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(Written for the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

"DEEP CALLETH UNTO DEEP."

BY JULIA PHIPPER TRUITT.

Lo, the tempest dashing landward! and the driving

Of the wind and ghost-like cloud.

And the long, fierce roar of elemental strife!

Lo, the sound of angry wind and water striving.

As though the storm would drag down light and life.

And wrap the earth up in his watery shroud.

Lo, the tempest dashing landward! and its dashing

Thrills with a voice of might.

And hath a sound of unison aches clashing.

And walks through all the pauses of the night

With sorrow ringing through its long waves' breaking.

A human sound of desolate heartaching.

Lo, the tempest dashing landward! and the sobbing

Of the waves that break and roll along the strand.

And the heart of ocean, with its stormy throbbing!

And the voice of ocean, breaking on the land.

Grows half articulate

And all the wild night skies seem over-leaning.

To hear the song and catch its mystic meaning.

"There is tempest" sings the ocean, "and the cloud

Fleeth landward with its tattered banners trailing.

And the sharp-edged lightning pierceth through the gloom.

And the thunders roll with muttered tones of wailing;

And lo, the land low-lyeth in its shroud.

And the tempest moans requiems o'er its tomb.

"Oh restless ages! o'er the unresting ocean,

How ye have rolled your never-ending strife,

And filled your pauses with the sea's commotion.

And lo! no hush of silence unto life.

No stillness calms the ocean's weary yearning.

No peace is brooding on its troubled breast;

The sea's strong heart forevermore is burning.

Filled with the world's old, feverish unrest.

When the mystic Word through chaos first

went thrilling.

The new-born earth was shaken

With sudden power, down-falling from the throne;

And lo, the ocean filling

The pause of earth, with song began to waken

The world's still heart to music like its own.

"Man can not know the song the restless ages

In that far dawn's faint starlight grandly sung:

Its harmony is hid from all the sages.

And hushed in silence when the tempest rages.

Creation's morning song when time was young.

I caught its music when the worlds were ringing

With love and joy that praised their Author well;

When all the glorious morning stars were singing.

For God had flung the spheric music fell.

And down through space the spheric music fell.

And with their radiance filled earth's cloud-land dim.

And high in heaven fixed their dwelling-places;

And stars and ocean sweetly sung of Him.

"Oh, glorious morning song! thy tones were stilled

When human voices wailed with anguish calling.

When men moaned low for bright hopes unfulfilled.

When hearts were breaking and when tears were falling.

The world's old sorrow o'er the ocean creeps.

And ocean takes it with a voice of weeping;

Oh, mournful voice! that thrills through all the deeps

With joy of hoping and despair of falling.

"Man heareth only in the tempest's roaring.

And break and dash of waters on the sand.

The long, wild willow, far upward soaring.

For stately ships gone down in sight of land;

For drowning cries, and noble hearts grown cold.

And bleaching bones, sea's rocky bottom strewn;

For agonies of costly gems and gold.

And all the old, wild work of ocean's doing.

Man stands on his shores with hands out-moaning.

And wistful eyes across the waters yearning.

And trembling lips, the God of Heaven beseeching.

For some dear hope's most swift and sure returning.

"Oh mystic soul of man! a deeper deep

Unnumbered Letters.

May 23--G. H. Phipper--N. E. L. subscriber

John Shrock--subscriber; thanks for kind invitation.

John Adams--subscriber; Sam'l Morris--subscriber.

C. H. Smith--renewals; H. B. Hays--subscriber.

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(Communicated.) Organic Union.

In the ADVOCATE of the 11th of May is a well considered article on Organic Union of the two families of Episcopal Methodism, by "Frontier Preacher. It is not my purpose to controvert a single proposition contained in the article referred to. Indeed, I have no desire to do so, if I even felt myself competent, which I do not. The writer of that article shows conclusively that he has carefully studied the subject, and understands it, and is quite able to tell what he knows and thinks. It would be a violent conclusion that so correct a thinker and able writer as Frontier Preacher, is not posted on the popular and most resorted to objections to organic union of the Episcopal Methodisms. The only object I have in view in this communication is, to call the attention of that writer to the fact, that there are formidable, and so far as I know, unanswered objections to such union. It is true he anticipates a common objection—one invariably put forth by advancing a contrary proposition. The objection I refer to, is generally about thus formulated: "The union or consolidation of Methodism in the United States would put too much political power in that church, which she would be sure to use, and thus make her a standing menace to the government of this country."

