

Texas Christian Advocate.

About the Lesson.

LESSON VIII, SUNDAY, NOV. 25. THE COVENANT RENEWED. Josh. xxiv. 19-28.

LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

The armed men of the two tribes and the half-tribe, whose inheritance was east of the Jordan, on their return home built an altar, probably on the west side of the river (see Rev. Ver., Josh. xxii:11).

The place was Shechem, a very ancient city, in the valley between Ebal and Gerizim, the city being on the slope of the latter mountain (comp. Josh. viii:30-34).

It is a most beautiful spot, about thirty-four miles north of Jerusalem, now called Nablous (Nepolis, so named by Vespasian).

ILLUSTRATIVE APPLICATIONS.

You cannot serve the Lord; for he is a holy God (v. 19). It is not that God doesn't want your service, but that you don't want to give it.

If you forsake the Lord, and serve strange gods, then he will turn and do you evil (v. 20). That is, if you forsake the Lord, he will not forsake himself; but your turning against him will make it as though he had turned against you.

And the people said: 'Nay; but we will serve the Lord (v. 21). How easy it is to say: "We will serve the Lord; and how hard it is to serve the Lord when we should prefer to have him serving us."

Joshua said: "Ye are witnesses against yourselves that ye have chosen you the Lord, to serve him (v. 22). There will never be any need of outside witnesses to prove the apostasy of any persistent evil-doer; for every man's memory will be his own condemnation on that point.

Now therefore put away... the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto the Lord (v. 23). It is of no use trying to serve the Lord and other gods.

strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto the Lord." Behold, this stone shall be a witness against us; for it hath heard all the words of the Lord which he spake unto us; it shall be therefore a witness against you, lest ye deny your God (v. 27).

Old and Young.

THE LITTLE WORD THAT WAS LOST.

Wife Awake. I lost a very little word Only the other day; A very naughty little word I had not meant to say; If only it were really lost, I should not mind a bit; I think I should deserve a prize For really losing it.

For if no one could ever find Again that little word, So that no more from any lips Could it be ever heard, I'm sure we all of us should say That it was something fine With such completeness to have lost That naughty word of mine.

But then it wasn't really lost When from my lips it flew; My little brother picked it up, And now he says it, too. Mamma said that the worst would be I could not get it back; But the worst of it now seems to me, I'm always on its track.

DISAPPOINTED BUT HAPPY.

Presbyterian Messenger. "Mamma talks funny sometimes," said Dolly to herself as she stripped along. "I don't believe God'll want me to do anything to-day 'cept to have a real good time.

Dolly had come now to the covered bridge that crossed the river. She stopped to peep out for a moment through the great timbers of the sides, and down into the black, roaring depths below.

"Why-eh?" said Dolly, "what is the matter, Bessie?" Never a word from Bessie, only she cried harder than ever. Dolly could see she had started for the picnic. She had a lunch basket beside her, and her school-dress and her pink sunbonnet had been freshly washed and ironed.

"Mamma can't give me any 'coz she's poor. I picked up chips for Mrs. B. an' earned this. I never went to a picnic in all my life, and I wanted so much to go to this." And the tears came faster and faster.

"Dear! dear!" said Dolly, "never been to one picnic?" "No," said Bessie, "an' I worked four weeks to earn the money. I had it in my hand, and I stopped to tie up my shoe on the bridge, and I laid the money down on the bridge, and there was just a little crack, and it fell through."

They were not far from the school-house. They could hear the gay chattering of the boys and girls as they came together, and then the loud rattle of the teams as they drove up. Bessie gathered up her sunbonnet and basket, and then, with a very sad face, started to go back over the bridge again, and home.

wasn't a live creature in sight except a very old frog. But Dolly heard very distinctly these words in her heart: "If God has anything he wants you to do to-day, don't fall him, will you, dear?"

Perhaps if Dolly had stopped to think of all the lovely things at the picnic, she never could have done it, but she just remembered that Bessie Stone never went to a picnic in all her life.

Another moment and Dolly went flying back over the bridge, and caught Bessie, and crowded the precious handkerchief that had the money in it into her hand. "Here's my money," she said, "now go quick or you'll be late." She was a little afraid she might change her mind if there was any delay.

Bessie's eyes opened wide. "Why, what'll you do?" she said. "Oh, I don't care about picnics; that is, not very much," answered Dolly, bravely. "Bessie refused at first, but she was very small, and she wanted so much to go. Dolly urged her very hard, and at last she took it."

"We'll swap lunch-baskets," said Dolly. She never did things by halves, and she had noticed that Bessie's basket had altogether to lean a look for a basket that was going to a picnic.

So they exchanged, and Bessie ran on up the hill, urged by Dolly's cry of "Hurry now, Bessie," behind her. It was baking-day at Mamma Carr's. She was just holding up in one hand a little cranberry roll and trimming the edges with the other, when the door suddenly burst open and Dolly herself came rushing in like a small hurricane.

"Dear! dear!" said mamma, with the turnover poised in mid-air. "Why, Dolly, what is the matter? Did you lose your money?" "No; I've given it to Bessie Stone, 'coz she lost hers through the bridge, and she never went to a picnic in all her life, never."

Dolly winked very fast to keep the tears back, but in spite of all she could do there were two or three that squeezed through. Mamma dropped the turnover on the molding board, and took Dolly in her arms, and gave her a hug.

"Why, Dolly Carr," said she, "I'd rather my little girl should do a thing like that than have her made a queen." They opened Bessie's lunch-basket. I am sure you could never guess what was the lunch that poor little Bessie was to carry to the picnic. It was just two dry crackers and a piece of codfish.

"I'm so glad I thought to swap," said Dolly.

