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WHY IS IT?

found in the fact of the keener concep- the onward march of our boasted ninetion which the "missionary churches" and denominations have of the fact that the world is lost and ruined. If we are convinced that our friend's house is on of prohibition. Look at the work these fire, we shall use vigorous means to apprise him of the fact and to get him out of it; if, however, we are pretty sure that the smoke all comes from the kitchen range, we will not incommede ourselves or disturb him. If, with this sense of the world's danger and the world's need is also a sense of Christ's abounding love to a ruined world, there are no heighs of devotion or of true philanthropy which may not be reached. The following recent utterance of Joseph Parker to the Chicago ministers on this

subject is worthy of frequent repetition: "During my intermission of pastoral labor I have had occasion to hear ministers of various churches, and my testimony is, that when I enter a church where they do not pray, but simply 'aspire;' where they have no doctrine, but only Georgia have gone into this contest to theory; where they displace historical Christianity by the 'unconditioned infinite,' and by some reference to the 'cir- now, if every fraudulent vote were cast cumambient invisible,' and where all ou', it is doubtful whether the whisky words are polysyllables, I find a sad lack men have carried the day in Atlanta. strongest ethical appeal which the preachof active charity, as embodied in Sunday schools, Dorcas societies, sick visiting societies, and earnest philanthropic will, two years hence, sweep away the work among the poor and the outcast; but where I find that the cross of Christ is first, midst and last, I find bition that the question of whisky or no which it is enforced in the New Testa are speaking of religious life in the famthe people stirred with a holy ambition whisky, for Atlanta, will be settled for to make the world better than they found it. Any religion that will do that is the religion by which I am prepared to live, and in the hope of which I would dare to die."-Golden Rule.

WHISKY BACK IN ATLANTA. REV. W. P. LOVEJOY.

To-day the good people of Atlanta and of all Georgia hang their heads in shame. for whisky is to be brought back to our capital city to do its work of mischief for the next two years.

Last Saturday prohibition was defeat ed in the county of Fulton by 1122 ma-

Tee people of Georgia never before witnessed such a contest. The citizens of Atlanta-old and young, male and female, white and colored-never before concentrated the thoughts and effects of issue. The Constitution, which circulates all over the State, has been filled from day to day with facts and arguments, appeals and denunciations, lies and slanders, speeches and letters, all bearing upon the prohibition contest. Feeling has run high, friends of a lifetime have been estranged, enemies have been made, incurable feuds have been fomented, untold damage has been done to the social and domestic life of Atlanta -and all for what? Cafefly this: that some men, who love money above all else, may gather it into their pockets with for whisky.

consecrated manhood to the elevation of pulpit instruction.

are likewise the most earnest advocates question: After all, wasn't it a mistake passion and appetite rather than by reason and conscience? Yet, in spite of are loyal to our national government.

two years hence, if not sooner. Of one by bringing it more into line with what thing our friends in Texas who made this present magnificent failure was such a gallant fight for prohibition may within the memory of men now living. feel sure: the friends of prohibition in win. No temporary defeat can dash that the relation of destrinal preaching to may be such an absence of real life in all their hopes or dampen their ardor. Even The returning wave of enthusiasm for prohibition, it is confidently believed. majority for whisky and leave behind it such an overwhelming victory for prohi- treated apart from the sanctions with of it in our daily conduct. You see, we a half century.

What does a forward look reveal? Un-

AUGUSTA, GA. MORE ETHICAL PREACHING. REV. GEORGE E. HORR, JR.

It is claimed by some earnest and

thoughtful men that the evangelical pul-

pit of the time fails to move our com nudistinctively ethical. Several discussions before ministerial associations and conventions in Boston and vicinity this fall have turned upon the alleged neglect of evangelical minis- trine of Christianity. The doctrine of memory for many a long year. We had preached at the expense of practical righteousness. It would require a ness in the Christian life (I Cor., xv:58) took part in a campaign marked by such been in the past and is not now a fault heir with Jesus Christ, elaborated might go to the theater. He did not anintense zeal and tireless work. Day and of the New England pulpit, for instance, throughout seven chapters, is the ground swer me at once; he seemed to be thinknight for weeks the one absorbing question (for these criticisms seem to be calculated of his tremendous appeal to men to con- ing. At last he said: "Daughter, I of "bar rooms or no bar-rooms" has divert- for the meridian of New England.) But secrate their powers to Christ's service went once, but I was older than you are, ed attention from all other business and it is not probable that this ever has been, (Rom., xii:1). fifty thousand people upon this burning gelical ministry of these States. If there sus preached, and that Jesus eschewed once." I waited, and then asked him greater facilty, and that a great many liams might have kept his pulpit at Sa- "your Heavenly Father" is woven into Because deep principles are involved in others may gratify their selfish appetites | lem, if he had not continually carried | the texture of these chapters. For in- these little reminiscences which he who And how has this gigantic iniquity No point in the conduct of life was safe cept of love to enemies, and he bases it ty-five my father died, and his prayer at matter plain and patent to all. This dren in the pew; (3) speak well of the paster been brought back to curse the homes from Williams' tongue. The size of the upon the eternal verity of God's Father- the family alter (a rare prayer in these and crush the hearts of Atlanta's good women's hats and the device on the hood. "That ye may be the sons of your days), "Give me neither poverty nor citizens? An examination of the vote Colonial flag were attacked as well as the Father which is in heaven, for he mak- riches, feed me with feed convenient for for weal or wos. Shall our children rise this letter to the teacher habitually absent In the city there were registered 8,990 rian of the Revolutionary War, who good, and sendeth rain on the just and seven children he left behind him. In them an inheritance that can never be Dear Sir: You have been absent from voters 5,695 whites and 3,285 colored. leaves out of account the influence of the unjust." Men are to love their enemies these days of skepticism, when the boys taken away from them? Then we must your Sunday-school class many times during Of these 7,041 voted on last Saturday, pulpit in New England and Virginia in that they may enter into moral sonship to return from college they must find some- have life. We must be something like 3,929 for whisky, 3,112 for prohibition. arousing the people, leaves Hamlet out God. God's benevolence to man, of thing very real at home. When they in-Of the 3,285 colored registered voters it of the play. Mayhew and Stillman, as which the sun and rain are illustrations, sist on the old-fashloned notions being draw our children to God by being lifted when absent, I would have no message to is safe to say that 3,000 voted. Leading well as Mather, are names that cannot be is the doctrine which Christ adduces to set aside, we must let them (both boys up in character, by compelling them to send you; but you are one of those teachers prohibitionists affirm that at the outside forgotten in the political and social his- enforce a "practical" duty. It is only a and girls) know that there are some not more than 600 colored men voted for tory of Boston. There was danger during step from Jesus' thought of God here to things which cannot be classed under the life we need. -- N. Y. Advocate. prohibition, giving 2,400 for whisky. the period following the close of the the announcement that "God so loved head of notions or opinions. They are Deduct this number from the total vote Revolutionary War, when the metaphysi- the world that he gave his only begotten convictions. We need the spirit of the THE THEATER: WHICH IS BEST-WHICH WORST? cast for whisky in Atlanta, namely: 3,929, cal theology of New England came to Son." When men praise the Sermon on beautiful woman who made an impresleaving 1,529, and it is plain who carried its height, when Hopkins and Bellamy the Mount as an example of "practical sion on me in my girlhood days, never the city for whisky. Look at the figures: and Smalley and Dwight and Emmons preaching," without reference to doc- to be effaced; who, when her husband for whisky. On the other hand 3,112 that doctrinal preaching would crowd out in that discourse. Its precepts are only Henry Clay will dine with us to-day," votes were polled for prohibition; 600 of the pulpit enforcement of righteousness. applications of its sublime doctrine. It replied: "Not to-day; you know I never these were colored, leaving 2,512 votes But such was not the case. An enor- does not matter that many of the pre- give dinners on Sunday." Greatly irri-Atlants, or its intelligence and morality, have come down to us. Emmons was writings of heathen moralists. It would give up your old-fashioned notions for depravity, reversed this majority, life. We have hundreds of his sermons, cated in extra-Christian literature. They him," she replied, "I have wanted for and buried it under a majority of and in them there is conclusive and over- might be collated and arranged in the years to see him, but it is a matter of 817 for whisky. In a contest for whelming evidence as to the exceedingly same order in which they are found in principle with me to have no invited morality and the right for the protection "practical" character of his preaching. the Sermon on the Mount, but that com- guests on Sunday; but if he will do me of our homes, the manhood of our sons It certainly would be difficult to substan- pliation would not be the Sermon on the the honor to dine with me on Monday, I and the happiness of our daughters, who tiate the theory that, for the last fifty Mount. Stones do not make the cathe- shall be most happy." The husband, casts the deciding vote? Ignorance and years, ministers have neglected ethical dral; it is the plan wrought out in stone much mortifled, took the message to Mr.

this race. Much has been done to this While, on the other hand, it is certain unsurpassed, the lovely, the imperial Wayland said of himself: "I am bult representation of funny licentiousness with-It is a question, doubtless, that has end by their former owners, and to-day that the Unitarians, who have preached proclamation of the truth that it is. occurred to a great many people: Why we have the result. Debauched by whis- little besides ethics, have been steadily is it that certain churches and denomina- ky, inflamed by passion, ruled by the losing ground. The number of their ing too little ethical preaching to-day, sideways." tions are noted for their missionary zeal worst elements in their deprayed natures, churches and the size of their congrega- there is not enough decirinal preaching. and for their devotion to the salvation of four fifths of this race, in the exercise of tions in their stronghold—the city of Bos. There is too much inculcation of "practions. A circumstance that occurred in a ruined world, while others, composed the sovereign prerogative of free Ameri- ton-have steadily decreased. Within tical righteeusness," from motives that a Christian household not long ago deepapparently of equally worthy and kind- can citizens, by their ballots fasten the the last few years the magnificent church are too weak to constrain men to the ly impressed me. A young man said to without estimating as well as she may the hearted people, give and do next to noth- teeth of the rum fiend in the hearts of they erected on the Back Bay has passed ing for others, except for the relief of fif y thousand people. Does his ory ur into the hands of the Baptists, and within personal suffering immediately around nish a more hamiliating spectacle? Is a few weeks the historic Hollis Street ethics of Jesus have no sanc ions, except evening here, and let them enjoy sacred grade lower—other things equal—than that of them? This secret, undoubtedly, is this progress? Is this another step in church, in spite of the fact that it has a such as come from their intrinsic superinew and attractive house of worship in ority, which do not belong to any other teenth century civilization? The most the most fashionable part of the city, and ethical system; but when we unite the cannot get them to go to church." ardent friends of the negro at the North a brilliant and popular pastor, has ceased doctrines of Jesus about God and man cal preaching could not be of higher type | preceptive instruction of Jesus, the lever people have done against morality, and than that of Dr. Channing and his sucwill continue to do, and ask yourself the cessor, Dr. Gannett. It was a clear, to the stars .- The Watchman, Boston. strong, elequent preaching of "practical to intrust the ballot in the hands of a righteousness," divorced, however, from race who are governed in its exercise by what evangelical Christians consider the distinctive doctrines of the gospel. If Unitarianism has not been able to hold these things that are so hard to bear, we the second generation from Channing; if many of the most devoted members of this denomination are to day forecasting dying devotion on the part of prohibi- with sorrow the future of Unitarianism tionists to the principles which they ad- in Boston, when the time comes for Dr. vocated. Though "cast down they are Edward Everett Hale and Dr. James not destroyed." Already measures are Freeman Clarke to leave us, we may well being considered for renewing the fight hesitate to improve upon our preaching

had been a failure here, it would be a doctrine, we reply that a correct exeges again. He looked at me, and said, "Well, failure contrary to the genius of Paritan- of any one of Jesus Christ's sermons un. my child, I have been thinking about you. ism, which has determined the typical folds a vast basis of doctrine. The Ser- I told you I went to the theater once, and evangelical sermon. It would be an his mon on the Mount, for instance, is not a was satisfied; but I don't think you are torical anomaly. If any one imagines mere bundle of precepts. There is much quite like me; once would not satisfy that the preachers of the Colonial days more in the discourse than the ethical you, and so I don't think it would be weil revelled in abstract metaphysics, let him precepts of which it is composed, just as for you to go at all." He did not say I spend a morning in the Boston Athe- there is more in the temple than the should not go; he thought it would not meam, running over the titles of the rep- stones of which it is builded. The build- be well, and so I never went. But we resentative sermons of those days. Those ing has its organized thought or plan, went to hear the "Messiah" together, and preachers touched "life" at many more and the Sermon on the Mount has its or- what with the grand music of that great points than some of our Unitarian min- ganizing thought, the doctrine of God's est of oratorios, and with him at my side, isters, who have nothing but ethics to Fatherhood. The precepts of Jesus are I quite forgot my disappointment. Why preach about, do to-day. Roger Wil- enforced by that dectrine. The phrase do I tell all this? "practical" preaching to extreme lengths. stance, Jesus announces the ethical pre- runs may read. At the early age of for- I may crave forgiveness) to make this graver faults of the times. The histo- ets his sun to rise on the evil and the me," has been answered in each of his up and call us blessed? Shall we leave from his class:

The fact is, that, instead of there be- necessary, backward, but I cannot go practice of righteousness. Divorced from his father: "Will you let me bring some he doctrine of the New Testament the college friends of mine to spend Sunday to exist as an independent church. Ethi- and atonement and eternal life to the

RELIGIOUS LIFE IN OUR FAMILIES.

MRS. MARGARET BOTTOME.

I think the question might be considered impertinent if a ked of some whether there was any real religious life in their families. If they answered they would probably say, "I belong to the church; I see a good example in my family in that way; I have family prayers; I ask a blessing at my table; and I make my children go to church." Now I say that all this you may do, and more, and vet have no real religious life in your family. What! be a member of the church, have family prayers, jusist on my It seems to be forgetten by those who children going to church-ad this, and are clamoring for more ethical preaching yet have no religious life? Yes; there ethical preaching is the rela ion of cause this that your children will not go to to effect. To have true ethical preach- church after your authority over them ing we must "fulfill its causes." The has ceased, and no grace will be asked at er can make must be based upon some a lack of grace in you; family prayers doctrine and deduced from it. We might may have no sweet odor of love in them, take a precept of the New Testament as as they think of them; and the Bible be to conduct, and, used as a mere text, associated with the absence of the spirit ment, it has no more weight than a pre- ily, and not form. I remember very litcept from Piato or Marcus Aurelius, the that my own dear father said to us Indeed, it is not unlikely that the preach- children on the subject of religion, but of er could enforce his ethical precept with all the associations with the first day of greater power if he were to frankly use the week nothing has been so sweet to the sanctions of Plato or Aurelius, in- me as my father's whistle on Sunday stead of discarding the doctrines of the morning. He used to whistle "Welcome, New Testament, upon which his text is sweet day of rest," to the tune of old nities as it might, and is unfaithful to based, and seeking by his own thought Lisbon. I used to hear it early in the Christ, because its tone is not more or observation of life to grow a tree morning, and I knew then he was dresswhich shall bear the desired fruit. No ing for church; and his smile, as we man ever wrote with more practical children gathered around him for money aims than Paul, and yet no man ever for church and Sunday-school, I can see dwelt with more emphasis upon the doc- now, though I have not seen it save in ters to enforce practical morality. Christ's resurrection and the believer's to make considerable noise, too, when he broadly asserted, is triumph over death is not too wast to furwas reading the Bible for him to notice father made sport before the children of prohibitory law in all its particulars. it, because he was so intent on what he was reading. He had life; and a sun was very wide induction for one to be able to The doctrine of God's grace in making in his life (it takes a sun to make life). I assert with positiveness that this has not fallen man an heir of God and a joint well remember when I asked him if I and I never cared to go again. You wait or is to-day, the weakness of the evan- If it is said that we are to preach as Je- a year, and then I think I will let you go

railroad fashion. I can go forward and if out a shudder. She could not begin there.

