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CORSICANA DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The Corsicana district conference convened, according to appointment, at Centreville camp-ground. Membership small. The following resolutions were adopted, with request for forward to TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE for publication:

Resolved, 1st, That we, as members of the Corsicana district conference, do endorse the law concerning the drinking and selling of other things, and believe it to be pernicious in its influence. 2d, That we regard theatres as schools of immorality and vice, and detrimental to the moral and intellectual improvement of our country. 3d, That we, as the pastors of the Corsicana district conference, do ask the parents and all the friends to the young to help us lead them from these places of folly and vice.

Resolved, That we, members of the Corsicana district conference, heartily endorse the law concerning the Sunday law, deeming it wise and equitable; and that we hereby pledge our support to its enforcement. 2d, That we will use every means in our power to check the drinking, buying and selling of other things, and to enforce the law against intemperance and other kindred vices. 3d, That while the publishers of the ADVOCATE should solicit and publish advertisements of a legitimate character, or we protest against the appearance in its columns of advertisements which are known to be fraudulent, such as Boyd's Batteries, the Cheap Dictionary, the Chichester Life Co., the Rev. Jos. T. Inman, and all other things which are proven to be fraudulent. 4th, That the publishing committee hold the editor and publishers responsible for the character of the advertisements which find their way into the ADVOCATE.

Done by order of the conference. JAS. MACKAY, P. E. C. W. DANIEL, Sec. As the ADVOCATE has received many endorsements from district and quarterly conferences, and from correspondents, it is but fair that the above strictures coming from an official body should also find place in the ADVOCATE. We append to them a brief explanation, feeling assured that when our brethren of the Corsicana district conference know all the facts, they will at least give to the editor and publishers of the ADVOCATE credit for honesty of purpose in the discharge of the trusts assigned them.

The advertisements referred to in the above resolutions came to us from advertising agents in other cities of well established business reputation, and have appeared in a number of leading religious papers, North and South. The contract with these advertising agents requires them to send only genuine or reliable advertisements. It is to the interest of these agents to comply strictly with this contract, for if they commit an error by sending an unreliable advertisement, it is to their injury and loss. Not being infallible, however, they may, even when exercising the greatest care, be imposed upon. This may occur in any business. We have known even preachers to make mistakes. As soon as it was suggested that the advertisements were not reliable, they were withdrawn from the ADVOCATE. We did not wait until we had positive proof, but acted as soon as fraud was suspected by us. One of these advertisements to have been inserted for a year, but after one insertion it was withdrawn when a doubt as to its character was suggested. Neither of the others appeared more than three times, and when a question as to their reliability was raised they were promptly excluded. Had these advertisements been continued after warning as to their character was received, the censures of the Corsicana district conference would have been just; but as they were withdrawn, not on positive proof that they were fraudulent, but because fraud was suspected, we ask could the authors of these resolutions have done better?

As to the number of other things proven to be fraudulent, we are innocent of any knowledge of their existence and character. If our brethren will point them out, we will promptly repair the error if in our power. While our brethren of the Corsicana conference have observed advertisements which have inadvertently been inserted in our columns, they know nothing of the number that have been rejected. The most rigid scrutiny is observed respecting the character of each advertisement, and if there is a doubt in the minds of the publishers or editor as to the propriety of its insertion, it is withheld from our columns. Some which we have rejected have appeared for months in leading religious papers. These papers may have been satisfied after investigation that they were all right. We gave our readers the benefit of the doubt. One church journal now before us contains an advertisement of a well known and popular intoxicating beverage, which the TEXAS ADVOCATE rejected. This class of advertisements, as is well known to publishers, is more profitable than any that find place in newspaper columns, yet being of a doubtful character when it is referred by the publishers to the editor, on his objection it was rejected without further question. Common sense teaches the editor and

publishers that, outside of moral considerations, a fraudulent advertisement will injure the ADVOCATE in a business sense far more than it will be benefited by the paltry sum paid for its insertion. It is not, however, for business reasons alone that they are excluded. None connected with the paper as agents or patrons are more concerned respecting the high moral tone of the ADVOCATE than the editor and its publishers. If through want of information as to the character of an advertisement anything improper finds place in the ADVOCATE the editor and publishers are grateful to any one who will post them as to its real claims. They have never hesitated to act on such suggestions. Some of the advertisements, to which our brethren of the Corsicana conference refer, were excluded several months ago. Had these brethren notified us by letter of their knowledge that they were fraudulent, their suggestions would have been gratefully received as were those coming from other quarters who did us the kindness to put us on our guard. As to the third resolution of the Corsicana district conference we have only to say that the editor and publishers recognize their responsibility to the publishing committee, and so far as they are aware the most harmonious relations exist among all concerned. We are ready at any time to give an account of our stewardship.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