Mamma gave up her baking, and devoted herself to her daughter all day. They had dinner under the old elm, where the sunlight peeped through the leaves in little dancing dacks all over the table. And then they went out in the woods for a ramble after wild flowers; and the little girl was full of sunshine all day long.

"Somehow," she said to mamma, "I keep growin' gladder and gladder all the time." Bessie stopped on her way home to exchange lunch-baskets. "I never had such a good time in all my life," she said to Dolly, "and I'll never forget it in you, Dolly Carr—never."

"It's been the beautifullest day I ever had," said Dolly, when she was snugly tucked in bed that night. "And I know why," said mamma.

THE BOY.

Rev. A. E. Winship, in Golden Rule. Without underestimating the value of the years below twelve, it must be borne in mind that in character-forming the years from twelve to twenty are of great importance. In the earlier years the child is merely in germs. The first twelve years bear a similar relation to the next ten years. The first twelve months are devoted largely to learning to recognize things and persons, and to use eyes, hands and feet. The first twelve years of child life are used in coming into consciousness of the world about him. He learns words enough to serve his purpose, learns what books mean, learns how to know the world. He has no time, taste or ability for mature, continued or vigorous thought.

You can no more settle the child's mental, moral or religious life before he is twelve years of age than you can determine his grammar before he is twelve months old. You can protect him from false ways, you can dwarf him, you can rectify wrong tendencies, you can start him right, but you cannot make his character secure.

The Mormons say that if they can have a child till he is twelve they care not who has him after that, and certain leaders in the Catholic Church are credited with the same remark, but I have noticed that they look as sharply after their youth as their children. You cannot overestimate the importance of early training if you keep it up through the youth years.

You can pinch a child's feet so that they will never be of natural size, but you cannot prophesy reliably the hour, week or month when he will take his first step, nor what shall be his first ten words. You can do some "pinching" of a child's habits and tendencies before he is twelve, you can rectify deformities of disposition, mind or morals, as you can straighten a club-foot; but to say that the future of the child's mental, moral or religious life is determined before he is twelve is the rankest folly.

It is a philosophical crime to take a child out of school before he is twelve; it is infinitely better not to send him to school till he is ten. Kindergarten and primary school instruction is highly important for the perceptions, manners

and language, but for thought and vigor of character the school life from ten to sixteen is of inestimable value. To lose home control of a boy at, or soon after he is twelve, is a mistake that borders on a crime. It is safer and wiser to leave a boy on the street till nine o'clock at night when he is five years old than when he is fifteen.

Between the ages of twelve and twenty the home, the school, the church, the shop and society will determine whether a boy shall be physically weak and nerveless, or erect, strong, prompt and athletic; whether in thought he shall be sluggish, disjointed and conceited, or clear, quick, sharp and vigorous; whether he shall be aimless, shiftless and thriftless in business, or industrious, shrewd and prosperous; whether he shall be a political bummer, for sale to the highest bidder, a fanatic driven into the enemies' camp by some scarecrow among his friends, or a reliable, courageous, staunch, loyal citizen; whether he shall be socially cross-grained, coarse-fibered, trouble-making, or gentle, helpful, peace-inspiring; whether he shall be a foul-mouthed, profane, untrustworthy man, or a cleanly, correct, upright, pure gentleman; whether he shall be skeptical, atheistical and infidel, or devout, reverent and godly.

To undervalue the years from twelve to twenty is to neglect them. We shall never study the youth in these years unless we realize how much is at issue. There is not an hour during these years that the parent can afford to be indifferent to his child. It is important that we make no mistake, but if we err, it should be on the side of too great care rather than too little care. "Don't" never saved a child, but "don't care" never fails to ruin. Our chief concern is to understand the boy in these years, to appreciate his characteristics, to honor his self-respect, to feed his thought.

He must be treated or thought of as a child. It is a serious thing to lead a lad of seventeen how fast he is "growing;" but it is the height of philosophical wisdom to congratulate him upon how much he has "grown." In the former case you give the impression that you consider him a child, in the latter a man. There is all the difference between the fool and philosopher in the use of the words growing and grown with a young man from fourteen to eighteen.

The parent must succeed in guiding, directing, inspiring as much between the ages of twelve and twenty as under twelve, but it must be with greater skill and higher wisdom.

MORE ABOUT GETTING MARRIED.

Golden Rule. The question of late has become almost a by word, "Is marriage a failure?" Without going into the general subject, it requires no prophetic gifts to predict that your marriage will be a failure if you marry a man simply because you like him, or have a passing fancy for his good looks or manly graces. The chances are that these looks and graces exist largely only in your own imagination.

A RIVAL OF CUVIER.

Some one has remarked that as Cuvier could construct a whole animal from a single bone, so a romantic girl can construct a hero out of a single glance of the eye or wave of the pocket-handkerchief. But the difference is that while Cuvier's animal would doubtless be true to nature, your hero would have no counterpart outside of your vivid imagination. When you came to know him, you would find, like your little sister in the nursery, when she dissects her doll, that he was stuffed with sawdust, or that he was a very cheap edition of nature's noblest work, "bound," as has been wittily said, "in whole calf." Here is where the evil that I deplore, and am warning you against, usually starts. It is the attraction of a passing fancy magnified by an active imagination. A sad, sad, disillusion too often follows. With the utmost seriousness I would say, be very careful not to mistake a transitory fancy for lasting love. It is an awful and solemn promise that you make at the marriage altar. Do not promise to love, honor and obey him in whom there is little to love and nothing to honor, and whom you cannot obey without losing all self-respect. If only your happiness in this world were concerned, I might well utter this warning. If only the next forty years of your life hinged on this matter I might well occupy a page in discussing it. But when it is remembered that the making or marring of eternal blessedness often hinges right here; that not forty but forty million years may depend upon this choice, the full import of the matter is understood.

