sections sufficient rain has fallen to relieve the crops from the effects of the drouth which had previously prevailed to some extent. Taking the situation at large we see nothing to discourage, but on the contrary much that is encouraging to the mercantile community not only of this city but of the State generally. Though some small and important lots of wool are still coming to hand, there is now nothing like a general movement in this direction and the trade for the season may be said to be virtually over. The movement in hides is also light though there is fully as much doing in this direction as is usual at this season of the year. There have been considerable quantities of peaches, grapes and other fruits offering during the past week or two, and prices have been in some instances too low to prove remunerative. The movement in cotton has been nominal, as there is less unsold cotton now on the market than at this season for a number of years past. General values have been unchanged, though some fluctuations have occurred in a few classes of staple goods.

MONETARY.

The demand for money on real estate security has been light, and there has been no change in the rate, which ranges from 10 to 12 per cent. for long or shorter time. Bankers and brokers continue to afford accommodations to customers at 12 per cent, as occasion requires. There has been rather more inquiry from the interior for money, ; the requirements of planters for the purpose of paying pickers continue to increase, and commission merchants have advanced to some extent, though still using extreme caution.

Gold—Closed in New York this evening at 112⅝. The rate here closes at 112½ buying, and 113½ selling.

Silver—Rates at the close are 105½@106½ buying and selling.

Exchange—Rates continue firm and generally unchanged.

Commercial—	
Sterling 60 days.....	nom
New York Sight Currency	¾ pr
New York Sight Gold....	nom
New Orleans Sight Cur...	par
New Orleans Sight Gold..	nom
Bankers—	
Sterling, 60 days.....	nom
New York Sight Currency	¾ pr
New York Sight Gold....	nom
New Orleans Sight Cur..	¼ pm
New Orleans Sight Gold.	nom

FREIGHTS.

	SAIL.	STEAM.
Liverpool direct.....	——	——
Via New York.....	——	1-2d
Bremen.....	——	——
Havre	——	——
Cork for orders.....	——	——
Amsterdam.....	——	——
New York.....	——	1-2c
Providence, Fall River Boston via New York.....		3-4c
Philadelphia, via New York.....		——
Boston, Providence, Philadelphia and Fall River, sail....	——	——

COTTON

This week we have to note a further decrease in the receipts at the ports, they having been 2,528 bales; against 2,938 bales last week, and 4,895 bales this week last year. The falling off for the season has been thus far 293,273 bales; the total receipts having been 3,459,945 bales; against 3,753,218 bales last year.

GALVESTON MARKET.

The inquiries in this direction continue to be merely nominal, the stock of unsold cotton on hand being now very light with almost entirely nominal receipts. The only demand at present is for Northern markets, as foreign buyers are not operating to any noticeable extent. Sales sum up 364 bales, against 418 bales last week. Prices have remained generally steady though exhibiting signs of further weakness consequent upon a similar condition in other markets. There have been no further receipts of new cotton during the week, and probably there will but little come to hand for some time to come, as the picking season is but just commencing in the most favored localities. The market closed quiet, and lower at the following comparative figures:

	To-night.	Last Friday.
Low Ordinary....	9	9¼
Ordinary.....	11	11¼
Good Ordinary...	12	12½
Low Middling....	13	13⅜
Middling.....	13¾	13¾
Good Middling...	14¼	14g

GALVESTON STATEMENT.

