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DEACONESSES .- NUNS. JEAN PAUL.

1. The so-called woman's rights movement does not find a spontaneous response in the hearts of the fair sex. Like anarchism, it consists largely in wordy expectations and rhetorical expletives of professional agitators who find their vocation pecuniarily remunerative and gratifying to their morbid desire for no-

2. When Lord Macaulay asserts that women had always been mere playthings, captives, menials, beasts of burden, he does not advocate the cause of Susan B. Anthony, but solely refers to the condition of women in non-Christian countries. Christianity elevates woman to the altitude designed for her by our Creator, that of help meet for man; man's companionship. Does not man know well that a wife will be a bad companion if she really is as he treat her, an inferior?

3. The women of the Bible afford an interesting study. Their piety and ardous labors for the Master's cause fill us with admiration. Their successors increased. Our churches are not devoid of faithful female workers. The cause of missions and that of temperance have received impetus from their lively zeal.

4. It occurs to me that the female labor of our different congregations is not sufficiently systematized. Every pastor knows of a half dozen or more women in his church who, owing to untoward circumstances, do not contemplate to marry. They would deem it a great boon to be honorably employed in regular church work, not to conduct public meetings, but to assist the pastors in visiting the widows and fatherless, distribute alms, nurse the sick, etc., etc.

5. Pastor Fliedner, of Dusseldorf, Germany, is the Protestant "path-finder" in the matter of modern deaconesses. In 1833 he organized his famous home for deaconesses, called Kaiserwerth. Here devout Christian females are received upon the recommendation of regularly installed pastors, are supported, instructed in the art of teaching, nursing, etc., and are subsequently, upon requisition of congregations, sent out as assistants to the pastors. Kaiserswerth is largely endowed and supports its members, though employed away from their

6. Of late years all prominent Protestant denominations have organized homes for deaconesses. The recent General Conference of the M. E. Church adopted a ness such as it never had before. similar plan. Protestant deaconesses are not ordained, and take upon themselves no vows. They are allowed to give up their office and place whenever they

1. The deaconesses of thefirst six centuries of the Christian era were not nuns, but mostly matrons, who devoted their lives to the service of God's people. At first, none were received less than sixty advance this year; twelve months ago years old; subsequently the age of forty years sufficed for admission.

2. When the asceticism of Brahmanism was introduced in the Papal church monachism became as prevalent among Christians as among the Hindoos. Cloisters multiplied. Soon Rome excelled Thibet in the number of such institutions.

3. The inmates of nunneries, with rare exceptions, do not devote their lives to the well-being of others, spending and being spent in labors of love, but enter and abide from selfish considerations, believing that by a life of seclusion, self-denial and austerity they acquire superior saintliness. Osca initiated in most orders, nuns will ne'er again behold a man. Confessing, a curtain hides the priest from the confessor.

4. Celibacy of nuns and monks, so highly extolled, tends to discredit marthe quintessence of all excellency. The best members, "the salt of the earth."

5. Though at nunneries men ostensibly found no access, many scandals came to light. A committee of cardinals recommended to Pope Alexander III the gradual abolishment of cloisters on ac- be erected in 1889. count of prevailing vices. Traveling in Europe, my guide pointed out to me a subterranean way which of yore had con- city. There are nearly thirty Methodist none of these. Any one of a hundred nected cloisters for different sexes.

6. The nun is initiated after a novitiate of several years' duration. Received into membership, she vows life-long to supercede other smaller edifices, but mitted gives the murderer an additional fidelity, chastity, obedience, silence, hu- at least one of them is a new interest. chance to escape the penalty, but the mility, worship, study, work. Only in Great Britain and the United States of North America nunneries increased during the last two decades.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. LETTER FROM CANADA.

I have not written to the TEXAS AD-VOCATE for some time, but, having re- make it suitable for a grand Publishing no redress, no protection. It a judge rule, but the exception. Still the excepceived a free copy for the past twelve House, and supply plenty of rooms for errs a little against the murderer, he gets tion must be reduced to a minimum. months, I thought I would send this con- a Mission House and various connectiontribution as a small acknowledgment for all offices. In short, it will be a real Meth- the State has no help—he goes free. The those thoughts deal in the main perusal. I am sorry for the affliction of | tion will be justly proud.

may have a career of abundant prosperity while he occupies the tripod.

The month of June is the busiest of the year in Canada. All our conferences, extensive reports of church proceedings, base ball and other sports.

on these subjects give no uncertain duty in an earnest manner, and are a terrible thorn in the side of the liquor the total and entire prohibition of the liquor traffic.

The wine question for sacramental purposes is the only point on which it may be said that there is any divergence. In the Presbyterian assembly and in one of the Methodist conferences there was quite a breeze on this topic. An intelligent and influential layman in the latter contended that there was no evidence to prove that the wine used by the Jews at the Passover was unintoxicating; but he was soon assured to the contrary on the testimony of some of the most learned men, both in ancient and modern times, and also by the declarations of rabbis

who now minister in Jewish synagogues. The Auglican Church is very zealous in most of our cities where it has many adherents, but its divisions, such as high and low and broad, often occasion much disputation in ecclesiastical circles, and the disputants.

The Presbyterian Church progresses in every department. Its mission in jurymen on real criminal cases commit Formosa has had a wonderful career of perjury without hesitation. Look at the prosperity. The way in which it supports its ministers, both at home and tion to its clergy. In this respect it sets put on the juries. The excuse of judge suitor's patience, exasperating his witwould do well to imitate.

The Baptists have made wonderful two years since one of its members left more than a million of dollars for a did mansion in town to be used for a

eleven annual conferences. Those in the West are held first, but all meet in June. From the returns which have come to hand it appears that the past year has been one of great prosperity. All report an increase of membership. The funds, too, are in advance, particularly those for ministerial support and education. The mission fund has not made much the increase was considerable.

In respect to ministerial character there were only two cases of delinquency reported, which ended in the expulsion of one and the suspension of another for a year. A few brethren who had grown tired of the stinerancy, or who imagined that they were not properly appreciated, have resigned their position as Methodist ministers; but there are more than a sufficient number to supply their places from the best of candidates who have been recommend by their quarterly meetings. It is the earnest wish of those ministry, after spending one year in ciryears at college.

Toronto has been called the Queen City of the West. It has become a fine and red-handed murderer; the State has less than \$250,000.

would be too much to suppose that 1500 on pretense of interest in behalf of the power adequate to its efficient working. pressed upon his heart, seems the opporsynods and assemblies are then in their right of choice; small stations fol- All of our criminal legislation of late and vigilant press." session, and give the publishers of your low their example. A few brethren years is a studied endeavor to defeat dailies a little wholesome news for their manage to get invitations to desirable the just punishment of criminals—esreaders, but most of them, while giving circuits. Both the one and the other pecially murderers. The judicial decisoften embarrass the stationing commit- ions of appellate courts are not much can still afford much larger space for tees, and in some instances inflict injury better. We need a reform all along the The outlook religiously in the Do- which invite their own choice do not islation and judicial decisions to be based minion of Canada is very encouraging. always make wise selections. This year on the ground of protection to society. All the churches, more or less, are alive one conference refused to acknowledge We need wholesome teaching on the reto their important duties. In respect to any invitations. The result has been sponsibility of men to society, in the temperance and education they are a that in a few cases there have been some unit, and the reports which they issue eruptions which will not be easily settled, room and gubernatorial chair. And the and in one place I am afraid a division matter should not be delayed. If crimipendent congregation will be established. It must needs be that offenses will come. sellers. The demand henceforth will be but woe to the man by whom they come.

BEST CITIZENS AND JURY SERVICE. While the Dallas News and other Texas papers are stating most truthfully the appalling fact of the State's increasing crimes, and it is no less so in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri, and the course as to the causes, let us ask ourin the premises?" We know it has not. Before we look into this let us glance at the extent in brief of the evils entering into the general evil. Not only is the saloon at the bottom of the evil, as all ministers will admit and all papers know, but out of these have developed many other terrible evils that lead to the break. ing down of the law. The most potent give no small amount of trouble to the of these perhaps is the fearful increase Bishops, who find it hard work to control of perjury in the land. Witnesses, especially for the defense, perjure themselves by the wholesale. The mass of cases in San Antonio and of late in Cincinnati: how utterly helpless is the abroad, is highly creditable. No other prosecution because of the daring perjury of the class of witnesses who are an example to all others which they and sheriff will be that business men, leading citizens, will not serve. They get off in many ways. And here comes in perjury again. Many of them swear carriages of justice. They result from strides during the last few years. About they cannot render an impartial verdict; the same tendency to monopoly at the some are prejudiced; many have formed bar which is apparent in other walks of or expressed an opinion, therefore feel life. A great advocate is constantly university, and just now the widow of disqualified, when the truth is they sought as special counsel in important the said gentleman has donated a splen- simply wish to get off from serving causes. He cannot be in two places at on juries—back to money-making. once. Yet he has, perhaps, two causes ladies' college. These gifts have given Hence the lives of the people on the calendar in different courts upon the denomination the means for useful- are left to the protection of the the same day. When he is actually envery lowest and meanest class of our raged in one of these causes, the rule is The Methodist Church is divided into citizens—many of the jurymen being to hold the other ready, subject to his either ignorant and maudling cranks of a engagement. His adversary is thus comlow order, or criminals of a base class pelled to bring client and witnesses, day themselves. How many solid men say by day, until the great man is ready to in court they are opposed to the death accommodate him. If, however, instead penalty in order to get off? Who but a of two, the special counsel happens to murderer can be opposed to it? We do have three or four causes on different not believe that a man who is virtuous calendars at the same time, matters and sane can be opposed to the death become additionally complicated. He penalty, under proper conditions. Any hastens from the first cause, the moment way, he who is against it is the ally it is finished, to whichever court is and friend of murder. Now it is the ready to receive him, and at once produty of the press, religious and secular, ceeds with his engagement there, leaving to combine their influence and expose and denounce, and drive away that attendance with clients and witnesses. wretched and false sentimantality that smiles all on crime and frowns all on the wise execution of law. Perjury should be exposed to the most just denunciation and condemnation. Our best citizens should be taught the need of doing more to uphold the law, manufacture a more healthy sentiment, and spurn maudlin sentimentality. In New York they have passed a law to kill murderers by in authority that all candidates for the an electric shock. Others propose to sweetly lull them to sleep and opiate cuit work, should spend at least two them by epidermic processes to death. What a pity the poor woman and man At our late General Conference it was who are so brutally murdered could not decided to remove Victoria University to have received such humane treatment. Toronto. Dr. Potts, one of our most Such things will still add immensely to riage. To be virgin brides of the Lord popular ministers, was appointed agent the murder list. The purjured juries, Jesus, as nuns are called, is considered of the Educational Society, and was re- perjured witnesses, petitions of acting quested to raise \$450,000 for the erec- judges and jury, prosecuting attorney nunneries deprived many families of their tion of new buildings and to increase the and influential citizens - all these present endowment. He reports good chances the criminal has-reverses on progress and has secured more than half reverses in his favor in the higher the amount, besides securing the promise courts, forced technicalities — chances of three or four additional chairs. It is of escape from jail, pardon, commutaexpected that the new University will tion by the governor-by a new governor every four years-all these chances of escape the criminal has—the cold-blooded churches within the bounds of the cor- little blunders-the slightest little techporation, four of which are now in nicality more and more refined by judges course of erection. Some of them are of appellate jurisdiction—anywhere com-The entire cost of the whole will not be State is helpless; has no advantage from any blunder either side may make. For The Book Room and Publishing House example: If the criminal is condemned. in Toronto has become too small for the and a juryman is found to have disbusiness, and therefore a church, which qualified himself from any circumstance has long been one of the most prosperous to serve, a new trial is granted—all has in the city, but is now surrounded by to be gone over again. But if the crim- of the situation, to clear the atmosphere business houses, has been purchased and | inal was acquitted by virtue of a perjured | from loose notions as to miscarriages beis undergoing such alterations as will or deeply interested jury, the State has ing the rule. They are certainly not the

on deserving brethren, and the circuits line, broad and sweeping. We need leglegislative hall, judicial bench, jury have but little crime to be punished. years murder almost entirely ceased ADVOCATE gently and justly twits the the stupidity of the average juryman Mrs. Hays and Miss Baker both proved been devised by the wisdom of ages for News and secular papers about their allowed to sit, the perjury that is so com- themselves to be good sailors, and made the surest and best development of menmon and the maudling, mamby-pamby for themselves many acquaintances and tal power. selves: "Has the pulpit done its duty sentimentality of the bar, and reform friends among those who were going up will be secured. J. DITZLER.

MISCARRIAGES OF JUSTICE.

Judge George C. Barrett, in the Forum, points out some of the causes of what is sometimes called the "miscarriage of justice," which is "not unfrequently the triumph of law." Among these causes are the following:

"We have seen that law in the city of New York is cheap, and that failures of justice need not result from delay. The latter observation, however, applies only to the reading of a cause on the calendar. The delays which follow in obtaining an actual hearing frequently entail serious loss of time and money. They are harassing in the extreme, exhausting the nesses, and sometimes driving him to a pitiable compromise. These calendar delays may well be classed among the mis-

his remaining adversaries still dancing

"Juries are more frequently held responsible for miscarriages of justice than judges or prosecuting officers. But is this quite just? The citizen does not volunteer his services, nor is his will consulted. He is summoned without reference to his interest or convenience, and is held without heeding his entreaties or supplications. His portion is not unlike Voltaire's characterization of birth, life, and death. He is brought into the jury box, kept there, and sent out of it involuntarily. Yet he is twitted with his ignorance, satirized for his credulity, or denounced for his obstinacy. * * If the men are ignorant, whose fault is it that they are there? If intelligent and onscientious, think of the requirement of unanimity. Weak and ignorant juries are apt enough to agree; alas to agree unwisely. But it is hard enough for twelve strong men, in this enlightened age, to agree upon almost any debatable subject. The time is coming when the principle of unanimity will have to be modified. The presiding judge of this department lately made what seems to me a happy suggestion on this head. He advocated a constitutional amendment making a vote of nine jurors, when approved by the court, equivalent to unanimity. That would prevent discontending parties—the majority and the minority in the jury-room-as a wholesome check and balance.

"These suggestions are the result of experience and reflection. I have sought, without taking a rose-water view a new trial; if for him and acquits him, In conclusion, let me say, that while

men could be appointed to circuits with- innocent. Such is the preciousness of That power can be supplied only by an tune time. out some being disappointed. Some of the blood of murderers-of such little enlightened public opinion finding its

LETTER FROM Y. J. ALLEN.

In lieu of the weekly letter from the Mission Rooms, Dr. John furnishes the following:

EXETER HALL, London, June 19, 1888.

My Dear Dr. John: the World's M ssionary Conference, respectively.

From Liverpool we came on to Lon-Oxford for a day. There I met with my old China friend, Dr. Diggs, professor best results: of the Chinese language and literature in the University, and to him we were that university city.

At the appointed time the great conference was opened at Exeter Hall, and day, there has been no abatement of interest or zeal in the sessions, and when I tell you that there have been no fewer than seven sessions daily in the same building, you will have some idea, not only of the capacity of the hall (Exeter), but of the great number in attendance. The conference is a big thing-too big altogether for convenience, and possibly for efficiency. There are on the list of delegates some 1254 names, and these, as world, and the fragments thereof. And was not often where there was so large a number to be heard from. Great hardenomination, that on missionary ground the church is one, and that on the platpledged for the conversion of the world, the world for Christ, and Christ for the world. And, if I mistake not, a new departure in the missionary enterprise will follow close on this greatest of all conferences, in zeal, in harmony, in methearth. The proceedings of the conferotherwise preserved, so that in due time we shall have them all in published form, the whole to cost about six shillings six pence, or say \$1.621, post paid. All our preachers should have a copy, for it will form a cyclopedia on the subject, and give all the latest information and every phase and variety of views, theoretical or practical, involved in the great subject. Due notice will be given, I suppose, of price and of whom copies may be ordered in America. I am very much worn and exhausted. So I shall return to the United States by the next Cunard steamer, the Etruria, Liverpool, on the 23d instant, hoping to have a few days' rest before setting out on the long voyage which still awaits me.

Yours faithfully, YOUNG J. ALLEN.

P. S .- On Sunday last it was my good fortune to attend love-feast and Sundayschool in City Road Chapel, and at night, by request of the superintendent, alias preacher in charge, Rev. J. McKinney, had the honor of delivering my message agreements in all but the most evenly to the congregation worshiping in City tained that the college graduate enters balanced cases, while the requirement of Road Chapel, andtafterward of sitting the battle of life better armed than his udicial approval would operate upon the down to supper in John Wesley's house. Y. J. A.

SHALL I GO TO COLLEGE? PROF. SAMUEL G. SANDERS,

The attention of young men who feel called to the work of the ministry is invited to the subjoined extract from a letter by Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D., which appeared in the St. Louis Christian Advocate of Nov. 30, 1887, and which I laid away, intending to make use of it at the proper time. Now, while the echoes of his fraternal address are still the pleasure I have enjoyed from its odist center, of which the whole connec- murderers have all the nicety of infinite with the machinery of justice, the heard in our land, and when, during the quibbling of judges who strain words and motor has not been overlooked. Behind vacation, many young men may be pon-Dr. Briggs, and hope that his successor | Thus we enter upon another year. It technicalities in favor of the murderer the machinery there must be power | dering the question which once so sorely

Dr. Steel's wise words about self-made the more important circuits insist upon value are the lives of virtuous citizens! highest expression in an able, upright, men should be carefully considered. In connection with them these other words of wisdom should be read: "Schools and colleges generally afford the shortest cut to learning and culture; and if any self-made man gets learning and culture without school or college, he will be apt to tell you that he has wasted a good part of his life, and has missed accomplish-I wrote you a short note on the eve of | ing much that he meant to accomplish our departure, and now hasten to add a for lack of the proper tools." The mefew more lines in anticipation of our re- chanic who sharpens his tools before beturn. Bishop Wilson and I, accompanied | ginning his day's work will be enabled to by Mrs. Hayes and Miss Melissa Baker, do more and better work than the one left New York on the morning of the who neglects this precaution. Time sound. The churches are doing their will be made in the church and an inde- nals realized that punishment would cer- 26th of May (Saturday) per steamer spent in such preparation is far from tainly and swiftly follow crime, we would Umbria, one of the largest and fastest being time wasted. The learning and of the Cunard line, and reached Liver- culture which a self-made man exhibits In some of the Territories, as in Mon- pool on the following Saturday, the 2d of must be acquired somehow. They may tana in 1863-4, when the vigilantes began June. The voyage was an exceedingly be acquired by private study and in the operations the murderers fled the coun- pleasant one every way. There were discipline of life. In this way, however, try in utter dismay. Many that were cap- some 500 first-class passengers. Indeed, they come slowly, and generally only to tured and hung were caught fleeing with the large ship was filled to its utmost men of uncommon endowments. To consternation and palid fear. And for capacity, and we found among them so men of ordinary mind they come most many agreeable companions, all journey- surely, and to all most easily and quickly where it had but recently held a reign of ing to the same destination, that it was through the college course. For the colterror. Let the whole press, rostrum and but an easy matter to spend the few days lege curriculum, modified and enlarged as pulpit unite in a just denunciation of on board both pleasantly and profitably. the circle of knowledge has widened, has

> One of the evils of our times is the to London to the Pan-Anglican Conven- haste of young men to enter upon their tion, the Pan-Presbyterian Council, and life work. They feel impatient at the time required for thorough collegiate and professional training. In those who attend college their impatience is often don direct, and having a few days to shown in unwise efforts to hurry through spare, Bishop Wilson and I ran out to the course by undertaking more than can be accomplished thoroughly and with

Facts ought to teach our young men that it is worth while to spend more time and effort indebted for a most delightful visit to in school life. Of seventeen Presidents of the United States eleven were college graduates: of twenty Vice-Presidents, ten were graduates; of twenty-nine Secretaries of State, nineteen were graduates; of forty-two Assofrom the first day till now, the closing ciate Justices of the Supreme Court, thirtyone held college diplomas. Though the per cent. of college alumni in the country is very small, sixty-five per cent, of these higest and most influential offices in the gift of the nation are filled from this limited number of college men; and of the remaining thirty-five nittee, in St. Louis Advocate.

The Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are, with possibly one exception, college graduates. The the name implies, literally represent the significance of this will appear in strong light when the small per cent. of college we have had written papers, elaborate alumni among our preachers is comspeeches, and speechlets, short and pared with those who are not collegerapid, without intermission, your repre- bred. More and more the leading sentatives putting in a word here and stations in the church are being filled by

The most eminent of American states men, John C. Calhoun, was not admitted mony and unanimity of sentiment have to the bar until he was twenty-five years prevailed. It seems to have been the of age. But back of him were years of accepted sentiment of all, of whatever thorough academic training at Yale and legal study at the Litchfield Law School Did he enter the arena late? Possibly form of the Great Commission all de- so, according to the modern idea. But nominations stand shoulder to shoulder, he entered a trained gladiator, armed cap-a-pie, and his triumphs were immediate and continuous.

At nineteen Dr. Steel had not decided whether he would enter upon the struggle which a collegiate education involved. The next six or seven years at ods, and in a successful prosecution of Emory and Henry College and the Unithe work to the uttermost parts of the versity of Virginia gave him an impetus which has carried him, yet under forty, ence have been carefully reported or to the forefront of Southern Methodist

With tuition free and the cheap living furnished by the helping or mess halls of our colleges, it seems that almost any young man with aspiration, determination and "capacity for hard work" can secure the advantages of collegiate education. Does any young man with despondent heart and wavering purpose read these lines? Let him picture to himself the troubled, timid young man who came into the presence of good Bishop Xavanaugh, and then the fraternal delegate who stood, a master of assemblies, before the Northern General Conference in May. Let these pictures fire his imagination, and let him also nerve himself for the long struggle, resolved to stick it out. He may not reach the front rank, for some men are endowed with but one talent; but that talent well improved will produce vastly more than if kept hid away in the earth.

It is not held in the foregoing remarks that collegiate training is indispensable in ministerial success. But it is mainbrother of equal natural gifts who has not had this advantage. Or, to change the figure, he has a start in the race of life which he is likely to keep to the end. Reason and facts sustain this position. It is worth while, then, for a young man to spend three or four years in college in order to be admitted to a field of usefulness wider than otherwise it would have been his privilege to enter.

BISHOP KAVANAUGH'S ADVICE TO A YOUNG PREACHER.
Bishop Kavanaugh is buried in Cave Hill

Cemetery. His grave, marked by a tasteful Scotch granite stone, stands on a graceful slope in the midst of one of the most populous sections of the cemetery. What a rush of

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Old and Young.

PERMISSION TO GO HOME.

F. H. S. in N. Y. Advocate. Bess went to church one suitry day; She kept awake, I'm glad to say, Till "fourthly" started on its way. Then the moments into hours grew;

O dear! O dear! what should she do? Unseen, she glided from the pew. And up the aisle demurely went,

On some absorbing mission bent, Her eyes filled with a look intent. She stopped and said, in plaintive tone,

With hand uplifted toward the dome, "Please, preacher-man, can I go home! The treble voice, bell-like in sound,

Disturbed a sermon most profound; A titter swelled as it went round, A smile, the pastor's face o'erspread-

He paused and bent his stately head: 'Yes, little dear," he gently said.

THE ROSE OF SHARON.

Sharon was a large plain in the Holy Land. It was remarkable for its stately lilies and its beauteous roses. The blessed Savior is compared to the Rose of Sharon. There are so many beautiful titles given to Christ in the Bible! I think there are upwards of two hundred. He is called our Rock, Refuge, Light, Fountain, Foundation. But there are no titles, perhaps, more beautiful than the Rose of Sharon. The fairest and most fragrant flower is the best emblem of Christ. I trust every rose you see and cultivate will be an emblem of Him; and as the rose's fragrance will fill your room, so may the love of Jesus sweeten all your life; may every hour be consecrated. Even the dying rose is very sweet. So this Rose of Sharon gives life and victory over the grave. I trust you will ever keep before you this blessed Rose.

"TOO MUCHEE BY AND BY."

"What is your complaint against this young man, John?" said the magistrate to the Chinese laundryman, who had summoned a young gentleman whose laundry bill was in arrears.

"He too muchee, by-and-by," was the answer of the aggrieved Celestial, who evidently knew what ailed the young are! In some of them they don't even man, even if he could not express his have "company manners." views in the most classical English.

There are other youngsters who are troubled with the same complaint-"too muchee by-and-by." The boy who has to be called four times in the morning, and then is late to breakfast; the boy who says, "In a minute," when his mother calls him to do chores or run errands; the young gentleman who forgets his promise to bring wood or draw water; the young lady who always meant to do things and have them in order, but who never, never carried out her intentions;

People are likely to sing themselves into perdition with the "sweet by-and-What they need is the sweet now, which is the accepted time and the day of salvation.

A DOG THAT REPAID A TRICK. St. Nicholas.

A gentleman in Bristol, England, owned a dog remarkable for both intelligence and devotion. The dog had been taught to run errands. It was a part of his daily duty to go to the meat market. carrying a basket in which was the money to pay for the meat.

One day his master thought he would put a new test to the dog's faithfulness and intelligence. He instructed the man who kept the market to take the money as usual, but to refuse the meat, and order the dog to go home without it. This the market-man did, and the poor dog returned to the house dejected, melancholy, slow, with ears and tail hanging, and the basket empty.

Seeing his master, he seemed to try to put on an air of cheerfulness, evidently hoping that the situation would be understood. But no; the master frowned upon him, scolded him harshly, and bade him go out of his sight. This was almost more than the poor fellow could bear, and, sneaking out, he crept under a table in an outer shed, where he lay for two days, to all appearances in a state of gloomy despair.

On the third day his master called him out, speaking kindly to him again, and the dog was wild with joy. Again his master sent him to the market with the money in his basket. The dog went in, but this time he placed the money on the floor, and put his paw on it before he allowed the market-man to take the basket. Then the man gave him the meat; the dog quickly whisked the money back into the basket and trotted off home with both meat and money, giving them to his master with an air of decided triumph.

COMPANY MANNERS. Zenas Dane, in Good Housekeeping.

I know a woman who is always harping about "culture" and "refinement" and "etiquette," and who does not this of plums. minute know the meaning of that oldfashioned term, "good manners." She is always regretting the lack of culture my best dress."

the worst manners of any children I dom favors them with her own properly until the door-bell rings, and then the entire household must put on good man-

"If we don't," one of the children said, "we catch it when the company's gone!" This is an extreme case, but do we not all have our "company manners?" Do we speak just as gently and sweetly to our children, to our husbands and wives, when we are alone with them as when in the presence of the chance caller? Do we say to a transgressing Jonnie or Katie, "Don't do that, dear," or, "Stop that this minute, I tell you?" Which is it? Do we say "please" and "thank you" to each other and to our servants at all times, or are these pleasing little words held in reserve with the rest of our "company manners?" Is it only in the presence of strangers that we smilingly overlook or gently chide the trifling faults of our children?

O these "company manners!" They are the ruination of a household. They cannot always be put on and off at will. Traces of the every day discord and lack of harmony will manifest themselves through the affection of all the mere "company manners" one can assume. Habitual politeness and kindness and gentleness should be the unwavering rule in every house, even on "Blue Monday.'

I have been in homes in which it seemed to me that every member of the household seemed bent on seeing how hateful and disagreeable they could be to each other. The mother would speak in a nagging, fretful tone; the father "ordered everybody around;" the children quarreled; the servants went around with their noses in the air, ready and eager for little tilts with anybody and everybody. How wretched such homes

Sometimes my wife and I say on Sunday: "Now let us agree that we will not say a single cross word to any one this whole week. Let us be studiously polite to each other and to the children. Let us be very mindful of the feelings of every person with whom we may come into contact. Let us not fret nor complain nor do anything that good, decent. well-behaved Christians should not do." And if when the next Sunday comes we have, through the grace of God, kept this resolve, it goes without saying that the legions of folks who always have to we have been happy and the world has be waited for—all these have "too perhaps been made a little better for our

OUR OWN DEAR MOTHER

"Mother," said Sallie, one night as she was getting ready for bed, " Mrs. Brooks says she wishes I was her little girl."

"Does she ?" "Yes, and I wish so too!"

"Indeed!" "Can't I pack my trunk and go to-

norrow?" "Shall you take all your clothing?

asked mamma, much amused "I don't know," answered Sallie, heat

tatingly. "She'll make my clothes, 'pose, and mine will keep for Susie."

"Well," said mamma, "we 'll talk it over to-morrow. I'll see what father

And they did "talk it over," and strange to say, papa said "yes." This was not the first time that restless little Sallie had sighed for a change of abode, and it was considered best to gratify her. "Let her go and try it," said papa; "she'll want to come home before bed time, I'll warrant."

Mamma wasn't quite so sure, but, nevertheless, thought it might be a good plan. So in the morning Sallie started off with her best dress and two pairs of stockings. Paps thought best to leave the trunk at home; she was considerably disappointed, but the size of the bundle was a sort of compensation, so she trudged off quite happily, and precisely as the clock struck nine, she stood at Mrs. Brooks' front door.

"Is Mrs. Brooks upstairs?" she inquired with great dignity, of the girl who opened the door.

"No, child," answered good-natured Katy; "she's in the kitchen, doing

plums." Sallie's countenance fell a little. Sh knew what doing plums meant at home. A day long enough for three, it seemed to her, when her mother styed in the kitchen, and she had to take care of her own restless little body, besides looking after Susie. However, she said nothing,

but followed Katy to the scene of action "Good morning, Sallie," said Mrs. Brooks, who was standing over a kettle

"Good morning," answered Sallie. "I've come to be your little gir!. Here's

among her neighbors, and there is not Mrs. Brooks was rather surprised, for one of them who is not more polite than though she had often told Sallie that she she is. I have heard her actually yell at | wished she was her little girl, she hadn't her servants and storm at her children, really thought much about it. But she the consideration of each item of church and I do not think her husband is the was a kind-hearted lady, and loved Sallie business. happiest man in the world. In society dearly, so she stooped down and gave she is a charming woman. She knows her a kiss, told her to take off her things always just what to say and how to say it, and put them up stairs, then go into the prayer-meetings, class-meetings and re-

gracefully into a chair. Her little boys hours, three hours by the clock, and still hold of the promises of the Head of the laging ground for the schools "back can tip their hats so prettily to ladies on the little girl sat alone; she had left her church, and are expecting greater growth | East.' the street; her little girls can enter a doll at home for Susie, trusting to Mrs. and permanency. The cause of missions room with toes properly turned out and Brooks' generosity for playthings in the was emphasized. The absence of the any of our institutions are so well known with the grace of little queens; and, alas! future, so there was nothing to do but to member of the Board who was to make or so universally popular as to attract gation, and we hope much interest creboth the little boys and the little girls look at the pictures, stroke the cat, and an address called out some state- pupils in the face of diligent and efficient ated in the hearts of the people relative can be as impertinent and display look out of the windows. From one of ments of the Treasurer of the Board. them she could just see the top of her which was followed by the earnest words ever saw. And they literally fight among father's chimneys. She wondered what of several of the brethren, which made patronage. Many people in the State, themselves. They are not taught to be her mother was doing. How she wished us all feel that the cause of missions was polite to each other. Their mother sel- Susie would just poke her head out of one of the chimney tops! Then she! chosen words and graceful manners when laughed heartily at the ridiculousness they are alone with her. Discord reigns of the idea, and just then Mrs. Brooks of service, and was a good introduction came in.

"Well, how's my little daughter?" said she, taking Sallie up in her lap. "Little daughter!" It was what her coming from Mrs. Brooks, though Sallie

couldn't have told why. "She's pretty well," she answered soberly; "but could I go and visit Susie for a little while?"

"Certainty," replied Mrs. Brooks, smiling a little to herself. "Will you come back to dinner?" "O. ves. indeed!"

So to mamma's surprise about five minutes after the door opened, and Sallie's little face peeped in. She played awhile with Susie, but when dinner was ready put on her hat and made for the dish of smoking oysters, of which she was very fond.

"Won't you stop and take dinner with

us?" asked mamma. "No, I thank you," answered Sallie "I promised Mrs. Brooks-I mean mamma Brooks-I'd be back to dinner.' "Very well-always keep your prom ises;" and Sallie started off.

In the afternoon Mrs. Brooks took he to ride, and they had such a lovely time that Sallie began to think that she had really made a very pleasant exchangefor her own papa didn't keep a carriage and horse-car riding was just nothing at all. In the evening she and Mrs. Brooks played dominoes, and she tried hard to persuade herself that it was an agreeable substitute for her nightly romp with the baby. Eight o'clock was her bedtime. Mrs. Brooks went up with her, heard her prayers, and gave her a good night kiss, telling her, as she left, to shut up her peepers, and travel off at railroad

speed to the land of Nod. But did she? I guess not, else how happened it that at about ten o'clock Mrs. brooks was sure she heard the sound of suppressed sobbing. "It's that blessed child," said she. "She's homesick. I've been expecting this;" and upstairs she went as fast as her two friendly feet could carry her. Ah, yes, it was Sallie, who lay curled up in one corner of the bed crying as if her little heart would break

'I - didn't - kiss - the baby - and-' "Would you like to go home, dear?" asked Mrs. Brooks, giving her a motherly hug in her sympathy.

tears stopped. "Could I go she asked in astonishment. "Certainly-just slip on your clothes

and Mr. Brooks will carry you over." "He needn't harness Billy," mistaking her meaning, "I can walk-I could walk

a mile just as easy." "And so you don't want to be my little girl any longer?" asked the lady.

"I like you ever so much," replied Sallie, eagerly, "but, you see, I b'long to my own mother, and I think I'll live with her forever now."

Never was there a happier child than Sallie, when, snugly tucked up in her own little bed with her own mother's loving arms around her, she did travel off to the land of Nod.

Boys and girls, love your mothers; no only because they are good and kind to you, but because they are your own 'They b'long to you-you b'long to them." Never think you could have a happier home somewhere else-for, ten chances to one, if you tried the experi ment, you'd be more homesick even than poor little Sallie.

District Conferences.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.

The Georgetown District Conferen of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, convened at Liberty Hill, Texas. May 29, 1888, Dr. James Mackey, presiding elder, in the chair. All the pastors were present except two, who sent up very full and encouraging reports. A goodly number of the lay delegates were present, entering into the work of the church with zeal and faith. Rev. D. H. Dickey, of Burnet station. preached the opening sermon Wednesday night. The preaching of the brethren was in the power of the spirit of God, and all felt that it was good to be there. supplied each of his preachers with of our Zion, and after the appointment of the usual committees, each pastor read every pastor. his report and made answer to such additional questions as any of the brethren thought would strengthen the report. facts. Every item of church work was gates to the annual conference. carefully scrutinized by the conference. The reports of the several committees and the discussions which followed prepared the conference to sing the hymn and join in the prayer which followed this time of year.

The spiritual state of the church was carefully inquired into. Prayers at home, I never saw a woman who could excel her in gliding scross a room and sinking finished her preserves. One hour, two God, the faith of the brethren caught Texas will become more and more a for with the great and important truth that by Rev. C. C. Shutt. Aresolution on the

the cause of God.

The Sunday-school report showed a dereading.

Our quarterly conference records are we'll kept. Churches and parsonages are mother had so often called her, and in high favor, and wise steps were taken somehow it didn't seem exactly right to finish paying for our district parsonage at Georgetown.

The Board of Church Extension, through Bro. J. K. Lane, Treasurer, read a very fine statement of the condition and work of this new work among in ever community in our broad land. Let us help this Board.

report revealed interest in good reading matter, Advocates endorsed, etc.

The report from the Committee on Temdoor, though casting longing looks at the all to the conviction that our people were opposed to intemperance, and in favor of measures that would lead to deliverance from saloons and their consequences. We had a splendid report from the Southwestern University. This, read in connection with the report of the committee on the subject of education, made manifest the deep interest of our people in that system of education that blesses the heart as well as trains the mind. a part of the sermons to the conference. We were delighted to have with us Rev. Richard Lane, a former pastor of the good people of Liberty Hill.

Temple was selected as the place of the meeting of the next session of the Georgetown District Conference.

The usual resolution of thanks were adopted, with an additional personal, expressing the high regard of preachers and laymen for Dr. James Mackey, whose relation to the district expires with the W. H. VAUGHAN, present year.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT.

This body assembled in Hillsboro, Texas, at 3 p. m., Wednesday, June 20, 1888. We had a most hospitable reception. But oh, the mud! the mud! Bro. Boone certainly has a "soft thing" in the way of an appointment for this year. Our presiding elder was there and as cheerful as a May morning, ready for every good word and work. The pastors were all there except Brother C. S. Field, whose absence was explained by the pre-Sallie opened her eyes wide, and the the circumstances which forbade his coming. Out of forty local preachers in the district, only six were present. To were present the first day only ten dele-

gates and five alternates. The business was taken up and considered topically as laid down in the Discipline. There was a manifest desire for a candid, honest inquiry into the actua! state of things, with an expressed purpose to condemn that which was wrong. amend that which might be improved and commend that which was good.

The spiritual state of the church is evidently improving. Between two and three hundred conversions reported, and the revival season proper is yet to pass through. There was a manifest purpose to urge upon our people a return to a faithful use of those institutions, such as family and private prayer and attendance upon the class-meeting, which caused Methodism in the beginning to be characterized as "Christianity in earnest." All the subjects before us were carefully investigated and earnestly prayed for, and new vows of more faith-

fulness heartily made. Bro, J. H. Wiseman, of the Mission Board, was with us contributing by his presence to the pleasure of the conference. His address on Friday night was a splendid presentation of the subject of missions. It was well received by the audience and made friends for the cause. The preaching of the occasion was in

spirit and in truth. The benedictions of the Holy Spirit were upon every session of the confer

We had only a few visitors-Bros. E L. and R. C. Armstrong, Keen, Henderson, Uncle Billy Vaughan, and our colporteur, Rev. O. M. Addison. Bro. Addison is faithfully circulating his books Our thoughtful presiding elder had through thick and thin (mud) and occasionally induces a man to buy some suitable blanks calling out every interest His is a new work and ought to have the hearty encouragement and help of

Alvarado was chosen as the place for the next conference. J. W. Parsley, T. W. Hollingsworth, Rav. J. W. Stephens The greatest care was taken to get all the and Geo. Anderson were elected dele-

> The continued hard rains make the financial outlook anything but encouragthe church are better up than usual at garding the condition of the district.

