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EDITORIAL

THE ACTION OF THE DALLAS COUNTY MOB.

Last week we had the worst outbreak in this city that ever occurred in our history. It came as the result of a revolting crime committed on the person of a little girl less than three years of age by a brutish negro man more than fifty years old. There is no doubt of the crime, neither is there the shadow of a doubt but that the man executed by the mob committed it. The crime occurred a week previous and there was great excitement at the time. The Sheriff took the precaution to spirit the negro away from the city and kept his whereabouts unknown until Thursday of last week, when he was brought back, very quietly, for trial.

Court opened promptly and he was arraigned for trial. The jury was being selected and the lawyers were quibbling about law points as is usual in all cases. About that time several hundred men dashed into the Court House and, like an avalanche, swept twenty-five or thirty officers before them, and broke into the criminal court room where the trial was in progress, seized the negro, put a rope around his neck, threw him out of a second-story window, dragged him up Main Street to the Elk's Arch and hung him. By this time thousands of people were on the streets.

As soon as this tragedy was enacted the same mob fled to the County Jail to secure Burrell Oates and Bubber Robinson, two negro prisoners confined for murder, both of whom have been tried and one of them under sentence with a motion for a new trial pending, with the avowed purpose of hanging them also. They attacked the jail and were about to drive in its doors when the Sheriff let a committee of them go through the building to prove that the negroes had been removed. This was done and the negroes were not found. The fact is, when the mob were engaged in lynching the other man the Sheriff knew what would come next, and he put the two negroes into an auto and sent them whizzing to Fort Worth. For several hours the mob remained on the streets, very sullen and determined, but their other intended victims were beyond reach and they had to finally disperse.

During the whole day's proceedings not a gun was fired and no other acts of violence were attempted. No other negro was molested and there was no disposition to injure any except the guilty wretches above mentioned. It was all carried on with determination, but with no other excess usually following such disorders. It was simply a mob of irresistible men whose minds were made up to visit vengeance on men whose cases they were not willing to further entrust to the courts; and there seemed no disposition upon the part of the officers to resist the onslaught to the point of blood shedding.

On general principles and really from every standpoint all right-thinking people are op-

posed to mob law. It bodes no good for our country when any class of citizens rise up, override courts, take the law into their own hands and visit punishment on an alleged criminal. It strikes a terrible blow at the safety of society, and it will sooner or later, if uncurbed, jeopardize the life and liberty of mankind. We can do nothing else but condemn such outbreaks.

But there is a responsibility for this condition of things that needs to be emphasized at this juncture of affairs. In the first place, a great many of our people have lax views of law and of some crimes against law. As a result they do not do their duty in their relation to jury service and their observance of law. When a man commits murder, unless it is peculiarly atrocious, the juries pass it over with slight regard.

In the second place, we have a class of criminal lawyers who are retained by men indicted for crime, and they bend every energy to defeat the penalties of law and to give their clients immunity. They raise technical points; they try to betray the courts into reversible errors; they ask for changes of venue; they plead for new trial, all for the purpose of protecting the criminal. In this way they defeat justice and turn bloody criminals loose on society without punishment.

In the third place, our courts are tardy in their proceedings. Cases are held up for months and even for years without a trial. When convictions are had in the lower courts, then the higher courts quibble over speculative points in court procedure; they split hairs over technical differences, and as a result about seven-tenths of the cases that go before our highest criminal courts are reversed. After that it is almost impossible to get a conviction. Take the case of a negro murderer in the Dallas County jail, the one the mob tried to hang the other day. He has been convicted five times and sentence of death passed upon him. Yet in every instance a majority of the higher court has reversed his case; and for five years he has gone unwhipped of justice. And no one, not even a member of the court, has a single doubt of his guilt. No wonder that a certain class of people become disgusted with the failure of the court to administer justice and proceed to do it themselves as they did last week. Therefore, it is time for our criminal lawyers, our courts and our best citizens to sit up and take notes. If the awful experience of this city in the mob demonstration of last week does not teach us needed lessons, then we are almost hopeless of the effort of our country at self-government. It is time for serious thought and for serious action.

The Psalms contain the finest devotional literature to which the human mind has access. There is no shade of human experience that they do not express, for they deal directly with the relation that the soul sustains to God. From the lowest pits of contrition to the highest mountain peaks of joy they speak our own language and our own emotions. To know them is to put oneself into closest proximity with God and the better life.

DALLAS CLOSED HER SALOONS ALL DAY LAST WEEK.

When the mob had charge of Dallas last week our Commissioners issued a prompt order to close every saloon in the city and to keep them closed until 5 o'clock the next morning. No other business house was so summarily dealt with by our officials. Is not this very peculiar? Here we have nearly three hundred saloons paying the city, the county and the State several hundred dollars for the privilege of carrying on a "legitimate" business protected by law, yet when the mob was in control of the city the authorities stepped in and practiced a great hardship upon these places of business—really usurped authority and made them close up tight for twenty-four hours! Ought not these saloon men to have resisted this unlawful interference with their business? Was it not gross discrimination? Why thus impose upon these law-abiding citizens who are paying for the privilege of running their saloons open? Are there not thousands of our citizens who say that the saloon is a necessary institution; that it helps to defray the expenses of government? Do they not stand by it in all elections, and do they not advise the Legislature to regulate and protect it by law? Is it not a legitimate part of our industrial economy? Why then under any circumstances should the authorities step in and deprive these lawful institutions of the privilege of conducting their business one whole day in the week when they permitted all other business to run unmolested?

Ah, gentlemen, what a commentary on the saloon as a business institution! It is a confession that the saloon is a lawless institution in fact; that it inspires the worst passions of men; that it breeds crime; that it is a menace and a danger to society. Hence, when there is undue excitement abroad in the community it is necessary for the public good and for the safety of life and property for the authorities to close up all such resorts and require them to stay closed until the excitement dies out. Now if it is good for society in times of excitement to have these hell-inspired breeders of crime to close doors in order to protect society, then why not in times of peace close these institutions before their traffic has time to produce the excitement? They make it their business to fire the human heart with hate, to nerve the arm of the assassin, to encourage the arts of criminal excess and to endanger human life and property. In fact, they are moral powder magazines underlying our form of government and whenever a match is applied to them, by some man's indulgence, they are ready to explode and carry all forms of evil into aggressive practice. Down with the saloon! On with the battle!

Sincerity may be brusque at times, but it is preferable to that sort of pretension that has neither depth nor breadth to it. The word comes from two Latin words, cera and sine, which literally mean without wax. That is, sincerity is a quality of character that has no mixture of alloy with it.

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on Acts, by George Holley Gilbert, Ph. D., D. D. Henry Beach Carre, professor of New Testament exegesis in Vanderbilt, wrote a notice of these commentaries, which was published in the April number of the Methodist Review of last year. Among other things, he says: "These two volumes are the first of a series of commentaries on the Bible designed to meet the needs of Sunday-school teachers, lay readers, and clergymen who wish to have access to the results of the best modern biblical scholarship. * * * There is need of such a commentary, especially on the part of busy Christian workers, who have neither the time nor the inclination for lengthy exegesis, and yet who are not satisfied with antiquated aids to Bible study, or with modern helps written from the traditional point of view. * * * The appearance of the volume on Acts at the beginning of this year will be welcomed by Sunday-school teachers who are using the International lessons. * * * Dr. Mathews and his fellow-editors are performing a task for the Church of today that should be far-reaching in its results; for there is pressing need that the rank and file of Bible students be equipped with the material for an historical interpretation of the Bible. This is a necessary step to the creation of a theology which is in harmony with the present age, wherein all science is studied historically; and furthermore, the transition from the traditional to the historical view will be furthered through the production of such aids to Bible study as those under review rather than through theoretical discussions on the relative merit of the respective views."

A careful consideration of the above will reveal the fact that Prof. Carre has innocently outlined the program of the Religious Educational propagandists. A transition from the traditional to the historic view is necessary. It is to be brought about by putting such Bible helps as Chicago University is issuing into the hands of Sunday-school teachers and Bible scholars. This is to prepare the way for a new theology, in harmony with the present age, wherein all science is studied historically. Prof. Carre is in a position to know what he is talking about, and it is such utterances that make us suspicious. The great masses of the Church do not know that a "transition" is on hand, or even desired, much less are they looking for a new theology based on Chicago University interpretation of the Bible. If I am not very much mistaken, a vast deal of "public sentiment" will have to be worked before they will knowingly tolerate such a thing.

After reading the foregoing book review, I was not surprised to learn that Prof. Carre put in his summer at the Chicago fountain of "modern scholarship." Speaking of Drs. Shaller Mathews, Earnest D. Burton and Hebert A. Willett, Dr. John M. Moore said last summer: "These are three of the leading men in the Chicago faculty, and they very largely shape the teaching that is done in the Chicago Divinity School. Through them the best and the worst are coming to our preachers. No school in this country outside our own Vanderbilt Theological Seminary is affecting the ministry of Southern Methodism more largely than the Divinity School of the University of Chicago." Two years ago a leading Texas Baptist declared in his own Church paper that this institution is the hotbed of higher criticism in this country, and that he would recommend no man for the pastorate who had ever studied there. I can say in all sincerity and without malice aforethought that to see Southern Methodist institutions hanging on to the coat-tails of Chicago University is not a pleasing spectacle. Now, if any brother feels disposed to accuse this writer of unkind and unbrotherly insinuations, let him, in lieu thereof, rise up and explain.

JOHN D. MAJOR.



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MEETING OF CHAIRMEN OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARDS.

The wisdom of our General Sunday-school Board in providing at its last session for a conference of the chairmen of the various Sunday-school boards of our Church we think has been fully justified by the results of the first meeting, held in Nashville, Jan. 7 and 8.

In response to the call of Dr. E. B. Chappell, Sunday-school editor, the following brethren from the conferences named came, notwithstanding the excessively cold and disagreeable weather which prevailed at the time: Rev. W. J. Moore, Oklahoma Conference; Rev. W. P. Talkington, White River Conference; Rev. George McGlumphy, Arkansas Conference; Rev. Charles S. Stanton, Baltimore Conference; Rev. J. M. Glenn, South Georgia Conference; Rev. E. Hightower, Northwest Texas Conference; Rev. W. M. Given, Western Virginia Conference; Rev. J. A. Lyons, Holston Conference; Rev. F. T. McIntire, Kentucky Conference; Rev. A. D. Litchfield, Louisville Conference; Rev. G. W. Wray, Virginia Conference; Rev. J. M. Workman, Little Rock Conference; Secretary; B. F. Lewis, Mississippi Conference; Rev. G. S. Roberts, Florida Conference; Rev. S. M. Miller, Louisville Conference; Rev. L. F. Beaty, South Carolina Conference; Prof. H. B. Carre, Louisiana Conference; G. M. Napier, North Georgia Conference; W. B. Cooper, North Carolina Conference; B. M. Burgher, North Texas Conference; D. C. Scales, Tennessee Conference; Rev. W. A. Stroud, Tennessee Conference; Secretary; Rev. H. B. Mays, North Georgia Conference, Secretary; A. B. Coffman, Missouri Conference, Field Secretary.

It may be said that from the opening of the conference to its close there was scarcely a moment idly or unprofitably spent. Earnest, enterprising men, having the King's business in hand, had come together to consider most vital interests and to plan for larger things, and no time was to be lost.

The discussions took a wide range, as will appear upon the mention of such themes as the following: "The Importance of the Sunday-school Teachers' Work," "How to Secure the Co-operation and Sunday-school Training of Pastors," "Missionary Training in the Sunday-school," "How Our Sunday-school Boards May Help the Individual School," "Sunday-school Extension," "Needed General Conference Legislation," "Children's Day and How to Make It a Success," "How to Make Rally Day Profitable," "The Sunday-school as an Evangelizing Agency," "The Best Plan for Extending the Circulation of Our Sunday-school Literature," etc.

Much interest was manifested in all the subjects discussed, and while many of the papers and speeches possessed decided literary merit, they were in every instance intensely practical. Indeed, the dominant spirit in all present seemed to be a desire to get hold of knowledge that would help in solving the various problems that confront the worker in the field, and plans comprehensive and yet simple enough to be easily worked anywhere and everywhere. And God was in their midst, answering by his presence and help their longings for grace and wisdom for the larger and more efficient service.

May we not expect that the work of this first conference of the chairmen of our Sunday-school Boards shall be productive of great good? Yea, verily. These representative workers have, we believe, returned to their several fields of labor not only equipped in many ways for better service, but with an earnest purpose to go more for the cause than ever before. So we may safely predict that their enthusiastic service for the young people of the Church will be felt over a large part of our Church's territory. God grant that it may be so, and that all future annual gatherings may add in increase to the great good already accomplished through this first meeting.

Especially attention is invited to the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Sunday-school editor be and is hereby requested to publish in the Magazine the names and addresses of the chairmen of our Conference Sunday-school Boards.

Resolved, That we respectfully petition the College of Bishops, when next they revise the "Course of Study" for preachers, to include in the first year's course some book which deals specifically with the relation of the pastor to the Sunday-school.

Resolved, That we memorialize the General Conference to pass a law

constituting all members of Conference Boards members of the Annual Conference.

Appreciating the value of conferences such as we are now holding, and believing that the work throughout the entire Church would be greatly benefited by having all our chairmen present at future meetings, therefore

Resolved, That the General Sunday-school Board be and is hereby requested to consider ways and means by which it may be possible for the chairmen of our weaker conferences to attend our future meetings.

Whereas, It is impossible to conduct a Sunday-school to best advantage except in rooms specially designed for such work; and

Whereas, A great many churches are being erected without due consideration of Sunday-school interests; therefore be it

Resolved, That this body request the various Conference Sunday-school Boards, as far as they may be able, to place before the building committees of Churches plans which include all apartments necessary for doing up-to-date, efficient work.

Resolved, That copies of all resolutions and memorials looking to General Conference legislation be sent to each member of the various General Conference delegations, and also that the chairmen of the Conference Sunday-school Boards be furnished with a sufficient number of copies of said memorials for the members of their boards.

Resolved, further, That after the several members of the boards have considered these resolutions and memorials, they convey their views of them to their chairmen, who, in turn, shall report them to the chairmen of their respective General Conference delegations.

Resolved, That we heartily commend the action of the General Sunday-school Board in providing for the present meeting of chairmen of Conference Boards, and we hereby request that they arrange for future annual meetings at such time and under such programs as they may deem best.

Resolved, That we urge each Sunday-school Board in our connection to secure space in their conference organ in which to present the great cause in which we are so interested, and therein give notes from the field, including Sunday-school plans and methods, and that each board secure a competent man to perform this helpful service.

Resolved, also, That it is the sense of this body that our central organ, the Nashville Christian Advocate, would do the wise thing to devote one of its pages to the cause of Sunday-schools.

Resolved, That our publishing agents be and are hereby requested to allow the officers of our Conference Sunday-school Boards to purchase samples of all our literature and supplies at a nominal rate in order that they may not only the better inform themselves, but may also be enabled to exhibit larger lines of samples before the workers gathered in our institutes and Sunday-school Conferences.

Resolved, That we believe that there are large possibilities in the utilization of college students for the work of Sunday-school extension, and hereby request the chair to appoint a committee of five to work out the practical details.

In obedience to this resolution, the following persons were appointed: Dr. H. B. Carre, Rev. C. S. Stanton, Rev. E. Hightower, Rev. S. M. Miller and Rev. G. W. Wray.

L. F. BEATY, Secretary.

REVISE OUR HYMNAL.

I would add a word of commendation to Bro. Hendrickson's article in the Advocate of Jan. 27 on "The Methodist Hymnal and the General Conference." By all means let us have a hymnal with poetry printed between the soprano and bass of the music. As the book is now connective men may exhort and Bishops may chide all they please about the preacher being disloyal that doesn't use it, but the preacher is helpless. Our village and country congregations will not use the book. I have bought and paid for more than one set myself, and wore the books out trying to introduce them, and they would not be introduced, because the people said they could not sing the songs as the music is arranged in relation to the words. While I am writing I will say further that the book needs revising from another standpoint before it will come into general use in the small towns and country. Much of the music is very difficult. It may be all right for

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the trained and skillful choir of the city Church, but much of it is too difficult for our smaller places. Then, much of the music is not well adapted to the words. For instance, I saw the Northwest Texas Conference fail on No. 4. And I think at the same conference session some one wanted a baby baptized, and Bishop Hoss gave out the hymn of his own writing—No. 231—and requested that the old tune, Hebron, be used as the music to the hymn, as that in the book was not familiar. I will add that it will not be familiar a hundred years from now. It is a wretched thing and murders that great hymn. And so it is with many authors of the great hymns of the book. The preacher must pass them by altogether, or use music in some other part of the book, while many of the old, standard tunes that never can be beat are left out altogether. If I should begin to make a general review of the book from the standpoint of the country preacher, I could point out many instances of a misfit of music to words, and of unsingable music, no matter what the words. Mind you, I say, as a preacher to village and country congregations, I don't know so much about others. I give just these few of many examples: Nos. 14, 15, 26, 27, 231, and many others.

