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Editorial.

THE MONOTHEISM OF THE BIBLE.

The one-God idea of the Bible is a subject of importance, and its study is a revelation in favor of the authenticity and inspiration of the scriptures. Where did the old Jew get his idea of monotheism? In the early times he was a polytheist and worshiped many gods. And long after the adoption by his race of the idea of one God the masses of his people frequently reverted to their original idolatrous practices. This was true of them down to the very age in which the Savior was born. Yet the orthodox Jew was a monotheist. Abraham had a clear and distinct idea of God and he worshiped him accordingly, though the peoples contiguous to him were all polytheists. Isaac and Jacob were worshipers of God in the midst of universal idolatry. When Moses grew up in Egypt the prevailing religions were polytheistic. The most of his own race adhered to the old idea of God, but not so with the multiplied peoples of the world about these slave-ridden Jews. When Moses went out into the mountains of Midian and tarried there for forty years the people were everywhere about him steeped in idol worship. But Moses remained faithful to monotheism. He had as clear an idea of God as we have today. Where did he and his ancestors become possessed of this idea? They did not originate it, like the nations originated their gods. The thought is unthinkable. Man by searching can not find out God. He is not discoverable to the finite mind. He is beyond the research of sense perception or rational process. There is but one way to account for this monotheistic idea in the Jewish religion. It came by direct revelation. God imparted it to their minds and hearts. When Abraham was called to leave his native country and go into a distant section of which he had no knowledge, he was directly called of God. He recognized in this call a divine being, a God of authority, and he at once obeyed. In like manner God revealed himself to Isaac and Jacob, particularly the latter. In Midian God made this special revelation to Moses as he stood in front of the burning bush. He spoke out of that phenomenon to Moses and then began a series of revelations out of which much of the first books of the Old Testament are composed. All through the deliverance of these people from Egypt and the wilderness this one-God idea stood out prominently before them. When they became established in Canaan God made known his will to them through the prophets, and when they became a mighty nation and were recognized as one of the world powers of their day this idea found its way into the belief of the peoples of the world, and while the bulk of them were still given over to idolatry yet the more thoughtful of them recognized that there was and could be only one God. When Christ was born and entered upon his mission he was the expression of the idea of one God. In him and in his teachings the personality of God stood out distinctly as the one Sovereign, the one Almighty, the one all-embrace-

ing Father. Where this idea prevails there is no room for idolatry on the one hand, nor for pantheism on the other. Monotheism stands between these two systems, antagonizing both and claiming to represent the one rational and loving Ruler of the universe. In his presence idol worship decays and pantheism becomes an impersonal myth. The world of thought and of intelligence is coming to this central idea of worship, because it holds for the world the only solution of this great problem of divine existence. And the idea stands out in bold proof of the fact that the Bible is God's inspired truth, the truth which he originally gave to Abraham, and which is now finding its way into the thought-life and heart-experience of mankind. It is his direct revelation of himself and his will to the world. It comes to us as a supernatural expression of the divine consciousness, the unoriginated and revealed idea of God, the Creator, the Preserver and the Redeemer of all mankind. And the perfection of this revelation of God, the one God, is found in its fullness in the life and the teachings of Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son. Outside of the knowledge of the Bible monotheism is an unknown and an undiscoverable quantity to the human mind. It comes, and must come, to men as a direct revelation. All other ideas of God are human vagaries and unworthy of belief or practice. Therefore, the Bible must abide as God's disclosure of his mind to men. And without this revelation the world is in total darkness and interminable confusion.

THAT BROWNSVILLE EPISODE.

Several months ago the town of Brownsville, down on the Rio Grande, was fired into promiscuously one night by a squad of United States negro soldiers stationed there by the Government. The affair created quite a sensation at the time, as one man was killed and others wounded. President Roosevelt took prompt action and had the matter investigated. The guilty parties were not exposed, as the other soldiers, not implicated in the trouble, refused to disclose their criminal colleagues. On account of the refusal of these men to furnish the names of the guilty parties, the President issued orders to have the whole regiment dishonorably mustered out of the service. The order was carried out to the letter, and they were all dismissed.

This did not please Senator Foraker, of Ohio, and he introduced a bill into the Senate calling for a full investigation of the affair by that body. For many long weeks this investigation has been in progress, costing the Government thousands of dollars, and while the testimony has established the fact beyond any doubt that those negroes did the shooting, yet the Senator refuses to be convinced; and a number of our religious exchanges refer to the matter as that "Mysterious affair at Brownsville." There is nothing mysterious about it. It is a simple fact that those rowdy negroes became incensed, waited till after dark, slipped out their guns, went into the town and did the shooting. No sensible man has one shadow of doubt but that this is the simple truth of the affair. But the guilty men have not been ap-

prehended because their fellow soldiers who took no part in the shooting, but knew who the guilty wretches were, have persistently refused to give their names to the authorities. Had these guilty men been detected and turned over to the State for trial and punishment, all this hurrah would have been prevented.

But we did not begin this editorial with any idea of going into the history of this affair. It is all well understood by people—North and South—who care to know the facts in the case, and those of them who are just and impartial hold those negroes responsible for it.

However, the thing we want to bring out and stress is, that the Brownsville saloons are, in a large measure, responsible for the whole transaction. In some of these saloons those negro soldiers had been refused service on account of the fact that they were negroes. They ought to have taken this refusal as a compliment, instead of an insult; for the saloon is no place for white people, much less poor, ignorant negroes. But this refusal angered the negro soldiers, and they proceeded to revenge themselves by shooting up the town. They need to be severely punished for their conduct. But had the saloon not been in Brownsville, there would have been no riot, and the country would have been saved the disgraceful conduct of these black soldiers. But when the saloon becomes the dominant institution of the community, you may expect any sort of devilment at the hands of those who patronize it and who stand by its fortunes. It inspires the passions of men, whether the men be black or white; and then the worst that is in them comes to the front. They do not hesitate to commit crime when thus inspired, and often the innocent have to suffer. So it was in Brownsville, and so it is everywhere that the saloon is installed. The people are coming to regard the saloon as the enemy of law and order, and it is only a question of time when its knell will be sounded. It is an exercise on the body social and politic, brought over from a style of our civilization now extinct, and from this time forward the people will demand its extermination. Law can not control it, and its death is already decreed. On with the battle!

POOLROOM AND SUNDAY LAW DECISIONS.

Judge Nelms, of the Dallas Criminal Court, recently rendered two decisions of a very sweeping character, and their effect is exceedingly hurtful to the public morals of the community. One of them relates to the anti-gambling law passed by the recent Legislature, in its application to poolroom gambling. The case came before him on a writ of habeas corpus, the parties having been arrested for running a poolroom in the city; and, in a lengthy ruling, the Judge holds that, under no sort of construction, does this act apply to poolrooms as now conducted in Texas. He did not permit the case to go to trial on indictment, and then, if needs be, pass on to the higher courts for final adjudication, but he proceeded to dispose of the matter according to his own interpreta-

tion of the law and of the facts, without giving the State the right of appeal. In his own capacity he acted as Judge and jury and court of last resort; at least this is the effect of his decision, and poolroom gambling is again thrown wide open in Dallas. The State has no recourse under his ruling, and the degradation of public morals follows. He went further in his action and decided that the old poolroom law, passed by a former Legislature, is invalid, and that, in his court, no conviction can be had, even under that act for poolroom gambling; thus precluding the possibility of prosecuting these offenders under that statute. So that we absolutely have no protection from poolroom gambling, as now conducted, under this decision of Judge Nelms.

The other decision is in the case of Sunday violators. Several of these were recently arrested for carrying on theatrical performances, and they, too, went before Judge Nelms on a writ of habeas corpus, and he summarily dismissed their cases on the ground that they had violated no law. Yet, it is a fact that these people were parts of a combine, giving pay entertainments on Sunday, just as on any other day in the week, and working their employees on Sunday just as on any other day. So that under this ruling of the Judge, all theaters, we presume, have the right of way on Sunday in Dallas, and we have no appeal from his ruling. He has stricken down these two laws and we are at the mercy of people who carry on poolroom gambling and who run theaters on Sunday. Our hands are tied by these decisions, and we have no alternative but to submit—until his term of judicial service comes to a close.

We are not disposed to deal harshly or unkindly with the action of Judge Nelms, for personally we are good friends, but if he is correct in his rulings on these subjects, then moral sentiment has no rights in the court over which he has the pleasure to preside. Our Sunday is to be given over to a lot of grinning harlequins, and our boys are to be menaced by the evils of the poolroom. In these matters he may be correct; we do not charge to the contrary, but if so the decent and law-abiding element of society is in a sorry plight, while public morality lies prone in the dust humiliated and bleeding at every pore. And while we regret to say it, it is nevertheless true that just such decisions as these are causing hundreds of good people to look upon some of our court proceedings as a spectacular farce and a glaring travesty on justice. We are surely fallen upon ominous times when a few poolroom gamblers are thus permitted to run over a whole community, and when a few peripatetic show people can throw our Sunday laws to the wind and then go on their way rejoicing. And all these outrages have back of them apparently the sanctity of a court of justice! "O the times! O the customs!"

Unselfishness is the most dominant virtue in the life and character of Christ. In reality he never did a selfish thing during the whole of his earthly life.

AN ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS.

To all lovers of Law and Virtue, Greeting:

The war against the saloons and breweries of Texas has but fairly begun. The results of the contests in the past, valuable as they have been, are only the firing along the advance line. By means of these struggles against liquor, no matter how they have terminated, information of untold value has been given the people, public sentiment has been deepened and intensified against these foes of society, the rankness of their iniquity has been exposed—all of which has found increased expression in legislative effort to afford relief. But whatever has been done, it is only preparatory to a general, forward and final movement toward the extermination of the traffic in beer and whiskey.

The dominant sentiment throughout the State today, is voiced in the determined expression—"On with the fight." This is a country of majorities, and the people can have what they will. A small minority has largely controlled in the past and that minority made up of the worst elements of society, simply because they have impudently asserted themselves. What we need is an equally stout expression on the part of the friends of order, the lovers of the home, and the preservers of law, and the conflict will soon be brought to an end.

No Use of Delay.

There is no use of delaying the matter of the final extinction of the infamous business in the great State of Texas. Gored to a spirit little short of desperation, by these dealers in death, by their wanton infraction of the law and by their total disregard of all else save that of paltry gain at the expense of peace, happiness and prosperity, the people are now ready for action. But they need to cease dallying with such arch-enemies of society, and ply the axe at the root of the tree. When once the opponents of liquor are organized in Texas there will be nothing that can stay them. That time is coming, and it is not remote.

A Great Moral Wave.

None have contributed so freely to the consummation of this desired end as the bar-rooms and breweries themselves. Their combined opposition to law is represented by a desperation which shows itself in every insidious method to undermine the foundations of the home and of society, and when heroically met and resisted by the proper legal measures, they have not hesitated to assert themselves by the barbarous use of the bullet. The struggles of the past in this State have been marked by violence, treachery, crime and blood, and for what, forsooth? Because men, brave and true, have dared to seek to stem the ravages of a treacherous and insidious foe that seeks to supplant virtue and to plant the seeds of vice instead. At last the people are waking up to the importance of a great moral reform, a mighty, popular movement and the necessity of a tremendous national cleansing. Not one community is stirred, but every community; not one State alone, but all the States. Against the common and combined enemy of a splendid civilization the whole people are rising. The bar-room and brewery retain no loyalty save that which is purchased by the blood money wrung by dribbles from the hand of toiling millions. This money the saloon and the brewery would use to purchase a mercenary loyalty through the columns of a subsidized press and the advocacy of officials who are indebted to the saloon for the position which they hold.

Our Opportunity and Responsibility.

If ever loyalty and patriotism were urgent it is now. Everything in the immediate past has conspired to appeal to us as a free people, as a liberty-loving people, to throw off this anomalous incubus and set ourselves in the highway of peace and prosperity. The recent century passed into the present with the tide of battle in favor of the supremacy of American virtue. For full eighty years the conflict against liquor has been waged, with

varying results, in the American States. If the last three score and ten years have exposed the weak points in the plan of battle, they have served equally to uncover the unscrupulousness of our gigantic foe, while they have developed a strong and stern determination to bring to a summary end this most formidable force of vice and iniquity that ever cursed any land. Much effort has been expended, and much good done, but the results have not been satisfactory because of the detached character of the success achieved.

How Prohibitory Laws are Rendered Inoperative.

We have the result right here before our own eyes. County after county has been swept into the column of prohibition. What has been the result? The majority, representing the best people, have complied with the law and have quietly reposed in the assumption that the will of the people would be obeyed. Has it been done? Not at all. Why? No sooner are the results announced than the breweries and saloons go deliberately and industriously to work to supplant and break down public confidence by devising every possible means of slipping through the meshes of the law.

But why are not the officers diligent and vigilant in the enforcement of the law? Because, generally, they are indebted to the saloon for their official positions, and they pay the debt by inaction or by a downright refusal to enforce it. No sooner does a county vote out the liquor business than it becomes a target of the combined saloons and breweries located in our great centers of population. In many instances this has resulted in discouragement and demoralization—the very end sought by the saloons and breweries. What has been the result of this? So soon as the public mind has become sufficiently demoralized, the saloons and breweries have called for another election, have sent well paid attorneys into the counties to canvass, and have, in some instances, succeeded in the restoration of liquor in these once prohibitory districts. That accounts for the reversal of public sentiment in several of the counties of Texas. These enemies of virtue and law first drive the people, in sheer self-defense, to vote for the extinction of whiskey and beer, and when this has been secured these same perpetual violators of the law of the great State of Texas deliberately set themselves to work to subvert the expressed will of the people by bringing the law into contempt, by themselves repeatedly violating it, and then raise the miserable cry: "Prohibition doesn't prohibit." If not, why? It is not because of a lack of law; it is not because of the machinery of legal protection is deficient; it is not that the best people desire the sway of the bar-room in their midst; it is not because prohibitionists have rendered it null and void. Then why is it that prohibition doesn't prohibit? This is offered as a defiant and ultimate answer on the part of the brewer and saloonist, when in point of fact it is the worst accusation which these miserable people could bring against themselves. It is because they have, by daily and nightly maneuver, slipped liquor into those parts, and when possible, have been the occasion of drunkenness and debauchery, in order to violate the law and uproot public confidence. Such is the character of these people that scruple at nothing in order to effect a diabolical purpose. So in the much vaunted boast that "prohibition doesn't prohibit" they actually declare their own purpose of lawlessness and their opposition to all that is pure and lovely and of good report. Having thus secured a reversal of public sentiment, by the means already indicated, they gloat over a victory thus foully won, and the second condition of the county is far worse than the first. Vice and lawlessness are freshly unsluiced, and crime and disorder take a new lease. All other means being exhausted, the people in a vain effort for relief, appeal to the legislature for more drastic laws, and the cry has never been unheeded. Another turn is given the

legislative wheel, and the toils are drawn the tighter about the liquor traffic only to create more inventive ingenuity on the part of the vendors of beer and whiskey, for they have never obeyed the law, and it is never their purpose to do so.

Saloons Always Lawless.

In language plain and unequivocal, newer and more drastic laws are enacted and placed on our statute books, but they only afford fresher vents for vice and criminality. So long as breweries and saloons exist, just so long will they control politics, as they have been largely allowed to do in the past, and just so long as they defy the law. They have never obeyed the law, and never intend to do so. A law-abiding saloon does not exist. To obey the law would bankrupt every saloon in Texas. The profession of selling liquor must depend on the violation of law and endangerment of society. Here we are then, in this great Empire State, maintaining the twin institutions of saloon and brewery, and for what purpose? The State sells and delegates to this horde of law-breakers the right to make widows and orphans, the right to crush homes, the right to create misery and crime, the right to make murderers, the right to produce idiots and lunatics, the right to fill orphanages, poor houses, insane asylums, jails and penitentiaries, and the right to furnish subjects for the hangman's rope. This, and this only, is the result of this nefarious traffic. We raise our hands in solemn protest, only to be derided. We invoke the law, which should be a shield of protection against all wrong, according to the fundamental principles of government, and the saloon and brewery straightway set it at defiance. They shamelessly desecrate our most cherished and sacred institutions and laugh all virtuous protest to scorn. Where is relief from so dire a curse to be found? The legislature by its most drastic enactments does not afford it; the courts with suborned and purchased jurors, do not render it, and the officers, who owe their election to the saloon and brewery, dare not give it. What then must be done? Two ways lie open to us, and only two. We can tamely submit to the saloonist, acknowledge his mastery over us, cinge at his feet and beg for a crumb of mercy, plead with him to spare our home and the virtue of our sons and daughters, and implore him for regard for our sacred interests. That is one way. This is the position today, for he has declared himself above the law of the commonwealth, and his declaration has been largely sanctioned and reinforced by the powers that be. Or there is another way alone left open to us.

What is the Remedy?

The only other course left to us is to destroy the saloon and brewery! Is such an event possible? It is not only possible, but it will be done in this great and growing State of Texas. We have come to a point in our history and in the history of the infamous traffic when it is absolutely necessary to banish it from our midst.

When General Sherman was asked "Do you think the Indian can be civilized?" his grim answer was, "Yes, but you will have to kill him first." The only way to reform the brewery and saloon is to destroy them. This is the mission of the Anti-Saloon League. It has come to Texas with a cool and deliberate purpose to do this very thing, and it will do it. The Anti-Saloon League has wrought marvels in many States, and is doing so today. Because a situation is difficult and gives little promise, on the surface, of success, it is not shunned. It is the more ardently sought, rather. It has overcome where all other agencies have failed because of its methods and means. In Kansas, Minnesota, Illinois, Ohio, South Dakota, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, and many other States it is destroying the business right and left. More than half of the territory lying South of the Mason and Dixon line, and south of the Ohio river, is under the sway of prohibition. There is not a dram-shop between Nashville and Louisville, as a result of the work of the Anti-Saloon League. It is a

tremendous moral force, and its power is every day growing. It is quietly rooting itself in every State in the Union. It makes but little display, no demonstrations, but brings things to pass. It is just now in the full possession of its strength. It comes to Texas with the deliberate determination to sweep the saloon and brewery from the face of the land. It has its plans, and they will be laid wide and deep, and, in the end, the League will accomplish its purpose. It asks no quarter and gives none. The work will be vigorously pushed from the outset. Seven-tenths of the people in Texas are in favor of the utter destruction of the saloon and brewery, and their wishes will be gratified. These lawless people have forced on the people of the State the settlement of the momentous question "Shall vice or virtue control this great State? Shall we have law or lawlessness?" No unbiased citizen will hesitate, for a moment, on which side of this question he will take his place.

The Anti-Saloon League Means Business.

The Anti-Saloon League is in Texas to stay. Its purpose is State-wide abolishment of liquor and beer. It has counted the cost, it has measured the consequences. It enters upon its work with a full knowledge of the scope of the undertaking. It understands both the character and the strength of that against which it has to contend. It is aware of the enormous capital held as a reserve fund by the saloons and breweries of America, to resist just such efforts as we have in view. It is not ignorant of the enormity of labor and sacrifice involved in the undertaking. It is prepared to believe that it will possibly suffer, at times, temporary defeat; but it will be thereby stimulated to more determined effort, and never be discouraged. It has counted the cost, has canvassed and compassed the whole situation, and coolly accepts it. The Anti-Saloon League will henceforth address itself to the work of cleansing this State of the bar-room and brewery. It would not destroy the men, but the business. The dealers in liquor and beer are what they are by reason of the character of their business. The movement is missionary in that it seeks to destroy a business that imbrutes character, and opens a way for restoration to high-toned citizenship and for the establishment of tens of thousands of families to a plane of social responsibility. It seeks to save the saloon-keeper and his family, as well as all others from the effects of a disastrous system of vice. The Anti-Saloon League is purely non-partisan and inter-denominational. It seeks to concentrate the influence of all voters who favor opposition to liquor on a single point—that of voting out the saloon and brewery from the State. The undersigned will devote his entire time to the work, so will hundreds of others. We begin the work with entire confidence of ultimate success. To fail would be ruinous. Of the final result, there is not the shadow of a doubt. The saloons and breweries of Texas are doomed. They must go.

B. F. RILEY,
Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Texas.

PROHIBITION QUESTION.

In my mind the prohibition question is the most important one to be settled by the people at this time. Saloons are school masters of lawlessness and poverty, of ignorance and degradation. Tell me of one good thing a saloon ever did and I'll hush. But prohibition doesn't prohibit, they say. Law against the sale of whiskey prohibits as much as any other law, but if prohibition didn't prohibit at all, I would vote against whiskey. I will fight it until I die, because it is a curse of the deepest dye. I cannot whip a lion, either, but if one should jump on my little boy I would fight him as long as there was any breath in me.

Ah, boys, don't let the saloons come back to your beloved county. You will be sorry if you do. If a sawmill continues to run it must have logs to saw. If a flour mill continues to run

it must have wheat to grind. Look out, friend! You may trot around and plead for the saloon back in your county because you say it makes prosperous times, but remember this, brother anti: If a saloon continues to run it must have material—human being to grind, and remember, also that you may have to furnish some material—some boys, girls or grandchildren, and if you do you will be sorry that you ever lived in a prosperous town.

"Woe unto him that buildeth a town with blood, and establisheth a city by iniquity." The anti-say it kills a town to vote the saloons out, and I will admit that a dry town is the dull and deadest place in the world to the drunkards, gamblers and thugs, but to an upright class of men, the women and children, they love to live in a town killed by the absence of saloons, because they have more to eat, more to wear and more happiness than when the saloons were there.

I saw a man stand on the corner and I heard him talk. He said, "I am for the saloons because they make our country prosperous." Poor fellow! He had traded his groceries which he had bought on credit for whiskey and was half drunk, so I wondered in my heart if times were very prosperous to his good wife and poor little children in the cottage alone, five miles away at the hour of midnight. For God's sake, brother anti, wake up out of your Rip Van Winkle sleep!

Talk about prosperous whiskey towns! I would not give the life or character of my precious boy or girl for all the millions of money, so help me God, and your boys and girls are worth as much as mine.

Vote for saloons and the day will come when you will regret it. If not before, you will regret it in the judgment day, but it will be too late then. You will have to take your medicine and it will not be liquor, either, for they don't sell it on the blissful shores of Paradise.

I'll be responsible for what I say, and I say that there is a difference in the saloon keeper and the man who votes for the sale of whiskey. The bartender puts the cup, jug or bottle to his neighbor's lips for pay, and the anti, by his vote, puts the cup, jug or bottle to his neighbor's lips for nothing and boards himself. Which one is doing the greater wrong?

W. T. KINSLOW.

PROHIBITION.

I have chosen the all-absorbing subject of prohibition, not, however, "laying the flattering unction to my soul" that I can in the slightest manner discuss the subject in a logical and philosophical vein, but anything said of this subject is of interest if not of importance.

It could scarcely be expected of me to enter into a discussion as to the constitutionality of the question; that I must leave to legal lights, nor should it be expected of me to discourse upon "sumptuary legislation," that is for statesmen, but rather let me rely upon the sentimentality involved in the issue.

When a large portion of the people become so debased and depraved as to feel no respect for soberness, honor and virtue; when this portion becomes so shameless as to open the most tempting, elegant whiskey shops and lure our youth on to drunkenness and ruin, thereby increasing our criminals to an alarming extent, then should the people—the superior power—the voting majority from which all civil law emanates and from which a just appreciation and observance of moral law springs; then should this majority stand between drunkenness and our youth and give forth the edict in thunder tones that that which is detrimental to the morals of the commonwealth, to the making of honest men and noble women, must and shall be abolished.

No one has any shadow of right to destroy himself, and thus aid in destroying society by an excessive use of alcoholic liquors.

"Personal liberty," says the Austin Prohibitionist, "ceases whenever in-

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jury impends. Hence political and moral laws do not violate true personal liberty where destructive acts are prohibited or prevented."

Ex-Lieutenant Governor Gibbs says: "I would rather see every man on the face of the earth drunkards than to see them deprived of their personal rights."

What is "personal liberty?" Webster says: "A privilege conferred by a superior power."

Does any "superior power" give a man the right to go to saloons and get beastly drunk on whiskey, beer or wine? No. Such a thing could never be.

There are today mothers and wives, probably sweethearts, who would experience relief if their husbands, sons and sweethearts, who are slaves to whiskey, should die tonight. Sorrow would fill their homes, but peace and rest would come in which have long since been driven away by the incessant use of strong drinks. Home would be more bright and cheerful by the casting out of whiskey.

The "liberty and freedom" cries of the antis are the "will-o'-the-wisp" and "Jacks-o'-the-lantern" of the campaign. "Only this and nothing more."

"Personal liberty"—the only thing upon which the "anti-prohibitionists" base their objection to State prohibition.

An act is prohibited by the law, and for what? On the grounds of its evil effects in society.

Dr. Johnson says: "Public law makes a distinction between things it prohibits, classifying them as evil in themselves and evil prohibited."

But the grounds of their prohibition is exactly the same.

Homicide an act, evil in itself is prohibited, so the building of a frame house within the fire limits of a city—an act, not an evil—in itself is also prohibited. There is a moral wrong in homicide. There is no moral wrong in building frame houses, but the law prevents one as well as the other to protect society.