There was no report from any of our

Let not our school men imagine that agents who come among our people from Eastern schools and untiringly drum for work. and some Methodist people, don't even know the names of our schools. Apropos, Dr. Thrall, in his late Texas cided advance in this important sphere Notes in the Nashville Advocate, in undertaking to name our educational insti-Altogether, we had a delightful and profitable time. JOHN M. BARCUS,

Secretary. PARIS DISTRICT.

The Paris District Conference met at Woodland, Red River county, on Wednesday, June 20, at 9 o'clock, a. m., and was called to order by Rav. J. C. Weaver, us. O, how much we need good churches presiding elder. Nearly all the pastors were present at the opening, and all arrived later except one. The local for same, were present and gave inter-We have books many, and periodicals preachers and lay delegates were not numany, but do our people read them? The merous—only about one-third of the laymen and a much less per cent. of the local preachers. The session was marked by the spirituality that prevailed at encouraging report of the school during perance was a strong paper and helped each meeting. The opening service was one of great interest, and so to the end. students being batter in the main than at The reports of the preachers were encouraging, both as to the spiritual condition and the material interests as well. There are in course of construction, and spects. The prayer and testimony meetto be begun and finished this year, six or ings each morning previous to the busieight church buildings within the district. The district is supplied with a give tone to the work of the day, and all district parsonage and one for each realized the presence of God in the meetcharge except four, and steps are being taken to supply these inside of two years. The Bible cause received attention, and Rev. I. S. Ashburne represented the all seemed delighted and thankful for the woman's department of church extenpure word of God that had made so great sion in a very forcible manner, which will be sure to give an impetus to the the kind people of Troupe for their hoswork. Rev. D. F. Fuller preached the pitality. opening sermon from the text, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above," etc., which was one of great power. Saturday was devoted to the Sunday-school interest. The program was good and the occasion of it interesting and beneficial.

school at its next commencement.

J. W. Houston, J. W. Fulton, J. C. Moore, (L. P.) and Wm. Huddle, were elected delegates to the annual conference. The next session will be held at New Boston.

The hospitality of the people of Woodland was unbounded, and the members and delegates were enthusiastic in their praise. Brother Weaver held the conference well in hand and presided to the satisfaction of all. The memories of the conference will be pleasant to all who J. W. FULTON. attended.

TRIO DIST

The San Antonio District Conference met in the city of Cotulia, Texas, Thursrepresent seventy-two lay delegates there day, June 14, 1888. Rev. B. Harris, presiding elder, took his seat and held a with so much ease. Stately in form, towering above the boys. This was the boy district, but alas! Cupid is busy among the preachers, as with other mortals. Four are no more, and two desperately in love. He gathers them about him as a family.

> The session was a pleasant one, indeed expected. This is partly accounted for longest district in the world, and conference being held at one end.

Revivals have not swept the district as all along the line.

The assessments. coming up nicely.

veyed and a spirit of missions prevails. Thank God our people will never possess the land at home until they learn what the Master meant when he said, "go." F. S. Jackson, Sterling Fisher and Prof.

Spellman were with us and cheered us on by their sermons and speeches. Cotulla - Her people. I have never

entered a town so small containing so many big hearts. Their hospitality was unbounded. It was not, "How many must I take;" but, "I want four more." God bless this good people. San Antonio entertains us a year hence

J. T. H. MILLER, Sect'y. DEMING, NEW MEXICO.

MARSHALL DISTRICT. The Marshall District Conference met

in the town of Troupe at 9 a. m., June R. W. Thompson, presiding elder,

called the conference to order, and after usual religious services the roll was called and a good number of the pastors, ed to their names.

The first business was the appointing of committees for the several interests presiding elder, and the reports of the committees afterward showed a close

The pointed questions of the presiding elder relative to the spiritual condition schools. This we all regretted, for un- of the pastors and their charges when less those who have charge of our edu- they made their reports brought to light

the salvation of souls is the chief end of

all church work.

Church extension, missions and Sunday-schools each received proper investito these important branches of church

Mrs. Mary Thompson, president of the Woman's Department of Church Extension, and parsonage building for the East Texas Conference, was present, looking after the interest of the work, and after presenting to the conference a to the convention which followed its tutions omitted at least one of our report of her work and laying before most worthy, the Waco Female College. them the necessity of building houses for preachers and presiding elders, succeeded in organizing a District Parsonage Society of twenty-seven members, and on Sunday evening organized among the children a society of Home Builders, with twenty-two members.

L. M. Fowler, conference colporteur, was present and gave an account of his work, which was gratifying.

W. B. Rankin, agent of the American Bible Society, and J. B. Hall, colporteur esting accounts of their work in spreading the Word of God over the land.

Rev. I. Alexander, president of Alexander Institute, was on hand and gave an the past session. Number and class of any previous time.

This session of the district conference was one of unusual interest in some reness of the conference, were such as to ings, and the clear testimonies of salvation now were gratifying to hearers and joyful to all.

The conference adjourned, praying the blessings of God upon each other and F. J. BROWNING,

J. R. HEARTSILL, J. T. BROWNING,

Committee WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT.

This District Conference convened at Italy, Ellis county, on June 26, 1888, J. W. Houston and Jno. T. McKenzie Bro. E. L. Armstrong presiding. Owing were elected members of the Board of to serious rains the roads in this managers of the Honey Grove High black, waxy country were almost School, and J. W. Fulton to visit the impassable, yet a goodly number, in spite of obstacles, met to the number of forty clerical and lay members, and transacted with care and diligence the varied matter of business usual to a district conference. Because of absence of others, a full report of the entire work could not be obtained, but enough was reported to indicate the status of our interests. Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church mention the consecration of the presiding elder and the pastors, to whom bad roads, inclement weather, meagre support, organized opposition to the church of God, were no barriers but rather intensified their zeal for God. Many conversions and accessions to the church and the dedication of forty children to God. The committee recommend more frequent administration of the Lord's steady rein to the close. He presides Supper in the various charges. Finances very short, only one-fifth of the assessments have been met. Recommend that board of stewards adopt assessment plan and organize their board, holding their regular meetings monthly at stations, quarterly in circuits. Assessments for missions will be met; \$331 35 raised in week of self denial and prayer, The attendance was not so large as was closing with the following resolution: That we make the assessment the miniby distances—this being, I suppose, the mum, and the maximum be whatever the Lord may assess. Committee on Church Extension resolved in substance as follows: That in the judgment of this conlast year, but steady increase was shown ference church extension is but another name for missions, that each pastor preach specially upon it, placing it before the people as having equal claims with missions, and promising to the Board of Woman's Church Extension our hearty support. Sunday-schools are doing good work. Many of them in a mis organization. Children's day but little observed, but where it was observed good collections were raised. Pastors are urged to preach more and especially to children. Thursday evening held a Sunday-school convention at which interesting services were had in discussing leading questions in the Sunday-school work. It was felt that not time enough was given in all of our conferences to the Sunday-school cause, and that our church should give more special prominence to it. Committee on Church Literature re-

ported upon the advancement of our church in its periodical Sunday-school literature, its newspapers and denominational books. They are gratified at the successful management by which the Publishing House is out of debt and enabled to set aside an amount of \$5,000 for the support of our worn out preachers. Noting the increased circulation of the local preachers and lay delegates answer- TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, and stating that at no time in its history did it present a better appearance or better arranged reading matter than it has in of the church, which was done by the the past two months. We hall with hearty welcome and good cheer the new editor, the Rev. James Campbell, who examination of their duties and brought has been duly elected and has duly entering, yet as a general thing the finances of to light some gratifying information re- ed upon his duties with the same methodical, discreet and zealous interest that has hitherto characterized him as a pastor. The last issue of the paper is as

good as the best. We commend a pamphlet with the cational interests will circulate more the condition of each work, and the fre- title of "Systematic Theology," by the freely among our people, and keep them quent remarks on this line of the presiding elder were to impress the conference title of which is "Methodism in a Lump,"

desecration of the Sabbath was adopted; must accept his proposal, marry and go answer? The very reason that his prayer also thanks to the worthy people of Italy for their generous hospitality. Bros. J. L. Smith, G. J. Penn, F. A. Winn, and J. A. Pace, were elected as delegates to the annual conference, with T. G. Paine and A. M. Works as alternates. The city of Eunis was selected for the next annual session. Prominence was given to preaching and devotional services. Preaching deeply spiritual, directed by God's Holy Spirit, in conviction, comfort and power.

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The verdict of all was, that it was the best and most spiritual conference ever held in the district. Truly, it was good to be there, waiting, believing, trusting and enjoying the presence of our Divine A. M. DECHMAN,

Assistant Secretary.

Sabbath Desecration. Preamble and resolutions adopted by Waxahachie District Conference and requested to be published in the ADVO CATE:

Whereas, The desecration of the Sabbath day is becoming so prevalent in our State, as evidenced by the running of el's mother, John Adams' mother. I freight and passenger railroad trains, the would rather my mother chastise me than others go out never to return? Those carrying and distributing of United States mails, the keeping open of postoffices, drug stores selling any article contained therein, the selling books. papers, ice, and opening of barber shops and running said business, the gross violation of the day by base-ball players, the

Whereas, We believe that the legislation of the State is encroaching upon it and is unfriendly to its sacredness and its observance; and,

Whereas, We believe that many persons professing gospel truths utilize the railroad trains for business or any and every kind of enjoyments, thereby encouraging them by their patronage, the enforced labor of an army of men who are made to violate one of the most binding commandments, thereby preventing them from keeping holy the Sabbath day, and making those who utilize this conveyance accessory and indirect participants in violating the law of God; therefore, be it Resolved. That we view with alarm

these inroads of evils and Satan's power in his successful encroachments upon the cause of Christ and against the soul of men and women. We believe that the time has arrived for our church to cry aloud and align herself in an uncompromising manner against this evil; to proclaim from our pulpits and to urge by all the observance of this day should be raised to its rightful standard, and that we, as members of this district conference, pledge together that we will refrain from all travel by any public conveyance, from visiting the postoffice and obtaining our mail, from attending to any secular business, to discountenance the feasting and irreligious social visiting on the Sabbath, and to do and perform such acts ity, and not of our own pleasure, and will endeavor to conform to the language of the Prophet Isaiah, which says: "If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath. from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable; and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Respectfully J. H. COLLARD, JR., submitted. A. M. DECHMAN.

Correspondence.

WOMEN PREACHERS.

1. What is a preacher? A person with a message from Gou. A person who takes the oversight of the church. In following God's statement to Adam, men making a living by the sweat of their brow, causes them to separate and scatter over the earth to its remotest bounds. So in order to give them offers of salvation, and oversee their spiritual interests. men are needed who will lay down their lives as living sacrifices for Christ. In the Methodist plan, circuit riders or traveling preachers:

2. What are the necessary qualifications for the ministry? (1) Natural ability. Some reason and understanding. (and which is very necessary), a gift of without any voice there is no preaching. (2) Acquired abilities. In some degree an understanding in the Scriptures. the word of truth. Teaching one to re- lessly in debt, but this happens alike to odism," regard the Bishop and his moved by the Holy Ghost. Love of God in his heart. Commissioned by God. are the direct agents of reducing some regard them as agents under the dito grow in grace.

Argument against women preachers: Methodists need, she must go over the winter and summer, she must go. To be natural, she needs an escort,

ceived the daring man's company, she and consecration, and the Lord does not it is?

to housekeeping.

3. Unscriptural. (1) Must be called of God. (2) Was not called during the Reformation, nor in Christ's day, and I don't believe at the present day. (3) Paul suffered not a woman to teach or usurp authority over the man, which she must do if she preaches. (4) Let them the ministry. The Bishop and his cabilearn of their husbands at home, which net are also found moving in harmony teaches female modesty. (5) Scripture with the divine will of God, their work deep loss to us. None but those who example, like Sarah, calling her husband lord, giving him reverence.

man. (1) By teaching, which is very different from preaching, as you will see from the necessary requirements of a preacher. She can govern the mind, but Methodist polity, and are greatly erring, one with us. But now he has severed from God to man does the great responsibility of saving souls come. She can be great helpmeet. (2) By family government she raises the preacher, the statesman and the robber. You, beloved mother, you have the reins of government; hold to them. Look at Hannah, Samumy father. My mother said, I want you stay at home, and raise my brothers for when he was presiding elder, if he did Christ. I am a preacher; may be they drunkenness, gambling, profanity and get up and talk where the lamps are all a day of pleasure and business by so good order, but she can't climb mounmany good and even religious people; tains, swim rivers and preach. Stay at However, subsequent investigation of nome; that is your place. J. M. E.

BROTHER PRICE'S REJOINDER.

article written by this scribe, sometimes righteous means and godly example that have not justly discriminated in station- these things move me." The only way a father, and of the one who had promlogical spectacles."

brethren now on stations were the only every feature of Methodism." In this tender words and deeds of the loving men qualified to this work. This is our connection it is but logical to conclude group. affirmation: "A man's present adaptathat Bro. Price refers to that "carnal bility for usefulness determines his place nature" which would violate or refuse to This, says Bro. Price, "is true in many nature which God made. We have been cases, but not in all." Now, Bro. P. a member of this committee on several presents but one argument why this is different occasions, and the universal not true in every case, which is this: rule is that brethren refuse to take this that the preacher is on starvation, without money, and "as poor as a church that they should. Not one single inmouse." The Bishop and his cabinet stance do I remember when a brother take it for granted that every preacher is has urged his poverty or bad treatment financially able to go where he is sent, by the Bishop as the grounds to this re believing that the faithful stewards will lationship. I believe the good brother provide as fair a living for the pastor has studied "nature" as "manifested in sent as the people have themselves. This is the faith and confidence of the Bishop has conjured up an imaginary man of and his cabinet. The very argument straw, whose groans and afflictions es-Bro. Price makes in defending the pecially appeal to him as its attorney. I brethren he has undertaken for (for he is not one of them) is the most fatal stab gets anything for his services. An he could give their cause. I aver there itinerant preacher is a voluntary soldier is not a Board of stewards either on cir- in the service of the church of God. cuits or stations who especially desire a He is not held under ban by the church minister, learned or unlearned, young or for the war or lifetime, but receives his old, who is "as poor as a church mouse work from year to year, and when he and in debt." This is the paramount becomes dissatisfied he is at liberty to qualification that Bro. P. makes in his locate. To have plenty of money and a argument as an element which should fat, easy place and the luxuries of life is enter into the concreteness of one's quite agreeable to "nature as manifested adaptability to be removed from a poor in Methodism," but the Pauline spirit circuit to "a fat, easy place." Now, as manifested in Methodism is to "count brother, if you cannot see that your ar- all things but loss" and "for whom we gument is death to the cause which you have suffered the loss of all things, and represent, please put on (not "a pair of do count them but dung" that we may theological spectacles," for there is no preach Christ. Where this spirit of contheology in the question) but a of secration breathes itself into the fiber of

thinking ones, and let the subject rest. the soul and body of that minister who Bro. P. says "indebtedness has ruined has laid it all upon the altar, and has many." So it has, and it as often traps committed his way into the hands of the speech on which depends preaching, for the one in the station as the one on poor Lord by prayer, there is no complaint circuits. We have never known but one that the Bishop and cabinet have unjustly preacher to be handled for being in debt, discriminated against him in favor of disposed to deify his humanity and say and he was on a station. We are sad for some other one. If we through "nature, he is God and could not have sinned. Some knowledge, knowing how to divide a preacher, or any one else, who is hope. as manifested in every feature of Methpent and another to grow in grace. (3) all classes, and does not argue that the cabinet as mere dividers of the loaves The greatest of all requisites: to be Bishop and his cabinet, by unjust dis- and fishes, many a cause may rise for be tempted with evil, neither tempteth crimination or the want of competency, Sent forth with his blessing and promises ministers to the poverty of "a church recting, ruling hand of Providence sendto call men to repent and teach believers mouse." Bro. Price says "they have ing forth these men into those field of hoped and prayed for" releasement from usefulness wherein they may accomplish poor circuits to be sent to rich ones, "but | the most good for the church of God and 1. Unnatural. To be the person the all in vain." Well, if this be true, so the most glory and honor to themselves long as their prayers are not answered, in the eternal world to come, have only God and not sin. The secret of Christ's plains up and down hills, across low and they should not complain. They have cause to "sing the song of Moses, the high water, through rain and drouth; put their cause in the hands of God, who servant of God, and the song of the is able to send the raven or "a fat place," Lamb, saying, 'Great and marvelous are and if he ordains otherwise, they should thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and and you send a woman out without one, read that passage of his word, which true are thy ways, thou King of saints." and she will not be long before some dar- says: "All things work together for good In conclusion, Bro. Price, we would and not as man. "In the beginning was ing fellow intrudes and asks for her com- to them that love God." What right say, inasmuch as these brethren have the Word, and the Word was with God,

is not answered is positive evidence that the Lord regards him in the proper These words were flashed to us June 12 place, and so continues his case from by our beloved friend, A. S. Bradshaw, year to year. The logic of Bro. Price of LaGrange. We read the sad, unexputs the testimony of a prayer-answering God against the "stern necessity every moment more and more of its imof a radical reformation" of stationing port. Memory sad and tearful aided us being owned and blessed of the Lord. have borne the bitter experience can Brother Price may reason very satisfac-4. Unwomanly. As a helpmeet for torily to himself, but until he can convince the Almighty that these prayers life lingered hope still whispered that should be answered, and the Bishop and the dark, hovering angel might yet his cabinet that they do not understand things will continue in the future as they have in the past. Where is the wisdom a missionary teacher and literary and of fighting against God and "the powers must hasten to put out of sight; and Scriptural teacher at home, and so be a that be?" Now Brother P. writes as if while our stricken hearts almost refuse there were two distinct classes in the ministry one for the poor circuits and sit down and communicate it to other Does he not know that every time the appointments are read out some come into stations for the first time, while now in stations will soon give place to and your brother to seek religion, and we others, and gracefully bow to the law of and true, a dutiful son of devoted panot know of pastors who were "as poor will be. I want my mother to stay with as a church mouse," and if, in the cabifather, and be like Sarah. A woman can net his judgment was to continue them if he knew him and his mother. "Yes," in the same old beaten path? But pernecessity for a radical reformation."

ered in more light. Brother Price, in this ADVOCATE of many effective men are driven to the He had no other expectation but that his May 10, comes in a rejoinder to a former necessity of taking a supernumerary re- Master's promises would all come true. lation. Bear in mind, I do not say that In the many mansions, dear young saying "Amen, amen," to part of this they do so unlawfully." Just as well friend, we expect to know you. But we scribe's article, and then conceding a say, "Bear in mind," when a man swears, will sadly miss the warm greeting you part to be true, and begging the he does not "do so unlawfully." This is always extended when next we go to the remaining part of the question. We sup- the way Bro. P. understands Methodist beautiful earth-home you have left desoposed this "great debater" would be able polity after studying it thirty years. The late. That home that ever threw wide to establish his affirmation by arguments law says that "a supernumerary relits doors to God's messengers has been unanswerable, not only convincing this lation shall not be granted by an annual baptized by heavenly visitants, and scribe but the presiding elders and the conference except on the recommenda- though their errand was to bear away Bishops that a great error was committed | tion of a committee consisting of not less | the hope and pride and stay of coming in stationing the preachers, and a "stern than seven members, to be appointed by years, yet no murmur was heard from necessity of a radical reformation" need- the conference, to whom such application | the lips of the father and mother. Thus ed, without a demand of this scribe to shall have been referred, nor shall said does our holy religion sustain and comprove the negative. Let Bro. Price committee, in making up their decision, prove to the Bishop and his cabinet that take into consideration anything else these brethren who are "as poor as a than the personal inability of the applichurch mouse" are better adapted to cant." "Bear in mind," though he may station work than the present incum- have traveled poor circuits and missions, bents, and he will get a hearing. This and be "as poor as a church mouse," his son, die, and on no sadder scene will our is his affirmation, and let him make it family on starvation and his children eyes probably ever rest. The wailing good. He should furnish the Bishop and without education, hopelessly in debt, his cabinet with testimony that they yet he is to say as Paul said, "None of sister and her little ones, to whom he was ing the preachers, and show them the for an effective preacher to get a super- ised to take the place of the wife he had "stern necessity of a radical reforma- numerary relation is to violate his con- lost, and who had been summoned to his tion," and if they fail to see clearly, he science in producing his testimony, or bedside, will never die out of our ears. law.