We entreat brethren sending communications having in them names of persons, or places, to pause when they reach the name and write slowly and carefully. We have notices of marriages and obituaries which it is impossible to print with any degree of certainty. If from nervousness or any other cause proper names can not be written, call in help if necessary. Be sure and give us the name clearly written. A brother sent down a marriage notice and failed to tell us who performed the ceremony. We did the best we could. If a mistake is out it is not our fault. In writing on postals write plainly. This is especially important if pencil is used. Use ink if it can be procured. Attention to this request will save the editor hours of work every week. Do not send the names of subscribers on a postal containing matter for publication. If you do, the editor will have to copy it out and send it to the bookkeeper. This is needless trouble. The bookkeeper says: Please write the name and address so distinctly that the mail clerk will be without excuse if he makes a wrong entry. In sending postals, if brethren will add in the address the county as well as the postoffice, the editor will thank them every time. When a brother sends both religious and secular news on the same postal, be sure to finish one before you tell of the other. You will see we put them under separate heads in the ADVOCATE.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Felix A. Knox, Laveria, Wilson Co., August 25: Held a camp-meeting at Sandy Elm, Chisolm circuit, including Sunday the 28th. Had a great flood of rain on the Friday preceding; nevertheless campers moved in on Saturday, and though without ministerial aid, until the following Tuesday, the Lord was there and hence a gracious revival broke out. Brother Joyce (God bless him) reached there on Tuesday at 11 a. m. and stayed with me until after 11 o'clock service next day, and attacked the enemy in the right spot. Twenty penitents that night, among the number many gray haired and middle aged. Bro. McPherson came in my help Thursday; we had to leave Friday for another appointed meeting. The lady took charge and continued the meeting. Result when I left: nine accessions to the church; a great deal of old fashioned Methodist shouting was heard on the occasion.

TEXAS METHODISM.

N. W. Keith, Nueces town, Nueces Co., August 21: My wife has been quite sick for several days, causing me to stay away from my appointment last Sunday, but through the good providence of God she is improving. God bless the good sisters of Nueces town who yesterday, giving us quite a pounding with such things as coffee, sugar, chickens, eggs, butter, pickles, preserves, cakes, etc. The church is in a healthy condition.

Felix A. Knox, Laveria, Wilson County, Aug. 25: I closed my meeting at Sandy Elm, Chisolm circuit, Tuesday night, from sheer physical exhaustion and sickness. Rev. E. Y. Seal of Rancho circuit, was with me and labored successfully though broken down in strength from exhaustive work upon his own circuit. God bless his noble heart. Bro. McPherson was here and labored fully; also Bro. John Richardson, and my own brother, M. N. Knox, local preachers. Had a good meeting; brethren greatly revived and shouting in the camp of Israel. A goodly number of penitents (as high as sixteen) at the altar. A great pity we had to close, as the interest was increasing amongst the other unconverted people of the community, some of whom were penitents at the altar. Result: eight accessions to the church. Praise the Lord!

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

A. K. Vansickle, Rusk Co., Aug. 28: Bethel Church took spiritual fire the 21st, and is still ablaze. Preaching by Rev. J. B. Bridges, J. P. Dawson. Many converts, and the rest mourners. Preaching on the 22d by the Rev. F. M. Stovall.

J. W. Johnson, Rusk, Cherokee Co., August 21: Our camp-meeting at Cold Springs resulted in 33 conversions and 21 accessions to the church. Everybody, I believe, agreed that it was an unusually pleasant meeting. The people deserve great praise for the good order maintained; but few on the ground but had honor

and self-respect enough to behave themselves. Our last service was a sacramental service, and one of the best I ever attended. After the Christian church, rejoicing commenced; penitents were invited to the altar, and eight were converted. Our farewell song and hand-shaking the morning we closed will long be remembered.