Methodism is Christianity. And yet, if either of the foregoing positions be true, it will follow that there is something in Methodism, that is, in Christianity, hostile to free government. Now how is that? A second objection to organic union to which I call Frontier Preacher's attention is, that "a united Methodism would be unwieldy, unmanageable, and would fall by its own weight."

There are other objections. For instance, "Southern Methodism is primitive, is purer, and more conservative, which character it will be sure to lose if organic union takes place."

These are a few of the popular objections usually urged against organic union. I have heard them urged, with what seemed to the hearers, irresistible power. They are the barriers in the way, and until removed, organic union is impossible. Fraternity itself is not possible unless it can be shown to be a Christian duty for God's people to dwell together in unity. It is all well enough to talk about marking them who cause divisions among us, about Christ praying for the unity of the church with Him as He was in unity with the Father, and about the church being of one mind, and minding the same things, and all that, but until some master mind can convince the Methodist people that these high and holy principles enunciated by Christ and His apostles have any binding obligation on them as a church, organic union is far in the future. There are many people of blessed memory, noble-hearted, excellent, good men who think 1844 and 1861 are here yet. Where is the genius who can break the spell that binds them?

There are others in the church, North and South, who are willing to listen to reason. They are sick of ecclesiastical bloody-shirt people. They think there is something dreadfully incongruous in the spectacle presented by people who have been regenerated by the same spirit, justified by faith in the same blood and expecting to go to the same heaven, and yet as De Quincy said of Coleridge and Wadsworth, interdispensing each other.

Who can show that Methodism united is not inimical to free government? Who can show that Methodism united would not be more unwieldy, and not as much so as Methodism fractionalized? Who can drive away the spooks and boggies of which some people are so afraid. If anybody can do it, I think Frontier Preacher can. Hope he will try it.

PHILADELPHIA. "ENOUGH," says the philosopher, "is a little more than a man has, but economy is the problem of making what a man has suffice for his necessities."

(Communicated.) Look Out for Him.

The object of this communication is to put the churches on their guard. There is a fellow in this settlement trying to pass himself as a church member. He is fascinating in manners and is winning his way among the young folks, and some of the older ones. I have been watching this chap for some time, and have come to the conclusion that he is a vile seducer and swindler, and that he has been sent to this country by his father to take the place of his older brother, who has become somewhat unpopular in some of the churches. Although he claims a place amongst church members, he has never been seen in a house of worship, unless possibly he may have slipped in some time when there was no preaching or worship. He is always ready to take a leading part in all parties of worldly pleasure. He is a bitter enemy to strict religion, and stirs up cold, back-slidden members against those who wish to live consistent and faithful to Christ. His influence over church members is wonderful. This writer is acquainted with quite a number who have fallen under this creature's influence. They seem to be in a declining, sickly state. Rumor has it that this scamp has seduced them from the bridegroom's bosom, and then swindled them out of the most of their jewels and all their spending money, and that they are now starving to death in a strange land, trying to feed on the husks the swine do eat, forgetting that in their Father's house there is plenty and to spare. I have taken some pains to learn this fellow's pedigree and think I have it correct: He is of royal blood—the son of a king. He has many brothers and a few sisters. He is a full brother to Prince Whirligig, and bids fair to become as celebrated as his brother in wielding his father's most powerful weapon for hindering the church in her mission for the salvation of man. His features bear the marks of family likeness so plainly that his parentage may not be mistaken. Much of the history of his family connection may be found written in a certain book called the Bible, beginning at the first verse of the third chapter of Genesis, and ending at the fifth verse of the last chapter of Revelations. The churches are notified to be on the look-out for this deceiver. He will no doubt change his name if it becomes desirable. For the present he is handed around in whirligig circles under the euphonious name, Charles. M. B. R.

Good advice is like brown bread; it is very wholesome, but not always the most welcome kind of food.

GOVERNMENT land costs one dollar and twenty-five cents an acre, and whisky two dollars a bottle. And yet there are many who prefer whisky to land.

At Omaha the citizens have organized a vigilance committee—determined to be rid of the tramps.

An Ohio man, dying, wills \$12,000 to the government. He made it, he says, selling "moonshine whisky."