DR. HOLLAND'S ADVICE.

To quote Dr. Holland ones more: "It is a shame that women have no more opportunities for a choice." "My own wife," he goes on to say, "very fortunately got an excellent husband, but it is something for which she is to be grateful on an overruling Providence, for her own knowledge had very little to do with it. I could have cheated her beyond all account. I tell you, men want studying for some years before you find them out, and it becomes you to run fewer risks than most of your sex run in this business. It is a good deal of a step, this getting married, and I am very anxious that you should know a great many men, that you should get the one you love, and that you should be happy all the days of your life." Again let me say to you, young ladies,

DO NOT MARRY SIMPLY FOR THE SAKE OF A HOME.

If that is your sole object you will

very likely get a roof to cover your head, but it may be anything but a home. A home to which a drunkard comes reeling, with poisoned breath and incoherent speech, is no home. A table with a swinish brute on one side, and a patient Griselda, who pours out his tea, on the other, does not furnish a home. A shiftless, never-do-well, who cannot support himself, much less a family, can never provide you a true home.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HOUSE AND A HOME.

There are ten thousand houses in every great city that enshrine no homes! In the home there must be respect and forbearance and mutual interests, and, above all, love. It may be ever so poor, without any bric-a-brac, without a single expensive tidy, with no grand piano with no drapery at the windows and no Brussels on the floor. It may contain only two straight-backed chairs, a table and a stove, and yet be a true home, if on the secret altar the fires of love are kindled before marriage, and are allowed to burn freely and cheerily after marriage.

SELLING ONE'S SELF FOR A HOME.

Now listen attentively, I beg of you, to this ringing message that has been sent you by one of my wise correspondents. "Oas danger which threatens our young women is that of selling themselves. They work, year after year, for very small wages, go home at night to

small, uncomfortable rooms, sit down and think of the hard lines in which their lots are cast. Few take any interest in them, and they find life's work drudgery, and life itself almost a burden. They struggle on, trying to keep up appearances and at last, discouraged, sell their dear instincts and blight their consciences, accepting—purely for a home and because they are so tired—the proffered protection (?) of those units to associate with them, much less to call them wives. I know a young lady in the city who married a man who is not her equal, and from whom she is far removed in age, simply because he has money to spend in dressing her, and she is 'so tired' of struggling alone. It is possible to live on very little, and be happy and independent on that little. In many cases, it seems to me that all that is needed to help our girls is to make them less selfish, less bound up in thinking of their own lot in life; to open to them the richness that is in life, the value of living and struggling when there is a purpose in it." These are noble words. I wish they might be written in letters of gold and hung up in your chamber, where first of all in the morning your eyes might fall on them, and thus realize the richness of every life that has a noble purpose running through it. That is the secret of it; learn that secret, and your life, with or without a husband, will be rich and fully blessed.

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lville, Ky., Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, and Dr. G. John, Secretary of the Board of Missions.

There were no public meetings in the afternoon, the time being given to the brethren to unburden themselves; by which expression is meant that the preachers come up to Conference with their hearts unburdened...

The anniversary of the Church Extension Society was held at night. The speakers were Drs. J. G. John and David Morton. Dr. John reported to have made a good church extension speech...

SECOND DAY.

The Conference met at 8:30 a. m. with Bishop Key in the chair, and read with religious services by Dr. David Morton. The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Conference dispensed with calling the roll for the remainder of the session. The Bishop announced as transfers from other conferences: C. O. Jones, from the Southwest Missouri; W. W. Graham, from the Texas; A. T. Crawford, from the Tennessee, and F. C. Mabry, from the Louisville Conference.

The Conference by vote accepted the invitation of Mrs. L. A. Kidd, President of the North Texas Female College, to take tea at the college Friday evening.

Under question 2, J. B. Guber, A. A. Wagoner, S. R. Hay, H. B. Webster, E. M. Clark, L. L. Naugle, J. R. Jones, E. B. Thompson and D. P. Brown reported, and they were continued on trial in the class of the second year. Lee B. Ellis was discontinued at his own request.

The deacons of one year are: S. I. Ball, J. F. Alderson, J. L. Pierce, J. N. C. Moore and N. Riggan, of whom were passed to the class of the fourth year except C. N. Riggan, who did not appear before the committee for examination.

Julian Woodson, J. C. Roberts, Harvey K. Agee, James F. Alderson were elected to the class of the fourth year. G. O. Hardee, of the same class, was absent, and W. W. Manning, not having been examined, remains in the class of the fourth year.

C. M. Harless, of Farmville station; W. A. Sturkey, of Sulphur Springs station; C. H. Peele, of Annona circuit; A. A. Wagoner, of the Milton circuit; Albert Noble, of the Pottoboro circuit; T. A. Roberts, of the Denton circuit; D. W. Hughes, of the Pottoboro circuit; B. R. Goodwyn, of Willis Point station, local preachers, were elected to deacon's orders.

J. D. Christian, a local deacon, surrendered his credentials to the Conference. The Conference then adjourned with the benediction.

NOTES.

The visitors introduced to the Conference were: Rev. W. S. Woodward, of the Southwest Missouri Conference, representing the St. Louis Christian Advocate; Rev. A. J. Bunker, of the Indian Mission Conference, and this writer.

At 3 p. m. Rev. J. A. Stafford preached at the M. E. Church, South, and at 7 p. m. Rev. Jas. Campbell preached at same church, and Rev. L. S. Ashburn preached at the Baptist church.

This Conference seems to exercise great care to admit only proper persons into the traveling connection and to orders in the ministry.

THIRD DAY.

The Conference opened on time with religious services by W. D. Mountcastle. Bishop Key in the chair.