"We have too many "sideways" Chris-

"Certainly," said the father, "if you The evening passed delightfully, and

toward the close the father felt he ought to read a short portion of Scripture and which moves human life is lengthened offer prayer for these young men. He looked at his wife, but the thought was with it was always one of degree, not of kind. not evidently in her mind, and though so moved to the religious act his courage failed him, and he bade them all good night without doing what he felt to be his duty. After retiring he could not sleep, and his wife finally said to him: "What is the matter?" and then he told her of the opportunity he had lost that would never come again, and more than all the loss of an influence over his own boy that would have been more than gold church for this alone. But most people go to to him. Then the wife also saw how easy she could have made it for her husband; how naturally and gracefully she to immodest saying and doings, and any the could have handed the Bible to him; and ater will go into bankruptcy in ninety days. the thought came to them of their early Nothing in social life is better known than days when religion had been an enjoyment to them before wealth had come, and together at the midnight hour they knelt and reconsecrated themselves and rate modesty, as some men count modesty. family to the Almighty Father. We have Great numbers of women occupying an averfallen on strange times, we have to meet age respectability in society, count modesty difficulties of which our fathers and by the civil and criminal code, viz: absence mothers never dreamed. It is very easy to command our children to do this or tha'; what no orious Emma Abbott, was good but if we have life our one object should enough for her and her lik, but not quite good be to bring them to that life, and not enough for some others drive them from home. How well I | Can the theater be improved in morals? remember my mother saying: "B ys, I of course it can be. Few things are incapa-would rather not have you smoke; but if you do, smoke at home." No doubt the all may be conducted with less immorality lace curtains did not last as long as they than now. But the effect on general society? might have done; but she kept her boys. So much the worse! Put the stage into the

I feel the d licacy of the subject I am in many a family which others little has the deep spiritual life (and especially if she be the mother) will, I believe, win generally with only an inch to the mile. in the end. I read some time ago of a deeply devoted Christian mother, whose husband had become skeptical, and the what was to her most sacred and dear. Not one word passed her lips, however, as she would not lower him in their estitook her New Testament, and read the ination in Philadelphia, beginning Nov. 23. life of the Savior to them, making no their father, and the truth was the effectual antidote. Three of her boys she tance is taken: lived to hear preach Christ, and all her children followed her into the church. She had religious life in her family. We

may as well face facts. If the preaching of the gospel is wittily the children feel that the Bible is only endured, do not be surprised if your fam- a record of church attendance; (6) announce and mothers to make our children respect religion, and say, as I know of a boy saying who had lost every line but one to the faith of his childhood, "My mother has a real God."

I have striven, mostly by way of illustration (and that drawn in a great measure from my own life, for which, surely, subject is so awfully serious. We are and the preaching." now making our mark on our families "A Mosseack" in the Golden Rule writes our Father who is in heaven. We must a strennous effort to provide a substitute wish to be like us. This is the religious who come when you feel like it and stay away

2,400 negroes and 1,529 white men vote were the great lights of New England, trine, they overlook what is distinctive came home and said to her, "My dear, men-who oppose the theater, but upon insuf-soft words would be wasted on you. I am general impression is, that if the stage were motive sufficiently high influences you as a considerably improved in morals so that it teacher. You are not thus spasmodic and uncast by white men. The white men of mous number of sermons of that time cepts of Jesus can be culled from the tated, he replied: "I thought you would slight insinuations and indications of las- your store promptly on Monday morning and civious sport, there could be little or no every morning. You are rarely afflicted with gave a majority of 983 for prohibition. the man of them all whose preaching, not affect the argument for the original- once, and for such an honor as the pres- harm in them. So, there are high and a cold so grievous that you cannot make a The negroes, or Atlanta's ignorance and one would suppose, would least teach ity of Jesus if they could all be dupli- ence of Henry Clay at your table." "Tell low grades of theaters-genteel and less day's wages. What then can we conclude, genteel-and if we could have some reasona- except that the inducement is not strong would be very little, if at all objectionable, The best theaters are the worst. It is the young people whom he has given you to look highest, most moral, most genteel, most fash- after in your class. You care more for mamlonable and stylish ones that are most to be mon than for God. You have no more right dreaded and do the most harm.

immorality! That is what the vote in preaching. Of course, not every minis- that makes the cathedral. The same Clay, and the great statesman said: "I girl of fifteen or sixteen, tolerably well morning. The fact that he receives a salary Atlanta reveals. It has been a quarter ter has prophesied according to the pro- material may form an unsightly store- want to see such a woman of principle," brought up, would be shocked at a suggestion and you do not has nothing to do with the of a century since the ballot was put into portion of faith (Rom. xii:6.) But there house or an "oratorio in rock." It is the and the acquaintance then began on Mon. to visit a low, dirty theater, but could be easi- case. When you took the class you virtually the hands of a recently enfranchised is evidence in abundance to show that plan, the organizing thought of Jesus, day ripened into a friendship which only ly persuaded to visit one of higher order. She agreed to teach it, not once in awhile, but race. Missionaries, full of zeal and love the application of the truths of the gos his doctrine of God's relationship to man, ended with his death. We need fathers comes accustomed to that little. A little more but, if you think I have expressed myself too sees little that is objectionable, and soon be- every Sunday. I have no patience with you; for the negro, have given the strength of pel to conduct has taken a large place in and not the precepts of the discourse, and mothers who will be true to their and a little more comes on by degrees, and harshly, you can lay it all to the old fogyism that make the Sermon on the Mount the convictions, whatsoever they may be. Dr. | before she is well aware of it she can stand a of

"Vice is a monster of such hideous mien

But seen too oft, familiar with its face.

We first endure, then pity, then embrace." It is impossible for a woman of any grade of modesty, higher or lower, to go to a theater amount of immodest or libidinous allusion or representation she can stand. And that very estimation necessarily creates impurity of a another woman who would be unwilling to make such an estimate.

The theater is and always was from the first the feast of Bacchus, more or less modified-more or less aggravated. It was always intended to carry as much licentious represen tation as its average female patrons could be induced to stand. A question of modesty "How much immodesty can we stand?" is always the question a woman must ask herself on considering the question of going; and so, one woman would consider a certain play sufficiently modest, while another less "familiar with its face" would blush for shame.

Immodesty is the staple characteristic of the theater. It is that, mainly, which gives it its zest and relish. What else has it that is spicy and attractive? Its eleguence is oftentimes grand; and it is quite supposable that some may go for this alone. Some men go to the play for the fun, the glee, the entertainment, Nobody goes for sober, practical benefit. Take from it its smart, witty allusions this: that the theater-going leaders, men and women, are universally, not only irreligious but very irreligious. They are always-never failing-persons of second, third or fourth from crime. Others place the line a long ways

hands of low, ill-bred, dirty, blackguards, and handling. I know there are difficulties | beld, defiant, low-flung women, and you take from it nine-tenths of its power to harm. It is the genteel, the fashionable, the stylish, those dream of, and one of the hardest things that can formish material for talk among the is divided counsel, where busband and light headed that will class them higher than wife are not one, and yet the one who they belong, that is sought for. The lower vices cannot thrive without a more respectable initiative. The down-grade to vice begins

POSTSCRIPT.

THE Supreme Court of the United States has rendered a decision sustaining the Kansas

Episcopal Church celebrated the centennial of their organization by appropriate religious mation. When they were in bed she services in the leading churches of the denom-

> FROM Rev. Mr. Stall's excellent "Methods concerning a subject of the greatest impor-

"At a session of the Vermont State Sunday school Convention, one of the questions presented was, 'What can be done to bring the Sunday-school to church?' 'The question was discussed under the four heads: What can the superintendent do? the teacher? the pascanvasted at the Sunday dinner-table, if | tor? the parent? Among the answers elicited the Sunday newspaper is enjoyed where from the audience were: The superintendent can (1) urge the children to come to church; (2) question them about the sermon; (3) keep ily shows a real indifference to religious the public services; (5) co-operate with the things. It is within our power as fathers | paster in securing occasional services for the children. The teacher can (1) teach the children to attend church; (2) go himself; (3) speak well of the paster and the church. The paster can (1) preach so that the children can understand; (2) have one or more hymns for he children; (3) attend the Sunday-school parents to bring their children to church. The parent can (1) take the children to church, not

been absent once or twice, or if you had made when you feel like it, and never offer to resign so that a more faithful man may be found to take your place.

You are a tribulation to the superintendent. and a rock of offence to the school, and a stumbling-block to every young Christian. 1 There are many of us-ministers and lay- speak strongly, for you are a hard case, and ficient and unphilosophical grounds. The forced to believe from your actions that no should exhibit very little and very certain in your business. You are found at ble guarantee of nice behavior then the thing | enough to bring you regularly to Sundayschool? You will do more for money than Now, the very reverse of all this is true, you will for the love of the Lord and the to be absent from your class than the minister Immoralities begin with a slight tinge. A has to be absent from his pulpit Sunday

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Old and Young.

DREAMS. Edith M. Thomas, in "The Atlantic" for Novem

As I came through the Valley Sleep (Upon each side a frowning steep), A dream my weighted steps o'ertook: "I am the fear thou wouldst not brook Through all the hours of light, But thrust my face from sight, My whisper from thine ear; Now close on thee I wait-Thy secret Fear--And I foreshadow fate!

As I came through the Valley Sleep, Where singing waters hidden creep, A dream arose and kissed my brow; "I am the Heart's Desire, whom thou Wouldst lift no voice to greet, Nor own me conquering sweet A mounting cordial fire, I am thy bosom's-mate, Deep Heart's Desire, And I foreshadow fate!

Who so comes through the Valley Sleep Whether he wake to laugh or weep, Meets with no herald from afar, No warning gleam of natal star; But in her regal place, And with no masking face, Unhoodwinked and unbought, Most pure, inviolate, The lord of thought. The Soul foreshadows fate!

AN UNFORTUNATE INTERBUPTION

B. Chittenden, in Our Little Ones. Willie was asleep, and Dan was lonely. Willie is the minister's youngest son, and Dan is his dog. It was Sunday morning, and every one was at church but these two friends, and they had been at play in the hayloft. It was warm and sunny, and through the loft window they could plainly hear the good minister preaching, for their house was next door to the church.

"Dan," said Willie, stretching himself out on the nice soft hay, "it is better here than at church, for you can hear every word, and don't get prickles down your back as you do when you have to sit up straight."

In some way, while Willie was listening and watching the dusty motes riding on the sunbeams, he feel asleep. Dan kissed him on the nose several times, but when Willie went to sleep he went to stay, and did not mind trifles. So Dan gave it up at last. He sat down with the funniest look of care on his wise, black face, and with one ear ready for outside noises.

Now the minister had for his subject, this Sunday morning, "Daniel." Alas! this was the name he always gave Dan when he was teaching him to sit up and beg, and other tricks. While the dog was in the hayloft thinking, the name meekly drooping, close beside the minister, who did not see him; but the congre-"Daniel" again, two sharp soprano barks said "Yes, sir," as plainly as Dan could answer.

The minister started back, looked around, and saw the funny little picture. then he coughed and wondered what to do next; but just then through the vestry came Willie, with bits of hay sticking in his golden curls. His face was rosy from sleep, and he looked a little frightened. He walked straight toward his father. and took Dan in his arms, and said: "Please 'scuse Dan, papa. I wented asleep and he runned away." Then he walked out again with Dan looking back at the smiling congregation. The minister ended his sermon on Daniel as best he could; then he made a resolve that if he ever preached about the prophet Daniel again he would remember to tie up his little black-and-tan namesake.

A DOG THAT REMEMBERED HIS GERMAN.

Western Advocate.

Judge Taylor driving across country one soft spring day from the county town where he had been attending court, to him in German. overtook a small boy and girl on their way home from school, and, as his habit is, took them in his carriage for a ride.

They were very talkative, and the girl said: "We are all German, and mother him she explained: speaks only the German, but the rest talk all about here."

"there are six leedle pupples and our me." mudder she speaks the Sherman to them and dey understand better tan wen we speaks the English. And the yellow and vite puppy makes the plack-and-tan puppies stand pack from the porridge-dish until he has eaten his self full, den he stand pack upon his hind legs and sees the rest eats. You vants to see him do dot? Then you stops here where we

lives." So the judge, who was very fond of Germans and of children and of animals, called at the little gambrel-roofed farmhouse, where Hans Rotchenhoven had made a home for himself and family, and after seeing the spirit with which the dainty buff and white beagle ruled over a price for him with Mrs. Rotcenhoven, paid for him, and carried him home.

His new mistress, Mrs. Taylor, named him Sancho Panza. He learned readily had just started working half-time at the to understand English, and being a remarkably handsome little fellow, soon become a great pet.

dog in the little country village, the peo- no complaint, and few imagined or ple about the center not being fond of stayed to consider how she was circumdogs, and they said now one to another: stanced. She had nothing in the house "Will you believe it? There is a dog to eat but one slice of bread, and no

tle fellow; he made friends, and soon people were pleased to have him call upon them with his mistress.

Upon these distinguished occasions he daintily to the very last crumb.

After awhile, when he had become neighborhood, he took it into his 'eute little head to go making ealls by himself. upon the rug to be talked to or while he liest woman in the neighborhood." ate any tid-bit that was given him, and, after making a little stay, get up, wag his slim jail in way of good-bye, and go out. Whenever he went home after one of these adventures, he would dance about, wrinkle up his nose, show his teeth in the most laughable manner, and the family would say: "Sancho has been making calls again."

And so the summer passed away; the leaves of Autumn grew yellow, red and brown, and fell to the earth, and the wind swept them into corners, before the last week of gray November brought with it the Thanksgiving day, dear to all and suddenly the man on the lookout New England hearts.

the Thanksgiving festivities, and it was came near wrecking a great Cunarder. a very busy time for Sancho, as he was obliged to make many calls at all the was laborious business for such a gentle-

On Thanksgiving afternoon, just after the time when everybody had had dinner, a boy came walking slowly up the ebrated Englishman, said that he entervillage street, and sat down to rest upon ed the ministry from a train of circuma flat rock nearly opposite Grandpa Prescott's house, where several children were looking from the windows.

While they were wishing they knew who he was, and where he came from, and if he had had a dinner, Sancho came trotting along from the parsonage yard with a big meaty beef-bone that Mabel Terry, the minister's daughter, had just tered logs on the rocks. set out for him. Seeing the stranger, Sancho ran up to him wagging his tail so cordially that the boy called out in words joy ran down his face, and Saucho, stand. as ing back upon his hind legs, looked at it?" his protege, and wagged his slim tail in

By that time all the company at Grand- er not !" pa Prescott's were at the parlor windows enjoying the pretty scene.

"Who can the child be?" said Grandpa | are quite willing." Prescott. "We must not be outdone in hospitality by a dog-on Thanksgiving tle face. She evidently did not wish to

Sancho pranced on in front as if de- to-night." lighted with the turn affairs had taken. and, seating himself upon the rug, looked nothing inappropriate for the boly time, usual. Every one talked to the boy, with care, and her conscience was sensihowever, and when he replied, Sancho tive. wrinkled his nose; but whether it was to "I would not have you do the least one could tell.

"Call the cook," said Grandpa Pres-

Gretchen, who came at once, stared at the lad for a moment, and then spoke

The boy answered with his sad face illuminated with smiles of surprise and joy, and as the plump, rosy-cheeked girl caught him in her strong arms and kissed

the Yankee just as well as the peoples Thanksgive-day. This be mine brodder; ping of a street car there fell these he come in de ship, and he hunt in all words: "And at our house," went on the boy, Connecticut for our fader, and he fint

have seen those children skip about for the world, and no longer." joy. Sancho pranced, too, upon his hind feet; John took hold of one fore-paw, and Flora of the other, and they all- hearts of a dozen or more passengers. grandpa, and grandma, and all-joined and it was interesting to note the changed hands and danced about the reunited expression on some listless faces. In brother and sister, and Gretchen said, be-

tween laughs and sobs: "I tells you tat tog unterstands Sherman. Don't you knows he was prought

THE HERITAGE OF TRUST.