Again, when a contagious epidemic makes its appearance in a city, the house or houses in which it is quarantined; their owners not allowed to leave and enter at pleasure. Clearly a deprivation of personal liberty, but it is for the good of society. So with the saloons being detrimental to society. Being the one thing in the way of a purer, better and nobler government, it must go.

"Personal liberty" must succumb to society's welfare.

"A drunkard," shining example to our youth as he reels from saloon to saloon, staggering, stumbling along and occasionally falling in the gutter and at last keeping on till he reaches a level below the brute creation!

Mothers, wives, sisters and sweethearts, plead, plead, oh! plead for prohibition; beseech, implore, beg for votes; move, act, be up and doing and rest not until the "prohibition banner" is planted high upon the battlements of the arch-enemy—King Alcohol—and his drunken host scattered far and wide.

Rest not until every saloon and gambling house—the saloon's accompaniment—is driven from our State, and sobriety, virtue and honor shall go hand in hand.

I once heard of a young man who told his sweetheart that he loved whiskey better than he did her. He certainly had very little respect for himself or her either. Such vile words were not issued from the lips of a man

who had any self-respect whatever!

"And now, Prohibitionists, God speed you in your work." We must and shall win, but it is necessary, even in this great and liberty-loving State of ours, that in order to accomplish the desired end, we should work diligently and with confidence of victory. Let us do this one and all, and success is assured.

MRS. J. C. RAWLINS.

South Austin, Texas.

DR. DAVISON ON THE PROPOSED NEW STATEMENT OF METHODIST FAITH.

Rev. Dr. W. T. Davison, ex-President of the British Wesleyan Conference, and one of the ablest scholars in England, contributes to the Methodist Recorder (London, England), an important article on the proposition adopted by the recent General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, concerning a new statement of Methodist faith. With the general character of the proposed statement our readers are familiar, for it was outlined in the Northwestern at the time it was under discussion at the General Conference. Fuller details of this important question are to be found in a small volume or pamphlet, written by Dr. W. F. Tillett, professor of theology in Vanderbilt University.

This document, which is published by Smith & Lamar, Nashville, and sells for fifty and twenty cents, should be carefully studied by every minister and thoughtful layman, for it will be the basis of the discussion of the subject when it comes before our General Conference in 1908, for that body will be asked to appoint a commission on the subject, as will other Methodist bodies. Referring to its consideration by our General Conference, Dr. Davison says: "If that large and influential body should decline to entertain the suggestion, it will probably lapse altogether. But if the two largest Churches of the United States are agreed that the proposal is timely and likely to be of service, the mother Church in this country (England) and all branches of Methodism throughout the world will be invited to express their opinion upon it."

Dr. Davison states that "few proceedings in recent Methodist Conferences have awakened more interest—and perhaps we may add, more surprise—than the debate which took place in the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, on the proposal to issue a statement of the faith of world-wide Methodism." He sees some difficulties in the way of the carrying out of the proposal. These he briefly states as follows:

The first remark which it calls forth is the very obvious but inevitable one, that everything depends upon how such a piece of work is done, if it is to be attempted at all. Such a document might be a great boon, it might be a useless form, or its publication might prove a mischievous blunder. The process of preparation would involve difficulties and risks. It is hard enough for a single ecclesiastical community to modify or revise its own creed—as the comparative small body of English Presbyterians found it—and to prepare a new one is a much more difficult task. But if the Pan-Presbyterian Council were to attempt the framing of a Calvinistic creed in the light of modern thought, one which would satisfy its constituent Churches in all parts of the world, it would find that it had undertaken a labor of Hercules. Methodists are happily homogeneous in their beliefs; their Churches have never been disturbed by doctrinal divisions, and very little by any serious heresies. But a faith may be heartily accepted in common by multitudes and yet its accurate and satisfactory formulation prove no easy task. A step which was intended to promote union might engender strife. Committees are very potent, but the committee entrusted with the preparation of a statement of faith that would meet the requirements of to-day and express the be-

lief of more than twenty different communities and between twenty and thirty millions of members and adherents in all parts of the globe, would deserve, though it might not receive, sincere sympathy.

If such a creed were prepared, what force would it have, and how would it be used? Dr. Tillett does not propose to set aside altogether the venerable doctrinal symbols abridged by Wesley from the Anglican Articles. They have stood from the first in the "Discipline" of the American Churches, and they would not in theory be superseded. In this country those Twenty-five Articles have never been adopted as authoritative, and the vast majority of Methodists here hardly know of their existence. But the Notes and Fifty-Three Sermons of Wesley are named in all our trust-deeds as containing the recognized standard of doctrine to be observed by our ministers and maintained by the trustees of our chapels. No statement of faith prepared by our own or any "ecumenical" conference could have any legal force or validity, though as a historical document it might possess both interest and value.

Its value would largely depend upon the principles of its construction. Would it be confined to a statement of evangelical Arminianism as distinguished from various forms of Calvinistic belief—in other words, to those distinctively Methodist doctrines concerning individual salvation on which John Wesley laid special stress? Or would it cover the whole field of Christian truth as held by communities that have now had a long and successful history and that have "come to rational and religious self-consciousness in the largest and best sense of that term?" Stress would undoubtedly be laid upon that theology of experience which has been at the same time the glory of Methodism and its safeguard. But would a creed which is to testify to these times deal with current questions which are important in proportion to their gravity and the living issues they involve, such as evolution and the origin of man, the inspiration of Scripture, the sacraments, and eschatology? It would be as hard to exclude, as adequately to include, a statement of the faith of world-wide Methodism upon topics like these.

Dr. Davison refrains from "expressing a judgment upon what will be to many a startling proposal."

In this connection, it is interesting to note that Rev. Dr. W. L. Watkinson, ex-President of the Wesleyan Conference, and the most widely-known English Methodist minister, approves the proposed statement. He writes: "I have read over several times Dean Tillett's article on 'A statement of the faith of world-wide Methodism,' and cordially agree with the reasoning and the conclusion. The author states the matter clearly, temperately, convincingly."

That the formulation of such a statement will not be an easy task is apparent. The proposal, however, is of such importance that it should receive adequate consideration before official judgment is passed upon it.—Northwestern Advocate.

LETTER FROM ALABAMA.

By Rev. M. H. Wells.

Birmingham still retains its reputation as a convention city. Scarcely a week passes that one or more large gatherings do not favor us. Quite a number are scheduled for the coming months. And the Confederates are coming next year. We will make ample room and welcome for them.

Among the more notable meetings recently were the Sunday-school Convention and Southern Presbyterian Assembly. The Sunday-school people came two thousand strong. It was interdenominational and attracted the choice workers of the State. Vast audiences attended the sessions held in the First Baptist Church. They have a vast auditorium, and yet many were turned away from some of the meetings. The good cause is well organized through County Institutes. Dr. W. C. Pearce, a specialist from Chicago,

contributed largely to the interest of the occasion. He has seen the Sunday-school at work in most of the nations of the earth. It seemed an easy and pleasant thing to raise \$7,500 to aid in carrying forward their work in the State.

The General Assembly had about three hundred delegates present. Dr. Howerton, of North Carolina, was elected Moderator on the second ballot. His election is said to have been largely due to the fact that he had led in wise and persistent advocacy of the question of the hour with Presbyterians, North and South. And yet his presidency gave satisfaction. All the enterprises attracting the attention of the Christian public were considered, but the matter eliciting the most concern was "The Articles of Agreement." Nearly four days were consumed in a heated discussion of the merits and demerits of this matter. The gist of opposition seemed a well-founded fear that adoption would hasten organic union. For this they are not more anxious than the two great branches of Methodism. A majority of two favored adoption. And so we are to wait and see what we shall see. Some things seen and heard reminded one of similar occurrences in an Annual and General Conference. It remains true that human nature all over this round, round world is much the same.

The assembly was preceded by a three days' Evangelistic Conference. Vital and interesting as were the proceedings of the assembly I am free to confess that my best ideas and highest inspiration came from that conference. In right thinking and spiritual power it reached a high level. The singing, praying and addresses had decided thought and unction. I am in the habit of thinking that those two things will make any sermon or other public deliverance attractive and effective. There was not a dull hour during the many services of those three days. They were a vast company of men and women pronouncing absolute faith in the possible evangelism of America in this generation. They do not regard John R. Mott an enthusiast. By no means. For the peculiar and much needed work of evangelism, they seem better organized and more intense than any denomination in this country. The crown and glory of Methodism will pass to others if we do not bestir ourselves. The Lord is too anxious to save this earth to wait an hour on any of us.

Dr. Walton presided at all the public services. Twelve years of training have well fitted him for such position. He knows when a meeting of that kind needs a song or prayer, and what song and who to lead in the prayer. He would not dare hazard the chance of saving a soul by complimenting someone by recognition. There is much in this, as everyone knows who has had experience in earnest work for the Lord. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman made a large and valuable contribution to the conference by two addresses. It was refreshing to hear him tell how sinners can be saved and God glorified. The conference stressed personal work in saving the people. During those three days, and the much said, there was not an intimation of denominational rivalry or a "cut" at any denomination. The very pertinent illustrations were all from Presbyterian history and custom. Some severe flings were made at "home folks," but they were taken very kindly by packed audiences of Presbyterians. Now and here I hasten to record my gratitude for the privilege of being present during that conference.

During the sessions of the assembly the laymen used the intervals for the purpose of organizing a "Laymen's Missionary Movement." They propose to raise a million dollars for foreign missions during the year in excess of regular assessments. Surely there is a mighty move on the hearts of Christian people for the evangelism of the world. It may come in this genera-

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tion. Let all help in so blessed a consummation.

Another delightful fact came to the surface: The day of manuscript preaching (?) has about passed. The sun of that doleful day is going down behind the everlasting hills. Selah!

The Baptists of this State are planning for a ten days' encampment at a suburb of this city. It will have some of the features of an old-time Methodist camp-meeting. Thousands are expected to be in attendance. These same Baptists are a wide-awake and progressive lot of saints. In every movement for the betterment of the social, educational and moral condition of the people they are a strong factor.

Birmingham, Ala.

It is good to multiply experiences. It is good to do many things and to have manifold relations with the world. It is good to touch many people, and to see many sights, but it is good, it is necessary to be content with no experience which remains simply as experience and does not pass on and into character.—Phillips Brooks.

GETTING READY

Feeding Ahead of Hot Weather. "Not quite so much meat in spring-time; use the cereals, as they heat the blood less." Seasonable advice from an old practitioner.

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Secular News Items.

Government officials in Washington are greatly interested in the announcement of the Texas Commissioner of Public Health that he purposes to bar persons afflicted with tuberculosis from entering the State. Pending such action the question can not be officially considered, but some officials express doubt whether such a State regulation would stand. Tuberculosis is not recognized as a contagious disease to which the restrictions of quarantine are applicable, and there is a disposition to believe the proposed regulation would be an abridgment of the rights of American citizens to come and go as they please.

The tacit conclusion was reached by the Nashville Board of Education that only negroes born, bred and educated in the South need to apply for election as teachers in the colored schools of Nashville, Tenn. This action was taken for the reason that negroes from north of Mason and Dixon's line have a notion not familiar with Southern traditions and sentiment and are persona non grata to the Nashville Board of Education.

Discarded street cars given by the New York City Railway Company are being used to construct a summer hotel for working girls within ten miles of New York City. About twenty of these have been transported to the chosen spot and volunteer workmen from the ranks of East Side settlement workers are putting them into shape for occupancy. Undertaken by two or three young women who have for years been identified with settlement work, the new plan is well under way and within two weeks it is expected there will be a fair-sized colony of car dwellers. Only twenty will be used this season. They will be divided into suites of two cars each to an apartment, one for sleeping and one for use as a sitting room. There will be one devoted to kitchen use for the entire colony. It is expected that the undertaking will become self-sustaining. Girls will pay whatever they can afford—\$1 or \$2—and they will have a good outing in a healthful atmosphere and well away from the city. Each girl will be permitted to occupy one of the little suites for two weeks.

Members of the Black Hand Society who recently attempted to murder Joseph A. Marroney and his family by placing dynamite in the kitchen stove of his home at Mount Vernon, have now set the day for his murder unless he gives them \$1000. Marroney received his last notice through the mail recently. The letter, which was postmarked New York, had a skull and crossbones at the head and read: "Unless you leave \$1000 where we told you to you will be killed and buried in the New Rochelle Cemetery by July 5." The message was signed "Black Hand." After the signature was drawn a coffin. Marroney is the proprietor of the Wingam Hotel, Mount Vernon. The police have arranged to guard Marroney night and day.

Seven persons, six of them members of an Italian family, were killed in New York City in the collapse of a ramshackle tenement in the downtown Italian quarter. Three other members of the same family, including the father and mother, are in the hospital painfully injured, but will recover.

The possibility of serious trouble in Central America growing out of the disturbed conditions existing there incidental to the alleged ambition of President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, to form a union of Central American States has caused the Administration to dispatch the new cruiser Milwaukee to that locality. Yorktown, which is now at Acapulco, will coal. The stay of the Milwaukee in Central American waters is problematical and will in a measure depend upon the conditions that develop in that section of the world. She goes ostensibly "for the

protection of American interests," which are threatened because of the situation as it now exists. The cruiser St. Louis, now on her way to a Brazilian port, is en route to the Pacific coast, and will arrive in Central American waters in about two months. It may be that she will relieve the Milwaukee in the event that the Administration decides to have that vessel return north and it is deemed necessary to continue the presence of two American vessels in that section.

Beginning in July, when the Illinois 2c per mile passenger law becomes effective, the low rate will be applied in both interstate and intrastate business in nearly all of the States of the Middle West. Two cents per mile will be the prevailing flat rate in interstate traffic in Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Arkansas, Kansas and Nebraska, besides a few adjoining commonwealths. It is explained by a well-known traffic official that there is no intention of making 2c per mile a flat rate over the United States. The Illinois roads, at a meeting recently in Chicago, concluded arrangements for putting the 2c fare in force in Illinois on July 1. They decided to try the low rate for ninety days and see what effect it would have on their revenue. In order to keep the intrastate business separate from the interstate movement the flat rate of 2c per mile will become effective in all the Central Western States next month, when the same low rates go into effect in Illinois.

Senator Warren, of Missouri, is authority for what is regarded as an official statement that Theodore Roosevelt will not under any circumstances accept another nomination to the Presidency. Senator Warner was at Oyster Bay last week and had a long conversation with Mr. Roosevelt. He came to Washington and had a conference of two hours or more with Secretary Taft prior to the latter's departure for New Haven. Senator Warner says Mr. Roosevelt not only will not be a candidate for the nomination, but would not accept were he tendered it. President Roosevelt, it was said, is for the nomination of the Secretary of War. So is Senator Warner.

By the sale of the Nippon Oil Company of its wells and plant in Edigo Province the Standard Oil Company has just taken the first important step toward the abandonment of the Japanese oil field. Experts of the Standard Company after several years of experimenting and experience have to come to the conclusion that the prospects are not sufficiently alluring to warrant operations on a large scale. The selling price is \$785,000. Echigo is Japan's best developed oil section. A great deal was expected of it a few years ago when the first discovery was made, but the fact that the Standard has decided to abandon the field speaks eloquently of the failure of these expectations to materialize.

Gen. Frederick Funston declared that he has received at least twenty threatening letters, all of them anonymous, in which he was threatened with the fate of Gov. Steunenberg if he dares to parade with his troops on July 4. These violent letters, Gen. Funston says, were received by him before he wrote his reply to the request of the Fourth of July committee for the co-operation of the Federal soldiers in the proposed parade. He declares that the threats in these letters were not the prime cause of his refusal to parade, but that he had them in mind when he referred to the unwhipped mob of San Francisco.

It has been indicated that the saloon keepers of Austin will agree to close for a period of ten days after July 12 in accordance with the Baskin-McGregor law and the Attorney General's ruling on that law. John E. Shelton, attorney for the Austin liquor dealers, has indicated that that will be the course pursued following the announcement of the County Judge of

Travis County that he will consider any evidence that a saloon keeper has kept open during the ten days after July as a violation of the law, and will refuse to issue a license to any saloon keeper proven guilty of such a violation. In consideration of the saloon keeper's recognition of the law it is understood the County Judge will hear the saloon application for permits as soon as possible. The law requires that from ten to twenty days must elapse between the time the application is filed and the hearing of the application. If the County Judge allows the minimum time to elapse the saloons will have to remain closed only ten days, provided all the applications can be heard in one day. If there are contests the interim will probably be longer. It is an interesting circumstance that the State encampment will fall in part in the interim, following July 12, when all the saloons will be closed for a period of ten days. There will not be much chance to get liquor during the first four days of the encampment. As for the following four days the camp will also likely be dry, because of the ruling made by the Governor and Adj. Gen. Newton that beer must not be sold within one mile of the camp ground or on the reservation during the encampment. The right of the military authorities to prohibit the sale of liquor outside of the reservation has been questioned, but under the Baskin-McGregor law it is doubtful if the Controller would issue a permit for the sale of beer in the face of military orders.

Ex-Governor Pennypacker of Pennsylvania, under whose administration \$9,000,000 was spent in adorning and furnishing a building that cost \$4,000,000, recently appeared before the investigation commission and made a detailed explanation of his connection with the matter. He insisted that everything he did was in accordance with the law passed by the State Legislature, instances recommendations he made to the Legislature to change the law without effect, and declared his entire ignorance of the frauds alleged to have been committed. When questioned in regard to specific cases of gross overcharges he said that if such things were done the people who did them ought to be punished. In effect, the Governor's explanation was an admission that graft on a colossal scale went on under his nose and he never found it out.

Patrick O'Mara, one of the speakers at a dinner of New York wholesale seed men, who have been holding a convention there, caused a stir by announcing that a new fruit is being raised in New Jersey which will be known as the "Millionaire Strawberry." Mr. O'Mara said the new strawberry will be almost as large as the Burbank potato. He visited the farm in New Jersey, he says, where the new fruit is grown and found nearly two carloads would be ready for market next season.

German experimenters have recently perfected a composition, the principal ingredient of which is potato, to take the place of cedar in the manufacture of "lead" pencils. These pencils are a little heavier than those in use at present, but are of the same size, form and appearance, and are more easily sharpened. A company for their manufacture, with a capital of \$154,700, and acting under patents in fourteen countries, was recently founded in Berlin.

A deal for 1,000,000 acres of land in the State of Queretaro, Mexico, which is to be settled by Texas farmers, is pending and may be consummated within the next two weeks. Texas capitalists are back of the deal. A party of Texas capitalists, most of them from Hill County, is expected in Mexico in the next few days and immediately upon their arrival they will be taken over the land in question. This tract is said to be one of the richest in Mexico and is located several miles from the capital of Queretaro. The Texas capitalists have selected this tract because of its peculiar fitness for farming. It is said that cotton, corn, wheat and tobacco can be grown without irrigation.

An Austin dispatch of June 28 says the Attorney General was sustained at every point in the Third Court of Appeals in the Waters-Pierce oil receivership, but the two Judges sitting disagreed as to how the State shall secure relief. The Attorney General's construction of the new receivership law was adopted, but Chief Justice Fisher would not go to the extent of ordering Eckhardt to take charge and direct Dorchester, the Federal receiver,



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er, to relinquish hold. Judge Fisher thought that the proper way for the State to secure relief would be to go before Judge Bryant with the necessary applications and proceedings, reviewing what has been done below, etc., and ask him to relieve his own receiver, Dorchester, pending a final decision in the State courts. Judge Key agrees to all of that, but goes further and holds that this court has the right under the law to appoint its own receiver and order him to take charge of the property, notwithstanding the Federal court proceedings appointing Dorchester. Judge J. A. Eldon, the third member of the court, is seriously ill at his home in Hamilton, therefore the question of going to the extent indicated by Judge Key is really in abeyance until Judge Eldon is able to return. Should he decide with Judge Key then the court would issue an order appointing its own receiver with instructions to take charge of the property, which would make two receivers for the company unless Judge Bryant enforced his order or receded from it.

Miss Elizabeth Ney, the sculptress, died at her studio home in Hyde Park, Austin, on June 30, having died suddenly after a short illness. She was recognized in art centers of this country and Europe as an artist of exceptional merit in sculpture, and her works are located in many places, including National and State capitols. Though having a maiden's prefix to her name, Miss Ney was the wife of Dr. Edmund Montgomery, a large plantation owner of Waller County, who has been with his wife during her illness. Miss Ney was advanced in years, being close to 60.

About fifty Snake Indians, the name given to the full-blood Choctaws who refused to accept allotments, are camped about eight miles from Garvin, I. T., and are said to be stirring up recruits in that section. There is a rumor current that the leader has a letter from President Roosevelt stating that if the Snakes will drive out the whites and the Indians who accept allotments their lands will be given back to the Snakes, which is said to be believed by some of the Indians.

New York City is experiencing an impressive demonstration as to what extent the comfort of the millions is dependent upon the handful, comparatively, of citizens ordinarily engaged in collecting garbage and delivering it. Two thousand garbage collectors and an equal number of ice wagon drivers are on strike and the city is in peril of an epidemic of disease.

Fire of unknown origin on June 30 destroyed property in Mineral Wells conservatively estimated at \$75,000 and for a time placed in danger a number of patients at a large sanitarium, though all were removed without harm. The fire originated in a vacant building known as the Mineral Wells Amusement Palace, which was located in the Hawthorne block. This building was destroyed, as was also the old Hawthorne Pavilion. Ten or twelve smaller frame structures in the Hawthorne block were consumed by the flames and across the street from the blazing structures the pool hall belonging to Dr. C. P. Williams caught and was burned.

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Notes From the Field

Waples Memorial, Denison.

Everything goes well at Waples Memorial. Accessions to the Church seem to be the rule at almost every service. Sunday afternoon Miss Ruby Kendrick, our missionary to Korea, was present and a Juvenile Foreign Missionary Society was organized with 25 members. In honor of Miss Kendrick, to whose efforts we owe this forward movement on the part of the children, the society has been named "The Ruby Kendrick Juvenile Missionary Society of Waples Memorial Church." Sunday evening Miss Kendrick spoke to a large congregation on the needs of the particular field to which she goes and told of her call to the work. She had the undivided attention of the congregation from the opening sentence. Good results have already followed this service. A genuine old-fashioned Methodist handshaking concluded the service. Many expressions of "Good-bye" and "God bless you" were heard. It was a good service. We are happy and the best of all God is with us. —E. L. Egger, June 25.

Mid-Year Pounding.

The unexpected often happens. It was certainly true in this case. The mistress and children of the parsonage of the Brookhaven Mission spent the school year in Georgetown. After close of the Summer School they were moved back to Brookhaven. They had scarcely become settled in their new home when they were startled (?) by the coming of a caravan of men, women and children in buggies and hacks, all laden with the necessities of life, entirely too numerous to mention. They had right of way in this preacher's home. They entered its inner precincts pressing their way to dining room, and there left the evidence of their visit—a testimony which will out last the good things they left stored in the minds and affections of the receivers. Who the prime perpetrator of this deed was, or were, is not known to this household. The act seems to have been spontaneous. Besides a number of "elect women" whose names are written in heaven, there were two laymen whose names deserve to be mentioned—Thos. Elms and Jno. E. Parks. The latter in his seventy-third year, and a constant subscriber to the Advocate since the days of Dr. John. Bro. Elms is also a subscriber to the Advocate. Besides filling our larder with their generous gifts, the tokens of devotion to Christ and his Church, they have filled our hearts with gratitude and praises to the "Giver of every good thing." May heaven's blessings be upon these good people.—W. E. Caperton, Brookhaven.

Erick, Okla.

Brother T. N. Lowery, of Merkel, Texas, came to hold a meet with us the third Sunday in June, and ran over to the fourth. The odds were against us from start to finish. Erick is dominated more by worldliness than spirituality. Campbellism, Baptistism, and other isms largely have the day. Bro. Lowery did fine work and as good preaching as I ever heard, and is a faithful and effective worker. The Church was revived to a good degree, which means much for us here. No conversions. We expect to begin the erection of a church house in the near future. This is our saddest want in this section of the work. With houses of our own we can make fast progress, but, as it is, we are plodding slowly along. Statehood for us will greatly add to the progress of all the Churches.—J. W. R. Bachman, June 28.

University Church, Austin.

The Building Committee of the University Church of Austin has let the contract to Messrs. Schurr and Watson, of Austin, the contract price being \$34,275. This does not include art glass, plumbing, wiring and heating plant. The entire cost of the plant when completed, including lots, furniture, organ, etc., will approximate \$50,000. Work on the University Church is expected to begin at once.—Cullom H. Booth.

Pasadena.

A high tide at Pasadena. I just closed a meeting at Pasadena with Rev. O. F. Zimmerman. It was an old-time Methodist revival. Twenty-five were taken into our Church, and some will join the Baptist Church. Three babies were baptized and family altars were established. Bro. Zimmerman, the untiring and popular pastor, has enough work for two preachers, but he is bringing things to pass. He has a good people to serve. The country around Pasadena is rapidly developing and he is preparing for the building of a church to meet the demands. The increased membership will, of course, bid fair to an

increase for the pastor's salary for this year. The people are Methodist and open-hearted. I shall never forget their many tokens of kindness to me, and before I left they paid me \$50 as a token of their appreciation. We are very fortunate in having Prof. Conn as Superintendent of our Sunday-school at that place. There is found in him all the elements that go to make the scholarly and Christian gentleman. Of course such people as are there are loyal to our institutions, and in a few years Southwestern University will be receiving a good patronage from that section.—C. S. Harkey, June 25.