After reading and approving the minutes the fourteenth question was called and J. C. Moore, of Boston circuit; J. T. Stanley, of Crandle circuit; R. A. Morris, of Linden circuit; B. T. James, of Chilo circuit; Jas. B. Parr, of Bellevue circuit; J. T. Dunford, of Burlington circuit, local preachers, were elected to elder's orders.

Under Question 10, J. M. Swanton, of Winsboro circuit, was elected to deacon's orders. Under Question 30, several elders were called and their characters passed. J. C. Davis was received into full connection.

Confession adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

NOTES.

We regret very much not being able to enjoy one of the most pleasant episodes connected with the Conference, viz: the visit of the Conference to the North Texas Female College. The brethren report that they had a most bountiful feast, both intellectually and materially. They returned much pleased, and with the promise of the future success of the college.

A brother stated that his charge did not contribute to the Church Extension Fund because he gave them information, viz: That a part of the fund would be used to help the church in a certain city. The Bishop said there was quite a difference between giving bare information and the reason for giving, and that the latter was the right way, information ought to be given in a way to further and not to hinder the policy of the church. When the policy of the church is known, loyalty demands that both preacher and people should conform to it.

When the candidate for admission into full connection was asked if he was in debt he answered that he was to the extent of thirty dollars. Whereupon Bishop Key delivered himself in strong language against preachers entangling themselves with debts. The Conference did not consider the young brother to be in debt so as to embarrass him, but when he had been received a larger-amounted loan was to be put into the Bishop's hand the necessary amount to cancel the debt.

Dr. L. G. John addressed the Conference in an earnest and interesting talk on missions. He said that as much as the church needed money that something greater was needed—consecrated young men to give themselves to this great work. He made a strong appeal for men to go as missionaries to the Indian Territory.

FOURTH DAY.

The Conference opened at 8:30 with religious services by C. J. Cook. Bishop Key in the chair.

After the reading and approval of the minutes the Conference proceeded with the examination of character under question 20.

Under question 1, S. W. Rogers, C. M. Harless, C. H. Peele, W. H. Brown, W. F. Hodnett, and Steward Nelson, were admitted on trial.

Under question 5, A. C. Benson, O. S. Thomas, J. T. Stanley, J. H. White, and E. S. Boyd were re-admitted.

The Conference adjourned until 4 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened with religious services by W. W. Herrer, Bishop Key in the chair. After reading the minutes question 5 was called and H. J. Settle was readmitted.

In the Conference, and was received according to discipline. The Conference then continued the examination of character under question 20.

I. M. Gator was granted a location at his own request.

NOTES.

Divine services on Sunday were as follows: M. E. Church, South, at 9 a. m.—Low feast, conducted by Rev. W. H. Hughes; at 7 p. m. and preaching by J. W. Hill.

M. E. Church, at 11 a. m.—Preaching by R. L. Allen; at 3 p. m.—Memorial services; at 7 p. m.—Preaching by Dr. M. H. Neely, followed by the ordination of elders.

Baptist Church, at 11 a. m.—Preaching by A. T. Crawford; at 7 p. m., J. W. Adkisson. Presbyterian Church, at 11 a. m.—Preaching by E. W. Alderson; at 7 p. m., J. A. Lyons.

Opera House, at 11 a. m.—Preaching by Bishop Key, followed by the ordination of deacons.

The love feast was a glorious and profitable occasion. Only one member of the Conference died during the year, viz: Rev. S. J. Hawkins, the chairman of the committee, read a beautiful and touching tribute. W. H. Hughes, F. M. Sherwood, V. C. Young, C. E. Lamb, W. C. Honer, J. W. Hill and M. Steiser offered honorable tributes to the memory of the deceased. When Bro. Steiser spoke of the happy meeting with his brother in the great future the Conference generally got on their feet and shouting ground.

FIFTH DAY.

Conference opened at 8:30 a. m. with religious services by T. E. Sherwood. Bishop Key in the chair.

After reading the minutes, the Bishop announced the ordinations as follows: Deacons—Christopher M. Harless, Wm. A. Stuckers, Chas. H. Peele, Albert Noble, Daniel W. Hughes, Thos. F. Robeson, Andrew A. Wagoner, Bird R. Goodwin, John M. Swanton.

Elders—Julian Woodson, Eld G. Roberts, Harvey K. Agee, James F. Alderson, Joseph C. Moore, Jacob T. Stanley, Rauben A. Morris, Benjamin T. James, James B. Parr, John T. Danford.

The Conference proceeded with the examination of character under Question 20, and finished the call.

The Committee on Temperance reported, and the report was adopted. Greenview was selected as the seat of the next session of the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read, and the following names were placed on the supernumerary and supernumerary lists, viz: Supernumeraries—J. C. Randall, R. G. Rainey, W. P. Read, J. B. Rabb, C. J. Cook, J. C. Smith, S. A. Armstrong, J. W. Chalk, W. R. Davis, A. H. Brewer, T. W. Morton, L. P. Lively, F. V. Evans, J. L. Angell and R. Lane.

Supernumeraries—W. K. Duff, W. R. Manning, W. H. Weatherly, F. C. Pearson and L. P. Smith.

The report of the Committee on District Conference Records showed thorough investigation and was adopted.

The Board of Education presented report No. 1, which was a hearty indorsement of the Southwestern University. One thousand dollars was named as the necessary amount to aid the university as an educational fund, and the report was amended by adding \$500 to pay interest on the bonds of the North Texas Female College. The report also recommended that the Conference raise \$500 to aid in the purchase of a building on the campus of the university, and after an able address by Dr. J. H. McLean \$500 was raised to build the cottage. J. M. Binkley also addressed the Conference and the report was adopted. Dr. J. H. McLean was appointed Treasurer and Building Committee of the North Texas Female College.

