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THE AFRICAN PROBLEM.

The civilized world is watching with interest the movements of Stanley, DeBrassa and Portugal, in the depths of the dark continent. England, France and Portugal are contesting the control of the Congo, which rivals in the immense surface it drains the waters of the Amazon or Mississippi.

ward, at Lexington, the Transylvania University came under our control under the presidency of Dr. Bascom. But in these, as in most other colleges, we began without sufficient capital, that is, virtually in debt.

are sorry to say it, but the Tennessee Conference, with its secretary and treasurer, book agent, book house, connectional paper, Vanderbilt, and with its conference of noble and gifted preachers and membership of over 18,000 members, must go to the foot of the class. Clear down to the foot.

THE AMEN CORNER. The want of many churches these days is the old-fashioned "amen corner." Some of us can remember that institution of other days. It was usually found in the two corners of the church to the right and left of the pulpit.

ONLY SEVENTEEN SOULS. A preacher, in reporting his work, laments that only seventeen souls were converted under his labors the past year. Churches were built or repaired, he leaves an excellent parsonage, and the Sunday-school work has been prospered; but only seventeen souls were brought from death unto life.

LETTER FROM GEORGETOWN. Sound Experience - Pledging and Giving - Big Guns - Another Sound Experience - Electricity and Earthquakes - Grand Consequences - More Earthquakes - Still More Earthquakes - Another Earthquake - Lays Deo. A sound experience is as valuable in its sphere in practical life as it is important in piety.

THE PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY, by a vote of 171 to 87, pronounced itself in favor of the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic.

THE WESTERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE says the saloon murders in that city continue. That is the history of saloons everywhere. Their record could be written in the blood of the murdered men which has stained their floors.

A SHORT TIME AGO no Protestant preacher could proclaim his faith in the city of Calais, France. In a short time the McAll mission will be established in that city. Very rapidly, in Catholic lands, the fetters are falling from the gospel of Christ.

AS THE NEW PREACHER enters upon his work each pastoral charge can do a graceful thing by giving him and his family, if he has one, a cordial welcome. It will cost but little, and will pay well.

A LONDON DISPATCH says that 26000 were contributed to pay the preliminary expenses of the six months' mission which Moody and Sankey are to conduct in Islington, London.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELDERS in two conferences in Texas are sending out their appointments. Very soon the quarterly conferences will meet and the question of the preacher's support must be settled.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH never expects a man for immortality. If he is baptized he remains a member, though his life is steeped in sin. Some day he may approach the confessional, and the priest will be ready to wipe out, for a consideration, all his guilt.

THE SUPREME COURT decided the civil rights law unconstitutional, there has been a general expression on the part of the press in behalf of the colored people as well appointed as those provided for the whites.

"God bless the Sunday-school." Bro. Fowler, son of one of the pioneer preachers of Texas, closed a recent account of a revival in his pastoral charge with those words.

A PROBLEM SOLVED.

A few years ago we chanced to be in a preachers' meeting in the city of Louisville, Ky. There was present a visiting brother, a presiding elder, from an interior district, and by the request of the presiding elder he gave some interesting facts respecting his work.

TENNESSEE GOES FOOT.

DRS. Young and Kelley are stirring up the conferences respecting their obligations to the foreign mission work; and this is right. The church is but faintly hearing the command of the Master to send the gospel to the nations.

LUTHER'S MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Men who live for fame seldom find it, while others who sought amid terrible conflict of soul to meet all their obligations to God and man, no matter how rough the path they were called upon to tread, are recognized as the real heroes among our race.

BISHOP PIERCE'S LETTERS.

WE are glad to hear that the letters of Bishop Pierce, on Revival Needed, are selling well in Texas. These eight letters of the senior Bishop of our church, published in tract form, contain the ripe judgment of one of the most evangelical men of this age on the need of a revival of religion.

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Brother Adams, in the ADVOCATE of Nov. 3, speaks thus of Brother Haygood both these brethren are preachers in good standing in our church.

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Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D. The last and most reliable information we find in the papers respecting the illness of Dr. McFerrin, we take from the Nashville Daily American of Nov. 9, which says:

A dispatch from Nashville appears in several of the Southern papers announcing the death of Rev. Dr. J. B. McFerrin. His friends and admirers throughout the country will be rejoiced to learn that he is still alive, and that his condition, last night, was thought to show some improvement.

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Life-Saving Service. The value of the government life-saving service may be seen when it is stated that for the year 1881-82, out of an aggregate value of \$4,738,277 of disasters encountered by 287 vessels on the coast, having on board 2270 persons, only twenty-seven were lost.

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While counting the Widow Curtis, George Washington was apprised by the widow's pretty son, who had been upon the good man's knee and asked him who sent him so many beautiful Christmas presents the day before.

Doctors vs. Druggists. Certain doctors are complaining of their inability to get a good prescription given by them, being used by different persons, through the aid of the original patient.

An Arctic Summer. Life in the Arctic regions, as described by one of Prof. Nordenskiold's companions in his recent expedition, presents some very different aspects from the usual picture of existence in these latitudes.

A Rich Man's Tomb. The foundation of Jay Gould's mausoleum in Woodlawn Cemetery, New York, is now approaching completion, it is a mass of concrete that makes it practically a single stone 3 feet in thickness by 26 or more in length, and 28 in width.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—First Report. Brownwood, Nov. 17, 1883. Brownwood, Nov. 17, 1883.

Dispatches from Turin report that M. Kosuth is dying in that city. The Hungarian patriot has paid his eight-first year, and has been breaking down physically for some time.

Lives in a Tub. A man in Portland, Oregon, lives in a large tub. It is oblong, being 10 feet long, 6 feet wide and 1 foot deep.

Ready for Heaven. There is a prison just outside the penitentiary walls in Columbus, Ohio, with a sign which is a curiosity in itself.

Cremation in Portugal. Cremation is now compulsory in Portugal, though as a concession to popular prejudice, the dead may be temporarily committed to the earth.

From El Paso. I reached home from conference all safe, thank God. We were welcomed by many brethren and friends, all of whom seem willing to put up with me for another term. I found the work had

choice family, 26 lb. fancy, 40 c; patent, 47 c. In barrels 30c extra is charged. Special figures given for large lots.

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Without Joy. Had he the "fruit of the Spirit" which is joy? He had just arrived in his country.

The Divine and Human Choice. God does not expect us to live in this world without a personal preference as to our earthly circumstances.

The Secret of Jesus. Even Mr. Matthew Arnold, whom men of science have claimed as their champion on questions of this kind.

Plain Preaching. "It," said the eloquent Addison Alexander, "you know what it is to be aroused by a heavy crash from a pleasant dream."

Blanton.—Died, October 30, 1883, at his residence, in Fannin county, Texas, Lemuel Blanton, 74 years of age.

Embry.—Bettie, daughter of J. W. and M. A. Embry, was born in Wise county, Texas, July 23, 1874, and died September 25, 1883.

Sin and Salvation. If we confess our sins, He is not only just to forgive us our sins, but also

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