> relationship when it seems imperative every feature of Methodism," until he doubt if Bro. Price ever gains his case or

"ONE BY ONE!"

"Charles died yesterday at 7 p. m." pected message over and over, realizing in realizing the bitterness of the bereaved parent as he penned the message of his know what it is to sit down and write such words: "Our dear one dead." While spread his wings and leave our darling soul and body, taking from us soul and life and leaving only a cold clay that we to acknowledge the cruel truth, we must missions, and the other for "fat places." loving ones. Here the hand falters to write the dreadful words. How strange they look! Is it not all a horrid dream from which it would be such a joy to all this he "opened not his mouth." He wake? But no; it is a dreadful reality. And Charley Bradshaw is dead! Noble did, and found it. I want my mother to adaptability. I would ask Brother Price, rents, a kind, watchful brother, a genial to him he said: "If thou be the Son of friend, a true Christian, his life had pre- God, command that these stones be made pared him for his last utterance. Knowing he was dying, his father asked him appearance as a man seeking knowledge. he said, "and I expect to know you." fighting consequent upon it by its being lighted, the house built, the church in haps he then did not know of the "stern Grand words that threw a span of hope and at the same time procure food to over the dark chasm soon to stretch be- satisfy his hunger. But he answered tween them. "I expect to know you." Methodist church polity may have ush- Faith threw a light beyond the gloom and silence of the grave into life eternal, Bro. Price says: "I still contend that where they would still know each other. fort in life's darkest hours. Death, with his sickle keen, has entered our choicest circle of friends again and again in the passing year. Not a year ago we saw our noble, generous friend, Louis Robinof the four motherless children, of the should furnish each with a "pair of theo- bribe the committee not to enforce the So much helplessness—and he who was He did not think the "end would justify strong and brave and true to all, lying the means," and did not take the fod-We made no affirmation that the Bro. P. says: "I grant the law forbid; in the grasp of deadly disease, unconbrethren now on our poor circuits were not adaptable to station work, or that the ways enforced. Nature is manifested in

Next we witnessed the long day death agony our sweet Christian friend, without reference to the "has been." enforce law, and not to the material Mrs. Ellen Lane, had to pass through ere she entered the "pearly gates." To her, consciousness was given to the last, and the privilege of parting words to her ten fatherless children, from the mature sons to the sweet young Amelia, on whom not one of nature's sweet sounds have fallen for two years, and her Willie, her latest born. These were her legacy to her elder children. With the same beautiful faith she had shown during her four years of widowhood, she committed her children to the God of the orphan and passed over to the shining shore, where she dwells with that glorified minister of God by whose side she had faithfully toiled and witnessed for Christ. And so, one by one, we pass over, and heaven seems nearer and Christ dearer because of the light of immortality he sheds on the shadowed lives of those left behind.

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P. S .- Since writing the above another sad telegram comes from Brother Bradshaw. It says: "Virginia is dying." Their sweet little babe nearly two years old. God help them.

CHRIST AN EXAMPLE FOR US. For consider him that endured such contra

wearled and faint in your minds .- Heb. xii:3. The Jewish rulers, scribes, and Phari-

sees, denied the divinity of Christ Jesus and ascribed the miracles he performed to the devil, and said he cast out devils by Beelzebub, the prince of devils. But many Christians of the present day are therefore he is not an example for us.

They had as well say he could not have been tempted. "For God cannot complaint; but if, on the other hand, we he any man." But as Christ was take it for granted he could have sinned; therefore he is an example for us, and we should be encouraged to believe as Christ was tempted in all points like as we are, and sinned not, we also may trust in success was he trusted in God and God saved him.

I propose to consider him in his twofold nature as God and man. The works of creation are ascribed to him as God, has the pastor to complain who puts his appealed their cause to God in prayer, and the Word was God. The same was 2. Then, to be natural, after she has re- case into the hands of the Lord by prayer would it not be wise to let it rest where in the beginning with God. All things N. A. KEEN. | were made by him, and without him was

not anything made that was made." St. John i:1-3.

The fourteenth verse refers to his humanity: "The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory as the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." St. Paul tells us, "He was made of a woman." Gal. i:4.

He grew in stature and in wisdom. He hungered, thirsted, wearied and slept as other men. He was ignorant of the time when the temple would be destroyed and when the final judgment would take

"But of that day and that hour knoweth no man. No, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father." Mark xiii:32.

In this language there is a manifest distinction between the human and the divine person. We propose to consider some of the things he endured as a man. He was reviled, but he reviled not again. He was called a Sabbath-breaker. He was called a devil. He was macked and spit upon. He was crucified as a malefactor, and died on the cross. In fasted forty days and forty nights. He was afterward ahungered and tempted of the devil. And when the tempter came bread." The devil, no doubt, made his that would satisfy him that Christ was the Son of God, the Savior of the world, and said: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

This temptation was to induce Christ to distrust the providences of God and use illicit means to procure food to satisfy the cravings of hunger. The argument the devil would offer is, the "end would justify the means;" but how sad the mistake, as many are mistaken in the present day, and claim their necessity ustifies them in the use of illicit means. I will relate a circumstance that I read: A poor man had only one cow, which was the support of his family. He had neither cash nor credit. It was winter devil? and the provender gave out. The milk failed. The family must suffer unless food could be obtained for the cow. His rich neighbor had plenty, and he thought he would supply himself from his neighbor's barn, and return it should repaired after night to his neighbor's dear Son. Col. i:-13. fodder-stack to supply his necessity. He my family will not starve; but if I do not take it, old Browney will die and my | Men may deny that they belong to the family must starve. To take it is wrong; therefore I cannot take it; old Browney will die and my family must starve.' der. The next day there came a wagonload of fodder, with these comforting provided for without doing the wrong. son that was tempted. He trusted in God as did Christ. As the devil was folled in his first onslaught | ed with evil; therefore he cannot sin. he taketh him into the holy city and sitteth him on the pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him: "If thou | could have sinned. be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written he shall give his angels charge concerning thee, and in their

time thou dash thy foot against a stone." Jesus said unto him: "It is written again, thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." In this he was tempted to place himself out of the way of duty and prudent care; presuming on God's protection without warrant from his word, the reach of God's power to save them. They associate with such company and cive to piety—such as the circus, the 1 Cor. x:13. atre, ball-room, drinking saloon, cardtable and such like, "tempting the devil to tempt them."

"Again the devil taketh him up unto an exceeding high mountain; and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them." "And saith unto him: All these will I give thee if thou wilt fall down and worship me.'

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Then saith Jesus unto him. Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him shalt thou serve."

Then the devil leaveth him and angels came and ministered unto him. Christ submitted himself to God-kept within proper limits, therefore the Lord delivered him. He resisted the devil, therefore he left him. This last temptation was to idolatry.

Let each one examine himself and see if he is not worshiping some idol. Self, wealth, honor, church or some ordinance in it.

What a strong temptation: to have the offer of all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them.

How many of the present day would not accept the offer?

One may ask were they his to give? If they were not his, it could not be a temptation. It is placed under the head of temptation, therefore I grant they were

I heard a preacher more than fifty years ago say, "Poor devil, he never had anything but a few hogs, and they all ran violently down into the deep and were drowned." Is that all the devil had? I I think not. As Christ did not charge him with falsehood, we have reason to conclude the devil told the truth. He tells the truth sometimes to induce us to believe a lie. I think if he had not told Mother Eve the truth first, she never could have been induced to believe the

If the kingdoms of the world are not the devil's, what induced the Son of God to leave the glory he had with the Father before the world was, clothe himself in buman flesh, dwell among men, endure a suffering life, die the shameful death of the cross, if it was not to rescue fallen men from the power and dominion of the

St. Paul's mission was to "open the eyes of the people, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God." Acts xxvi:-18. He also speaks of believers as those

who have been translated from the kinghe ever be able to do it. Accordingly he dom of darkness to the kingdom of God's What are the ministers of the gospel

soliloquized in this way: "If I take of the present day laboring for but to this fodder old Browney will not die and rescue sinners from the power and dominion of the devil?

> devil, but Christ said to the Jews: "Ye are of your father. The devil and his lust will ye do." John viii:-44. Christ endured temptation, and was

tempted in allpoints like as we are, as an example for us. As God cannot be tempted with evil,

words: "Old Browney shall not die and neither tempteth he any man; therefore your family shall not starve." He was it was the human and not the divine per-

As the divine person cannot be tempt-

As the man Christ Jesus was tempted with evil, the reasonable inference is, he As Christ did not sin when tempted

"like as we are." what was the secret of his success? He trusted in God, and he hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any saved him, not from temptation, but from sin.

Is it possible that we can resist temptation and sin, not as did Christ?

Yes, verily! "Trust in God."

Hear the promises:

"There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to men, but God as many do, placing themselves out of is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to frequent such places as are not condu- escape that ye may be able to bear it."

Therefore be encouraged by the faithfulness and promises of God, as well as the success of Christ Jesus.

Have faith in God. "Therefore I say unto you what things soever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Mark xi:23, 24.

Therefore when ye are tempted, say to the tempter: "Get thee hence, Satan," and he will leave. "Resist the devil and he will flee from you." Jas. iv:7.

"Consider him that endured such contradictions of sinners against himself lest ye be weary and faint in your minds."

Unless we consider him, we are apt to give up the contest, and be taken captive by the devil at his will. Therefore, consider Christ, and the secret of his success. He trusted in God and sinned not, so may you trust in him, and not sin. Consider the faithfulness of God, who is pledged in your behalf, that he will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye

are able. Be encouraged by the promises of God and the example of Christ.

What more can be say than to you he hath said , You who unto Jesus for refuge have fled.' Then look unto Jesus the author

and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. The joy that was set before him was that he could procure pardon, peace, eternal life, and ultimate "glory at the right hand of the throne of God" for rebel man, by enduring the shame and death on the cross. "Then consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied

and faint in your minds." W. N. BONNER.

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The Advocate should be in family in Texas; especially should its weekly visits cheer | more he advances in the divine life. The the households of those who "new born babe" may be said to have are unable to pay for it. The but one appetite, and that is the craving names of several such persons are now in hand. To this the Word" does not mean the easy porend, an account has been tions of the Scripture, or those parts best opened, and contributions adapted to the novice, but simply the are solicited. All donations pure Word of God. The "new convert" will be acknowledged in the evidently has a desire for the Word of Advocate.

THE ADVOCATE AND POLITICS. The fact that the present is a year of It becomes stronger and more controllpolitical campaigns makes it expedient ing as the Christian character advances to remind our readers and correspond- the new born babe, begins with a desire, ents of the relation of the ADVOCATE to but he does not grow out of the desire political parties. This becomes the for the Word, as the babe grows out of more necessary, perhaps, because of the the appetite for milk. When the babe policy of the ADVOCATE in the prohibi- begins to crave other food, it is a sign tion campaign last summer. This paper when the Christian begins to crave compassion, and among them he found is the advocate of religion and morality other food in preference to the the warmest friends and most faithful in church and state. It will not, how- Word, it is the sign of backsliding desciples. The church that boasts of ever, be necessary to discuss its relation and weakness. As the Christian ad- its aristocratic membership while it negto the church. As to the state, then, the vances in spiritual life he becomes, in his lects the massess is both unwise and un-TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE shall do all in its power to promote good govern- milk of the Word, then, as a new born ment by the advocacy of the principles babe, is the evidence of spiritual man. good presiding elder. A genuine postthe enforcement of all just laws. But this paper can know no political party, as such. We cannot surrender our columns to the support of the Prohibition, Democratic, tian duty and privilege is a cause of Republican, or any other party. It is the spiritual weakness and death. The to tussle with the deficit of his own mission of the ADVOCATE to assist in the spiritual, as the physical man, must be education of public sentiment until the people shall rise up in their sovereign life. That is a dangerous disease that majesty and demand the best legislation | destroys the appetite for food. There are and a rigid enforcement of the law. The conditions in which a man may be uncon-ADVOCATE is not ashamed of the part it took in the prohibition campaign last summer. Under like circumstances, it would follow the same course. It con- Many Christians lose their appetite and tended then for a principle in legislation, and not for a party. The ADVOCATE remains the eternal foe of the saloon, and favors the legal suppression of the liquor traffic, but it is not particular as to what they forget to eat, and it is no uncomparty, or whether any party effects the mon thing for the deceitfulness of riches abolition. It favors a good and well and the cares of this world to destro, enforced Sunday law, but it would not favor or oppose a political party organized for that purpose. If those who cannot see the difference between the advocacy of a principle or a law and the support of a party, choose to remain in their blindness, it will not be the fault of the paper. We do not deny the right nor the propriety of individuals to affiliate with the different political parties, nor to advocate the doctrines and endeavor by all fair means to secure the success of the party to which they belong. For this purpose the secular press and the rostrum are at their command. In the forum, where the parties contend, all have equal rights, or should have We hope, therefore, if any of the brethren wish to give their reasons for differing from the Democratic Convention held at Fort Worth, or to tell why they cannot remain in this or that party, they will communicate their views through some

AN APPETITE FOR THE WORD A SIGN OF GROWTH.

other channel than this paper.

In our efforts to systematize, we frequently mar the natural order of things, thus mystifying rather than explaining. In speaking of the different stages of development in Christian life, we like to represent them as babyhood, childhood and manhood. This is all well enough. and, in fact, is a beautiful illustration;

serious blunders. With this order in mind, we readily interpret the expression babe, when applied to Christians, to mean a "new convert," while, in fact, it is most cases where the babe is used as an illustration, some peculiarity of babes is seized upon to represent a peculiarity or particular characteristic of the Christian character, or of some particular party. The fact illustrated is to be determined by the circumstances of the text. Thus, when the disciples were disputing as to who should be greatest in the kingdom of heaven, the Master placed a little child in the midst, and said: "Whosoever, therefore, shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." In this case the Savior used the simple humility of the child to illustrate the peculiar characteristic of the most advanced Christian character. The child was made to represent, not the "new convert," nor the smallest, but the greatest Christian. St. Paul, in the epistle to the Corintians, makes the babe represent the carnality of those to whom the epistle was addressed: and again, in Hebrews, the ignorance of those who, because of their age, should that the babe does not, in the Scriptures, uniformly represent the "new convert," nor does the child always represent the best qualities of Christian character. With the foregoing explanation, we are prepared to say that Peter does not address the words, 'As new born babes desire the sincere milk of the Word," solely to "new converts." But contrariwise, the more a the home of every Methodist Christian becomes like the "new born babe" in the apostle's illustration, the

of its physical nature for milk. In the words of St. Peter, "The sincere milk of God. The desire comes with the new spiritual nature in regeneration. It grows with the development of the new man.

toward maturity. The Christian, like desire for the Word, more and more like | Christ-like. a new born babe. To desire the sincere hood rather than of spiritual infancy Hence we conclude that a growing love and growth. The neglect of this Chris-

bread and meat are not plentiful and within his reach, but because he has no relish for it-he has lost his appetite. starve to death through neglect of the Word. Negligence is the symptom of a disease that must be checked or the consequences will be fatal. Men become so absorbed in other matters sometimes that the appetite for the "sincere milk of the Word." For this cause the rolls of many churches are filled with names of men and women who have names to live but are dead. Their bodies are moving

nourished with proper food. The Word

of God is the essential food to spiritual

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THE new editor returns thanks to the many friends who have sent congratulations and expressed good wishes for his success in his new field of labor. Though he may not equal, he will endeavor to imitate his predecessors in furnishing the readers of the ADVOCATE with a good paper. His earnest desire is to promote the glory of God in making the ADVOCATE do as much good as possible. To this end he earnestly begs the prayers of all good people.

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the epitaph: "Within lies a soul which

died of starvation."

THE meeting at the Opera House, in this city, last Sabbath afternoon, to take steps to secure a better enforcement of the Sunday law, was a move in the right direction. See full report on fifth page.

We see nothing as yet in any of our Southern exchanges concerning the statement of the Texas Christian Advocate that "the Republican and the negro will never rule the South again, ballot or no ballot, count or no count." Why this silence? We still wait to know whether the religious press of the South will let such a declaration pass unrebuked. The matter is too serious to be passed over in silence. That "ballot or no ballot, count or no count," is pretty serious language for a republic.—Western Advocate.

The above language quoted from this paper was published during the edito- part of those who have the training of rial interregnum of the ADVOCATE, and was intended, no doubt, as a humorous matter they read. Many are the worthy but when we bring this arrangement to rebuke of the unchristian thrust at the efforts being made to occupy the minds the Scriptures, and endeavor to arrange South in an impertinent question of Zite of the young with proper reading matter, on's Herald. Some of our Northern by organizing reading circles and such life under it, we are liable to fall into brethren, however, are taking it very like. All' such efforts deserve the ap-

South has been guilty of one great elec- has been called to the organization of a tion fraud for which she has been heartily rarely, if ever, used in that sense. In sorry ever since. The most gigantic elec- tion of good reading for boys and girls. tion fraud ever perpetrated in the South was by the Louisiana Returning Board. who foisted upon the country a President not elected by the people. There is some consolation, however, in the fact that our Northern friends generally acquiesced and accepted the results in all good (?) conscience. Now, if the brethren will accept our confession and repentance, we will promise on our part that when election frauds and corrupt balloting cease at the North, the South shall have reached the goal in advance.

DR. J. W. HEIDT, Regent of the Southwestern University, is a shrewd business man. He came into this office last week, and laid on our table the catalogues of the University and Annex, but before we had time to examine the documents, he borrowed them, and we have not been able to lay eyes upon them since. In the absence of the catalogues, however, we will say they were gotten up in a neat and attractive style, and show have been teachers. So that it is plain thrift and get-up upon the part of the management. The University is prosperous, but needs a half million endowment. Why can not the Methodists of Texas plank down at least a hundred thousand before the 1st of January, 1889? What do people want with money but to do good with it? "If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?"

THE revival season is a good time to work for the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVO-CATE. Every new convert ought to have have it. Every lukewarm and backslidden member ought to have it. In fact, people ought to have it. Cannot we add ought to have it. ten thousand new subscribers before the annual conferences meet this fall? What say you, brethren? Let every reader help circulate the paper.