An exchange truthfully and pathetically assures us that "That there is no town, however watched and tended, But one dead bank is there; There is no safe, however well defended, But needs still greater care."

WHEN one sin is admitted, it is generally found that it has a companion waiting at the door; and the former will work hard to gain admission for the latter.

Some of the papers want to sell Alaska back to the Russians. If this question were greatly agitated, we fear the Russian government would hurt itself in its zeal to repossess that valuable country. Alaska—such things be!

The project to turn the channel of the Missouri river into the Mississippi against the rocky bluffs above Alton, Illinois, has been revived by the City Council of that place in the hope of saving the low-lying lands in the American bottom from periodical inundation.

The rotten, putrid mess is still being stirred, and is polluting the moral atmosphere correspondingly. Mrs. Tilton, it is said, will again "confess." Why does she not go into the Catholic Church, where they have provided a basin to receive all such immoral slops?

"Wall, I've bought heaps of things in dry goods and so on," slowly rejoined the old man, "and I never yet took home anything that the old woman thought was worth the price. If I got that 'ere robe for even fifteen cents, she'd grab it up, pull at one end, chew on a corner, and call out: 'Cheated again—more'n half cotton!' That's the reason I don't bid!"

The Detroit Free Press says: "A boy with a patch on his knee can't be hired to go on an errand to the next house, but he will follow a band wagon all over town, and never realize that he isn't dressed in broadcloth."

A Michigan girl, of an inquiring turn of mind put a cartridge on a red hot stove just to see what the thing would do. She knows now, and is preparing her mouth for a new set of teeth.

In Merriman, N. H., two female tramps entered a house while the family were out, and without ceremony, went into the best room and went to bed. The first that the family knew of this was in the morning, when the two women got up, dressed, entered the dining-room and demanded breakfast.

At an auction sale of miscellaneous goods on Michigan Avenue, the auctioneer put up a wolf robe and invited bids. An old man inspected it closely, seemed to think there was a bargain in it, and yet he hesitated to bid. "Don't you want it," asked the auctioneer. "Yes, kinder," was the reply. "Then, why don't you bid and take it?"

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Tribune says the sale of four-and-a-half bonds by the syndicate is now averaging \$1,250,000 a day. It is stated by members of the syndicate that the demand from all parts of the country, especially in the west, for this issue of government bonds for investment is so great that it is difficult to keep a supply on hand to meet it.

NELSON FURNACE, Ky., May 6.—At an early hour this morning Minnie, daughter of Lloyd Saunders, of Bullitt county, while engaged at work in her father's chicken-house, was attacked by a large game cock. The fowl's spur pierced the side of her head, entering the brain. The wounded girl is eleven years of age. She can not recover. She appears to be paralyzed, and is dying gradually.—Cincinnati Inquirer.

The figures brought out by the speakers at the meeting on Tuesday night of the National Temperance Society are of the sort to make impartial people pause and think whether they are true. The Rev. J. P. Newman set down the annual expenditure for liquor in the United States at \$616,000,000. Deducting the \$1,000,000 Gen. Neal Dow declared was spent in Maine, we have left as the average annual expenditure per capita \$16.20 in round figures. General Dow takes \$13,000,000 as the expenditure that would take place in Maine but for the Maine liquor law. According to Dr. Newman's figures it should be \$10,157,000, a difference of nearly 30 per cent., which is a serious one when folk undertake to prove anything by relentless statistics.—N. Y. World.

The sunfish has repeatedly injured the submarine cable between Portugal and Brazil and along the east coast of South America. Splinters of bone have been found thrust into the cable through the several coverings so deep as to affect the electric wires. A small species of marine animal also appears to devote its special attention toward boring and destroying cables. Whales have likewise caused great damage to cables. A short time ago the cable in the Persian Gulf ceased to work. Examination was made, and it was found that a whale, which was entangled in the cable, had broken it. The animal was covered over with parasites, and in its effort to free itself of them by rubbing its body against the cable, the cable was broken, and one of the ends then coiled round the whale in such a way that it was unable to free itself, and was thus suffocated.