Let us have a hymnal prepared by Southern Methodists for Southern Methodists, and while we are not to disregard the needs and wants of the trained choir, don't altogether ignore the necessities of smaller congregations.

C. D. WEST.

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Stamford, Texas.



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Dublin, Texas.

Notes From the Field

Trenton.

We are in the midst of a great meeting. Rev. G. A. Marvin is doing the preaching. Folks are getting a vision of duty. Several have been converted. —J. D. Whitehead, March 5.

Sierra Blanca.

We have just closed a meeting at Van Horn. Brother S. E. Allison, of Alpine, preached in that simple, earnest way and God used him for the salvation of many precious souls. Seventeen additions to the Methodist Church and one to the Christian Church. There are four more to be received by its next month. Brother Allison baptized fourteen at the close of the meeting. We have received forty-one into the Church since October. Our church at Sierra Blanca is ready for dedication. The church at Van Horn will soon be ready for use, as we have ordered the best straight pews. Our assessments for foreign and domestic missions and church extension have been paid. Salary to date more than double last year. Pray for us.—F. Cramer, Feb. 28.

Eustace Circuit.

Our first Quarterly Conference convened at Elm Grove March 2. Our beloved presiding elder, J. T. Smith, was sick, and sent Brother Lowe to hold the conference. My! How he did preach! He captured the whole congregation at the 11 o'clock service. A good congregation, a fine dinner and then Bro.

Lowe called us together for the business session. Bro. Lowe filled the chair with dignity and transacted the business in presiding style. Everything moved in harmony. Reports along all lines were up to a high standard. The good Lord was with us in the power of the Holy Ghost, and a great many of us could say, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. The Eustace charge is coming to the front; six conversions and five additions. So, you see, the revival fire is beginning to fall on us. Nine new subscribers for the Texas Christian Advocate. Amen.—D. E. Pulley, P. C.

Bryan.

Our first Quarterly Conference was held March 2. Our new presiding elder, Rev. F. M. Boyles, was on hand and presided like a veteran. He will make good, you may be sure. I reported 101 new members for the quarter, and there are more to follow. Finances in good condition. Rev. J. W. Moore, of Beaumont, lectured for the Allen Academy Y. M. C. A. on the evening of February 25. The subject was "The New Patriotism," and the audience, which contained many besides students, was delighted.—Thomas H. Morris, P. C., March 4.

Tulerosa, N. M.

On the 29th of last December, when Mr. Martin and I stepped off the train, Tulerosa, N. M., was sheeted with snow and ice; but this, the second day of March, is more glorious and fair than any Eastern May day. Did you ever hear of J. S. Johnson? We spent three weeks in his home, and fared sumptuously every day. I tried to pay him, but, instead of taking the money, he and his good wife drove us out into a brand-new parsonage. They have been pounding us ever since. I cannot tell you about all the good people here. As the weeks come and go we find more and more. Not all of them are Methodists, either. We are laboring under some peculiar disadvantages, but if you do not believe we have some brave, true people, come and see. By the grace of God we expect to let you hear from us again.—C. T. Martin.

Knox City.

Knox City is making new history. At our last Annual Conference Knox City was made a station. She feels proud of her new relation. The Board of Stewards met soon after conference and fixed the pastor's salary at \$1000 and the presiding elder's \$125, making

an increase in salaries of \$625 over last year. The people have received us royally. The pounding came in due time. Many expressions of appreciation in the way of substantial are continually finding their way to the parsonage. The Church is well organized, and all of the institutions of the Church are doing good work. Rev. C. L. Ballard, of Sherman, Texas, came to us February 13 and remained to February 29, preaching a series of doctrinal sermons. It is useless for me to say it was well done. His clear presentation of the truth was clear, brotherly, scriptural, unanswerable. We feel that the Church has been strengthened by his strong defense of the principles of our great Church. Here as elsewhere, the people of other denominations seemed to think that it was an awful thing for the Methodists to preach a series of doctrinal sermons. No Church that needs a series of doctrinal sermons preached will make a mistake to secure Bro. Ballard. We are out here in the great West with great opportunities for our Methodism. We are desirous to lead her forces to victory through Christ Jesus our Lord.—M. S. Leveridge.

Camp Springs Circuit.

This charge lies between Roby and Rotan on the east and Snyder on the west. The first two places are in Fisher County, the latter in Scurry County. Camp Springs is near the dividing line between these two counties, hence part of the circuit lies in Fisher and the rest in Scurry County, and consists of seven appointments. The field is, indeed, a growing one, and demands pastoral care and oversight. The chief difficulty in the accomplishment of permanent results lies in the formative condition of the country. Ranches have been and are breaking up and giving place to farming industry. Public roads are being located, school districts organized and good, substantial houses erected. Railroad enterprises are being projected and traversing this whole Western and Northwestern Texas. These material changes are carried on with such constancy and regularity as to render church building in the rural districts well nigh impossible, at least for the time being. The severe drought of last year has caused a temporary lull in immigration; not so much, I feel free to say, the effects of the drought on this western country as on the eastern part of the State, from which, largely, we derive our population. The drought here—its effects, I mean—has been greatly exaggerated by those going back east. By this I mean no reflection on any one. Certainly this part of the country, while suffering, indeed, did not feel the stroke as did parts of Bosque, Coryell, McLennan, Ellis and some other counties. Despite the ordeal, the country has not only held its own, but is steadily moving forward. I know no part of this great



REV. I. E. HIGHTOWER,
Grapevine, Texas.

State with a more inviting future than the territory embraced in the Stamford, Abilene and Colorado Districts. The Santa Fe, destined to be one of the greatest trunk lines of the State, traverses this territory. The grading is under contract to be finished by the first of June. The Central is crowding its work of surveying from Rotan, its present terminus, west. It is expected that the work of construction will soon begin. Camp Springs is on or very near the proposed route. But of the material condition one could fill an ordinary volume. The Colorado District is truly blessed in the way of a presiding elder who is wide-awake to its every interest, and is in sympathetic touch with its every movement. He looks carefully after every detail of church enterprise, and is a literal itinerant—"in journeyings often" is deserving of emphasis. The first Quarterly Conference for this charge met at this place, Camp Springs, January 22, 23. The charge was well represented by unusually large numbers. The reports showed both care and interest on the part of the Official Board. And it would be almost criminal to pass by in this notice the splendid pounding which befell the parsonage at the close of the conference on Saturday afternoon. As I had business with the Secretary at the close of the session, the invasion

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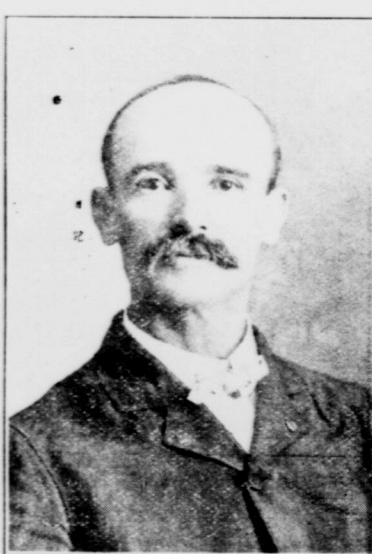
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Weatherford, Texas.



J. M. ROBERTSON,
Meridian, Texas.

of the parsonage was over and the perpetrators dispersed before my arrival. Was it a dream—the scene that presented itself before my dazed vision on my arrival at the humble parsonage? If it was I am very much in the attitude of the darkey who dreamed that he had invaded his neighbor's chicken-roost. It was only a dream, but the fried chicken on the table the next morning was somehow satisfying to his appetite. This token of appreciation on the part of the people is solely for the Lord's sake, and the more appreciated on that account. Of "the foreigner in our midst" I hope to have something to say later.—W. E. Caperton, Feb. 28.

Emma.

After four years pleasantly spent on Turkey Mission with some of the best people in the world, Bishop Key and his cabinet placed me at Emma. We reached here on December 7. We were soon made to feel at home, and that ours was a "goodly heritage." We received the pounding in due time, and some of the nice things still remain to call to memory this token of loyalty. Of course, these things were appreciated by all the inmates of the parsonage. Our predecessor, A. H. Hussey, wrought well. On New Year's Day our stewards called a session of

conference to begin the year's work. They raised the salaries of the preacher in charge and the presiding elder \$331.50 over last year, the entire assessment being \$877.50. I have a fine Board of Stewards. They are both pleasant and wide-awake to the last interests of the charge. On the first day of March our beloved was with us in our first Quarterly Conference. He addressed us on the great laymen's meeting which was held recently at Dallas. All enjoyed the service, and notwithstanding the conference coming on Tuesday, all our stewards were present except one—and he was kept away on account of sickness. They made an excellent report. Our presiding elder said it was the best ever made in the history of the work. They paid up and over on salary; the report was \$232.35. We are starting well. We have received seven to date. We are praying for a great revival all over the charge. I have the work planned, and I am expecting great results in Christ's name. By the way, we have lots of room in this country for Methodists. Good land, cheap, good water and good people.—C. D. Pipkin, March 2.

Granbury.

We recently closed a fine meeting at Granbury. It is especially delightful to conduct revival services in college towns, for special opportunities are afforded for reaching young men and women. Granbury College has made good in the years gone by, and is now in the midst of a very successful year, under the direction of Rev. Atticus Webb and a strong faculty. Brother Cox is in great favor with his people, and one of our strongest men. The "trumpet gives no uncertain sound" when in Brother Cox's hands. The young people are religious, and a strong Christian sentiment pervades the community. There were twenty-six conversions, and out of the meeting will come nearly thirty additions to the Church. The best results were obtained in those who offered for special service. A finer class of young people I have hardly seen. Nine offered in the afternoon Sunday, and four at night. And the college has a volunteer band of nearly twenty. Among those who offered for special service were Miss Ethel Wilson, daughter of the Sunday-school Superintendent; Prof. J. N. Hester, Miss Dora Saunders, Albin McCloskey, Lloyd Hill, Jno. Reichlester, Misses Virgie Chalmers (Baptist) and Lucy Little (Baptist), Lowe Jones, H. A. Price, Omer High-tower, Jeff Cornett and Ed Carpenter. Judge J. J. Hiner and wife assumed the support and house rent of Rev. T. S. T. Long, Hoo Chow, China. Provision had been made to build a new church at Granbury, but the committee has waited on account of the drought of last year. They propose launching the

enterprise at once. I was delightfully entertained at the home of Brother H. L. Nutt, and it was my pleasure to occupy the room of their missionary daughter, Miss Martha, who is working in Mexico. The youngest daughter, Mary Sue, is also a volunteer.—M. S. Hotchkiss.

Post Oak.

Our first Quarterly Conference convened the 12th and 13th of February. It was the best in many respects that we have ever had. Brother Roach, our beloved presiding elder, was with us and preached three great sermons. Sunday, at 11 o'clock, he gave us the strongest discourse on infant baptism we have heard in a long time. Our Board of Stewards had good reports from each point on the charge; one-fourth the salary almost paid. We had dinner on the ground, and my "how Brother Roach eats chicken." When we arrived at our new home Post Oak gave us a grand reception. Did they pound us? Yes, two rooms were crowded with both old and young people, each one bringing a token of kindness. We are moving off nicely. Organized one Home Mission Society at Newport and will organize at Antelope soon. Organized one Senior Epworth League. I have the finest body of young people to labor with I have ever had, but many are strangers to God's love. They are so kind and courteous. I am praying that God may give them to help in his cause. We had two conversions at watch service New Year's night. Had a great spiritual feast at cottage prayer-meeting last night. The harvest, truly, is white. May the Lord help me to garner the sheaves.—J. S. Ellis, March 3.

Gustine.

We have just closed a ten days' meeting at this place. Had between 80 and 90 conversions and 27 additions to the Church, with others to follow; baptized 25. Three fine young men will answer God's call to the ministry, one splendid young lady volunteers for mission work and a number of the young laymen have asked the pastor, "What will you have me to do?" It was the greatest meeting ever held in the town. Not more than a dozen children or young people remain unconverted. Rev. P. M. Jackson, of Goldthwaite, and Rev. A. E. Turney, of Comanche, assisted in the meeting, each preaching the gospel with great power. The pastor was assisted in a personal work campaign in the church and on the streets by Rev. H. C. Maynor, a young minister from Blanket. These men were all able and intensely earnest, and each did a work that will doubtless live forever. The Church is now alive, the Sunday-school is one of the best in the Brownwood District, and

still growing in interest and numbers. The League is doing a great work. Have organized the laymen; will organize a W. H. M. Society this week and a Junior League next Sunday. Going to have something for every member of the Church to do and every member doing something, if possible. We have had conversions or additions—frequently both—at each of the six appointments on this charge, with only one exception. We are praying for and expecting a great meeting at each appointment. "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."—Geo. F. Kornegay, March 1.

San Angelo Notes.

Our presiding elder, Rev. Will T. Renfro, recently conducted a series of noon-hour services at the college, resulting in some thirty-five conversions. Two strong young men yielded to a call to the ministry and a number of young ladies declare they are willing to hear the voice of the Lord if it calls them to any field of labor, whether it be at home or abroad. There was no prearranged date set for a meeting and no sensational efforts to make a great noise, but one day at a time Brother Renfro came and gave us the simple story of Jesus and his love, and our hearts were strangely warmed. It was not accidental that in one short week almost our entire student body unconverted was converted. The faculty and students have been praying and silently working with individuals, so it was what we expected when one by one the young people fell at the altar place and yielded to God. We have had a most delightful year. Things have conspired in our favor. There has been a delightful fellowship between faculty and students. In-

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Because, as it happened that very day,
You were out of touch with your Lord.

Only a word, yes, only a word,
That the Spirit's small voice whispered, "Speak;"
But the worker passed onward, unblest and weak,
Whom you were meant to have stirred
To courage, devotion and love anew,
Because, when the message came to you,
You were out of touch with your Lord.

Only a note, yes, only a note,
To a friend in a distant land;
The Spirit said "Write," but then you had planned
Some different work and you thought
It mattered little. You did not know
'Twould have saved a soul from sin and woe—
You were out of touch with your Lord.

Only a song, yes, only a song,
That the Spirit said "Sing tonight;
Thy voice is thy Master's by purchased right."
But you thought, "Mid this motley throng,
I care not to sing of the City of God;"
And the heart that your words might have reached grew
cold—
You were out of touch with your Lord.

Only a day, yes, only a day,
But oh! can you guess, my friend,
Where the influence reaches and where it will end
Of the hours that you frittered away?
The Master's command is "Abide in me;"
And fruitless and vain will your service be
If out of touch with your Lord.

—Name of author unknown.

FOR GRANDMOTHER BROWN.

Christy had been in the country often before, but never when the snow was all over the hills and heavy on the trees and high up against the fences.

"There's a sled somewhere out in the barn, Christy," said Uncle Richard, "that will take you down Minor's Hill on a day such as this like the wind. It's an ugly thing. Perhaps a city boy will not ride on a sled that is not painted."

"Paint's nothing!" said Christy, smiling a beaming smile. "When may I go?"

"As soon after breakfast as we can hunt up the sled," said Uncle Richard. Uncle Richard was after Christy's own heart. He did not put things off.

When the sled was found and Christy was ready to start, his aunt gave him some eggs and a loaf of bread to leave at old Grandmother Brown's. The little house where she lived was shut up and very still when Christy knocked at the door. But a quavering voice called to him to come in.

Grandmother was sitting by the fire, which was not a very big fire, nursing her wrinkled face in her hands.

"Shut the door," she said, sharply, "and come here where I can look at you. Why didn't they send somebody bigger?" she asked, when Christy stood beside her chair. "You're not much more than a baby. I can't get around to do anything. I ain't slept any all night; the medicine's out in the bottle."

She ended with a number of groans and sighs. She seemed to have forgotten all about Christy. He waited a minute and then he began to back toward the door.

"Good by," he said, when he went out. But he said it rather softly. He almost hoped that she would not hear.

"A baby!" said Christy to himself, when he was safe in the road, pulling

the sled after him toward Minor's Hill. "It's only because she's so awfully old that she thinks I'm that. But," he chuckled, "I don't care. She might have kept me waiting and kept me doing things for her all the morning. She's welcome to call me baby if she want to. It doesn't make me one."

He went briskly on over the smooth road. But for some reason, he always saw the little bent woman in the dull room by the small fire. Just yesterday Aunt Jenny had said how handy he was at making a fire.

Presently he began to run. Then he whistled. And then he came to the church.

The church put Christy in mind of a good many things.

He stopped running. And he stopped whistling. At last he turned round. "I'm going back. This is meaner'n dirt!"

"Wouldn't you like me to make your fire up for you, Mrs. Brown?" he asked, when he was standing at her elbow again.

"Eh? Aren't you gone yet? Can you make a fire, do you think? The wood's out in the shed."

The fire was soon crackling cheerfully. Christy put the kettle down on the flames, and presently grandmother and he between them had made a piping hot cup of tea.

"It's real warm'n and tasty," said the poor old soul, grateful. "You are a real good boy, and you don't appear to be so small as I first thought."

But the tea could not cure the ache in Grandmother Brown's bones. She still sighed and groaned and rocked back and forth on her chair.

"The medicine is all out in my bottle. It's elegant medicine. There's money for more on the bureau under the bureau cover," hinted grandmother.