Joyful News. A poor mother in Lancashire, some time since, was in sore sorrow. Her his brothers and sisters, he agreed upon husband had been out of work for months, and with a number of little children she had nothing coming in but the trifling wages of two young girls who

factory. One morning at breakfast-time she found herself face to face with absolute As it happened, Sancho was the only want, though her neighbors had heard

at Judge Taylor's! Now we shall have money to get more. She thought of the to be barked at every day of our lives." children at work who in a minute or two To their surprise, therefore, Sancho would come all hungry to the door. She did not bark. He was a gentlemanly lit- fell upon her knees. "O Lord," she cried, "I don't care for myself, but my heart aches for the two little half-timers who have to work hard at the mill. Do please, O Lord, make this bit of bread go would sit quietly upon a rug, and if any far enough to satisfy them, that they one gave him a bit of cake would eat it may not have to go back to their work erying with hunger." The little children knowing nothing, of course, were very well acquainted throughout the astenished at their mother's prayers and tears, and stood looking at her. Just at the moment a knock came at the door, He would go to each house, scratch upon and there stood on the step, with a loaf the door to be let in, sit complacently of bread in her hand, "the most unlike-

"Give Him, then, and ever give Thanks for all that we receive; Man, we for his kindness love, How much more our God above."

A LITTLE THING MAY DECIDE.

A Cunarder put out from England for New York. It was well equipped, but, in putting up a stove in the pilot-box, a nail was driven too near the compass. You know how that nail would affect the compass. The ship's officers, deceived by that distracted compass, put the ship two hundred miles off her right course. cried, "Land ho!" and the ship was halt-It was a busy time for the women folk, ed within a few yards of her demolition who were making great preparations for on Nantucket Shoals. A six-penny nail Small ropes hold mightty destinies.

A minister, seated in Boston at his tahouses in order to carry home all the ble, lacking a word, puts his hands bebones that were saved for him; and it hind his head, and tilts back his chair to think, and the ceiling falls and crushes manly dog digging holes in the garden to the table, and would have crushed him. bury them all for a possible time of A minister in Jamaica, at night, by the light of an insect called the candle fly, is stances started by the barking of a dog. Had the wind blown one way on a certain day, the Spanish Inquisition would have been established in England; but it blew the other way, and that dropped the accursed institution, with seventy-five thousand tons of shipping, to the bottom of the sea, or flung the broken and splin-

THE WEE MAID'S ANSWER.

I see her round, dimpled face, lighted that took the amiable little dog by sur- by a pair of lucid brown eyes, the sturdy prise. Perhaps he did not understand; little figure standing erect, the plump perhaps he supposed it to be dog-lan- hands loosely clasped. With perfect guage, and that he did understand; it self-forgetfulness, and in a clear, thrillmight have sounded so funny that he ing, childish voice, she stands in the wanted to laugh, and had to lay down great parlor before an audience of sumthe bone to wrinkle up his nose and show mer boarders and recites a tenderly pahis teeth to good advantage; and it is thetic poem. It tells a little incident of "Daniel" fell into his ready ear. Dan at possible that his heart was stirred by childish life so vividiy that who hear are once jumped down and ran into the early recollections. No one can tell; at moved. A few days later, in the long, church through the vestry door. He all events he laid the bone upon the rock, sweet Sabbath dusk, a lady called the stood on his hind legs, with forepaws and the strange boy picked it up and dear child to her side, saying: "Darling. smelled it, and began gnawing the meat | would you mind going to that quiet corthat was still warm from the oven. As ner of the porch where nobody else can gation did. When the minister shouted the child devoured the meat the tears of hear us, and just saying that little poem

The child hesitated, blushed shyly, then said: "If you please, I would rath-

"Very well, then," replied the lady, "we do not want you to do it unless you

A soft wave or color crept over the litda, too;" and away he went, in dressing- leave a mistaken impression. "I will regown, skull-cap, and slippers, and led cite it to-morrow," she said, bravely. "I think it wouldn't be quite right to do so

There was really in the recitation about for some one to talk to him as but the dear child had been early trained

make fun, or because he understood, no thing which you did not think entirely right for the whole world," said the lady, who respected the child's moral courage cott. "Is is German the child is speak. As the little darling went to her room, the witnesses to the scene thought of her very tenderly, and were convinced that her mother was no ordinary woman.

A CHANCE WORD.

Sunday School Times.

Who can estimate the value of a chance word, in the sense in which there is such a thing as chance? Upon the silence occasioned by the sudden stopping of a street car there fell these words:

"So long as you can contribute to the "O, mine goot Lord! This pe indeed a silence occasioned by the sudden stop-

"So long as you can contribute to the pleasure, happiness, or comfort of any You ought to have been there then, to human being, you are of importance in

Whatever may have been the object of these words, the thought reached the utter unconsciousness of any effect of her words, the lady from whose lips they fell passed out into the street. Perhaps in the great day it may be her happiness up at Mrs. Hans Rotchenhoven's house?" to know that the Lord then used her tongue for a blessing to some heart which had as yet failed to comprehend the meaning of its life-struggle; for the truth she emphasized was a truth which all of us need to realize. Not our personal enjoyment, nor yet our seeming success in life, but our part in God's plan for others, is the measure of our importance in the world.

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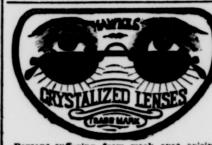
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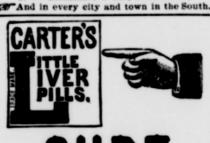
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Chaplain Hall Writes the Following Remarkable Letter.

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From the Albany, N. Y., Express. For many years my wife has been the victim of nervous dyspepsia, of the chronic, distressing and apparently incurable type from which so many ofher sex suffer, languish and die. It was all the worse because the tendency to it was inherited. She had been under the systematic treatment of many of the best physicians in New York and Brooklyn and elsewhere for twenty years with only temporary relief. In fact, there not distress her, so diseased, sensitive and torpid were all the organs of diges tion. The usual symptoms of dyspepsia, with its concomitant ailments, were all present-bad taste in the mouth, dull eyes, cold feet and hands, the sense of a load upon the stomach, tenderness on pressure, indigestion, giddiness, great weakness and prostration, and fugitive pains in the sides, chest and back. I have often risen in the night and administered stimulants merely for the sake of the slight and transient relief they gave.

Intermittent malarial fever set in, every symptom more pronounced and intense. By this time the pneumogastric nerves had become very seriously involved, and she had chronic Gastritis, and also what I may be allowed to call chronic intermittent malarial fever all at once. For the latter the physicians prescribed the good, oldfashioned, sheet-anchor remedy, Quin--incredible as it may seem-she actu-IN SUCCESSION. This could not last. The effect of the quinine was, if possible, almost as bad as the two-fold disease which was wearing away her culture required by any one faculty is to strength and her life. Quinine poison- be determined, not by some empirical ing was painfully evident, but the fever | method, but by the nature of the faculty was there still. Almost every day there itself and the degree of development poscame on the characteristic chill and sible to it. The faculty which is greatracking headache, followed by the usual weakness and collapse.

About this time I met socially my friend Mr. Norton, a member of the The moral power is unquestionably the firm of Chauncey, Titus & Company, greatest faculty in man. It therefore debrokers, of Albany, who, on hearing mands the highest place in any system of from me these facts, said: "Why, I have been through almost the same thing, and have got over it." "What cured you?" I asked eagerly. "Kaskine," he said, "try it for your wife." I had seen Kaskine advertised, but had dust, for such a case as hers. Mrs. that is worthy of profound study and the crudest and most contradictory no-Hall had no higher opinion, yet on the tion I got a bottle and began its use as ucation has so vitiated his system, as a verance and zeal. A medical quack can, and unbearable miseries of hell! directed.

Now recall what I have already said Now recall what I have already said as to her then condition, and then read sort of regret that such a mind as Spensome nostrum to the extent of millions of dollars. Some commercial crank may what follows: Under the Kaskine sult of a life effort, a system embodying so work up a financial scheme as to aptreatment all the dyspeptic symptoms the conception simply of a perfect ani- peal adroitly to human avariciousness. SHOWED INSTANT improvement, and the malism-man only a higher order of ani- and thousands will rush blindly into the daily fever grew less and soon ceased mal, and his education complete animal trap set for them. Science, too, has her altogether. Side by side these diseases ism. vanished, as side by side they had tortured their victim for ten years—the in proclaiming "complete being" the end and a wink at the old established order dyspepsia alone having, as I have said, of human culture. Given "complete of things, are sufficient to develop the hero existed for twenty years. Her appetite being," and "complete living" will fol- whose following increases with his darimproved from week to week until she could eat and digest the average food that any well person takes, without any suffering or inconvenience. With renewed assimilation of food came, of Since education is the development of Wiggins, the weather prophet. After course, a steady increase in flesh, until every human faculty along the line of its showing the unscientific character of she now looks like her original self.

but with no real need of it, for she is way to deny the necessity of such educa- his predictions. He says: well. I consider this result a scientific tion for the masses is to take refuge in "What we see and lament to see in this thet of "apostle" of agriculturists, and, miracle, and the "New Quinine" is enthe belief that the nature of the masses whole business is the evidence afforded of afterwards, the gratitude of posterity virtues of geese. Shame on you, if you time she began with Kaskine she used that men are wholly unlike man. no other medicine whatever.

If you think a recital of these facts to make them public.

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To propose that that which seems now to be of necessity the heritage of a few should become the common heritage of all, may appear idealistic. But an unprejudiced and thoughtful consideration f the proposition, in the light of present events and tendencies, will place it alongside those principles that lie at the base of human welfare. If this basal ple. The popular notion that a comcharacter be once discovered, there will were few, if any kinds of food that did not be wanting a serious and continued vision of the State, is an adequate prepeffort adequate to solve a problem so vitally connected with the best interests of of our race. Once recognize the necessity and we can no longer doubt the solution. For what is necessary to the wellbeing of man must be within the limit of his power to achieve; otherwise the maker of all things must have made an egregious blunder when he put them to-

It is obvious that time enters neces sarily as a factor in the solution of the problem. Time will be required to create in the people, not only an appreciation of such an education, but also a disposition to avail themselves of an opportunity to acquire it. But to refuse to begin complicating the case and making the work of solution because the perfect results can appear only in some indefinite future is akin to the folly of refusing to plant the orchard for the reason that he who plants may not live to behold and enjoy the ripened fruit.

What are the reasons showing the necessity for a higher education of the masses? The fundamental argument may be developed from the meaning of the term, education. Education is essenine, gradually increasing the doses, until | tially a natural process. It is not the introduction into man's nature of foreign ally took THIRTY GRAINS A DAY FOR DAYS | principles, but a development of those already there.

The presence of any faculty in human nature is an argument for the necessity of its growth. The kind and extent of est and which is susceptible of the highest culture, stands first in importance the nature and design of its culture. education that would claim in any ademan nature.

The result of education is not then what Herbert Spencer would have us believe, "complete living," but it is "complete being." Though there is much in and worth of man. One can but feel a advertisements, palm off on the people

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This may be a new gospel, but it is a practice of which rest the perpetuity of physic. mass of politically incompetent and morally corrupt suffragists, each of whose voices at the ballot-bex is as potent in jon while scathing Wiggins he might clear. national and State affairs as that of the have seen more lamentable things in

of the times. from a governmental standpoint, espe- more disastrous than those of a material cially in a Democratic government like character. ours. Here the people are the source of Finally, the ultimate end of all true the appearance of the breastbone of the power, governing through representation. education is the discernment of God. goose you expect to eat to-day.

a suitable education. Thomas Jefferson, who was the honored exponent of protion to solve, it would be this: Higher gressive principles which had been at Christian education for the masses of the work through centuries, wrote as the inscription of his own tomb-stone "Author of the Declaration of American Independence; of the Statute of Virginia for Religious Freedom; and Father of the University of Virginia." In Jefferson's mind, government and education were cognate ideas.

The idea of political and religious liberty was linked to that of a university. The education contemplated in a univer sity he recognized as necessary to the perpetuation of the liberties of the peo-

mon-school education, under the superpolitical citizenship, is an erroneous one, and one that must give place to that of the preparation of the people to live and act as become those made in the likeness of the creator. No better proof of the correctness of this statement is need ed that recent revelations concerning municipal government in our country. The peace and prosperity of such cities as New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Cincinnati are seriously threatened by an ever increasing horde of worthless and immoral voters. The public school system of these cities has almost reached perfection, and yet crime and immorality are on a rapid increase. Thoughtful men are beginning to see the danger, and to lic school system fail in the government of a single city, what can be expected from it for the country at large?

It seems almost like a work of supererogation to argue the point that, in a republic, such an education of the masses as already defined is necessary. Yet the absence of any adequate movement to meet such a necessity is evident, at least, of an indifference most blameworthy and fraught with the direst consequences.

The Christian sentiment of this country must provide for the elevation of the masses through right education, or the masses will involve all in one common ruin. The destiny of this country is with the masses. They voice their sentiments through representatives who make and execute our laws, who impose and collect taxes, who make peace or declare war. It goes without saying that the people who have such power should know how to use it. It will not suffice and creates the strongest obligation as to for the people to transfer their responsibility to some leader in whom they happen to have confidence for the time being, while they pass into a political sleep. This has been, and still is, the curse of American politics. The masses take too quate measure to meet the wants of hu. little interest in politics. It is because they know so little of political economy, especially the moral phase of it.

Another reason for the plea offered is, the masses need it as a protection against charlatanism, whether in religious or secald unquestionably be adopted, tions of Biblical truth can at any time whole, as to place it beneath the dignity by manufactured testimony and blazing charlatans. Scientific forgeries pass very God's will and nature's law both unite readily for the genuine stuff. Novelty, low as a natural consequence. "Be ye ing and recklessness. It will not be inperfect" may have a wider range of appropriate to quote from the editor of the meaning than we may sometimes think. Popular Science Monthly in regard to Mr. nature and capacity, which leads inevi- Wiggins' prophecies, and enforcing it by She still takes Kaskine occasionally, tably to higher culture, the only possible a reference to the noted failures among

titled to the credit of it, for from the is not like the nature of the individual- the slight extent to which true scientific knowledge has as yet permeated the pub-To admit the presence of any faculty lie mind. Large portions of our populacalculated to do good you are welcome and to deny the necessity of its growth tion are at the mercy of charlatans of would be at once a reflection upon the every profession and of every type. The Creator and a disregard of natural law. masses have no means of distinguishing and people, who with one accord had Further, if the end of education be between the man who speaks in the chosen him. His hiding place, however, P. S. -Sometimes letters of this kind "complete being," with "complete liv- name of acquired and organized science, was betrayed by a flock of cackling geese. are published without authority, and in ing" following as a necessary result, then and the man who uses a scientific termi- This is given as the primary connection case any one is inclined to question "complete being" must be regarded the nology that he himself only half under- of geese with his name; in later times, the genuineness of the above statement birth-right of the masses. A birth-right stands, for the purpose of getting him- that is, after his canonization, when his is an inalienable right. Man may barter self talked about." In considering a day began to be celebrated as a sort of the symbol of it, as did one of old for a remedy for such a state of things, the Thanksgiving Day for the inguthering of mess of pottage; ambilious and godless editor further says: "We do not see the harvest, the custom of bondres, exrulers may deny to men the blessings its why, in our public schools, some effect- pressive of gratitude to the saint fo. his stamp Kaskine as a remedy of undoubt- exercise would bring; priests with whom ive instruction might not be given in the protection of the fields from destructive ed merit, will be sent on application. superstition has a coin value may franti-Price \$1.00, or six bottles, \$5 00. Sold cally rush to smother the faintest awakby Druggists, or sent by mail on receipt enings of it; but the right remains, ind the government for relief as though the additional importance from being the structible as the soul, and will appear in government were a great big daddy per- designated period at which rents and for the responsibilities of life. The of special thank-offerings to the clergy

> most accomplished and purest statesman certain scientific theories of which he is so strong an advocate. The moral ef- Deut, xiv:11, and said: Such an education appears necessary feets of scientific charlatanism are far

Publishers, No. 1102 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. It is evident that if the people are to Those who have discovered the hand of

COLLEGIATE EDUCATION FOR THE govern, they must be capable. The very Deity and respected it in all human af- day, but remain a goose if you do not idea of governing necessitates the idea of fairs have developed characters which know all that a goose may teach you. are the admiration of the world. They have governed themselves and have contributed to the best interests of the race. But the painful thought is that they have been and are so few compared with the many far beneath them. If a just ness. idea of human development has revealed such admirable results in the few, is it not an idea under which every lover of quenters of the bath, are always cleanly, man should seek to have the race train- and more watchful than dogs. ed? Surely no educator can be so deaf to the universal cry of want that comes up from the masses, or so weighted by before the dogs and stopped their barkthe force of custom and local prejudice, ing, but the geese kept on cackling while as to have in his heart no response to any they ate. movement, however humble, that has as its motto: "Higher education of the proprieties of life, and in this respect far masses of mankind." If we have herefore misconceived in regard to the true nature of education, and have worked loud to be polite. with false methods, it is the part of wisdom to plant ourselves squarely on the truth of the matter; begin our remodeling in the light of it, and build better than we have built in the past.