Riverside, Fort Worth.

We are here in a good revival with Bro. C. A. Bickly. Bickly is as true as gold. Wish he could get married. We have had conversions every day since we started, except one day. Committee ordered a tent, but it has not come. House won't hold the people. We expect to run here until Sunday night next and then go to Weatherford Street for a meeting. Since the prohibition election in Fort Worth no man, even with one good eye, can not fail to see we are in need of a revival. The whiskey devil needs the gospel.—J. T. Bloodworth, June 25.

Kempner.

This is a new charge, organized last conference. I found a large territory with seven preaching places. There was no parsonage, so we set out to build. The "people having a mind to work," we were soon in what will be a nice little parsonage when it is finished. As usual, however, the ladies had to be called in, so a W. H. M. Society was organized. They went to work to furnish the house, which they did very nicely, and they are still at work. We have a well of splendid water, which they are paying for. Other work is planned and will be accomplished. Now, with a good revival all round the charge will be on its feet and pushing to the front. May it be so.—Sam J. Frances.

Aspermont Mission.

This work and the writer's pastoral life began at the same time, less than two years ago. The work covers the larger part of Stonewall County and is composed of seven appointments. This is a fertile field. The harvest is white, but laborers few. There is a general uplift over last year in all lines. This is a fine country and is fast filling up with farmers. The land is as good as any of the famous black land of Middle Texas. We are working and praying for big revivals all over the work this year. The third Sunday was a big day at Salt Lake, in the northern part of the county. We had two good sermons by Bro. Hollers, of Aspermont Station, dinner on the ground (with a barbecued beef thrown in), and Children's Day service in the afternoon. The children performed their parts splendidly, and the collection amounted to \$11.05. All this in a place where less than one year ago the only gatherings ever held were cattle round-ups. Now we have a small Church organization and a live, up-to-date Sunday-school. Watch us grow. We all love our presiding elder, J. T. Griswold. He can't be beat. We have more than doubled the Advocate circulation on our work and are still trying.—A. B. Keen, June 27.

Quanah.

We are not asleep, but busy. The prosperity, push and growth of this part of the country keep all the preachers out this way on the go. Our presiding elder was with us the 26th. He is hard at work. He looks well and is doing well. Our charge is in fine shape. Work well organized and all branches at work. Congregations fine. Our Sunday-school is fine—over 300 enrolled in all departments. Finances all up to date. We have recently repapered and painted church inside. Ladies put down new carpet on open space and aisles. We have a real pretty interior. We have put down concrete walks on both sides, making our church corner look well. We have just returned from Claude, where we assisted Brother Chenoweth in a meeting. Had a fine meeting. Brother Chenoweth came to us last year from the Denver Conference. We found him a whole-souled, brotherly man. He serves a good people and has his work well in hand. He will make a fine report at conference this fall. We also assisted Bro. W. C. Hilburn in a meeting at Clarendon a few weeks ago. The Lord blessed us abundantly. There were many professions and reclamations. Brother Hilburn is doing a fine work, as usual. Brother Mood, President of Clarendon College, and Brother Burkhead, principal, are doing well. The school is in fine condition. They are preparing to build a splendid building soon—a building that is

much needed and will for time enable them to measure up to their splendid opportunity. Our entire Western country is on a boom. We have had good rains and everything is in a prosperous condition. Our town is building up fast. Nine brick buildings now going up, and we are told four more to follow. Our streets are being graded, concrete walks being put down, over one hundred new residences put up in last eighteen months, a \$50,000 court house being erected and a \$60,000 oil mill in course of construction. All this makes our town look a little bit like a city.—R. B. Bonner, June 28.

Sweetwater.

My revival meeting (God's revival meeting) has come to a close, and has passed into history. The revival was a great success in more ways than one. The conversions and reclamations will easily reach one hundred. Many strong men and blooming girls have consecrated their lives, hearts and talents to God. The children's meeting was the greatest in the history of Sweetwater. Forty-four were converted at this one meeting. The Holy Spirit fell upon the congregation. It was the greatest manifestation we have ever witnessed. God touched the waiting congregation with the golden scepter and men and women shouted the praises of God, and sinners were turned from their evil ways. This communication would be incomplete if it failed to make mention of Brother C. S. Cameron, of De Leon, Texas. He is a major premise, minor premise. Conclusion: three baptized with the Holy Ghost.—Thomas H. Jack.

Rogers Circuit.

We are glad to report some progress on Rogers Circuit. Our second Quarterly Conference was held at Heidenheimer May 25 and 26, and was a fine occasion in all respects. The financial report was considerably in advance of the same period last year. We have organized two new Sunday-schools and have made very gratifying progress in the Sunday-school work at Rogers especially. The district meeting of the W. H. M. and W. F. M. Societies convened recently at Rogers. A splendid program was carried out, and the occasion was a fine one indeed. During the service Sunday night Miss Maggie Punchard, a most excellent young woman of our Church here, came forward and volunteered for the deaconess work. A Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized at Rogers on Sunday afternoon of the conference. Our W. H. M. Society is composed of a very fine body of women, and is doing excellent work. The membership of Rogers Circuit is composed of excellent people, and many expressions of kindness and appreciation have been shown the pastor and his family. Rogers Circuit has great resources and is a large and important field. We are praying and laboring for a great development and enlargement of the work. We began our revival campaign at Heidenheimer yesterday. We have planned to spend about eight weeks in this campaign and to put into it the most consecrated, vigorous and strenuous effort of which we are capable. We are praying for victory and success under the guidance of God. Let every Christian who reads this pray for the blessing of God upon this work.—Jno. G. Pollard, July 1.

Burnet.

For several years Burnet County has been on the dry list. But, of course, our anti friends have not been satisfied. As a result there was another election ordered and the vote came off last Saturday. Of course, the Lord was on our side, so prohibition carried by a majority of over 200. Praise the Lord! In the language of Dr. Rankin, "On with the battle!" Praise the Lord for victory.—M. J. Allen, July 1.

Maysfield.

The spiritual condition of the Churches in this charge is very gratifying indeed. Rev. George C. Cravy has been and is zealously working for the Master from early morn till dewy eve, as it were, and every community in his work demonstrates the truth that a good work is being wrought; besides conclusive evidence everywhere exists that there are many "doers of the word," and as a logical following, we have strong hope that all will be ready for the prospective protracted meetings which have been so enthusiastically talked about for quite a while. The children's service, which had been postponed because of the farmers being painfully busy with their crops, was held at the M. E. Church, Sunday, June 30, and the occasion would have been creditable to more pretentious towns. The children acquitted themselves very creditably, and as a natural consequence proved conclusively that there is an invincible "power behind the throne" in parental discipline. After the closing of the exercises a collection was taken. Knox Tyson and Vance Randolph, wee tots, officiated in the capacity of collectors

and \$7.90 was the result of their efforts. Bro. Cravy then announced that they were short some \$15 on painting the church, and the good audience cheerfully responded to the necessity of the call and contributed more than enough to liquidate the indebtedness. Maysfield is rapidly regaining her pristine reputation for piety, and if she can retain her Presbyterian preacher, Rev. Mr. West, with Bro. Cravy for a sufficient length of time we feel assured that her future will eclipse her past, under such harmonious ministerial work.—W. F. Grant.

Bellevue Circuit.

The fourth Sunday in June was a good day in Bellevue. We raised over \$1100 on our Church debt. We have raised in cash and good subscription on our new church in all \$2500, and we will finish paying the remainder, about \$200, and we expect to have the church dedicated soon. We had our children's service the fourth Sunday night in June, and it was a success. Collection amounted to \$7.35. The people here are very liberal; in fact, all over this charge we have had good success in our collections thus far. Now we are praying for a revival over the charge.—R. E. Porter, July 1.

DeKalb.

Our meeting at DeKalb was a decided success. Our people, assisted by their friends, purchased a nice and commodious gospel tent, under which the services were conducted. In answer to prayer God's Spirit came in great power. Many were convicted of sin and committed themselves to God and his service. Only those who have been familiar with the moral and spiritual conditions of this splendid little town may appreciate to any degree the results of the meeting. We received eight into our Church by profession of faith, but these do not include the numbers who, though already members of the Church, forsook worldliness and sin and reconsecrated their lives to God's service. Towards the close of the meeting an imposing and impressive scene was witnessed, when the pastor drew the line between the Church and the world, and many of all the denominations rushed into the altar, evidencing their stand for God and righteousness and against sin and worldliness. A better day has dawned. Higher ground has been reached. Backed by the prayers and consecrated efforts of some of the best Christians of all the Churches and led by the gracious Spirit of God, ours was a great victory in Jesus' name. May the blessings of heaven rest upon them all. There are no better people. Revs. S. T. Francis, of Josephine and W. H. Summy of Dalby Springs, were both with us and rendered valuable aid by their warm, spiritual and earnest sermons. Both proved themselves good help. We are truly glad they came our way. Efficient help was rendered the choir by Miss Mena Summy, for which we are grateful. The rest of the preaching of the meeting, which continued two weeks, was done by the pastor. To God be all the glory.—W. H. Vance.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO.

For some reason notes from the New Mexico Conference seldom appear in the columns of our Church papers. And supposing that many readers of the papers would be pleased to learn more of our work in this conference, I have been thinking for some time of writing a series of articles for publication. This paper, however, will be confined to notes of our work in Roswell, the center of population and commercial activity in the Pecos Valley.

Bishop Key sent me here a year ago the first of last February to take charge of and supply our Church, left open by the transfer of Rev. S. R. Twitty to the Texas Conference, till the close of the year.

Upon my arrival I knew but little of the city and less of our work in it, but soon learned that I had a delicate, difficult and responsible work before me. I am glad to state, however, that the Church was harmonious and prosperous before the close of the year. At the ensuing Annual Conference Bishop Morrison insisted on me transferring to this conference and remaining at Roswell, which I did. And the Church has made even greater progress this year than last.

We own a stone church and parsonage, connected under the same roof, and both conveniently and well furnished; the plant is located on one of the best corner lots for Church work in the city, and is worth \$25,000. When I came here the Church owed debts aggregating more than \$2200; and the building was in need of repairs, but we have paid the old debts

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Our Church is in the lead, with a membership that exceeds 400, and I have received about 100 members since coming here; the congregations in attendance upon the morning and evening preaching services are uniformly large and growing. More seating room is getting to be a problem with us. The Church is thoroughly organized, having nearly all the societies known to our Church. The Sunday-school is a living force, with 300 enrollment and a large average attendance. Our officers and teachers are intelligent, faithful and active, and many of the late methods of Sunday-school work are successfully employed. The Epworth Leagues are not so well organized nor active as they are in many places, but some good work is being done, and we have a brighter future. The ladies' societies are very well organized and exceedingly active; they are faithful in visiting the sick, relieving the needy, creating social life in the Church and in raising money to forward our interests.

Perhaps I should state that our Church responds to all the financial claims of the Church. For eight months' service last year I received \$1,500 and my salary was fixed at \$2,000 this year, with parsonage and lights and phone free. That is a much larger salary than the Church paid prior to my coming here, but they are abundantly able to do that and meet all other obligations of the Church.

JOHN W. SMITH.

Waco District—Third Round.

Fifth Street, June 16.
Austin Avenue, June 23.
Mt. Calm, July 1.
Morrow Street, July 7.
West, July 13, 14.
Hewitt, July 17.
Elm Street, July 21.
Abbott, July 24.
Lorena, July 28.
Peoria, August 3, 4.
Whitney, August 4.
Mart, August 17.
Hubbard City, August 18.
Aquila, August 21.
Rosqueville, August 24, 25.
Morgan, August 28.
Reisel, August 31-September 1.
Penelope, September 7, 8.

W. L. NELMS, P. E.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

June 27—T. H. Morris, sub. J. W. Stevens, sub. A. Nolan, change.
June 28—M. H. Neely, sub. J. C. Williams, sub. T. S. Armstrong, change.
June 29—F. L. McGehee, sub. J. L. Ross, sub.
July 1—W. L. Gibbons, sub.
July 2—G. W. Kincheloe, subs. L. G. Grimes, sub.

The Home Circle

THE YEARS THAT WOO ME BACK.

The night-winds around me are sighing,
My spirit within me is crying
For the years that shall come back no more;
My days, oh! how swiftly they're flying,
As echoes 'mong distant hills dying,
And soon now my life-dream will be o'er.

How oft as I'm coming and going,
There awake in my soul, all glowing,
Recollections that never can die,
Like fragrance from Eden's fields blowing.

Or flowers the Angels are throwing,
Till the days of my years shall pass by.

Oh! why should I wish the returning,
And why should my fond heart be burning
For the Spring-time of life that is past?
And why, with the years, not be learning.

The lesson e'er seem to be spurning,
That my youth I'll renew at the last.
JAMES ALLEN CRUTCHFIELD.
Denver, Colo.

BILLY.

One day Billy was a stranger—at the end of a week he was as much at home as any boy on the street.

"We are glad he came," Teddy Farr said. "We like him."

And the other boys said pretty much the same thing.

"Why is this Billy such a favorite?" Mr. Farr asked Mrs. Farr.

"I don't know yet," said Mrs. Farr. "I am watching to find out."

When three more weeks had passed, she thought she knew.

A group of boys were out in front of her gate one afternoon, and we heard one of them say:

"Pshaw! What can we play? I wish the snow hadn't all gone into mud."

"We had just finished our fort," said another, "and were ready to begin. But it washed down in the night."

"Anyway, we had fun making it," said Billy. "Let's not waste the whole afternoon. Let's start and play something that doesn't need snow."

When Mrs. Farr looked again they were sailing ships down the gutter and discovering the Mississippi with great excitement.

Another time Teddy had to go on an errand and asked the others to keep him company.

"O we can't!" objected somebody. "We've got it all planned to walk out in the other direction and see the place where the fire was last night."

"Why wouldn't it do," said Billy, "to go with Teddy first? We needn't come all the way back, need we? There ought to be some short cuts, I should think."

Well, when they had put their heads together, they remembered that there were.

Then there was the day when Joe Hall lost his arithmetic. Joe and Billy were the best in the school in arithmetic. Joe hated to miss any of his lessons.

"Never mind," said Billy. "My book will do for us both until yours turns up. We are pretty quick at it, you know. We can manage."

When the mud froze hard and the snow came again, and the boys brought out their sleds to go coasting, Billy appeared with the funniest home-made one that was ever seen.

"It isn't very pretty," he said cheerfully, when the others were trying to be polite and look as if they saw nothing different in it. "But it will do. When you go scudding down hill on it the feeling is just the same."

"If," said Teddy, during a rainy recess, "Will Prichard had only come to school to-day, we could try that new game he was telling us about."

"Let's try it anyway," said Billy. "We can play all we remember, and make up the rest. That will do until we can get the real thing."

On one sad afternoon, when they were having a game of ball in the schoolyard, Billy broke a cellar window.

After the crash there was a pause of dismay.

"We must have kept getting nearer to the house without noticing it," said Billy.

"How would it do," suggested Joe, "to be quiet until we are asked about

it? Maybe Mr. Nevin will think that the street boys did it. They broke one."

"It wouldn't do at all," said Billy, quickly. "It wouldn't be fair." He told Mr. Nevin, and paid for the pane, and after that he was short of money for some time. For Billy was poor.

After the three weeks, Mrs. Farr said to Mr. Farr:

"I think I know why the boys like Billy."

"Why?"

"Because he has a delightful habit of getting the best for himself and his friends out of what he has at hand. He makes things 'do'—except the things that won't do at all. I like Billy myself," she said, smiling.—Ex.

LINCOLN'S HAT.

"I wish," shouted Thornton Gamos, as he came running into the sitting room, where his mother was reading the daily paper, "yes, I wish that I had a real good story to tell on Lincoln's day at school."

"So you are to observe Lincoln's Day, this year, are you?" observed Mrs. Gamos as she laid aside her paper.

"Yes," he answered, "and I don't want to back out and not have any part in the exercises, especially when Miss Pores has been so kind as to ask me for something."

"That's right, my son," replied the mother, with an approving smile.

"Can't you think of some anecdote that I can tell, mother?" asked Thornton, as he helped himself to a seat.

"How would the story of Lincoln's hat do?" asked Mrs. Gamos.

"What is it, mother? Tell me, please."

"Why," began the mother, "when Lincoln was on his way to Washington, he passed through New York and—"

"Do you mean," interrupted the boy, "when he was on his way to be inaugurated as President of the United States?"

"Yes," she answered; "but, to go on with my story, Lincoln wore at the time a very rusty looking stovepipe hat. People called it, 'that shocking hat.'"

"Was it a tall, black hat, such as Mr. Craig wears, mother?"

"I presume so, Thornton," she replied, "and Lincoln's friends were more sensitive about his apparel than he was himself, and so they planned a nice little scheme in order to exchange hats with him."

"Some one found out the size of his hat and secretly provided a new one for him. When the procession passed up Broadway, the carriage which contained Lincoln stopped directly in front of a hat store. The hatter rushed out with a nice tall silk hat in his hand and begged Lincoln to exchange hats with him, as he wished to keep his for a memento of the great event. Lincoln, not suspecting any joke, granted the wish of the hatter, and the procession passed on."

"Ha! Ha!" laughed Thornton. "I'll tell that story all right. None of the rest can beat it."

"Wait a moment, my dear," said the mother. "Don't you want to know what became of the hat?"

"Yes, I do, mother," he replied. "I thought that was the whole of it."

"The hat," continued Mrs. Gamos, "was on exhibition at many fairs, until finally it came into the possession of a relic hunter, who thought so much of his rare curio that he placed it under a glass globe in his place of business."

"Can you describe the hat itself, mother?" asked Thornton, who seemed interested enough to collect all the facts possible about the old hat.

"Only," explained the mother, "that it was one of those old-style 'stovepipes,' and was lined with imitation silk. Lincoln, by the way, had written his name upon it."

"I should think," remarked the boy,

"that his autograph in the hat would make it the more valuable."

"Indeed, it does," said his mother.

"I know my story will pass all right," Thornton said.

—Western Christian Advocate.

THE LITTLE EMPTY HOUSE.

"You needn't wait for Jennie, she won't come to-day," Minnie said.

"Why not?" asked the girls.

"I called for her, and they told me her little brother Earl had just died; he's been sick only three days."

"Oh, it's too bad!"

"I'm so sorry!"

"Poor Jennie—she loved him so!"

"It will almost kill her, I think."

Then little Rosalie, the youngest of them all—her face, white with fear and pain—asked, "Will little Earl have to be put in a casket and shut up close and covered up in the dark ground?"

"Of course, after the funeral he'll be buried up," said Minnie.

Rosalie began to cry pitifully. Then Hilda spoke, very gently: "Rosa, dear, it is not true; you do not understand."

"Now, Hilda, it is wicked for you to tell Rosalie that. You know it is true," said Ada.

"I would not tell dear Rosalie anything but the truth," replied Hilda. "Little Earl has gone to God; only his body is dead."

"Hilda Hastings; how do you know that is true?" inquired Catharine.

"Hush!" said Ada, "don't you know she is the minister's daughter, and her father knows more about those things than we do?"

"Listen, Rosalie," Hilda said, and the girls stood quietly as she talked to the weeping child. "God wanted Baby Earl to go to him. He will not need the little body he has lived in, so he left it when he went away; it is only a little empty house with nothing in it. Do you remember the little blue eggshells we found last week in the robin's nest? The birds had gone flying away in the sunshine, not caring anything about those broken shells they had left, and just the same, little Earl does not think any more about his empty house that will be put away under the soft grass and flowers."

"But Jennie's brother has died, hasn't he?" asked Ada.

Hilda answered: "Papa says that life does not die—it comes from God and goes to God again, and is a part of his life."

"Then I am not going to be afraid of dying any more," said Minnie. "I have lain awake nights in the dark and thought about it and felt awfully."

"So have I," Catharine said. "I'm glad you told Rosalie about it, and I'm glad we heard you."

Rosalie slipped her small hand into Hilda's, and asked: "Won't you tell poor sorry Jenny about it, so she won't be so sad?"—Mary A. Wood, in Zion's Herald.

GRANDFATHER'S PENNY.

"See what we found!" cried the children, rushing in from the garden. "We were digging up a bed for the geraniums and this dollar was in the dirt."

Their mamma took the old, black coin and put it in a small saucer with some salt and vinegar. "We will see what it is as soon as the vinegar and salt clean it a little," she said.

Presently the vinegar was washed off and more put on, and the coin began to grow very bright. Mamma rubbed it with a cloth and some more of the salty vinegar till every letter and figure were plain and clear. "It is a penny," she said, when it was handed around for inspection.

"Why, mamma," said Dot, "pennies are little, wee things, and this is great big."

"It is an old-fashioned copper cent," said mamma. "Look! Here are three letters cut on one side, 'J. M. C.' and they look as if a boy might have put them there. Does any one know who 'J. M. C.' could be?"

"Grandfather!" screamed Ben. "James Marshal Curtis! Do you suppose it is his penny?"

"What is all this fuss about?" asked

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grandfather, when they ran to show him the penny. "Well, I declare! Yes, that is the penny I lost so many years ago. Where did you find it? I earned it picking gooseberries for my mother, and was saving it for the new church when I lost it and never could find it. All the copper cents I had I marked with my initials and saved them—all but this one."

"What did you do when you lost it, grandfather?" asked Grace.

"I hunted for weeks, dearie, and I cried about it, too. You see, everybody worked so hard to get the new church, and every penny counted in those days, so it was no wonder I was disappointed."

"Is that the church we have now?"

"Dear me, no! That church was a log one, and it has been gone these many years. We have had two since then, and need a new one now. I will give this penny to the building fund, since it did not help long ago."

"That penny is worth three dollars," said George, who had just come in and was examining the date. "I know a dealer who will give that much gladly."

So the penny was sold and the three dollars went to help build the church after lying in the ground all those years. "I guess I'll bury a cent in our garden and see if some little boy will find it when I'm old," said Dot.

"I won't," said Ben. "I'm going to give mine to the Church so it will do good all the time instead of getting black and ugly."—Western Christian Advocate.

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THE POSSIBILITY OF APOSTASY.

A Baptist said to Bro. P.—: "You Methodists believe in apostasy."

P.—"They do no such thing."

B.—"Your preachers preach it."

P.—"They do not."

B.—"I have always heard that they did."

P.—"It's a mistake. We believe that we can apostatize, but we believe and preach that we should persevere and not apostatize."

This occurred on my work in 1869, and I give it to correct a mistaken idea that is often entertained about the Methodists, for we believe that it is by perseverance that we keep from apostatizing. But to the Bible:

"The angels that sinned," and "kept

6-9). That certainly was regeneration, yet he apostatized and died a shameful death at Gibbon (1 Sam 31:1-6). David, a "man after God's own heart" (Acts 13:22) was soundly converted, for he said that "He (the Lord) brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God." (Psa. 40: 2, 3). And that rock was Christ. Yet he apostatized and fell into a grievous sin (2 Sam. 11th and 12th chapters). But when he repented God restored him, and he gave his experience in seeking his restoration, viz: "The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat

and devil mean adversary (1 Pet. 5: 8). He only meant that they were his adversaries. And it would be absurd to say that Satan entered into a devil (Luke 22:3). He knew that Peter would apostatize and deny him (Matt. 26:34). And he called his restoration a conversion (Luke 22:32). He also knew from the beginning that Judas would apostatize and betray him (John 6:64). And Peter said that Judas by transgression fell" (Acts 1: 25)—apostatized.

"Whosoever of you are justified by the law, ye are fallen from grace," (Gal. 5:4). "The Spirit speaketh expressly that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines

and I rise to add another vote to the "yeas" for its passage. I wish I could join Dr. Harrison's proposition with \$1000. While this is impossible to do in person, yet by incessant effort I shall do my best to join him by proxy. The thought of failure in the endowment proposition must be eliminated from our vocabulary. In fact, the enlargement of the scope and equipment of the university is an impossibility without this feature of permanency added. Dr. Hyer has felicitously shown the wonderful work we have done and are doing with the limited and varying endowment we have in the hearts of the people in the form of an "educational assessment," but has clearly pointed out its insufficiency

worthy of the name, is of late being separated into a more distinct branch than formerly was the case. It is certainly worthy of the careful consideration of our Southern colleges. We cannot afford to be one whit behind in any department that we undertake, and especially in preparing teachers we want to be thoroughly up-to-date. In this respect, however, we compare favorably with all others in our section, but we have a pardonable pride in wanting to be ahead in this, as well as other departments, and grant to others what we assume for ourselves. His figures showing the relative numbers in our own denominational schools as compared with our great public school system are somewhat misleading if we accept the comparison. Those attending our own schools are nearly all above a grade that would lower his numbers by hundreds of thousands if grade comparisons were made. Add to this the fact that we are only one among the several denominations that are doing school work in Texas and the comparison will become still more favorable to us. But even when all of this is said, it still remains that we have a larger responsibility than we are performing, and hence there is much room for extending the scope of work in the college grades, and a vast field for us in the training school grades. Let us, therefore, endow until we are able to offer courses in all the fields and scientific and philosophical research.