Some one has written beautifully to the boys in the following manner. Here is a whole sermon in a few sentences: "Of all the love affairs in the world, nothing can surpass the true love of a big boy for his mother. It is pure love and noble; honorable in the highest degree to both. I do not mean merely a dutiful affection. I mean a love which makes a boy gallant and courteous to his mother, saying to everybody plainly that he is in love with her. Next to the love of a husband, nothing so crowns a woman's life with honor as this second love, this devotion of a son to her. And I never yet knew a boy to 'turn out' bad who began by falling in love with his mother. Any man may fall in love with a fresh faced girl, and the man who is gallant with the girl may cruelly neglect the worn and weary wife. But the boy who is a lover of his mother in her middle age is a true knight, who will love his wife as much in the serene autumn as he did in the daisied spring time."

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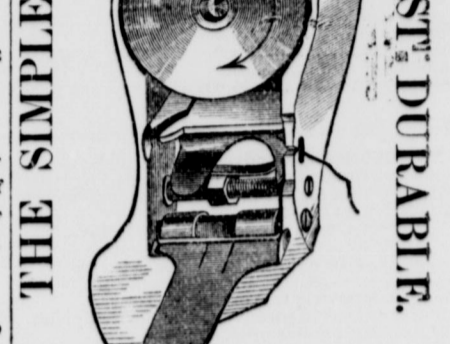
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## News of the Week.

## Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Democrats who are opposed to reopening the presidential controversy think they gained an important point to-day in the vote on the Harrison resolution, and think it should be accepted by the country as a full answer to the Republican assertion that they contemplate revolution.

The whole Texas delegation in the house has been at the front to-day opposing reduction of the army. Mr. Schleicher's speech was remarkably able, and the other members of the delegation have all taken an active and effective part in the sharp five minutes' debate on the subject that has been running during the afternoon and evening. It is not at all probable that reaction will take place, but the matter will not be finally decided until the bill is reported to the house and a ye or nay vote is taken.

Confirmations—S. B. Packard, of Louisiana, consul at Liverpool; Lucius Fairchild, consul general at Paris.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—It appears the secretary of the treasury has overruled Solicitor Raynor's opinion, and suits against Virginia officials who were paid from state funds drawn from bank after the capture of Richmond will be pushed. The army appropriation bill occupied exclusively the attention of the house to-day. The amendment offered by Mr. Throckmorton, of Texas, making the army 25,000 instead of 20,000 men, was carried by a majority of ten—all the Texas members except Reagan voting with the solid Republicans in the vote for the amendment. This was in committee of the whole, and it has yet to run the gauntlet of a vote by yeas and nays in the house.

Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, submitted an amendment to the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill, appropriating \$50,000 for the purpose of investigating the history and habits of insects injurious to the cotton plant, and the best means of preventing or destroying the same. Referred to the committee on appropriations.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The bill introduced by Senator Maxey to-day to aid the construction of the Corpus Christi, San Diego, and Rio Grande railroad provides for an advance by the United States of \$60,000 per mile for each mile between Corpus Christi and Laredo, to be paid in cash upon the completion of successive sections of ten miles, to be repaid by the subsequent earnings for government transportation.

Mr. Kellogg introduced a bill to restore to the pension rolls certain Mexican soldiers who had been dropped because they aided the Confederacy or were not known to be opposed to it. The bill provides they shall not be paid for time they were dropped.

Gen. Gibson's bill appropriating \$183,000 for the repairing and conducting the New Orleans mint, which passed the house of representatives, is now pending in the senate and is likely to become a law. Secretary Sherman will not oppose it.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Hewitt was greatly demoralized to-day by the vote of the house to maintain the army at 25,000 men. It turns out that he had some assurance from his party friends, based on some sort of caucus agreement, that he should be sustained, and he has therefore pushed forward with the greatest confidence, though everybody else knew in advance he was sure to be defeated.

The only explanation of to-day's vote is that Texas and other Democrats who voted against reduction were not parties to the agreement or did not feel themselves bound by it. The fate of the bill is by no means certain. Republicans are determined to pick it to pieces and began the process at the evening session.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Mr. Beck of Kentucky, introduced a bill to repeal existing taxes on the capital and deposits of banks and bankers, and to impose tax on dividends in excess of eight per cent. Referred to committee on Finance.

Potter's committee is sitting with closed doors.