G. D. Wilson, Milam, Sabine Co., August 20: Last night I closed at McMahon's chapel a meeting of six days' continuance. Result: about twenty professions; eighteen additions, and a great revival in the church. All praise to God. The chapel is finished; the ceiling and windows excepted; much credit is due to the editor and publishers for their labors in building the chapel. We are looking and praying for better times; success to the ADVOCATE; God bless its labors.

C. H. Smith, Elom, Van Zandt Co., August 21: At the camp-meeting near Garden Valley, the church was much revived; ten or twelve re-conversions; thirty or forty professions; thirty accessions the result. Brother D. M. Stovall, LeClere and P. F. Smith, traveling preachers, W. A. Smith, P. O. Tunnell, Bro. Marler and McDow, of the local ranks, rendered valuable assistance. The brethren at this point have about six acres of land beautifully situated, with three fine springs, one with sulphur spring. On this piece of ground, they have located the Garden Valley camp ground, annual meeting to embrace second Sabbath in August in each year.

J. T. South, Sibleyville, Sibley Co., Aug. 20: We are still on the revival trip. Meeting at Sand Creek, closed with twenty conversions and thirty accessions; the church greatly revived. Closed at Newburn with twenty-four conversions, twenty-three additions, and five penitents baptized. At Brown school house, eleven conversions and twelve additions. We left all these meetings with the altars crowded with penitents. The Lord is with us.

J. A. Allison, Gober, Fannin Co., Aug. 28: A glorious meeting on North Sulphur, under the control of Bro. J. S. Parker of Home Grove circuit. A considerable interest. About seven conversions, and will organize a society of some twenty or twenty-five members. Camp-meeting commences to-day.

J. R. B. Tate, Rockwall County, Aug. 23: Religious interest good; large number of conversions at our meeting, which has just closed. Every one loves our pastor.

NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE.

J. S. Ashburn, Whitesboro, Grayson Co., August 27: The membership of Whitesboro church, which is situated in an area of country eight by twelve miles, and we have had some sixteen protracted meetings in the bounds of the same this year, and a great many "all around" several denominations are represented, and a great revival. The people of this county are left without excuse.

Geo. A. LeClere, Stone Point, Van Zandt Co., Aug. 20: Prairieville circuit began a meeting at Oak Grove last Friday night, and I had to leave it last Sunday. Conference held at Edgewood. Brother E. S. Boyd and Father Davidson will continue the meeting another day. I left them in the midst of a glorious revival. There had already been 25 professions and 12 accessions to our church. The marked feature of this meeting was the conversion of several who had been seeking God, sorrowing for five to ten years. The church is greatly revived.

S. Crutcheff, Montague, Montague Co., August 21: I closed a glorious revival at Montague, with 20 new accessions to the M. E. Church, South, and many slain of the Lord; the best state of religious feeling that has been here for four years. I also closed a protracted meeting on Dry Creek, with accessions, 3 adult, and 9 infant baptisms. Rev. Jas. A. Crutcheff rendered valuable services at both meetings. A most gracious revival all around the Montague circuit.

L. P. Lively, St. Joe, Montague Co., August 21: I closed a protracted meeting at St. Joe, with 13 conversions, and a fair proportion of whom joined the church.

J. A. Allison, Hickory Grove, Fannin Co., Aug. 21: Religion at a fair status in this region. We are having good meetings at Stringtown and Hickory Grove.

R. G. Sewell, New Boston, Bowie Co., August 23: Hickory Grove circuit (Bowie circuit) is now being blessed with a gracious revival; seven conversions and nine accessions up to date; the altar still crowded with penitents and the church greatly revived. This community is being really revolutionized. Brother E. Hayes (the Bible agent) is assisting Brother Horner. A regular class and prayer-meeting, and Sunday-school, will be some of the results of this meeting.

A. F. Rosser, Pottsboro, Grayson Co., August 22: I closed a protracted meeting at Georgetown for several days; only two conversions up to date; some interest; large congregations. Brother Wilson, a Cumberland Presbyterian preacher, conducted the meeting. Bro. Vinson, of Pottsboro, and Bro. Rickett have been giving valuable assistance; we have had, up to this time on the work, about forty-two conversions; eighty-three accessions to the church in all. God has been gracious. Bold preaching is being really revolutionized to a considerable extent in this section.