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SELF-DENIAL.

"If any man will come after me, let says: "Take up the cross and follow me." Denying self is just as necessary the rich man: "One thing thou lackest, lack of denial of self. As to what we deny every sin but one, and yet that makes their power of combination. the denial insufficent. If there is anyweal for God, we must deny ourselves that calls our attention; friends whose to the tavern. conversation does not edify; reading to finish was mocked. LIBERTY HILL, TEXAS.

ETERNITY.

Are we not rather oblivious of the fact that eternity means endless duration? If this globe and all globes, land and as a tablet on which to compute the length of eternity, it would be infinitely too small. Were such numeration practicable, it would only give an insight to ories of heaven, and how long a lost strength of my friend's recommenda- yet this mistaken view of the end of ed- win a considerable following by perse- soul is to endure the shame, contempt

WM. MANUEL.

THE MARTIN GOOSE.

A Singular Sermon-St. Martin and the Goose-A Bishop-Blect-Virtues and Vices of Geese.

Some introductory notices are neces sary to the due appreciation of the subjoined remarkable sermon. It was actually preached to a rural congregation, in the Suabian dialect, by Sailer, a Pramonstratensian monk and celebrated pulpit orator of the eighteenth century. He was settled at Marchthal, in Suabia.

Martinmas, that is, November 11, consecrated to the memory of Saint Martin, ed a greater tendency to fatness. Bishop of Tours, who died A. D. 400. The great interest of Martin in the concese earned for him the honorable epi-

Tradition says that such was his unwillingness to accept the episcopal dignity, that he hid himself from the clergy truth is, the root of the malady lies too in the shape of poultry, especially of the gospel on the faithful preaching and deep to be reached by governmental "Martin Goose." It follows, moreover, that in a country where the goose is the our free institutions and the blessings of The case, however, is an apt illustra- national festal bird, the consumption of our civilization. Already the absence of tion of the pressing necessity for a syst geese at Martinmas is as universal as it has crowded our land with a seething tem of education adequate to prepare the that of turkeys in the United States. masses for the higher duties of life. Had | With these preliminary explanations the the editor extended the scope of his vis | drift of the sermon and its allusions are

The preacher chose for his text the words: "Of all clean birds ye shail eat,"

"The ancients observed the flight, noise and eating of birds, and you still forecast the cold of the coming winter by

"Each of you will eat your goose to-

"We begin, therefore, with considering the goose alive, and the goose dead. "The virtues of a goose are these: sociability, watchfulness, cleanliness, modesty, and, to a certain extent, shrewd-

"Geese live together in peaceful and cackling unity; they are diligent, fre-

"When the Gauls were preparing to take the capitol by storm, they cast meat

"Geese are singularly careful of the more commendable than chickens, ducks and turkeys, which are altogether too

"Wild and uncorrupted geese are remarkably cunning; they are silent in danger and abstain from every kind of food contrary to their nature, which shows that they are more rational than

"The vices of geese are: chattering, inebriety and greediness, all of which you ought to avoid. Their chattering and cackling have become proverbial, him deny himself," said Jesus. Also he and the proverb is only too liberally applied to women.

"At the approach of strangers geese as taking up the cross, for Jesus said to stretch their necks, and hiss like serpents; they try to put the enemy to flight, and that is self denial." He did not and having succeeded in their effort and lack in keeping commandments and in perhaps bitten him in the foot, put their raise the signal of warning. If our pub- the outward round of duty, but he did beaks together and cackle in a low key, which may denote either expression of ourselves no certain code of things is thanksgiving for deliverance, or the comgiven, but Jesus in teaching self-denial munication of observations made in the shows us that we may deny ourselves encounter; this is surely an evidence of

> "If one goose takes a drink, all the thing we enjoy calculated to hinder our other geese fancy that they must drink likewise; this they might omit, but do that enjoyment. Unnecessary apparel you act more wisely? One calls the other

> "Their greatest vice is greediness, but matter that attracts our attention to it is one of the greatest benefit to ourevil; singing attractive songs that makes selves, and without it we might not have the mind unacceptable for serious this feast of Martinmas at all! Such is thoughts or prayer-and not only these, their inordinate greed, that in the end but if our hearts are set on something they grow so fat that they cannot fly; that does not lead us heavenward, 'twill but that is your opportunity, and all you be sure to lead us away from heaven. have to do is to take and roast them. Deny thyself things of which God does Nevertheless, you ought not to do it not approve. "Lay aside the sin that rashly, but duly reflect that if you are so doth so easily beset us and run with pa- inordinately addicted to worldly things, tience the Christian race." Be not like and so engrossed with excessive eating the man who began to build without and drinking that you are as utterly unacounting up the cost, and being not able ble to lift your thoughts to heaven, as a fat goose is to fly to the roof, you are in a truly deplorable condition. What will become of you? Let me tell you, you will be roast for the devil.

> "But we have still to consider our Martin goose in death. In that state it sea, were a flat smooth surface, and used is like a pig. even more interesting than in life. And that is exactly what the devil thinks of you. "Can you conceive a more delicious

dish than roast goose with mugwort, apno more faith in it than I had in saw- Herbert Spencer's system of education ular matters. A religious charlatan with the time, or how long a saved soul is to ples, chestnuts, or with only potatoes "What can excel in piquant luscious-

ness a solitary pound of improved goose liver, as the children of Israel well know? Is there more dainty fare than stewed goose giblets and dumbling?

"Some have actually received roast goose stuffed with ducats.

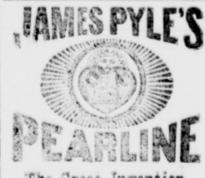
"Could we enjoy sleep, as we do, without goose feathers ?

"Could we write without goose guills ? (The only kind of pen then in use.) "Geese do not fly high : but think of the high flights not only of the learned, but of the great mass of writers, who

only use their feathers! "Eat, then, dear brethren, your Martin goose in the fear of God, with grateful hearts and contented minds, and please The day on which he preached it was accept likewise my gratitude for that you sent me, although it might have exhibit

"The peace of God be with you, and of course with your Martin goose also; dition of the rural population of his diowine, which, by the by, you forgot to send, but above all things remember the made him the recognized patron saint of allow geese to excel you in virtue; nay, but imitate them, and thereto I say Amen."

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

In order to promptly print the conference proceedings, the ADVOCATE has been delayed from two to three days during the conference sessions.

CONFERENCE BOARDS OF MISSIONS.

In the last issue of this paper Rev. E. that at least one conference in Texas has ing-room." failed to find a system by which these functions may be exercised and these obligations met. It is cause of gratulation, in advance of the West Texas in this matter. No reflection as intended by however, that some other conferences are this remark. It is only introductory to North Texas Conference. S. H. Nettles, a statement of some of the methods of of the Alabama Conference, was also another conference.

Close readers of the ADVOCATE have no doubt observed that the Mission Board of the Northwest Texas Confer- sent to Nacogdoches and Timpson ence meets the day before the conference convenes. At that meeting the Board soon make him feel at home. investigates carefully and in detail the of his work, the character and habits and a tinkling cymbal." of the population, approximate number of inhabitants, strength and permanency done credit to any draughtsman.

the preachers can furnish, each presiding | the vacant place. Young, strong, painselder is then carefully consulted as to the taking and efficient, he will be a success. practicability of raising certain missions to circuits, of uniting any two to make them self-sustaining, or dividing any so as to advance the interests of the church. From the presiding elders the board also learns the capacity and impedimenta of the men available for the work and THE Church Extension Anniversary in the same way.

in short, to plan the whole work and ing summary of collections for 1887: make the appropriations.

Report of the result is made out in duplicate, and at the close of the first morning's session of the annual conference the president and secretary of the board carry one copy to the B shop and request his consent to the plan as per tions necessary for each.

elders are not likely to usurp the func- lected was \$119 20. tions of the Mission Board unless the Board itself fails to exercise them. Bishops have enough responsibilities to carry without assuming such as do not belong to them; and the same may be said of presiding elders.

Two rules have been carefully and rigidly observed by the conference in question for nine years: First, the appropristions for next year must never be in excess of the collections for missions reported at the present session of conference. Second, the president must never issue a draft until the treasurer has the meney to pay it.

By observing these rules three things have resulted:

1. The board has been out of debt all the time.

2. No man's check stands better in the banks than that of the Board of Missions of Northwest Texas Conference.

3. The board is able to report at each annual conference enough money in the treasury to meet the first and second quarter drafts for the following year, and always pays the missionary his first quarter, so as to enable him to begin his year's work.

In conclusion, it is to be hoped that Bro. Chappell and other competent per sons will continue to write upon the sub ject of mission work from this and other points of view. Methodism exists only occur, and, hence, in many instances the paper | are correlative to the work of saving the world.

CONFERENCE NOTES. EAST TEXAS.

THE East Tex is Conference has had a prosperous year. Good collections, gracious revivals and gratifying additions to the membership of the stations, circuits and missions were salient features in most of the reports. The conference session was unusually pleasant, the weather fine, the entertainment hospitable and the appointments well received.

BISHOP DUNCAN will carry with him the hearts of these preachers, and their B. Chappell, of the West Texas Confer- prayers will follow him. They kept him ence, has something to say concerning busy. In addition to preaching on Sunour Conference Boards of Missions. In day and addressing the class of the sechis opening sentence he suggests that, ond year, he was the chief speaker at "The General Conference must have had the Church Extension and Mission Anniin view some important end when it versaries. He was much among the peocreated the Missionary Board of the An- ple and the charm of every circle into nual Conference." Bro. Chappell evi- which he came. His bearing in every dently has a well-defined view of the home he visited is best described by that functions and obligations of the Confer- old and famous definition of true courence Board, but from his paper it is clear tesy, "The good Samaritan in the draw-

> Among the visitors were, Dr. Barbee, Dr. Heidt; Dr. Pope, of Kantucky; Dr. Winfield, of Arkansas; A. J. Gallo present. He came as a transfer. Nettles made a fine record in his native State and will serve Texas wel'. He is where Garrison and his brethren will Number of members.

BISHOP DUNCAN from the chair: "I Number of scholars. condition of every mission under its care. | cannot understand how two preachers | Every missionary is expected to have a can live in the same community and love report of his work before the Board on God and be at cross purposes. Such men 1887: that day. From each one the Board gets are outside of the kingdom. You may not only the statistics to be reported to preach like an angel, but if you love not the annual conference, but also the plan your brother you are a sounding brass

THE old secretary, E. F. Boone, was of towns, villages, railway stations, pres. missed from his accustomed place. He pacts for growth, etc. At the last session | casts his lot with the Northwest Texas some of the missionaries laid before Conference, and will serve the people of the Beard maps of their missions showing Hillsboro. He is loved in East Texas all these facts-maps that would have for himself and for his work's sake, and the largest anniversary collection made will not soon be forgotten. B. R. Bol- in Texas this year. Having gained all the information that | ton fills, by the choice of the brethren.

> sky, more sunlight, more moonlight and a silver cup properly inscribed, as a token stars than any State in the Union-but of their appreciation of this venerable she does not pay her preachers as she sister's many virtues and her long and

ought to."

Marshalll District......\$228 50 Tyler District...... 112 50 Palestine District..... 108.50 San Augustine District...... 165.25

D scipline. They also recommend to him Mrs. Thompson, secretary of the woman's Conference Cottage." It is to be occupied as essential: 1. Accurate truthfulness of sui able missions to receive help from department of this work-parsonage by sons of preachers or young men pre-statement. 2. Avoidance of all motive judgthe Foreign Board, and the appropriational building. The report showed six societ paring for the ministry from the bounds The Board has thus far experienced no and fees for life patrons. One-half of has awakened enthus asm on the whole Cathedral, the Archbishop of Canterbury exdifficulty in carrying out its plans. Of this remains at home and one half goes round this year. It is evidently nearer pressed a novel sort of Catholicity for an course, developments in the Bishop's to the parent Board. H. M. DuBose was the hearts of preachers and people than the full and tender music of that prayer-book council may make some modifications introduced and spoke at length. His necessary. At Lampasas Bishop K-ener made only one change, and that was in a appropriation from the Forign Board. At Fort Worth Bishop Wilson modified the Board of his purpose in regard to two appropriations.

Bishop Duncan followed in a characteristic address—that is a talk full of good appropriations.

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Bro. Chappell will see at a glauce that if the Mission Board is not ready to promptly furnish the Bishop with full information and a matured plan, a Council which can not wait is under the necessity of reversing the disciplinary process

The Conference adjourned Menday afternoon to meet lext year in Crockett. Council may make some modifications introduced and spoke at length. He ever before. We trust every conference which," he fondly declared, "is becoming the

by recommending to the Board work made Miss Lucy Heartsill, one of his puthat the Board should have already ac- pils, a life patron. The same compliment complished and submitted to the B sh p | was pad Mrs. John R. Heartsill by Bro. for his approval. Bishops and presiding Sterne, of Palestine. The amount col-

BISHOP DUNCAN, from the chair: "In your pastoral visits let politics alone Discuss something else beside the tariff. Never mind who is going to be governor. If there is not brain enough in Texas outside of the ministry to run the government, God pity the S'ate."

THE Woman's Missionary Society held its anniversary Saturday afternoon. H. M. DuBose was the speaker. The following report of collections is taken from the report of the treasurer, Mrs. R T. Dorough: Beaumont District...... \$37.90

Palestine District...... 31 15 Cyler District...... 16 50 San Augustine District...... 80 45 Officers for the ensuing year were

Marshall District...... 208 50

elected as follows: President, Mrs. R W. Thompson; of Marshall; vice-president, Mrs. John Adams, of Tyler; corre sponding secretary, Mrs. John R. Hartsill, of Marshall; recording secretary, Mrs. John S Mathis, of Palestine; treas auditor, Mrs. Leake, of Longview.

BISHOP DUNCAN from the chair: You arrest a brother's character in open conference. A committee of investigation is appointed. They report next day that there is nothing against him. Some as a missionary organization. All her who heard the arrest will never hear the of the preachers; but errors will necessarily educational and publishing enterprises vindication. You have done a harm that even your prayers will never overtake. Brethren, I beg of you, if there is aught settle it before you get to conference."

DR R S. FINLEY, on account of failing health, receives a supernumerary relation. A half century of able, selfsacrificing work has silvered his head and enfeebled his once robust frame. His mind is alert and keen as in the past, and his heart full of the old sympathy and love. God bless his remaining years. May light fall upon him from every part of the sky. The future can have no tera blade in the thickest of the fight he can at least wait like the old prophet in the Valley of Jordon for the car of fire.

BISHOP DUNCAN from the chair: Take the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVO-CATE with you when you go visiting. Open it wide, turn the pages one by one, and show the people what a paper they are getting for the little sum of two dollars a year."

THE amount paid for the support of the ministry for 1887 is as follows: Preachers in Charge \$22 334,54 Presiding Elders...... 3,600,22

THE anniversary of the Conference Board of Missions was held Saturday night, Dr. R. S. Finley, presiding. Geo. A. LeClere conducted the opening ever cises. The secretary, U. B. Paillips, r-ad the forty-third annual report, from and saving the class with which they have which we take the following: Missions served....