Mr. Chamberlain opened before the Privileges and Elections Committee on behalf of Corbin in his contest with Butler. Session private.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—The Senate passed, without amendment, house bill forbidding the retirement of legal tenders. The following is the text of the bill to forbid the further retirement of United States legal tender notes:

Be it enacted, that from and after the passage of this act it shall not be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury, or any other officer under

him, to cancel or retire any more of the United States legal tender notes; and when any of said notes may be redeemed or be received into the treasury from any source whatever, and shall belong to the United States, they shall not be retired, canceled or destroyed, but they shall be reissued and paid out again and kept in circulation; provided that nothing herein shall prohibit the cancellation and destruction of mutilated notes and the issue of other notes of like denomination in their stead, as now provided by law. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

It now goes to the President for his signature. The House bill, as amended by the Senate, allowing articles for art and scientific societies to come in duty free, passed and goes to the President.

The House is voting on the army bill. All amendments providing for 25,000 men were voted down and provision for 20,000 ordered. The army appropriation bill was passed by the House. It fixes the strength of the army at 20,000 men, the number of cavalry regiments at ten and infantry at eighteen. It provides for the reduction and reorganization of various staff departments and the retiring and mustering out of officers who are supernumerary or unfit for service; it reduces the pay and allowances and provides for the management of Indians by the war department and prohibits the employment of troops for civil purposes, unless specially authorized by act of Congress.

## The Eastern Question.

NEW YORK, May 22.—A London dispatch says the Duke of Athol yesterday had two interviews with the Queen at Balmoral castle. He afterwards addressed the public meeting declaring the prospects for peace more favorable.

LONDON, May 22.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* this afternoon has the following from its Berlin correspondent: Count Schouvaloff, in conversation with other diplomatists, declared the proposals he was carrying to England pacific. He seemed confident they would not be rejected. Baden Baden is again proposed as the place for a congress. It is thought the proposal will be generally accepted.

Count Schouvaloff arrived in London on his return from St. Petersburg at 6 o'clock this evening.

BERLIN, May 22.—The semi-official *Provincial Correspondence* anticipates a favorable result from Count Schouvaloff's efforts. It says the latest declarations of the British ministers, as well as the views manifested at St. Petersburg, are full of wishes and hopes of the renewed consolidation of a European peace.

LONDON, May 22.—This afternoon's *Globe* says two unarmed Russian war vessels from Cronstadt passed through the sound clandestinely Monday night. It is supposed their destination is America. Russian agents are engaged in Sweden inspecting shipping with a view to purchase of cruisers.

The peace congress seems assured. Europe is now fighting her great battle of diplomacy.

LONDON, May 23.—Count Schouvaloff will call on Lord Salisbury. A dispatch to the *Standard* from St. Petersburg, says Prince Gortschakoff, is better and hopes to attend the congress, which is thought certain.

The *Daily News* correspondent at St. Petersburg says the opinion prevails that Count Schouvaloff takes to London instructions containing the elements of a friendly and decisive solution of the question at issue. The secrecy maintained by him will continue until the government receives his answer from London, which is not to be telegraphed, but sent by courier. Nothing certain can be known before next week.

It is authentically stated that Count Schouvaloff brings from the czar counter proposals, couched in conciliatory terms, proposing that all questions pertaining to European Turkey be submitted and treated by the proposed congress, and that questions relating to Turkey in Asia be made the subject of a separate convention between England and Russia alone.

LONDON, May 24.—This morning's *Post* after stating that Count Schouvaloff brings assurance that the disposition in St. Petersburg for peace quite equals that in London, and is also the bearer of certain expressions of willingness to meet the English views of a general scheme of arrangements for reconciliation, though Russia declines to pass the sponge over the San Stefano treaty, but is prepared to discuss in a congress its various stipulations—adds: This, to the general apprehension, will appear to amount to a reiteration of Prince Gortschakoff's circular. On the other hand it is to be hoped that the British cabinet will stand firm

by the conditions of Lord Salisbury's dispatch.

LONDON, May 27.—An official dispatch from Vienna confirms the announcement made by the *Paris Journal des Debats* yesterday and to-day that Russia has consented to lay the treaty of San Stefano before the Congress, that all the powers have agreed to the proposal, and invitations have been issued to them to attend a Congress, which will meet in Berlin June 11.

While the prospects for peace increase, the preparations for war are pushed actively by Russia, Turkey, England and Austria.

LONDON, May 28.—England will urge a protectorate for Asiatic Turkey, as the only solution of the vexed question.

Germany will issue invitations to the Congress soon to meet in Berlin.

It is known that to Prince Bismarck of the credit for the arranging for this Congress is due.