OUR Lord Jesus Christ always showed his sympathy for the masses. He had compassion on them when hungry, sick, or in distress. It was the aristocratic scribe and the self-righteous Pharisee that received his severest rebukes. This because they had more light, better advantages, and therefore less excuse for their sins. In them the Master found the greatest opposition to his mission. compassion, and among them he found

BLESSED is the preacher who has a charge like an oasis in the desert. A for the reading and study of God's Word presiding elder who looks after the temis an infallible proof of spiriritual life poral as well as the spiritual things of the church, who helps to raise the collections, who does not leave the preacher salary at the end of the year, and who endeavors to have a sufficient amount assessed in the beginning, who does not abuse the stewards every quarter, but who encourages and assists them to perform their duties, and who looks after all the institutions of the church, and preaches the gospel in the power of the Holy Ghost, will be a benefactor to each charge in his district at least four times a year. The church will be confirmed in doctrine and edified in experience at each quarterly visit, while the preaching of the gospel will be the power of God unto salvation. As long as the office is filled with such men it will never become unpopular among Methodists.

> How the Rev. John Adams, D. D., of the East Texas Conference, helped to write a book is related in the subjoined letter from Dr. J. M. Boland, author o the "Problem of Methodism," and will be interesting to the friends of Dr. Adams:

It is due Rev. John Adams, D. D., as well as myself, to state that, in preparing the first part of the eleventh chapter of the "Problem of Methodism," I utilized an article of Dr. A., which appeared in the TEXAS ADVO-CATE some time last fall. As I wanted to make some changes and additions, I did not insert quotation marks, except where he had quoted Mr. Wesley. I intended to put a foot note, acknowledging my indebtedness to Dr. Adams, but neglected to do so at the time. In reading the proof, I noticed the omission, but the paper containing the article had been nisplaced, or destroyed, and I could not re call the name of the author. On yesterday, received a letter from Rev. U. B. Philips, calling my attention to the matter, and giving me the name of the author. I wrote immedi ately to the book agent to have the foot note inserted, but I fear the second edition has already gone to press-hence I write this card, which you will please publish, and oblige, J. M. BOLAND. yours truly.

LIVINGSTON, ALA., July 5, 1888. Good reading matter is food to the mind and soul. It enlarges and strengthens the intellect and at the same time quickens the conscience, and develops the moral and religious faculties. To feed and clothe the body is important, but to feed mind and heart is as much more important as these are of greater value than the body. Nothing demands more careful attention upon the the young than the selection of the

seriously. If it will be any comfort to proval and aid of all who are interested them, we are willing to confess that the in the good of the race. Our attention national reading circle for the promounder the direction of Dr. Lyman Abbott, and others. We bid them Godspeed.

COMPARATIVELY, the names of only a few men are found in the written history of church or state. The history of the world might be written in the biography of a few characters. This is true. not because these men are the only important factors of history, but because they are representative characters. It is not because they possess something peculiar to themselves as distinct from the race, but because they contain more of the race than others. They gather up into themselves more that is common to the whole people. For this reason they become leaders of men. It is very human to judge men and principles by our own peculiarities. So it happens that the man who contains in himself the peculiarities common to the greatest number, will, of course, please the greatest number. He will have the most extended influence over his fellows. His biography will be a history of the people because his life has been the expression of the sentiments of the masses. Such a man lives under no little responsibility. When he uses his vast powers for good, he is truly a public benefactor. He is a great man. Abraham embraced in his character so much that is common to all believers that he is called the father of the faithful. The lives of such men are a common inheritance. Their biographies should be written for the study of present and future generations. Such a man was the late Dr. J. B. McFerrin. He was truly a man of the people, and his it. Every reclaimed backslider ought to influence was used for the betterment of mankind. We commend his biography as an inheritance worthy the possession all Methodists and a good many other of all our people. Every Methodist

> THE friends of the ADVOCATE will not consider it immodest in us to publish the following from the Rev. R. Crawford, one of the fathers and veterans of Texas Methodism:

THAT PLEASANT BOW-OR SALUTATORY Editor Advocate:

I cannot refrain from some kind of reponse to that pleasant and graceful Bow to your readers.

You say you extend to us the right hand with your heart in it, in hope of a lasting friendship; and you ask: "What say you, is the greeting reciprocated?" We answer yes, and underscore a thousand times yes, so far as this writer is concerned. We earnestly pray that the glory of God may be promote the continued prosperity of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE. May it continue to be a bond of union for Texas Methodism.

During the years that are past the ADVO ATE has been a great power in the land for good. Its several editors and associate editors have acted well their parts. To these heroic brethren the people of the State owe a debt of gratitude. Our hearty thanks to them and also to the publishers should be

Without the ADVOCATE, where would Texahave been to-day? Without the ADVOCATE what have we as a mighty breakwater to meet and stay the vast and overwhelming floods of corruption, of worldliness and of low infidelity in a thousand forms; its ; low, whooping nowling hords of licentiousness and libertin sm, led on by our better educated politica eaders, ringing out their orders to scourge and rsecute the preachers and the church with ut regard to sex?

The ADVOCATE was not only a vast fortres and breakwater to stay the tide, but it was also an aggressive force.

From the sanctum of the editor-in-chief. econded by his veteran associates, comes the 'What of the night?" and the battle cry ringing along down the lines, echoed by the voice and pen of a thousand brave correspon preads dismay along the lines of the enemy

But I must hold, and restrain my pen. at dow merely to give you a hearty welcom And with all my heart I bid you welcome to the tripod. I trust the selection is Provider tial-the right man in the right place. I am glad you are there. May God bless you and the ADVOCATE a thousandfold.

Your old friend and brother, R. CRAWFORD. FRANKLIN, TEXAS.

FIFTEEN MINUTES WITH THE PRESS What the Papers Think and Say.

THE Philadelphia Methodist, after advising all citizens to get all needed information before deciding between the different political parties, gives the following warning and good advice:

But in gaining the needed information it wil But in gaining the needed information it will not be necessary for our members to become connected with political clubs, to spend their evenings in parading the streets or congregating in saloons to the neglect of the church and its ordinances, and to the loss of their spirituality, if not of their place in the company of God's people. Let our young men, especially, be on their guard lest this election campain prove their ruin.

THE following extracts and comments are from the Dallas News:

The Goliad Church News, a monthly jou al published in the interest of Goliad station Iethodist Episcopal Church, South, says: The old time class-meeting form has disappeared. Don't forget that \$1 out of that \$10 you made belongs to the Lord. The old two-bit quarterly plan must go. It has starved preachers and their families about long

When this writer was a little Sunday-school cholar he thought the word quarterly meant that church members should pay the preacher 25 cents every three months. In those good old days a Methodist preacher was supposed to receive \$100 a year. The Church News is for tithes. It says:

If Goliad Methodist Church paid to the Lord's cause according to the lowest Christian basis the total income of all the members, (it must be gross, not net.) would be \$13,372. Two thousand acres of Goliad county land planted in corn at 40 cents a bushel would make more than the \$13,373. Brethren, there is something weens. What is it? Read there is something wrong. What is it? Readalachi iii:8-13 and Luke xx:25.

THE opinion of the Richmond Advocate on the relation of church authority to civil government may be gathered from the following:

The time has come for every religious bod to show its hand on this momentous question in which all civilized nations are interested

Is church authority competent to require civil rulers, or their popular constituents, to adopt and maintain any special legislation? Is it divinely entitled to determine for the subject or the citizen, where the supreme sovereignty inalienably resides? If several parties claim to represent that sovereignty, may the church point out the best title and force the conscience to accept it? The answer to these questions is a criterion of a true advocate of the rights of man. Rome has always affirmed these prerogatives, and now claims them again in Ireland. Protestant sects generally repudiate them with more or less distinctness; but whilst professing to renounce them, even in our own country, they have sometimes allowed themselves to be drawn into inconsistent action by popular clamor, as notably appeared during the late civil war.

A CHURCH member who is more at home at a theater or a card party than at a prayer-meeting or in the councils of Christian workers, gives but little evidence of regeneration. Every real child of God is allied by inward sympathy to the things of the kingdom. He loves the things that God loves and hates the things that God hates. Similarity of feeling with God is the test of of the new birth.—Words and Weapons.

This, from the Pittsburg Advocate, is none too strong in stating the estimate that should be put upon the pulpit. We believe that the preachers of to-day, as a class, in learning, oratory, the ability to instruct and entertain, will compare favorably with any other class of men:

vorably with any other class of men:

Aside from the spiritual benefit derived from listening to the earnest discourses of the occupants of the pulpits of the land, there is great mental benefit obtained. The ministers of to-day, as a class, are among the most cultured men to be found. Years have been given to study, preparatory to their work, and the result of these years of training is found in their sermons. Twice a day discourses are delivered arranged according to the rules of logic, couched in good language, adorned by the beauties of rhetoric, marked by quotation and allusion, and the effect upon those who hear must be mentally quickening. Knowledge is imparted and a relish given for thought which otherwise would never have been received. If there was no other reason, the church is worthy of the support of men because of this fact.

THE Weslevan Advocate rejoices that so many of our people can take advantage of summer resorts, and spend a little while from home during the hot weather, but follows those who go with the following exhortation:

The lovers of Jesus Christ who do go away should not forget him or his commandments amid new surroundings and the forming of so many new acquaintances. Their surrounding will require great watchfulness, much prayer, lest they enter into temptation. Opportunities of usefulness will open to them—opportunities to speak and warn—above all, opportunities for showing in our life the spirit of him whom at home we dare not dishonor. If your vacation strengthens you in mind or body for the Lord's work, for usefulness, the money spent is a first rate investment; if it makes you weary in body—less loving toward men—less loyal to Christ Jesus, it is an unspeakable curse.

THE following from the Christian Neighbor contains good doctrine for all

Number ten of the sixteen fundamental principles of Democracy as laid down by Hon. Patrick Collins in the recent St. Louis Convention: the honest payment of our debts and the preservation of our public faith.

Now let the builders and guardians of that platform see to it that no candidates for any office be permitted to stand or even step upon it who does not or has not paid all his honest debts. This may relieve the structure of considerable weight. Let the platform be of sound planks and clean withal. Let none but honest men have a standing on any of the sixteen planks.

THERE is an idea, far too prevalent, that productive toil on the part of woman is a disparagement to her dignity. A sillier and more senseless idea never entered the brain of mortals whether male or female. tals, whether male or female. A woman must have her passage through life paid by some-body. Is there any good reason why she should have an absolutely free ticket? None whatever. She owes to the world at least an equivalent for what she gets from it.-Inde-

THE New Orleans Advocate expresses itself thus about manipulations in revival services:

We are of the firm opinion, after having seen a good deal of this thing, and having heard a good deal from others of its after effects, that its tendency is to make religion a superficial formality. It cannot be a substitute for the power of the Divine Spirit working in the depths of the human consciousness. It ought to be banished from all our churches, and in its place let the simple gospel of the Son of God that the preacher learns on his knees in the agony of prayer be proclaimed fully and freely.

MANY persons say they attend church to hear preaching. This is right and proper, as far as it goes, but this is not all for which they should go, nor is it the primary reason. Primarily they should attend for the purpose of worshiping the Almighty Father, for adoration, supplication and intercession, for meditation, introspection, self-examination, etc., and the hymns, the prayers and the sermon be called in as assistants to teach us how, and in what spirit, our worship and service should and the hymns, the prayers and the series be called in as assistants to teach us how, in what spirit, our worship and service she be performed.—St. Louis Advocate.

Too much dependence upon a revival is a snare of the devil. What can be more fatal to plety, more hindering to the success of the gospel, and more discouraging to Christlan workers than the common sentiment that nothing can be accomplished in saving work until a revival comes? Alas! too many think they must wait for a revival to get into the enjoyment of religion, and that religious life must decline when the revival has gone! Does God come and go with a revival? How absurd! The design of a revival is to quicken our perception of God's presence, to lead us to him, to give tone and strength to our faith in him, and to familiarize us with his work in human souls. It is to prepare our minds for in him, and to iamiliarize us with his work in human souls. It is to prepare our minds for daily communion with God, and to get us to going to him habitually and continuously. It is to show us what may exist always, because He is always at hand—never asleep, never weary, and never too much occupied with other matters to bless us and to save sinners.—Florida Advocate.

THE Treasury has this to say about preferring culture to character:

ferring culture to character:

This is one of the dangers of the intellectualism of the present day. There is an insidiousness in the acquisition of knowledge when it is not braced upon principle that tends to pride and to a forgetfulness of Him who is the source of all light, which often works unspeakable mischief both to mind and heart. This desire for knowledge, without any sanctifying restraints either in the mode of its acquirement or in its use by the possessor, seemed to dominate Eve when she listened to the tempter who assured her that by following his advice she would be as a god, knowing both good and evil. Knowledge without holiness cannot ultimately benefit any creature; it only makes the one who has gained it more fitted for the agency of evil, and if it remains it only makes the one who has gained it more fitted for the agency of evil, and if it remains unaccompanied with holiness tends to make the individual a "wandering star to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever." The cultivation of the heart should therefore go hand in hand with that of the mind and holiness be kept abreast with culture.

PERSONALS.

-Rev. G. C. Kelley, of the Louisville Conference, has been made a D. D. by the Kentucky Wesleyan College. -Bishop Granbery, of the Methodist Church.

South, has gone to South America, taking his own daughter as a missionary. -Rutherford College, Methodist Church,

South, has conferred the degree of D. D. upon Rev. Robert "Bogus" of California. for the meeting of the North Carolina Con-ference from November 31 to November 28, —Br. S. L. Baldwin, of Boston, Mass.,

formerly a missionary in China, has been elected recording secretary of the Methodist Missionary Secretary.

-Rev. Michael Dickey and wife, of Richmond, Va., and Rev. E. A. Tilly, of the Holston Conference, accompany Bishop Granbery and daughter as missionaries to Brazil.

-Richmond Advocate: The Vanderbilt University is considering the admission of young women. The co-education of the sexes was the custom in "auld lang syne," at the old field schools, but the pedagogue had a bundle of birches within reach. -Mr. Harrison, the evangelist, closed his

revival labors in the Jane Street Methodist Episcopal Church, New York, last Sunday night. The results are said to be 1700 conver-sions since January. Mr. Harrison goes next to the John Street Methodist Episcopal

-Centenary College, Louisiana, has conferred the degree of D. D. on Rev. B. Carradine of the Louisiana Conference, and Rev. W. B. Murrah of the North Missippi. Rev. W. L. C. Hunnicut, D. D., presiding elder of the Vicksburg district, was elected president of the college. -At Emory and Henry College, which is

the alma mater of Rev. Sam Small, he preached the baccalaureate sermon to an immense audience. During the summer he will co-operate with Mr. Jones in camp-meeting work at various places in the North. In July they will be at Red Rock camp-ground, near Minneapolis, Minn.

Nashville Advocate: Bishop Wilson and compagnons de voyage, Mrs. Hayes and Miss Baker, have returned from London. The Bishop was punctual at meal-time on the out-ward voyage, but his fellow-passengers ex-hibited some of that peculiar "sentimental-ity" that sometimes takes hold of landlubbers when they feel the motion of a ship on the rolling deep. The whole party will be grate-fully welcomed home.

-Nashville Advocate: Emory College has laid hands upon the Junior Editor of this paper, conferring on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity, and electing him to the presidenor Divinity, and electing him to the presidency of that noble old school of the prophets. The unanimity and cordiality of the call to go back to Georgia, and all the attendant circumstances, constrain Dr. Candler to accept, and he will soon enter upon the duties of his new position. We (the Senior Editor) feel a protound interest, both personal and official, in this transaction, but forbear further remark

SOUTHERN METHODIST NEWS.

-The M. E. Church, South, is said to have nore English-speaking members in New Mexico than any other church.

-Our brethren in Montana are taking steps towards starting a church school and expect

soon to have a conference organ. -Southwestern Methodist: Rev. E. B. Chappell, of San Antonio, Texas, made us a call Tuesday. He left the city Tuesday night for a short sojourn in Wisconsin.

-Dr. McAnally, editor of the St. Louis Advocate, thinks that Episcopal Methodism in this country should be divided into four General Conference jurisdictions. One in the Eastern, one in the Middle, one in the South-ern and one in the Western States.

-Holston Methodist: Gov. Lee, of Virginia, has pledged his State to pay one hundred thousand dollars toward the erection of the proposed cathedral at Hot Springs. N. C. Vell your faces, O, ye patriots of the Old Do-

-Southwestern Methodist: Bishop E. R. Hendrix left Kansas City on the the 2d for Northfield, Mass., to which place he is invited by D. L. Moody, for ten days service, in the meetings which are held for the special benefit of college students. The Bishop also expects to be at Toronto, Canada, on the 15th, to fill the pulpit of Dr. Stafford.

-The St. Louis Advocate combines the figures and makes this showing for Methodism: "The Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, report an cal preachers and 3,100,312 lay members, with an increase in one single year of 481,838; with churches and parsonages valued at more than churches and parsonages valued at more than \$109,803,276. The reports for 1857-8 are not yet made in full, but enough to show that the increase has been large, so that the aggregate will probably reach near to three and a half millions in these two branches alone. Then there are three branches of Episcopal Methodism among the colored people, whose aggregate membership reaches nearly or quite half a million, and a large number of non-Episcopal Methodists, and yet it has been only 122 years since the first Methodist society was organized in this country, and 104 years since the erganization of the Methodist Episcopal Church. This wondrous growth has been owing, under the Divine blessing, to the preaching of the doctrine of free grace—a healthful discipline and the system of itineracy."

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So Cain killed Abel, and will kill him to the end of the world, spite of all preachers and moralists, but now in a cunning enough way to escape the gaoler and gibbet. But he will kill him! The man who lost the prize for which his essay was written will kill the man whose essay was accepted: he will sneer at him, and a sneer may be murder. The man who lost the election, being "defeated, not disgraced," will kill the man who got in; he will shrug a shoulder when his name is up, and a shrug may be homicide! You and I may have killed a good many people, and a good many people may have tried to kill us. They will take away our trade; they will say unkind things of us; they will close an eye or pucker a lip villainously, and then dry their mouths as those who have been drinking in secret. It is very horrible; it smells sulphurously. Hell cannot be far away, and we are not to windward .- Joseph Parker.

WE have been watching the matter with considerable carefulness for some years and we are fully persuaded that in nothing does the true Christian spirit of a church manifest itself more in the respect and attention shown the man who serves them as pastor. The true church will always be jealous of the character of their pastor, and they will all do what they can to make his work pleasant and profitable. No true pastor will ever seek to be coddled; and no true pastor is ever helped by unchristian treatment. If he be worthy the position he is trying to fill, he deserves the sympathy and full co-operation of the membership. If he is not, then the thing to do is to ask him to resign and make way for one who is; and then the thing for the church to do is to stand by him and help him. Nor is this all; they will be careful for their pastor's health. They will see to it that he have a time, at least once a year, to take a little rest. And in order to that end they will see that his salary, at least, is paid so he can do so. It is a mistake to suppose that a man can go right on doing good work year in and year out

without any respite from the round of was enforced dropped till its stock was duties that have to be met every week | quoted at 12 cents on the dollar. by the faithful pastor. But in all this we assume that the pastor has done his work in such a way as to both need and Baptist.

"I FEAR that when we indulge ourselves in the amusement of going without a religion, we are not, perhaps, aware how much we are sustained at present by an enormous mass all about us of religious feeling and religious convictions, so that, whatever it may be safe for us to think—for us who have had great advantages, and have been brought up in such a way that a certain moral direction has been given to our character— I do not know what would become of the less favored classes of mankind if they undertook to play the same game.