Number of members received..... Number of Sanday-schools..... The treasurer, T. P. Smith, submitted

the following report of collections for Domestic. Districts Marshall

...... \$334 00 Tyler 210 60 570.00 Palestine..... 234 05 437.80 481.50 Beaumont...... 158.95 437,45 \$3000,10

Bishop Duncan followed with an abladdress and lifted a collection of \$404 10

Before beginning his missionary address, Bishop Dancan, on behalf of the ladies of Marshall, presented to Mrs. J. BISHOP DUNCAN: "Texas has more C. Woolam a pair of gold eye-glasses and faithful service to the church.

THE memorial service on Sunday estimates the appropriation necessary to was held Friday afternoon. J. C. Wool- night was largely attended. The Bishop occupy the ground. The foreign mis- am conducted the opening exercises. J. presided. Dr. Alexander conducted the sions in the conference are investigated | S. Mathis presided. F. J. Browning opening exercises. Dr. Finley presented | story which we have never seen in print is not read the secretary's report, which was and read the report of the Committee on out of place, since it illustrates the doctor's This done, the board is ready to form adopted. T. S. Garrison, treasurer, made Memoirs. Touching tributes to the ready wit. As Dr. Parker, with his beautiful new missions, raise old ones to circuits; a report, from which we take the follow- memory of Daniel Watkins, M. E. Blocker and E D. Ogburn, followed.

On Monday Dr. Heat addressed the conference in the interest of the South western University. The conference in raised \$450 00, with which to build a cot-8717.05 tage on the campus near the Helping R W. Thompson read the report of Hall, to be known as the "East Texas the first moment that two things be observed ties organ'zed and \$141 raised from dues of the conference. The university cause

EDITORIAL BREVITIES.

of Mrs. Granbery's mother.

BISHOP WILSON has put the session of the Baltimore Conference on the 14th of March, instead of the 7th.

THE Alabama Christian Advocate, commenting on the action of the Board of Mis and settled by those who had the right to settle it; now let the church rally to Dr. John, Dr. Kelley and the cause of missions. We do most heartily accept the action of the Board of Missions, who, being on the ground, ful minister of the gospel." were prepared to act for the entire church, and we open our columns to Dr. Kelley and promise him our full support so long as he remains in the office with the full endorsement of the Board of Missions.

THE Nashville Advocate: Rev. R. R. Ray-Plaine, Texas, is on a tour in which he com- open secret over here for some time, but Dr. that part of 'l'exas during the last two or is by the mob when he has displeased it. No three years. Our heart warms to a college one less pachydermatous than a rhinoceres or agent, and we trust our Bro. Raymond will an alderman can provoke the wrath of the find practical sympathy in his mission American pre-s with imp nity. But newspawherever he goes.

This is the time for our friends to exert themselves to renew subscriptions and also to increase the number of subscribers. This is a cism as men who do not claim to despise common cause. They are partners with us in urer, Mrs. R. T. Dorough, of Tyler; the benefits accruing from the circulation of the ADVOCATE. With increased circulation we are able to make the paper still more beneficial to all its readers. We expect to make the coming volume better than any of its predecessors. The extent to which this can be done depends largely on increased patronage. We therefore confidently appeal to our friends everywhere to do all they can to give us an en- of the giver. We are glad, but we are not larged circulation.

THE Southwest Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church held its annual session in this city the past week, against a brother, and you have one day, Bishop Wayman, of Baltimore, presiding. The conference embraces an area of territory including this State and part of Loupresent, representing a large membership within their conference bounds. The African Methodist Church was organized in 1816, in the city of Philadelphia, by Richard Allan, and has been active among the people of that race and color in their church work from that time to the present. In 1884 they had: traveling preachers, 2,200; local, 2 900; and a membership of 328,000, being the largest colored Methodist membership in this country, except that of the Zion Methodist Episcopal Church. rors for him. If he shall no more wield This latter was organized in New York, in 1820, and since has gained a membersdip which, in 1884, numbered: traveling preachers, 2,000; local preachers, 10,000; laity, 403,000. This branch of colored Methodists has been somewhat under the fostering care of the Northern Methodist Episcopal Church (white) which has also in its communion a large number of colored members. In 1870 the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church was organized by the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which, in 1884, had a membership of nearly 150 000, with a large number of ministers, both traveling and toeal. Thus it will be seen that the great Methodist family is not \$111.655; number of parsonages, 57; value, without its wholesome influence among the colored people.

THE Editor of the Alabama Advocate, after attending a session of a Northern Sethodist Conference in his State, says: "We have tried to look at this whole question in a commonsense light. The conclusion we have reached is, that the Northern Methodist Church is doing very little good in this country, but they have inflaence sufficient to prevent the Meth odist Episcopal Church, South, from reaching been fumbling for more than twenty years. What we have said of the Northern Methodists in this country we have no doubt may be applied with equal force to the Southern Meth-

odist Church on the other side of the line," THE Western Advocate says: "It is wholly evident, when a group of men can sit down, almost, if not quite, in the shadow of Westminster Abbey, to arrange the brutal details of a prize-fight, as Sullivan and Mitchell and their friends did one evening recently, that there is need of the gospel outside of the land of the Telugus, and the country of the clouted wild man of the Congo. Shades of the mighty dead! The men are to fight with bare knuckles, and are to fight to a finish, and one of them declares that if he is vanquished he will be carried from the ring in pieces. And yet the gospel of peace and brotherly love; he doctrines of immortality and a judgment day; the necessity of regeneration; all the blime dogmas of an exalted religion and a lofty humanitarianism, have been preached in London for more than 1500 years. And even Boston is not without a certain pride because one of the parties to this bloody compact has his home not far from Beacon Hill."

THE Golden Rule takes leave of Dr. Parker as follows: Dr. Joseph Parker is about to return to his London pulpit. His popularity | Wm. Sproule, J. S. Murphy.* has suffered a serious decline in this country ince it has been said that he received a large sum for his eulogy of Beecher. We are told. however, that at a meeting of the Beecher Monument Fund Dr. Parker was exonerated, and he is characterized as a most honorable Christian gentleman. In this connection a wife, was crowding into a crowded London derson. omnibus, some boor grumbled out under his breath; "Beauty and the Beast." The quick other conferences? S. H. Nettles, from Alaear of the great preacher heard it, and turning seriouspess: "Sir, I am a public man and used to abuse, but I never allow any man with

An exchange says wisely: In all religious and reform discussion it would seem to be o

In his sermon at the consecration of Trurc

ville at Conference. His death will be a great grief to his many devoted friends all over the BISHOP GRANBERY was in Richmond last country. Dr. Burkhead was a strong preacher week, bringing to Virginia for burial the body and one of the most promment members of our conference. He joined the conference in 1849; has filled many of our leading circuits, stations and districts; was elected to the General Conference six times, and led the delegation to our last General Conference; was our clerical delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in London, in 1881; was a member of sions, says: The matter has been settled, the Board of Missions of our church for twelve or fifteen years; was President of the Board of Trustees of Tripity College for St Veral years, and was a faithful, able. zealous, earnest, hard-working, devoted and success

THE Christian Standard: The celebrated Dr. Parker, the friend of Beecher, is but bu man after all, and has allowed himself to lose temper over the persecutions of the American newspapers. He is reported to have referred to them as those "infernal newspapers." Now mond, agent for Belle Plaine College, Belle the fact of their infernality has been a sort of bines evangelical labors and work for that Parker was indiscreet enough to bint it right | \$23 600. school, which has suffered from the financial out, and consequently he is as ferociou-ly as disasters that have pressed so heavily upon sailed by them as an unlucky base-ball unpire per praise or blame has little real effect upon one's reputation, and, if he is wise, none at all worldly honor, and Dr. Parker is in a large company-top large.

TBE Golden Rule has this to say of the word "Thanks:" "How did that monosyllable become so unfortunately alienated from its pronoun? It is now too impersonal. Our gratitude is not projected toward anybody. We are conscious of the thing received but not grateful. We felicitate ourselves on what we receive, but the thought does not move onward to recognize the individual behind the gift. We ought to say, not 'fhanks' but 'Thank you!' It is a long step from gladness to gratitude. The first is self-centered; the second is suggestive of God. We have isiana. Nearly one hundred preachers were just read of a minister who every morning used to go to his outside door, and, looking toward the sky, say, 'Thank you!' God is always hiding himself behind secondary causes. We do not like to have a benefactor keep reminding us, in direct terms, of his kindness. We like to let the gift speak. It is not as common to make so much of the donor's name upon the fly-leaf of a book as formerly. Simply because the giver of a gift is delicate in his method of bestowal we ought not to grow ungrateful. We have him to thank for the method as well as for the thing. The personality is all there. It deserves recognition. The best expression is, "Thark you!" with the emphasis on the ultimate word.'

THE Arkansas Conference reported the following statistics for 1887: "Local preachers, 226; members, 20.236; infants baptized, 729; adults baptized, 1,652. Number of Sun day-schools, 183; teachers, 1,227; scholars, 10, 431. Collected-for conference fund, \$948 55; for foreign missions on assessment, \$2,469.55; on account of self-denial, \$234.55; for domes tic mis-tons, \$1,415.50; church extension, 8552.61 Number of churches, 155; value, \$24,725; number of colleges, 2; value, \$21,000; number of high schools, 3; value, \$11,000."

DANIEL WEBSTER said of certain preachers in his day, "When they take their text from St. Paul and then preach from the newspapers, I prefer to enjoy my own thoughts at

CLIPPED AND CONDENSED.

Nashville Advocate: The root of most of the blunders that discount the lives of many gifted men is egotism. Northwestern Advocate: Human slavery had better right to rule the republic than rum

Richmond Advocate: Largely fame is an accident; and should, therefore, be cherished with moderate pride and sought with moder-

ate z-al. Buffalo Advocate: By as much as you degrade the ministry and abuse the church, by

so much you weaken your faith in the gospel. and smirch your own character as a Christian. Alabama Advocate: The Southern Methodist Review deserves to be classed with the light literature of the age. As a g-neral thing, the contributors to it would be honored by being admitted to the columns of any of our Advocates.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The East Texas Conference held its fortythird annual session at Marshall Dec. 7-12. 1887. Bishop W. W. Duncan presided; B. R. Bolton was secretary, with J. F. Archer, Lacy Boone and F. J. Browning as assistants. The following are the answers to the DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Ques. 1 .- Who are admitted on trial? Wm. Pope Pladger, Jas. D. Burke, Jas. D. Wyche, Ques. 2.-Who remain on triai? G. W. Langley, J. C. H. McKnight, L. F. Smith, Leon Sonfield, Silas M. Taompson, A. G. Scruggs, J. W. Tinnin.

Ques 3.-Who are discontinued? Averill, at his own request. Ques. 4.-Who are admitted into full connection? A. J. Frick, C. F. Smith, M. D.

Longt. Ques. 5 .- Who are readmitted? J. F. Hen-Ques. 6. Who are received by transfer from

hama Conference; G. V. Ridley, from the upon his critic, he replied with great seeming Texas Conference; J. W. Tianin, from the Missionary Collections-West Texas Con-South Georgia Conference.

South Georgia Conference.

Ques, 7.—Who are the deacons of one year?

W. L. Pate, J. A. Smith, T. S. Armstrong,
Ques, 8.—What traveling preachers are
elected deacons? A. J. Frick.

Ques, 9.—What traveling preachers are ordament deacons? A. J. Frick.

Ques, 10.—What local preachers are elected
deacons? Samuel N. Airen, John H. Whadham, John C. Worsham, John W. Tinnin, Josish McKee, Jas. D. Burk.

Ques, 11.—What local preachers are ordamed deacons? S. N. Allen, John H. Windham, John C. Worsham, J. W. Finnin, Josiah
McKee, J. D. Burk, J. L. Whitescarver.

Ques, 12.—What traveling preachers are
elected elders? John T. Browning, Lyndzey
A. Burk, John Helbenstell, George R.
Sughes, Willis W. McAnnally, Joseph M.
Smith.

The names of the members were cailed and their characters passed

Ques. 21.—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the conference? Local preachers 127, members 20,085, total 20,100.

Ques. 22.—How many infants have been bandized our in the year? 673. bantized ouring the year? 673.

Ques 23—How many adults have been baptized during the year? 933.

Ques 24—What is the number of Sunday-schools? 187.

Ques, 25—What is the number of Sunday-

Ques. 25—What is the number of Sunday-set ool teachers? 1148.

Ques. 26—What is the number of Sunday-school schools? 8723.

Ques. 27—What remount is necessary for the uncrammated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$1600.

Ques. 28—What has been cohected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$1282 00 and applied to claimants.

Ques. 29—What has been contributed for missions? Foreign \$2496 35, domestic \$1172.15, total \$3609 00.

Ques. 30—What has been contributed for the rch extension? \$717 05.

Ques. 31—What is the number and what is the estimated value of church edifices? No. is the estimated value of church edifices? No 1994, value \$1848 37. Ques 32 -- What is the number, and what the value of parsonages? No. 36, value

\$23 600.

Ques. 33 —What are the educational statistics? Money collected \$202.25.

Ques. 34 —Where shall the next session of the conference be held? | rockett.

Ques. 35 —Where are the preach is stationed this year? *Continued in class of first year.
*Continued in class of third year.

APPOINTMENTS.

Marshall District. R. W. THOMPSON, P. E.

Marshail—Jas, Campbell.

Marshail Mission—W. W. McAnnally.

Harrison Circuit—F. J. Browning.

DeBerry Circuit—J. T. Browning.

Centen ial Mission—J. M. McCarter.

Hallville Circuit—H. H. Vaughan.

Longview—G. A. LeClere. (H. M. Booth,

upernumerary.)

Kilgore Circuit—J. W. Tinnin.

Church Hull Circuit—G. W. Langley.

Henderson—U. B. Paillips.

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Henderson Circuit—H. W. Hawkins.

Troube and Overton—W. A. Sampey.

I. Alexander—President of Alexander Institute. R. W. THOMPSON, P. E.

L. M. Fowler—Conference colporteur and financial agent of Alexander Institute J. B. Hall—Agent of American Bible So-ciety.

JOHN ADAMS, P. E. Tyler—H. M. DuBose.
Tyler City Mission—Lacy Boone.
Tyler Circuit—Atbert Little. Tyler City Mission—Lacy Boone.
Tyler Circuit—Athert Little.
Mineola—J. L. Dawson.
Lindale Circuit—W. H. Crawford.
Canton Circuit—J. C. Calhoun.
Edom Circuit—D. P. Cullen.
Athens Carcuit—W. M. Wainright.
Larissa Circuit—C. H. Smith.
New York Circuit—D. W. Towns.
Lawndale Mission—To be supplied by E. R.

> Palestine District. W. B. PATTERSON, P. E.

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Palestine—J. S. Marhis.
Palestine Circuit—E. F. Brasher.
Kickapoo Circuit—J. M. Mills.
Grap-land Circuit—W. P. Pledger.
Crockett and Augusta—B. R. Bolton.
Crockett Circuit—A. G. Seruggs.
Trints Circuit—A. J. Frick
Mt. Vernon Circuit—J. L. Wyche.
Alto Circuit—Leon Sonfield.
Rusk Circuit—J. F. Smith. (R. S. Finley, upernumerary.) upernumerary.)
Jacksonville—W. W. Hoppor.
Jacksonville Mission—F. T. Booth.
State Prison—J. C. Woolam.

San Augustine Listrict. San Augustine I istrict.

T. P. SMITH, P. E.

San Augustine and Sexton—C. F. Smith.
Melrose Circuit—V. H. Ardis. (A. D.
Parks, supernumerary.)
Center and Tencha—J. W. Johnson.
Sheibyville Circuit—J. C. Eilis.
Carthage Circuit—G. R. flughes.
Beckville Circuit—J. M. Smith.
Pine Hill Circuit—John Helpen-tell.
Buena Vista Circuit—Jas M. Porter.
Nacogdoches and Timpson—S. H. Nettles.
Sexton Circuit—Jas, D. Burk.
Linn Fiat Circuit—M. Donegan,
Hemphill Mission—M. D. Long.

Besumont District. R. M SPROULE, P. E. Beaumont—Geo V. Ridley. Orange—L. A. Burk. Liberty Circuit—L. F. Smith. Spurger Circuit—Jas. S. Murphy. Wondville Circuit—J. A. Smith. Jasper—J. F. Archer. Jasper Circuit-To be supplied by R. M.

tewart.