James W. Lively, Duck Creek, Dallas County, Aug. 20: A glorious meeting at our Duck Creek appointment. The church and all good people wonderfully revived. Twenty-five young men were at the altar last night, with six conversions and nine accessions to the church. We are without ministerial help. Not a local preacher on my work. Thanks be to the good Lord for his mercy.

W. H. Elliott, Pilot Grove Circuit, Aug. 21: We closed a protracted meeting at Hopewell, Aug. 15. It had been in progress eleven days, under the control of B. T. Hayes, preacher in charge, which resulted in the conversion of nine and thirteen accessions to the church. The church was greatly revived and established in the faith. The school taught by Bro. D. W. Grounds adjourned till the close of the meeting. The preachers present were B. F. Bantam, J. B. Parr and Bro. Steve Marshall, a Baptist. The preachers all did valuable service. The writer was present and preached four sermons. J. A. Allison, Hickory Creek, Fannin Co., August 20: Meeting closed; have collected several scattering Methodists, fifteen in number, that were without any pastor. They say they will build a church. The church was greatly revived and established in the faith. We have had 50 conversions to the church and 40 conversions.

S. H. Renfro, Hopkins Co., Aug. 21: I closed our camp-meeting on Caney; 27 conversions and 13 accessions to the church. The Lord is doing a great work for us, whereof we are glad. We have received up to date 42.

M. H. Cullum, Bethel circuit, Collin Co., Aug. 21: This work lies in Collin and Denton counties. In a religious point of view we are making some progress. The camp meeting at Rock Springs was a very profitable meeting, resulting in fifteen professions and several accessions to the church. We were greatly hindered by the rain. At Bethel, we were closed at eight days' meeting—six professions and a general stirring up of the membership. At this place our district high-school is located, and is one of the best in the conference. It is presided over by Rev. W. H. Renfro. The school building is neat, well ventilated, and well furnished; society exceptionally good. We hope to build a parsonage at Bethel—nearly \$200 subscribed and the land donated; also lumber on the ground to build a church at Hilltown, a prosperous little town in Denton county. At this place a church house is greatly needed, and has been for years past. Our collections will all be full, I trust, although the weather is not so favorable as it has been now. I am greatly indebted to Bro. May, Gatewood, South and Sullivan for efficient help at our camp-meeting; and also to our own camp preachers; and I take this occasion to say that we have never had charge of more good men, local and visiting, of local preachers. May the blessing of the Great Head of the Church rest upon and abide with this people.

TEXAS CONFERENCE.

Daniel Morgan, West Point, Fayette Co., August 23: A good meeting at West Point, closed with twenty conversions and thirty accessions. The church is greatly revived. A number of others will join some church soon. The church was greatly blessed; Brother Bachman and several others were present. We are encouraged to go forward.

W. G. N., Georgetown, Williamson Co., August 25: The revival spirit continues at Colorado church. Brother Swafford held a meeting of some days at Colorado, and a great revival. A camp-meeting with four conversions; this is a working church in all the departments of Methodism. The Sabbath-school, prayer-meeting and the class meeting are all alive and accomplishing their several ends. It needs no prophet to foretell their prosperity.

W. C. Brodie, Albany, Shackelford Co., Aug. 27: My circuit embraces part of three counties—Shackelford, Throckmorton and Stephens. There is a revival and preaching on my work. I wish some good preachers and diligent workers would come out and settle among us. Here is a fine opening for you, brother, come and see. My camp-meeting commenced yesterday.

H. B. Henry, Comanche, Comanche Co., Aug. 25: Camp-meeting at Salento, closed with 10 conversions and 14 accessions; four infants baptized, one conversion and eleven accessions, six or seven of which had been converted at a union meeting. Query: Will the Conference, Episcopacy, at our next General Conference, admit of a ministerial office? It is a question that Mr. McTearle that he made appointments and didn't fill them, nor did he send an excuse or apology. He has one, of course.

James Hiner, Graybury, Wood Co., Aug. 25: We are having some excellent meetings at Graybury circuit. Result: forty-six conversions and sixteen accessions; and a camp-meeting at Chapman Springs on the Austin circuit, that lasted ten days. Result: forty-four conversions and twenty accessions. The Lord was with them, wherever they went. I never attended a better meeting. Glory be to God for his goodness to the children of men.