J. A. WYATT.

PUTTING INTO PRACTICE THAT WHICH WE DO NOT BELIEVE.

Very nearly all of our preachers and a vast majority of our members do not believe that the Bible teaches immersion for Christian baptism and that such a thing was not known during the days of the Apostles, but was born A. D. 200, by Tertullian, and he practiced trine immersion and baptismal regeneration, and baptized the candidates naked. Now, beloved, if the above be facts (and we have pretty good proof that they are), why do we as a Church retain this heathenish practice? Why not at the next General Conference so amend our Discipline as to cut out all immersion, and put into practice what we believe and teach as the ministry and membership of our Church?

As I fail to find one single passage in the Bible that teaches immersion, to my mind, I am ready to vote for the change with both hands up.

E. M. MYERS.

Bremont, Texas.

Evangelism is the gospel of Calvary put into active operation.

COFFEE COMPLEXIONS.

Many Ladies Have Poor Complexions From Coffee.

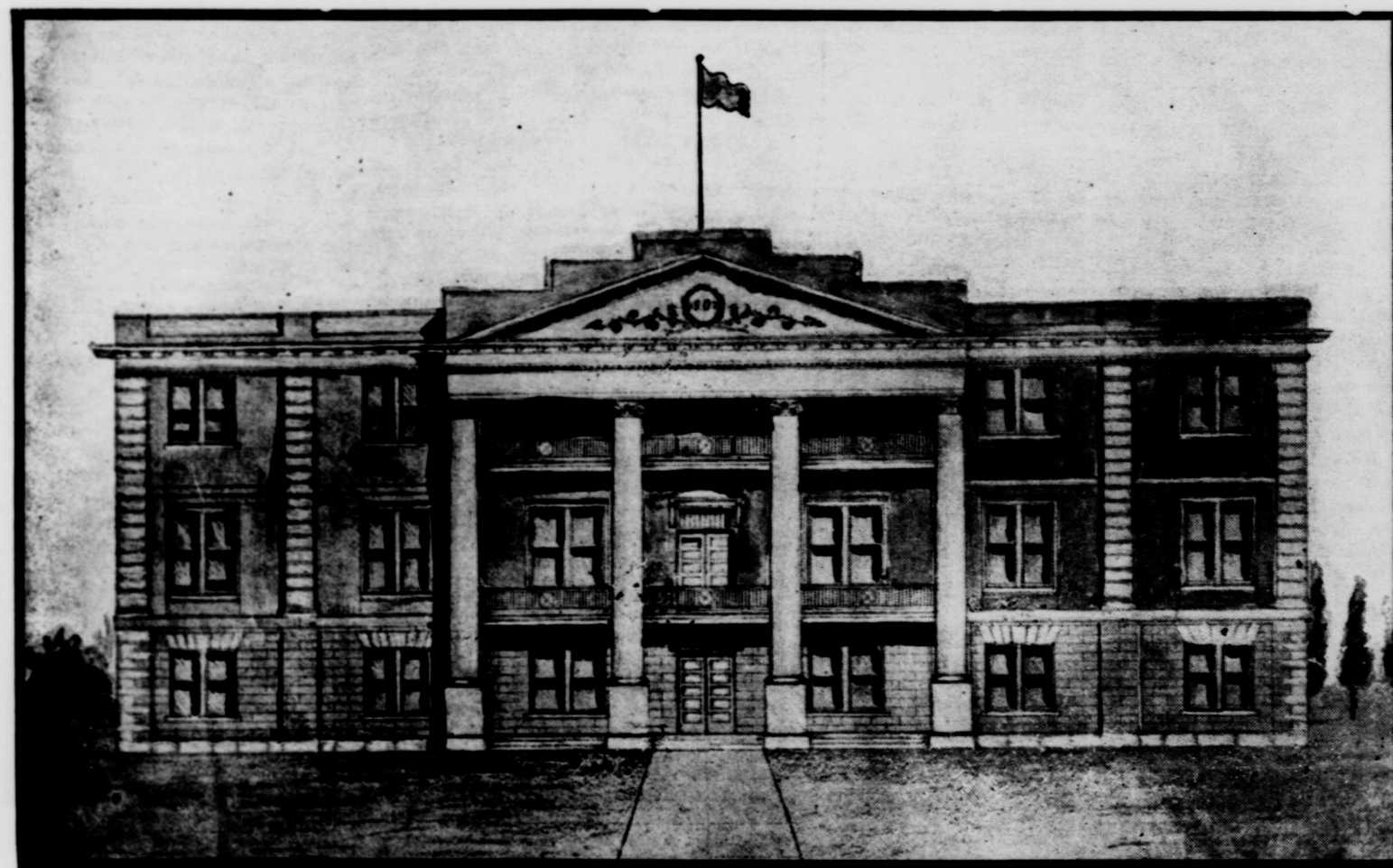
"Coffee caused dark colored blotches on my face and body. I had been drinking it for a long while and these blotches gradually appeared, until finally they became permanent and were about as dark as coffee itself."

"I formerly had as fine a complexion as one could ask for."

"When I became convinced that coffee was the cause of my trouble, I changed and took to using Postum Food Coffee, and as I made it well, according to directions, I liked it very much, and have since that time used it in place of coffee."

"I am thankful to say I am not nervous any more, as I was when I was drinking coffee, and my complexion is now as fair and good as it was years ago. It is very plain that coffee caused the trouble."

Most bad complexions are caused by some disturbance of the stomach and coffee is the greatest disturber of digestion known. Almost any woman can have a fair complexion if she will leave off coffee and use Postum Food Coffee and nutritious, healthy food in proper quantity. Postum furnishes certain elements from the natural grains from the field that Nature uses to rebuild the nervous system and when that is in good condition, one can depend upon a good complexion as well as a good healthy body. "There's a Reason." Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.



MAIN BUILDING OF THE SAN ANGELO COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

The San Angelo Collegiate Institute was instituted in accordance with the concerted action of the citizens of San Angelo and the West Texas Conference at its last session. The school will be located to the south of the city, and has a campus of above fifty acres with other suburban property to the amount of some one hundred acres. The citizens also raised twenty thousand dollars as a cash bonus. The building is to be of concrete, brick and stone. It will have three stories arranged as a hollow square, so as to give perfect ventilation. The heating will be from low-pressure steam boilers. All rooms will be finished with fixtures for both gas and electricity. The building will be so constructed as to accommodate eighty young lady boarders, afford offices, parlors, libraries, baths, etc., and at the same time there are to be enough class-rooms to allow thirteen teachers to be teaching at the same time.

The board has secured as President Rev. Wallace M. Crutchfield, who is on the ground and actively at work for the school along with Prof. Joseph F. Morelock, the Vice-President. Six or eight other teachers have also been secured, and the first year's work will begin September 4, 1907.

not their first estate" (2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6) apostatized. Adam and Eve, who were "created in the image of God," pure and holy, apostatized (Gen. 2:21; 3:1-7). And no man can become purer, holier or safer than they, for we

Sprung from the man whose guilty fall,
Corrupts the race and taints us all.

The Israelites apostatized, for Paul said that "They did all eat the same spiritual meat; and did all drink the same spiritual drink, for they drank of that spiritual rock that followed them; and that rock was Christ" (1 Cor. 10:3, 4). Then, after describing the result of their apostasy, he said: "All these things happened . . . for ensamples; and they are written for our admonition . . . Wherefore, let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall" (vs. 11, 12). How could they have been thus partakers of Christ if they were not regenerated? And what is the meaning of Paul's argument if they had not apostatized, or if we cannot apostatize? Saul, the son of Kish, whom "God turned into another man," and "Gave him another heart" (1 Sam. 10:

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hold upon me. I found trouble and sorrow; then called I upon the name of the Lord; O Lord, I beseech thee deliver my soul." Then adds: "Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful." (Psa. 116:3-5)

Jesus taught the possibility of apostasy:

(1). By the parable of the unclean spirit (Matt 12:43-45). "Sweep and garnished" meant clean and renewed, which means saved, (Titus 3: 5). As long as the love of God and the influence of the Holy Spirit fills and governs the heart (as his seed) he "cannot sin" (1 John 3:9). But when the heart becomes empty the devil and sin can enter.

(2). By the foolish virgins (Matt. 25:1-12), for how could their lamps go out if they had not been lighted?

(3). By the vine and branches. For he said that "every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away," and "If a man abide not in me he is cast forth as a branch and is withered, and men gather them and cast them into the fire, and they are burned," (St. John 15:2-6). Now could they get into Christ the vine but by the new birth or regeneration?

Jesus said to the twelve: "Ye which have followed me in the regeneration" (Matt. 19:28), using the term in the past tense, showing that they were regenerated. And we cannot believe that Jesus ordained unregenerated sinners as apostles and sent them out to "preach the gospel . . . heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead and cast out devils." (Matt. 10: 1-8). It is true that Jesus called Peter Satan—adversary—(Matt. 16:23) and said, "One of you is a devil" (Jno. 6:10), that is, adversary, for Satan

of devils; speaking lies in hypocrisy" (1 Tim. 4:1, 2). "Brethren (Christians), if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him, let him know that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins." (James 5:19, 20). This shows the possibility of apostasy and restoration, and the restoration is called a conversion.

Jesus said to the Ephesians: "Remember, therefore, from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works" (Rev. 2:5). "All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men but the blasphemy of the Holy Ghost" (12:31). So a man may fall into any sin except the blasphemy of the Holy Ghost, repent and be forgiven. But if he blasphemeth the Holy Ghost, or commits the sin which is "unto death" (1 John 5:16), he has "fallen away," and it is "impossible to renew him again unto repentance" (Heb. 6:6).

W. R. KNOWLTON.

OH, FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE BILL!

This is Saturday night. I have preached one sermon on Christian Education this week and hope to preach another tomorrow. I have also just finished the bill of fare in the Advocate of this week on the subject. Harrison, Webb, Rankin, Hyer, each making a masterful plea for his particular phase of the momentous question, and all converging to the same great rallying point—the enlarging of the scope and equipment of Southwestern University and its permanent endowment. In many respects the greatest "Bill" before Texas Methodism today is her "Educational Bill."

cy, even if it were permanent. Fluctuating as this is, let there be no thought of eliminating the "assessment" from our educational policy. It is educative in its influence on the great body of our membership when properly presented. It affords an opportunity to those of limited means to contribute something to this great feature of our work and thus lends inspiration for larger thoughts than would likely otherwise obtain. So far as present available funds are concerned, the man who contributes one dollar to the assessment has done as much as the one who contributes twenty to the permanent fund, for it would take twenty dollars at five per cent to produce one. The difference in favor of the permanent contribution is that its work goes on after its donor has gone to his reward. But the man to whom the subject is intelligently presented annually, and who is thus induced to contribute even limitedly, is more likely to finally make a permanent offering than the man to whom the question is only spasmodically presented. Let us not forget the assessment in our zeal for the permanent endowment, neither let us think we have done enough when we have raised the assessment.

I wish to further emphasize this phase of the question by calling attention to Dr. Rankin's expressive and intense statement that we face "a crisis" in our educational work. It is permanent endowment or retrogression, and the latter cannot be tolerated for a moment.

Bro. Webb's articles are a strong presentation of a phase of the subject of education that, while necessarily more or less included in all teaching



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DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

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Rev. J. H. Wiseman, who is the Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Northwest Texas Conference, prints a notice elsewhere in this issue to which he desires the Advocate to call attention. Let the pastors look it up and read and govern themselves accordingly.

We notice from our exchanges that Bishop Duncan does not seem to be regaining his strength. He is able to be up and around a good deal of his time, but he remains in a depleted condition physically. He makes no attempt at doing any sort of work. Naturally he is a man of nervous temperament, and his long attack of sickness seems to have gotten the better of him. All our Texas preachers remember Bishop Duncan and feel a deep interest in his welfare. He has often been in the State in the work of the Church.

Miss Elizabeth Ney, the great Texas sculptor-artist, died last Sunday at her studio home in Austin. She was one of the most noted artists in her line west of the Mississippi. She was born in Westphalia, learned her profession in that country, and then came to America, settling in Texas. She was the daughter of Marshal Ney, Napoleon's great general, and she was a wonderfully gifted woman. She always went by her maiden name and was known as Miss Ney, though she was a married woman, lived happily with her husband, and she leaves him and a son to mourn her death.

The antis brought on an election in Burnett County last Saturday, and it remains in the dry column by a majority of 266. The pros went to the polls and did their duty and the above result followed. Waller, in Waller County, pulled off a precinct election the other day and went dry. Thus a part of the county refuses to stay in the wet column. Waller is mostly composed of white people and they do not want liquor in that precinct. The Brazos bottoms is prolific of negroes and it was their vote that carried that county election recently. Ignorance and vice always go hand in hand in the local option elections, and where they hold the balance of power the wets always win.

A SUNDAY IN PROSPER.

Last Saturday we ran up to McKinney and looked in on a great mass-meeting of men in the interest of a local option campaign now in progress in Collin County. Well, in fact we did a little more than look in on it—we detained the gathering about an hour and a half. While there we were in the good home of Rev. J. B. Gober and family for a short time. Brother Gober has our McKinney people captured. They are very fond of him; yes, they love him as a pastor and a preacher. He is a warm-hearted man, is a good evangelical student of the Bible, preaches wholesome religion and, best of all, he lives that sort of a religion every day. He is the friend of everybody, yet he compromises on no question, but stands solidly on the right side of all questions. Even when he differs from people he does it so brotherly and kindly, yet firmly, that nobody takes his positions as matters of personal differences. He has a splendid people to serve. We have no better people than those McKinney Methodists. They have a splendid church building and a handsome parsonage. They are both out of debt and in excellent condition. A number of Brother Gober's predecessors aided in the building of these two admirable structures. When he arrived upon the scene last fall they were complete with only a small debt on the parsonage. This was raised last Sunday.

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon we started in a surrey, with Rev. J. D. Hudgens and Brother Ferguson, one of his stewards, for Prosper, some 12 miles across the county on the Frisco road. It was a delightful drive through as fine a black land country as the eye ever rested upon. Much of it is a wheat section, but the green bugs literally wiped the wheat crop off the earth. The farmers rebroke the land and put it in corn and cotton. The planting was a little late and the continued wet weather some time back kept them from working for awhile, but the most of it is showing signs of prosperity. Some of the early corn is as fine as we ever saw. It is practically made. The later corn is needing rain, and if it gets it there will be a good crop from this planting. The most of the cotton is now cleaned, and it is looking well. The warm weather is bringing it. We passed one field with over two hundred acres of the fleecy growth. It is as clean as a floor, the plant is about three inches high and in the course of two weeks it will be flourishing and fine. In some places the weeds have gotten afield and no effort is being made to rescue it. If the boll weevil does not get into it Collin will make a good crop despite the drawbacks. For the past two or three years the county has had poor crops, but notwithstanding this the people seem to be prospering. We reached the town of Prosper just after 7 o'clock. The residence section is high up on a rolling prairie, with an expansive valley spreading out for miles. Down through this as far as the eye can reach the Frisco road runs from Sherman to Fort Worth. It is one of the most fertile sections in the State. Prosper is one of the new towns on this road. We have there a good church and a good cottage parsonage. We enjoyed the hospitality of this preacher's home. The Presbyterians have the largest and most commodious house, but we have the larger congregation. A mass-meeting in the interest of local option was held in the Presbyterian Church that night. The people were there for miles, and they feel a great interest in the fight. The county has had local option for five years, and the majority of the people are satisfied with it. The antis want the change, and they brought on the election. We had a live meeting. Sunday morning we had a good congregation in our church for preaching, and the service was edifying. After the service we enjoyed the hospitality of Brother Smith and family. Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Beverly Rogers. All the preachers who have ever been in Collin County know him, and Brother Smith

and family also. This is Brother Hudgens' second year, and they are much pleased with him. They furnish him a good home and pay him \$900. He has three other appointments, but he gives special attention to the town, while he does not neglect his country appointments. He has eighty-five families in his charge, and seventy-four of them take the Advocate. We doubt if any other circuit preacher, or town preacher either, excels him in this record. Of course, we felt at home among those people. They looked upon us as an old acquaintance. They love the Advocate and read it with pleasure. Brother Hudgens is a live preacher.

At McKinney we got a glimpse of Rev. Jno. L. Sullivan, of Frisco. Also we traveled from Plano to McKinney with Rev. A. R. Nash. He has been in a protracted meeting for some days, with Brother Gober helping him. He reports Rev. D. J. Martin still living, but a very sick man. We did not see the new presiding elder, as he was off at one of his appointments. However, we heard good reports of his work from all sides. We passed the district parsonage in North McKinney, and it is an excellent property. This is Rev. Foster Pierce's first year on the district, and he is making a fine start in this new field to him. We were sorry to learn that his good wife was in Dallas, where she had gone for medical attention. But she is improving and hopes to be home soon. We heard good reports from a number of the other charges in the county, but we will spend a few more days up there soon and will get to see something of the brethren in their own fields.

G. C. R.

A FEW ADDITIONAL HOUSTON NOTES.

Rev. W. H. Crum, of the Tabernacle Church, is in high favor with his people. They have recently put some needed improvements on their building, and it is in good repair. The contemplated location of the new Shearn Church is forcing a problem upon the Tabernacle people, as it puts the new enterprise within two blocks of their location. The Tabernacle will either have to move southwest several blocks or go toward the center as a downtown institution. It will not be able to further accomplish anything where it is, with the handsome new Shearn Church so close to it. The people of the Tabernacle do not think it wise to join the new Church, as they are already organized and capable of fine work. Beside this, the Shearn Memorial has more members now than it can put to successful work. So the Tabernacle will have to move to some other locality.

Rev. F. M. Broyles has his hand securely on things at McKee Street, and their interests are going forward. That congregation needs a new church building, as its membership and importance have already outgrown its present accommodations. The north side of the bayou is not as well supplied with Church facilities as the rest of the city. It represents the working people very largely, and there are not many wealthy people among them. But they are a devoted and plucky set, and by and by they will master their problems and make their part of the work a large success. But they need help.

Washington Avenue Church is a good substantial brick, in good repair and a cozy place of worship. It has an elegant parsonage property on the same lot, and Rev. P. L. King and his family are comfortably quartered in it. Brother King is a good preacher and his people are very much pleased with him as a pastor and a minister. He has an encouraging outlook.

Rev. J. M. Perry, at Brunner Avenue, is in good case with his people. He is one of the most devoted and persistent workers in the conference. We have known him for years and wherever he goes he leaves his work in better condition than he found it. He preaches well, he visits his people, he has sympathy with the poor, the needy and the afflicted of his flock, and he knows how to minister to them. He always invests the utmost of his energy and strength in the work com-

mited to his hand. Of course, he is doing well in his present charge.

Grace Church is in the hands of Rev. S. S. McKenney, and those people are well cared for. He is almost a fixture in Houston. They got him out of there once, but he remained away only a year, and there he is again. He is adapted to the work of that city, and the people demand him. He is a man of resources, knows how to find the people and get them to Church service, and then he holds them when once he gets hold of them. They always respond to his demands.

Rev. E. L. Ingram has McAshan Chapel, and we heard good reports from his field. He has a good sphere of labor. The people are all round him, and his is about their only convenient place of worship. The building of the new Frisco depot and warehouses will completely cut him and those people off to themselves as the only residence section in that part of the city. We hope to see his Church grow into a strong organization.

Rev. G. H. Collins has Harrisburg Church, which is a suburban town, and he is holding it up to its usual place in that direction. Of course, he is limited in his resources and membership, as the village is not a thickly populated community. The health of Brother Collins is not robust, as he occasionally has a throat trouble. All in all, the Texas Conference has no more worthy man in her membership than George H. Collins. He started in at the bottom a good many years ago, but he has worked his way through many difficulties, and today he is one of the most efficient preachers and one of the best read men in that body. He is all gold.

The following note from Bishop Ward, under date of June 30, explains itself:

"Please announce that the New Mexico Conference will be held September 26, instead of September 12, as heretofore published."

THE COURT BLUNDERS, THE PEOPLE PAY THE BILLS.

We quote from one of our daily papers in this city a statement from our County Attorney touching a murder case which was recently tried in the Criminal Court of this county. The people are entitled to the facts:

"I am doing my best to enforce the law, but it seems as though my efforts are in some way blocked at every turn. My office, unaided by any special counsel, after an extremely hard fight under adverse conditions, with the very ablest lawyers opposing us, convicted Waters, the jury giving him 30 years. Before the trial was gone into the defense made a weak motion for a continuance upon the ground of the absence of Lee Waters, a brother of the defendant. The court, without any argument, promptly overruled the motion. Lee Waters failed to show up during the trial, and after the conviction the defendant asked for a new trial on the grounds that he was not here. We introduced proofs before the court on the motion for a new trial which showed that he was in Dallas at the office of the attorneys for Buck Waters, Sunday, immediately preceding the Monday on which the case was called. The proof before the court showed that he went on home, and, complaining of feeling ill, went to bed. We also showed that while the trial was in progress Lee Waters was up and about; that is, he drove on one occasion from his house to another house, about a mile distant, and there stayed all night, leaving there the next morning. We also showed that the verdict was rendered at about 10:30 at night, and the very next morning Lee Waters was seen in Dallas.

"The doctor who waited upon him also swore that, in his professional opinion, it would not have caused him any serious results to have come to the trial. He is the brother of the defendant and yet, under these circumstances, he failed to testify. We proved all of this to the court today on the motion for a new trial, and despite this proof the court announced that he would grant the motion for a new trial upon the grounds that he had made an error in overruling the defendant's motion for a continuance based upon the absence of Lee Waters. Counsel for the defendant argued this motion a large part of yesterday, and we at that time stated to the court that we would reserve any argument which we desired to make until after we should offer this testimony as to Lee Waters being able to attend.

"After we had offered this testimony

I asked the court for the privilege of arguing the case and replying to defendant's counsel. The court listened to me for about a minute, interrupted me and stopped me, telling me that he did not desire to hear any further argument on my part, and that he would grant the motion for a new trial.

"Despite the opposition which I have in the court, it is my firm determination to continue my efforts and enforce the law. Other officials must stand upon their own responsibility and their own records before the law and the people."

A MEMORIAL IN HONOR OF DR. YOUNG J. ALLEN.

The trustees of Emory College propose the erection of a memorial building on the campus of that old and honored institution in honor of Dr. Young J. Allen. It is well. No man was ever more worthy of such a monument, and where else could it be erected so appropriately? Dr. Allen entered Emory College as an orphan boy and was graduated in the class of 1858. Perhaps on no other spot in the world did he feel himself so much at home as under the great oaks at Emory, his alma mater. There may this noble structure to his memory soon rise.

PERSONALS.

Rev. W. M. Lane, of Fort Worth, accompanied by Brother Clardy, made the Advocate a pleasant call last week.

Rev. W. F. Clark, after an enjoyable visit to relatives in Arkansas, is back home again and preaching for the brethren wherever he is needed. While up in years, yet he is as active as a young man when it comes to taking a hand in a protracted meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Turrentine, of Beaumont, have issued invitations to the marriage of their niece, Miss Mattie Lou Mills, to Mr. Henry F. Mills. The happy event will take place on the evening of July 9 at the parsonage in Beaumont.

Rev. A. T. White, who is supplying work in the Beeville District, was in the city this week and called at the Advocate office. He states that he will continue his course in school this year preparatory to entering the regular work.

Rev. F. B. Carroll, of Denton, writes us that the cornerstone of the new Girls' Dormitory will be laid July 10th. If possible, we want to be there, but pressing engagements will make it uncertain.

Rev. J. W. Hill, of First Church, Dallas, preached the annual sermon for the North Texas Conference League at Paris last Sunday. Rev. L. S. Barton occupied the pulpit for Brother Hill at First Church. His two sermons gave pleasure and profit to the congregation.

Rev. W. C. Young, a recent graduate of Southwestern, takes the place of Rev. Ed Barcus at Oak Lawn, and thus the work goes on. We have a wonderfully self-adjusting system in the carrying on of our pastoral work. Vacancies exist only for a few moments at any point.

We regret to learn of the serious accident which happened recently to Wilbur Sweeton, son of Rev. J. M. Sweeton, of Decatur. He was endeavoring to board a train and fell, getting one of his limbs badly crushed, and its amputation became necessary. He is in a sanitarium at Fort. Worth.

We were booked for a Sunday at Terrell a week ago last Sunday, but Rev. George S. Sexton needed us badly at Houston. So he telephoned to the Terrell people and they excused us with the understanding that we are to be with them at a later date. Rev. W. H. Hughes went over and did them good service.

Rev. W. D. Thompson, of the South Ervay Street Church, is making progress out at his new location on Colonial Hill. In a few hours the other day he received in good subscription \$19,000 for his new Church enterprise.

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His congregation has already purchased a fine lot, and just as soon as the subscription reaches \$25,000 the contract for the building will be let. Since conference Brother Thompson has received one hundred and forty members, and his outlook is promising.