Dr. Hall was in the store. He took the bottle out of Christy's hand and looked at the label pasted on it.

"Grandmother Brown has had a turn, has she? Is she warm?"

"She is now," said Christy.

"I'll stop in and take a look at her," said the doctor.

He took Christy into his sleigh, and they went back together.

After Christy had gone for Cynthia Martin, as the doctor told him to do, to ask her to come and take care of grandmother, it was dinner time.

In the evening at the supper table Uncle Richard said, Christy, Dr. Hall

thinks that you may have saved Grandmother Brown's life today. That strikes me as a pretty fine job for a boy of your size. I'm proud of you."—Sally Campbell, in Exchange.

AS OTHER SEE US.

Emily lay in her little brass bed gazing at the moon light that filled the room. She had been asleep, but now the room was so light from the moon it had awakened her. It shone so brightly it illuminated even the closet door, which was open, so that she could see her dresses hanging tidily on the hooks, and her shoes carefully standing in a row beneath them.

Suddenly she heard a little rustling in the closet; then her pink dimity stretched herself on the hook, yawning daintily, shook out her white lace, and remarked:

"Dear me! how tired I am hanging here. I quite long to be worn out into the sunshine again."

"Well, I have been worn enough to suit anybody this summer," replied her brown linen Russian blouse, giving a lazy fang to one side. "My, but I am tired when night comes. The only rest I had during vacation was when I went to the wash; and really such scrubbing as I got, and pressing with hot irons, can hardly be called a rest."

"It is interesting though," remarked the blue plaid gingham. "I do love to be worn to school, and see her bending so thoughtfully over her books, studying. It is a pleasure to stand up with her and have her recite her lessons so well."

"Yes," answered the scarlet cashmere, "but somehow when she wears me she seems so proud she sometimes misses her lessons and she is inclined to look down upon a poor, quiet little blue Danish cloth beside me."

"I have noticed that," said the pink silk in the corner. "It is really alarming when she wears me to parties. I think she is a disagreeable child. She holds her head so high, and plants her pink slippers down as if no one was quite as good as she."

"Well," said the brown linen. "I suppose we all see different sides of her character. For my part, I think she is too rough and boisterous most of the time. She goes like a whirlwind everywhere, and shouts and screams until really my nerves are all on edge."

"If you think she is noisy when she goes out with you," called the bloomer suit from the darkest corner, "pray what must I think? I sometimes wonder if I am coming home whole or in rents. Oh, it is dreadful!" and she gave a little shudder.

"Dear me," said Emily under her breath, "I never knew before that clothes noticed the wearer," but the white muslin was speaking and Emily stopped to listen.

"I am sure" she was saying in a soft silky little voice, "I do not see any of the things you speak of. She seems a good quiet, obedient girl. I go with her to Church and Sunday-school, you know, and she sits as still as a mouse, thinks beautiful thoughts, and answers so prettily when her teacher speaks to her. I noticed one Sunday she gave a rose to a poor, shabby, faded gingham that sits off in one corner of the class, and she speaks kindly to her every Sunday."

"That may be true," replied the bloomer suit, "but I can hardly believe it. Perhaps if she wore you once climbing trees, running races, and tearing around with a great black dog, you would feel differently."

"I shudder to think of it," answered the muslin. "Anyone with such a delicate constitution as mine would soon be a hopeless wreck."

"Indeed you would," answered the bloomers, "I am thankful I am made to stand the wear and tear of it all."

"As far as I can see," remarked the plaid gingham, "she seems to average pretty well. She may be a trifle proud when she wears you," she added, turning to the pink silk, "but you know you really are a very fascinating creation."

"No excuse at all," said the pink silk decidedly. "I may be very fascinating, but I assure you that I am not proud at all."

"No, you leave that to her," chuckled the Russian blouse, "and she—"

Just then a little gentle breeze closed the door softly, and Emily heard no more.

The next morning she opened the door and looked at them.

"Dear me," she remarked, "you all

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look quiet enough this morning. Did I dream it I wonder, or did you really talk about me, and teach me a much needed lesson?"—Emma F. Bush, in Sunday-School Times.

WHO SHALL ROLL AWAY THE STONE?

Some of the stones that we see in the way of our progress are imaginary, and others are real. In the former case we need more light and greater courage, and in the latter instance much hope and more faith. In both cases the difficulty must yield to treatment, human or divine, or rather both. "Where there's a will there's a way." History and experience both prove that all difficulties, real or imaginary, can be either rolled away or overcome, if not by our might, then by an angel's hand, and, so far as we and the results are concerned, it does not matter which. When you are in the line of duty to God or man, do not hesitate because there is a stone in the way, but just pass on and see what you can do with it. When you get close to it you may see your way clear to handle it, or a friend may come in the "nick of time" and give you a lift. Or, as in the case of the women at the sepulcher, some one may remove it before you get there. If not, then let God have a chance. He is so "handy" and helpful, especially when we get as far as we can go! Help, Lord, for we are needy!—Religious Telescope.

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THE ELGIN MARBLES.

The term is applied to a collection of Greek sculptures, considered the finest in the world. Elgin is the capital of Elginshire, Scotland. Thomas Bruce, Earl of Elgin, became interested in the group of sculptures in the Parthenon, the temple of Pallas, in Athens, and in 1803 he had them removed to the British Museum, though England did not really buy them till 1816. Among these are the reclining figure of Theseus, The Three Fates and Iris in airy drapery. Also hundreds of linear feet of the most elaborately carved frieze. There are also the fifteen metopes representing the battle of the Centaurs and the Lapithae. One frieze, known as the cello frieze, is a representation in relief of the universal procession at Athens to the Acropolis, and consists of chariots and charioteers, numerous equestrian figures, footmen, women, sacrificial victims, etc. The celebration and procession commemorated the birth of Minerva from the brain of Jove, using the Latin names; and the occasion came every five years, having a deeply religious significance. These marbles were executed by and under the direction of Phidias about the middle of the 5th century B. C.

FOCUS.

This Latin word, adopted bodily into English, means the hearth, the fire-place. All that is comfortable in the home and sacred in the family gathers daily around the hearth, the fire-place, because it is the place where all may be comfortable, where sweetest communion is held, and it becomes therefore the central place in the house where all can meet and enjoy the best there is in human society. Later the word came to mean any point around which any kind of forces or influences may gather.

U. S. HISTORY BY PRESIDENTIAL TERMS—(7) ANDREW JACKSON.

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STOCK EXPRESSIONS.

The story of the old mule who had so long drawn the power in a circle that when he was set free on the commons he grazed round and round in a circle and could get nowhere else is fittingly illustrative of the person who has one stock of expressions for all occasions, all sentiments and all intensities of feeling. Poverty of expression accompanies poverty of inner life. That which is pulsing with life within us naturally seeks to express itself outwardly. It is pathetic to find a person with all the possible multitudinous impressions and experiences confined to a few forms of expression. Besides, it is tiresome to our friends to be perpetually saying such things as: "It certainly is." "He certainly did." "I certainly was." "I certainly hope so." "It certainly was fine." "I certainly am sorry." "That certainly is bad." And so on ad infinitum. Or, in answer to everything that is said: "Sure," "sure thing," and so on. The smallest amount of attention to one's vocabulary will quickly overcome this wearisome practice. Variety of expression is essential to keep us from grooving and dwarfing. Whoever fixes himself in any permanent form of expression has finished growing, has already become stale. The foregoing examples are only illustrative of many habitual expressions into which we are apt to shape too large a share of our thinking and feeling. The greater the variety of expression the more polished the mind and the broader the nature becomes.

SOME THINGS THAT OUGHT TO BE SAID.

The slow progress of our Methodism for the few years now passed is alarming and reproachful. Methodism should occupy all the field, and it can do it. It is destined to take the world for Christ. But it is difficult to fill a tub until you stop the leakage.

Shall I say it? Yes. The rural districts are being neglected, and our membership from these sections declining. Why should this be? The country is developing. True, some of our members in the country occasionally move to town, for business or educational purposes, but others come in to take their places. In this way the appointment sometimes is weakened, and then it is dropped by the preacher, who says "I have so many other appointments better than that." Then other denominations, more alert than ourselves, go in and possess the land.

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ago which now have no Methodist preaching. How often do you hear the preacher say, when making his report "Had fine revivals, received quite a number into the Church, but report a net decrease in membership?"

Brother, hold all you have got (true, some die and some remove), and keep all you get, and in the aggregate we will roll up annually a large increase. This one thing is so patent to all who look that the city Churches and missions get most of the financial aid, and the country places are minimized.

One other thing I wish to say, which is closely allied to the one above discussed. I think our cause is suffering for want of the services of local preachers. They used to help the pastor exhort after he would preach, and preach three or four Sundays in the month, keep up Sunday-schools, class and prayer-meetings, and thus keep up a religious interest in the neighborhood, to the honor and glory of God. But now they are few. Why? Young men who promise usefulness in the Church are generally timid, and will not always go off to the District Conferences, and go before a criticising committee preparatory to obtaining license, but would risk their chances at home, among their friends and brethren, in the Quarterly Conference, where they should be licensed and started out. And it is from the local ranks that our itinerants come. I hope that our law-making powers will act wisely in these matters.

Durant, Ok.

T. B. NORWOOD.

Poisons accumulate in the system when the kidneys are sluggish—blotches and bad complexion result—take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THE TABERNACLE OF GOD WITH MEN.

There is a sentiment that because the omnipresent God is accessible anywhere the Church is not necessary with fellowship with him. But that is equivalent to saying that because electricity is everywhere present in nature, the carbon points or the vacuum bulb are needless in illumination, and that the dynamo is unnecessary for the generation of power. The Bible speaks on this subject with a fullness and clearness that should leave no uncertainty in the

mind of him who accepts its teaching as authoritative. The essential character and meaning of the Church is God in the world. The chief symbols in the symbolic tabernacle were the ark of the covenant and the altar, the first symbolizing the divine Presence and the other the way of approach to it. The building itself was called "My House." It was "the meeting-place" where God met his people. That central thought was continued in the Church throughout all its subsequent development until the time of Christ, who carried it on in his teaching concerning "the Kingdom of God," which was the spiritual idea of the Church. He taught the divine Presence in its assemblies, in its ordinances and in its ministries. The final triumph of the Church, as seen in the vision of John, was "The tabernacle of God is with men."—Northwestern Christian Advocate.



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DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Abilene, Merkel, 4:30 p. m. March 28
Fort Worth, Poly. College, 7:30

p. m. March 30

Austin, Bastrop, March 30

Cuero, Nixon, March 30

Llano, Kerrville, March 30

Bowie, Archer City, April 7

El Paso, Carlsbad, 9 a. m. April 13

Decatur, April 13

Stamford, Rotan, 9 a. m. April 13

San Antonio, Eagle Pass, April 20

Clovis, Melrose, N. M., April 20

Gainesville, Valley View, 3:30 p. m. April 22

Dallas, Grand Prairie, April 25

Georgetown, Belton, April 25

San Marcos, Seguin, 2 p. m. April 28

Greenville, Jones-Bethel, April 28

Albuquerque, Tucumcari, N. M., May 4

Corsicana, Coolidge, May 4

Brenham, Bay City, May 10

Vernon, Paducah, May 12

San Augustine, Garrison, May 19

Sherman, Sadler, 3 p. m. June 6

Sulphur Springs, Mt. Vernon 8

p. m. June 7

Marshall, Gilmer, 3 p. m. June 7

Plainview, Lockney, 8 p. m. June 16

Waxahachie, Ennis, 10 a. m. June 22

Weatherford, Weatherford, June 23

Bonham, Petty, 7:30 p. m. June 23

Brownwood, Bangs, 8 p. m. June 27

Pittsburg, Hughes Springs, 2:30

p. m. June 28

Paris, Clarksville, 7:45 p. m. April 26

Beeville, Floresville, July 5

A TIMELY PAMPHLET.

We have before us a copy of a pamphlet entitled "Theological Seminaries and Teacher Training," by Rev. W. F. Tillet, D. D., Dean of the Theological Department at Vanderbilt. It is a discussion of the preacher's relation to the Sunday-school and the young life of the Church; and it is presented just as one might expect from a man of Dr. Tillet's ability and experience. It was first prepared and delivered by the author before the semi-centennial of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, September 9, 1909. Dr. Tillet has done the ministry a real service by putting its subject matter into pamphlet form for permanent and general use.

OUR STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

The next session of our Sunday-school Conference will meet in San Antonio, April 6-8, and preparation is now in progress to make it a great success. The program has already been prepared and issued, and we have a copy of it before us. We have already had five sessions of this conference and they have been excellent, but the present program shows that this one is to be the best of them all. Some of the finest men in the Church, men who have made a lifetime study of the Sunday-school questions, are among the speakers. Mr. W. C. Everett, President, has spared neither time nor labor in connection with his able committeemen to make the conference a wonderful success. Let all our Sunday-schools take notice and be represented. It will be an event in the life of superintendents and teachers to be present and get the benefit of the proceedings of this gathering. It will more largely equip them for efficient service. If you want any information from San Antonio about accommodations, write to Rev. J. H. Groseclose of that city and he will furnish it. The railways are going to give a round-trip rate with one-fifth additional from all points covering one hundred miles, and for points less than one hundred miles the trip will be one fare and one-third. Tickets will be on sale at all stations in due time.

DOCTOR H. A. BOAZ RINGS A CLEAR NOTE.

Dr. H. A. Boaz, of Polytechnic College, is sound on all parts of the ground. Touch him at any point and he rings as clear as a bell. The Church in all that section never did a wiser thing than when he was put in charge of that phenomenal institution. He is wise, prudent, aggressive, brave and thoroughly sound. Recently there has been an effort made to bring Polytechnic under the Carnegie money dope, and in the preachers' meeting last Monday morning, according to the Fort Worth Record, the Doctor thus delivered himself:

"Carnegie hopes with his millions to paganize the whole system of Christian education in this country, and he refuses to give any assistance to Christian schools or to pension any of the worn-out professors who have spent their lives in the cause of Christian education. This little bait of gold has caused many of the heads of colleges and professors to disown the Church altogether. When I received a letter from the Secretary of the fund I wrote him that I preferred the favor and friendship of the Church of Jesus Christ to Mr. Carnegie and all his millions, but the Board of Trustees would not allow me to send the letter. I wish all the Churches of the country would steadfastly refuse any proffers from such a source."

THE FIGHT IN GRAYSON COUNTY.

For seven years Grayson County has had local option. For the first four or five years of that time the law was very much ignored because of the fact that officers failed to do their duty and the law itself was imperfect. But since then new officers have been in charge and the Legislature strengthened the law and made it more effective, and as a result the law for two or three years has been a fine success. The joints have all been closed, and the bootleggers sent to the road. The two leading towns, Denison and Sherman, have gone forward with great strides in all lines of improvements. Streets have been paved, sidewalks put down, buildings erected, the banks have large deposits, more working people have their homes, schools have been increased, new church houses erected, and the population has multiplied. No one now will claim for a moment that business has been retarded.

But every two years since local option carried, the antis have regularly brought on another election for the

privilege of being defeated. So a few days ago they brought on another one and the fight is now in progress. Before doing it they paid up poll taxes far in excess of anything heretofore accomplished and by this means they hope to override the law-abiding people and bring liquor back to the county. But our people are aroused as never before. They are organized in every voting box and they are putting forth every possible effort to again make local option triumphant. We were at Whitewright last Saturday afternoon and spoke to a large crowd on the public street and much enthusiasm was manifested. On Sunday afternoon we were in Denison, and the largest church building in the town was packed full of people, and we have never seen deeper interest. Speaking and house to house work is going on all over the county. The election will take place Saturday week, and we have every reason to believe that the result will be satisfactory.

A FINE REVIVAL IN TERRELL.

There is now in progress a great revival in Terrell, and the part taken in it by the Wesley College students is a most efficient element in the service. The meeting has been in progress some eight days and will continue several days longer. Rev. M. L. Hamilton, the presiding elder, and Rev. E. W. Alderson, the pastor, are doing the preaching, and it is in power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost. Rev. J. J. Morgan, of Wesley College, is aiding in every possible way. His school is sharing largely in the beneficial results. Every girl student has been converted—except those already in the fold—and quite a large number of the boys also. At last reports about twenty-five of the students had come under the saving power of the truth. One good thing about our Methodist schools is that they bring their students under the influence of great religious awakenings. The people of Terrell are also taking much interest in the services and the meeting is wide-spread in its influence and power. It is an old-fashioned revival in which the preaching and the praying are elements of effectiveness. No one specially to lead the singing except the Church people and the worshippers. Oh, that the Church throughout the State could have revivals of power wrought by the truth and the power of the Holy Ghost!

PROHIBITION CARRIES IN BOWIE COUNTY.

On last Saturday we carried Bowie County for prohibition by a majority of 538, and it has completely knocked the senses out of the antis. Carry the news to Galveston! The fight was a severe one from the beginning to the close. The antis turned loose their money and the literature and no stone was left unturned for them to win. But the pros put up a tremendous battle and they pressed the war to the gates. Now the antis become very magnanimous and say that they will not contest the election. We should say not. They came too nearly having the life pounded out of them to undertake any such folly. Now we have 161 counties in the dry column. Next! On with the battle!