Friday, July 30	This Day	This wk	Last year
Net receipts....	5	133	364,529
Gross receipts..	5	133	364,529
Excess of stock.	——	——	——
Exports to—			903,371
Great Britain	——	——	92,473
France.....	——	——	18,136
Continent.....	——	——	27,633
Channel ports	——	——	271,646
Total foreign exps	——	——	46,291
Exports to N. Y.	——	379	16,587
Exports to N. O.	——	33	31,164
To other ports	——	——	97,042
Total c'stwise	——	232	285,985
Total exports....	——	232	285,985

	This Year's Day.	Last Year's day.	Last Friday.	Th's d'y. last y'r
Stock....	2,924	2,919	3,013	4,189

CONSOLIDATED REPORT---7 DAYS

Receipts.....	2,528
Exports to Great Britain.....	4,521
France.....	1,638
Continent.....	5,321
Channel.....	——
Stock.....	123,396
Against last year.....	176,879

Visible supply, according to "Financial and Commercial Chronicle":

July 22, 1874	2,377,510
July 23, 1875	2,485,772
Deficit for 1875.....	108,262

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The market closes firm at the following comparative quotations:

	This Week.	Last Week
Ordinary.....	11¼	11⅛
Good Ordinary....	12	12⅛
Low Middling....	13⅛	13⅛
Middling.....	14¼	14⅛

NEW YORK MARKET.

FUTURES.

This market closed weak as follows:

	This week.
Jan.....	14 1-8
Feb.....	14 5-16@14 11-32
March.....	14 9 16@14 19-32
April.....	14 25-32@14 13-16
May.....	15@15 1-16
June.....	15 3-16@15 5-16
July.....	14 1-8@14 5-32
August.....	14 5-32@14 3-16
Sept.....	14 3-32
October.....	13 29-32
Nov.....	13 7-8@13 29-32
Dec.....	13 15-16

SPOTS.

The market closed quiet at following comparative quotations:

	This week.	Last week.
Ordinary.....	11⅞	12⅛
Good Ordinary..	13¼	13⅜
Low Middling...	14	14⅛
Middling Uplands	14⅛	14⅜
Middling Ala....	14⅜	15
Middling Orleans	14¾	15¼
Middling Texas..	14⅜	15⅛

THE LIVERPOOL MARKET.

SPOTS.

The comparative closing quotations are:

	This Week.	Last Week.
Middling Uplands	7 1-16d.	6 15-16d
Orleans.....	7 5-16d@—	7 3-16d

ARRIVALS.

The closing figures received by cable are (basis Middling not below Low Middling): July and Aug. 7d. Aug. and Sept. not below Low Middling 7d. Aug. and Sept. not below Low Middling 6 7-8d. Sept. and Oct. not below Low Middling 7⅛d.; not below Good Ordinary 7 1-16d. New crop shipment 7 1-4d.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY STATEMENT.

	This Year.	Last Y'r
Sales—Total.....	74,000	71,000
To exporters	1,2000	7,000
To speculators.....	9,000	7,000
Forw'ded from ship side	3,000	——
Total stock.....	1,013,000	943,000
Of American.....	584,000	415,000
Actual Exports.....	10,000	6,000
Total receipts.....	44,000	23,000
American	26,000	9,000
Total since Sept. 1..	3,358,000	3,368,000
American	1,840,000	1,798,000
Amount afloat.....	494,000	447,000
American	29 000	58,000

THE GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations not applicable to smal orders, but represent cash prices for large lots.

Ax-Handles—per doz., No. 1, $2 50@2 75 No. 2, $1 85; No. 2 [N] $1 65.

Bacon—Supply in first hands small market dull. We quote Clear sides, 14½c.; clear rib, 14½c; shoulders 10½c. breakfast bacon 15c.

Bagging — Firm and unchanged.—Domestic—heavy, 15@15½ ₱ yard; light from store, 14½c.; India, 11c. in bales.

Bran—Is dull and unchanged $1 30@140 per 100 pounds. Job lots, Texas 90c. per 100 pounds by the Car load.

Beeswax—Prices are steady at 25@26c. for prime yellow, with light receipts and not much inquiry.

Belting, Rubber—Sold according to list, with 20 ₱ cent. off.

Butter—Stock heavy and demand light for all grades; prices easy as quoted, choice 34@36c.; fair 29@31c; ordinary 24@26c. Western and Kansas City, choice 28@31c.; Medium 24@26c; Ordinary 20c; Texas 15@17c.