Burkville Circuit—J. C. H. McKnight.

Homer Circuit—S. M. Chompson.
Livingston Circuit—Wm. L. Pate.

Moscow Circuit—F. S. Armstrong.

Newton Circuit—Wm. Sproute,

Orange Mission—To be supplied.

Transfers-E. F. Boone to Northwest Texas

THE HOME CONFERENCES.

C. R. Wright, Cameron, Nov. 28: I have just received a present of \$50 from the lady members of my charge. This I regard a "capitai" present, and an truly grateful to the good women who gave it I confess it is one of the most agreeable "poundings" I have ever had. Have they not in this thing set an example worthy of emulation?

A Graci us Revival. -Jacob F. Carl, Jacksboro, Texas, Dec. 6: We are in the midst of a gracious revival of religion. Congregations large. Several conversions. About sixty pastoral visits made. One infant has been baptized. Sunday-school increasing. Just had a fine rain—praise God! I am happy serving a good people at Jacksboro station. And more, about all my members take the ADVOCATE. Pray for us.

Abbott Circuit. -J. W. Sansom, Abbott, Dec. 8: On Tuesday after conference adjourned we got safely into the parsonage at Abbott, and I think myinto the parsonage at Abbott, and I think myself exceedingly fortunate in getting moved before this wet spell of weather began—I find a good people here, and notwithstanding the unpleasant weather they have kindly remembered their preacher, and have not let us want for anything thus far. I am praying for a prosperous year, in behalf of the church on Abbott circuit, and that the gospel kingdom may be greatly enlarged throughout the entire land.

ference.

-H. S. Thrall, President Mission Board, West Texas Conference: Our preachers are earnestly requested to take up their missionary collections promptly, so that by the close of the first quarter the treasurer, Bro. Chappell, may be able to cash the drafts. As he has already announced, he wishes all money for the domestic and foreign board sent to hum and he will remit to the missionaries. Bishop Duncan will furnish him means and authority to cash drafts on the foreign board. Please remember that the newly appointed missionaries are, some of them, greatly in need of the money.

need of the money. Marysville Circuit.

-S. Nelson, Marysville, Dec. 7: On the

sisters and brothers began to throng our humble domicile, and in a trice, had a cheerful fire barning in the old-fashioned fire place, and the table covered with substantials and delicacies in such variety and abundance that they would have sharpened the appetite of an epicure, and caused the stoics to smile a gental recognition of the good still in christianized human nature. May God bless them one and all, and cause our union, during this conference year, to be mutually beneficial is the prayer of their friend and pistor.

Central Colleg . -J. W. Adkisson, Sulphur Springs, Dec. 8: We have enrolled to date nearly 250 students, and still they come. Our board of trustees have just ordered a complete outfit of apparatus — mathematical, chemical, geological, physiological, as ronomical, geographical, etc., together with maos and charts for reading and history, and additional furniture. So far as our information extends, Central College, by the first of January, will be the best equipped insuitation in Fexas—the state University and the State A. & M. College excepted. Affairs in the college are going on most harmoniously with prospects brightening ahead, We look for a large increase about the first of January. and still they come. Our board of trustees

ahead. We look for a large increase about the first of January.

Help Bis Brother.

—C. C. Davis, Deport, Dec. 4: When Bishop Wilson read out the appointments at Honey Grove, last Monday, I thought I would be on the Gober circuit by this time. Bet. owing to the excessive rains Thursday, Felday and Saturday, I failed to get there. This morning I was shocked to learn that my horse (a \$150 horse) was dead. I was already in a financial l was snocked to learn that my horse (a \$150) horse) was sead. I was already in a financial strait, having served Maxey mission last year on \$238. I married nearly three weeks ago, and expected to have to economize in order to get through. Here I am with no horse and no money to buy one. I am nearly fifty miles from my circuit. What shall I do? I shail trust the Lord and do the best I can. I expect to start to my work to morrow if it is I expect to start to my work to morrow if it is the Lord's will.

Mansfield.

-E. M. Sweet, Mansfield, Dec. 8: The arrival of the preacher at Manafield was the sig nal for prompt and concerted action by the nal for prompt and concerted action by the circuit officials. Before our appearance on the scene, a day had been set for an advisory meeting, which was held the day following our arrival. Recognizing the inadequacy of the parsonage, an unsuccessful effort had previously been made to rent a more suitable building. The stewards met, planned resolved and acted. The execution of the plan was as prompt and speedy as the determination that originated it. They met one day, and the next were pushing their work. Bro. W. Wilson, with a war record that distinguished him as one of the charging captains of Forrest's command, headed the column, and he and his company of helpers, with historic readiness, as one of the charging captains of Forrest's command, headed the column, and he and his company of helpers, with historic readiness, charged the situation with gallantry no less praiseworthy than that which broke bristling lines of bayonets. Barring a forced suspension by rain, in four days the parsonage had underzone a metamor, hosts magic like. A change was made in the original building, a commodious room added with a new stove, making four rooms and a store apartment, so that we now have a parsonage of ample accommodations. Neither has the spirit of improvement exhausted its-if, for a scarcely concealed trestle board reveals other designs. Other tokens of appreciation were not lacking. Avoirdupois and financial estimates might figure up want went into the store room, but what shone out in the countenances of the people must be referred for estimate to the Divine barometic scale cited in Mat. xxv:40. Miss Lula's Missionary Band.

-Robt. H. Simpson, Bertram, Dec. 8: We attended with great pleasure and profit on the night of the 4th at Liberty Hill the quarterly meeting af the Juvenile Missionary Society, Miss Lala Grant, president. And not being well we thought as we eastered the church "we had better be at home." But by the time we were settled in the seat those infantile and youthful voices began to sing, "Not half has ever yet been told," which, to our mind, was clearly proven as the hour passed away. At the close of which song the pistor, Rev. J. K. Lane, read the Scripture lesson, Hebrews, second chapter, followed by an earnest prayer by Rev. S. C. Lockett. Then followed, "There's a wail from the islands of the sea." which was so well rendered by the little band that I am sure it effected good. Following this were short addresses by live brethren who did their subjects justice. I would like to speak of all of them, for they were good. These, of course, were interspersed with music by the little band, whose hearts seemed to be all aglow with the sentiment of each song, which was appropriate to the occasion. After these was read an essay by Mrs. A. M. Annis full of missionary thought, pointing our minds towards those in heathen darkness. Then came recitations by the little folks, mingled with sweet songs, which made us feel like "it was good to be here." I would like to men then the names of these children and ted of their recitations, which were all very nice, and made us love them all very tenderly, but it would be asking too much space, and we will not go further than to say "The Little Rain Drops" recited by Fannie Cates was well rendered, and made good impressions. The collection and opening the "mite baxes" immediately followed, amounting to S16, which, doubtless (had it not have been for the effort of these children) would have been speat for "naught;" as it is, it may be the means in God's hands of saving some precious soul for whom Christ died. It was a grand success; yea, a jubilee. God help us to give more thought, more prayer, more money to the cause of mission attended with great pleasure and profit on the | Montas night of the 4th at Liberty Hill the quarterly

Correction. -J. K. Lane, Liberty Hill, Nov. 29: The last session of the Northwest Texas Confer nee was the twenty-second, and not twenty-ninth, as published in our ADVOCATE.

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL,

Woman's Missionary Society. The Woman's Board of Missions, at a called meeting November 4, took the following

action: "Whereas, The Woman's Board at the last annual meeting called for the observance of a week of prayer and self-denial for the mem-

bers of the Woman's Missionary Society preceding the Christmas holidays: "1. Resolved, That the date of this week be fixed from December 12 to 18, inclusive.

"2. To secure concerted action and union in prayer, that a program be prepared by the secretary, and all Auxiliaries and members of the Woman's Missionary Society, and those interested in the cause of missions not allied with the society be requested to observe this program closely, and tend their lottuence in bringing to the church rich results."

In compliance with the order of the Board, the following program is submitted with the urgent request that, wherever practicable, the auxiliaries will meet at the church each day for united prayer. If this is not possible, that at a stated hour of the day prayer be made at home. The young people and juvenile Societies are expected to take part in both prayer and self-denial, and all pastors are earnestly requested to call the attention of the women of their respective charges to this program, and aid them in carrying it out, not only where there is an auxiliary organized, but where there is note, and effort be made at that time to organize. *2. To secure concerted action and unio

the seminary. Special request is made for prayer that the "Laredo Barding Funa" may be temembered and increased.
Saitillo.—Misses Lelia Roberts and Gilbert.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14-BRAZIL. Piracicaba - Misses Watts, Rennotte, Mar-vin, and all the assistant teachers in the col-

lege.

Rio de Janeiro.—Misses Bruce and Jones Let special prayer be made to at God wilt remove the present opposition and obstacles to the establishment of the Girls' College in that city, remembering also the call for a lady of first-class qualities to go to assist in that work.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15-INDIAN MISSION. Muscogee-Harrell Institute and its teach

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16.

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For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the home church in the quickening of faith and zeal, the revival of interest in the lukewarm, the awakening of the indifferent; and the bringing of Eore laborers into the foreign field. That those who direct the work may be endowed with wisdom and power from on high.

Let special prayer be asked for the Woman's Missionary Society in all the churches at the morning service. In the afternoon or night let a public meeting by held, with suitable service and prayer for the general work. At this time let the off-rings of the people be gathered up as "an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savor."

[As some may desire to add to their offerings after this date, such additions may be received at any time. All money given in observance of this week of prayer and self-denial mu t go through the regular channel to the treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society, to be used in its work.]

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HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT STEWARDS' M BTING.

The following assessments were made at Houston by the conference on our district this year:

this year:
Foreign missions, \$875; domestic missions, \$400; bishons, \$60; education, \$100; church extension, \$250.
The district stewards will meet in the Meth-The district stewards will meet in the Methodist Church in Navasota, Tuesday, Jan. 3, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of making an assessment for the presiding elder, and making an equitable distribution of the assessments. I hope no district steward will come for the purpose of seeing how little he can have his charge assessed, but come to do the work of the Lord right.

1. Z. T. Morris.

CHURCH EX ENSION.

Woman's Department. During the session of the Noith Texas Conference the Board of Church Extension elected Mrs. Viola Hunt conference secretary and Mrs. L. P. Smith, of Denton, conference treasurer of the Woman's Department of Church Extension. The following ladies were also elected, as secretaries of the several also elected as secretaries of the several

districts: Dallas District—Mrs. Jack Bowman, Plano Sherman District—Mrs. J. M. Everhart, Gainesville District-Miss Josie Crutchfield,

Gainesville.

Montague District-Mrs. Mary E. Babb, Montague
Paris District—Miss Minnie Vesey, Paris,
Jefferson District—Mrs. S. A. Spelling
Sulphur Springs District—Mrs. James Tapp,
Sulphur Springs.
Terrell District—Mrs. M. A. Allen, Terrell
Bonham District—Mrs. T. H. Scaton, Honey
Grove.

Grove.
Will the secretary of Jefferson District please send me her address, that I may furnish by-laws and explanations for organizing

Societies.

For the past year's work we were able to report to the secretary of the Board of Church Extension nine personage societies, with a membership of 2:5. Total emount of funds collected, \$213.72. Mrs. Viola HUNT,

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	Wharton at Wharton. Jan 28, 29
ч	Matagorda at Mata-orda
	Columbia and Brazoria, at Columbia. Feb 11, 12
	Ve asco, at Island Chapel Feb 18, 19
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ı	D. J. Parker, R. H. Slaughter, J. C. Stewart, N. B. Sogh, n. M. Parker, Fred. Haun, D. A. Wist
•	gits, T. W. Archer and Jno. Thompson, wil meet
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	will meet ear y, make liberal provise for the
	support of your pasto s, and formulate such
t	pans as will ren h every member of the
	church and work your plans with such vivor
	and perseverance as will secure every dime of
1	the assessments. I hope the pastors will take
•	the conlections early in the year. Don't wait,
	brethren, till you get the assessments from the
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Dec. 8.—J M McKee, change made. S Nelson, sub. Jno S Dav s, sub. C S McCarver, sub. B A Thomasson, subs. G W Owens, change made. Geo itenson, sub.

Dec. 9.—J G Walker, sub. C I McWhirter, sub. J M Sanson, sub. Joo B Denton, sub. J M Stevenson, sub. J F Follin, will send; now dig "them taters." J A Wright, subs. J I. Fields; will try to remedy that matter. J & Cox; will straighten out after conference. N B Bennett, subs. C H Maloy. sub. Dec. 10.—J F Denton, subs. G R Bryce, subs. J T Graham, subs. J M Sunford, subs. M S Hotchkiss, sub. T C DePew sub. J A Wyatt, sub; will exchange with Gazette. R Crawford, subs. Jino A Waltace, subs. J S Tunnell, sub. J M Bond, sub. C S McCarver, sub. Win Monk, sub.

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George Bancroft, the historian, is said to regard the writing of 250 words as a good day's work; Mr. Braine makes 1500 his stint when writing bits resoluctions, and Admiral Porter dashes off 2500 as rapidly as a poet writing under injection. under inspiration.

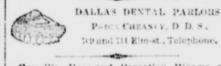
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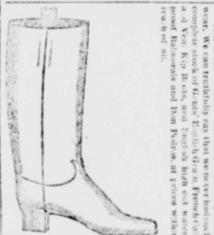
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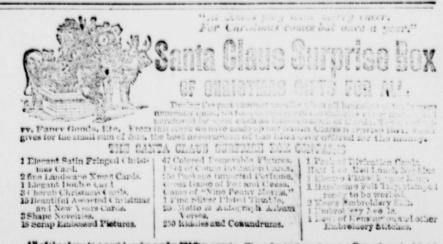
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Threekmorton and Eliasville mis, at Fish Creek
4th Sun in Feb
The district stewards will meet me at Gordon. Jan. 12, at 2:30 p m. Brethrea et us have full attendance. B. M. Stephen, P. E. WACO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Waco cir, Stanfore Waco sta, 5th Street Morrow Street and East Waco, Morrow Si Jan 1, 2 Corsicana cir, Mill's Grove..... Jan 9. Corsicana sta. Jan 9, 7 p. m Mt. Calm cir, Dawson Jan 10, 11 a. m District Stewards Meeting, Dawson West cir. West.....

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Observe announcement of district stewards'
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WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—First ROUND.

Irene cir. at Salem. Dec 17, 18
Avalon cir, at Maioney. Dec 24, 25
Sims and G enwood cir, at Bethel. Dec 31, Jan 1
Italy cir, at Italy. Jan 7, 8
Wesley and kusk cir, at Wesley. Jan 14, 15
Red Oak cir, at Ovilia. Jan 21, 22
Rice and Chatfield cir, at Sessums Chapei
Waxahachie cir, at Mt Peak. Feb 4, 5
Reagor cir, at Ferris. Feb 18, 19
Laneaster cir, at Ferris. Feb 18, 19
Laneaster cir, at Long Prairie. Feb 2, 26
Hutchins cir, at Trinity. Mar 3, 4
1 istrict stewards wil please meet me at the Methodist Church in Waxahachie, Wednesday, Dec. 28th at ten o'clock a. m.

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3-d Sun in Jan
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Cooper, at Foster's Chapel. 3th Sun in Jan
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Boonville cir, Bethel. Dec 20
Weatherford cir, Dean's S H Dec 20
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District stewards' meeting at Sulphur Springs,
Saturday before third Sunday in December
S. J. Hawkins, P. E.
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JEROME HARALSON, P. E.

FT. WORTH DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

A runaway team in Hamilton, Ontario, knocked down and ran over Jim Smith, and three of his ribs were broken. One rib pierced his lung, and the air coming through the hole made by the rib, but confined by the skin, which was unbroken, has puffed him up like a balloon from head to foot. It is thought that he will get well.