OUR GRAYSON PREACHERS.

All our preachers in Grayson County are in the forefront of the fight to keep that county dry. Not one of them is failing to do his duty, and their influence is telling. They have their people back of them, and if our cause does not gloriously triumph it will not be the fault of the preachers of Grayson County.

Be trustful and receive the kingdom of God as a little child receives a gift; not only its doctrines, but its invitations and promises.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

During the last twenty years eight Italian priests have been received into Christ's Mission, New York City, from the Roman Catholic Church.

Rev. Doctor Daniel L. Rader, editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate, recently suffered a stroke of paralysis. His physicians are hopeful for his recovery.

Our two Methodisms in Korea will unite in the publication of a Korea Christian Advocate. Each Church will contribute \$500 to the launching of this new enterprise.

Rev. Dr. Joseph C. Hartzell, Methodist Episcopal Bishop of Africa, who, during the past year, personally raised \$30,000 for extending missions of his Church in Africa, set sail for Algiers. He will return in May, to attend the World's Sunday-school Convention in Washington.

Preparations are in progress to give to the delegates and visitors to the General Conference at Asheville, May 4, a special train running through without change by way of Shreveport, Birmingham, Chattanooga and Knoxville. This will have a diner attached, and we are going in one bunch. All information will be given out concerning the trip in due time.

The Mississippi Conference has in its delegation our old friend, Rev. Inman W. Cooper, D. D., President of Brookhaven College. We were in college together, and a truer man does not live. We have only met a few times in the past thirty years, but we have kept up with each other, and it will be a great pleasure to greet him for three weeks in Asheville.

At Portland, Ore., Mrs. Mary Booth, more than sixty years old, who has been eking out an existence as a teacher in a local Chinese mission, found herself to-day heirless to \$1,000,000, property and money to this amount having been willed her by George D. Nelson, of Springfield, Mass., who died a few days ago. Mr. Nelson left a \$6,000,000 estate.

The women of the Church—that is, some of them—are much stirred up over their memorial to the General Conference, asking for larger privileges in their relation to the Church. They want—that is, some of them do—to be made eligible to official positions—not the ministry—but most all other positions. They are tired of working in the ranks. They are calling for a real voice in matters ecclesiastical. Just what success the memorial will meet awaits to be seen.

March 17 the Interdenominational Sunday-school workers of the State will hold their next annual convention in Dallas. This convention has developed into large proportions, and it is now a great representative body. It is composed of men and women from all denominations. We have the program before us and it is replete with interest. Great men will present phases of the Sunday-school work. Among them will be the celebrated Dr. F. B. Meyer, of London.

Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, D. D., for many years one of the most prominent ministers of the Southern Baptist Church, died in Richmond, Va., on Thursday of last week. He had been in bad health for some time. For nearly fifty years Dr. Hawthorne was an able minister of the gospel and a power in every community where he served as pastor. He was admitted to the bar in his early manhood, but soon yielded to the call of the ministry. His great Church is bereaved in the loss of such a man and such a minister.

The demand for the elimination of the word "South" from our Church name is finding wide-spread demand by ministers and laymen who are living and working away from the centers of our Southern Methodism. Those of us living where we have things our own way as Methodists have not been brought face to face with this demand; but at the General Conference it is going to be a live question. Sentiment has a strong influence, but argument against sentiment is going to bristle with many keen points, judging from what is being said in our Church exchanges.

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PERSONALS

Brother Isom Johnson, of Lamar County, a persistent reader of the Advocate, made us a pleasant visit recently. He is a faithful layman.

Rev. H. B. Johnston, of Myra, writes us that his mother is quite ill at her home in Bonham and he has been at her bedside for some time. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Rev. W. A. Thomas, of Byars, was in to see us not long since. He is pleased with his charge and he is planning for a good year. May he have abundant success.

The good wife of Rev. O. E. Moreland, of Allen, has undergone an operation at the Baptist Sanitarium, but she is doing well and will soon return to her home in greatly improved health.

Rev. J. M. Binkley, the old warhorse of Sherman, is scenting the battle in the Grayson County fight, and he is on the firing line. He is a power in that city and county.

Rev. S. C. Riddle, of Whitewright, is taking hold of his new charge with satisfaction to his people. He is much pleased with his work, and everything points toward a successful year.

Rev. Minor Bounds was recently in the Baptist Sanitarium for a slight operation on his nose, but he is back home and about recovered. He is taking hold of things in good shape at Garland.

Rev. J. H. McLean, D. D., who recently underwent a severe operation, was in the city recently looking greatly improved. He is rapidly regaining his strength and will soon be himself again.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Bludworth, of Prosper, have issued invitations to their silver wedding anniversary, which they celebrated the 10th of this month. It was a delightful occasion and they had a pleasant time with their friends.

After resting a few days at Brownwood Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D., returns to Georgia, where he will assist Dr. Wilkinson in a meeting in Augusta. From there he goes to Winston, N. C. to assist Dr. Abernathy. He says he recently lectured on "Greenhorns" in

Free Book About Cancer

THE LEACH SANATORIUM, of Indianapolis, Ind., has published a book on cancer, which gives interesting facts about the cause of cancer; tells what to do in case of pain, bleeding, odor, etc.; instructs in the care of the patient, and is in fact a valuable guide in the management of any case. The book is sent free to those interested who write for it, mentioning this paper.

St. Louis to a houseful, including Drs. J. M. Moore, Palmore, Webb, Cope, McVoy and others. The lecture is a plea for the boy in the backwoods. Dr. Steel feels a profound interest in the Christian education of the poor. As he shows in his lecture, the rural schoolhouse in many places is only better than nothing, yet much of the finest material for manhood and womanhood is found in the rural districts.

Bishop H. C. Morrison, D. D., is now engaged in helping Rev. J. D. Young and his people at Laurel Heights Church, San Antonio, in a great forward movement. He began last Sunday and will continue through till next Sunday, preaching morning and evening each day.

Rev. C. A. Spragins, of Waples Memorial, Denison, is prospering in his new charge. He and his good family are rejoicing in the accession of a beautiful little brown-haired girl to their household circle. She is one week old and flourishing. We were introduced to her last Sunday and she is all right.

Professor G. J. Bryan, of Stamford Collegiate Institute, made the Advocate force a delightful call some time back. He is one of the valuable workers in that young and vigorous institution, and we are glad to have met him and know him in that capacity. We have a most kind feeling for that school and everybody connected with it.

Rev. J. H. Griffin is having a great time at Lamar Avenue, Paris. He has captured his people and they are delighted with his preaching and his pastoral work. He has received fifty-nine members since conference, and they are joining at nearly every service. He and his people shared in the good meeting recently held in that city by Rev. D. L. Coale.

Rev. W. B. Bayless is still at the Baptist Sanitarium being built up preparatory for an operation. His brethren have kindly remembered him and we are looking after all his needs. As soon as the operation is over and the expense met we will make a statement for the benefit of those who have so generously come to his assistance.

In a private letter from Rev. George H. Phair he tells us of the death of his daughter, Nannie Phair, which took place February 23 at the home of Mr. C. B. Kilgore at Plainview. She had been in bad health for some time, but she bore her sufferings with fortitude and patience. Her end was one of great peace and she has entered upon an unbroken rest in our Father's house on high.

Rev. Allen Tooke, preacher in charge at Fairfield, Texas, sends us the renewal of Mrs. M. E. Bradley. Brother Tooke adds: "She is eighty-two years of age and considers the Advocate as her boon companion. She has been a subscriber for forty years." We would like to print the picture of this saintly woman and will take great pleasure in doing so if she will send us a photograph. These mothers in Israel are a great boon to the rising generation. May they live long to bless the land!

Rev. Nolan B. Harmon, late of the West Texas Conference, but now at Philadelphia, Miss., writes us a most brotherly letter, but not for publication. He expresses the warmest interest in Texas and in the fight out this way. The fact is, we suspect from its tone that he is rather long-

ing to be back in Texas. This is generally the case with any man who has ever breathed our air and caught our spirit. The health of his wife has not been improved by his change to Mississippi, and it was on her account that he returned to that conference. Texas has an open door for him whenever he wants to turn his feet in this direction.

MID-YEAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Executive Committee of the board met in Dallas recently and decided to have the Mid-Year Meeting of the board follow the adjournment of the General Conference, in order that we may adjust ourselves to legislation touching the work of the board and the Laymen's Movement. The time was fixed at June 1 and 2, and the purpose is to meet with one of the churches in Fort Worth.

The board instructed Judge Williams to make an emergency call in the Laymen's Movement to supply funds for our missionaries to the foreigners. A Bohemian missionary will be placed at Haskell and Bomerton at once. M. S. HOTCHKISS, Sec.

TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The Board of Missions of the West Texas Conference will meet in the Methodist Church in San Marcos on April 13, at 9 a. m.

This meeting is important, and a full attendance is requested.

All the presiding elders are expected to be there to report your districts and discuss ways and means. We would like to meet all the District Lay Leaders at the time, as there are some very important features of the foreign work to be gone over and adjusted. That is your work, and some features need attention now. The Laymen's Movement has assumed the support of Rev. Josef Dobes and another man in the same field, and there is no money in your treasury to meet the drafts coming in.

The following is the board: Sterling Fisher, W. H. H. Biggs, J. M. Alexander, A. L. Scarborough, L. C. Mathis, F. B. Buchanan, C. W. Godwin, J. W.

Robbins, J. E. Pritchett, John Williams, Sam Seale, R. H. Wester, E. M. Shelley and W. F. Utzman.
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McAllen, Texas.

DISTRICT LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

The District League Conference of the Waxahachie District will meet at Italy on Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, April 13. This conference will hold through the afternoon of the 14th. These days will be unquestionably profitable. The preachers will bring large delegations of young people with them. The enthusiasm is already manifest. Let the pastors who have no Leagues rally their young people and bring them. They will be treated as Leaguers.

T. S. ARMSTRONG, P. E.

PREACHERS WANTED.

I am in need of two young single men for circuits arranged since conference. These works are unorganized and will pay nothing more than a bare living. There is a great opportunity for young men in this conference if they will come out here with the missionary spirit, willing to bear all kinds of hardships and determined to spend their lives in this field. It takes men of the highest type to do the work we need done out West. This call am now making is a call for heroes, but I am sure there are plenty of them in the great M. E. Church, South. Address me at Albuquerque, N. M.

J. H. MESSER.

PREACHERS WANTED.

The Colorado District has two circuits still unsupplied. I have tried earnestly to get the right men. This country is growing so fast it is hard to keep up with the growth. Surely somewhere in Texas Methodism there are two young men who are capable of hard and heroic service. The salaries are small—only \$40 or maybe \$50 per month. But the opportunity is very great. For more than six weeks these little Churches have had no preaching. Others will come in and take away our crown. Only single men or men with very small families will be considered. Send recommendations.

SIMEON SHAW, P. E.
Colorado, Texas.

BOWIE COUNTY DRY.

Saturday, March 5, Bowie County gave a majority of 535 votes for prohibition. All good people rejoicing. "On with the battle!"

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Will the Sunday-school workers of Texas kindly read the headlines and send us some fresh matter for this page of the paper. Do this.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK IN THE M. E. CHURCH, NORTH.

By V. A. Godbey, Field Secretary Sunday-schools, West Texas Conference.

The following items from the report of the Board of Sunday-schools of the M. E. Church will doubtless profit thoughtful readers. It will be seen that the board has learned by experience that it is necessary to have a special Sunday-school institute at the Annual Conferences, and as much as possible extend the work into smaller divisions of territory. The District Institute has proved to be of great value, and in many sections of that Church such institutes are being held. A need is felt for Sunday-school specialists and Sunday-school missionaries, whose duty it is to establish schools in neglected places and start churches where it is possible, have proved a profitable investment. Presiding elders and members of the Sunday-school Boards of the several conferences will find in these items food for reflection, and I hope that each District and Annual Conference will see to it that the Sunday-school has a fair chance. The items are as follows:

The School and the Church.

The Sunday-school is the hope of the Church.

Four-fifths of the membership of the Church is recruited from the ranks of the Sunday-school. Pastors have reported 4,712,225 conversions in the Sunday-schools under their care during the years 1845-1909, an average of 73,600 per year. The statistics for 1909 report 154,346 conversions in the Sunday-school and 63,947 net gain in the total membership of the Church. Methodism is also dependent upon her Sunday-schools for carrying forward her world-wide enterprises.

During the forty years ending with 1909 the Sunday-schools have contributed \$12,501,000, an average of \$312,500 a year, to the cause of missions at home and abroad. The boards of home and foreign missions have united in asking the Sunday-schools for an offering of \$1,000,000 in 1910. The Board of education has received from Children's Day offerings \$1,671,000, an average of \$41,000 a year since its organization.

After a Year and a Half.

During the last eighteen months the board has placed twenty-two Sunday-school missionaries in the field. These missionaries have established 430 new schools, with 16,000 new scholars. Out of these schools have grown forty-seven preaching places. It has held and is holding institutes and conventions that are district and conference-wide, and is handling the whole question of the organization and administration of our Sunday-schools. It has prepared and inaugurated a correspondence study course for Sunday-school workers. It has helped maintain a thousand Sunday-schools in the home field. It has given to the Sunday-schools in the foreign mission fields of our Church \$10,000 to support workers and to provide suitable requisites and literature.

As part of the educational policy of the board, the Secretaries will visit the Pacific Coast next month for a series of institutes, to be followed in May and June by a similar series in

the States of the Central West. It is proposed also to use the Annual Conference session as an opportunity for institutes and conferences in lieu of the usual anniversary, which is usually a somewhat unsatisfactory affair. A lack greatly felt is that of Sunday-school specialists, and this might be easily obviated by a modest expenditure of money. Specialists there are, and their services in connection with the educational work of the board would be of incalculable value.

From the anniversary of the board at Terre Haute, Ind., last May the Secretaries learned that a wiser policy would be to discard the plan of a central meeting of such sort and project a series of strategically placed institutes with programs specially prepared to meet the problems and exigencies of specific constituencies.

The board employed last year twenty-four missionaries, an increase of fifteen; their reports show the value and need of their work and the rich harvests to be expected from Sunday-school evangelization. Although these men have been at work on an average of only nine months each, in that time they have established thirty Methodist Sunday-schools, with a membership of over 16,000. Out of these schools there have already developed forty-seven Churches. "Needy communities have been provided with the ministrations of the gospel, neglected children have been cared for in the name of Christ, many homes have been enlightened and many hearts comforted, and a new and stronger impulse of Christian life has been imparted to many communities." According to the year book, the Church now has 34,994 schools, an increase of 321; 367,911 officers and teachers, an increase of 5,564; 3,369,162 scholars, an increase of 302,637. Surely the work so full of promise for the Church has been blessed of God in a signal and glorious manner."

TEXAS METHODIST STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

The following is the program of the sixth annual session of the Texas Methodist Sunday-School Conference, to be held at the Travis Park Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas, April 6, 7, 8, 1910:

Motto: "Training and Service." 2 Tim. 2:15. Officers: W. C. Everett, Dallas, Texas, president; J. E. Harrison, San Antonio, Texas, vice-president; Charles S. Field, Fort Worth, Texas, secretary; D. H. Abernathy, Pittsburg, Texas, treasurer.

Wednesday, April 6.

2:30 p. m., meeting of Board of Directors; 7:15, Songs of Praise, led by Mr. H. F. Edson, assisted by Mr. Jas. W. Chapman; 7:30, Words of Welcome, Dr. J. E. Harrison, San Antonio; 7:45, Response, State President W. C. Everett, Dallas; 8:00, Sunday-School Visitation, Hugh Cork, Chicago; 8:25, Offering; 8:30, Address, "Some Fundamental Principles of Teaching, Applied to the Work of the Sunday-School," Prof. W. S. Sutton, Austin, Texas, of Chair of Pedagogy in University of Texas.

Thursday, April 7.

8:15, Jubilee Songs, led by Messrs. Edson and Chapman; 9:00, Devotional Period, led by Dr. A. F. Watkins, Hattiesburg, Miss.; 9:25, "Parents' Problems, Can the Sunday-School Help Solve Them," Hugh Cork, Chicago; 9:55, solo, Mr. Chapman; 10:00, "The Call of the Child," Mrs. Hamill; 10:30, address, "The Home and the Sunday-School," Dr. E. B. Chappell, Nashville, Tenn.; 11:00, The Adolescent Period, Dr. E. E. Rawl of the University of Texas, Austin, Texas; 11:30, A Campaign of Sunday-School Extension, Dr. Hamill; 12:00, announcements, adjournment.

Afternoon Session.