The *Standard* this morning says the cabinet council sat three hours yesterday and will resume its deliberations to-day. We can renew with considerable confidence the statement that the difficulties are in a fair way of being removed. The prospects of peace are certainly brighter to-day than they have been for some time.

The first vessels, two in number, of the fleet conveying Indian troops, arrived at Malta to-day.

LONDON, May 25.—The cabinet council held long sessions yesterday and to-day, and the prospects for peace are certainly brighter to-day than for some time past. The czar is resolute in regard to the retrocession of Bessarabia, but has made considerable advances in regard to the limits of Bulgaria. Russia, under pressure, consents to reduce the indemnity one half, or even more.

VIENNA, May 25.—Montenegro assured Count Andrassy that she intends to keep the peace and her attitude will be strictly defensive.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 25.—The fire among the buildings of the sublime porte proves to have been the work of an incendiary. One and a half million dollars deposited there was lost.

LONDON, May 25.—A special to the *Post* from St. Petersburg reports that three army corps have been ordered to Finland, where a considerable force is concentrating. The government has ordered, in the event of war, that all cruisers shall be manned by regular seamen and marines.

## Little by Little—A Path to Wealth.

BY JOHN D. KNOX.

Dr. Schliemann, the eminent German-American who has made so many important discoveries at Mycenae, is a self-made man. He began life as a shop boy, was subsequently a cabin boy, then a clerk, and spent his best days in Russian commerce. In addition to amassing a large fortune, he has mastered the English, French, Dutch, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, Swedish, Polish, Greek and Arabic languages.

Save the rags, strings and paper; kindle the fire with something less valuable. When bits of meat, vegetables, bread and cold puddings are thrown away, want hastens to meet you, whereas they might be warmed, steamed and served as good as new. Small savings as well as small profits, must be submitted to; for the large profits and rapidly acquired fortunes, are the lot of but few. "Little by little," should sound in our ear, until the adaptation of ourselves to circumstances and in cheerful and honest labor we spend our days.

Consider well the following selection:

Chancellor Walworth, of New York, in speaking of savings institutions, says: "The first dime laid up is the first step toward becoming a capitalist; and he who is a capitalist to the smallest degree has an advantage in the rush and struggle for independence and wealth. Every new saving will make the further ones easy."

There are but few in this country who cannot, if they are so disposed, lay aside a part of their income at stated intervals; and if they will deposit this regularly in some good savings bank, they will be surprised at the end of a few years to find how much these deposits and the accrued interest thereon have accumulated. The first steps in the acquisition of wealth, as in everything else, are the most discouraging and difficult. But when a few hundred or thousand dollars have been accumulated, even if no more be directly saved, the simple matter of interest, compounded annually or semi-annually, will of itself count up most rapidly, doubling the principal every ten or fifteen years. If we seek the foundations of the great wealth of many of our bankers and merchant princes, we shall find that they consisted simply of such sums as they were enabled, by the practice of a rigid economy, judi-

ciously to invest out of their slender incomes, in "the day of small things." It is well to remember that the day of large profits and rapidly acquired fortunes has gone by, perhaps never to return. Now we must make haste slowly, and in cheerful and honest labor adapt ourselves to our circumstances. Stone by stone the pyramids were reared. Brick after brick the massive building rose, and after sand the strand was formed, drop after drop the land was watered and the harvest came, while grain by grain the granary was filled, and plenty crowned the board. Little by little the vast coral island is formed.

Save the small, and the large will smile upon you in the time to come.

But facts are refreshing. A correspondent in Oakland, Cal., tells the following pleasant story: "There has lived in this city the past years a quiet, modest gentleman by the name of Peter Miller. He has resided in this State twenty years, worked in the mines, and part of the time at his trade, carpentering. Years ago he commenced to send home to his widowed mother, living in Michigan, what he could afford to spare from his earnings. Being a bachelor, he could not brook the idea of having the idol of his heart toil in her declining years, consequently he sent her money from time to time, making no entry of it, but presuming his worthy relative would use it as she deemed proper. After years of absence, his mother kept writing for him to return, but like other old Californians he was proud and did not desire to go back until he had sufficient to 'show' that he was from the Golden State. Time works changes—so it did with Peter; he found himself about a month ago without labor—'strapped' to use the common term—and the surroundings neither pleasant nor satisfactory. He was unwell and thought of home and the friends of his youth back in the Wolverine districts. He wrote home to his mother that he could not conceal his pride any longer, and stated the situation; if he had money he would return, but he had to make it. Monday last he received a check for \$500, and in the letter was stated that the money he had been sending home for years had been invested in land, and he had better come back home, and take charge of his property, which was worth over fifty thousand dollars."