The Board then presented report on North Texas Female College. Mrs. L. A. Kidd addressed the Conference in the interest of the college. A collection of \$500, to erect additional buildings, was raised. The report recommended the appointment of W. H. Hughes Financial Agent—and was adopted.

The Board also presented report No. 3 on Central College, which was read and after a few remarks by J. W. Adkisson, who said he would not delay the Conference by a long speech, was adopted. Dr. F. T. Mitchell, of Waco, delivered a sensible talk on our educational interests.

The Committee on Church Property presented their report. The report stressed the importance of having churches of our own to worship in, and also of building parsonages. It contained a resolution to memorialize the legislature on the taxation of church property, and Judge Perkins, of Greenville, was appointed to prepare and present the memorial. Conference adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m., Dr. M. H. Neely being appointed to preside.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference opened at 2:30, with religious services by Jas. Campbell, Dr. M. H. Neely in the chair.

The report of the Sunday-school Board was read. J. A. Lyons, Assistant Sunday-school Secretary of the M. E. Church, South, addressed the Conference in the interest of the Sunday-school work, and the report was adopted.

A resolution was adopted requesting the Presiding Elders to take collections for traveling expenses of the Board of Publication. The usual resolutions of thanks were adopted.

The report of the Board of Church Extension was read for information. The Woman's Department of Church Extension raised this year \$400.

After a song, prayer and a few appropriate remarks by the Bishop the appointments were read out and the Conference adjourned.

NOTES.

I have no conscientious scruples about telling the amounts assessed against my charge. The assessments were too great, and I hope it will not be repeated next year.—A Pastor.

I hope the assessments will not be less. It is always injurious for a charge to go back on its assessments. Charges suffer from backsliding, as do men. Let not any of our charges go back, but let them rather go on to perfection.—Bishop Key

welcome in North Texas when he comes again. The Rev. J. A. Lyons, representing our Publishing House at Nashville, put in his appearance and was introduced to the Conference during the morning session.

Rev. R. M. Powers was elected a member of the Joint Board of Publication to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. S. J. Hawkins.

Said Rev. J. W. Beasley: "It has my pleasure to circulate the ADVOCATE. At one of my appointments this year, where the ADVOCATE was well circulated and read, the scholars of the preacher in charge and the presiding elder were both paid in full for the year at the second quarterly conference."

We are indebted to the Secretary and his assistants for valuable services in preparing these reports.

TOTALS OF STATISTICAL REPORTS, OF NORTH TEXAS CONFERENCE, NOV. 1888.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Local preachers, Adult members, Baptized members, etc.

APPOINTMENTS. Dallas District. T. R. PURICE, P. E. First Church, Dallas—J. R. Allen. First Church—W. C. Ashburn. Trinity and Oak Lawn—D. W. Brown. Dallas City Mission—W. H. Hughes. W. H. McLean. Dallas Circuit—J. C. Moore. Cooper and Caruth—J. C. McWhorter. Plano Station—J. J. Martin. McKinney Station—J. B. Hays. Home Circuit—H. B. Hays. Bethel Circuit—H. B. Hays. First Church—W. H. Spurgeon. Home Circuit—T. J. Smith. Merritt Circuit—L. L. Naegele. Lowville Circuit—O. S. Thomas. Waco Circuit—W. H. C. Coppinger. Sunday-school Agent—W. F. Clark. Vice-Regent southwestern University—J. H. McLean.

Terrill District. T. R. PURICE, P. E. Terrill Station—J. P. Thomas. Willis Point Station—W. F. Graham. Kautman Station—A. F. Hendrix. Kingsland Circuit—W. Ashburn. Rockwall and Duck Creek—R. N. Brown. Forney Circuit—H. P. Shander. Home Circuit—W. F. Fuller. Allen Circuit—J. M. McKee. Mesquite Circuit—F. C. Sawyer. Robson Circuit—W. M. Taylor. Kemp Circuit—H. B. Smith. McLean Circuit—J. McDaniel. Nevada—P. L. Smith.

Sulphur Springs District. G. T. NICHOLS, P. E. Sulphur Springs Station—W. M. Shelton. Sulphur Springs Circuit—Supplied by W. A. Stuckey. Sulphur Bluff Circuit—J. T. Bludworth. Greenville Station—J. W. Hill. Kingsland Circuit—W. Ashburn. Cooper Circuit—B. F. Hays. Leonard Circuit—R. S. Gorsline. Lone Oak Circuit—A. H. Coppinger. Campbell Circuit—J. Parker. Black Jack Circuit—H. W. Wilson. Weatherly Circuit—P. R. Engelberger. W. H. Weatherly, Sup. Sulphur Springs—Supplied by J. M. Sweet on. Willow Springs Circuit—W. T. Ayers. Emory Mission—C. J. Sherwood. Huntington Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Adkisson. Agent Central College—J. F. Sherwood.

Jefferson District. C. B. FLADGER, P. E. Jefferson Station—J. M. Crowson. Keokukville Circuit—W. M. Crowson. Coffeyville Circuit—J. Woodson. Gilmer Circuit—J. F. P. Miller. Mount Pleasant Circuit—W. A. Edwards. Danziger Circuit—J. D. Whitehead. Lone Oak Circuit—W. A. Edwards. Antigua Station—S. J. E. Walker. Queen City Circuit—R. H. Adair. Lone Oak Circuit—W. A. Edwards. Texasiana Station—R. M. Powers. Texasiana Mission—G. C. Hardy. Pottoboro Station—J. A. Ward.