"Whatever defects and imperfections may attach to a few points of the doctrinal system of Calvin-the bulk of which was simply what all Christians believe-it will be found that Calvinism, or any other ism which claims on open Bible and proclaims a crucified and risen Christ, is infinitely preferable to any form of polite and polished skepticism. which gathers as its votaries the degenerate sons of heroic ancestors, who, having been trained in a society and educated in schools the foundations of which were laid by men of faith and piety, now turn and kick down the ladder by which they have climbed up, and persuade men to live without God, and leave them to die without hope.

"The worst kind of religion is no religion at all, and these men living in ease and luxury, indulging themselves in the amusement of going without religion, may be thankful that they live in lands where the gospel they neglect has tamed the beastiiness and ferocity of the men who, but for Christianity, might long ago have eaten their carcasses like the heads and tanned their hides like the monsters of the French Revolution. When the microscopic search of skepticism, which had hunted the heavens and sounded the seas to disprove the existence of a Creator, has turned its attenwhere a decent man can live in despoiled and unpolluted; a place where ed, and human life held in due regard; men are dependent upon the religion they enjoy, they may well hesitate a little before they seek to rob the Christian of his hope, and humanity of its faith in that Savior who alone has given to man likelihood of meeting at the same hour that hope of life eternal which makes life tolerable and society possible, and robs death of its terrors and the grave of its gloom .- James Russell Lowell.

ABOUT THE SUNDAY LAW QUESTION.

The meeting at the opera house yesterterday afternoon, to encourage resistance to the violation of the Sunday law was largely attended by a respectable and appreciative audience of both sexes. The Rev. Mr. Hanks, in calling the assembly to order, delivered one of his pointed addresses, in the course of which he inferentially charged the authorities with compounding misdemeanor by permitting gambling to be conducted as long as the gambler comes up once a month and pays the fine of \$10. "I have been told," he added, "that some of the members of the present city council, who have made the present Sunday law correspond with the State law on the subject have been known to adjourn after midnight on Saturday night and then, in violation of their own law, spend at least an hour in a bar-room before they go home. Mr. Hanks thought that if the bosses behaved in that way, there should not be much expected of the subalterns, or to slightly transpose the characters in a quotation from Virgil: Quid fures facient, audent quum talia domini. He recommended the inauguration of a law and order movement. All he asked for was the enforcement of law, and the official recreant to his duty should go down to his political grave. [Applause.]

The Rev. Samuel J. Anderson, pastor of the East Dallas Baptist Church, was then introduced to the audience by Mr. Hanks, and he proceeded to deliver a long address, in which he economized superlatives while discoursing from hygienic, economic and religious standpoints on the importance of observing the Lord's day. Under the first head he cited scientific authority to prove that a man loses a sixth of an ounce of oxygen every day he labors, making an ounce for six days, all of which would be restored by rest on Sunday. In this way he presented a reconciliation of science and religion and evidence of divine benevolence. He also cited authority from actual experiment in evidence of the proposition that more labor can be performed in six days with one day's rest, than in seven continuous days' labor. Placing his proposition on a broader basis, he instanced the case of a railroad. on which Sunday labor was forbidden,

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Mr. Anderson paid his respects to the press in a delicate way. There were two communities, he said—one of them havdeserve a rest. There are pastors who ing five and the other six families. The never come up to that point .- Indiana first community observed the Sunday law and the children grew up to be Chrisans; but the six families spent their time in hunting and playing base-ball. You picked up a paper to read about those communities and you learned how Bob was struck out on the fig. You got two or three columns about that community and you saw nothing about the Sunday law community, and were told as a reason why that people would not read religious news. "Some people," he said, wanted to read about such matters; but they did not read it in the morning papers because it was not there." He accused the United States of working 150,-000 people in the postal department on Sunday, something England did not do, and yet the great commercial interests of London did not seem to suffer. Mr. Auderson was quite sure that the Sunday law was not being enforced. He had been holding Sunday-school at Shady View Park, but on last Sunday a man told him he wanted to sell beer there, and that the park was not fit for Sunday-

school business, anyhow.

At the conclusion of Mr. Anderson's

address the choir sang, "Hold the Fort." The Rev. A. P. Smith, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, was the last speaker. He read the Sunday law and then proceeded: "We do not want any better law than that, and we are here to ask that it be enforced. That is all the request we have to make of the officers; and when I say request do not understand me as saying that those officers are our masters and not our servants. Being our servants, have we not the right to expect them to stand squarely on the statutes and carry out the obligations of their official oath? Is it not a fact that any policewan, sheriff or sheriff's deputy can any Sunday, between sensor Convention like at Francis Chapet last Saturday. There were about two hundred people present. The essays, speeches and recitations of the young people were good. An excellent dinner on the ground refreshed the physical man. Altogether, it was a good thing. Hope good was done for the Sunday-school cause. South Sea Islanders, or cut off their fact that any policeman, sheriff or now and night, fill his jails with criminals?" The reverend speaker, commenting on the alleged practice of waiting for indictment or affidavit before action, wanted to know if a policeman fluding a tion to human society, and has found a man in a stable while the householder place on this planet ten miles square slept, would consider it his duty to wait for the affidavit of the sleeping housecency, comfort and security, sup. holder before arresting the horse thief. porting and educating his children un. Speaking of the violation of the law, he said there was a house in Dallas that age is reverenced, infancy respected, worked its employes until 12 o'clock en manhood respected, womanhood honor. Sunday. Dr. Smith said that no man would do more for Dallas than he, but he when skeptics can find such a place ten miles square on this globe, where the Gospel of Christ has not gone and cleared the way and laid the foundation and made decency and security possible, it will then be in order for the skeptical literate to more thanks and the overthrow of morals. He would refer to the skeptical literate to more thanks and the overthrow of morals. He would and generous. Seeing that ren are very kind and generous. Seeing that I much needed a better system of theology, Bro. J. C. Caviner presented me the first volume of Dr. Summers' Systematic Theology, for which I gave thanks through the Abvo-CATE. Now, on the first day of July, 1888, here comes the indefaticable John W. Murphey with a grin on his face, like the poor man's lease, with volume second, and saying: "Bro. Smith, do you want this?" Well I did, and was not looked a better system of theology, broadly and the post of the turbin thanks through the Abvo-CATE. Now, on the first day of July, 1888, here comes the indefaticable John W. Murphey with a grin on his face, like the poor man's lease, with volume second, and saying: "Bro. Smith, do you want this?" Well I did, and generous. Seeing that the control of the turbin that the post of the turbin thanks through the Abvo-CATE. Now, on the first day of July, 1888, here comes the indefaticable John W. Murphey with a grin on his face, like the poor man's lease, with volume second, and saying: "Bro. Smith, do you want this?" Well I did, and the overtheen the poor man are very kind and generous. Seeing that the control of the turbin the control of the turbin the control of the turbin that the control of the turbin that the control of the turbin the control of the control will then be in order for the skeptical literate to move thither and there ventilate their views. But so long as these enforce the laws, we will make you with which they d.scard for every privilege a spade dig your official graves, and with the greatest pleasure we will fill them

and place next Sunday .- Dallas News.

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THE HOME CONFERENCES.

The meeting then adjourned, with the

Personal. -- Rev. J. H. Collard, of Ennis station, and

Rev. Jno. S. Davis, of Red Oak circuit, called at the ADVOCATE office.

-The Rev. Jerome Haralson, D. D., leaves this week his home in Weatherford for a month's work in the Panhandle. -C. J. Sherwood, July 5: On account of family and personal affliction I have given up

my work at Atlanta, and my postoffice is now Black Jack Grove, Hopkins county, Texas. -J. D. Crockett, Salado, Texas, July 5: Capt. Fowler died yesterday about 7 p. m. His remains were carried to Burnet county to-day to be buried their. He was a very old citizen.

-We learn from a private note that our old friend and veteran of Texas Methodism, Rev. R. Crawford, has been quite sick, but are glad to announce that he is now convalescent. May his life be prolonged many years yet to bless the church of his love.

-The Rev. B. H. Bounds, of Grapevine cir. cuit, called at our office on his way from Forney, where he has been assisting in a protracted meeting. He reports twenty conversions, and the meeting growing in interest. -Quitman College, Arkansas, has again manifested good taste by honoring a member of the Northwest Texas Conference with the

title of D. D. The worthy recipient of the honor this time is the Rev. Jerome Haralson, presiding elder of Weatherford district. -The Rev. R. M. Shelton, of the Northwest Texas Conference, with whom Bishop Duncan has supplied the Marshall station for the remainder of this year, begins his pastoral labors in his new field this week. He will find an apostolic church and an appreciative people at Marshall. May God abundantly bless pastor and people.

preaches as often as his strength will permit, and there is a greater demand for his pulpit labors than he is able to supply. He is one of our sweet-spirited and active old men. His wife's health at present is not very good. We pray that it may improve.

J. F. Riggs, G. A. LeClere, W. A. Pope, H. H. discipline the coming annual conference will close the official labors on Marshall district of our presiding elder, Bro. R. W. Thompson; and, whereas, this district conference wishes to express officially its high regard for Bro. Thompson during all the four years past and in all the relations he has sustained to our recorder; therefore,

people; therefore
Resolved 1, That this district conference
bear united testimony to the constant and
uniform efficiency of Bro. Thompson in the
discharge of all his official duties and the universally popular administration of church
discipline during his term of office.

2. That the earnest prayers of this district
conference are hereby tendered him and his
devoted partner and sharer in itinerant toil
wherever the providence of God and the voice
of the church may designate.

[Resolutions came too late to be included
with report of district conference,—ED.]

-E. R. Large, July 2: We are in the midst of a great revival in the town of Lawndale. that prospered, while another railroad on which the desecration of the Sabbath others will join to-night. Unfortunate-

ly I will have to leave in the morning to go to district conference at Mineola. We are expecting Bro. Stanley, of Kaufman, to-night—hope he will come. The interest in the meeting is gathering every day.

Flatonia. -J. M. Armstrong, July 4: Our meeting is still in progress. God has been with us in

San Saba. -T. F. Dimmitt, July 5: We have a fine meeting in progress at this place.

Moody. -G. W. Owen, July 2: We are in the midst of a good meeting at this place. We had eight conversions last night and the Lord is still with us. Bro. S. P. Wright left us yesterday. Bro. Sam Morriss has just come in. Bro. Hearne has been with us all the

Sabinal Circuit.

-F. J. Perrin, Utopia, July 3: Have had a profitable week at Hondo City, assisted by Bros. Wright and Kingsbury; interest good from first to last. Ten accessions; church revived, and \$555.00 subscribed towards building a church house. The Lord was with us. Burnet.

-D. H. Dickey, June 29: During the week of prayer and self-denial we collected \$23.95.

-Leon Sonfield, Alto, July 5: Just closed a meeting at this place. Result: about twelve conversions and four accessions to the church, with more to follow. Some will join other churches. Bros. Alexander, Smith and Little rendered efficient service. ADVOCATE takes well on this circuit; have secured this year fifteen new subscribers, and expect many more. God bless the new editor. May his election prove a blessing to the church—and it will. a blessing to the church-and it will.

Round Mountain.

-R. M. Leaton, July 3: Our third Sunday school Convention met at Francis Chape

Weimar.

-T. B. Graves, July 7: I closed my meeting here in June with twenty additions to the church, with more, perhaps, to follow. The church is revived. We thank God and take courage. Our recruits range in age fron nine to about seventy years. Praise God! while the youth are privileged to consecrate their young lives to him, there is salvation for the hoary-headed just in time to escape the eternal penalty of a violated law. Bros. J. M. Armstrong, of Flatenia, and M. S. Hotchkiss, of Columbus, rendered valuable service in the meeting. The Lord wonderfully blessed their labors. Thanks to these dear brethren, but glory to God. orethren, but glory to God.

Mountain Springs. -John B. Smith, July 3: My local brethren are very kind and generous. Seeing that

Grapeland Circuit.

-W. P. Pledger, July 7: We have just closed a very interesting meeting at Chappell closed a very interesting meeting at Chappell Hill, which was the first for Grapeland circuit this year, and the first 1 was ever in as a "minister of the gospel of Christ." There were three souls converted to God and eight added to the church. Religion was revived in the hearts of God's children, and they were made to rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Bro. Whitescarver, a local preacher of my circuit, and Bro. Scrugs, did us good service. Our third quarterly meeting was held at Grapeland, on the 2d of June, (Monday). Financial reports were meager, but thanks to God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that preceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Midlothian.

-Sam J. Franks, June 30: We are having grand revival in Midlothian. Bro. Abe a grand revival in Midlothian. Bro. Abe Mulkey spent ten days with us, visiting from house to house, telling his experience, praying with the people, and using every other means possible to win them to Christ. He is a power in his line. Not a preacher, yet he preaches many things in his exhortation. He is in labor abundant. He wins all hearts, both old and young-specially the young. I would say to the brethren in Texas, where he proposes to work for a while, get him in your charge. He will do you good and not harm. He will stir the church as it has not been for many days. Our prayers follow him wherever he goes. Our meeting still going on; between thirty and forty conversions, and the church greatly revived. Praise the Lord.

-The following is an extract from a lette written to the presiding elder of the Weather ford district, by Bro. J. T. Hosmer, who has charge of Vernon mission. We publish it as an interesting item of missionary news: We have on the Vernon mission sixteen ap-We have on the Vernon mission sixteen appointments, with seven organized societies and a membership of about one hundred. I preach to good and attentive congregations at my week day appointments, which are eleven in number. I am glad that I can report the general state of the church good. Have received fourteen into the church and baptized three children. About seventy-five per cent, of the heads of families hold family prayers. We have five prayer-meetings, which are generally well attended. We have ten Sunday-schools under the supervision of our church in Vernon mission, all well supplied with our literature, with about five hunten Sunday-schools under the supervision of our church in Vernon mission, all well supples pastor and people.

The Rev. Thos. Stanford, one of the fathers in the Northwest Texas Conference, reports his health moderately good. He preaches as often as his strength will permit, and there is a greater demand for his pulpit labors than he is able to supply. He is one of our sweet-spirited and active old men. His wife's health at present is not very good. We pray that it may improve.

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"Do you know, Mary. I once actually contemplated suncide?" "You horrify me, Mrs. B. Tell me about it." "I was suffering from chronic weakness. I believed myself the most unhappy woman in the world. I looked ten years older than I really was, and I felt twenty. Life seemed to have nothing in it worth living for." "I have experienced all those symptoms myself. Well?" "Well, I was saved at the eleventh hour from the commission of a deed which I shudder to think of. A friend advised me to take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I did so. In an incredibly short time I felt like a new being. The 'Prescription' cured me, and I owe Dr. Pierce a debt of gratitude which I can never repay."

Victoria District.

I. T. Morris, July 4: In making my report of the Victoria District Conference I failed to give a part of the report of the Com- more interested in church matters since the mittee on Finance. The omission is as follows: "The attention of our committee has been called to the small amount appropriated to each of our superannuates. We observe that there was a large deficit in the collections for that fund at our last annual conference. We therefore propose the following resolution, viz: That our preachers and stewards be urged to endeavor to secure an addition of twenty-five per cent. to the regular assessment for the conference fund; also that this district conference ask the Joint Board of Finance to increase the general that this district conference ask the Joint Board of Finance to increase the general assessment for this fund." This committee was composed of some of the leading laymen of the district, and it was gratifying to see what interest they manifested for the wornout preachers. Rev. F. S. Jackson, the President of the Joint Board of Finance, was present, and was a moving spirit in the above action. Sunday morning Rev. R. J. Deets presented this claim to the people of Edna, and took a collection amounting, I believe, to \$108.

Abbott. -- J. W. Sansom, July 3: My appointment being at Willow on last Sabbath, I reached the church early enough to meet with the Sunday-school, which is indeed a fine school, and is under the management of good officers and of prayer and self-denial we collected \$23.95.
Methodism in Burnet is strong and well or ganized. We had about fifteen professions of conversion among its children at our recent revival, and the church greatly blessed. Success to our new editor.

Madisonville

—Sam C. Vaughan, July 3: We closed a good revival; at Mitchell's Chapei last Friday night. Quite a number of conversions and thirteen accessions to the church—nine of whom were heads of families and leading citizens, and the rest adults save one. The revival was in the church as well as out of it.

Alto.

is under the management of good officers and teachers. After the lessons were recited 1 organized the school into a missionary society. numbering between fifty and sixty, and will, I have all reasons to believe, increase. Mass Florence Johnson, president; Master Johnnie Anderson, secretary, and Miss Alice Terrell, treasurer. At 11 o'clock a. m., I preached to a crowded house on the Mode of Baptism, and at 3:30 o'clock p. m., on the subject of Baptism. I do not suppose I changed the belief of any of our immersionist friends, nor do I want to do so, but I think I left the congregation realizing that we as Methodist people had scripture upon which to also our doctrine and practice of baptism by affusion. I will send you a new subscriber by affusion. I will send you a new subscriber to our Advocate. I do hope to see the time when a copy of this valuable paper will reach the home of every Methodist family in Texas. I don't see how Methodist people can be without it.

Giddings.

-J. P. Childers, July 2: We closed a meeting here last night that has been protracted for more than two weeks owing to the excessive rains and a great deal of sickness in our

sive rains and a great deal of sickness in our town. Our congregation was not regular in their attendance, but with all of this, and the devil to hinder with sociables and dances, the Lord gave us the victory. Seven additions to the cnurch; the church much revived; \$7.25 collected for self-denial. We had the help of Bros. Brooks and Littlepage and Haynie and Hooper at different times in the meeting—Bros. Brooks and Hooper nearly all the time. Many thanks to these brethren. May God bless them in their charges. The meeting closed with the third quarterly conference. Dr. Philpott came on Friday and preached us four telling sermons. The attendance of officials of the church at quarterly conference was very slim, and the collections, as a matter of course, slim. How discouraging to a faithful minister of God who gives his time and ministers to the people in spiritual things, who is treated so indifferently, by chosen men from the church of God, failing to stand by their pastors and meet their high obligations to God and the church.

Bedias Missio 2.

-R. L. Brooks, June 26: Our quarterly meeting over. Was held at Round Prairie third Sunday in June. Our presiding elder failed to reach us in person or by proxy. We tried to attend to the business of the quarterly conference as best we could. We did not tried to attend to the business of the quarterly conference as best we could. We did not have the sacrament on Sunday, as usual. But we had an old-fashioned love-feast, and the Lord was with us. Many stood up as witnesses for Jesus, telling what the Lord had done for them, till the whole house was filled with the love of the Master. From that hour a revival commenced that resulted in many conversions and additions to the church. Notwithstanding it rained almost every ser-Notwithstanding it rained almost never such a one as this. Nothing but eternity will reveal the results. Thanks to my local brethren, Lovin and Perkins, who did good service for the Master in preaching his word. Thanks to our Baptist brethren and sisters for their active service, and above all, I thank my God, praying that we may have just such a meeting at every appointment on Bedias mission. Pray for us.

Flatonia.