Rev. Jno. R. Allen, D. D., now in charge of the Annex at Southwestern University, recently spent few days in the city visiting relatives, and while here he made the Advocate a pleasant call. He is taking a little needed rest after a year of strenuous work, and while out he is getting in a few good words for the University.

Mr. John C. Goggans, of South Carolina, is visiting Dallas. He was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office this week. He is very much impressed with the rapid development of this section of the country. He is spending a season with his son, Mr. J. L. Goggans, who is one of the leading stewards of First Methodist Church of this city.

Rev. E. R. Barcus, recently appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Rev. R. G. Mood at Terrell, is now installed and at work. As he was taking the train for Terrell last week at the T. & P. depot a large trunk fell from the trucks and struck him a severe blow on the head, but no serious injury was received. The hurt, however, was a painful one, causing a severe scalp wound.

Rev. J. M. Peterson, of Oak Cliff, has had a great many accessions to his charge thus far, and they join most every Sunday. Nearly one hundred have joined by profession and quite a number by certificate. He and his people are making sentiment for their new church movement, and it is hoped that before a great while something substantial in this line will begin to materialize.

We continue to hear good reports from Rev. J. B. Turrentine, of our Central Church in Beaumont. He has received thus far one hundred and forty-odd members into the Church. All the departments of his work are in good shape. His is an institutional Church, and it is meeting the demands of that sort of a responsibility. All our down-town congregations have got to come to this sort of work sooner or later.

A note from Rev. V. A. Godbey, presiding elder of Beaumont District, contains the following sad news under date June 28: "Rev. J. N. Broyles has been critically sick with typhoid fever in the home of Jno. Haney, at Call Junction, for twenty-one days, and at this writing his case is regarded as extremely critical, but not hopeless. He is in good hands, and is receiving from his physician, Dr. Ogden, all possible attention."

Last Sunday night, according to the Galveston News, Rev. Glenn Flynn, of our Central Church down there, preached a stirring sermon on the "Residence Saloon." Our recent laws make provision for doing away with the residence saloon, but public sentiment in Galveston on that subject is not fully aroused. It was the purpose of the discourse to call attention to that evil, and it was done in no uncertain sound.

It is with personal sorrow that we announce the death of the good wife of Rev. Sterling Fisher at San Marcos. It occurred last Monday after several days' illness, and the entire community is in gloom on account of the bereavement. She was an accomplished Christian woman, a devoted wife and a wise and consecrated mother. The sad event touches hundreds of hearts, and it creates a great loss. Brother Fisher and his children will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in this sad visitation.

We recently had a delightful visit from Rev. J. Frank Norris, the Business Manager of the Baptist Standard. He is in hearty sympathy with all

ideas of moral and civic reform, and he and his co-workers are going to continue to throw the full force of their paper and of their denomination back of these important questions. The Methodists and the Baptists represent a great constituency in Texas, and when they join forces on any one of these issues something is going to come to pass.

Rev. W. A. Stuckey, who is stationed at Wichita Falls, has been helping Rev. R. F. Bryant in a meeting at Royse City. On a visit to the Advocate office Brother Stuckey reported that the meeting was a very fine one, much good feeling manifest and some thirty-odd conversions. He has just completed at Wichita Falls a fine parsonage, and he and his family are now the happy occupants thereof. But this is only half the story. The people of his goodly city are contemplating at an early date the erection of a fine church, which will be in keeping with the rapid growth of that city and surrounding country.

We had a pleasant call this week from Bro. H. I. Brooks, now of Fort Worth, but formerly of Forney. He has been a Methodist fifty-two years, served four years in the late war and says he would have remained in the service till now if the war had come on down to the present time. He is a Methodist of the old type, but hardly knows how to get much spirituality out of a city Church, but said he "was going down into Henderson to a camp-meeting and see if he can not find the old trail again."

We were delighted this week to have a brotherly visit from Rev. John M. Moore, Ph. D., Managing Editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate. He was in the city on a little business, having been out to Comanche to the District Conference and he spent a day or so here greeting his many friends. Dr. Moore knows nearly everybody in the city, and he was given a warm welcome. He is looking to be in fine health. Evidently his work is agreeing with him. It was a genuine pleasure to meet him and have communion with him after months of separation.

CHURCH EXTENSION HAND BOOK.

The Church Extension Hand Book, which contains the 25th Annual Report, is being mailed from the office of the Board of Church Extension to all of our preachers, whose names and addresses appear in the Conference Minutes. Should any brother fail to receive a copy, a line to this office giving his postoffice address will secure one. I will also be glad to mail copies to local preachers and laymen who may apply.

Presiding elders, and pastors may send names of brethren who, in their judgment, should receive copies. All requests will be honored while the supply lasts.

W. F. McMURRY,
Corresponding Secretary.
Louisville, Ky.

A COMMENDATION OF OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT.

You are to be congratulated on securing the services of S. J. Thomas while "abroad." There is a freshness and uniqueness in his recital of things heard and seen that is captivating and refreshing. Of course many of your readers have read a hundred times over accounts of the same things and yet his letters have the charm of first reading. He is telling over what has been said by authors of guide books and dragomen for two thousand years as if his eyes were the first to see those sights and his ears the first to hear those wonderful stories. He has that peculiar knack that secures a reading to some editors and correspondents. One certain editor bemoans the fact that so few subscribers read our Advocates as we should a book—from beginning to finish. Some read the editorials; other some the correspondence, and so on. That is quite natural and to taste. An intelligent subscriber soon learns where to look for the best things in a paper. Many take a number of papers and can't afford the time to read otherwise.

But this by the way. Your special correspondent, Thomas, is sure of an appreciative reading.

Our State is being stirred on the temperance question. We are planning to be in line when the saloon business goes to its grave.

M. H. WELLS.
Birmingham, Ala.

A GOOD WORD FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

No man in the North Texas Conference is doing a better or more successful work than Rev. F. O. Miller. Bro. Miller was appointed by the conference to procure funds for the building of homes for superannuated preachers. He is thoroughly diligent in the execution of this commission. He has been wonderfully successful, too. I cannot conceive what would have become of some of our preachers but for this truly beneficent work. More than one has been housed since conference, who but for this great and beautiful charity would be suffering and exposed. Bro. Miller's appointment is by no means a nominal appointment. He is hard at work attending District Conferences and other gatherings, and also preaching every Sunday. The people are responding cheerfully and generously. The money is coming in. I want every preacher in the conference to throw his pulpit and charge wide open to this capable and industrious man. You need not be afraid of failure. If Miller gets before the people the funds will roll in. The conference could not have procured a better man for this much-needed work. Miller is a Christian gentleman, every inch of him, a strong preacher, a first-class business man, and withal gifted with the talent of success. We are to be congratulated that we have such an agent to represent and promote this sacred interest. I have been astonished and delighted at the way he has handled this matter and at the success which he has achieved. I commend him most heartily to all who love the messengers of Christ.

DELAYED LEAGUE MATTER.

Please add to list of payments for bonds in League Department this week the following:

T. S. Garrison, Timpson.....	\$25.00
Hiram Griffith, Floresville.....	25.00
G. Rideout, Floresville.....	25.00
Alice League.....	25.00
J. S. M. McKamy, Gregory.....	25.00
Rockport League.....	25.00
Mrs. Fred Kemp, Rockport.....	25.00
J. L. Brown, Runge.....	25.00
H. A. Boaz, Fort Worth.....	50.00
First Church League, Hillsboro.....	50.00
F. P. Works, Hillsboro.....	25.00
J. K. Parr, Hillsboro.....	25.00

A CHEAP HOME AT EPWORTH-BY-TH-SEA.

We are receiving a number of requests for furnished cottages at Epworth, and we have not reached a degree of improvement so that we can supply this demand. We, therefore, make this proposition that will aid us in solving the problem and give our Methodist people the accommodation they desire. While the carpenters are on the ground we can build at moderate cost a number of two-room barracks or camps in sections—a row of rooms four long and two deep, a large room in front for living room and a smaller one in rear for cooking purposes; these can be built substantially of two by four and ship lap with porch in front and covered with composition roofing for about \$50 a section or \$200 for the four suits. If you will remit us \$50 to build one of these sections we will build at once and credit you with one month rent each year for five years, you to select your month, or should you desire it longer than a month the first summer, you have the preference until the \$50 is used up. This gives the League needed funds to invest in the improvement with opportunity of renting the rooms when not desired by party furnishing the funds and provides a substantial habitation for your family at lowest cost, it being much cheaper to build in rows than in separate cottages. If for any reason during succeeding summer your family should not desire to use the rooms, we could remit you a month's rent to be credited on the account. Will not four or five Methodist families in each town make up a club and build a section? You will then have congenial neighbors in your barracks, making it much more pleasant for your family. This must be done at once in order that you may have the use of it during August. Remit funds to A. K. Ragsdale, Corpus Christi, and if the plan can not be carried out the money will be returned to you.

NOTES.

A number of other Leagues have pledged themselves for bonds, and the money is needed now. We are depending on your subscriptions, and must have the amounts. If not convenient during the summer season to

raise this, please authorize your officers to make a note at the bank or with some liberal-minded Methodist for the amount and put up the bonds as collateral.

Don't forget that ten dollars will furnish a room in our new hotel so that it will be comfortable for this season. Corpus Christi League, always first to respond to any proposition for Epworth, has put up the amount for room No. 1 and Corpus Christi Hardware Company for room No. 2. This leaves only sixty-four rooms to be supplied with bed, springs, mattress, wash stand, mirror and chairs; other furniture can be put in later on. We are equipping now with only what is absolutely needed. Remember also the piano, porch furniture, rockers for the parlor, etc. This is your house and you should all have some interest in it.

Tents will be much more comfortable this season than last as we will floor them cheaper and can furnish you chairs, tables, etc. You will also have more rest rooms and porch space to lounge on. All of us can not stop at the hotel, but don't stay away on that account. Meals will be better and more places to eat. Bring all of your League that you can, so that they may enjoy our program and outing.

Read last week's Advocate for information as to cost of accommodations, what to bring, what to remit, etc. Save that copy of the paper.

A. K. R.

CALL FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS.

To those having subscribed to the building fund of University Church: The contract for the University Church has been let, and work on the building will begin at once. Therefore, we are in great need of cash, and are anxious to realize all that we can on present subscriptions. We have not worried our subscribers up to this time, not being sure how soon we would need the money, but now we need it and need it badly.

Will all who can do so please send me at once the full amount of their subscriptions? If you can not conveniently pay the full subscription now, we will greatly appreciate it if you will send a part of it. If you cannot pay anything on your subscription just now, please write and let me know how soon you expect to be able to pay it, that is, if you have not already written me about it.

CULIOM H. BOOTH.
2407 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Tex.

RELIEF FUNDS.

Following are the amounts received for the cyclone sufferers of Emory:

C. T. Cummings.....	\$6 85
B. C. Ansley.....	25 00
I. F. Pace.....	15 00
T. J. Browning.....	8 50
C. H. Adams.....	4 25
J. W. Johnson.....	2 30
Woman's Home Mission Society, Wesley Church, Greenville.....	2 25
Henderson Sunday-school, by H. L. Griffin, Superintendent.....	40 00
P. R. White.....	14 00

Total.....\$118.15
May the good Lord bless those who contributed to this worthy cause. May they escape the storms of this life, and at last pass over to that country where storms never come.

J. L. ROSS, P. C.
Emory, Texas.

EL PASO DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The El Paso District Conference and Missionary Institute convened at Hagerman, New Mexico, June 5, and closed Sunday, June 9. The opening sermon was preached by George Ward, our "boy circuit rider." From his gray hairs and years of experience you would think him old; but from his tireless energy and clear, strong preaching you would class him among the young men of Israel. N. E. Brags, in his missionary sermon, sounded the note of personal consecration and triumphant love, which are the very heart of the missionary cause. J. T. French (he of the bald head and great heart) presided with that brotherly kindness and wise counsel for which he has ever been noted in our midst. The reports of the preachers showed three things: First, that wise, faithful and efficient service is being rendered by our preachers in their various fields of labor, often under stress of sore difficulty. Second, that our Church is proving its right to labor in this field, inasmuch as it is reaching and holding the people for Christ and the Church. Third, that unless a large and wealthy Church helps us to meet the demands in a rapidly growing field, our crown

will be taken from us, and we will lose much that rightfully belongs to us. In the light of these developments, the Committees on Missions, Church Extension and Education brought in resolutions providing for a strenuous campaign along these lines. Besides the sermons mentioned, strong, sensible and spiritual sermons were delivered by J. W. Smith, J. H. Messer, T. L. Lance and J. B. Cochran. C. F. Carmack was licensed to preach. We are expecting great things from this consecrated young man.

Delegates to Annual Conference:

T. N. CORNELI,
D. G. GRANTHAM,
HARRY COWAN,
G. E. PRINTZ, L. P.

Alternates:
N. S. West,
H. N. Lusk.

The whole-souled pastor, W. R. Evans, with his splendid helpmate, were model hosts. This scribe and the presiding elder can easily testify to their beautiful ministrations. The good people of Hagerman gave us a royal welcome and rich entertainment. Altogether it was a conference of delightful fellowship, wise and earnest work, and a feast of good things.

J. F. HEDGSPETH,
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer of the Texas Conference for June, 1907:

Beaumont District—Beaumont, First Church, J. B. Turrentine, Bishop's fund, \$60; church extension, \$125.46; China and Sour Lake, F. O. Miller, Bishop's fund, \$10; Giddings, J. W. Campbell, Bishop's fund, \$8; foreign missions, \$20; church extension, \$11; Jasper and Killebrew, M. L. Lindsey, foreign missions, \$25; Liberty, W. C. Henson, domestic missions, \$20; Nederland and Sabine Pass, A. J. Anderson, Conference claimants, \$10; Wadsworth, T. W. Ryals, foreign missions, \$12.50; Wadsworth, T. W. Ryals, foreign missions, \$12.50; domestic missions, \$1; Total, \$295.69.

Fort Worth District—Pleasant Hill, H. T. Hart, W. L. Pace, foreign missions, \$10.20; domestic missions, \$9.25; Total, \$19.45.

Galveston District—Bayan, I. F. Betts, foreign missions, \$25; Durango, J. P. Gregory, children's day, \$2.50; Lott and Chilton, Geo. H. Phillips, Bishop's fund, \$10; Milburn, W. W. Foster, children's day, \$8.32; Owensville Mission, J. R. Tidwell, foreign missions, \$6; domestic missions, \$6; Reagan, A. T. Walker, children's day, \$7.70; Norman, W. P. Washburn, foreign missions, \$10; Total, \$75.23.

Houston District—Houston, McKee Street, P. M. Boyles, domestic missions, \$12; Shaw, J. M. Moore, foreign missions, \$27.5; domestic missions, \$27.5; Washington Street, P. L. King, domestic missions, \$17; Angleton, H. B. Smith, children's day, \$9; Cedar Bayou, A. Methun, Conference claimants, \$20; Total, \$69.50.

Huntsville District—Crocket, J. W. Dornier, church extension, \$15; Orphanage, \$22; Groves, W. M. Sherrill, foreign missions, \$22.10; domestic missions, \$15; San Jacinto, T. R. Cain, foreign missions, \$20; domestic missions, \$12; Orphanage, \$10; Total, \$107.20.

San Antonio District—Carthage, C. P. McFarley, children's day, \$8.75; San Augustine, J. F. Carter, Education, \$20; Timpson, Geo. W. Griffin, Conference claimants, \$25; domestic missions, \$25; children's day, \$16; children's day, \$35.31; Total, \$195.09.

Tyler District—Adrian, J. J. Goodenough, Orphanage, \$3.55; Colfax, J. T. Hooks, domestic missions, \$45; foreign missions, \$10; domestic missions, \$20; Lindale, H. J. Hayes, foreign missions, \$20; Cedar Street, J. L. Russell, children's day, \$12; Total, \$142.32.

J. B. Gregory, Galveston District, sends for Lauren Institute, \$3.50.

Grand total, \$2312.81.

L. L. JESTER,
Treasurer Texas Conference
Tyler, Texas, June 29, 1907.



Say, Ma, if I live will I be as big a goose as you? Yes, my child, if you don't use

MAGIC WHITE SOAP.
Rub magic on soiled parts, leave them in water one hour. No boiling; no washboards; no backache, if you use **MAGIC WHITE SOAP**. Will iron easy as magic; has no rosin like in yellow soap. Get your grocer to order or send us \$1.00 for 1 box of 100 5c. cakes. We pay for freight. Save the wrappers.

MAGIC KELLER SOAP WORKS.
New Orleans, La.

Oriental Tour

For February, 1908.
Organized by John R. Allen, of Southwestern University. He and his wife will be on the trip. The tour takes in the Holy Land. If interested, write to John R. Allen, Georgetown, Texas, for itinerary.

GET WELL!—You can easily and quickly with rare German Grains, the new Discovery. Doctors are prescribing it generally. Since its trial, not a single failure to cure yet. All Stomach Troubles, no matter how long standing, obstinate or severe. Indigestion, Constipation, Gastritis, Insomnia and all nervous troubles arising therefrom—all speedily and permanently cured in a short time. Babies to 90-year-old persons, marvelously cured. Names given. Free yourself—It is not a drug. Costs but little, as it is supplied out of gratitude by the discoverer—it almost saved from the dead. Write for particulars. Gladly sent free. **W. Wright**, 393 Canal St., New York

Epworth League Department

GUS W. THOMASSON, EDITOR
Van Alstyne, Texas.

All communications intended for publication in this department and all papers with articles to be commented upon should be addressed to the League Editor.

The following rules should be observed in remitting money on account of the State Organization: Local Chapter dues should be sent to Frank L. McNeny, Dallas. Assembly funds should be sent to Theo. Bering, Jr., Houston.

State League Cabinet.

President, Allan K. Ragsdale, Dallas.
First Vice-President, A. H. McVeigh, Cleburne.
Second Vice-President, Miss Laura L. Allison, Austin.
Third Vice-President, Prof. P. W. Horn, Houston.
Fourth Vice-President, Miss Mae Dye, Plano.
Secretary, Frank L. McNeny, Dallas.
Treasurer, W. E. Hawkins, Ft. Worth.
Junior Superintendent, Mrs. W. F. Robertson, Gonzales.

COMING LEAGUE MEETINGS.

State Encampment, Epworth by the Sea, Aug. 1-11.

NOTES.

President Ragsdale writes us that the work on the new hotel is progressing nicely. The League at Corpus Christi has agreed to fit up room number one with furniture and a local hardware firm has agreed to fit up room number two. President Ragsdale desires that individuals or local chapters take up the matter and fit up the entire list of rooms, numbering sixty-six. Write him at Corpus Christi about it.

Brother Beall is now in the field. His first day out resulted in the sale of seven bonds, or \$175 worth. With both Ragsdale and Beall pushing things something ought to come to pass, and it will.

Mark it down: Four weeks from this time until the Encampment. If you have not made arrangements for accommodations write about them at once. Don't delay another day. President Ragsdale is making his headquarters at Corpus Christi now, and all communications should be addressed to him there.

We had expected the complete program by this time, but so far have heard nothing from Vice-President Horn, who is working it out. Let us have this program, Brother Horn. The Leaguers want to know all about the spread which awaits them.

Don't forget to send in your local Chapter dues—50 cents for every twenty members—to Secretary F. L. McNeny, Dallas. Nothing of the Encampment funds goes into the hands of the Secretary for incidental expenses. Every Chapter should send at least \$1, whether it has the full quota of members or not.

We learn that at the laying of the corner-stone of St. Paul's Church in Houston, Brother Sexton had out everything in the city except the hospital corps and the fire department. We have heard it said that these will be represented at the dedication. The daily papers report the event as the most important in Houston for many a day. The ceremonies occurred on Monday, June 24. G. W. T.

THE NORTH TEXAS LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The fifteenth annual session of the North Texas Conference Epworth League was held in Centenary Church, Paris, June 20-23. We mentioned last week the fact that we spent one day, Friday, at this meeting. The session was opened Thursday evening with an address of welcome by the Mayor of the city and another by the pastor, Rev. I. W. Clark. An informal reception closed the services of the evening.

Friday morning President Jones delivered his annual address which reviewed the year's work and showed the organization to be in a very satisfactory condition. The Secretary also reported at this time. Miss Liz-

zie Carson, First Vice-President, took charge at the first period set apart for departmental work, and among other topics discussed were these: "Christian Evidences," by Miss Annie Robinson, Celina; "Should Associate Members, not Religious, be Appointed to Lead Meetings?" by Miss Florence Dial, of Greenville. A short intermission followed here, and then Brother Harry Halsell spoke upon the topic, "Is the League a Success?" We did not hear his talk, but we are sure he said that the League is a success. The hour of 11:35 had been set apart for an address by the editor on "State Work," and a few minutes before this time we arrived and at the appointed time were given right of way. The folks acted like they were interested in our talk whether they were or not; one thing certain they gave good attention and encouraged us in the belief that they endorsed what we said.

The first period of the afternoon was devoted to the Charity and Help Department, with Miss Mattie Harris, of Dallas, Second Vice-President, presiding. A number of good talks were made, one by Miss Lizzie Keiper on "The Ministry of Flowers," and another by Rev. J. W. Hill, on "How to Reach Young Men!" Then followed a real round table conference, conducted by Miss Harris. Numerous questions had been printed in advance on slips of paper, each bearing upon some phase of Charity and Help work, and these slips were distributed among the Leaguers. The questions desired to be answered were selected by numbers and responses called for by the chairman. The entire period was occupied with interest and profit.

At night the Leaguers listened to a sermon by Rev. J. B. Gober, of McKinney, but we missed hearing it on account of having to leave on an afternoon train in order to keep a business engagement which called us home. For an account of the proceedings during the remainder of the session, we are indebted to Miss Stella Nash, of Dallas, who reports as follows:

Saturday's session: Miss Cannon, Third Vice-President, presided over the period assigned to the Literary Department, and every subject mentioned on the program was discussed.

The chief points on this work were the necessity of literary and social work in the League in order to keep up the interest, for as soon as the usual Sunday program was all the League had, every one grew tired. As to the literature used the Church Discipline, missionary books and a few standard books, not too deep, were suggested. A "Latest Social" was an idea for a social meeting. Let everything be according to the latest method, latest song, latest instrumental piece, book, style of dress, etc., be carried out. That is an idea for some League.

Miss Cannon thinks the "Epworth News" is a good thing for a literary meeting. It is a paper containing clippings from good papers and magazines; reports from various forms of Church work; jokes on the Leaguers; some work accomplished, some amusing story. In fact, anything of interest. These may just be pinned together or pasted on a card board. A very easy way to get up an interesting feature for the social. During the general intermission the subject of "42" was brought up and it was decided that Leaguers should not play this game.

In the Missionary Department, the President presided, Guy F. Jones, Fourth Vice-President, being absent. Everyone at that program was present and the subjects ably discussed.

Miss Kendrick spoke of the heathen having no reverence for the gods they worship, for when the gods were being cleansed from dirt, they would say, "The Gods are taking a bath."

One Leaguer suggested that the Leaguers meet in a prayer-meeting on Sunday mornings before revival

services and Missionary Day. Everyone seemed pleased with the idea.

In the afternoon the time was devoted to the Junior work. After the Junior program, the new officers were elected and resolutions adopted.

The Saturday night service was really the best one of all. Mr. Hamilton conducted the service and everyone present took some part, even the tiny tots. It was perfectly amazing to witness such willingness to help in the meeting.

Mr. Brown, of McKinney, led the sunrise prayer-meeting Sunday. At 10 o'clock a model Sunday-school service was held and at 11 o'clock Rev. J. W. Hill, of Dallas, preached the Annual League Sermon. This service was one of the most spiritual of the entire meeting. In the afternoon a young people's mass meeting was conducted by Brother L. G. White and at night the closing jubilee was held, conducted by Brothers I. W. Clark and P. C. Archer.

NOTES BY O. L. H.

The Epworth Leaguers of Paris most certainly entertained the visiting delegates to the North Texas Conference League royally, and Rev. I. W. Clark, pastor of Centenary Church, in which the conference was held, attended every service and placed us under lasting obligations to him for his earnestness and zealous efforts in doing all in his power to make the conference a success. He is a large man, but every "whit" an Epworth Leaguer.

Had not Bro. Hill forgot to call for a free-will offering for Misses Ruby Kendrick and Mae Dye, at the close of his sermon, the collection would have possibly amounted to \$100—the amount the North Texas Conference Epworth League wished to present these dear young ladies as a partial token of the esteem in which they are held by all of us. As it was Rev. I. W. Clark made the announcement and secured \$70 cash and \$7 subscribed. We have the "offering" open to all North Texas Leaguers, and any amount you may want to give will be turned over to the young ladies. Send to O. L. Hamilton, Secretary-Treasurer, Lewisville, Texas. Let's have the \$100 at once.

Our Brothers Halsell and Thomason, who never fail to do everything possible to advance the Epworth League, contributed much to the success of the conference.

"The best held for years!" was the verdict of many who have attended our annual conferences before. They did not miss it far.

Every officer was present except our Fourth Vice-President, Guy F. Jones, of Gainesville, and we were sorry circumstances were such that he had to stay away.

Some most excellent talks were had and papers read. We hope to publish a number of them before long.