Paris District. J. C. WAVER, P. E. Paris Station—J. R. Wages. Paris, Lamar Avenue—H. H. Hays. Embury Circuit—J. F. Miller. Ambia Mission—Supplied by M. I. Hancock. Paris Circuit—J. C. Hays. Pattonville Circuit—C. M. Hays. Milton Mission—W. H. Brown. Rose Hill Circuit—H. G. Jones. Woodland Circuit—J. M. Woodward. Detroit Circuit—To be supplied. Lone Oak Circuit—J. E. Hays. Carlsville Mission—C. H. Pele. Annona Circuit—C. H. Pele. Home Circuit—W. H. Brown. Ben Franklin Circuit—E. G. Roberts. Brookston Circuit—W. H. LeFevre. F. C. Pattonville Circuit—W. H. Brown. Maxey Mission—E. S. Boyd. Stephenville Circuit—A. G. Benson.

Sherman District. W. H. WACAR, P. E. Sherman Station—J. C. Archer. Sherman Circuit—T. L. Miller. Howe—H. M. Sherwood. Ben Sawyer—J. J. Alderson. Van Arsdale—J. E. Vinson. Denison Station—J. E. Lamb. Huntington Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Pottoboro and Preston Circuit—W. M. Leahy. Gordonsville Circuit—S. L. Ball. Pilot Point Station—A. T. Crawford. Pine Grove Station—T. E. Sherwood and E. M. Clark. Whitehall and Marvin—S. H. Ashburn. Huntington Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Collinsville Circuit—B. H. Webster.

Gainesville District. M. C. BLACKBURN, P. E. Gainesville Station—M. H. Neely. Broad Street—S. C. Hutchins. Gainesville Circuit—T. F. Robeson. Mountain Springs Circuit—W. S. Miller. Denton Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Gayville Circuit—S. Nelson. Houston Circuit—H. C. Worley. Feacary Station—H. C. Worley. Denton Circuit—M. M. Juan. Houston Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Denton Station—J. H. Reynolds. L. P. Smith. Aubrey Circuit—A. J. McDougal. Aurora Mission—Supplied by S. Cobb.

Montague District. W. S. MAY, P. E. Montague and Beecher—S. C. Riddle. Bowie and Bolivar—F. O. Miller. Henrietta and Wichita—J. L. Pierce, Jr. Alvord Circuit—E. S. Williams. Post Oak Circuit—C. C. Williamson. Chilton Circuit—J. B. Jones. Craighton and Sunset Circuit—W. S. Shearer. St. Joe Circuit—Supplied by F. D. Cameron. Huntington Circuit—T. A. Gurr. Red River Mission—Supplied by J. A. Kerr. Bethel Circuit—Supplied by J. L. Yelton. Denton Creek Mission—Supplied by L. W. Harrison.

TRANSPORTED—J. W. Hottel, to Texas Conference; I. N. Crutched, to Denver Conference, and one to the Missouri Conference; W. L. Williams, to Texas Conference; J. W. Lively, to East Texas Conference; A. A. Wagoner, to Indian Mission Conference; M. C. Coppinger, to Indian Mission Conference, and stationed at Collins Institute.

Mexican Border Conference.

The fourth session of the Mexican Border Mission Conference closed at Del Rio, Texas, Nov. 4. Sickness and distance prevented the attendance of the brethren to about one-fourth of the former session. Forthright prayer was made that God should remember and bless them there, and I fear say the spirit of the communion of the saints moved their hearts in union with ours, who were at the feast. They sent cheering reports of their labors and substantial collections for the funds that are to carry on the work.

From the Gulf of Mexico to the Gulf of California came representatives and reports of the work. Bro. J. D. Seagraves, who one year ago was sent to occupy the hitherto unoccupied extreme southwestern part of the State of Sonora, writes from Mazatlan of a good work done, of doors opening, and of most encouraging prospects for the future.

Ours is the only church in the State and we were impressed with the weight of this responsibility, and a great desire of answering more fully than we did Bro. S.'s earnest call to more helpers. As it was, we could grant but one additional worker. Bro. S. and Rivera of San Antonio, was sent to Mazatlan. A new district was formed—the Sonora and Rio Grande. Bro. J. F. Corbin put in charge of it. From all accounts he has done a good work during the less than two years he has been at Nogales, Arizona Territory. This is one of the many border towns lying along the extensive frontier of the two largest Republics in the world. Like the rest, this subject is in a position of strategic importance of Mexican evangelization; but it enjoys the special privilege of having no rolling river dividing it into two towns or cities. Here the traveler is alone separated from his neighbors geographically, and they can walk from Mexico into the United States to church any day of the night they may choose to do so. Here also our brethren represent the American Protestant Christianity, and great is the advantage ground. Connected as it is by rail with the Pacific coast, it is one of the most accessible, and with all Mexico, especially the Pacific coast part of Mexico, by rail at Guaymas, and being of an elevation over three thousand feet, it is free from yellow fever and other sickness peculiar to the low and hot coast. It is not only the trading port for a vast extent of country in both nations, but it is the natural seat of a great American enterprise of Mexico. Here Bro. G. has built a church and school-house, and has a flourishing mission, besides some other good congregations of both Mexicans and Americans; and the prospects are fine of a very extensive work in all that country.