-L. E., July: Permit me to give you some account of the "holiness meeting" now going on at that place. It commenced on the evening of the 26th of June. Bro. J. E. Green, of Washington Street Church, Houston, arrived in time to hold the first service. Rev. George Hinson, of Waelder circuit, came in also the first evening; the next day, 27th, brought Rev. W. A. Dodge, of Atlanta, Georgia; Rev. S. H. Brown, of Flatonia circuit, was also in attendance, although he is not yet a "holiness man" as to actual experince. Bro. Dodge has had charge of and directed all the services since his arrival. He is a fine talker and seems to be deeply enthused with the spirit of the work in which he is engaged; indeed, so do all the brethren here who claim to have received this wonderful blessing. Up to date, 28th, quite a number of ladies profess to have received the "second blessing." The brethren have several services through the day, including an "open air" service at 6 p. m. ing of the 26th of June. Bro. J. E. Green, of received the "second blessing." The brethren have several services through the day, including an "open air" service at 6 p. m.
Quite an interest is manifest in the town on
the subject of the meeting. I mean that the
"meeting" is the topic of conversation by all
classes of citizens. The interest has not culminated as yet in any great move, either in
the way of attending (more than ordinarily)
upon the services, or in an expressed desire to
be benefited by it. Whatever may be thought
or said of organizing a holiness association,
within what one brother has called "the
grandest holiness association the world has
ever seen since the days of the apostles,"
i. e. the M. E. Church, South, we must accord to the brethren engaged in this work
here commendation for their earnest and untiting efforts and labor to bring men and women to Jesus, and not only are they working
hard to persuade Christian people to seek for
and attain to a higher, holier and happier
life, but at every service most earnest, pointed
and pungent appeals are made to sinners to and pungent appeals are made to sinners to become reconciled to God. The believers in the doctrine passed a resolution while they were in the altar, as stated, to adopt Mr. Wes-ley's "plain account of Christian perfection" as their standard and doctrine on this subject. About four men and twenty or thirty wome have processed the second blessing.

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San Diego.

Bertram.

Rob't H. Simpson, June 30: Our third quarerly conference for Bertram circuit convened June 27-28, 1888. Rev. James Mackey, D. D., was with us in fine preaching plight. We have never known him to preach with more power. And then his keen eye to business never overlooks any interest of the church. All things considered, it was the most profitable quarterly meeting we have ever attended. The official attendance might have been better, and finances are behind, but we have no fears as to results in the end, on the financial question. Our people love the church and will "support its institutions." Though a very busy time, and that in the middle of the week, we had good congregations. There was less of worldly appearance than I ever saw in congregations as large. We could see the light of that "peace which passeth knowledge" playing over the countenances of many, both young and old. And our heart went up to God in thankfulness as we witnessed the spiritual condition of the congregation. And, though week in body, we certainly feel encouraged to undertake the great but delightful work of the camp-meeting season. We are expecting gracious results. We have the earnest in our heart. May the God of heaven save hundreds of souls on Bertram circuit this year. June 27-28, 1888. Rev. James Mackey, D. D., circuit this year.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES. Gainesville District.

Gainesville District.

Would be glad if all who expect to bring their wives or daughters to the district conference of the Gainesville district, to be held at Decatur, July 26, 1888, would let me know at once, that suitable arrangements may be made for them. Also those who expect to come by private conveyance will confer a favor by notifying me. Let all report at the Methodist Church, South, as soon they arrive. Would be glad to see the Campbell, of the Advocate, at our conference. A. J. Worley. Decatur. Texas.

Huntsville District-A Change.

For reasons known to the members of the district conference the time of the district conference is changed from July 26 to August 16, at 9 a. m; also the woman's missionary district meeting and the meeting of the Church Extension Board. Now let every pastor do his best to get all the delegates and local preachers in his charge to attend. Let us have a full attendance once in this district.

I. Z. T. MORRIS, P. E.

CAMP MEETINGS.

There will be a self-sustaining camp-meeting held at Red Land Church beginning on Friday night before the first Sunday in Aug-Friday night before the ust. All are invited.
W. W. GRAHAM, P. C.

JENETT, TEXAS.

There will be protracted and camp-meetings as follows: At Pleasant View, Thursday night previous to the third Sunday in July. At Grimes' camp ground, near Moffatt, Friday night previous to the fourth Sunday in July. At Cedar Creek, the third Sunday in August. Fourth quarterly meeting at Pendleton, first Sunday in September and Saturday previous. Come, brethren, and help us. Ministers and Christian workers are earnestly requested to come. SAM'L MORRISS. requested to come.

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WEST DALLAS.

There will be an ice cream festival at Mrs. Ella V. Chappell's on Friday night before the fourth Sunday in July, for the benefit of West Dallas M. E. Church, South.

CORNER STONE.

On next Thursday, July 12, at 4 p. m., the corner-stone of the M. E. Church, South, at West Dallas, will be laid. Address by Rev. E. L. Armstrong, presiding elder of Waxahachle district. Everybody invited. C. G. SHUTT

NOTICE.

Bretnren of the Jefferson District Conference: The amount collected at our recent session will send the ADVOCATE twelve months to nineteen persons. So send on your names through the secretary of the conference. Only six have been received. J. E. WALKER,

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W. M. S. TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The following is the program of the Woman's Missionary meeting to be held in Huntsville district, at Willis, July 28th:
Sunrise—Prayer-meeting, led by Mrs. Josie

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8 a. m.—Service of song.

8:30 a. m.—Address of Welcome by Miss. Georgia Collard. Response by Mrs. Kirby.

9 a. m.—I. Report of District Secretary.

2. Woman's Missionary Advocate, its objects and claims, by Rev. C. H. Buchanan.

3. The relation of the pastors to the Woman's Missionary Work, by Rev. A. H. Crampler.

4. Sermon by Rev. D. F. C. Timmons.

I hope the preachers where there are auxiliary societies will see that a delegate is elected and attend with a report. And as the people of Willis have made ample provision for all who will attend, let every church in the district where there is no society send at least one female member to this meeting. We expect the presence of the Master, and we are assured no one will regret the time spent in coming to this meeting.

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MRS. P. H. CRUMPLER, District Secretary.

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C. H. BROOKS,

President Texas B. M.

CHURCH NOTICES. Program for the Sunday-school Conference for Calvert district, to be held during the dis-trict conference at Bremond: 1. The Relation and Duty of the Church to the Sunday-school—J. L. Murray and J. P.

2. What is the Chief End of the Sunday-school Teacher's Work, and What is the Best Method of Reaching it?—J. H. Chambliss and C. M. Keith. the Sund Caldwell.

C. M. Keith.

3. How to Secure Proper Teachers and Proper Classification in Sunday-schools—J. L. Lemons and G. C. Stovall.

4. How to Keep Sunday-schools out of Winter Quarters—H. M. Sears and E. G. Hocutt.

5. Under What Circumstances Shall We Have Union Sunday-schools in Our Churches?

W. Graham and S. C. Vaughan.

The first speaker for each tonic will be also The first speaker for each topic will be al-owed fitteen minutes, and the second speaker en minutes.

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Delicate Children, Nursing ability to digest ordinary food, or from over-work of the brain or body, all such should take Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites. "I used the Emulsion on a lady who was delicate, and threatened with Bronchitls. It put her in such good health and flesh, that I must say it is the best Emulsion I ever used."—L. P. WADDELL, M. D., Hugh's Mills, S. C.

Servant (to head of the house, dining luxuriously)—'I he grocer, sor, an' the butcher, an' the baker are outside, sor, an' so z as what they wants their money. Head of the house (indignantly)—Tell them I'm at dinner, and cannot be disturbed.

Wintersmith's Tonic Syrup for Chills and Fever is a certain cure and pleasant to take. See testimonial in this paper.

Miss Budrose (getting vaccinated)—Do you think it will take, Dr. Montague? Dr. Montague (gailantly)—If it doesn't take on such an arm, my dear Miss Violet. I shall have but little respect for vaccine hereafter.

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Bobby-I guess you must be a lady kil er, Mr. Sissy. Mr. Sissy (complacently)-Aw, d'ye think so, Bawbby? Bobby-You must be. Clara said that after you left last night she nearly died laughing.

"I can heartily say to any young man who is wanting good employment, work for Johnson & Co., follow their instruction and you will succeed." So writes an agent of B. F. Johnson & Co., 1609 Main St., Richmond, Va., and that's the way all of their men talk.

Brown (at an evening party)—Who is that rank and scrawny-looking party near the plane, Robinson? Robinson—That's Bixby's wife. Brown—You don'ttell me. You know Bixby, then. Robinson—Oh, yes; he's my brother-in-law.

She—Ah. John! Before we are married you She—Ah. John: Before we are married you were always wishing you were one of the knights of old, so you might show your devotion; and now—— He—Maria, did you ever hear of one of those old chivalry fellows jumping up from his paper to chop wood?

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Watch the brood mares. They may not be good sucklers, and the colt may get stunted before you know it. The udders may become caked also, and this may cause trouble. The successful raiser of horses is always on the lookout for such trouble.

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"No." said Mr. Isaacstein; "dem pents don't fit yu. Dey vos bretty tight in der seams. But I tell you vot, my frent, at t'ree dollar 'n' a helf, dem pents vas vort drainin' down to."

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Language Professor—To what do I owe

Language Professor—To what do I owe the honor of this cail? Stranger—I understand that you can talk in forty languages, yet the college pays you only \$100 a week for your services. "That is correct." "I have come. sir. to offer you a position at \$500 a week." "My, my! What do you want me to do?' "Tend bar at my palace saloon in Chicago."

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Artist—Yes, sir, I can enlarge this photograph, and give you a speaking likeness. Widower (whose knowledge of art terms are limited, but who has a vivid remembrance of deceased)—A speaking likeness! I would like the portrait, but—but I—er—don't care to have it talk much.

Counsel (with significant look at the jury, to the witness)—Now then, sir, you say that you don't know 'mith personally, and yet upon general penciples you do not think he is a man to be trusted. What do you mean by that? Witness—I mean that his business is agin' him "What's his business?" "He's a lawyer."

Overdoing the matter: Fond Mother—I do hope that G orge has studied hard at college. In vetried to impress upon his mind the value or a liberal education. Father—I am afraid, my dear, that you have rather overdone the matter. I had to send him a check for an extra \$200 to-day.

Too True: Smith—Squivens has broken himself completely down. Brown—Ah! How so? Smith—Practicing on the health lift.

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Kentucky Conference, Nicholasville, Ky.Sept 12
Illinois Conference, Rushville, Ill. Sept 26
Louisville Conference, Louisville, Ky. Oct 3
Florida Conference, Bartow, Fla. Dec 12 FIFTH DISTRICT-BISHOP WILSON.

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Mississippi Conference, Jackson, La... Nov 14
Alabama Conference, Mobile, Ala... Dec 12
Louisiana Conference, New Orleans, La. Dec 19
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EIGHTH DISTRICT-BISHOP DUNCAN.

Tennessee Conference, Fayetteville, Tenn.Oct 17
Memphis Conference, Paris, Ky....... Nov 7
North Missippi Conf., Starkville, Miss..... Nov 18
South Carolina Conf., Winnsboro, S. C... Nov 28
North Georgia Conf., Milledgeville, Ga... Dec 5 WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—TRIBD BOUSD.
Reagor cir, at Elm Branch. July 14, 15
Avalon cir, at Center. July 17
Kerens cir, at Marion July 20, 21
Rice and Chatfield, at Chatfield. July 21, 22
Red Oak cir, at Cedar Hill. July 25, 29
Waxahachie cir, at Sardis. July 28, 29
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Waxahachie cir, at Sardis. Aug 4, 5

VICTORIA DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

AUSTIN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.
Homer cir, at Lufkin July 28, 29
Woodville cir, at Mount Hope Aug 4, 5
Spurger cir, at Sunset Aug 14, 15
Orange sta Aug 14, 17
Besumont sta Aug 18, 19
Liberty cir, at Devers Aug 25, 26
'he Beaumont District Conference will be held at Jasper, from July 19th to 22nd inclusive.
All the members are earnestly entreated to be present.

R. M. SPROULE, P. E.

AUSTIN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

West Point cir July 21, 22
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Flatonia cir Aug 4, 5
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SAN ANGELO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. BEACHMONT DISTRICT—THIAB ROUND.

Homer cir, at Lufkin

Spurger cir, at Sunset.

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Sipe Springs cir, at Camp-meeting July 23, 25
Rising Star mis, at Camp-meeting Aug 4, 5
Rising Star mis, at Camp-meeting Aug 18, 19
Colorado sta Aug 13, at 8 p. m.
Albany sta and Albany mis, at Campmeeting Aug 18, 19

JOHN A. WALLACE, P. E.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Bivinis cir, at Center Hill 3d Sun in July
Kellevyille cir, at — 4th Sun in July
Mineols, at Big Sandy July 21, 22

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

Liberty Hill cir, at Leander. July 14, 15
Oenaville cir, at Centennial. July 21, 22
South Belton cir, at Wilson's Valley, July 24, 25
Belto sta July 28, 29
Corn Hill cir, at Owens' Chapel. Aug 4, 5
Killeen cir, at Pleasant Hill Camp ground. Salado cir. Aug 18, 19
Georgetown sta. Aug 25 29
Pastors, please be ready to answer the fit teenth question. JAMES MACKEY, P. E.
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Boerne, at Salado ... 3d Sun in July
Del Rio, at Brackett ... 4th Sun in July
El Paso ... 5th Sun in July
Deming ... 1st Sun in Aug
Fort Davis ... 2d Sun in Aug
B. HARRIS, P. E. TERRELL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

PARIS DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

Clarksville sta. July 14, 15
Clarksville mis. July 14, 15
Woodland cir July 16 MARSHALL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

SHERMAN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Whitesboro sta. July 21, 22

Bells and Savoy cir July 22, 25

Van Alstyne sta. Aug 4, 5

Howe cir Aug 11, 12

Gordonville cir Aug 11, 12

Church Conference Secretaries must have their Church Registers and Records of Church Conferences pre-sent for examination by the quarterly conference. W. M. SHELTON, P. E.

SAN SABA DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. PALESTINE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Navasota sta. July 12
Anderson cir. July 14, 15
Millican and Wellborn July 21, 22
District Conference. July 26-29
Zion and Bedias Aug 4, 5
Bryan cir Aug 11, 12
Hockley cir. Aug 11, 12
Hockley cir. Aug 12, 23
Martin Prairie mis Sept 1, 2
Martin Prairie mis Sept 1, 2
Montgomery cir. Sept 8, 9
Prairie Plains cir. Sept 18, 9
Prairie Plains cir. Sept 18, 9
Bedias mis Sept 12, 23

I. Z. T. Morris, P. E.

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If all so-called remedies have failed, Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures.

AUSTIN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

GRANBURY DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.

TYLER DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Mineola, at Big Sandv July 21, 22

Edom, at Ashburn Camp-ground July 28, 29

Larisea, at Cove Spring Camp-ground. Aug 4, 5

Lindale, at Camp-ground Aug 11, 12

Athens, at Ked Bill Camp ground Aug 18, 19

New York, at N. Y. Camp-ground Aug 25, 26

Tyler, at P. easant Retreat Camp-ground.

Sept 1, 2

Tyler sta Sept 8, 9

JOHN ADANS, P. B.

GALVESTON DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. GALVESTON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Galveston, West End July 12, 13
Galveston, St. James July 14, 15
Galveston, St. Johns July 15, 16
Alvin, at Red Bluff July 21, 22
Velasco, at O ster Creek July 28, 29
Golumbia, at Varner's Creek Aug 4, 5
Matagords, at Camp-ground Aug 7, 8
Wharton, at Bgypt Aug 11, 12
Cold Springs, at Camp-ground Aug 13, 14
Cedar Bayou, at Alexander Chapel Aug 18, 19
Pattison, at Pattison Aug 25, 28
Houston, Washington Street Sept 1, 2
Houston, Washington Street Sept 1, 2
Houston, Shearn Church Sept 2, 3
The pasters will please see that the Church
Registers and Church Conference Records are on hand for examination.

J. F. FOLLIN, P. E.

DALLAS DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Honey Creek, at Cottage Hill 3d Sun in July

Meetings on Emberson Circuit. Meetings on Emberson Circuit.

Forest Chapel July 13, at night Mt. Tabor July 25, at night Mt. Tabor July 25, at night Hopewell (quarterly conf.) Aug. 10, at night Palestine Aug. 29, at night Hinckle Sept. 29, at night Hinckle Sept. 7, at night Humber Aug. 30, at night Humber Aug. 40, at night Aug. 50, at night Aug. 50, at night Aug. 51, C. Weaver, P. E.

FRICT—Third Round.

PROTRACTED MEETINGS.

The protracted and camp-meetings for Lexington circuit will be as follows:

Lawrences Chapel, Friday night before the third Sunday in July, protracted.

Parks Prairie, Friday night before the fifth Sunday in July, camp-meeting.

Center Point, Friday before the second Sunday in August. camp-meeting. day in August, camp-meeting.
Pleasant Retreat, Friday night before the fourth Sunday in August, protracted meeting.
H. T. HART, P. C.

ROCKDALE, TEXAS. PROTRACTED MEETINGS ON KER-ENS CIRCUIT.

At Prairie Point, fourth Sunday in July, commencing on Thursday before.

At Long Prairie, first Sunday in August, commencing on Saturday before.

At Kerens, second Sunday in August, at which time we will have a celebration for the Little Workers of Aunt Mary's Missionary Band. Bro. G. S. Wyatt, of Mexia, will preach the missionary celebration sermon on Sunday, at 11 o'clock a. m., and remain and preach the week following. The bands all over the circuit will please meet at Kerens, second Sunday at 9 o'clock a. m., and form procession and march to the arbor.

At Marvin's Chapel, third Sunday in August, and week following.

SCOTTSVILLE HOLINESS CAMP-

The annual meeting for the sanctification of believers and conversion of sinners will commence Wednesday, July the 25th, 1888. First service, 9 o'clock a. m. Ministers and workers who are ready and willing to work for the salvation of souls cordially invited, and will be provided for. This camp-ground is situated on the railroad eight miles east of Marshall, and is accessible from all points. Persons desiring to camp on the grounds will find plenty of room for tents, together with the best of wood and water. Let us remember, dear brethren, the mission of the Methodist Church is to spread holiness over the world.

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B. L. Armstrong, F. L.

WACO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Thornton, Camp-ground. July 14, 15
Corsicana cir, Eureka July 21, 22
Mexia, Camp-ground. July 24, 28
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Boreden, Mt. Zion. Aug 18, 19
Groesbeck, Elm Grove. Aug 25, 29
Corsicana sta Sept 1, 2
Codar Island, Concord. Sept 8, 9
Wortham, Pisgah Sept 15, 16
West, Wilderness. Sept 22-25
West, Wilderness. Sept 22-25
BAM'L P. WRIGHT, P. E.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

Navasota sta July 21, 22
BONHAM DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Fannin cir, at Forest Grove. July 14, 15
Gober cir, at Hulsey's. July 21, 22
Honey Grove cir, at White Rock. Aug 4, 5
Dodd cir, at Dodd. Aug 11, 12
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Forest Grove. July 21, 22
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Consticana sta. July 12
Dodd cir, at Grove. Aug 25, 26
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District Conferences.

Calvert District. The district conference for Calvert district will convene at Bremond, at 9 o'clock a. m., July 26, 1888. Opening sermon 8 p. m., Wednesday, July 25. J. B. SEARS, P. E.

Montague District. The Montague District Conference will meet at Crafton on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in July, at 9 o'clock a. m.