If for fifty years you save one cent a day and place it out on interest at six per cent, it will amount to nine hundred and fifty dollars; ten cents per day will amount to nine thousand five hundred and four dollars, while 25 cents a day will run up to \$23,750, but 50 cents per day will yield \$4,752,000. Thus you see little by little the result of daily savings secures great wealth. Home and comforts can be secured if proper effort is made, with a patient continuance in the right direction.

If the husband and father will not lay by little by little for the day of age, sickness, or misfortune, others in the family may. John Griffiths, of Girardville, Schuylkill Co., Pa., has a wife and daughter who for many years saved all the money it was possible, and finally built a block of houses in Pottsville, which they presented to Mr. Griffiths, who had been kept in total ignorance of what they were doing, while none of his everyday home comforts had been denied him.

A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump; little and often, fills the purse.

He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much.—*Christ*.

He that begins to add little to little is walking in the path to wealth, and will soon add much to much, for whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have abundance."

To the Preachers of the Jefferson District.

DEAR BRETHREN.—My absence from my work for more than a month no doubt seems strange to you, as no such event has ever occurred in my history before.

I therefore take this method of informing you and the churches which, in connection with yourselves, I have been appointed to serve, that on my arrival at home I found my little boy Charley quite sick—I did not think dangerously so, however, at the beginning; but he soon grew much worse, and became helpless as an infant. The symptoms, I thought, justified the *Lope of recovery*, so I remained, oscillating between hope and fear, for twenty-nine days, when the final struggle came, and my little boy died. I buried him just thirty days after I got home.

The death of our child so distressed my wife, in her prostrate condition, that I did not feel justified in leaving her. I hope now, however, to be able to be in my place on the district in the course of a week or ten days.

Being hindered from my work is a source of deep regret to me. I feel it more keenly, I have no doubt, than any one else.

But to God's will and providence we must all yield. I try to do it meekly. I want to feel resigned and say, "the Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away," blessed be the name of the Lord."

Pray for us, brethren, in our affliction. May the peace of God dwell in your hearts, and may his blessing be upon your ministry.

L. B. ELLIS.

BRIDGE PLAINS, TEXAS, May 27, 1878.

## Coffeyville Circuit.

Perhaps a few words from this portion of the work may not be uninteresting to the many friends of Methodism in Texas. Our second Quarterly Conference was held at Pleasant Grove church, near Fayette, Upshur county, last Saturday and Sunday, the 18th and 19th, but from some cause unknown to me, our excellent presiding elder, Bro. L. B. Ellis was not with us, which we regretted very much.

On Saturday we had a considerable wind and rain storm, which came up while I was preaching, and beat the sermon in two, somewhere about the middle. After the excitement and confusion subsided, we proceeded to transact the business of the Quarterly Conference, as it was raining too hard either to continue the sermon or to leave the church.

On Sunday there was a very large congregation, and we had excellent attention, and there was a good state of feeling among the people. The spiritual condition of my charge is tolerably good, and we think is improving some. I am glad to be able to say that prayer and class-meetings are kept up here better than on any work I have ever traveled.

I am trying to do the best I can on the work, and trust that He for whom I labor will send his blessings upon us, and that our labors may be crowned with abundant success.

I am doing more work and harder work this year than ever before since I entered the ministry. I have thirteen regular appointments at which I preach once a month. The preparation of so many sermons, together with my pastoral visiting and other duties, keep me very busy, and I have no time for "eating idle bread." I am having better success selling books and working for the *ADVOCATE* this year than ever before. I have sold over \$50 worth of books since our Annual Conference, and have more than doubled the number of *ADVOCATES* taken on my work. Success to our noble *ADVOCATE*.

W. W. HOBNER.

COFFEYVILLE, TEXAS, May 27, 1878.

[The communication, to be found elsewhere, explains the cause of the absence of Rev. L. B. Ellis from the meeting.—Ed.]

## Reverence in the Pulpit.

The pulpit is a sacred place. It is the altar of God. It is the audience chamber of Jehovah, into which the preacher and man of God enters to deliver solemn messages, and make supplications for the sins of the people, and offer praise and thanksgiving. There he stands between the living and the dead in sin.