All the delegates made good reports and most of them gave in testimonies at the devotional services. The spirituality of the conference from beginning to end was exceptionally fine.

The following is a list of officers elected: Geo. A. Jones, of Pottsboro, President; Miss Lizzie Carson, of Paris, First Vice-President; Miss Florence Dial, of Greenville, Second Vice-President; Miss Sadie Cannon, of Terrell, Third Vice-President; Miss Hattie Street, of Sherman, Fourth Vice-President; Mrs. N. R. Stone, of McKinney, Junior Superintendent; O. L. Hamilton, of Lewisville, Secretary-Treasurer.

The 1908 session of the conference will be held at Denison as guests of Waples Memorial Epworth League.

Resolutions commending the efficient manner in which the League Department in Texas Christian Advocate

was being edited; also the Epworth Era; also the perpetuity of North Texas Epworth League, were passed.

There were in attendance about 125 delegates and eighteen preachers. A mighty hard record to beat.

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The foregoing figures do not represent in every instance the amount of cash paid in, but they represent the amount of bonds which have been taken in charge by the several holders for which they are responsible. We hope to publish soon a complete list of all remittances for bonds.

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A HIGHER STANDARD.

The following excellent paper was read by Mrs. Lena Leoti Keys before the League of the Central Methodist Church of Fort Smith, Ark., on June 2, the topic for the evening being "A Higher Standard." The paper is sent us for publication by President Tom C. Swope, of the Texas Conference League, who is sojourning in Arkansas at this time and who "picked this up" as a good thing. We think it good also and commend it to our readers:

The age in which we live is preeminently an age of progress, of high ideals. We sometimes hear the world is growing worse, and older people especially are prone to regret former times as better times. 'Tis no new saying. Every age and nation regarded the previous one as a better one. Even Solomon has been credited with inquiring, "What is the cause that the former days were better than these?" It would seem at first sight that Solomon was justified in thus inquiring, for the old heroic days of Samuel and David were past. There were no such men as Saul and Jonathan and other great men of the Jewish race. It seemed to be a generation of inferior men. But Solomon's age had at least one advantage over the one preceding—it would give way to a better one.

The ages that appear so beautiful to us afar off would not be so desirable were we in them. When we wish to be back in the so-called ages of devout faith we wish for an age in which witches and heretics were burned alive. When we wish for the age of chivalry and the loyal Cavaliers we wish for an age in which many things were done that we would not now tolerate. In longing for past ages it is true we may long for a little good that we seem to have lost, but we also long for many evils which, happily, we have lost also. Each age is better than the preceding one, and the present age is better than any that has gone before, and it is our duty to do all we can by having a higher standard and living up to that standard, so that the coming age may be better still. We should neither regret the past nor be satisfied with the present, but press forward to the prize of our high calling in Jesus Christ.

As with nations and empires, so it is with individuals—it is not wise to ask why the former times were better than these, because this question

so often means, why were the old times happier? How ardently we pursue happiness! To some happiness means money; to others, fame, love, power, and so on. But far above the quest of money, power, love and all these stands the quest of goodness. Life is poor indeed when it is lived without high aims and noble endeavor. Man was made for the highest and best. God has given us in Christ a high example. We are commanded, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." I suppose we all think perfection is impossible. Perhaps so. But we can aim high, and we can grow. If God had not set the very highest standard for his people we would be, without any doubt, a very inferior people. So we must toil onward and upward. Some one has said: "Christianity is hindered not so much by the bad man as by the Christian who stops." We get so busy with other matters, and become so absorbed in things material and transient, that we fail to move on towards the highest and live heedless of the best that is within us.

We should fix for ourselves a high standard, and daily strive to reach our goal. Then we would grow more like our heart's sincere desire. I remember reading a pretty little flower myth that illustrates this thought. The butterfly asked the daisy of what she was thinking. The daisy replied that night after night she watched the shining stars and wanted so much to be like them. And the butterfly whispered low to the daisy, "I always thought you looked like a star. I know why now. It is because you think of the stars so much." If we only earnestly desired goodness as we so earnestly desire other things which we think will give us happiness! There is something higher than happiness. The blessedness of being good and doing good. The selfish nature says, "Please yourself; be happy." But the Spirit draws us the opposite way. It lifts us up and gives us nobler aims and higher longings. It is true it is a struggle to keep our ideals before us and faithfully follow after them. So often we make mistakes. We "hitch our wagon to a star," perhaps, but the pity of it is it is so often unhitched. Then we think we failed because we aimed too high. This is not true. It is just as easy for the soul to grow into a beautiful life as it is for the body. The thing to do is to find what things will nourish it best and use them. We should copy Christ. If we do this we shall certainly grow, and we will be so busy we will never know how much we are growing, for we will have a quantity of things to do for ourselves and others.

This earthly life is only valuable as we allow its passing circumstances to serve as opportunities for doing those things as followers of Christ we should do. This we can not do by our own power alone. "The soul alone, like a neglected harp, grows out of tune and needs that divine hand." God is ever ready and willing to help us if we look to him for guidance. The more we think of God the more we shall be like him. How desirable will seem his goodness, his purity, his justice and his bounty! And though we feel he is so high and afar off that we can not attain to him, yet if we shall joyfully copy him, however faintly, however meekly we shall have the high hope of being changed into his image by the Spirit of the Lord, that so "whether in this world or in the world to come we may at last be perfect, even as our Father in heaven is perfect."

"Oh, lift your natures up!
Better not be at all, than not be noble."

SOMETHING PRACTICAL.

We have referred to the round table conference as conducted by Miss Mattie Harris, Second Vice-President, at the North Texas Conference Epworth League meeting at Paris, and we take pleasure in herewith presenting a full list of the questions which were discussed at the time we think

the list is worthy of use in similar conferences. It is as follows:

Conference of Tried Plans and Practical Suggestions for Charity and Help Department. Paris, June 21, 1907.

(All workers are invited to participate in the discussion of topics. Speakers limited to one minute.)

1. What should be the requisites of a Second Vice-President? The committee? How many should constitute the committee?
 2. What has been the most successful means used in the building up of this department?
 3. What agencies do you find best in getting committees to work?
 4. What has been your greatest difficulty and how did you overcome it?
 5. Do you hold cottage prayer-meetings? If so, what value have you found in them?
 6. Have you succeeded in creating interest among the indifferent? How?
 7. Give some suggestions as to how to reach the stranger with invitation to church services. Our duty when they come.
 8. In what way can the Leaguer be of service to the mother on the busy week day? On Sunday? What pleasure to the aged?
 9. Suggest some means of making the new members of the League and Church generally acquainted. Our duty to each.
 10. Mention some way in which the League can be of invaluable service to the pastor.
 11. How do you use your timid members?
 12. What work can and should the League do in our jails? Hotels? Depots? Hospitals?
 13. How can this committee keep informed as to sick and strangers in the community?
 14. What is our mission in our charitable institutions?
 15. The League as an intelligent bureau; as an employment bureau.
 16. What kind of work can country Chapters do?
 17. How can the younger members be trained for usefulness in the Charity and Help Department?
 18. What plan do you use in making and keeping reports of the work done?
- "Fill up each hour with what will last
Buy up the moments as thy go;
The life above, when this is past,
Is the ripe fruit of life below."

TWO LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

By Rev. E. M. Sweet, Jr.

Both were issued by the same firm. One was intended for the public; the other was for "the trade" only. But the public has both. And the two, taken together, make interesting reading for the people of the new State of Oklahoma just at this time, as well as for some other people.

The following appeared in an Indian Territory newspaper on Saturday, May 11:

"Wanted—Managers for our local liquor agencies in every county in the Indian Territory, to work up business, ready to begin when the new State Constitution is adopted; only \$10 required for outfit; \$75 to \$200 per month easily made by hustlers. The St. Louis Wholesale Liquor Association, 821 Chestnut Street, St. Louis, Mo."

And what kind of a business are these fellows proposing to do "when the new State Constitution is adopted?" We can best tell by seeing something of the kind of business they have been doing. Out of their own mouth let us judge them. True, their "conscience" is a little wrought up by the operations of the recent pure food law, but it is safe to reckon that, if they do any business in Indian Territory, it will be about the same kind that they have already been doing elsewhere, as set forth in the following confession. This is taken from a

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"confidential letter to the trade," dated April 17, 1907, and signed by J. B. Goode, manager of this same St. Louis Wholesale Liquor Association. Says he to the "managers" of his local agencies in Missouri, Illinois and elsewhere:

"We retail dealers have allowed the 'Reduction Rogues' to swindle us out of millions by substituting for good whiskey which we paid them for, a compound which would kill a horse if he drank it. We have unwittingly sold this accursed poison to the youth and the flower of our manhood, many of whom have been crazed, have lost their manhood, their honor and their all, because they drank it. Their mothers, their sisters, their fathers, their brothers and their friends are driving us retailers out of business. The only salvation left for the liquor business lies in the firm resolve on the part of all retailers to be sure they sell nothing but the purest and best goods that can be had for their money."

And thereby we are reminded of the couplet that we have heard somewhere:

"When the devil was sick, the devil a saint would be;
But when he was well, the devil of a saint was he."

It certainly is ludicrous, this spirit of reform that has seized some of the captains of the booze industry. They want to call a convention and frame a "model license law," for adoption by the Legislatures of all the States. Let them make the necessary changes to make theirs a "model business" and it will not have to be licensed. But their dream of reforming their business is like the dream of the boy who prayed that the snow might come in summer time, so that he could go skating barefooted.

But Mr. Goode's head is level—if he will only follow his logic far enough. Mr. Goode has been good enough to point out that "the only salvation left for the liquor business lies in a firm resolve on the part of all retailers that they sell nothing but the purest and best goods that can be had for their money." But who shall decide this? The eminent Dr. Janeway, of New York, ought to be an authority. He says that the worst thing about whiskey is the alcohol in it. Then all right, Mr. Goode; distill all of the alcohol out of your "goods," put your 'managers of local agencies' to selling pure Ozarka water, and they will have nothing to fear in the new State of Oklahoma from the mothers, sisters, brothers, fathers and friends of "the youth and the flower of our manhood."

But Mr. Goode does not want people to believe all that he says—only a part of it. And we will do that, too. For instance, a part of what Mr. Goode says above is, that "the liquor business lies." We believe that. That is the trouble with the liquor business. And that is what it is doing when it makes all this pretense about wanting to be good.

Of course, we understand, this "want ad." is about thirty per cent for business and seventy per cent for bluff. This is one way that the liquor gang have of trying to create the impression that they will be doing business in Indian Territory "when the new State Constitution is adopted." They want a certain class of voters to believe that our "prohibition will not prohibit." "See the faith of the liquor men! Getting ready to do business!" That is the chief purpose of this advertisement.

Then, too, they are really in search of fools to tamper with the buzz saw. That is the kind of fellows they must find if they do any business. And they must find them now. They know that our new law prohibits also the advertising of liquor or the soliciting of orders, so they must get "ready to begin" before "the new State Constitution is adopted." And if they succeed in finding any such "managers," we may rely upon it that the St. Louis Wholesale Liquor Association will furnish them the same kind of stuff which it confesses that it has been

selling heretofore—"a compound which would kill a horse if he drank it." They seek to continue to sell "this accursed poison to the youth and the flower of our manhood, many of whom have been crazed, have lost their manhood, their honor and their all, because they drank it."

"The salvation of the liquor business!" Oh! Fle! Also fudge! We have been taught to preach a wide salvation, but not that wide. On the contrary, the promises of salvation are drawn so as definitely to exclude the liquor business. "And there shall in no wise enter into it (the holy city) anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie!" Therefore the liquor business can not be saved. "For the promise is unto you and to your children"—to "the youth and the flower of our manhood." Hence the wail—"Their mothers, their sisters, their fathers, their brothers and their friends are driving us retailers out of business"—they are not concerned for the salvation of the liquor business, but for the salvation of "the youth and the flower of our manhood." Therefore the liquor business shall not stand in the judgment—in the day when the voters of the new State of Oklahoma make up their verdict.

Muskogee, I. T.

CHASTISEMENT.

The child that grows up pure and noble must be a subject of chastisement in some form or other by loving parents. So in the Christian life our Heavenly Father must use the chastening rod in order that we may cease from evil and grow and expand in all that is pure and good and right and thereby fulfill all the obligations resting upon us. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth," said the great apostle to the Gentiles. We can hardly conceive of a Christian without the tear-stained cheek; having often gone deep down in the valley, for along the mountain side grow the loveliest and sweetest flowers. The mother may press an idol to her breast; a merciful Father reaches down and takes it to Himself. Her heart is broken, but the good Father only desires to lead her to her treasure above.

David, the sweet singer of Israel, plead earnestly for his boy, but God would not hear because there was sin behind it.

Again he felt deeply the chastening hand for the great sin in the same connection by his favorite son rising up against him, and it seemed for a while that he would be forced to forfeit even his throne.

Again the devil induced him to number his people and the chastening rod fell again, bringing upon him the deepest sorrow.

Oh! it requires so much sometimes to teach us to walk steadily in that strait and narrow path. Still if we would rise to sublime heights of superlative joy and peace where our moral sky is without a cloud we must be willing to endure the refining fires till the dross is consumed.

A loving Father seeks to bring us to such a life, and every dispensation of His chastening hand should produce the peaceable fruits of righteousness by bringing us closer and lovingly to Him. It is indeed a nice thing to live the life of a Christian, and what is more beautiful than to see the young turn from the paths of sin and walk in the footsteps of the blessed Christ!

J. R. TAYLOR, M. D.

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES AS WE SEE THEM.

"And for this cause God shall send them strong delusions, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." 2 Thess. 2:11, 12.

To illustrate: Take John Alexander Dowie at his parting words, "The millennium has come. I will come back in a thousand years." He died with a smile on his face, and with the name of his usurper upon his lips, but that word was uttered in kindness.

Nowhere in the history of our race do we find a more signal expression of

the wrath of God against false assumptions and false pretensions than we find in the last sad months of this remarkable life. It is pitiless in its decay and ghastly in its ending. It ought to be a warning to all false Christs, false Elijahs and Adams.

Yet the most pathetic thing about it is that the delusions of a life time had so fastened their grip upon him that even the chill of death failed to disillusion him. The wise man has said, "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."

Men may habitually strive to believe a thing until they do believe it and fall into the wildest sort of vagaries. There is such a thing as being given over to deception or delusion so strong that even death will not break the spell. And we shall cry out at the gate, "Lord, Lord," only to hear him say "I know you not." May the dear Lord help us to take the Bible as the man of our counsel.

I have been to and fro in this old world for the past seven years as evangelist, and have run on to many things to falsify and delude humanity. We are sorry to see it creeping into the holiness work, but it is so. New organizations are springing up here and there. New enterprises are being entered upon under the name of holiness, which are self-centered and self-emulating.

There are the Holy Kissers. They claim the baptism of the Holy Ghost puts humanity on a level and they have all things in common—to smack and kiss each other's wives and daughters. A delusion, if a delusion, of the devil.

Then come the Holy Jumpers. Unless you jump and cut all sorts of monkey shins you haven't got the Holy Ghost.

Then the Holy Rollers lie down and roll to and fro on the ground like a hog in a mud hole as a test or your receiving the Holy Ghost, and many other diodes that must be cut as a proof of your receiving him.

In these last days Satan has opened the slimy channels of the pit and poured out every delusion imaginable. Through false doctrines he has and is capturing movements and individuals and scattering the people as sheep without a shepherd. There are even words of depreciation when speaking of others who are engaged in the same line of work as themselves. In other words, a seeming desire to build one's self up by pulling another down, and at the same time claiming to be perfect. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Such things are evidences to my mind that they are yet carnal. We cannot recall a time when there has been so manifest the desire for pre-eminence as now. Our candid opinion, after having been in touch somewhat with the holiness movement in the Southwest, is that almost all the division which arises among holiness people is caused by someone seeking place or preferment. Some one organizes a new Church or association and is himself elected "boss." Another suddenly finds himself called to the editorship of a paper and immediately sets about to induce people to put their money into it that he may have an opportunity of airing his peculiar views of things. Another opens a Bible Training School, and he appeals in most sympathetic tones to the public for means to launch his pet enterprise.

Recently there began in Los Angeles, Cal., a soul-destroying work called the "Apostolic Faith Movement," better known as the "Tongues," whose awful heresy has already spread throughout the country and deceived thousands—even caught one of our Texas editors. Strong, stalwart men claim that God has imparted unto them the power of bestowing the Holy Ghost and also the gift of tongues. After wise and good men get caught in this trap they see at once that it is a hypnotic demon that gets control of them, and the most of their meetings are given over in great measure to noisy demonstrations, jabbering and singing. It goes in for great demonstrations, measuring its power by some attitude, gesture or sound, in

Women Who Wear Well.

It is astonishing how great a change a few years of married life often make in the appearance and disposition of many women. The freshness, the charm, the brilliance vanish like the bloom from a peach which is rudely handled. The matron is only a dim shadow, a faint echo of the charming maiden. There are two reasons for this change, ignorance and neglect. Few young women appreciate the shock to the system through the change which comes with marriage and motherhood. Many neglect to deal with the unpleasant pelvic drains and weaknesses which too often come with marriage and motherhood, not understanding that this secret drain is robbing the cheek of its freshness and the form of its fairness.

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I find people becoming indifferent to the real claims of the gospel on account of the many religious systems and doctrines. May the Lord save us from partaking of any such stuff. God help us to preach in love, but to be wise and warn our people against soul-destroying influences of any and all kinds. It makes me almost sick to see our people destroyed, but the Bible says they are destroyed for want of knowledge. So let us impart to them knowledge and stand and contend for the faith once delivered to the saints.

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ANNUAL MEETING W. F. M. SOCIETY, TEXAS CONFERENCE.

It was with joyous anticipation that the members, delegates and visitors of the Texas Conference, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, turned their faces toward Pittsburg, where they met in annual session June 4.

We confess that mingled with our dreams of spiritual refreshing came to our minds thoughts of the many good things we had been told, of Pittsburg's beautiful church, her ideal pastor, her large-hearted people and her hospitable homes, and in none of these were we disappointed.

Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock an eager congregation assembled in the auditorium to praise God in song and prayer and to listen to the tender words of welcome delivered by Mrs. Wiley, of Pittsburg, in behalf of the local auxiliary, stating that hearts and homes were open for our reception, and never was there a statement more true, as I am sure every delegate and visitor will testify.

Judge Bass was then introduced, extending us the hospitality of the city and bidding us Godspeed in our work. After sweet music Mrs. Philpott responded in a few well chosen words to these greetings.

No one seemed in a hurry to leave the church, and after the service there was much handshaking, mingling with old friends and meeting with new.

With the morning came our business sessions, and busy days they were, meeting each morning at 8, closing at 12:30, and again at 2 p. m., closing in time for a short rest before the evening service.

All conference officers and District Secretaries were present save one, who was unavoidably absent, but with us in spirit.

Our Corresponding Secretary's report from the Woman's Board was so filled with good news of the various fields and helpful suggestions for the advancement of our work, that we who listened felt the next best thing to being there was to hear Mrs. Green tell about it.

It was a source of keen regret to members of the body that Mrs. Shetles, our Conference Organizer, was prevented by illness from being with us after the first service.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock we met to hear our President's message. After reading from the scriptures and a word of prayer by Bro. Burroughs, Mrs. Philpott arose and in a voice that grew stronger and stronger as she progressed, her whole soul seemed inspired as she unfolded the power and influence of prayer; commencing with the first prayer-meeting recorded in that upper room in Jerusalem, by a few disciples, the influence of which is felt the world over today, she called to mind all along the centuries the times and places where the followers of the meek Nazarene prayed and what wonders were wrought. On and on she went, citing one instance after another, until our hearts burned within us, and we were ready to cry out, "Lord, teach us to pray!" Her talk will be treasured in hearts when she has ceased to pray and begun an eternity of praise.

Brother Burroughs, presiding elder of Pittsburg District, was with us throughout the meeting. Always interested and helpful, our women have come to depend on his presence at these annual sessions. It was our pleasure to make this man of God an honorary life patron of our Conference Society.

We were delighted to greet Mrs. Cunningham, of Wills Point, who was introduced as bringing fraternal greetings from the Texas Conference Woman's Home Mission Society. Her address was clever, cordial and highly appreciated. Mrs. Cunningham also conducted a very helpful half hour's devotional on tithing.

Bro. Ellis Smith, presiding elder of

Jacksonville District; Mrs. H. P. Taylor, President of Marvin Auxiliary, Tyler, and Mrs. Alex Woldert, President of the Woman's Home Mission Society, Texas Conference, were introduced, cordially welcomed and extended the privileges of the floor.

One evening was given to a review of our work in China, Mexico, Brazil and Korea by as many ladies. Letters were read from Misses Tarrant and Rogers, in China, and Mrs. Cameron also read a letter from Miss Ivey, of Korea, inclosing two pathetic little letters from Korean girls asking us to send them more teachers to teach them the Jesus doctrine.

We do not remember to have had a more earnest, spiritual set of delegates at any annual meeting, and their reports were good. The keynote to every service, as set by our beloved President, was prayer and service.

It was only a matter of a few minutes that twelve hundred of the fifteen hundred dollars pledged by our Corresponding Secretary at the Woman's Board was raised.

When the need of money for Miss Wynn's school in Guadalajara, Mexico, was so eloquently pleaded by Mrs. Woldert, members of the Conference Society responded with one hundred and forty dollars. On Sunday a collection of one hundred and six dollars, which will be used to defray expenses of the Conference Society, was raised. A desk was presented to the Treasurer of the Conference Society by members of same. And so we gave and prayed and sang. As a choir of thirty or forty voices swelled forth in praise to our Redeemer, our hearts sang in unison. But for lack of space we would mention each singer by name, so deeply did the melody of their voices sink into our souls.

One afternoon we were called from labor to refreshment and attended a reception given by Mrs. L. R. Hall, one of Pittsburg's elect ladies, in honor of her guests. One might well have imagined one's self in a Japanese garden on entering the gate, so filled was the yard with sweet-scented flowers, palms and ferns, so as we entered the home where we were greeted by the hostess, who stood in a background of Japanese umbrellas and fans, and introduced us to fascinating maidens in graceful kimonos, we felt that we were truly for the time transferred to "fair Japan." A most enjoyable occasion was this to the fifty or more guests who bore away as souvenirs tiny Japanese umbrellas and "snapshots" of Korean scenery and life, taken by our own Miss Ivey and beautifully mounted for our pleasure.

There are a few items in reports of committees that we would like to stress.

The Committee on Extension of Work recommends two meetings a month, the first to be a business and the second a study of our mission field, taking them separately. Missionary pictures and cameos, also pictures of missionaries and schools were suggested as being helpful in second meeting.

The Committee on Publication recommends that each auxiliary elect a Press Superintendent, whose duty it shall be to instruct members of the auxiliary by means of bulletins and leaflets, and that she publish in the Texas Advocate and local paper items of interest to the work. Let us take note and profit by these recommendations.

Thanks are due Messrs. D. J. Price and C. C. Stoddard, whose efforts secured rates on the several railroad lines for us. To Bro. Cameron, pastor of Pittsburg Church, and to Mrs. Cameron, who, if Pittsburg people are to be credited, does the work of a deaconess and only lacks wearing the bonnet to be one in fact.

In fact, there is no end to those to whom we feel a sense of gratitude, for

from each face as we wended our way to and from church there beamed a kindly welcome. The good things we enjoyed during the week were only fitting us for the feast given by Bro. Sears on the Sabbath. Both morning and evening he gave us a burning message to inspire us with courage for greater effort through the years to come.

MRS. JAMES R. ADAMS.

ANNUAL MEETING OF W. F. M. SOCIETY, NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Texas Conference held its twenty-seventh annual meeting June 5-9 at Sherman, the city of schools. The citizens extended a hearty welcome to delegates and visitors. The delegation was the largest in the history of the society, yet Sherman hospitality proved equal to the occasion.

The Committee on Arrangements performed their part admirably, the only mistake charged to them being the assignment of two red-haired delegates to one hostess, to which humorous reference was made by one of these two delegates.

A number of distinguished visitors attended, notably Misses May Dye and Ruby Kendrick, our young missionaries; Mrs. W. F. Barnum, Third Vice-President Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and our conference missionary evangelist, Rev. L. S. Barton, with his talented wife. Bishop Key was usually on hand and ever ready with a word of cheer or counsel, his very presence proving a benediction to one and all. The society was much gratified at the presence of Mrs. Ellen J. Robinson, of Paris, Third Vice-President now, but for seven years President of the Conference Society. In token of their esteem, the members presented a beautifully engraved gold-headed cane to this matriarch of the society, now over 80 years of age.

The opening sermon was preached Wednesday evening, June 5, at Travis Street Church, by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Pierce. By unanimous vote the society requested that this masterly discourse be printed in the Texas Christian Advocate.

Thursday at 9 a. m. the first business session was held. The opening feature was a devotional service conducted by the President, Mrs. F. E. Howell, of Dallas. After necessary preliminaries, the annual reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of the Conference Society were given. A quiet half hour, led by Mrs. W. F. Barnum, concluded the morning session. Throughout the entire meeting much stress was laid upon the devotional service, which opened and closed every business session.