Brooms—$3 00@4 50 per dozen

Candles—Quiet but steady favorite brands 16½c.

Candy Light demand; assorted stick 15@16c; fancy 20@25c; rock 23@25c cream 25@26c; gum-drops 30@35c. maple sugar 25@30c.

Coffee—Stocks in importer's hands 600. First hand quotations are firm at Fair 13¼, Good 13¾, Prime 14½, Choice 20½c. Dealers are selling from store about 1c. advance on these figures for ordinary order lots.

Can Goods—Per dozen cans: Peaches, 2 lb, $2 50@2 55; strawberries, 2 lb, $2 50@2 60; pine apples, 2 lb, $2 40@2 50; damsons $2 25; oysters, 2 lb full weight, $1 75@2 00; 1 lb full weight, $1 10; corn, 2lb, $2 25@2 50; tomatoes, 2lb. $1 40@1 50.

Cheese—Western factory nominal English dairy 18c.

Corn—Limited supply; prices easy at 80@82c, for Texas in round lots; Western $1 10@1 12c. from store. Texas 90@1 00.

Corn Meal—Fair supply. Selling at $4 75@5 00.

Crackers—In fair demand. Soda 5½c; cream and ginger 10½c.

Castings—Hollow ware, etc., 6c; sad irons, 5½c.

Coffee-Mills—Per dozen, Parker's No. 50, $5; No. 60, $6; No. 70, $7.50, with ten per cent. discount.

Chains—Trace, per pair, 6½, 10, x3 65c; 6½, 10, 2, 75c; 6½, 10, 1, 85c; O 12c ₱ lb.

Drugs—Acid Citric $1 40; acetic 16c; tartaric 66c; oxalic 23c; sulphuric in carboys 4½c; C. P. 40c; Aloes cap. 10c; alcohol $2; alum 5c; ammonia aqua 3F, 10c; ammonia spirits arom. 48c arsenic common powered 7½c Bismuth, subnitrate, $2 25. Blue Vitrol 15c. Borax refined 28c. Caustic, lunar, pure $1 15; Chloroform $1 10. Copperas 3c. Calomel, English, $2 75; American $2; stock $1 60. Cinnamon bark 35@60c. Cream Tartar, pure, 48@50c; grocery 25@40c. Chloral hydrat 25@28c. Morphine, sulph, $6 25. Logwood extract 18c. Gum assafœtida 34c. Gum camphor 35. Gum opium $10. Hops (1873) 35@40c. Quinine $2 60.

Eggs—Firm, at 28@30 per dozen packed in patent boxes.

Fish—Mackerel, barrels No. 2, $12 50@13; half-barrels No. 1, $7 50@8; No. 2, $6 50@7; kits No. 1 $1 90@2 10; No. 2, $1 50@1 60; herrings, Dutch, $2 15@2 40 per keg; dried No. 1 80@90; No 2, 60@65 per box; codfish, quarter-boxes, $2@2 10 half-boxes $3 50@3 75; 100 lb boxes 7½c. per pound.

Flour—Sales have been a trifle larger with prices about steady. Stocks are ample. Treble extra $7 50@8 00; choice extra 8 50@9 00. Job lots, Texas, in half barrels sacks $3 60.

Fruit—Dried—Raisins: layers per box $3 25@3 50; figs per lb 15@20c; prunes, fine French, none: currants, Zante, per pound 10@12c; apples per lb, 9@10c; Dates 12½cts; almonds, soft 24@26cts; shell, 23@25c; hard shell 23@25c filberts 15c; pecans none; Brazil nuts 15c.

Fruit. — Fresh — Lemons in fair supply. Sicily 6 50@7 00; Apples, supply small. Western, $6 50@8 7 00. Northern, nominal. Oranges, Louisiana and Mexican, nominal. Sicily 4 00@4 50 per box. Havana $9 00@10 00 per barrel. Cocoanuts, per 100 $6 50@7 00.