2:00, Songs of Joy, led by Messrs. Edson and Chapman; 2:15, Devotional, Dr. Watkins; 2:30, the opening exercises, the Conference is turned into a Sunday-school and an order of services is used to show how, Hugh Cork; 3:00, Sectional Conference of Elementary Workers, led by Mrs. H. M. Hamill, assisted by Mrs. V. A. Godbey, Austin; Mrs. C. S. Field, Fort Worth. At this Conference Miss Bell Shands

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of San Marcos will speak on "My Methods of Work." Mr. James Chapman will lead the music in the opening and render a solo; 3:00, a Campaign of Sunday-School Education, Dr. Hamill; 3:30, the Teachers' Meeting, How to Make It Go, W. H. Sanger, Waco; 3:45, Round Table on Home Department, led by Dr. Hamill and Mr. Cork; 4:05, the Organized Adult Class, Dr. J. H. Combs, San Marcos; 4:25, Round Table on Organized Class Work, led by Dr. Hamill, Mr. Cork, Mr. R. H. Wester, Dr. J. H. Combs; 4:45 to 5:15, a Few Words from Texas Field Secretaries, Godbey, Field, Oxley, Hawkins; 5:15, announcements, adjournment.

Thursday, April 7—Evening Session.

7:15, Songs of the Heart, led by Edson and Chapman; 7:30, Devotional, Dr. Watkins; 7:50, Matthew in a Nut-Shell, Dr. Hamill; 8:15, Offering for Texas Sunday-School Work; solo, Mr. Chapman; 8:20, address, "The Religion of a Child," Dr. E. D. Mouzon of the Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas; announcements, adjournment.

Friday, April 8.

8:30 a. m., Rejoicing in Song, led by Messrs. Edson and Chapman; 8:45, Devotional, Dr. A. F. Watkins; 9:10, the Teachers' Work Between Sundays, Hugh Cork; 9:40, Junior Boys and Girls, Mrs. Hamill; 10:05, the Development of the Emotions, Dr. E. B. Chappell; 10:35, solo, Mr. Chapman; 10:45, Conference on Teacher Training, led by Dr. Hamill; 11:20, address, "The Sunday-School and the Public School," Prof. P. W. Horn, Houston, Texas; 12:00, announcement, adjournment.

Friday Afternoon.

2:00, song service, Mr. Chapman; 2:20, devotional, Dr. A. F. Watkins; 2:40, solo, Prof. Edson; 2:45, Methods of Intension and Extension, Mr. Hugh Cork; 3:15, the Pastor and the Sunday-School, Dr. E. B. Chappell; 3:45, How the Sunday-School and the Epworth League May Be Mutually Helpful, A. K. Ragsdale, San Antonio; 4:00, Open Conference on Elementary Work, fifteen-minute address, "The Beginner's Work," Mrs. C. S. Field; fifteen-minute address, "The Primary Work," Mrs. V. A. Godbey; fifteen-minute address, "The Junior Work," Mrs. H. M. Hamill; Round Table on Elementary Work, conducted by Mrs. Hamill; 5:00, announcements, adjournment.

Friday Evening.

Last of the Feast.

7:00, "Let Everything That Hath Breath Praise," Messrs. Edson and Chapman; 7:20, devotional, Dr. Watkins; 7:40, What Is Teaching, Dr. E. B. Chappell; 8:05, the Sunday-School and Missions, Dr. Hamill; solo, Professor Edson; offering for the work; 8:35, Reaching the Last One, Hugh Cork; 9:00, a Closing Word to Texas Workers, Dr. Hamill. Good-bye.

Saturday, April 9—Sight-Seeing Day.

All cordially invited to remain and see points of interest in San Antonio.

BIBLE AND DAY SCHOOLS.

I wish to call your readers' attention to this subject, which is vital to the interest of our Nation, hoping that some abler pen will treat this subject. It is reported that Thomas Jefferson, that great statesman, said that "when they take the Bible out of the day schools they will cut off the tap root of the tree of liberty." Yes, it saps the very foundation of our government. For our government, with its liberty, its free institutions and civilization, are based upon the teaching of

the Protestant Bible, and anything that destroys or weakens the reverence for it or a disregard for its teachings destroys the foundation of our government. As evidence, all the corruption in politics and crookedness of our government officers, municipal, State and Federal, are due to a want of reverence for the Bible and a regard for its teachings. The saloon curse and every crime from the least to the most horrible are due to the same cause. For those who reverence the Bible and obey its teachings do not do such things. Also the divorce scandal is largely due to the same cause. For those who reverence the Bible and keep its teachings are generally prudent in their marriage and faithful in keeping their marriage vows. And nothing will destroy that reverence quicker than excluding the Bible from our day schools. For if it is unfit to be read in the day schools it is unworthy of reverence. And that is what it teaches the scholars. They say, don't teach sectarianism in the day schools. I say so, too, with both hands up. But sectarianism is human teaching or interpretation of the Bible. Hence the Protestant Bible is not a sectarian book when it is read without comment. It is the word of God, and to call it a sectarian book is an insult to God, its author. If the Roman Catholic and Hebrew Bibles were as free from human teaching as our Bible they would be the same that it is, and would do for mankind what the Protestant Bible has done and is doing for the Nations where it is received. It is said that "if we do not Christianize and Americanize the foreigners they will foreignize and heathenize us," and the quickest way to do that is to let them drive the Bible out of our day schools. If the Catholics, the Jews, the foreigners and infidels desire to enjoy American liberty, let them enjoy it, but do not let them undermine it by driving the Bible from our day schools. This question is of vital interest to every true American citizen, and the Churches should not keep silent on the subject.

W. R. KNOWLTON.

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THE REVERIE OF THE LOST.

By Rev. D. Andrew Williams.

She sat all alone as the beautiful moon
Leaped from the tomb of the cold,
dead day,
Bathing hill and vale and emerald wood
In the glory of its silvery ray.
As she rapturously gazes on the pallid
orb,
Again she's a child at mother's knee,
Or romping the hills around the old
home,
As innocent and pure as a child can
be.

She chases the many-hued butterflies,
Wades barefoot the pebbly brook;
And played 'neath the giant chestnut
trees,
Listening to the mock-bird, oriole
and rook;
Plucks the wild flowers and gently
weaves
A garland fair for mother's brow;
Catches a glimpse of the radiant smile
That lights her care-worn features
now.

The evening shadows creep down from
the hills,
The lowing cattle come lazily home;
The stars peep forth, twinkle and smile,
While the distant sheepbells tinkle
as they roam.
Supper is o'er, and in the old fire-place
The logs burn brightly as of yore,
Mother sits knitting in her old arm-
chair.
While father reads from the Old Book
once more.

He read of a woman once charged with
sin
By a throng who laid on her all the
blame;
Then other scenes pass in rapid review,
And she finds herself dwelling in a
house of shame;
An outcast, mingling with toothless
hags,
Fiery-eyed demons in the form of
men;
Wrapped in the folds of pollution's
rags,
Dragged to hell in the slimy arms of
sin.

At her feet the billows of Death's river
roll,
With spiral flame shooting higher and
higher;
She feels herself sinking into its awful
goal,
To writhe in its flames of quenchless
fire.
"Mercy! Help! I'm sinking deeper
down!
O God, is there no one to save?
Take them away, their vile lips have
lied;
In their skeleton arms they drag me
to the grave!"

"Is there no help? O mother, come
quick!
See! She stands in yonder's vine-
wreathed door
With outstretched arms, imploring me
to come.
Mother! Mother! O God, I cannot
come more!
I am sinking lower into dark despair;
Good-bye, mother, sweet mother,
good-bye!
My soul is lost; there is no hope;
With my own hand now I die!"

See the grand churches, and the con-
gregations roll
Down "Grand Avenue," drawn by car-
pisoned steeds,
Mid clatter of hoof and the church-
bells' toll,
On a weekly parade—quite a fash-
ionable deed!
Enter and hear the grand organ ring,
"Praise God From Whom All Bless-
ings Flow."
Hear the well-paid soloist softly sing,
"Behold a Stranger at the Door."

Hark! 'Midst the peal of the organ is
the wail of the lost.
Standing o'er the pulpit with dust-
covered form
And bleeding hands, is Christ the Lord,
Tenderly saying, "O wanderer, come,
O'er his shoulder see the sad brown
eyes
Of the outcast, looking with burning
accusation
Into the face of a man standing high
in the world.
Occupying a seat in that grand con-
gregation!"

She was banished away to "the
in the slums;
The doors of society were closed to
her feet.
But all doors were opened to the infa-
mous wretch
Who damned the soul of "the girl of
the street."

All parents take notice, this folly is
yours;
To him you have opened your own par-
lor doors;
If he blighted the soul of the girl in
the streets
He'll damn the soul of the next one he
meets!

GENERAL CONFERENCE WORK.

"I also will show mine opinion."
Job 32:10.
"Forasmuch as many have taken
in hand to set forth in order a decla-
ration of those things which are most
surely believed among us even as they
delivered them unto us * * * it
seemed good to me also, not that I
have a perfect understanding of all
things, but that I have a profound in-
terest in the welfare and success of
our beloved Methodism; to set forth
a few things for the consideration of
those who are members of our next
General Conference, our great law-
making body:

1. Since this question has been
opened in our Church papers, many
wise and good things have been said
by the excellent writers who have

been contributing to their columns.
But while some things were wise,
many other things have certainly been
otherwise, and some of them hurtful
to our cause. If some of the sugges-
tions made by the brethren were to
be adopted and become laws, my opin-
ion is that our glorious Church would
be crippled and fettered more than we
have words to express.

2. Our Episcopacy.—My opinion
may not be worth much on this point,
but I sincerely believe that our modi-
fied form of episcopacy is exactly in
harmony with the Scriptures and the
practice of the apostolic Churches for
the first 300 years of the Christian
era, and that to it we owe a large
measure of our wonderful success.

The more carefully this question is
studied and the deeper we look into it,
the more we are convinced that these
things are true. I am sorry that some
of the brethren have made such se-
vere thrusts at our episcopacy and
that they want some changes made in
our Church polity.

In "The Evolution of Episcopacy
and Organic Methodism," Bishop T.
B. Neely has produced clear, convinc-
ing and indubitable facts and argu-
ments to prove that Methodist episco-
pacy is both scriptural and apostolic.

Dr. W. H. Perrine, of the M. E.
Church, in his "Principles of Church
Government," published in 1887,
shows conclusively that modified epis-
copacy is in harmony with the Bible,
and while we can not indorse all he
says, yet we recommend this whole-
some book to those who seem to be
drifting toward Congregationalism.

Again, Dr. Mason Gallagher, in his
masterly work, "The True Historic
Episcopate," as seen in the original
constitution of the Church of Alex-
andria, has demonstrated beyond a
doubt that the apostolic Church was
episcopal in its form of government,
and at the same time he deals some
powerful and deadly blows against the
High Church episcopacy of the Church
of England and the Episcopal Church
in the United States, which makes
such great pretensions to being the
only true Church of Jesus Christ.

Once more. If those brethren who
are wanting our form of government
changed will carefully study the great
and learned work of our lamented Dr.
Tigert, "The Constitutional History of
Episcopal Methodism," which has
been strongly indorsed by able men,
both North and South, they would see
in that scholarly work many valuable
facts that would be edifying and help-
ful to them.

Among other things, they would see
that the M. E. Church, South, has
clearer, wiser and better views on the
episcopacy than our brethren of the
North. Read and see if this is not
true.

Some of our brethren have said that
the Methodists of England have a bet-
ter form of government than we have,
and they seem to want to adopt some-
thing like the British Church polity.
Now, while it is true that our British
Methodist brethren do not have the
episcopal form of Church polity, yet
they are not Congregational or like
the independent Churches, either in
England or America. The Baptists,
Independents and other Churches that
did not like the Church polity of the
British Methodists, and they were so
severe and unbrotherly in their bitter
criticisms against them that Dr.
James H. Rigg was induced to write
a book on that subject, entitled "The
Connectional Economy of Wesleyan
Methodism in Its Ecclesiastical and
Spiritual Aspects." This book is be-
fore me, and I wish to quote a few sen-
tences from it. The author says:
"Whilst we make no pretension, on
behalf of Methodism, to absolute iden-
tity, or even a very close agreement,
in the details of its ecclesiastical pol-
ity, with the machinery and arrange-
ments of the apostolic Churches—in-
deed, we believe no perfect or cer-
tainly accurate description of the
order and discipline of those Churches
ever has been or can be given—yet we
feel assured that we hazard nothing
in maintaining that our polity much
more truly represents the spirit and
principles of primitive Christian or-
ganization than that in which the In-
dependents glory."

Indeed, the union in doctrine, in ob-
ject, in affection and in commission
of the apostles necessarily laid the
foundation of a connection and inter-
community between the Churches
founded and regulated by them. The
apostolic council at Jerusalem, formed,
as to matters of general interest and
importance, a common standard of
reference and foundation of authority
to all the Churches. Even Paul, inde-
pendent as was his commission, and
separate as was in general his sphere
of action, yet felt it right, by a refer-
ence to the central apostolic authority

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at Jerusalem, to bring himself and the
Churches founded by him into recog-
nized community and co-ordination
with the other Churches of Christ.
Pages 5-7.

So we see that while our British
Methodists are not episcopal in their
polity, yet they are far from being in-
dependent or Congregational in gov-
ernment. Not long since Dr. Folk, a
Baptist editor, having seen the discus-
sions of the brethren in the Nashville
Advocate anent this subject, said to
the Methodists, "Why not return to
the New Testament form, which is
prescribed in the Bible as Congrega-
tional?"

Now, on that point I wish to say
that I have read the New Testament
through consecutively more than fifty
times. I have never yet seen any par-
ticular form of Church government
even mentioned, much less "divinely
prescribed." Did the New Testament
Churches vote their members in, and
did they vote for and call their pas-
tors for a stipulated time, as is the
custom of Baptists today? If so,
where is it mentioned?

I have read the strongest Baptist
books ever published in America and
Europe, such as Strong's "Systematic
Theology," Abstract of Theology," by
Baze; "Systematic Theology," by A.
Hover; "Church Order," by Dagg;
"Baptist Principles," by W. C. Wilker-
son, of Chautauqua Farm; the works
of Graves, Pendleton, Hayton, Fuller,
Orchard, Cramp, Ford, Vedder, Jar-
rel, Eton, and others, and yet not one
of them has proven that the Baptist
form of congregational Church govern-
ment is even laid down one time in
the Scriptures. I have asked nearly
thirty noted Baptist divines to give
me book, chapter and verse for their
form of government, and not one of
them has ever done it, and not one of
them can ever do it, for it is not in
the Bible. So, now, my beloved breth-
ren of the M. E. Church, South, let us
hold on to our time-honored episcopacy
and our glorious itinerancy, for we
have advantages in our Church polity
that no congregational Church has
ever had or can have.

Peter Cartwright, more than fifty
years ago, saw the drift toward con-
gregationalism, and predicted that if
that tendency continued as it was
then, Methodism would be largely
shorn of its strength. See his auto-
biography. And now I ask, have not
his predictions come true to a large
extent?

Now, in conclusion, my beloved
brethren, please do not tamper with
our episcopacy. That it may be modi-
fied and made more flexible, and that
something may be done to curb any
disposition toward autocracy, I freely
admit, but to do away with it would
be detrimental to our great Church, I
verily believe. I intended to say
something about the presiding elder-
ship, but will have to reserve that for
a future article, which I hope to write
soon.
W. W. HORNER.

Who knows but that every life may
be a book God prepares for angels
to read.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of funds received during the
months of December, 1909, and January
and February, 1910, by L. L. Jester,
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L. L. JESTER,
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Tyler, Texas, Feb. 23, 1910.

The Woman's Department

Mrs. Florence E. Howell, Editor, 170 Masten St., Dallas, Texas.

All communications in the interest of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Mission Society should be sent to the address of the Editor of the Woman's Department.

FROM LONGVIEW.

The Woman's Home Mission Society elected the following officers for this year, Monday, February 21, 1910: Mrs. J. K. Bivins, President; Mrs. A. N. Oden, First Vice-President; Mrs. John Saylor, Second Vice-President; Mrs. T. D. Campbell, Third Vice-President; Mrs. J. J. Mayfield, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. L. D. Kelly, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Sessum, Connectional Treasurer; Mrs. B. T. Stiltson, Local Treasurer; Mrs. Walter Melton, Superintendent of Supplies; Mrs. Joe Battle, Superintendent Home Department; Mrs. S. E. Kirby, Agent for Our Home; Mrs. J. C. Lacy, Press Reporter.

The year has been our best. Over \$500 raised. Forty-odd dollars in local treasury to begin the year's work. We installed a complete bath room outfit with boiler and sink besides, in the kitchen and helped to lay cement walks around parsonage and church, and sent near \$200 to the Conference Treasurer. Membership greatly enlarged. Home Department in a most flourishing condition. It required sixty-five copies of Our Homes for use in this department alone last month and our membership grows almost altogether through this branch of our work. We consider this one of the best features of our society and would recommend our plans to others.

We are going to be a "banner society" this year. We are especially proud of this, as the Annual Conference of this society for the Texas Conference meets here this year.

MRS. J. C. LACY,
Press Reporter.

FROM SULPHUR SPRINGS.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of this city met Monday, Feb. 21, and elected officers for the following year as follows:

President, Mrs. Robert Searls; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Ella Kellogg; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. S. E. Minter; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Lillie Shook; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. LaVelle; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Sheppard; Treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Young; Press Reporter and Agent Our Homes, Mrs. F. V. Garrison.