One of the most interesting features of Thursday afternoon was a practical talk by Mrs. Barnum on "How to Increase Our Membership and Make Our Monthly Meetings More Interesting."

Reports of District Secretaries showed that they had experienced varying degrees of success during the year.

Thursday evening at 8 o'clock the devotional exercise was held by Miss May Dye. Naturally she talked in behalf of the great missionary movement of which she is a part. "For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Then came the addresses of welcome, Mrs. J. L. Pierce speaking for the auxiliary W. F. M. Society of Travis Street Church, Mr. C. A. Shock for the Epworth Leaguers and Miss Mary Speer for the Kidd Key Young People's Society. Mrs. Ralph Gilham, of Dallas, responded in a pleasing way. The President's message was the chief feature of the evening. It was earnest, thoughtful and instructive.

Friday morning Miss Tinnin, Conference Corresponding Secretary, gave an able and entertaining report of the recent annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions at Richmond, Va. Her report will be published in full in the Advocate.

At the afternoon session \$1325 was pledged for the support of our young missionaries, Misses Dye and Kendrick. When it was announced that the pledges exceeded the amount ask-

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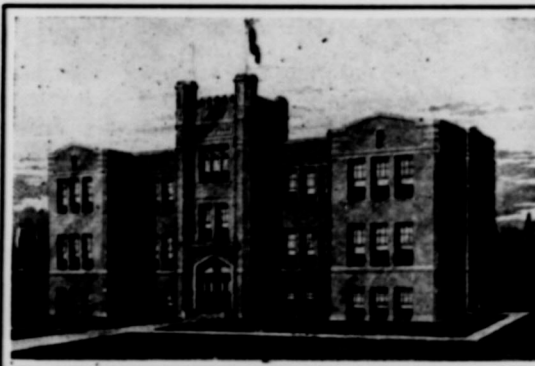
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ed for the body arose and exultingly sang "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

The Northwest Texas Conference Society asked the privilege of supporting Miss Kendrick, but the North Texas body preferred to provide for its own, and promptly declined the generous offer. Miss Kendrick has been assigned to Korea, while Miss Dye will go to Brazil.

The Committee on Missionary Candidates reported favorably on the applications of Miss Lena Johnson, of Cooper, and Miss Helen Hickman, of Sherman. These young ladies are expected to enter Scarritt Bible Training School in September preparatory to mission work, going as candidates from this Conference Society.

An early adjournment Friday afternoon enabled delegates and visitors to attend a reception at the Kidd-Key College, tendered by the Sherman aux-

iliary. This was a most enjoyable affair, giving thus a social hour to the delegates and visitors, amid surroundings which were attractive and delightful.

A memorial service was held at 8 p. m., conducted in an appropriate way by Mrs. A. P. Crogrove, of Pilot Point. During the year the following members entered into rest: Mrs. Charles Dealy, Dallas; Mrs. William Warden, McKinney; Mrs. C. A. Spragins, Sulphur Springs; Mrs. Martha Duff, Greenville; Mrs. J. N. Stanley and Mrs. J. E. King, Clarksville.

The evening service closed with the annual love feast, led in an impressive manner by Mrs. W. W. Williams, of Decatur.

Saturday was the busiest day of all. Owing to lack of time, reports of auxiliary delegates were not made on the floor, but will be printed in the minutes. Representatives of Juvenile and Young People's Societies were allowed to make their reports in the usual way. There were fourteen of these young delegates, and they made a pretty picture, formed in line around the chancel railing, each giving her report when called.

Mrs. Waller, of Dallas, led an interesting discussion on "How to Interest Young People in Their Meetings."

A quiet half hour was conducted by Miss Ruby Kendrick, who read Rom. 12:1-6.

The closing business session was held Saturday afternoon. Nine hundred dollars was pledged for the Eliza Bowman School at Clefuegos, Suba. This amount will be supplemented by the Easter offerings. Pledges were taken for the salary of Miss Norwood Wynn, missionary to Mexico, and the full amount was secured.

The entire corps of officers was re-elected. After a spirited contest with invitations from Decatur, Pilot Point, Dallas and Gainesville, the latter was chosen as the next place of meeting.

At 11 a. m. Sunday Bishop Key preached an instructive and practical sermon on "Giving." At 3 p. m. Mrs. Dashiell, of Terrell, and Miss May Dye conducted a young people's meeting.

At 8 p. m. there was a farewell service for our outgoing missionaries, Misses Dye and Kendrick. The earnest, inspiring words of these consecrated girls will linger in the memory of that audience when the speakers are far away across the seas. As a parting gift each missionary received a beautifully bound Bible. The entire service was beautiful and impressive—a fitting finale to the greatest meeting in the history of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the North Texas Conference.

MRS. R. D. THOMPSON.
Greenville, Texas.

NOTES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING W. F. M. SOCIETY, WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The twenty-fifth annual session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of West Texas Conference was held in San Marcos June 13-16. A most delightful and profitable session it proved to be. Nearly every officer was present as also a goodly number of delegates and visitors.

The young people were better represented, I think, than ever before. This was the first meeting of the kind most of them had ever attended, and good results will follow.

We were privileged to have with us Mrs. W. F. Barnuff, of Fort Worth, Third Vice-President of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and we certainly appreciated the privilege and greatly enjoyed her stimulating talks and lovely singing.

The pastor of the Church, Dr. Whaling, attended many of the sessions, thus attesting his interest in the work. Mrs. Whaling was present at all of the services and was a great blessing to us in many ways.

Best of all, our Father was with us and his presence was felt, as was evidenced by the spiritual talks and earnest prayers.

San Marcos possesses in a large degree the grace of hospitality, as we have proved on several former occasions, and we were all royally entertained. May heaven's choicest blessings be the reward of all who showed us kindness.

I leave all business details to the official report, which is expected to be given by another.

MRS. E. C. NICHOLS,
San Antonio, Texas. Press Cor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SUPPLIES, W. H. M. SOCIETY.

Report of Superintendent of Supplies of W. H. M. Society for first quarter, March-June, 1907.

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If you will allow me I will tell you something of our Center auxiliary. Our officers are: Mrs. J. M. Scurlock, President; Mrs. E. A. Beauchamp, First Vice-President; Mrs. C. O. Bryan, Second Vice-President; Mrs. O. L. McKnight, Third Vice-President; Mrs. F. S. Short, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Dan Walker, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Mamie Leslie, Agent "Our Homes;" Mrs. J. E. Armstrong, Press Superintendent.

We have fifty-five members, a good attendance and nearly all of them will gladly do any work when called upon, and, as our pastors say, "everything up in full."

Center's report at District Conference at San Augustine was in the lead and at Galveston Center was reported second in the Texas Conference and first in the district.

We feel very grateful and are encouraged to do better work this coming year than ever before.

Our President is thoroughly informed in all departments of home mission work and has as faithful officers as you will find anywhere, so you see we are expecting to double our energies this year.

MRS. J. E. ARMSTRONG,
Press Superintendent.

A LETTER FROM MRS. SIMEON SHAW.

When I wrote my appeal about my little Japanese friend a short time ago and sent it to you through the Advocate I knew there would be some to respond, but I must confess I did not look for so many letters. Oh, if you could only be with me every morning when the mail comes in and read those letters with me! I often cry for joy when I read them, for I feel it is an answer direct from my Heavenly Father. This morning a letter from some unknown friend in Hillsboro, with a check for seven dollars, with these words: "I've written to the editor of the Advocate to have your letter republished, for I feel sure it will do much good," and in the same mail a letter from our Board of Missions thanking me for the check for \$55. They write: "It looks as if the Oita church is going to be built with book-mark money, after all." God's plan of blessing things done in His name is wonderful, anyway, and my heart sings for joy when I know that He blessed the little 2-cent stamp which I pasted in the corner of a letter that has called so many of you to help build this church and that He will bless the message of my Japanese friend as she sends her "one thousand book-marks" on their glorious mission! Keep telling the story, and in so doing you will send forth the blessing that has come to you.

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A GOOD THING.

Rev. M. M. Smith, presiding elder of the Jonesboro District, White River Conference, has written a little book entitled, "The Support of the Ministry and Christian Liberty." His long experience as presiding elder and his careful study of the financial problem has qualified him to write intelligently on this important subject. He is both scriptural and logical, and he has written in a pleasing style. Its condensed form will recommend it to the busy age. The farmer, the mechanic, the merchant and the banker will find time to read it if given an opportunity, and its reading will put our Church on a better financial basis, both at home and in the foreign fields. The last chapter is an apostolic message to the pastor and is worthy our consideration. I have just read it with profit and recommend it to all, especially the people called Methodists.

I. E. THOMAS.

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OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

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Tusckka-Lay.—At the Methodist Church in Laverna, Texas, June 26, 1907, Mr. Otto J. Tusckka, of Monterey, Mexico, and Miss Letta J. Lay, of Laverna, Rev. J. E. Harrison officiating.

Manny-Terrell.—Near Haskell, Texas, June 26, 1907, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. Walter Manny and Miss Janey Terrell, Rev. M. M. Beavers officiating.

Ford-Crump.—At the home of the bride's mother, Sempronious, Texas, June 23, 1907, 8:30 p. m., Mr. William L. Ford and Miss Harriett I. Crump, Rev. T. S. Willford officiating.

Anderson-Andrews.—At Ratcliff, Texas, June 24, 1907, Mr. Lee Anderson and Miss Leticia Andrews, Rev. Walter L. Gibbons officiating.

Gooby-Crow.—At Bethesda Church, June 16, 1907, Mr. C. C. Gooby and Miss Kittie Crow, all of Parker County, Rev. J. M. McCarter officiating.

Vaughn-Callahan.—June 16, 1907, Rev. A. R. Vaughn, of the Christian Church, and Mrs. Narsis Callahan, Rev. M. Mills officiating.

Banner-Horan.—At the home of the bride's parents on June 23, in Kingsville, Wm. M. Banner and Miss Nellie Horan, Rev. A. T. White officiating.

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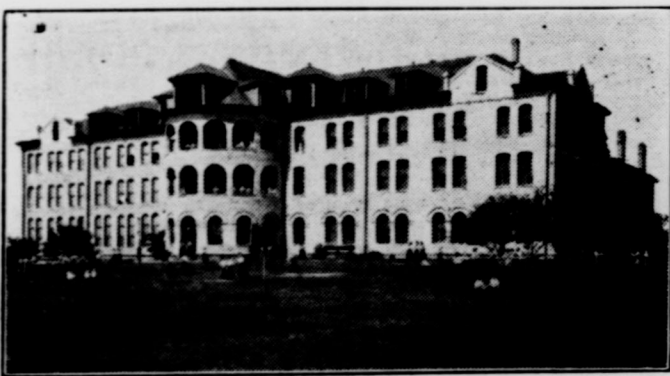
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West Point, at Ford's Prairie, July 20, 21.
Walnut Cir., at Walnut, July 27, 28.
Eagle Lake, Aug. 3, 4.
Columbus, Aug. 7, 8.
Welmer Cir., Aug. 10, 11.
University Church, 11 a. m., Aug. 18.
South Austin, 8 p. m., Aug. 18.
J. M. ALEXANDER, P. E.

San Angelo District—Third Round.
Sherwood, at Sherwood, July 7.
District Conference—the opening sermon by Nat B. Read—Friday p. m., July 12.
Junction, at Bode, July 20, 21.
Paint Rock, at Eden, Aug. 3, 4.
Garden City, at Stiles, Aug. 14.
Midland, Aug. 18.
Ozona, Aug. 28.
WILL T. RENFRO, P. E.

Beeville District—Third Round.
Kingsville, Nueces town, July 6, 7.
Runge, July 13, 14.
Pleasanton, Fairview, July 20, 21.
San Diego, Hebronville, July 27, 28.
Oakville, August 17, 18.
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Llano District—Third Round.
San Saba Cir., at Harrell's, July 6, 7.
San Saba Sta., July 8.
Marble Falls, July 13, 14.
Johnson City, at Johnson City, July 19.
Blanco, at Kendall, July 21, 22.
Boerne, at Boerne Ju v 24.
Bandera, at Tarpley, July 27, 28.
Center Point, July 30.
Kerrville, at Harper, August 3, 4.
THEOPHILUS LEE, P. E.

San Marcos District—Third Round.
(Corrected list).
Buda Cir., at Science Hall, July 6, 7.
Dripings Spgs. Cir., D. S., July 13, 14.
Martindale Cir., Fentress, July 20, 21.
Waelder and Thompsonville, at T., July 27, 28.
Belmont Cir., at Oak Forest, Aug. 3, 4.
Tilman Cir., at T., Aug. 10, 11.
Lockhart, Aug. 17, 18.
San Marcos, Aug. 24, 25.
D. K. PORTER, P. E.

San Antonio District—Third Round.
Hondo, July 6, 7.
Eagle Pass, July 12.
Del Rio, July 13, 14.
Utopia Cir., at Leaky, July 17.
Sherman Street, 11 a. m., July 20, 21.
South Heights, 8 p. m., July 21.
Moore Cir., at Tehuacana, July 26.
West End, 11 a. m., July 28.
Prospect Hill, 8 p. m., July 28.
Cottola Cir., at Dille, Aug. 16.
Amphion Cir., at Crown, Aug. 17, 18.
A. J. WEEKS, P. E.

Guero District—Third Round.
Clear Creek, at Cabeza, July 6, 7.
Markham, July 13, 14.
Palacios, at Midfield, July 15.
El Campo, July 17.
Port Lavaca, at Traylor's Chapel, July 20, 21.
Stockdale, at Sunnyside, July 24.
Hope, at Light's Chapel, July 27, 28.
Nursery, at Mission Valley, July 31.
R. A. ROWLAND, P. E.

NORTHWEST TEX. CONFERENCE

Brownwood District—Third Round.
Cross Plains Cir., at Dressy, July 6, 7.
May Cir., at Byrd's Store, July 7, 8.
Indian Creek Cir., Winchel, July 13, 14.
Gustine Cir., July 17.
Comanche Cir., at Sidney, July 19.
Rising Star Sta., July 20, 21.
Pioneer Cir., at Pioneer, July 21, 22.
Coleman Cir., at Fairview, July 27, 28.
Santa Anna Cir., at Salem, July 28, 29.
Bangs Cir., at Cleveland, July 30.
JAS. S. CHAPMAN, P. E.

Corsicana District—Third Round.
Wortham Charge, Wood'd, July 6, 7.
First Church, Corsicana, p. m., July 9.
Kerens Charge, Kerens, July 13, 14.
Purdon Charge, Dresden, July 20, 21.
Frost, at Post Oak, July 21, 22.
Rice, at Rice, July 27, 28.
Cotton Gin, at Cotton Gin, Aug. 3, 4.
Groesbeck, at Groesbeck, p. m., Aug. 5.
Horn Hill, Ft. Parker, 11 a. m., Aug. 6.
Kirk, at Delta, 11 a. m., Aug. 7.
Irene, at Salem, Aug. 10, 11.
Powell, at Powell, Aug. 17, 18.
Blooming Grove, at B. G., Aug. 18, 19.
Barry, at Cryer Creek, Aug. 24, 25.
Alma, Tinkle, Aug. 25, 26.
HORACE BISHOP, P. E.

Clarendon District—Third Round.
Dahart Sta., July 6, 7.
Higgins Mis., July 11.
Plemons Mis., July 13, 14.
Hansford Mis., July 16.
Stratford Cir., July 20, 21.
Dumas Mis., July 27.
Channing Sta., July 28, 29.
J. G. MILLER, P. E.

Plainview District—Third Round.
Dickens, at Cottonwood, July 6, 7.
Umbarger, at Vega, July 13, 14.
Silverton, July 20, 21.
Plainview Mis., July 27, 28.
Hale Center, at Pierce, Aug. 3, 4.
Floydada Mis., Aug. 7.
Dimmitt, at Borina, Aug. 10, 11.

Turkey, at Northfield, Aug. 17, 18.
Emma, Aug. 24, 25.
Lubbock, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Gomez, Sept. 3.
Tahoka, Sept. 7, 8.
Matador, Sept. 14, 15.
G. S. HARDY, P. E.

Weatherford District—Third Round.
Cresson Cir., at Fall Creek, July 6, 7.
Santo, Cir., at Lipan, July 12.
Gordon and Strawn Cir., S., July 13, 14.
Palo Pinto Cir., at Cedar Springs, July 20, 21.
Ranger Mis., at Oakley, July 23.
Wayland Mis., at Harpersville, July 24.
Breckenridge Cir., at B., July 25.
Wayland Mis., at Grogan, July 27, 28.
Throckmorton Mis., at Bush Knob, July 28, 29.
Peaster Cir., at Peaster, Aug. 3, 4.
Whitt and Bethesda, at B., Aug. 10, 11.
Ellasville Mis., at South Bend, Aug. 15.
Graham Mis., at Goosen's, Aug. 17, 18.
Graham Sta., Aug. 18, 19.
Farmer Mis., at Hawkins Ch., Aug. 20.
M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Georgetown District—Third Round.
Belton Cir., at Leona, July 6, 7.
Florence, at Wesley Ch., July 13, 14.
Granger, at Jonah, July 20, 21.
Georgetown, July 21, 22.
Salado, at Prairie Dell, July 23.
Hutto, at Robinson, July 25.
North Georgetown, at Willis Creek, July 27, 28.
Bartlett, July 28, 29.
Taylor, Aug. 10, 11.
Rogers, at Glorietta, Aug. 13.
District League and Sunday-school Conference at Bartlett, June 27, 28.
B. R. BOLTON, P. E.

Vernon District—Third Round.
Quail, at Aberdeen, July 7, 8.
Goree, at Shady, July 13, 14.
Munday Sta., July 15.
Spring Creek, at Round Timbers, July 17.
Knox City, at Gillespie, July 20, 21.
Vera, at Red Springs, July 22.
Seymour Sta., July 23.
Lively Cir., July 24.
Wellington Mis., at Fresno, July 27, 28.
Wellington Sta., July 28, 29.
Childress Sta., July 30.
Paducah, at Guthrie, Aug. 3, 4.
Crowell, at Good Creek, Aug. 10, 11.
W. H. HOWARD, P. E.

Colorado District—Third Round.
Roscoe and Loraine, at Brownlee, July 6, 7.
Big Springs Mis., at Coahoma, July 13, 14.
Gall, at Light, July 19.
Dunn, at Ira, July 20, 21.
La Mesa, at Pride, July 23.
Seminole, at Monument, July 26.
Aspermont Mis., at Salt Lake, July 27, 28.
Clairmont, at Elkins, Aug. 3, 4.
Snyder Mis., at Mt Zion, Aug. 5.
Stanton, Aug. 10, 11.
Big Springs Sta., Aug. 12.
Colorado, Aug. 13.
J. T. GRISWOLD, P. E.

Gatesville District—Third Round.
Oglesby, at Station Creek, July 6, 7.
Jonesboro, at Jones, July 9, 10.
Hamilton, at Evergreen, July 13, 14.
Copperas Cove, at Maxdale, July 17, 18.
Fairy and Cranfill's G., at Lanham, July 27, 28.
Pearl, at Cox's Chapel, July 20, 21.
Turnersville, at Lane's Chapel, July 23, 24.
Brookhaven, at Newlin, Aug. 3, 4.
Valley Mills, etc., at V. M., Aug. 10, 11.
China Springs, at Wesley Chap., Aug. 18, 19.
Evant, at Evant, Aug. 24, 25.
Crawford, at Osage, Aug. 28.
JAMES M. SHERMAN, P. E.

Abilene District—Third Round.
Clyde, at Potosi, July 6, 7.
McCauley, at Neinda, July 13, 14.
Hamilin and Rule, at H., July 14, 15.
Truby, at New Hope, July 17.
Albany and Moran, at M. July 20, 21.
Pinkerton, at Cook Springs, July 20, 21.
Cottonwood, at Cottonwood, July 24.
Tye, at Stith, July 27, 28.
Baird, July 27, 28.
Stamford, July 30.
Haskell, July 31.
Weinert, at Corn, August 3, 4.
Trent and Cross Roads, at T. Aug. 6.
Sweetwater, August 7.
Merkel, August 8.
Nubia, at Elm Grove, August 10, 11.
Putnam, at Pisgah, August 17, 18.
Haskell Miss., at Sagerton, Aug. 24, 25.
Lawn, August 28.
Abilene, August 30.
JNO. R. MORRIS, P. E.

Waco District—Third Round.
(In Part.)
Morrow St., July 7.
Mt. Calm, July 13, 14.
Elm St., July 21.
W. L. NELMS, P. E.

Fort Worth District—Third Round.
North Fort Worth, July 7, 8.
Roser Heights, July 7-9.
First Church, July 14, 15.
Riverside, July 14-16.
Azle, at Silver Creek, July 20, 21.
Britton, at Webb, July 26, 27.
Mansfield, July 27, 28.
Missouri Avenue, July 31.
Grandview, at Green Brier, Aug. 3, 4.
Godley, at Bruce, Aug. 5, 6.
Grapevine, at Enless, Aug. 9, 10.

Central, Aug. 11, 12.
Polytechnic, Aug. 11-13.
Bono, George's Creek, Aug. 16, 17.
Cleburne, Main St., Aug. 18, 19.
Cleburne, North Side, Aug. 18-20.
Joshua, Burleson, Aug. 24, 25.
Mulkey Memorial, Sept. 1, 2.
Glenwood, Sept. 1-3.
Weatherford, Sept. 8, 9.
O. F. SENSABAUGH, P. E.

Waxahachie District—Third Round.
Ferris, at Trumbull, July 5.
Bristol, at Carroll, July 6.
Palmer & Boyce, at Garrett, July 7, 8.
Midlothian, at Mt. Peak, July 10.
Hillsboro, First Church, July 14, 15.
Grandview, July 20, 21.
Itasca, July 21, 22.
Venus, at Barnesville, July 27, 28.
Bethel, August 2.
Maypearl, at Oak Branch, August 3, 4.
Alvarado, August 10, 11.
Forreston, Derr's Chapel, Aug. 17, 18.
Bardwell, Collier's Chap., Aug. 24, 25.
Red Oak, at Chappell Hill, Aug. 30.
Ovilla, Long Branch, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
JAS. CAMPBELL, P. E.

Dublin District—Third Round.
Dublin, July 7.
Stephenville Cir., 11 a. m., July 10.
Harbin and Green's Creek, July 13, 14.
Bunyan and Lingle's, 11 a. m., July 17.
Gorman, July 21.
Desdemona, 11 a. m., July 22.
Huckabay, 11 a. m., July 25.
Iredell, July 28, 29.
DeLeon Cir., 11 a. m., July 31.
DeLeon Sta., 8:30 p. m., July 31.
Eastland, August 3, 4.
Carbon, 11 a. m., August 5.
Cisco Sta., 8:30 p. m., August 6.
Cisco Cir., 11 a. m., August 7.
Proctor, August 10, 11.
Granbury Cir., 11 a. m., August 14.
Granbury Sta., 8:30 p. m., August 14.
Bluffdale, 11 a. m., August 15.
Hico Sta., August 18.
Carlton, 11 a. m., August 19.
Glen Rose, August 24, 25.
Duffau, 11 a. m., August 28.
J. G. PUTMAN, P. E.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Greenville District—Third Round.
Campbell, Twin Oaks, July 6, 7.
Commerce Mis., Smith Ch., July 13, 14.
Floyd, Floyd, July 20, 21.
Fairlie, Olive Branch, July 27, 28.
Lone Oak, Miller Grove, Aug. 3, 4.
Wolfe City, Aug. 10, 11.
Leonard, Orange Grove, Aug. 17, 8.
Quinlan, Cash, Aug. 24, 25.
JNO. H. McLEAN, P. E.

Paris District—Third Round.
Deport Cir., at Milton, July 6, 7.
Roxton Cir., at Howland, July 13, 14.
Paris Cir., at Reno, July 20, 21.
Detroit Station, July 21, 22.
Avery Mis., Coleman Spgs., July 24.
Clarksville Cir., Robinsville, July 27.
Clarksville Station, July 28, 29.
Shady Grove, August 3, 4.
Emberson Circuit, August 10, 11.
Rosalie Cir., at Bethel, Aug. 17, 18.
J. F. ALDERSON, P. E.

Bonham District—Third Round.
Bailey Cir., at Pleasant View, July 13, 14.
Brookston Cir., at Pleasant Hill, July 20, 21.
Gober Mis., at Center Pt., July 27, 28.
Ladonia Sta., Aug. 3, 4.
Dodd and Windom, at D., Aug. 10, 11.
Honey Grove Sta., Aug. 11, 12.
Trenton Cir., at Blanton, Aug. 17, 18.
Ector Cir., at Mt. Pleasant, Aug. 24, 25.
Petty Mis., Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
M. L. HAMILTON, P. E.

McKinney District—Third Round.
Frisco Cir., at Hill Town, July 6, 7.
Celina Cir., at Celina, July 13, 14.
Prosper Cir., at Prosper, July 14, 15.
Farmers Branch Cir., at Coppell, July 20, 21.
Western Cir., at Liberty, July 24.
Wylie Cir., at Pleasant Grove, July 27, 28.
Josephine Cir., at Milam's Church, Aug. 3, 4.
Princeton Cir., at Blythe's Church, Aug. 10, 11.
Renner Cir., at White Rock, Aug. 14.
Plano Station, Aug. 17, 18.
Allen Cir., at Fannie Harrington's, Aug. 21.
Nevada Station, Aug. 24, 25.
J. F. PIERCE, P. E.