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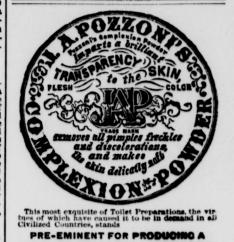
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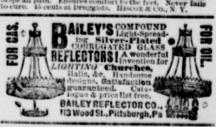
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The moon shines out with a tranquil grace, At the early eve the starlight nears, Dawns silvery light on the dark earth's face ?

And what is it all when the sun appears? The May time winds bear a balmy breath. The young, glad birds sing a happy song, The fair flowers sprinkle the woodland heath.

But where is it all when summer is gone? The maiden lists to her lover's song, Cries the man of fame, "The game is

won !' O'er the fresh, green mound weeps the mother long,

But what is it all when Life is done? O, where are my flowers so fresh and fair

That I gathered this morn at the river's brink? And where are the graces that mirrored there And the young, lithe form, as I stooped to

I have tuned my harp to the linnet's song, I have murmared, "Sweet songster, U

with me stay, and roses will tarry The May-blooms

But the river bore them away-away. Shall I snatch them back, ere they yet be But my eyes are blinded with tears and

The turbid and angry stream rolls on, And I stretch my hands in vain-in vain.

It is naught, it is naught, saith the weary heart, The morn of life hath a darkened moon The evening bears but a darker past,

And daylight endeth in gloom-in gloom NORTH HENDERSON, Ill., Aug., 1887. "IT'LL BE HEAVEN WHEN LIFE IS DONE '

[In answer to E. Bell M'Kown's Plaint, "What is it All When Life is Done."

The river runs with a murmuring song, Through a channel that's traced by God's own hand,

Resistless its current rushes along, Bearing its mite to the ocean grand; It is only one of earth's many veins, Yet well it performs its allotted part, Giving life, and verdure to hills and plains By its steady flow to her restless heart.

The moon and the stars shine the whole night Flooding earth and sky with their pearly

light. Awakening the nightingale to song, As they fleck with silver the streamle bright,

They fade from sight when their task is done And morning leads forth her rosy train, Calmly giving place to the rising sun, Yet they in their time will shine again.

Gay birds and sweet flowers will come and go All things that are earthly will pass their And death will claim all whether high or low

Why?-God will reveal in his own good Though thy pathway lies through shadow and

With a strong true hear; press bravely on And Jesus will wait thee beyond the tomb To bear thee to heaven "when life is done,"

-Ida Glenn. THE REST OF GOD.

Rest is never found apart from the gospel and from faith in Jesus Christ. If you get away from the gospel on to another system, you get out of the rest of God. I prove my point readily enough. I stood some time ago in the church of St. John Lateran, at Rome, and saw a notice that prayers would be said on a certain day for the repose of His Eminence Cardinal Wiseman. I do not know nence Cardinal Wiseman. I do not know anything about where he may be, I am not learned in such matters; but it is clear from that announcement that he who was a prince of the church, eminently better than the common run of us, nevertheless has gone somewhere or other where he is not easy. He has not found rest for his soul. I find continually put upon gravestones, when persons of that faith die, that we are requested to pray for the repose of their souls. Then they have not found it, it is clear. They have not found it after death even. Therefore, of course, they do not pretend that they have found it before death. But as for our faith in the glorious gospel of the blessed God, we find a present repose and an eternal repose in the salvation of the Lord Jesus Chris'. But you will never find it anywhere else. As in no other form of pursuit. If you follow wealth, you will not find rest there. Nobody is nence Cardinal Wiseman. I do not know you will not find rest there. Nobody is rich enough yet. I spoke some time ago with a gentleman who, I believe, had got together more than a million. I said that after a man had got a million, it would not be worth his while to keep it, as he could not get through that lot in his lifetime. He said he did not know. But I saw clearly enough how the matter stood. If a man had a million of millions he would not be content. He would want the interest of it certainly, and he would want to make it just a little more. If you go in for health and pursue that with all dilgence, as you might rightly do, yet even in the best health there is not rest. Health is a noble gift. Those who lose it know how precious it is, but

MARTIN.—Little Alfred Marshal McLemore, son of W. B. and Mary E. Martin, died at Woodstock, near Weatherford, Parker Co., Texas, on the 12th day of October, 1887. He was born on the 13th day of February, 1886, at Dublin, Erath county. His parents are unusually grieved, because Allie was a very sprightly child. The old friends of Brother and Sister Martin in Erath and Stephens counties will join them in this sorrow with a real and deep sympathy. All who know by experience will agree that it is no small thing lite heart sees and feels in the case. There is a love and a place most delicate, tender and sacred affected. But the Lord has a suitable bessing to you, dear parents; only example of the more, son of W. B. and Mary E. Martin, died at Woodstock, near Weatherford, Parker Co., Texas, on the 12th day of October, 1887. He was born on the 13th day of February, 1886, at Dublin, Erath county. His parents are unusually grieved, because Allie was a very sprightly child. The old friends of Brother and Sister Martin in Erath county. His parents are unusually grieved, because Allie was a very sprightly child. The old friends of Brother and Sister Martin in Erath county. His parents are unusually grieved, because Allie was a very sprightly child. The old friends of Brother and Sister Martin in Erath county. His parents are unusually grieved, because Allie was a very sprightly child. The old friends of Brother and Sister Martin in Era together more than a million. I said who lose it know how precious it is, but there is not rest in that. As for honor and any earthly thing, I am sure if God has prospered you who knew anything about divine things, you often find fear and trembling come out of your possession of this world's goods. They are the occasion of disquiet. They are often the seed plot wherein thorns grow that pierce us. Oh, brethren, there is rest in Jesus. There is rest in simple faith in him, but there is no rest anywhere else, in any form of religion, or in any form of human pursuit. "Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths,"

WEATHERSON, Trans.

PATTERSON—The subject of this sketch, Wiley Patterson, was born in Willsborough. Trans and was there happily county in early life, and was there happily cou who lose it know how precious it is, but

where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls." But ye shall find it nowhere else .- Rev C H. Spurgeon

THOUGHTS BY THE WAY. Your salvation is his business: his service, your business .- Fuller.

Oftimes, methinks, the shaded eye

Most fathoms thine infinity.

-Paul Pastnor. I want to feel a holy aptitude to give my heart to God, and to walk in his ways; I do believe I shall go to heaven if I have heaven in my heart now.—1d.

As the beauty of the heavens cannot be reflected in muddy water, neither can the eternal holiness of God be reflected anywhere but in Christ .- Rev. Peter S.

Know God, -- and bring thy heart to know The joys which from religion flow; Then every grace shall prove its guest.

-Thomas Parnell.

Never open your purse for charity if you cannot open your heart, too. Rather give no dele than give it with a grudge. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver .- J. R. Macduff, D. D.

Do to-day's duty, fight to-day's temptation; do not weaken and distract yourself by looking forward to things you cannot see, and could not understand, if you saw them. - Charles Kingsley.

> Long listening to thy words, My voice shall eatch thy tone,

And locked in thine, my hand shall grow All loving like Thine own.

Prejudice is the conjurer of imaginary woogs; strangling truth, overpowering reason; making strong men weak and weak men weaker. God give us the large-hearted charity which "beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things;" which-'thinketh no evil."-J. R. Macduff, D. D.

Keep forever in view the momentous value of life; aim at its worthiest useis sublimest end; sourn with disdain the e foolish triles and frivolous vanities which so often consume life as the locusts did Egypt; and devote yourself, with the ardor of a passion, to attain the most divine improvements of the human soul. In short, hold yourself in preparation to make the transition to another life, whenever you shall be claimed by the Lord of the world .- J. Faster.

Marriages.

HILL.—Steese—At the residence of the bride's mother, near Wiley, Texas, on Dec. 4, 1887, by Rev. D. J. Martin, Mr. G. B. Hill and Miss Elsie Steese.

STONE—Norsworthy—At the residence of the bride in Jasper, Jasper county, Texas, on Nov. 30, 1887, by Rev. J. F. Archer, Dr. T. M. Stone and Mrs. Sallie Norsworthy.

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3. That we extend our sincerest sympathy to her bereaved parents, brothers and sisters

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B. F. MOORE, Committee. CEDAR HILL, TEXAS.

Brewar - Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth, second daughter of Rev. James W. and Mrs. Jane Prim, was born at Prim Hill, Hopkins county. Texas, Sept. 29, 1869. In May, 1879, first day, she was united in marriage to William H. Brewer, with whom she fived happily till Nov. 20, 1887, when she fet asteep—a vietim of consumption, the same feil disease which had already swent of her fatter, mother and of consumption, the same left disease when had already swept off her father, mother and sister. She leaves a misband and three little children, the latter too young to be conscious of their great loss. Our dear Lizzle has passed away; but she was folly prepared for the away long the disease of five

ed away; but she was folly prepared for the change, only dreading the severance of the change, only dreading the severance of the change, only dreading the severance of the ties which bound her to the loved ones here. At about fourteen years of are she had wheely sought and found Him who was her stay and comfort in life and death. Her piety, of that deep and quiet sort which seeks more the smiles of God than the applause of men, supported her amid her sufferings and banished the fear of death. Deeply devoted to her family, she laid her affections and her life upon the altar of sacrifice, and God accepted both and took her in the prime of life to himself and his happy home. Just as the setting sun faded in the west she took her departure, shedding, like him, a softened radiance back over the scenes she had so lately gladdened by her presence. We bow in humble submission, praying God's love and protection upon the bereaved husband and children.

A. H. Brewer.

WALLACE .- The undersigned committee, WALLACE.—The undersigned committee, appointed by the fourth quarterly conference of Tyler circuit to draft resolutions of condolence in the case of Bro. M. P. Wallace, deceased, submit the following report:

Whereas. It has pleased our Heavenly Father in his providence to remove from the church militant to the church triumphant our worthy brother. Matthew P. Wallace; therefore he it resolved by the country's conference.

fore be it resolved by the quarterly conference of Tyler circuit, Methodist Episcopal Caurch, South,

1. That in the death of Bro. Wallace this ten, should remit money to cover excess of space, to- circuit has lost a faithful and useful steward.

and the Starrville church a promising member.

2. That we record with profound gratitude the fact that Bro. Wallace, both in life and death, gave satisfactory evidence of the new life and of a well-founded hope of immortal-That we tender to his bereaved wife

3. That we tender to his bereaved wife and orphaned children our sincere condolence in this hour of darkness.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family, one to the Tyler papers and another to the Texas Advocate for publication, and that the same be recorded in the journal of the quarterly conference.

S. W. Turner,
J. W. Ogburn,
REV. A. Little,
Committee.

TYLER, TEXAS.

MATTHEWS —Mrs. Mary F. Matthews, wife of W. H. Matthews, was born June 18, 1843; died at Cotulia, Texas, Oct. 16, 1887. Married to W. H. Matthews, July 3, 1866. Sister Mat-thews was cooverted when a girl, in her fif-teenth year. Her life was that of the faithful,

CARR—It becomes my painful duty to chronicle the death of Brice M. Carr, who was born in Sumner county, Tenn., April 10, 1810; professed religion in Aug. 1828; came to Texas in 1837, crossing the Sabine river Sept. 19 of the same year, and settled at the falls of the Brazos river, where he remained till Dec., 1848, when he removed to Gravson county, Texas, where he died Sept 14, 1857, at the home of his only surviving sister, Mrs. Sarah M. Wallace, where he spent much of his time of late years. Out of a family of fourteen children only one brother, Jesse D. Carr, of California, and Sister Wallace remain. He was the son of John Carr, of "early times in Tennessee," and cousin to Elisha Carr, of much netoriety in Tennessee as an eccentric and useful itinerant Methodist preacher. Bro. Carr was paralyzed some time before his death, and could not speak so as to be understood, but he would frequently brighten up and say, "Halle-lick! baltonias." was paralyzed some time before his death, and could not speak so as to be understood, but he would frequently brighten up and say, "Halle-lujah! hallelujah!" I have known Bro. Carr for thirty-four long years. I lived for some time with Brother and Sister Wallace, near where he died. He was a member of the quarterly conference when I was licensed to exhort and preach; also recommended to the annual conference in 1857. He was always my firm and true friend under all circumstances—but a better friend of the church, especially the Southern Methodist Church. For many years he was steward, and paid liberally himself, and urged others to do the same. Cedar camp-ground was donated by him. He also helped liberally in building Cedar Church house, and many others in this county during his life in Texas. A good and true member of our church has transferred from earth to heaven. He leaves, in addition to the relatives memtioned, a wife and one son, and many relatives and friends to mourn his loss. But their loss is his gain.

"Solder of Christ, well done;
Praise be thy new employ;
And while eternal sges run,
Rest in thy Savior's joy."
J. M. BINKLEY.

well, and was for a number of years county surveyor in the State of North Carolina. Where he lived. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided at his son's (Whey Pattern be Wed. He cided and affectionate, as a mindant going to sleep. As a father he was devoted, as a husband kind and affectionate, as a mindant going and as a Christian devout and faithful. His remains were buried in the masonic cemetery near Piano, to await peacefully the resurrection morn as the last great day. May his children and grand-children and grand-chil

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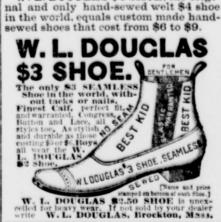
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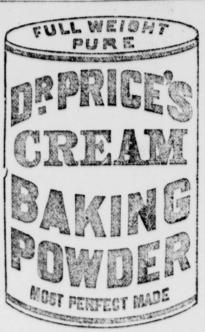
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head-ch-ese which was kept over night will be the protective tariff question. in a bras-liked kettle. * * The board- The following extracts from the ing house of W. H. Light was burned at Paris, will give the reader an intelligent idea of the Texas, and an old man named J. F. McLarty | President's position: Austin, pronounced the structure under pres- bacco and spirituous and mait liquors. ent plans, as perfect. * * Masked men dragged Mrs. Kingston Brown and her son, that none of the articles subjected to internal

con, for the murder of Prof. Quinn, returned a verdict of guilty, and assessed the penalty at death. * * Professor Cooper, State Superintendent of Education, rules that the salary of a public school teacher for any month can't be reduced on account of the failure of pupils to come to school, if the teacher remains at the schoolhouse ready to perform his part of the contract. This question, he says, has been tested in the courts and so decided. A somewhat similar case is given in Fortscheep. another lank, the North Texas National our people. Bank, capital \$500 000. * * The Sheriffs Association met at San Antonio; each memman who resisted arrest.

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Death of Hon. B. Rush Plumley.

bagger." but planting his home and aff ctions | an almost infallible test of true merit.

Obituary. Dec. 7-Miss Lucie Eades died at Marshall * Mr. Tip Coulter, an old citizen, died at Honey Grove.

Dec. 8-Dr. J. T. McKinney died at El Paso. * * Manse Matthews, of Cedar Bayou, died at Harrisburg.

Dec. 9-Prof. J. J. A. Patton, a well-known school man, who has taught in several parts of Texas, died at Temple. * * A Mr. Moser, at Corsicana, accidentally rolled off his bed into the fire, and was so badly burned that he died. * * Sergeant Ewing was buried at McKinney. * * Mrs. M. G. Anderson, wife of a leading lawyer, died at San Antonio.

Dec. 10-Giles Waldo, cotton weigher at Honey Grove, died from an overdose of morphine. * * John Moore, an old citizen, died at Mexia.

Dec. 11-Maj. H. H. Dinwiddie, chairman of the faculty of the A. & M. College, died at Bryan. * * D. C. Williams, formerly editor of the Monitor, died at Mineola.

The Immigration Movement.

The convention to devise ways and means to bring Texas before the world of people seekng homes and investments will meet in Dalas, Dec 20. Delegates will be in attendance from all quarters of the State, and its pro ceedings are looked to with most intense interest by all who desire the development of Texas' vast and varied resources.

General News.