Glass Goods—Per dozen, in cases—Pickles per gallon, $5 25@5 50; half-gallon $3 65@3 75; quarts $2 65@2 75; pints $1 40@1 50.

Hams—Steady. Choice sugar-cured, 14½@14¾c.; 2d quality, 13@13¾c.

Hay—Is in ample supply and fairly active. Western, $27 00@30 00 per ton for choice Timothy. Northern $22@23 50. Supply ample.

Hides—Dull and inactive and slightly lower. We quote, dry flint, selected 16c. kips and calves ½ off; as they run, 10@13c; wet salted, selected, 7c.; as they run, 6½c.; butcher's green, 6@7c.; dry salted are sold as dry flint with allowance for salt; glue stock 5@5½c.

Hardware—Axes per dozen: Collins Kentucky light $12; medium $12 50; heavy $15 50.

Hoes—Per dozen, planter' A B No. 0, $7; No. 1, $7 50; No. 2, $8; No. 3, $8 50; H B No. 0, $6 50; No. 1, $7; No. 2, $7 50; No. 3, $8.

Iron—Per pound, common bar, 4½@5c.; band, 6@6½c.; hoop, 7@8½c.; sheet, common, 7c; R. G., 8c.; galv., 17c.; Russia, 30c.; imitation Russia, 22c.; plow slabs, 6½c.; nail rods, 10c.; axles, 8½@9½c. horse-shoes, Burden's, $7 25@7 50; mule-shoes, $8 00

Sugar—Market steady for Louisiana and Texas, for which there is a fair demand. Fully fair 9½c.; prime 9⅝@10c.; choice 10½c; coffee C 10⅝@11c.; coffee B 11c@—; coffee A 11⅛@11⅜c.; crushed and powdered 11⅞@12½c; Demerara Choice 11¼@12c.

Salt—Stock small; prices firm. Coarse from first hands by car load $1 20 gold; fine $1 75, gold.

Soap—In full supply. Olive 7c. for large lots. German olive 6c.; Ordinary orders filled at 7¾c.

Sieves—*Per* dozen, iron, $1 75; plated $2 75; brass $3 75.

Tobacco Supply ample and prices firm, with upward tendency. We quote: 12 inch, extra fine for fls, 75c.@$1; 11 inch extra fine, 70@75c.; 11 inch, fine, 65@70c.; 11 inch, fine medium, 60@65c 11 inch, good medium, 57½@60c. 11 inch, good common, 53@56c.; twist, all grades, 60@80c.; smoking tobacco, 45@85c.; snuff, per dozen bottles, $4 00@4 13; cigars, domestic, per thousand, $12@100; cigars, imported, per thousand, $35@250.

Ties—Iron cotton baling ties 5½c. per pound for Arrow and for Beard.

Tin—In plates, per box, in gold, IX $14 50; IC $12 50; IC, leaded, $11 75; Pig 30c ₱ lb.

Tallow—Receipts light; prices steady, good to prime 6@6½c.; for small lots large lots in shipping order 7¼@7½c.; common 5@5½c.

Twine—Cotton baiting twine is in ample supply; selling at 17c. per pound.

Tubs—Painted, ₱ nest, 3 in $2 25, 8 in $3 25; white pine, 3 in $3; 8 in $4; cedar, 3 in $3 75; 8 in $4 50.

Vinegar—Fair supply and steady at 28@40c. ₱ gallon for cider and white. White wine, imported, 65c.

Woodware—Pails Painted, two hoop, ₱ dozen, $2 10; three hoop $2 40.

Well Buckets—Per dozen, L. S., $6 00@7 00; extra $9 50@11 00.

Wheat—Good Texas, $1 1.@1 25 per bushel, by the car load, free of elevator charges.

Wool.—Spring clip, free of burs—Medium 26@28c.; very long and bright 29@31c. Mexican 17@21c. market fairly active. Sales this week 8,000 pounds.

Zinc—in gold, per pound—Pig, none in market; sheet 11c.

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