MRS. LAVELLE,
Corresponding Secretary.

FROM LORAIN, TEXAS.

Our Woman's Home Mission Society has been organized about three years, and after quite a struggle in the beginning is now doing fine work.

Number of members, 24; amount raised by membership dues, \$28.30; Thurber Mission, \$2; for Home at Epworth-by-the-Sea, \$2.25; subscribers to Our Homes, 6; have given \$15 for educational purposes in the connectional work; brigade, 46 members; mite boxes opened first quarter amounted to \$5.25. We observed two days of Week of Prayer, and held open session Sunday night, receiving \$6.75; visits to sick and strangers, 125 (others not reported); expended on parsonage, \$13.25; received by local work, \$99.10; expended for local work, \$60.

Our auxiliary is rapidly gaining strength and hopes to do more and better work the coming year than in the preceding years.

MRS. T. A. MARTIN,
Press Reporter.
MRS. J. G. HOLMES,
Corresponding Secretary.

FROM COPPERAS COVE.

Our Auxiliary W. H. M. Society is progressing well. We have just had the election of new officers for the ensuing year, and with such an industrious set of officers we hope to accomplish great work during the coming year.

We have been an organized society for three years; have been an auxiliary only one year. We were just a "Home Aid Society" for two years. We all feel that we have accomplished so much more good since we became connectional, keeping in touch with our work.

Our society has raised and expended nine hundred dollars since our organization, and we each feel that the great hand of the all wise God has dealt very gently with us as a society and has abundantly blessed us in every effort put forth in this great work for his name.

We have twenty-eight members in our society, eleven who are taking Our Homes, and we frequently say that one copy alone is worth the fifty cents, as it is so full of good things.

We have neglected our press work the past year. We had a reporter, but on account of sickness in her family she was unable to do the work and the society failed to elect another, but this year we reunite our forces with our accomplished President and hope to accomplish a great and better work during the coming new year.

May God's richest blessings be with every home mission worker.

MRS. W. M. WALLACE,
Press Reporter and Cor. Sec.

W. H. M. SOCIETY.

Our Woman's Home Mission Society of the Mexia charge is a vigorous society, having thirty members, most all of whom are ever ready to respond when called upon to perform any duty required of them. The members are being urged to take the papers and books, that they may keep up with the work.

Our Week of Prayer was indeed a success. Our meeting was presided over by our beloved President, Mrs. J. R. Corley, and on the following Sabbath our pastor, Bro. J. C. Mims, preached to an appreciative congregation on "Home Mission Work," and I am quite sure we were made better and wiser home mission workers. A liberal donation was taken for the cause.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

MRS. J. T. HOUX,
Press Reporter.

FROM FLOYD, TEXAS.

The auxiliary of Woman's Home Mission Society of M. E. Church, South, met at the Methodist Church, at 2 o'clock p. m., February 9, 1910. The following officers were elected and will be installed in March:

President, Mrs. F. I. Davis; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. F. E. Mitchell; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. W. C. Clark; 3rd Vice-President, Miss Sallie Smith; Recording Secretary and Press Reporter, Mrs. J. D. Graham; Treasurer, Mrs. P. H. Elzey; Agent for Our Homes, Mrs. Harry Turner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. W. Ellis.

This society has been active for more than two years, doing much good, but has very few in number, and the few often get discouraged and see so much to do and so few to do it that they have been tempted to disband. There are 90 members in this Church and only ten members of the home mission. Why don't the others see the importance of this work?

We have a neat, newly painted church and parsonage. The parsonage is partly furnished. Why not all help and let us make our preacher's family comfortable? They so richly deserve all the good things of life.

MRS. J. D. GRAHAM.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, SMITHFIELD, TEXAS.

We organized our society at this place January 27, 1910. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. Vaughn; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. M. E. Quayle; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Kate Meacham; 3rd Vice-President, Miss Florence Bailes; Recording Secretary and Press Reporter, Temple L. King; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Gillis; Treasurer, Mrs. L. B. Brown. We have twelve members and hope to do a great work in 1910.

(MISS) TEMPLE KING,
Press Reporter.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, FLUVANNA, TEXAS.

At the last meeting of the Home Mission Society of Fluvanna, Texas, the election of officers was the order of business, with the following results:

President, Mrs. D. T. Davis; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. F. G. Tidwell; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. J. D. Letcher; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Paschal; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. McSwain; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. G. Tidwell; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Morris; Agent of Our Homes, Myrtle Davis; Press Reporter, Mrs. J. W. Paschal.

We hope to start the new year with renewed energy.

MRS. J. W. PASCHAL,
Press Reporter.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, BROOKSHIRE, TEXAS.

Our Home Mission Society met second Monday in this month and as this was the time for annual election of

officers we proceeded at once to elect the following:

President, Mrs. Mary Martin; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Emma Semmler; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Ed C. Adams; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Bettie Norris; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nath Brookshire; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. W. Bains; Treasurer, Miss Maude Brookshire.

We are praying and planning for a great year. We have our new pastor, Bro. C. M. Myers, with us and he is up and doing at the King's business. Our juveniles are also much enthused with their foreign missionary work. Under the management of Mrs. L. W. Bains, they are educating a little girl in the foreign field.

MRS. ED ADAMS.

FROM MERIDIAN.

The Woman's Home Mission Society of Meridian held its annual bazaar and valentine party on February 12, 1910, at the home of Mrs. Bob Robertson. Our hostess welcomed most graciously the guests and added much to the occasion by her modest but friendly reception.

This was the finest display of the bazaar department we have ever had. The tea given was most enjoyable. The valentine department presided over by Mrs. L. F. Rice, with Miss Kathleen Alexander as postmistress, was quite a money-making idea and offered amusement to all present. The Treasurer reported \$40 above all expenses. MRS. KATE H. WINSTON,
Press Reporter.

W. H. M. SOCIETY, STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

This auxiliary has only been organized about two years, but is growing very fast and has a very promising future. We have twenty members; have eleven subscribers to Our Homes; have paid seventeen dollars and seventy cents dues for the year ending February, 1910; have taken in about \$68.80, and paid it out on church and parsonage furnishings and repairs; paid ten dollars on preacher's salary; paid one dollar conference collection; one dollar deaconess fund.

We are commencing the new year with several new members, and hope to be more useful in every way this year than we have been before.

God bless the Woman's Home Mission Society, and may it be carried on for His glory.

(MRS.) W. J. SNOW,
Press Reporter.

MARRIED.

Beall-Hawkins.—At the parsonage in Brashear, Texas, January 4, 1910, 3:30 p. m., Mr. T. N. Beall and Miss Bertha Hawkins, Rev. Fred A. Bond officiating.

Nix-Romack.—At the home of Mr. Joe Romack, near Brashear, Texas, February 25, 1910, at 8 p. m., Mr. L. D. Nix and Miss Lillie Romack, Rev. Fred A. Bond officiating.

Terry-Coursney.—At the home of the bride, near Rast, Van Zandt County, Texas, March 2, 1910, at 5 o'clock p. m., Mr. E. M. Terry and Miss Kittle Coursney, Rev. Frank Everitt officiating.

Hannah-Wall.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Wall, at Tenaha, Texas, Dec. 16, 1909, at 3:30 p. m., Mr. H. E. Hannah and Miss Annie D. Wall, Rev. W. S. Easterling officiating.

Grant-Smith.—At the residence of the bride's uncle, J. H. Hughes, in Tenaha, Texas, 9 p. m., Feb. 27, 1910, Mr. William J. Grant and Mrs. Bessie Brown Smith, Rev. W. S. Easterling officiating.

Simpson-Uhl.—In the home of the bride's parents, Austin, Texas, March 2, 1910, at 8:30 p. m., Mr. John A. Simpson and Miss Tillie Augusta Uhl, Rev. V. A. Godbey officiating.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

The chairman was Rev. W. H. Vaughan, formerly "The Orphan," now one of the "Fathers" of the conference. The time was March 3-4. The place was Taylor, with Brother E. P. Williams and his flock as hosts, good ones. The preaching was good. Brother E. B. Chenoweth preached a Methodist sermon on the recovery of sight of the man born blind. Brother W. J. Hearon discoursed interestingly of the obligation of the strong to the weak—a missionary sermon. Bob Shuler, just from the great Laymen's Conference at Dallas, bubbling over with zeal that is according to knowledge, gave interesting impressions of the conference, and closed with a deliverance on the Christian use of money, a discourse that made Old Avarice's ears fairly tingle.

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district were interestingly and helpfully discussed. Arrangements were made for revival meetings. A spirit to pay missionary collections at once, and all collections in full, was developed or made manifest. Many of the preachers are buckling on the armor to do their own work; all are hopeful; the outlook is fine, and the elder is happy. Financial matters will be well looked after, but more important still, conversions and accessions by faith will be earnestly and prayerfully sought after this year. November will tell the tale.

SAMUEL J. RUCKEN, Sec.

BOOK NOTICES.

"Sculptors of Life," by Thomas Yates, and published by A. C. Armstrong & Son. Mr. Yates is a distinguished minister in London, a preacher of ability and a lecturer of great force on the platform. This little volume is a compilation of lectures delivered from time to time to young men and young women, and they are crisp, opportune and to the point. True, he uses scriptural texts as his themes, but he talks direct to the heart and mind of the young.

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harmony has been the exception, and not the rule. The spirit of the student body has been beautiful, and we are happy, one and all. This revival is what to expect out of such circumstances. Every student at the college takes a delight in the friendship of Brother Renfro. He is one with us in heart, and we love him as an elder brother.—Lowe Slaton, March 1.

Trenton.

We closed a great meeting of one week last night. The preaching was done by Rev. G. A. Marvin, and it was well done. This community is stirred for good as probably it never was. We had about twenty-seven conversions and reclamations. We are sure Marvin's preaching will abide with this people and bear fruit for all time. He touched every phase of church work. He is a great help to a pastor.—J. D. Whitehead, March 7.

San Antonio.

Bishop Hoss was here recently and preached a masterful sermon to a great congregation at Travis Park Church. Text: "What Think Ye of Christ?" It produced a profound impression. Bishop Morrison is now at Laurel Heights Church, Brother J. D. Young, pastor, preaching for a week. The campaign is expected to culminate in a subscription for the new church there. Dr. W. F. McMurry will arrive Friday to participate in a city church extension campaign. God is blessing us throughout our city-wide Methodism.—S. H. C. Burgin, March 7.

Fort Worth Methodism.

The great meeting at Polytechnic closed Sunday night with a splendid service. Dr. S. R. Hay held the meeting. There were fully 200 conversions; the church was greatly revived; the pastor, Rev. H. M. Long, is happy. The pastors all report a splendid day and much interest. There were quite a number of additions and conversions reported. The Sunday-school Union will meet on March 15.—Ashley Chappell.

El Campo.

We closed our meeting here last night. We had about thirty to profess conversion; twenty-odd joined the Methodist Church and some gave their names for other churches. The converts were from seven years old up to seventy. Brother F. A. White is the pastor. He has been in bed with la grippe most of the time since the meeting began, and his good wife also has been in bed a good portion of the time. So we failed to have their help in the meeting, but God was with us and we had a most joyous time. Brother White is very popular among his people, and his wife is truly and deservedly popular. She is truly his helpmeet.—W. H. Brown, March 7.

Valley Mills.

We are on Valley Mills charge, our first appointment, for the third year. God has wonderfully blessed us in our work all the way through our pastorate here, but this year is so far the best year of the three. Our presiding elder held our second Quarterly Conference on February 28, and from the financial report one would think the hard times we have had were all gone. And they have improved for this preacher and his family. Brother S. J. Vaughan, our presiding elder, has endeared himself to us by his wise counsel, loving sympathy and deeply spiritual sermons. He has a clear conception of the needs of the Gatesville District, and he is losing no opportunity to supply these needs. The Sunday-schools in our charge are increasing in interest with each Sunday. We have not yet had our revival meeting.

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but there is a noticeably marked increase in the spiritual interest of our people. The attendance at the prayer-meetings and at the preaching services is increasing with each service. We are praying that the good work may go on till we shall have such a revival as we have never had before. Our report would be far from complete if we did not mention our faithful Woman's Home Mission Society. Our faithful District Secretary, Sister Cosgrove, was with us this afternoon, and the officers for the ensuing year were duly installed by her. The beautiful and impressive ceremony of installation was solemnly performed in the church building in the presence of the members of the society and a number of visitors, after which all repaired to the parsonage, where refreshments had been provided and a pleasant social hour was had. But they do more than have a good social time. They are spiritual, and look constantly after the work committed to them. A call was made to the pastors of the district to observe Sunday, March 6, as Meridian Training School Day. This we did, and as a result we were able to send \$25 to the school to help buy their chemical laboratory, besides putting in a few good licks on the side for the interests of the school in general. In conclusion: We are pleased with our work, thankful to God for the measure of success he has given us, and determined, God being our helper, to make this the best year of our life thus far.—W. J. Mayhew.

Rosalia Circuit.

Brother E. S. Hursey, our District Evangelist, came to us on Monday night of the 24th ultimo, and since then we have been having a great revival. We have had to date twenty-five professions, the church has been revolutionized and a fine revival spirit prevails among our people. We hope to have one of the greatest revivals we have ever had. Brother Hursey is a fine preacher and preaches the Bible with great power and a telling effect. Sister Hursey is a power. I would heartily recommend them to any preacher and his people in revival work; especially, if you need help, get them.—G. W. Conly, March 6.

Loneok Mission.

This mission is yet in its swaddling clothes—only three months old—but it is a fine youngster and bids fair to become a good healthy circuit. We have a good Board of Stewards, who promise to do a good part by their preacher, and I feel sure they will. We have a fine field of labor; lots of good people to preach to. We have taken twelve subscriptions for the Advocate in the last few days, and expect to go to twenty-five before the year is out. We have been pounded and the good ladies of Loneok dressed us in a new suit of clothes. We have made about 250 visits, and find the people very anxious for preaching in the country. We expect to have a new parsonage ready for the preacher in a few weeks. You will find us as busy as a bee in a clover field. Have not time to be "blue" if we wanted to.—Alex Hubbard, March 8.

Breckenridge.

I am not one of those "literary preachers" who are always trying to break into the different papers of the land, but I do believe that when there is anything doing your church ought to be apprised of the fact. And then, again, a couple of years from now these good people will want another preacher and I want the best in the conference to look this way. In all sincerity, I am serving for the second year a faithful and big-hearted folk. We made progress on all lines last year, and this year are keeping up the lick. We have a Sunday-school that is immense for a small town. The question of room is the question before us now. It is manned by faithful officers and teachers, and has a superintendent and an assistant that are awake to the work. I have also a Board of Stewards that believe in taking care of the preacher, and they do it in good shape. We had a great meeting last year, and it put us on higher ground. When I came back this year I felt we needed another, and we have had it. In wanting and feeling the need of a revival I did not concede that we were dead, or asleep, but that we could always become better; and we have. The preaching was done this year by Rev. D. L. Coale, of Fort Worth, and it was well done. Coale is a great preacher, and no church will make a mistake that gets him to lead the hosts. There is no sensation, but plain, spiritual preaching that builds on a firm foundation. The Lord is using this man to good effect. I expect to labor with him again. We also had with us leading the singing Brother Waltemire, of Honey Grove. Waltemire is a good singer, and our people much enjoyed his presence and help. This singer has religion and that made his presence of further benefit to us. We had extremely bad weather, but the people came all the same. Between fifty and sixty professions will be a safe estimate for the meeting. Some twenty-odd additions, and others yet to come. Our little church made the fight alone and won, and to them be the glory—as men count glory. Lastly, on the last night of the meeting the congregation gave to me, the pastor, \$100 to defray my expenses to the General Conference at Asheville. This was unexpected to the pastor, and to say that I appreciated it would be to play with words. May the Lord help me to be worthy of the affection of these good people. Nineteen subscriptions to the Advocate were taken during the meeting. This will help us much in a spiritual way, as one who reads the Advocate must grow in grace.—J. Hall Bowman.

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McDANIEL.—"Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven," said the Son of God. "And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them and blessed them." In recognition of this precious truth Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McDaniel, on the 29th of May, 1908, presented their little son, John Sloan, their first born, to be baptized, and the writer baptized him unto Christ. They promised to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. But it pleased the Lord to relieve them of this duty and to deprive them of this privilege. He took little John to himself. Death is not an accident independent of the ruling hand of God. If not a sparrow falls to the ground without Him, how much less one of these little ones of His kingdom redeemed by His precious blood! When in the providence of God one of these little ones is snatched away by death's resistless hand, how great the consolation to believe that they are carried by angels, as Lazarus was, to the paradise of God, and are present with the Lord, in whom they find protection and in Him are ever blessed. "Millions of infant souls compose the family above." On November 12, 1907, little John came into the world and made glad the hearts of his loving father and mother. In the home he was a well-spring of joy. His smile was fair, bright were his lips and eyes, his cradle care a fond delight. But on June 1, 1909, despite the physician's skill, the nurse's care, and loving prayers, Jesus said, Suffer the little child to come unto me and forbid him not. Before sin revived in his innocent heart or he had felt its sting he was translated to the realms of pure delight, never to know sin and sorrow. Then why should his early death be mourned? 'Twas but the voice of Jesus to call him to His arms. But the grave cannot dis sever the ties with the very heartstrings twined, and while loving ones sorrow not as those who have no hope, their hearts long to see and commune with him again. It will not be long till Christ shall come, when all who sleep in Jesus God will bring with Him. "Then friends shall meet again who have loved."