T. G. Gilmore, Buffalo, Crockett Co., Aug. 25: My camp meeting at Harrison Chapel closed yesterday with good results—fourteen by covenant joined, one by letter, and twenty conversions. Our meeting at Buffalo was not so good. Result: four conversions, and one to the South, two of these the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and one the Baptist Church. The Buffalo meeting embraced the third Sunday in this month. It was a union meeting.

W. C. Brodie, Albany, Shackelford Co., Aug. 27: We closed a meeting at Coryell City on the 15th instant, resulting in five conversions. Many thanks to Bro. Perry, Baird, J. C. Weaver and Bro. E. J. Perry, who have been here since the 1st of August. The meeting was progressing with increasing interest. To this date there had been 18 professions. On the 26th instant, Bro. Rankin, the State agent for the A. B. conference, was in the city, and collected \$200 for the A. B. conference society. Bro. Ellis, P. E. of the Comanche district, was in company with Bro. Rankin, and gave us a good account of his district. Says it is now largely in the hands of the A. B. conference.

M. B. Johnston, Ireddell, Boss Co., Aug. 27: Our camp-meeting at Ireddell closed with the following results: Counting back-sliders reclaimed, about 80 conversions, 25 accessions, 8 adult and 12 infant baptisms. Although the rains interfered, the meeting was a successful shower of grace, and Ireddell and community were shaken from center to circumference. To God be all the glory. We commence to-night at Ireddell, and expect a gracious time.

J. F. Swafford, Jacksonville, Jack Co., Aug. 21: I closed my circuit camp-meeting last night. It was held on North Creek, six miles from town. The result was, twenty-five conversions, and twenty-three conversions, and a great revival in the church. Since I last wrote, in addition to the camp-meeting have held two other protracted meetings. One resulted in the conversion of seven, mostly grown and settled men, and three additions; the other resulted in six additions and three conversions. The spiritual condition of the church is good. Finances behind. J. H. Sherrard, Buffalo, Leon Co., Aug. 25: I closed the Harrison circuit camp-meeting—Udele Tom Gilmore, preacher in charge. Rev. Jas. Mackey, presiding elder, at his post all right. Good time here. Many penitents; all earnest seekers. Thirteen converts. The church is greatly revived and established in the faith. The ADVOCATE will be promptly paid for; everybody likes it.

J. S. Tunnell, Coperas Cove, Coryell Co., August 21: Just closed a camp-meeting on Binion, Lampasas county; twelve accessions to the church, and the same number of conversions; two children baptized. Church much revived; no help except Bro. Kahle, of Lampasas, who was with us two days, and did valuable service. No disturbances, except by gnats and Camp-meeting was a success. Another meeting appointed for August, 1881.

W. R. D. Stockton, Alvarado, Johnson Co., August 25: We closed our meeting at Lovejoy, four miles east of Alvarado, last Sunday night (where I organized a society last summer with twenty-three members. It was attended with remarkable demonstrations of divine power. Seventy odd open professions of conversion, and seventy-three additions to the church; all except two of them holding their membership at Lovejoy, which swells the number of that little society to one hundred and fifteen members. We had another meeting at the same time in progress at Price's chapel, conducted by G. C. E. Patton, L. E., until I went to his assistance last Friday, leaving Bro. Rowland in charge at Lovejoy. We closed it on Monday night, resulting in twenty-three conversions and forty additions to the church. Our camp-meeting at Brownsville commences to-morrow night; we are much fatigued but strong in faith, giving glory to God.

J. Pipes, Erath Co., Aug. 22: Bro. Robinson, with the assistance of two Protestant brethren, has just closed a protracted meeting at Oak Grove school-house. Result—eleven conversions and thirteen accessions. But the most glorious feature was the happy conversion of the entire membership—conversion from a state of infidelity to a lively, working zeal in the Master's cause. Eternity alone will reveal the blessed fruits of this meeting.

J. G. Putnam, Springtown, Parker Co., Aug. 23: My camp-meeting on Lott, Breckinridge, closed. The Lord abundantly blessed us. Bros. Wm. Price and O. S. Thomas were with us and did some fine preaching. We pray the blessing of God upon them wherever they go. We had during the meeting and conversions and thirty accessions. The Lord is blessing us all around the circuit. May the good work go on.