Bro. G. writes in the national Key: "How American missionary, to be supplied," was how the bishops read this appointment. The report he has received him, and that will soon be at work in so promising a field. In this district there was also "left to be supplied" a mission called Baja California. This takes in the whole representative of Lower California. How important is this field! A capital man sent into that country to spy out and to possess the land would be a capital thing. Let us be the first to enter. American enterprise and capital are pouring into the country. One, who will have the glory of being the first missionary of Southern Methodism to plant the Cross in that peninsula. How glad should the soldiers of the Cross volunteer for such an honor! And yet you gentlemen, (I will have to call you gentlemen, for if you were real men you would come) when you merge into the light of eternity, look down upon this poor world, there will be a very sudden and mighty change in your views of ministerial call and propriety, and you would give a thousand years of such a vision as you have now, for the privilege of spending a quarter of a century in the very darkest spot of earth, living, working and sleeping down upon this poor world, in a little hut in the shadow of death. If one of our bishops could just hold a conference among the dead Methodist preachers and the living ones, and ask them, "How glad would you be to go to the dark and dreary corners of the earth, there would be a mighty roar and scramble for this office. Not so now it seems, for some of the bishops tell me that they are not in a hurry to receive this office, and plead and labor with the young and strong preachers of the over-covered eastern conferences, and yet few far between are they who plead and labor with the West and work where there are neither honors nor emoluments to offer; only a cross and a broken heart, and a few necessities, as for those who plead and labor with the West to be sent to the poor and degraded who are dying without even the knowledge of the Saviour, where, oh, where, are such? An American missionary is also needed for Durango, a most important city and surrounding, occupied only by southern Methodists. Bro. McDaniel has been away so much on his large district that he can no longer give that attention to the Durango city and State work that it needs badly for its future condition. What shall I say about the Monterey Anglo-Mexican College? Was it ever known that a well-to-do school should be established in a principal for months and months for nearly a year? Yes, such is the case. We have all the financial backing that we need, and yet, and yet, no one to take in hand a work made ready to hand. Men have gone forth into the wilderness, and where perils were thick, and have strayed and strayed, and have failed, and made a crop, and built barns and stored away fruit for many years, and sent out invitations over invitations—invitations by preach and by letters, but the church has not been able to give; and by the Board of Mission (Bible) to individuals and to conferences—to make and do a work already prepared and at hand, and with nearly every thing they begin to make excuse! Young men, and men now in the prime of life, the men needed for the field, are not to be had; have been educated in our Christian colleges, and of them who are gratified, with the hope on the church's part, and the promise expressed on their parts, to spend their lives where they could do most good; where the church, those in authority, might indicate; and yet when they have gotten their education through, they have left the church, in a position to be independent, they snap their fingers, so to speak, in the face of their true alma mater, and command their own appointments. They are a great ego to that of the three Mexican youths who were sent to Emory, Wofford and Van dergrift some years ago, and great fountains of trumpets and ointment at the expense of the church, who, when they got back to Mexico, proposed terms to Dr. Patton—one of the best of them, telling him that he would have his services at one hundred dollars per month. They were now educated gentlemen, and as the country was being inundated by Americans and their money, these English schemes were in demand as interpreters at good wages. I say the cases are analogous, and I have no doubt to point out the similarity. But will return to the starting point of the late Conference, from which we have wandered far, though not from the field; as some preachers do, from the text, though they still stay by the subject.

Our conference was held at Del Rio, Texas, and was hospitably entertained by the good citizens of that city. Several local preachers were employed as supplies. As usual, the joint anniversary of the mission and church extension boards was a great and growing success. A number of our earliest men and women gave nearly \$200 for their twin objects. And there was but one contribution of more than \$25—the bishop gave \$25. \$3 to each of these occasions with our conference are seasons of great spiritual blessings. There is nothing better than a generous gift to open the avenues of a spirit of refreshing in the giver. Truly it is more blessed to give than to receive. God loves a cheerful giver. It is a twice blessed gift—blessing both the giver and the receiver.

I will close this long letter by giving the appointments of the new year, humbly asking the prayers of the church on the same, that this may be a year of refreshing as well as of growing.

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Mr. McKamy is a son of Rev. S. J. Hawkins, formerly a member of the North Texas Conference and a Associate Editor of this ADVOCATE. He, too, is a graduate of the Southwestern University, of the Class of '84. Energetic and thoroughly competent, they may be relied upon to give careful attention to any business entrusted to them.

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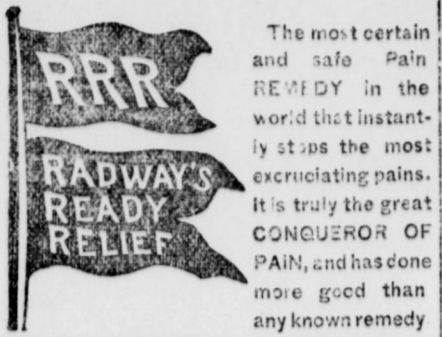
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There are so many hills to climb upward, I often am longing for rest; But he who appoints me my pathway Knows just what is needful and best; I know in his word life has promised That my strength shall be as my day, And the toils of the road will seem nothing When I get to the end of the way.

He loves me too well to forsake me, Or give me one trial too many; All his people have been dearly purchased, And Satan can never claim such. By and by I shall see Him and praise Him In the city of unending day, And the toils of the road will seem nothing When I get to the end of the way.

When the last feeble step has been taken, And the gates of the city appear, And the beautiful songs of the angels Float out on my listening ear; When all that now seems so mysterious Will be plain and clear as the day; Yes, the toils of the road will seem nothing When I get to the end of the way.

Though now I am footsore and weary, I shall rest when I'm safely at home; I know I'll receive a glad welcome, For the Savior Himself has said, Come! So when I'm weary in body And sinking in spirit I say, All the toils of the road will seem nothing When I get to the end of the way.

Cooling fountains are there for the thirsty; There are cordials for those who are faint; There are robes that are whiter and purer Than any that fancy can paint; Then I'll try to press hopefully onward Thinking often through each weary day, The toils of the road will seem nothing When I get to the end of the way.