W. H. M.

SANDERS.—Mrs. Anna Gertrude Sanders, wife of C. C. Sanders, and only daughter of J. B. Akin (deceased) and M. R. Jefferson Akin, was born in Harrison County Oct. 30, 1874; died Feb. 2, 1910. Her husband, mother, children, brother, many other relatives and thousands of friends are sad because she is gone, but know where to find her. Sister Sanders was a devoted Christian and a member of the Methodist Church. A true and faithful wife, an affectionate daughter, a kind mother, loving sister, good neighbor and a faithful friend. Her shadow was ever behind her and she gave to the world a smile mixed with kind words; from her life of sunshine went warm rays of light to warm and brighten cold and sad hearts. Her home-going has left desolation here, but those who gave her to heaven's number have made it brighter by laying up their treasures above, where they and we will see her again, if only we follow the way she led. Sorrow may endure for a night, but joy will come with the morning's light.

L. B. SMALLWOOD.

BAILEY.—George M. Bailey, oldest son of M. B. and Ida M. Bailey, died at 1:30 a. m., Feb. 14, 1910, at Christine, Tex. His disease was tuberculosis. He was about twenty-five years old. He was of an exceedingly bright mind, had quite a business turn and had been employed by the Burlington & Quincy Railroad at Lincoln, Neb., but his health failed and he went to Texline, Tex., and afterward to Christine, Tex. George very firmly expressed his faith in God, his determination to live a Christian life, his bright hope of heaven and even a desire to depart. He quietly passed away. We buried him (the first to be buried here) at Christine, Atascosa County, Tex., to await the resurrection. Consolation to the parents and loved ones. May we meet him in the skies.

GEORGE A. NANCE.

SMITH.—Mrs. Mary Eula Smith (nee Loughridge) was born Jan. 10, 1883, at Bryan, Tex. When about thirteen years of age she was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was married to Dr. Murph Smith March 4, 1904. To this union three children were born, one of whom, Thomas Liggon, together with the husband, father, three brothers, one sister, other relatives and a host of friends, survive and mourn her untimely going. She departed this life from her late home in Jacksonville, Tex., Thursday, Feb. 17, at 12:30 p. m. I became acquainted with the subject of this sketch some few years since in the home of her husband's father, Rev. J. T. Smith. Later on, the young couple moved to DeKalb, where I was then pastor. They allowed me to procure their certificates and thus united with our congregation. I think I have not known one who was more kindly disposed than was this noble young woman. She was appreciated by all who knew her for her tender acts of kindness and the good cheer which she ever bestowed along the pathway of life. She was a consistent Christian. She loved the Church and delighted to attend upon the ordinances thereof, and to support its institutions. She endeavored by the help of God to keep her Church vows. During the last session of the Texas Annual Conference in Jacksonville I learned of her being in bad health and called to see her. I was so surprised and pained, for how had the roses faded from her cheeks, how had the blighting hand of disease been laid upon her, causing her to droop and to wither. My heart was sad with the thought that one so young and fair should so fast fade away. Notwithstanding her serious physical condition, I found her bright and cheerful. She spoke of her probable early leave of earth, expressed concern for little Thomas and others of her loved ones, but said it was all right and she was not afraid to go. She expressed regret that she had not done more active work in the Master's vineyard. That she did not do more was because she was not physically able. I was not surprised when the news of her departure came, nevertheless I could not be else than sad. The funeral service was held from the Methodist Church in Jacksonville, conducted by her pastor, Brother Burroughs, assisted by the writer, after which we wended our way to the silent city of the dead, and there laid her to rest to await the resurrection morn when the bodies of all the ransomed throngs shall rise at the command of Christ to reign with Him while the ages shall unceasingly roll. As little Thomas finally declared in his troubled musings: "My mamma is not dead." That is correct, little one, your mamma is not dead, she has only fallen asleep in Jesus. She waits and watches for you, papa, and all at the beautiful pearly gates of that celestial city, which "hath foundations, whose Builder and Maker is God."

W. H. VANCE.

Center, Texas.

BUSHONG.—Charles Alexander Bushong was born in Botetourt County, Virginia, May 22, 1858, and died at Newlin, Texas, February 4, 1910. He was well and at his post on the 3d of February. Just as he was dismissing his school he fell from a stroke of heart failure. During the remainder of the afternoon he rallied, and so during the night hour, but at about 10 o'clock the next morning he had a vomiting spell, his heart collapsed again, and within a few seconds he was gone. He was the oldest child of John and Mary Bushong. He was married to Annie Hemphill July 11, 1891. One child was born to them—Mary Lena. He was converted near his home in East Tennessee in his early manhood. It can be said of him that he was an honest, upright man, and always had the good of mankind at heart. Two brothers, two sisters and a daughter are left to mourn their loss. He never lacked for friends. His wife had died June 17, 1908. His remains rest beside those of his wife in Cooke County, Texas. "Better is the day of a good man's death than the day of his birth," for the simple reason that the day that a good thing is completed is better than the day on which it was begun. For many years he was a Methodist.

J. C. CARPENTER, P. C.

RILEY.—James Whitcomb Riley, son of L. A. and Mattie Riley, died at 5 o'clock a. m. March 1, 1910, at Christine, Tex. He was a very bright, lovable child and would have been two years old March 8. He first had measles, then pneumonia, catarrhal fever, and teething was too much, and he was taken from us. He was laid away in Christine Cemetery to await the resurrection; but we know where to find him. GEORGE A. NANCE.

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DAVIS.—Mrs. Catherine Seaton Davis was born in Orange County, N. C., Sept. 5, 1831. In 1832 her parents, Walter A. and Eliza P. Mangum, moved to Tallahatchie County, Miss., where she grew to womanhood. She was educated in Aberdeen, Miss. Married Col. A. W. Davis Feb. 18, 1857, a widower with three bright and beautiful little girls, whom she assisted in raising to noble womanhood. In 1860 they moved to Memphis, Tenn., where he extensively practiced his profession as a lawyer. In 1861, although fifty years old, he joined the Confederate army. His patriotic blood prompted him, being a cousin of President Jefferson Davis. In 1862 he brought his family and slaves to her father's, in Louisiana, then returned to his command, where he did true service until captured near Vicksburg, Miss., in 1863, carried to Little Rock, Ark., where he died in prison, 1863. In 1862, she, with her parents, fled to Warren County, Ark., and December, 1863, they fled to Hunt County, Tex. At the close of the war she returned to Louisiana with her parents. Her home gone, negroes freed, had nothing left but her children and iron nerve and energy. The iron heel of war robbed her of all her wealth, but thank God, it could not rob her of her strong will power, her brilliant intellect, persistent energy and predominant nerve. Her father died and left her to fight the battle of life alone with three small children. By teaching school and music, she succeeded in giving them a fair education. She finally returned to Texas, where she nobly and bravely met the responsibilities of life. She was the mother of four children, one of whom preceded her many years ago to the glory land. Three still survive her, and one stepdaughter—Dr. Walter M. Davis, of Fair Oaks, Cal.; Mrs. Ella Hall, of Dallas, Tex., the wife of Rev. T. H. Hall, M. D., who ministered medical attention in her last illness, and preached her funeral at her son's, Hunter H. Davis, of Dallas, Tex. Her stepdaughter, Mrs. Martha W. Rogers, of Shawnee, Ok., and one sister, Mrs. Lucy A. Bacon, of Chase City, Va., and one brother, W. E. Mangum, Commerce, Tex. These, with a host of relatives and friends, mourn her death. A lady of strong intellectual and brilliant attainments, she retained the youthfulness of mind and memory; a fine musician, could play and sing, by memory, many of the old hymns and melodies of fifty years ago. She was by no means free from her share of sorrow and trouble, but she bore them with Christian fortitude. Best of all she was a Christian from her early life and a member of the Methodist Church. Through all of her trials, she lived a consistent life and in seventy-ninth year, she crossed the river of death into the realm of the blessed at 9 o'clock p. m. Feb. 21, 1910. She passed quietly away, without a struggle. Her sad brother,

W. E. MANGUM.

FRANCIS.—Sister Amanda Francis (nee Reynolds) was born in Franklin County, Tenn., Aug. 26, 1865; married to W. E. Francis Sept. 4, 1901; died at her home, Brashear, Texas, Jan. 7, 1910. She leaves a broken-hearted husband and one little girl and a large number of relatives and friends to mourn for her. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church when about twelve years old and remained a member till death. Her funeral was conducted by the pastor in the Church at Brashear in the presence of a large congregation of relatives and friends, after which we laid the body to rest to await the general resurrection at the last day. May God bless Brother Francis and his little girl, and all her loved ones, and keep them unto everlasting is the sincere wish of her pastor.

FRED A. BOND.

Feb. 28, 1900.

McMILLAN.—John L. McMillan was born April 10, 1815, in Cumberland County, N. C., and died at his home in Mt. Sylvan, Tex., Feb. 4, 1910. He was married to Julia McDonal in 1862. Six children blessed this union. Two preceded him to the better world. He was an earnest Christian and a member of the M. E. Church, South, for seventy years. He served the Church for a great many years as class leader and in other official capacities and was always true to his trust. His life was worthy of emulation and

the influences of his noble Christian character will live on and widen and deepen as years and decades go sweeping by. For years he had been abiding on the very border of heaven, and grace had so sweetened his whole nature that to be in his presence was a benediction. He attended Church to the last and added much to its interest on all occasions, for he seemed to be a connecting link with the upper world and served as a conductor of divine influences to the audience. He lived a long and useful life and now has crossed the harbor triumphantly. We laid him down to sleep in God's holy keeping till the resurrection morning, when we shall meet again. His sorrowing daughter,

JESSIE CARROLL.

Mt. Sylvan, Texas.

McDANIEL.—Mrs. Clyde McDaniel (nee Mayo) entered into the rest that remaineth unto the people of God at her home in May, Tex., Feb. 23, 1910. Thus passed away a true soldier of Jesus Christ, a true and tried Methodist, a devoted wife and daughter. She was born in Fannin County, Tex., May 23, 1880; came to May, in Brown County, with her parents in 1882, where she grew to noble womanhood; was united in marriage to Dr. H. M. McDaniel July 1, 1906. To this union was born one daughter, who was one week old at her death. Sister McDaniel was converted and joined the Methodist Church when thirteen years old, since then she has been faithful and to human eye and judgment, without fault, holding out to us a life worthy of emulation. She leaves a husband, father, mother, daughter, three sisters and a multitude of friends to mourn their loss. Jesus assures us that though she be dead yet she lives. We can see her here no more, but her Christ can land us safely on that beautiful shore where we may have all tears wiped away and strike hands with her where sad parting never comes. May God bless the bereaved friends and loved ones. Her pastor,

W. L. BRANDON.

ANDERSON.—Mrs. Eliza J. Anderson, beloved wife of Rev. A. J. Anderson, was born in Alabama Aug. 28, 1845. Upon the death of her father, she moved, with her mother, to North Mississippi, where she lived until 1874, at which time she moved to Tipton County, Tenn. Sister Anderson was soundly converted to God and joined the Methodist Church at Garland, Tenn., in 1875. On Oct. 19, 1882, she was happily united in marriage to Rev. A. J. Anderson. At the time of her marriage Brother Anderson was a member of the Memphis Conference. Six years later they moved to Texas and this devoted pair gave themselves without reservation to the work of the itinerancy. Sister Anderson was a loving wife and faithful mother. Her devotion to the Church was unswerving and her fidelity to Christ unquestioned. For the last three years her sufferings have been constant and intense, still her faith in God and her trust in Christ never waned. Several times she has told the writer that she felt the presence of her Savior. Wednesday morning, Feb. 23, 1910, our sister fell sweetly asleep in the arms of Jesus. It was a happy release. Sister Anderson exchanged sickness for health, battles for victory, crosses for a crown, earth for heaven.

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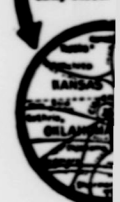
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HIRAM B. CLARK, Pastor.

McCLANAHAN.—W. T. McClanahan was born in Mississippi Nov. 30, 1842. His father emigrated to Cold Springs, San Jacinto County, Texas, when he was eight years old. Brother McClanahan in the early part of the war between the States enlisted in the Confederate army and remained a true and faithful soldier to the close of the war. He was loyal, true and faithful to the obligations of citizenship. He was married in 1869 to Miss Sallie Derrick. To this union were born nine children—three boys and six girls—five of whom, together with his wife, are living and feel very keenly the loss of a loving father and devoted husband. Brother McClanahan moved to Coryell County nearly a quarter of a century ago and settled near old Fort Gates, where he lived to the day of his death. In 1863 he gave his heart to God and connected himself with the M. E. Church, South, and served the Church for many years as a steward and trustee. He was thrown accidentally from a wagon and received injuries from which he never recovered. He frequently expressed himself as being ready and willing to die. God took him on Feb. 18, 1910. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

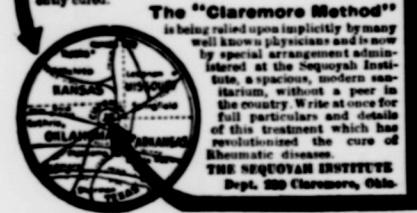
HIS PASTOR.

MOORE.—On January 7, 1910, Thomas Jefferson Moore departed this life at Terrell, Texas. He was born October 2, 1838, in Talladega County, Alabama. In 1848 he came to Cherokee County, Texas, near Jefferson. Soon afterward moved to Wood County. On September 16, 1861, Bro. Moore volunteered his service to the Confederate cause. A member of company B, 10th Regiment of Texas Cavalry. He was severely wounded at Richmond, Kentucky. After recovering he made greater efforts for the cause he so much loved. He was among the last to lay down his arms, coming out with an honorable discharge at Shelbyville, Tennessee, January 21, 1868. He was married to Miss Nancy Ann Willingham (the daughter of a pioneer Baptist preacher) August 31, 1865. God blessed their home with four children—three girls and one boy—all of whom are dead except Pearl, the wife of Rev. I. S. Ashburn, of Ravenna, Texas. Bro. Moore professed faith in Christ in 1888 and joined the Methodist Church in Wood County. He came to Jack County to live with his brother, John, in September 12, 1888. He was kind, gentle and loving. All who knew him loved him. His life was consistent to the Christ-life. His remains were shipped to Bryson, Texas, and laid to rest in the Cottonwood Cemetery after funeral services conducted by Rev. J. M. McCloud and his pastor. The Lord's blessings on the bereaved family.

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DAVENPORT.—On February 26, 1910, Edward William Davenport, editor of the Breckenridge Democrat, died in Marlin, Texas, where he had gone for his health. Brother Davenport was buried from the Methodist Church in Breckenridge on the afternoon of March 1. Brother Davenport was a member of the Methodist Church and was a faithful member. He was also a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges and these orders preceded his remains to the grave, where their ceremonies were held. Brother Davenport was born in Campbell County, Ga., on April 3, 1854. He was the son of Major J. H. Davenport, who for years was one of our most prominent citizens and a member of the State Senate. Brother Davenport was the editor in his life time of the Belton Review, Eastland Review, Northwest Texan and the Breckenridge Democrat. He was at one time the postmaster of Breckenridge. He married in Belton Miss Nannie McWhirter and from this union there were eight children. Half of the family now are on this side side of the river, and half have passed over to "rest under the shade of the trees." Mrs. Davenport, the mother of the deceased, is still living and the regard of the deceased for his mother was a strong characteristic of the man. He was a good citizen, husband and father and he will be missed by those who love a fearless and honest man. May the blessings of God be on the wife and mother and the four remaining children. The writer has known the family all of his life, as Brother Davenport was a student in the school of his father and their fathers were warm personal friends. In view of this I loved the man I have just buried. And then he was my friend.

J. HALL BOWMAN, Pastor.

BORDEN.—Eula B. Borden was born April 14, 1888; died February 17, 1910. She was converted at home when very young and joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a true and humble and faithful member until death. She was married to C. N. Borden April 18, 1906. She leaves a husband, two precious little children, a father, mother, brothers and sisters—all devout members of the M. E. Church—preparing to meet their precious loved one on the other side of the River of Death, where there will be no more sad separation, where dread maladies and disease are unknown. Sister Eula loved the Church, was a public worker and would pray in public when called upon. She will be greatly missed by her friends and loved ones. Her affliction was long and tedious, but she bore it with patience without murmur or complaint. She often spoke of her affliction and of her hope of a better world and her only regret was she had not been more faithful and done more for her Lord. We thank God for such living witness to the saving grace of our Christ. May the sustaining grace of our God keep the bereaved ones and ever help them to be true and faithful and ever follow their loved one as she followed Christ and at last make an unbroken family on the shores of eternal deliverance.