The President's Message. President Cleveland, judged in the light of his message, can not certainly be accused of demagogism or timidity. He confines his 100 utterances exclusively to our finances-discussing fully the tariff question. He emphat ically recommends the retaining of internal Entered at the Postofice, at Dallas, Texas, as revenue taxes, and the compassing of all reductions by the cutting down and abolishing customs duties. In other words, he bravely takes a position upon a question now dividing his own party, and this, too, on the eve of a national electoral contest. The gauge thrown Henry Harrington wounded James Boyd, at down by the President has been boldly Terrell, with a load of bird-shot. * * The accepted by Mr. Blaine, the leading repre-Central Texas Teachers Association met at sentative of the Republican party, as well as Bryan. * * Seve at people living in the by the newspapers of that side, and the coun neighborhood of Eder Wells, near Hand- try can now rest assured that the great and ley, were seriously poisoned by eating absorbing issue of the next national contest

The following extracts from the message

lost his life, his charred remains being found. It need hardly be stated that while the presafter the fire. * * M. A. Whittemore was ent situation demands a remedy, we can only ular education; and, in addition to these spefound in an unconscious condition at Corsi- be saved from a like predicament in the future cana, his scull having been fractured from a by a removal of its cause. Our system of tax- defined but glittering generalites common to blow with a fish-bar by an unknown party. ation, by means of which this surplus is taken * Mob law hung two Mexican bandits in Star from the people and put in the public treascounty. * * Dec. 18 the new Baptist church, ury, consists of a tariff or duty levled upon at Mexia, will be dedicated. * * The arch- importations from abroad, and internal reveitee's called to examine the capitol dome at | nue taxes, levied upon the consumption of to IT MUST BE CONCEDED

living near East Bernard, from their home revenue taxation are, strictly speaking, necesand foully murdered them. * * Quantities sities. There appears to be no just complaint of human bones were dug up on the old Ala of taxation by consumers of these articles, mo battle-ground, at San Antonio-supposed and there seems to be nothing so well able to to be those of Mexican soldiers, the bodies of bear the burden without hardship to any per-Americans killed in that fight having been tion of the people. But our present tariff Texas. burned. * * The Progressive Association laws, the vicious, iniquitous and illegical of West Texas has started the Central Texas source of unnecessary taxation, ought to be source of unnecessary taxation, ought to be have, dear, candy or ice-cream? She—No, Edward, get me some popoorn, please? He—Yes; I like Dea's Alabama Srigade had a pleasant re- their primary and plain effect, raise the price union at Emery at the residence of Col. to consumers of all articles imported and sub-(Dr.) Kimbrough. * * Cruz Rodriguez was ject to duty by precisely the sum paid for such (Dr.) Kimbrough. " Cruz Rodriguez was hung at Uvalde. " Dalias is taking steps to establish a paper-mill. " Joo. Baker took fifteen grains of morphine at Baird, but these imported exister. Many of these things. took fif.een grains of morphine at Baird, but these imported articles. Many of those things, the efforts of a good doctor and an electric battery brought him back. * * The post-office at Angus has been discontinued. * * The doctors of Waxahachie have formed a local association under the name of Academy.

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The doctors of a good doctor and an electric however, are raised or manufactured in our country, and the duties now levied upon fereign goods and products are called protection to these home munufacturers, because they

DR. F. J. DICKEY. local association under the name of Academy | render it possible for those of our people who of Medicine, * * Denison is to have the are manufacturers to make these taxed artifree postoffice delivery system. * * Jas. cies and sell them for a price equal to that de-Newsom, the lone highwayman, was convicted at Waco, and goes to the penitentiary.

The jury in the James Drake case, at Waco, for the murder of Pref. Quinn, returned a millions of our people, who never use and

tested in the courts and so decided. A some- of the same class pay a sum, at least approxiwhat similar case is given in Forty-three Michigan Reports, page 430. This ruling, he adds, will not hold if the contract between the trustees and teacher should specify to the con-tion, but in order that we may be constantly trary. * * Jim Clevenger shot and killed reminded of the manner in which they impose James Moore at Nacogdoches, * * The a burden upon those who consume domestic Masonic Grand Lodge holds its session at products, as well as those who consume im-Houston this week. * * Dallas is to have ported articles, and thus create a tax upon all

The difficulty attending a wise and fair re vision of our tariff laws is not underestimated. ber contributed \$5 to defend City Marshal It will require on the part of Congress great Rogers, who is under indictment for killing a labor and care, and especially a broad and rational contemplation of the subject, and a patriotic disregard of such local and selfish claims as are unreasonable and reckless of the welfare of the entire country. Under our present laws more than four thousand articles are subject to duty. Many of these do not, in Attorney-General Hogg has recently visited any way, compete with our own manufac-San Antonio, where neither officers nor juries tures and many are hardly worth attention as ubjects of revenue. A considerable reducion can be made in the aggregate by adding force respect for these laws. It is to be hoped them to the free list. The taxation of luxuthe attorney-general will not make San An- ries presents no feature of hardship, but the necessaries of life, used and consumed by all the people, the duty upon which aids to the cost of living in every home, should be greatly cheapened. The radical reduction of the duties imposed upon raw material used in manufacture, or its free importation, is, of course, an important factor in any effort to reduce

> PRICE OF THESE NECESSARIES. It would not only relieve them from the increased cost, caused by the tariff on such material, but the manufactured product being

raw material, could be accordingly modified The considerations which have been pre sented touching our tariff laws are intended only to enforce an earnest recommendation that the surplus revenues of the government be prevented by the reduction of our custom duties and at the same time to emphasize a suggestion that in accomplishing this purpose Hon. B. Rush Plumley died at Galveston | we may discharge a double duty to our people December 9, his wife having preceded him to by granting to them a measure of relief from the grave a few weeks only. Mr. Plumley tariff taxation in quarters where it is most came to Texas immediately after the war, not needed and from sources where it can be most like so many other Republicans, as a "carpet- fairly and justly accorded.

WARNER'S Log Cabia Remedies-old-fashamong us. Mr. Plumley possessed a mind ed, simple compounds, used in the days of richly stored, and was an author and poet of our hardy forefathers, are "old timers" but national repute. He wrote for the press ex- "old reliable." They comprise a "Sarsapatensively, and his articles always looked be- rilla," "Hops and Buchu Remedy," "Cough youd the domain of partisanship and selfish- and Consumption Remedy," "Scalpine, for ness to the reform of abuses. He had the the Hair," "Extract," for External and Interfriendship of many to whom he was opposed | nal Use. "Plasters." "Rose Cream," for Cain religious and political opinions-which is tarrh, and "Liver Pilla." They are put up by H. H. Warner & Co., proprieters of Warner's Safe Remedies, and promise to equal the standard value of those great preparations. All druggists keep them.

Miscellaneous

The National Sangerfest, at St. Louis next June, promises to be an immense affair. Between 60,000 and 100 000 visitors are expected. There will be a regular chorus of 300 voices and a welcoming chorus of 1500 voices. * Herr Most, the Anarchist, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment. /* * Montgomery, Alabama, had a fire this week which inflicted lesses aggregating \$250,000. * * Mrs. Cleve land has shocked Washington society by calling upon lady government clerks. * * Rev C. A. Berry, who has been announced as Beecher's successor, sends a cablegram in which he greets Plymouth, appreciates its confidence, reciprocates its affection, prays for ts prosperity, but cannot accept the pastorate. Home claims inexorable; duty here commands. Letter mailed you. God bless and guide you. The announcement was an unforeseen blow and much excitement followed. * * It is proposed to admit, with the prerogatives of States, after 1892, the territories of Dakota, Washington, Montana

About the Negroes.

A negro boy named Read shot and killed a white man named Snow near Houston. In a general row at a negro dance at Kaufman, Tom Bush killed Henderson Wilkes. A negro was shot at Ballinger by T. J. Carleton, in a difficulty about freight-hauling,

Judge Lynch pre-ided at the hanging of three negroes near Odin, Tenn , for injuries inflicted by them on a ten-year old white girl. Wiley French and Peter Simmons, both negro boys about eighteen, quarreled about a crivial affair, when French shot and killed

Lewis Swanson and Warner Lockett, color ed men of Palestine, quarreled over a game of cards, and the former killed the latter with

Charlie Andrews, colored, tried at Palestine for putting obstructions on a railroad track, got off very easy-two years in the peniten-

Tne War Formally Opened.

The National Republican Committee has is- Large Figures, Groups and Plaques, ued its official call for the convention to nominate a president and vice-president, which is to assemble in Chicago, June 19. The committee appeals for co-operation from all people, regardless of former political affiliation. who believe: In a protective tariff, reduction of national taxes and the treasury surplus; in ific items, all who believe in the numerous unall partisan deliverances.

Consumption, Scrofula, General Debility, Wasting Diseases of Children, Chronic Coughs Scott's Emuls on of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Typoph sphites. Prominent physicians use it and test fy to it great value. Please read the following: "I used Scott's Emulsion for an ob stinate Cough with Hemorrhage. Loss of Appetite, I manciation, S ceplerstess, &c. All of these have now left, and I believe your Emulsion has saved a case of weil developed Cor sumption."-T. J. FINDLEY, M. D., Lone Star,

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In giving form to the visions of the little ones who, before retiring on Christmas Eve, carefully hung their stockings where "Old Santa" was sure to find them when coming down the chimney, we hope to give all children pleasure in anticipation. Bring them around if only to see their eyes sparkle.

HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS.

We have something for every stocking in Texas, and deeming it timely to call attention to this fact, we also offer the items below as suggestions for Holiday Presents. We expect them to bear fruit in the shape of heavy sales, as PRICES ARE MUCH BELOW THE ACTUAL VALUE OF THE ARTICLES:

Artistic Presents. Plush Goods, Etc. Toys and Dolls.

Under this head we include BERLIN and Remember, we buy from the manufacturer MAL PIECES, Small and Large FIGURES. always the lowest. GROUPS, CANDLESTICKS, CARD RE-CEIVERS, SMOKERS' SETS, SCONCES of various styles, INKSTANDS, etc., GER-MAN and FRENCH BISQUES in Small and

TERRA COTTA

in Figures, Plaques and Groups. Every piece shown is the production of an artist, the cola system of naval and coast defenses; in pop- orings are perfect and delineations of charac-

> We can not quote prices or specify articles -they are two numerous-but we are selling them at just two-thirds of their value.

Bronz . Vases, pitcher shape, from 25c to styles the most exquisite and prices low.

VIENNA BRONZE, Large and Small ANI. direct all we do not import. Our prices are Three-piece Toilet Cases at 80c, \$1 and \$1 25 each, and from that up to \$2.25. More elab-

orate styles up to \$25. Handkerchief Boxes from \$1.25 each. Collar and Cuff Boxes from 85e each.

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PICTURE FRAMES,

Carved Wood and Plush Cabinet Frames, new styles, from 25c to \$1 each, worth double. Full line of elegant Haud and Wall Mirrors, fancy designs. Liquor sets from \$1.25 each. New patterns in cushion and Tollet Bottle Sets. and bronchitis, can be cured by the use of \$7.50 each. Our line is by far the largest, our Handsome Novelties in Perfumery for the Holidays.

As usual, we have Dolls, and such exquisite Dolls, and such low-priced Dolls. . Our 25c and 50c Dolls are positively sold elsewhere for double the amount. The low prices on our Shaving cases from \$1.25 each. Glove and Dolls moved our Holiday supply some time since. Those we show now are all new. Low prices sold us a double quantity; that's the way it pays us.

TOYS.

We are showing a most carefully selected line of substantial Toys for boys and girls. Only good, durable Toys; something that will please and last. The prices are no higher than is charged for trash. Long experience has shown us how to do this. The children will be thankful for it. Buy your Toys of us.

So much for Fancies. Now for Substantials. Would you make the lady of the house happy? Then buy her something for her "temple." Buy it in accord with your relationship to her, and select from the following special prices for Holiday purchasers:

Our Carpet Department our House Furnish'g Dep't

Will save you money as follows:

reduced from \$2.50 and \$2.75. Gobelin Moquet Carpets, second only to the real Axminster, at \$3 :

yard, down from \$2 50. Wilton Velvet Carpets at \$1.15 and \$1.25 a yard, reduced from \$1.50.

Rugs and Mats.

Our line for Holiday trade includes the newest patterns in Fur, Persian, Turkish, Punjab, Daughestan and Smyrna. Our \$10 Parjab Rugs are down to \$8. Our \$7 50 Panjab Rugs are down to \$5. Our \$5 Punjab Rogs are down to \$3,25.

HASSOCKS AND OTTOMANS.

Our line for the Holiday trade is the largest and most attractive rer made, and includes some special designs in Shaker Stools.

CURTAINS.

Heavy Curtains for portieres. All this season's elegant patterns are reduced in price. Buy they now. Silk Shiela Curtains at \$25, down from \$35.

Silk Turcoman Curtains at \$30, down from \$27.50. Silk Cross Stripe Curtains at \$18, down from \$25.

cuts prices on the most seasonable goods

Genuine Royal Wilton Carpets, the best made, at \$2 and \$2.25 a yard, Bleached Table Sets, fancy border, cloth, 21-2 yards long, 1 dez. Napkins to match, \$4.50 per set, worth \$6; same set, cloth, 3 yards long, \$5.50, worth \$7.50.

Fine Quality Bleached Sets at \$7.50 and \$8.50, worth \$9.50 and \$11. Our line of Table Sets up to \$25 in Bleached and Fancies is un

LACE BED SETS.

Nottingham Lace Sets at \$2.65, \$3.50 and \$5 a set, worth \$4, \$5 and Antique Sets at \$8.50 and \$12, worth \$11.75 and \$16.50.

PIANO AND TABLE COVERS.

Jute Velour Covers, new patterns, at \$6.50, worth \$8.50; equal values

at \$10 and \$12.50. Raw Silk Covers at \$5,50, \$7,50 and \$9, reduced from \$7,50, \$8,25 and

\$11.25

64 Plush Covers, \$6 each.

Embroidered Flannel Piano Covers at \$3.25 up. Raw Silk Piano Covers up to \$12.50 each.

Embroidered Felt Piano Covers.

Plush Scarfs and T dies, Felt Scarfs and Tidies, Felt and Plush Vienna Chenille Curtains at S7, reduced from S10; at S9, reduced Lambrequins, Hand Embroldered Linen Splashers, Scarfs and Tidies. from \$12.50; at \$12, reduced from \$16.50; at \$13, reduced All of these lines we show in great variety of colorings at special prices for the Holidays.

The departments mentioned above are by no means alone in offerings of suitable Holiday presents:

FOR

See our line of GENTS' UMBRELLAS.

GENTS' NECKWEAR. LADIES' AND GENTS' JEWELRY, LADIES' AND GENTS' SLIPPERS, INFANTS' DRESSES,

INFANTS' CLOAKS, INFANTS' HOODS, GENTS' SILK HANDKERCHIEFS,

LADIES' SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, CHILDREN'S SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, GENTS' LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, LADIES' LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS. GENTS' WOOL AND SILK MUFFLERS, GENTS' DRESSING ROBES,

> GENTS' SMOKING JACKETS, MEN'S FINE OVERCOATS, BOYS' CLOTHING.

NOVELTIES IN LADIES' NECKWEAR, COST to us our entire line of Misses' and HANDKERCHIEFS. Children's Fine Novelty Cloaks and Dresses, Real Duchess Handkerchiefs at \$1.25, worth thus furnishing an opportunity to make a \$1.75; at \$1.75, worth \$2.50; at \$2.50, worth \$3.50; at \$3, worth \$4.50, and up to \$7.50 at handsome and useful Holiday present at same values. small cost.

Ladies' Suits and Dresses

are being sold at the same low prices that have prevailed for the past two weeks. The fact that our sales are ahead of the same time last year confirms the statement that our Gloves. Our line of Kid Gloves for La-CHILDREN'S LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS prices are the lowest in town and our styles dies' street wear, as well as Kid Gloves

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We have marked BELOW ACTUAL To lovers of Real Lace we offer some great bargains in REAL DUCHESS and POINT

Real Point Lace Handkerchiefs at \$7.50, worth \$12.50; at \$9, worth \$15. Also great bargains in Real Lace Neckwear.

Gloves for the Holidays.

Gents' Gloves, Ladies' Gloves, Boys' Gloves, Childrens' Gloves, all kinds of and Silk Mitts for evening wear, has been specially strengthened for Holiday trade. The acme of a dollar Glove has been reached by our 4-Button Real Kid Glove in black and colors, with fancy welt and embroidery, actually worth \$1.50.

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