There is no place on earth where human feet stand so burdened with fearful responsibilities to God and to man, as the pulpit of salvation. "Put off thy shoes from off thy feet," said God to Moses in the presence of the burning bush "for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground." "Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God," said Solomon. Invisible angels stand around every pulpit, and the Son of God is there looking on, and sees and hears.

No monarch of earth admits his subjects to his throne-room so heedlessly as many enter the pulpit—the throne-room of God. Many pastors and preachers enter the pulpit and reverently bend the knee in silent prayer. Others enter the pulpit as if in haste and, without a pause, lay hold on the Bible—God's own book—and rudely turn over its sacred leaves as if it were a ledger or commonplace day-book. It is not suited to inspire a holy reverence in the hearts and minds of a worshipping assembly. It is not done "decently and in order," becoming the house of God.

## Texas Items.

The *Brenham Banner* reports a vineyard in that vicinity having 2000 vines two years old loaded with fruit, estimated at four pounds to the vine. Texas is a fruit country.

The *Democrat* complains that the rates of the Texas Pacific is driving the cattle trade to other lines by its high rates of transportation.

The drive of cattle over the branch trail to Fort Griffin is estimated at 150,000. Snyder Bros. have driven 25,000 head to Wyoming.

The Mount Pleasant *Patron* reports a rain storm in that vicinity last week which severely injured orchards and crops.

Two schooners loaded last week at Harrisburg with corn for Mobile.

The wheat crop of North Texas is turning out finely.

Corn in Washington county is in tassel and silk.

The Upshur county *Democrat* says an acre of ground in that county yielded \$279.50 in syrup from the ribbon cane.

The *Chronicle* reports two live oaks with trunks thirty feet apart, have united in one trunk at a point 40 feet from the ground. It is a case of grafting by nature's hands.

The *Statesman* tells of a woman who failed to secure a support by sewing, who is doing well on a farm of twenty-five acres cultivated by her own hands. She has wheat, corn, cotton and potatoes, chickens, cows and pigs. If a woman can do well at farming, men need not starve if they will work and keep sober.

The Belton *Journal* rejoices over the fine crop prospects in that section.

The *Standard* estimates the wheat crop of Tarrant county at 500,000 bushels this year. The acreage and yield is larger than any former year.

A mineral well has been found in East Lampasas which it is said will cure scrofula and kidney diseases.

The Rockwall *Sunny Clime* reports harvesting going on rapidly. There will be a large advance on the yield of former crops.

The work has commenced on the third church built in Groesbeck in twelve months.

Hunt county has bought a tract of land on which to establish a poor-farm.

The Sherman *Courier* says: Two negro men, seeking shelter under a tree in a rain, were both killed by lightning.

It is expected that the wheat crop in Colorado county will yield thirty bushels per acre.

The Pleasanton *Journal* says, crops in Atascosa county are made. The Medina has been higher than for years.

Immigration is pouring rapidly into Wise county. The land and water is said to be the finest quality, and in the vicinity of the cross-timbers, enough timber is found for farming purposes.

Taylor county is improving rapidly, not only in its material prospects but Sunday-schools have been started, and week-day schools are in operation. No drunkards or rowdies are to be seen.

The people of Sabine county are finding out that sheep raising is a profitable business in that region.

## Household.

RYE MUFFINS.—One pint of milk, three eggs, three pints rye flour, one handful of wheat flour, half teacup home-made yeast, or a penny's worth of baker's yeast. Make over night. Set in a warm place to rise, and bake in rings or round tins for half an hour.

PARADISE PUDDING.—Three eggs, half pound bread crumbs, three apples, a cup of currants, juice of half a lemon, nutmeg and salt to taste. Mince the apples, beat the egg, and stir all together. Rub the currants in flour, and stir in the last thing. Boil one hour and a half. Eat hot with sweet sauce.

CARBOLIC ACID AND HOUSE PLANTS.—Several of my nice geraniums began to look sickly, and upon examination, I found little worms at the roots. I applied a solution of weak carbohc acid quite freely to the earth, and found it restored the plants to health and beauty in a very short time. It will also kill lice upon the stalks, if applied with a swab or a feather to the plants, without injuring the foliage.

About 800,000 tons of ice was cut in the Kennebec river the last winter.

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