W. F. EASTERLING, P. E.

Huntsville District.

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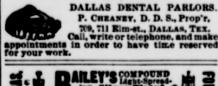
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ing in upon a darkened room, so the

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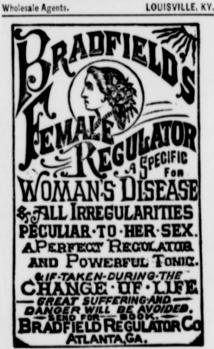
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By the hope of Him who sought us In our peril-Him who bought us, Paying with his precious blood;

By the faith that will not alter, Trusting strength that will not falter, Leaning on the One divinely good. Comfort one another:

Let the grave gloom lie beyond you While the Spirit's words remind you Of the home beyond the tomb; Where no more is pain or parting, Fever's flush to tear-drop starting, But the presence of the Lord, and for all his

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"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy red and thy staff they comfort me." This unspeakably delightful verse has been sung on many a dying bed, and has helped to make the dark valley bright times Divine Spirit enters a human life, and out of mind. Every word in it has a instantly there is a revelation, plans and wealth of meaning. "Yea, though I wealth of meaning. "Yea, though I sponsibilities have new meanings; life is walk," as if the believer did not quicken no longer an enigma. The intentions of his pace when he came to die, but still God, like the hands on an illuminated calmly walked with God. To walk indicates the steady advance of a soul which knows its road, knows its end, resolves to follow the path, feels quite safe, and is therefore perfectly calm and composed. The dying saint is not in a flurry, he does not run as though he were alarmed, nor stand still as though he would go no further; he is not confounded nor ashamed, and therefore keeps to his old pace. Observe that it is not walking in the valley, but through the valley, we go through the dark tunnel of death and emerge into the light of im-

mortality. We do not die; we do but sleep to wake in glory. Death is not the house but the porch, not the goal but the passage to it. The dying article is called valley. The storm breaks on the moutain, but the valley is the place of quietude, and thus full often the last days of the Christian are the most percefull in his whole career; the mountain is Are lines; or about 170 to 180 words. The privilege bleak and bare, but the valley is rich ties desiring such notices to appear in full as writwith golden sheaves, and many a saint ten, should remit money to cover excess of space, tohe came to die than he ever knew while he lived. And, then, it is not "the valley of death," but "the valley of the shadow of death," for death in its substance has been removed, and only the shadow of it remains. Some one has said that when there is a shadow there must be light somewhere, and so there is. Death stands by the side of the highway in which we have to travel, and the light of heaven shining upon him throws a shadheaven shining upon him throws a shadow across our path; let us then rejoice that there is a light beyond. Nobody is afraid of a shadow, for a shadow cannot stop a man's pathway even for a moment. The shadow of a dog cannot bite; the shadow of a sword cannot kill; the shadow of death cannot destroy us. Let us not, therefore, be afraid. "I will fear no evil." He does not say there shall not be any evil; he had got beyond even that high assurance and know that ow across our path; let us then rejoice that high assurance, and knew that Jesus had put all evil away; but "I will fear no evil;" as it even his fears, those shadows of evil, were gone for ever. The worst evils of life are those which do not exist except in our imagination. If we had no troubles but real troubles, we should not have a tenth part of our present sorrows. We feel a thousand deaths in fearing one, but the psalmist was cured of the disease of fearing. "I will fear no evil," not even the Evil One himself; I will not dread the last enemy; I will look upon him as a conquered foe, an enemy to be destroyed, "for thou art with me." This is the joy of the Christian! "Thou art with me." The little child out at sea in a storm is not frightened like all the other passengers on board the vessel, it is asleep in its mother's bosom. It is enough for it that its mother is with it; and it should be enough for the believer to know that Christ is with him. "Thou art with me; have, in having thee, all that I can

crave: I have perfect comfort and abso-

who will be "alive and remain" at the

coming of the Lord, but is there so much

of advantage in such an escape from

death as to make it the object of Chris-

tian desire? A wise man might prefer

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sovereign succor of my soul.

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WINDSOR.—Martha Ann Windsor, the sweet little daughter of John and Louisa Windsor, was born Sept. 18, 1887, and died June 4, 1888. Little Martha has gone to John that host of sweet infants that no man can number. This is a sure case, for our Savior said: "Suffer little children to come unto me." She was altogether too lovely to remain long in this sin-smitten world. The Lord has sent his messenger and taken her to himself. May God help us to be resigned to his will, for it is for our good. May the good Lord guide us, father, mother and children, to the baradise of God, where we will meet sweet little Martha to part no more. May we, kindred and friends, live in sight of the golden city. May this event of God's providence draw us nearer to our duty, and may our lives be spent in the service of him who saved us by his blood. Her father,

Rosinson—Naney Robinson was born in

THE HOLY SPIRIT MAN'S TRUE ROBINSON—Nancy Robinson was born in fennessee, March 16, 1795, and died at her grandson's, J. W. Lee, in Hays county, Texas, Ianuary 22 1888. She was matried to Robert Lee in 1812, who lived only a few years afterwards. She was then married to David Robinson in 1820, with whom she lived in perfect cases unth 1866, when he was called to the letter world. He told her that she would soon oflow, out twenty-two years were spent in There are wondrous things in this law of the Lord, but our eyes need to be opened that we may behold them. Without the Spirit, the higher and diviner revelations are impossible. Here, preeminently, "God is his own interpreter." better world. He told her that she would soon follow, out twenty-two years were spent in widowhood before she was permitted to join him where parting will be no more. Sister Robinson was converted when young, and joined the Baptist Church, but remained only a short while, and then joined the Methodist Church, in which she lived a faithful member until death. She loved the Methodist chorche. Her house was the home of her pteachers. It was the writer's good fortune to form her acquaintance in 1880, and from that time until her death he spent many precious moments with her. She talked much of experimental Godiness. She leaves one son with grant children down to the fourth generation, to mourn their loss. It is the Spirit only who can guide us into By the Spirit we have a revelation of God's purpose. Life, as so many live it, without the light and guidance of the Holy Ghost, must be a barren and hope-

it; nothing apparently is accomplished on, to mourn their loss.
J. P. Garrison, P. C.

MASSEY.—Rev. Joseph Massey, born Janu-ry, 1869, in Buncombe county. North Car-ma; joined the Metholist Episcopal Church, a Alabama, in 1823, and made a profession of eligion the same year. He was appoint d lass leader in 1832, and was faithful in that here are the heart with its affections, the soul with its aspirations, the spirit with its affinities, the conscience with its religion the same year. He was appoint of class leader in 1832, and was faithful in that capacity for three years, when he was given authority by the church to exhort. As an exhorter he did good work for years. He moved to Mississippi in 1836, and was licensed to preach in 1839, Green M. Rogers being the presiding elder. He was ordained deacon in the fall of 1853 at Canton, Mississippi, by Bishop Capers. In 1864 Bro. Massey moved to Texas, and died in 1888, at Lampasas, Texas. Bro. Massey lived a consistent Christian life throughout, and died in great peace. In all the relations of life he was faithful and loyal to the church. As a local preacher, he did much hard work for the church, leaving to his wife and children the aroma of a good name as a legacy. His family left behind are Methodists, standing up for the church, and that means much in these days of multiplicity of isms.

LLANO, TEXAS, June 29. principles, all engaged in a perpetual ing grave. But like a strong light break-

MILTON.—Alien Cornellus Milton was born in the State of Georgia, March 5, 1849. His parents moved to Texas and setdled in Lavaca county, in 1858, near the place where he died. In 1871 he professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and Joined the M. E. Church, South. In 1873 he was married to Miss Ellen V. Campbell. He was an honored member of the Masonic fraternity. Served as steward for the church for many years, and fived an exemplary Christian. To know him was to love him. His house was the preacher's home. To his worth and force of character his church, neighbors and acquaintances bear loving tribute. His whole Unristian life was marked by faithfulness to duty to all the relations of life. He was a model of affection, gentleness and truth. The disease of which he died was congestion, and ended his life in a few days. On May 22, 1888, like a wornout traveler whose slumber is rest, he closed his eyes and rested from pain and labor. He left an affectionate Christian wife and six children, and a host of friends to mourn their loss. Dear friends, let us live faithful to the end, when we will meet him again, for "he is not dead, but sleepeth." A. G. Nolen, P. C. LAWLEY-LANE. -On July 1, 1888, by Rev. J. M. Armstrong, Mr. Walter L. Lawley and Miss Neille Lane. LINDLEY - KENARD. - At Oakland Church, Grimes county, Texas, June 28, 1888, by Rev. Geo. H. Phair, Mr. M. L. Lindley and Miss Sallie M. Kenard.

JENNINGS — Mrs. Mary Ann Jennings, wife of Bro. W. W. Jennings, and daughter of James C. and Clara Frances, was born July 30, 1830, at Independence, Missouri, and died at her home, near Bellville, June 19, 1888, after 30, 1830, at Independence, Missouri, and died at her home, near Bellville, June 19, 1888, after a severe illness of fifteen days. Sister Jennings was happily converted to God at a protracted meeting at Bellville, the first of May, 1887, conducted by myself, as-sisted by Bro. Brooks and Goodwyn. She immediately gave evidence of her faith in God by her idelity and devotion to him in whom she had placed the trust. My associations with Sister Jennings were of the most pleasant nature, both before and after she was converted. She was a woman of firmness and decision, and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves behind her to mourn their loss, a husband and four children, two sons and two daughters, besides other relatives and a host of friends. To them God speaks through his mysterious providence, and says: "Look up to me, I am the way and the life, and he that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out." God takes our loved ones home to himself to call us away from the world. To the husband and children we extend our prayers and sympathy, and say to them God's grace as sufficient for you. May you ever feet that that blessed wife and mother is your ministering spirit through this life, and in the final day rejoice with ner through eternity.

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Scruggs,—Mrs. Eliza M. Scruggs (nee Slater), was born in Choctow county, Alabama, May S. 1822, and was married to Jesse Scruggs Feb. 4, 1852. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church in the year 1858. In Dec., 1840, she, with her husband, moved to Jackson county, Texas, and in 1852, while the civil war was raging, they came to the vicinity of Marlin, Falls county, Texas. At the ciose of the war they settled in Marlin, where they have lived happily and comfortably until June 6, 1888, when Sister Scruggs was called to join her loved ones in the home of the blest. The summons found her reidy. She had been a sufferer from nervoes prostration for about a year and a half. All this time she bore her afflictions with Christian resignation and fortitude. Her children had all preceded her to the better land. So in parting with her friends on earth, she was going to join the greater number in heaven. SMITH.—Sister Mattie H. Cheatham was born Aug. 1, 1845, in Murry county, Tennessee. She married Bro. Thos. P. Smith in Murry county, Sept. 28, 1875; died at her residence, near Hubbard City, Texas, June 12, 1888, after lingering with consumption about two years. Sister Smith was converted and joined the Methodist Church while young, and lived a consistent Christian until her death. May God bless her bereaved husband and children, and may they strive the more to overcome the world through Christ, and meet the departed one in that upper and better land.

ARNOUR, TEXAS. all preceded her to the better land. So in parting with her friends on earth, she was going to Join the greater number in heaven. She was well aware of her approaching dissolution, and talked calmly of her departure, giving instruction and advice to her devoted, and now bereaved husband, telling him that she was ready and villing to go. Her end was a glorious triumph over death; and while she leaves her friends and the church forever, she is richer and happier. She will be missed by the church where she loved so much to be. She will be missed by the minister, whose constant friend she was. She will be missed in the community in which she was a sympathizing, attentive and loving neighbor; but above all, she will be missed at hom a where she was so true and loving as a wife, and where she was so loved as a doting grand-mother by two surviving grandchildren. May the Lord bless Bro. Scruggs in this sad affliction, and may the burning rays of this trial have the effect of ripening him into the perfect life which will quality him to join the loved ones in the mansions prepared by the Master for all his people.

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(Continued from first page. recollections comes over one who knew the "old man eloquent" as we look on his resting place! I had the good fortune to meet Bishop Kavanaugh when I was quite young, and the casual meeting influenced my whole after life. The storm of war allowed no schools in my part of the country when I was a boy. I grew to young manhood without other opportunities save those a Christian home afforded. Finally my father consented for me to leave home if I would "paddle my own cance." and with a Bible and the blessings of my parents as my only patrimony, I struck out. By hook and by crook, and by dint of blows with axe and maul as hard as any ever dealt by Bascom, or anybody else, and at length, by the aid of generous friends, I kept at school a while. But the strain was great. It was a slow business. There was an urgent call for young preachers to go west, and I began to think of giving up the plan of going to school to join conference. A speech made by Dr. McFerringave me nights of sleepless torture. This sentiment was about the substance of the speech, uttered with Dr. McFerrin's paculiar nasal emphasis: "It is a waste of time to go to school; souls are perishing, and the Lord calls you to get to work." To make the matter more serious still, he brought up the example of my hero, Bascom, to show what could be done in the regular work. His advice suited my case exactly. Instead of going to school, and studying Latin, Greek and mathematics, on which all the school teachers insisted, I would quit, and get a circuit on which I could be "saving souls." I would be a "self-made" man. Alas! the sophistry that lurks in that idea. But the plan did not accord with my judgment. I saw no sign of talent in myself except a capacity for hard work. For every "self-made" man I saw there were a dozen self-marred. And besides, there was a secret suspicion in my mind that the only real reason for giving up the school idea was the difficulty I found in working it out; and I sometimes found myself saying, in a sort of suppressed soliloquy, "If a fellow backs down from any difficulty not absolutely insurmountable, he can't expect to make anything out of himself, and he may not make much with everybody to help him." The problem was vexing me sorely, when Bishop Kavanaugh came along. By what I now believe was a special providence, he was the guest of the house where I boarded. I determined to ask his advice. But a new difficulty arose. To my backwoods' imagination, a Bishop was an august individual. Up to this time I had never seen but one, and got only a distant glimpse of him. Pardon me for telling about it. It was Saturday, and I, with another boy, had gone fishing. We passed by a Methodist Church, not knowing there was any service there. As we passed in the rear of the church, where the grave-yard with its green masses of shrubbery and white tombstones came into view, I saw a strange figure clad in white, glide out from the graveyard gate, and ascend the church steps to the door. My companion saw it too, but both of us saw only for a moment. If ever you saw boys run, we ran that day. I was scared half out of my senses. A real ghost! We did not stop till we got home, and told our breathless story. Then we learned the truth. The few Episcopalians of the neighborhood had a service that day in the Methodist church, and

the "ghost" we saw was the venerable Bishop Otey, in his canonical robes, which, as there was no vestry, he had donned in the grave-

yard. All that might be so, but the convic-

tion had taken firm hold of us that we had seen a sure-enough ghost, with flowing white

hair, and grave-clothes on, gliding out of the tombstones. It fastened itself upon my im-

agination, and for a long time, in spite of logic, 1 got Bishops and ghosts mixed. To be in the same house with one made me feel

"kind o' curious;" to actually talk with one

was something I never expected to do. But Bishop Kavanaugh was no "ghost;" I found that out directly. Still he was a "Bishop," and "I stood in awe." I found myself alone with him in the room, and I felt that it was then or never. So with an inward shiver, I got my courage up to the point of asking his advice. I briefly stated my circmustances, and told him I did not know what my duty was. He asked me how old I was; I told him nineteen. He laughed that odd little laugh of his-a sort of quaint cachinatory cross between a laugh and a grunt-and said: "1 advise you to stay at school until you get through, and if the Lord lets you live as long

tell it all. ought to do. The die was cast. I nerved myself for the long struggle, and stuck it out. A thousand times I have thanked the good Bishop in my heart for his wise advice.

The mention of his name called up the memory of the great service he redered me at the crisis of my life.

DEMOCRATS IN SESSION.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 5 .- The National Convention of the League of Democratic clubs met yesterday in the Academy of Mu-

the association.

The convention of the association shall be held every fourth year, subsequent to the Nawill be entitled to one additional delegate for every 100 members in good standing, no club to have more than five delegates. When the clubs or societies of any State or Territory have formed a State or Territorial association, such association shall be entitled to eleven delegates-at-large.

The constitution was unanimously adopted, after which a recess was taken till 3 o'clock. The first business in order after recess, was the calling of States for the selection of vice presidents and the members of the general committee, and the selections were ratified by

the convention. Then Mr. Flattery, of Massachusetts, of fered a resolution declaring that, in sympathy with the spirit of freedom the world over, the convention of Democratic clubs protests against tyranny and oppression wherever they exist, and declaring further that it is in favor of the success of the Irish race for home

rule in Ireland. The resolution was adopted amid applause

and cheers. called upon, and the chairman reported that erties of Cheatham's Chill Tonic. the majority did not think it expedient to re- | no pay," is that fair enough? port on the Chinese resolution of the St. Louis platform. It was further stated that there was a minority report upon the Chinese

resolution. Ex-Representative Willis, of Kentucky, a member of the committee on resolutions, and the gentleman who had offered the Chinese resolution, stated that the difference in the committee was merely one of propriety, and that there was really no minority report. The committee had been unanimous in opposition to Chinese emigration, but the committee had not thought it prudent to enter into an issue which had properly been met by the St. Louis convention. Unwilling to do anything to mar the harmony of the convention, he refrained from submitting a minority report and moved the adoption of the majority re-

port. This was agreed to after an earnest protest from Mr. Taylor, of Massachusetts, who thought that some action should be taken on the Chinese question, in view of the fact that since the meeting of the Democratic convention in St. Louis the Republicans had met in Chicago and placed in nomination a man who was named Ben Harrison. The Democratic party and the laboring men who made up its bone and sinew in the North were against Ben Harrison on all principles, and especially on the Chinese question.

But his protest proved unavailing, and the report of the committee on resolutions was adopted without any dissenting votes. On motion of Mr. Schley, of Wisconsin, it

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Senator Kenna, of West Virginia, congratulated the assemblage upon the happy deliberations. It was time now that each member of the convention should resolve himself into a Democratic campaign committee and go home and go to work. A resolution commending the re-election of

Hon. Wm. R. Barnum as chairman of the na-

tional committee was adopted unanimously. Mr. Wilson, of Kentucky, found fault that as most people, you will have time enough to, a resolution offered by him for the publication and distribution of the president's message Dear me! What a relief. A real Bishop and of speeches on the tariff delivered by advised me to do just what I felt in my soul I prominent Democrats had not been read to the convention, but had been referred to the committee on resolutions and remained unacted upon; but he was placated when, at his request, the band struck up the new campaign song composed by Will S. Hays, of Louisville, and the convention, with a will, joined in the

> After passing a number of votes of thanks and giving three cheers for Chairman Winan as the next Governor of Wisconsin, the con vention adjourned sine die .- N. O. Times-Democrat.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

Charles Ogden, of Nebraska, called the meeting to order and delivered an address. Hon. Ferdinand C. Latrobee, Mayor of Baltimore, delivered an address of welcome.

Mr. Ogden nominated the following as temporary officers of the convention: Chairman, Hon. W. Russell, of Massachusetts; Secretary, D. N. Carvaloe, of New York.

Mr. Russell made an extended speech. The committees were then appointed.

F. B. Gorman, of Washington, offered a resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote, expressing the sympathy of the convention for Gen. Sheridan.

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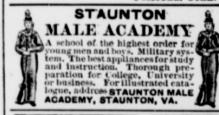
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