Gainesville District—Third Round.
Nocona cir., at Spanish Ft., July 6, 7.
Nocona sta., July 7, 8.
Myra, at Hood, July 13, 14.
Montague, at Dye, July 20, 21.
Bonita, at Sandy M'nd, July 22, 11 a. m.
Era & Bolivar, at Sprg Ck., July 27, 28.
Sanger & V. V., at V. V., July 28, 29.
Ponder & Krum, at Krum, Aug. 3, 4.
Woodbine, at Woodbine, Aug. 10, 11.
Broadway, Gainesville, Aug. 11, 12.
Dexter, Aug. 17, 18.
Marysville, at Sivel, Aug. 24, 25.
Greenwood, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Rosston, Sept. 7, 8.
Aubrey, Sept. 14, 15.
Denton Street, Sept. 15, 16.
Saint Jo, Sept. 18.
J. A. GAFFORD, P. E.

Bowie District—Third Round.
Bryson, July 6, 7.
Jacksboro, July 7, 8.
Henrietta, July 13, 14.

Byers, July 14, 15.
Rhame, July 20, 21.
Boyd & Garvin, July 21, 22.
Bellevue, July 27, 28.
Blue Grove, August 3, 4.
Post Oak, August 4, 5.
Iowa Park, August 10, 11.
Wichita Falls, August 11, 12.
Holliday, August 17, 18.
Archer, August 18, 19.
Crafton, August 24, 25.
Gibtown, August 31, September 1.
Decatur Circuit, September 7, 8.
Decatur Station, September 8, 9.
T. R. PIERCE, P. E.

Dallas District—Third Round.
Argyle, at A., July 6, 7.
St. Marks, July 7.
Dallas P. & W. Dallas, at B., Jul. 13, 14.
Dallas City Mission, July 14, 15.
Cochran's Ch. & Maple Av., at C. C., July 20, 21.
Oak Lawn, July 21.
Hutchins & Wilmer, at W., July 27, 28.
Trinity, July 28.
Grace, Aug. 4.
J. L. MORRIS, P. E.

Sulphur Springs Dist.—Third Round.
Pecan Gap & Ben Franklin, at Pecan Gap, 1st Sun. in July.
Winsboro sta., 2d Sun. in July.
Sulphur Springs sta., July 9, 8:30 p. m.
Reily Springs, at Yantis, 3d Sun. in July.
Cumby, at Oakland, 4d Sun. in July.
Sulphur Bluff, at Nelta, 1st Sun. Aug.
Yowell cir., at Moss Ch., 2d Sun. Aug.
Birthright, at Tarrant, 3d Sun. Aug.
Cooper sta., Aug. 23, at 8:30 p. m.
Kiondike, at Price S. H., 4th Sun. Aug.
Mt. Vernon, at Weaver, Aug. 28, 11 a. m.
Brashear 1st Sunday in September.
Lake Creek, 2d Sunday in September.
Purley, 3d Sunday in September.
C. B. FLADGER, P. E.

Terrell District—Third Round.
Crandall at Seago, July 6, 7.
Mesquite, at Montgomery, July 9.
Kosser, at Warsaw, July 13, 14.
Rockwall, July 20, 21.
Fate, at St. John's, Tuesday, July 23.
Kaufman, July 28, 29.
Garland, August 4, 5.
Pleasant Mound, Rose Hill, Tuesday, August 6.
Mabank, at Mabank, August 10, 11.
Elmo, at Eagan, August 17, 18.
College Mound, Pleasant Valley, Aug. 24, 25.
Kemp, Wilson's Chapel, Wed., Aug. 28.
Terrell, Sept. 1.
Chisholm, at Poetry, Sept. 7, 8.
O. S. THOMAS, P. E.

Jacksonville District—Third Round.
Kilgore, Danville, July 6, 7.
Church Hill, Fowler's Ch., July 13, 14.
Henderson Sta., July 14, 15.
Grace, 8:30 p. m., July 17.
Centenary, July 21.
Jacksonville Cir., Gallatin, July 27, 28.
Jacksonville Sta., July 28, 29.
Alto, Mt. Zion August 3, 4.
Rusk, August 4, 5.
Troup and O., Bethel, 3 p. m., Aug. 6.
Hallville, August 10, 11.
Longview, August 11, 12.
Malakoff, Trinidad, August 17, 18.
Athens, August 18, 19.
Neches, Shaid's Chapel., August 24, 25.
Brushy Creek, Frankston, August 31.
Larue, Oak Grove, Sept. 1, 2.
Henderson Cir., Pleasant G., Sept. 7, 8.
ELLIS SMITH, P. E.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Brenham District—Third Round.
Caldwell Mission, July 6, 7.
Caldwell sta., July 7, 8.
Bellville, at Buckhorn, July 16.
Maysfield, July 20, 21.
Cameron, 8 p. m., July 21, 22.
Brenham, July 28, 29.
Somerville, Aug. 2, 3.
Sealy, 11 a. m., Aug. 3, 4.
Fulshear, 8 p. m., Aug. 4, 5.
Wharton, Aug. 11, 12.
Bay City, Aug. 17, 18.
Lexington Aug. 23.
Chappell Hill, Aug. 25, 26.
C. R. LAMAR, P. E.

Tyler District—Third Round.
Wills Point Cir., Clifton, July 6, 7.
Wills Point Sta., July 7, 8.
Colfax Cir., Morris Chapel, July 12.
Grand Saline, July 13, 14.
Edom, Sexton Chapel, July 18.
Chandler, Red Hill, July 20, 21.
THOMAS H. MORRIS, P. E.

Beaumont District—Third Round.
Corrigan Cir., at Pine Grove, July 8, 9.
Kountze Cir., at Kountze, June 15, 16.
Silsbee Cir., at Silsbee, June 16, 17.
Burkeville Cir., at Survey, June 22, 23.
Nederland Cir., at Port N., June 29, 30.
Jasper Cir., at Holly Fork, July 1, 5.
China and Sour Lake, at S. L., July 9.
Jasper and Kirbyville, at K., July 12.
Call Cir., at Watson's C. July 13, 14.
Port Arthur, July 16, 17.
Village and Nona, at Nona, July 21.
Laurelia Station, July 27, 28.
Livingston Cir., Goodrich, July 28, 29.
Westville and Benford, at W., July 31.
Saratoga and Batson, at B., Aug. 3, 4.
Warren Cir., at Big Sandy, Aug. 6, 9.
Liberty Cir., at Smith's C., Aug. 17, 18.
Laurelia Cir., Aug. 24, 30.
Woodville Cir., W. C., Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Wallisville Cir., September 10-12.
1st Church Beaumont, Sept. 15, 17.
Cartwright Chapel, Sept. 15, 18.
V. A. GODBEY, P. E.

Huntsville District—Third Round.
Groveton, July 6, 7.
Montgomery, at Plantersville, July 13, 14.
Iola, at Zion, July 17.
Trinity and Onalaska, at O., July 20, 21.
Augusta, at Center Hill, July 23.
Willard, July 25.
Dodge, at Oakhurst, July 27, 28.
Anderson, at Fairview, July 31.
Huntsville, Aug. 3, 4.
Fostoria, at Shepherd, Aug. 10, 11.
Waller, at Macedonia, Aug. 17, 18.
Cold Springs, at Waverly, Aug. 24, 25.
San Jacinto, at Mary's Chapel, Aug. 29.
H. A. WILLIS, P. E.

Calvert District—Third Round.
Durango, at Pleasant Valley, July 6.
Lott and Chilton, at Lott, July 6, 7.
Centerville, at Leona, July 13, 14.
Calvert Station, July 17.
Rosebud Station, July 20, 21.
Millican, at Welborn, July 24.
Reagan, at Stranger, July 26, 27.
Hearne Station, Aug. 3, 4.
Wheelock, at Edge, Aug. 7.
Bryan Station, Aug. 10, 11.
Fairfield, at Dew, Aug. 17.
Teague Station, Aug. 17, 18.
Owenville, at Boon Prairie, Aug. 24.
Franklin Station, Aug. 24, 25.
Jewett, at Jewett, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Freestone Mission, Sept. 1, 2.
Normangee, Sept. 7, 8.
E. L. SHETTLES, P. E.

San Augustine Dist.—Third Round.
Tenaha, at Concord, July 6, 7.
Cushing, at Libbert, July 13, 14.
Caro, July 20, 21.
Nacogdoches, July 21, 22.
Timpson, Wednesday, July 24.
Geneva, at Low's Chapel, July 27, 28.
Minden, at Redland, Aug. 3, 4.
Melrose, at Prairie Grove, Aug. 10, 11.
Garrison, at Concord, Aug. 17, 18.
Nacogdoches Mis., at Lyle's Chapel, Aug. 24, 25.
Gary, Pleasant Ridge, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Carthage, September 1, 2.
Burke, September 7, 8.
Keltys, September 14, 15.
Lufkin, September 15, 16.
C. A. TOWER, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Third Round.
Gilmer Sta., July 6, 7.
New Boston, at N. B., July 13, 14.
New Boston Miss., July 15.
Mt. Pleasant Sta., July 17.
Dalby Springs, Lawrence, July 20, 21.
Park, at Buchanan, July 24.
Texarkana, H. Memorial, July 27, 28.
Texarkana, Central, July 28, 29.
Winfield, at Bridges Chap., July 30.
Redwater, at Concord, July 31.
Pittsburg Cir., Un'n Ridge, Aug. 17, 18.
Pittsburg Sta., Aug. 18, 19.
Coffeeville, at Coffeeville, Aug. 21.
Kellyville, Moore's Chap., Aug. 24, 25.
Jefferson Sta., Aug. 25, 26.
Daingerfield, Harris Chap., Aug. 27.
Cason, Hamel's Chap., Aug. 31, Sep. 1.
Naples, Sept. 1, 2.
Quitman, Sep. 7, 8.
Leesburg, Sep. 14, 15.
District Conference at De Kalb, July 9-11.
R. A. BURROUGHS, P. E.

Houston District—Third Round.
Grace, 11 a. m., July 7.
McAshan, 8 p. m., July 7.
Richmond, July 13, 14.
Rice-ton, at B., (Friday) July 19.
Columbia & B., at Velasco, July 20, 21.
McKee St., 11 a. m., July 28.
Washington St., 8 p. m., July 28.
Other dates to follow.
CHAS. F. SMITH, P. E.

Tyler District—Third Round.
Canton and Edgewood, Wesley Chapel, August 10, 11.
Marshall, N. Marshall, August 17, 18.
Marshall First Church, August 18, 19.
Harrison Cir., Grover, August 20.
Harleton Cir., Smyrna, August 22.
Arleston Cir., Bethel, August 24, 25.
Whitehouse Cir., Omen, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.
Tyler, Marvin Church, Sept. 1, 2.
T. H. MORRIS, P. E.

NEW MEXICO CONFERENCE.

El Paso District—Third Round.
El Paso, July 6, 7.
East El Paso, July 6, 7.
J. T. FRENCH, P. E.

Albuquerque District—Fourth Round.
Blacktower, July 6, 7.
Melrose, July 13, 14.
Taiban, July 20, 21.
Carrizozo and Bonita, Aug. 3, 4.
Willard, Aug. 6.
San Marcial, Aug. 8.
Magdalena, Aug. 10, 11.
Albuquerque, Aug. 13.
Watrous, Aug. 15.
Cimarron, Aug. 17.
Elida and Dora, Aug. 24, 25.
Portales Cir., Aug. 28.
Portales, Aug. 30.
Texico, Aug. 31.
Clovis, Sept. 2.
Puerto, Sept. 7, 8.
Tucumcari and Logan, Sept. 9.
B. T. JAMES, P. E.

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Fifty of the hundred have been secured!

Our July Campaign.

I call upon the fifty who have already signed the agreement, upon the forty presiding elders of the State, and upon the hundreds of preachers and other friends of the institution to join in a most earnest and prayerful effort to signalize July, 1907, as the month in which the hundred-thousand-dollar-club for Southwestern endowment shall be completed.

There certainly are fifty more Methodists in Texas who will become members if the matter is properly presented to them. Let us find them and secure their agreement to enter the club.

The presiding elder of the San Antonio District and the writer have determined to secure, if possible, from the San Antonio District enough additional names to make ten members from this district.

From all parts of the State come expressions of interest in the movement. The eyes of Texas Methodists now are turned to Southwestern as they have never been before in its history.

Every week new names are added to the list of one thousand-dollar subscribers. The thing for us to do is to make such a diligent and persistent campaign in July that the first of August shall find the first hundred thousand dollars provided for, and then Bishop Candler will come in and start on the campaign for the other four hundred thousand dollars. The completion of this hundred thousand dollar-club will proclaim victory for our great central institution.

May the proclamation of victory quickly come. J. E. HARRISON.

"AN ACTUAL DEMONSTRATION."

Some of the recent statistics that have fallen into my hands in regard to what we are doing for missions has caused me to do some thinking and a little figuring as well.

In the first place it was humiliating to me to learn that my conference (the North Texas) took the thirty-fifth place in rank for the past year. We ought to occupy the first place. We should be satisfied with nothing less.

Without making any distinctions between foreign and domestic missions, but calling both missions, our Church contributed last year less than thirty-eight cents per member to missions, our own conference contributing less than thirty-two cents per member. Surely it is time for us to read Malachi 3:7-12. Not only read, but heed, repent and do better.

Long ago God said: "For them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." I Sam. 2:30.

Now for the demonstration. I have been taught and have believed this from childhood, whether it applies to the individual, the home Church, the circuit, the district, the conference or the nation. No need to ask is it true? Yea, verily. Taking the statistics given in the Nashville Advocate of May 10, we have the following results: The South Georgia Conference stands first in her contributions to missions have contributed nearly 8 per cent of the whole amount. What about her increase in membership? Again she stands first, having nearly one-tenth of all the increase. Does that mean anything? Is it not according to God's promise? Will we "prove" Him and bring in our tithes and offerings, that we may claim his promise? In my humble judgment this is one thing we need to do. May God help us to do it!

C. W. DENNIS.

REV. YOUNG J. ALLEN, D. D., LL. D.

A cablegram was sent from Shanghai, June 4th, stating that Rev. Y. J. Allen died May 30th. I suppose that it is well known within the bounds of Southern Methodism by this time. The many friends and admirers of Dr. Allen will want to know about his last illness and how it was that he was taken so unexpectedly away from us. A bereaved Church will want to know about this most eminent servant of the Church.

Dr. Allen was enjoying his usual good health up to Tuesday, May 21st. That day he felt unwell and had some fever. He, however, went on with his work as usual. On Wednesday he felt very badly and had more fever. Still he did a hard day's work, as he was anxious to get all of the "copy" ready for the two papers of which he was the able editor. He employed two Chinese writers and they were both with him that day, one in the forenoon and the other in the afternoon. When he had finished his work for the day he went to his room and went to bed. He had chills and fever, his temperature going as high as 103, where it remained. The doctor was called in, and he did not think there was anything serious. He, with the family, hoped that the sickness would soon yield to treatment and that in a few days Dr. Allen would be himself again. This was a vain hope. On Thursday he felt worse and had no appetite. Friday the fever was still raging, and so it went on for some days. Monday his mind became confused and he talked a good deal about many things. Tuesday a trained nurse was engaged. His mind was more and more confused, and he still tried to talk about the work that was so dear to his heart. On Monday he wanted his writers to come to his room that he might know that they had finished the work he had given them. He found that they had and that there was "copy" enough for both papers. Tuesday night he slept reasonably well. Wednesday he was almost unconscious and could not talk at all. The doctor came in the morning and was much surprised to find such a sudden change for the worse. He came again at noon and was still more surprised, and became very anxious. All the afternoon Dr. Allen's fever was high and we could not reduce it. We knew his heart was affected and feared that he could not recover. The doctor came again at seven o'clock and did all that he could to help the heart, which was growing weaker and weaker, to perform its functions. His efforts were in vain. He said then that he feared the patient would not live through the night. The nurse did all that she could to carefully carry out the doctor's directions. The doctor came again at 9:30 o'clock and administered stimulants, but with no avail. The pulse grew weaker and slower and breathing was heavy. The doctor said he was unconscious and therefore felt no pain. I asked Dr. Allen on Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock if he felt any pain, and he shook his head. I do not know if he meant that as an answer to my question, or that he did not understand me. He did not make any effort to speak all day Wednesday, just lay there, a patient, silent sufferer. It was sad in the extreme to see his life slowly ebbing away. The doctor left at ten o'clock, saying that nothing more could be done and that he could not live through the night. At one o'clock Thursday morning his spirit left the body and went to be with God. Like Enoch of old—"He was not, for God took him." We could not realize then, nor can we do so yet, that he has been taken from us. He was so useful, so gifted, so absorbed in his work. It seemed so necessary for him to remain. He worked up to the last and "ceased at once to work and live." He had not thought of going away, or if he had, he did not mention it. There were no last words, but the life he lived was one "hid with Christ in God," a life of patient, unremitting toil for the uplifting, enlightenment and Christianization of the multiplied millions of this vast Empire.

Telegrams were sent to the mission stations within the bounds of the conference and many of the brethren and

sisters came to pay their last respects to the man whom we all loved and honored. His son, Hon. E. P. Allen, of Tientsin, and his daughter, Miss Ethel M. Allen, who was visiting her brother, could not get here in time. Friday afternoon, May 31st, the body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Shanghai in the same lot with Miss Laura Haygood, Miss Dora Rankin and others. I have attended many burials in Shanghai, and I do not think I ever saw a larger number in attendance than was present on Friday. Foreigners and Chinese were present to show their last respects to the departed. The writer was asked by the family to conduct the burial services, which he tried to do. He gave an outline of the life and labors of Dr. Allen, which was listened to with close and sympathetic attention.

The coffin was deeply covered with beautiful floral offerings that were sent in. Afterwards these were all placed on the grave, which was completely covered.

Mrs. Allen has borne up wonderfully under this very sudden and sore affliction that has come to her.

On Sunday afternoon at the 6 o'clock service Rev. Gilbert Reid, D. D., conducted a most appropriate memorial service. He preached a sermon in which he told of the great work that Dr. Allen had done for the Church and for China.

The Shanghai Missionary Association, of which Dr. Allen has long been a leading, active member, passed resolutions by a rising vote. Memorial services will be held in our Churches suitable to the memory of the deceased.

The China Mission Conference is greatly bereaved. We have sustained an irreparable loss. Our great leader has been taken from us and there is no one to take his place. Among the 4000 missionaries in China Dr. Allen was easily among the very first. He was a missionary to the Empire. All missions will feel his loss. China has lost one of her best, wisest, most devoted friends. The Southern Methodist Church mourns the loss of her greatest missionary, a missionary statesman whose place no one can fill. I propose that a memorial to Dr. Allen be built in Shanghai. We have long needed a Church for the Anglo-Chinese College. I hope that money will be given at once to build a church on the Anglo-Chinese College compound and call it the "Young J. Allen Memorial Church."

Before this is printed others will have written of Dr. Allen. I have not time now to write more, but later on I hope to write about the great work he has done for China. We bow submissively to the Divine will. We are in sorrow, but we labor on, expecting to again see our dear brother who has been taken from us. GEORGE R. LOEHR.

FORT WORTH PASTORS' ASSOCIATION.

After opening services the following brothers were introduced: Dr. John M. Moore, representing the Nashville Christian Advocate; Rev. O. T. Cooper, a recent graduate of our theological school at Nashville; Rev. H. C. Bowman, who is assisting Rev. J. T. Bloodworth in revival meetings on the district; and Rev. A. T. White, of Kingsville, West Texas Conference. Each of these brethren addressed the association.

Rev. C. W. Hearon, of Weatherford Street, reported a good day yesterday; three additions; large Sunday-school.

Rev. J. T. Bloodworth, the district evangelist, has just closed a good meeting at Riverside.

Rev. L. A. Webb, of Central, is in the midst of a revival; four conversions and one reclamation; five additions.

Rev. W. H. Keener has just closed a splendid meeting at Handley, with Bro. Shearer preaching. There were forty-five reclamations and conversions; Church greatly revived, and twenty-two additions.

Rev. C. A. Bickley reported twenty-five conversions and reclamations and thirteen members received into the Church at Riverside.

Rev. G. S. Slover closed his meeting at Mulkey with several conversions and fine services yesterday. Several forward; five additions.

Rev. C. L. Browning reported good services at the college. Will begin

revival July 10. Making plans for new church.

Rev. O. P. Kiker, at Missouri Avenue, reported sixty-five reclamations and conversions, forty additions, as a result of the revival, making 130 additions since conference. The Church will begin a mission revival at once in the Seventh Ward.

Rev. Frank E. Singleton, at Glenwood, reports fine congregations; four conversions, one reclamation and four additions by vows.

Rev. H. D. Knickerbocker, of First Church, reports fine services in the morning; one conversion at night and one during the week; received three by letter, one by baptism and made large collections on new church.

CANCELS ENGAGEMENTS.

Please say in the Advocate I will have to cancel all my engagements with the brethren to help them in meetings on account of sickness. Have been in bed eight weeks. Am some better at present. I do this to save writing to all. J. S. WILSON.

Melrose, Texas.

CHURCH EXTENSION NOTICE.

Preachers of the Texas Conference needing blanks for application to the Conference Board of Church Extension can get them by applying to me. It is best to get these filled out and to the Secretary early.

C. B. GARRETT, Secretary. Queen City, Texas.

TO NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE PASTORS.

Please bear in mind that August 1 is a day of trial to your Board of Missions. But little money has been sent to me for the past month, but I am expecting great things for the next three weeks.

Send all the money you can collect and let me know how much more you can send me by August 15. I trust that each presiding elder will help in the matter. Our work has never been in better condition. This calls for immediate and earnest attention. J. H. WISEMAN, Treas. Moody, Texas.

A PLEASANT EVENT.

On Thursday evening, June 20, it was the pleasure of the writer to unite in marriage Rev. Charles O. Shugart, of Harriman, Tenn., and Miss Clara Moore Reeder, of Winnsboro, Texas.

The marriage occurred at the beautiful home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Mims, and was witnessed by a large number of guests. In one of the parlors were displayed the wedding presents, which were costly and beautiful.

Miss Clara is a beautiful young woman possessing rare gifts and graces, and has the qualities which will make her an ideal wife for a Methodist preacher. She is a graduate of Martha Washington College and a credit to her Alma Mater.

Mr. Shugart is an Emory and Henry boy and one of the coming men of the Holston Conference. At present he is stationed at Harriman, Tennessee.

The best wishes of a host of friends go with Mr. and Mrs. Shugart. They will be at home after a few days at 515 Trenton street, Harriman, Tenn. E. L. EGGER.

Denison, Texas.

THE TWENTIETH QUESTION.

Like the keystone to the arch, this is certainly a cardinal question. Ignore it and, like Samson, shorn of his locks, Episcopal Methodism will be weak and as other men.

Truly has Bishop Hendricks said, "The hand of the temple has never survived the hand of the priest."

It is passing strange to some of us that so little is being said on the subject. In 1868, when Bishop McTyeire was holding a conference in Greenville, Ala., he said, "We are the only people on earth that inquire into the life and official ministrations of a pastor before complaint is laid against him, and for this good reason: We demand of our people more than any one else. We expect them to accept without hesitation an entire stranger on an endorsement alone, hence we can safely send out only the best, the doubtful need not apply."

A brother is received on the assurance that he believes in Christian perfection and that he is groaning after

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it, also that he will most cheerfully observe the eighteen rules laid down in paragraph 146, especially never go in debt so as to embarrass himself or anyone else. These are some of the points made and how they do need to be stressed even in a day of great prosperity on some lines! Eternal vigilance is the price of safety in more respects than one.

At the Galveston Conference some twenty years ago a name was called. Answer, "Nothing against him from this quarter." Bishop McTyeire was in the chair and as might have been expected, called a halt and we had it hot and heavy. That brother had been drunk several times and it was well known, yet on account of certain palliative circumstances, so-called, he was passed just like the best of us. Sad but true it was only a few months when he was taken up by the police just like a common sot. Oh, so hurtful!

In the city of Tuscaloosa, Ala., about forty-five years ago, a tall, fine-looking presiding elder was called who had contracted to marry two women and did not marry but one. The fact was brought to light and the verdict rendered, to-wit: He shall occupy the position of a soldier on the floor of the conference and hear such words of reproof and admonition as Bishop James O. Andrew might see fit to administer. Of course he stood and the good Bishop delivered the reproof as only he could, and let it be added that Alabama Methodism is all the better to this good day on account thereof.

Go thou and do likewise, remembering that it is a cruel kindness to help a brother cover up his crookedness that will be certain to find him out some day to the utter confusion of all parties concerned, as well as great injury to the good cause.

W. W. GRAHAM.

Gay, Texas.

This list of five new subscribers is the result of an exhortation by our beloved, T. H. Morris, under question 18 at our Quarterly Conference.

C. T. CUMMINGS.

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