W. J. McAnally, Gause, Milam Co., Aug. 25: A meeting at Gause just closed with four conversions and eight accessions—several valuable young men among the number. Considerable sickness, but few deaths. Crops here are better than in its former years. The harvest will come up. God bless the crops and the conversions and eight accessions. The Lord is blessing us all around the circuit. May the good work go on.

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RELIGIOUS SUMMARY.

The Mormons have been twenty years at work on their temple, and have expended on it \$4,000,000. It is built of Irish granite, and when completed will be the largest church building in America. Its cost when completed is estimated at \$28,000,000. The missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union during the past year baptized 8000 souls. It was completed will be the largest church building in America. Its cost when completed is estimated at \$28,000,000. The missionaries of the American Baptist Missionary Union during the past year baptized 8000 souls.

The Pope has sanctioned the proposal that a portion of the Jesuits expelled from France shall form a society for the propagation of the faith in Central Africa. The Ancient order of Ibernians tried to obtain permission for the young people to dance at an Ohio picnic. The bishop refused, and the young people danced. The prelate, to whom the case was reported, demanded of the chief of the order the names of the parties offended, giving the society the alternative of expelling them or being placed under the ban. Bishop Chatard is in earnest. The result will be watched with interest by religious circles.

The 28th Pope Pius IX. solemnized the marriage of Abbe Laine, until recently a priest of the diocese of Mans, with a Madame Machue. The Pope warned them that they would encounter persecution. Bishop Pappert of Nashville is made archbishop of Chicago, the latter place being raised to the dignity of a metropolitan see. Bishop Hagan, now of St. Joseph, Mo., is named the first Bishop of the new Episcopal see of Kansas city. Bishop Dugan, of Chicago, disabled by disease, is entered on a pension of \$2000 per annum. The opening sermon at the Pan Presbyterian Council which meets in Philadelphia, September 23d, will be preached by the Rev. Adam, of New York. Colportage in France, hitherto obstructed by many difficulties, has been made free by a recent law, the sole condition being a declaration of intent, or notice of the nature of the work, to the department where the colporteur resides.

The seventy-first annual meeting of the American Board of Missions will be held at Lowell, Mass., in October. The Rev. J. W. Phelps, who is connected with the American Baptist mission in Sweden there have been 3384 missions by baptism the present year, and 29 new churches have been formed. Prof. Bruok, a Protestant, has been chosen by the assembly of Vienna. It has been six hundred years since a Protestant has held that position. There has been a little disturbance in the harmony of the First African Baptist church at Richmond, and 700 members have been expelled to start a new church. It is thought it will still live. A number of Methodists of Denver have purchased Buffalo Park as a summer resort. It is about 40 miles from Denver and well shaded. In Paris there is a band of twenty-three Protestants who visit the hospitals. Rev. Mr. Murphy, formerly a Catholic priest, is preaching to a church in the city of New Mexico. The Young Men's Christian Association has been organized in Bombay, India, and is doing good work. The Unitarians of Hungary have 6744 scholars in the elementary schools and 775 in the gymnasiums in Transylvania. Mother Stewart, who originated the temperance crusade in Ohio is now laboring in the South. Since Stanley crossed the dark continent no less than twelve different missions societies have been established in the newly explored regions. The activity does not indicate an effete christianity. In the Samoan Islands out of a population of 40,000 seven-eighths are connected with Christianity.

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The Decatur Tribune says the spirit of improvement is abroad in that town.

The San Antonio Sentinel says the most in that region is very heavy.

The Corpus Christi Ledger says the Nueces is higher than for many years.

The Fort Worth Advance says the contract for a telegraph line from that point to Cleburn has been let out.

The Victoria Advertiser says the Guadalupe has been higher than for some years.

The Brenham Banner tries to smooth the matter over by saying it was "tarantula juice."

The Weatherford Times advocates the claim of Judge Hood for the bench of the 23rd district.

The Lagrange Journal tells that a painter called "Frenchie" was found dead in the rear of a saloon.

The Lagrange Journal mentions the presence of Don Juan C. Hill, of the city of Mexico.

PALESTINE, AUG. 27.—Roland Racker, who was to be hung to-day at 2 o'clock, committed suicide last night by cutting a blood vessel in his arm.

The Austin Statesman says the Southern Immigration Company has permanently organized.

The Corsicana Courier calls on the people to attend primary meetings and prevent disintegration and discord in the party.