T. H. DAVIS, P. C.

CRIDER.—Mrs. Fannie Crider (nee Copeland) was born Feb. 22, 1872; was converted and joined the Church in her fourteenth year; was married to J. O. D. Crider in 1889, and came to Texas from Hall County, Ga. She was true to her Church. When her preacher took his place on the stand to preach she could be found in the amen corner, with her home honors all around her, to-wit: six children and her husband. As a wife she was all that woman could be; as a mother she was watchful, tender and true. She was loved by all who knew her. She was a great sufferer. The pangs of death only delivered her soul to the God who gave it. She was happiest when she was serving and making others happy. She departed this life Feb. 27, 1910. Her former pastor,

J. T. McKEOWN.

VANNY.—Lettie M. Purcell was born in Austin County, Texas, July 1, 1873. Was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when nine years of age. Was married to I. R. Vanny June 16, 1891; went home to glory from Crowell, Texas, February 3, 1910. In these thirty-six years, seven months and three days, bounding the earthly habitation of this earnest, consecrated, sweet-spirited life, are crowded so many graces of refinement and religion that to name them would take

a volume, and in this little sketch I can but record the fact that one of God's purest, truest and most loyal children has entered her inheritance. Sister Vanny was not strong in body and for years she struggled with infirmity and disease, but she struggled as a true soldier. She did not allow her bodily frailty to rob her of her Christian service or of her Christian service or of a sweet, cheerful disposition. She truly bore her affliction patiently. To have been her pastor for two years, I count as one of the privileges of my ministry. Was she loved? "Go ask the flowers if they love refreshing showers." No eulogy can add to the aroma of this life; her "works do follow" her. To the devoted and consecrated husband, mother and sister, and to the relatives and host of friends, who wait and weep, she is only gone before. When God says "come up higher" we shall see her. May the memory of her good life be like "ointment poured forth" until the gates shall swing wide open for us.

M. W. CLARK.

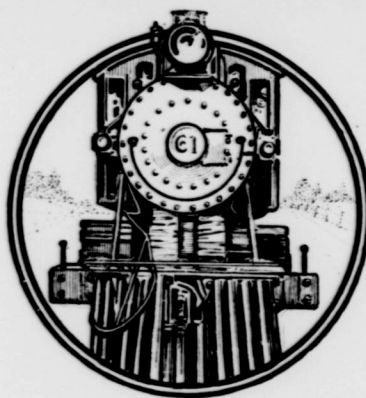
READ.—Joseph Robert Read, oldest son of W. T. Read, passed out of this life to the higher one on February 17, 1910, being 19 years, 2 months and 7 days old. He was the oldest son of W. T. Read, our Sunday-school superintendent at Harwood for many years. Though Joe was a cripple and suffered a great deal, yet he had a cheerful disposition and was honored by all who knew him. Joe was a good boy and a Christian, having been converted in a meeting under the pastorate of Rev. J. T. H. Miller, at Harwood. The broken-hearted parents have laid away the form they learned to love so well, but now heaven is sweeter and dearer to them because Joe is there awaiting them. To his brothers and sisters, he is beckoning you heavenward and though the family circle may be broken on earth, so live that there will be an unbroken circle around the pure white throne, where Joe is awaiting for you to join him. "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

W. D. WILLIAMSON

PAGE.—Sister E. E. Page was born in North Carolina, January 8, 1847, died November 19, 1909—aged 62 years, 10 months and 11 days. She moved with her parents to Florida when but one year old, where she resided until after the war. She united with the Church when but sixteen years old, and ever afterwards lived a consistent Christian life. She was married to J. J. Page in 1865. The fruit of this union was nine children; five of whom survive her, the others having preceded her to the glory land, where she joined them to await the coming of the broken-hearted husband and children, many grandchildren and a host of friends who mourn their loss. She died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Jones, near Waller, Texas. Her husband, children and many other relatives and friends were present during her last hours, and watched the flickering light that burned for several days and then went out as the death angel kissed her eyelids, and they said "she is dead," but "no," to her there is no death. On that sad November day when loved ones stood around with bleeding hearts and streaming eyes the pitying angel pushed the golden gate ajar and she entered into life. She was a noble type of Christian womanhood. To know her was to love her. Her home life was beautiful indeed—her patience untiring, her faith unshaken, her hopes unclouded to the last. It was this writer's privilege to know her the last few years of her life. During all this time she was an invalid and oft her sufferings were most intense, but her sublime trust in God enabled her to bear it to the last without a murmur or complaint. To the loved ones we would say that you should not mourn as those who have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and arose again, even so those which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him, when he comes to make us his jewels. In the midst of a large congregation, her pastor, Rev. Meyers, assisted by the writer, conducted her funeral services at New Hope M. E. Church, of which she was a consecrated member. The bereaved family have the sympathy and prayers of the entire community in this the saddest hour of their lives. She is resting from her labors and her works follow her. A friend to the family.

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NOTICE TO THE TEXAS CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

I have not, as you see, sent out the constitution and membership cards as yet. The reason is this, the lack of each member's address. I have been expecting a copy of our Conference minutes in every mail for nearly two months. As yet I have not received one and have been thinking that I would give this notice for some time, but was afraid I would get a copy of the minutes before the editor had time to publish this. So rest easy, and I will send the constitution and card as soon as I get your address.

A. P. BRADFORD, Sec.

TO THE METHODISTS OF NORTH-WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

I am mailing a call to the preachers for domestic mission money to be sent in by April 1 or 15th.

I now call upon the members of the Church to please hand their domestic mission money to their pastors and thus make it possible for these men to heed my appeal.

It would be a great day for the cause if our people would learn to donate to these interests when the money is in hand without waiting for the pastor to make a pressing call. Trusting that many will answer this request by a liberal donation, I now press it upon the Church members.

J. H. WISEMAN, Treas.

CHURCH EXTENSION ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Executive Committee of the Texas Conference Board of Church Extension will meet in Timpson, Texas, Tuesday, March 22, 1910. All parties interested please take note of this.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Llano District.

The Llano District Conference will convene at Kerrville Wednesday, March 30, to April 5.

Rev. A. Y. Old will preach the opening sermon at 8 p. m.

The following are the examining committees:

For License—R. A. Waltrip, S. J. Drake, T. N. Barton.

Admission on Trial—J. T. King, Rex E. Wilkes, A. Y. Old.

For Deacon's Orders—T. F. Sessions, F. M. Jackson, W. A. Hart.

For Elder's Orders—J. S. Bowles, J. P. Rodgers, N. G. Ozment.

Let all the pastors have their missionary money in the hands of the Treasurer by District Conference. It is important, at least, by the meeting of the Board of Missions.

Every preacher and delegate owes it to the Lord and to the Church to be present, take part and remain to the close of this conference.

J. D. SCOTT, P. E.

Abilene District.

The Abilene District Conference will meet at Merkel April 1, at 5 p. m., and continue over Sunday. You will note the change in dates from March 28 to April 1.

GUS BARNES, P. E.

LIFE GUARDS.

The Life Guards are two regiments of cavalry forming part of the British household troops. They are gallant soldiers, and every loyal British heart is proud of them. Not only the King's household, but yours, ours, everybody's, should have its life guards. The need of them is especially great when the greatest foes of life—diseases—find allies in the very elements, as cold, influenza, catarrh, the grip and pneumonia do in the stormy month of March. The best way that we know of to guard against these diseases is to strengthen the system with Hood's Sarsaparilla—the greatest of all life guards. It removes the conditions in which these diseases most successfully attack, gives vigor and tone to all the vital organs and functions, and imparts a genial warmth to the blood. Remember, the weaker the system the greater the exposure to disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the system strong.

AN INQUIRY.

On the first of last October a young man from one of our Methodist families suddenly disappeared from his home near Decatur. All efforts to find any trace of him have been in vain. The family are, of course, very anxious about him, and any information from any of our preachers or members will be greatly appreciated. The following is a description: He is nearly six feet tall, a little stooped; about twenty years old; has a slight stoppage in his speech; has gold in his front teeth; very quiet and retiring in his manner. His name is James Thompson (being a little peculiar, may be under an assumed name). Any information leading to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his father, Mr. W. F. Thompson, Decatur, Texas.

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TEXAS CONFERENCE UNDERGRADUATES.

Only \$87 out of the \$140 subscribed by the Texas Conference under-graduates at Jacksonville for the Mexico City Parsonage Fund has been received at my address. Brother C. D. Montgomery writes that the full sum subscribed is greatly needed.

H. M. WHALING, JR., Treasurer.

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Weatherford District—Second Round.

Mimsap, at Brock, March 12, 13.

Weatherford, First Church, Mar. 13, 14.

Thurber, March 17.

Ranger, at R., March 19, 20.

Strawn, at Mingus, March 21.

Gordon, at Mt. Zion, March 22.

Graford, at Oran, March 24.

Mineral Wells, March 26, 27.

Caddo, at Cedar Springs, March 29.

Crystal Falls, at Ivan, March 31.

Breckenridge, at Eolian, April 1.

Wayland, at W., April 2, 3.

Whitt, at Poolville, April 13.

Elizaville, at South Bend, April 16, 17.

Graham Sta., April 17, 18.

Loving, at Markley, April 19.

Newcastle, at True, April 20.

Graham Mis., at E. B., April 21.

Throckmorton, April 23, 24.

Davis Mis., at Sibley, April 25.

M. K. LITTLE, P. E.

Beaumont District—Second Round.

March 19, 20, Sour lake and China, at China.

March 26, 27, Cartwright and Spindle-top, at S.

April 2, 3, Port Bolivar and A., at Stowell.

April 9, 10, Call Mis., at Call.

April 10, 11, Kirbyville.

April 13, Nederland and Sabine Pass, at Sabine Pass.

April 16, 17, Jasper Mis., at Homer.

April 20, Silsby, at Silsby.

April 23, 24, Brookeland Mis., Brown-dell.

April 25, Jasper Station.

May 1, Kountze, at Olive.

May 8, First Church, Beaumont.

May 11, Woodville Mis., at Colmesneil.

May 15, Port Arthur.

May 18, Liberty, at Smith's Chapel.

May 21, 22, Orange.

May 22, Orange Mis., at West Orange.

May 25, Dayton.

May 28, 29, Burkeville.

June 1, Wallisville.

June 4, 5, Warren, at ———.

June 8, Bateson and Saratoga, at B.

D. E. HOTCHKISS, P. E.

Marshall District—Second Round.

North Marshall, a. m., March 6.

Hallville, p. m., March 6.

Waskom, March 13.

Rosewood, at Rhonesboro, March 19, 20.

First Church, Marshall, March 27.

Longview, March 27, 28.

Bettie, at Bettie, April 2, 3.

Gilmer, April 3, 4.

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Elysian Fields, at Mt. Zion, April 9, 10.

Kellyville, at Lodi, April 16, 17.

Jefferson, April 17, 18.

Hallville, at Lagrone's, April 23, 24.

First Church, Marshall, April 27.

Kilgore, at Danville, April 30, May 1.

Church Hill, at Fowler's Chapel, May 7, 8.

Henderson Sta., May 8, 9.

Beckville, at Tatum, May 14, 15.

Harleton, at Ashland, May 21, 22.

Harrison, at Union Chapel, May 22, 23.

North Marshall, May 25.

Henderson Cir., at Carlisle, May 28, 29.

The District Conference will convene at Gilmer June 7-10, opening at 3 p. m., Tuesday and adjourning at noon, Friday. The Laymen's Movement will receive special consideration.

H. T. CUNNINGHAM, P. E.

Plainview District—Second Round.

Hereford Sta., March 5.

Plainview Sta., March 11.

Floydada Sta., March 12.

Floydada Mis., March 12, 13.

Tulia Sta., March 15.

Wildorado, March 20, 21.

Lockney Sta., March 27, 4 a. m., March 28.

Bovina, April 2, 3.

Matador Sta., 8 p. m., April 9, 10.

Afton, at White Flat, 11 a. m., April 9.

Lubbock Sta., April 15.

Barton, April 16, 17.

Happy, at Vigo Park, 11 a. m., April 22.

Silverton, April 23, 24.

Turkey, April 25.

Spur, April 30, 11 a. m., May 1.

Jayton, 8 p. m., May 1; 9 a. m., May 2.

Hale Center Sta., May 7, 8.

Tahoka Sta., May 21, 22.

Post City, at Draw, May 23.

Gomez, at Plains, May 28, 29.

Brownfield, at B., May 30.

Emma, at Cone, June 4, 5.

Hereford Mis., June 6.

Dimmitt, at Olton, June 11, 12.

District Conference will convene in Lockney at 8 p. m., June 16, and close with Monday night's service follow- ing. The Epworth Leaguers and the Woman's Home Mission Society will meet with the District Conference.

Following are the committees:

For License—R. L. Jameson, D. B. Doak, J. E. Stephens.

For Admission—S. R. Twitty, R. A. Stewart, T. W. Sharp.

For Deacon's Orders—C. D. Pipkin.

B. T. Sharp, W. P. Edwards.

For Elder's Orders—J. A. Laney, V. H. Trammell, J. A. Sweeney.

G. S. HARDY, P. E.

Pittsburg District—Second Round.

Linden Cir., at Kildare, March 12, 13.

Atlanta Sta., March 13, 14.

Dalby Springs Cir., at Godley Prairie, March 13, 20.

New Boston and DeKalb, at N. B. Mar. 20, 21.

Queen City Cir., at Law's Chapel, March 26, 27.

Central Church, Texarkana, 11 a. m., April 3.

Hady Memorial, Texarkana, 7:30 p. m., April 3.

Douglasville Cir., at Cedar Grove, Apr. 9, 10.

Nash Cir., at Buchanan, April 16, 17.

Redwater Cir., at Red Lick, April 23, 24.

Winfield Cir., at Pleasant Chapel, April 30, May 1.

Pittsburg Cir., at Cox's Chapel, May 7, 8.

Pittsburg Sta., May 8, 9.

Mount Pleasant Sta., May 15, 16.

Winnsboro Cir., at Webster, May 21, 22.

Daingerfield Cir., at Alina, May 28, 29.

Quitman Cir., at Stinson, June 4, 5.

Hughes Springs Cir., at Avinger (?), June 11, 12.

Naples and Omaha, at O., June 18, 19.

District Conference for the Pittsburg District will open at Hughes Springs on Tuesday, June 28, at 2:30 p. m.

JOS. B. SEARS, P. E.

Paris District—Second Round.

Emerson Cir., at Round Prairie, Mar. 19, 20.

Roxton Cir., at Howland, March 26, 27.

Woodland and Kanawha, at K., April 2, 3.

Detroit Cir., at Fulbright, April 9, 10.

Blossom and Sylvan, at B., April 10, 11.

Deport Cir., at Milton, April 16, 17.

Shady Grove and Marvin, at M., April 17, 18.

Bagwell Mis., at Robbinsville, April 23, 24.

Rosalie Cir., at McKenzie, April 30, May 1.

Clarksville Mis., at McCoy, May 7, 8.

Clarksville Sta., May 8, 9.

Annona Cir., at Coleman Spr., May 14, 15.

Whiterock and Williams Chapel, at W. C., May 21, 22.

Avery Mis., at Shawnee Chapel, May 28, 29.

Paris Cir., at Reno, June 4, 5.

Bonham St., at B., June 5, 6.

Centenary, June 11, 12.

Lamar Ave., June 12, 13.

Paris District Conference will convene in Clarksville April 26. Opening sermon at 7:45 p. m., by E. G. Roberts.

The following are the committees:

For License and Admission on Trial—J. W. Beckham, E. G. Cameron, W. C. Howell.

For Deacon's Orders—I. M. Bryce, W. J. Bludworth, H. E. Anderson.

For Elder's Orders—J. H. Griffin, J. McCrary, W. A. Pritchett.

JNO. M. SWEETON, P. E.

Georgetown District—Second Round.

Temple Sta., March 8.

Belton Cir., at New Hope, March 12, 13.

Moody Sta., March 13, 14.

Corn Hill and Weir, at Weir, March 19, 20.

Bartlett, March 20, 21.

Temple, Seventh St., March 21.

Granger, at Jonah, March 27, 28.

Georgetown Sta., March 28, 29.

Bohemian Mis., Georgetown, March 30.

Florence Cir., at Berry's Creek, April 2, 3.

Holland, at Wilson Valley, April 9, 10.

Glorietta, at Heldenheimer, April 16, 17.

Rogers Sta., April 17, 18.

Salado, at Salado, April 23, 24.

Belton Sta., April 24, 25.

District Conference, Belton, April 25-27.

W. H. VAUGHAN, P. E.

Terrell District—Second Round.

Fate Cir., March 12, 13.

Garland Sta., March 13, 14.

Rockwall Sta., March 20, 21.

Kaufman Sta., March 27, 28.

Royse Sta., April 3, 4.

Pleasant Mound Cir., April 9, 10.

Mesquite Cir., April 16, 17.

Forney Sta., April 17, 18.

Crandall and Seago, April 24, 25.

Kemp Cir., April 30.

Mabank Mis., May 7, 8.

Elmo Mis., May 14, 15.

College Mound, May 21, 22.

Chisholm Cir., May 28, 29.

Terrell Sta., June 1.

Scurry Mis., June 4, 5.

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