A Denison telegram tells that a frame house known as a den of dark and bloody deeds, was burned the 27th.

An English land company, with Mr. Thomas Hughes, Queen's counsel and member of parliament, have organized a systematic emigration scheme from England to America.

An alarm of fire at midnight is a startling thing, but not half so startling to many who hear it as would be the sudden knowledge of their own dangerous physical condition.

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DR. PAYNE, in his lecture upon the Great and Grace, says that dyspepsia is a foe to Grace. It darkens the sky and breaks the hopes of many Christians.

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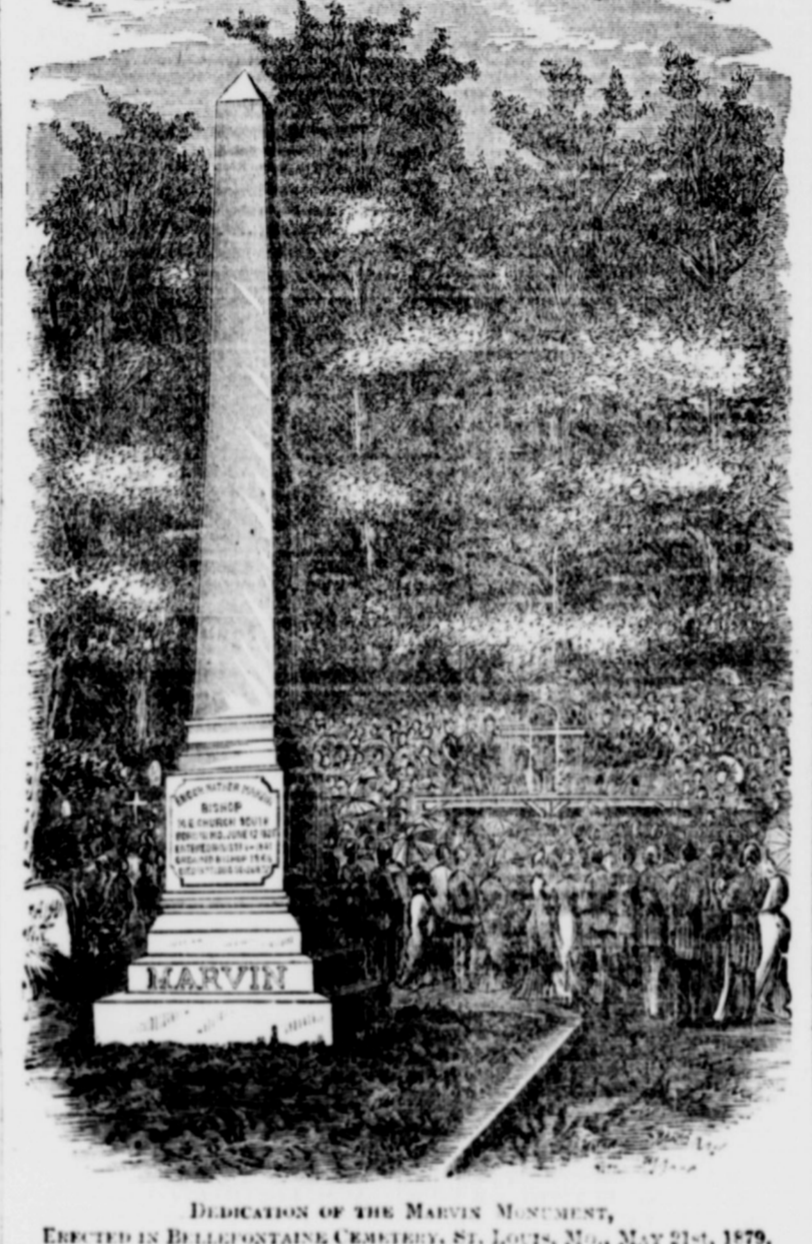
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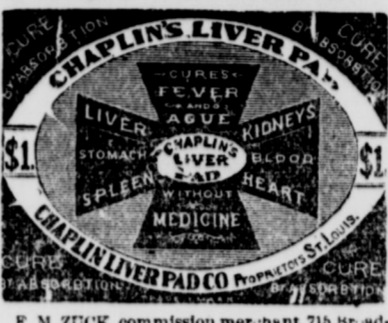
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