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One, Paul, in thirty-three years, made a journey on foot over the greater part of the known world west of the Golden Horn, and bore the gospel into the regions beyond. Give us a score of such men and women as this, and we can cease to be slums in our great cities, build a chapel in every forsaken quarter, put a missionary in every remote hamlet, and gladden the globe with a zone of missionary labor.

prayed with them, she inquired of their spiritual condition, and directed them to Jesus. No pastoral care became needful where that woman went. She declined invitations to social parties that she might be free to devote her time to the Lord's work.

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FRAY—Sister Elizabeth Middleton Fray (nee Hill) was born Dec. 13, 1822, and died in Findlay, Lee county, Texas, Nov. 8, 1888, almost sixty-six years of age.

DAVIS—Nancy E. Davis was born Jan. 20, 1830, in Limestone county, Texas, and died in the city of Dallas, Texas, Oct. 11, 1888, aged 58 years.

COVINGTON—I was called on to attend the funeral services of the late Sarah Covington, daughter of Bro. E. W. and Sister M. J. Covington, who died Oct. 11, 1888.

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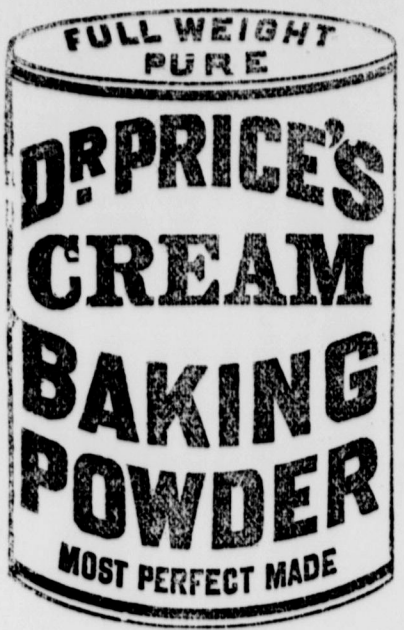
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LORD TENNYSON has been for a month seriously ill with rheumatic gout. He is regarded now as convalescent, but his advancing years are telling on him, and it is unlikely that he will ever be an entirely well man again.

"The flowers that bloom in the Spring time, 'tis he," "Found him sick in the bed with chills, pooh bah," "But Cheatham's Chill Tonic got him up on his feet."

"And he now daily sings, while walking the streets," "It undoubtedly cured his shingles, ha, ha!"

HANOVER SQUARE—It would be a good thing for that young Jack Dorff if the convent were knocked out him. Park Row—(tip at Scott): There wouldn't be enough of him left to hang clothes on!

"Why," said the young wife of a physician who was given to her husband a patient of convalescence in less than twenty-four hours.

Visiting Editors. A telegram from Cincinnati, Ohio, November 17 says: A. B. White, of the Parkersburg, (W. Va.) Journal, President of the National Press Association, is here with a number of delegates, who leave to-night to attend the convention at San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 21 to 24. He says 30 delegates from thirty-three States will attend. After the convention they will take a jaunt into Mexico.

Cheatham's Chill Tonic contains neither Quinine, Cinchonida, Arsenic, Strychnine or Mercury, and does not produce buzzing in ears or deafness. Cure guaranteed.

Obituary—Texas. Died—W. C. Bookman, at Navarro; J. C. Carroll, at Marshall; Mrs. M. Jeter, at Bridgeport; R. P. Keaton, at Baird; Miss Bertina Linkham, H. S. Townsend, at Westport; Mrs. Thomas, wife of the late Thomas, at Dallas; Mrs. M. A. E. Alfred, at Marshall; Geo. W. Colt, at Marshall; A. Rutkay, at Houston; Dr. H. E. Simpson, of Independence, Kansas, at Dallas; Mr. W. Wright, at Jefferson; Clements Handberry, a ranchman, near Brady; Wm. Thomas, a stranger, at Waco.

If your digestion is out of whack, if you need a strengthener or an appetizer, try Cheatham's Chill Tonic. It will bring you out of the kinks.

Texas Casualties. A fire at Grapevine burned two stores—J. H. Street.

John A. Davis, an old citizen, living near Grapevine, was thrown from his horse and killed.

Green Norman, a farmer living near Grapevine, fell head first from a wagon and received fatal injuries.

Arthur Walker lost his arm in a gin near Cibleburne.

The Knights of Labor. The General Assembly of Knights of Labor met in annual session at Indianapolis the past week.

The Secretary's report gives a tabulated statement of the membership as follows: Five thousand six hundred and sixty-six local assemblies in good working order, with a total reported membership of 29,928 and 37,928 not reported. July 1, 1887, the membership, according to this report, was 451,159, showing a loss in one year of 421,231, or 93.6 per cent net membership depending on the "not reported" membership.

The General Treasurer gives an itemized report receipts and expenditures for the year ending June 30, 1888, and a supplementary report up to Oct 31, 1888. Receipts in the first from supplies, per capita tax, journal, charters, special dues, assessments, appeals and miscellaneous aggregate \$215,777; donations, \$19,830 67; in all, \$235,607 67; \$11,000 00 in printing, postage and smaller items for paper, books, postage, railroad fare, business and buttons, expressage, etc. For four months, covered in the supplementary report, the receipts were \$52,591 72 and the expenditures \$42,939 62. In conclusion, the Secretary says: "According to the receipts from taxes the membership has decreased about 30,000 during the past five years, and a 10 per cent increase in the receipts is not sufficient to meet the necessary expenses. In my opinion a contribution of \$25,000 in expenses for the year is needed without detriment to the order, and the report is as follows: 1. The addition of mileage paid to representatives. 2. A consolidation of the offices of General Secretary and General Treasurer. 3. A reduction of the General Executive Board to not more than five members, or less if possible. 4. This, based upon mileage and salaries paid last year, will reduce the expenditures as stated above.

In view of the great falling off in membership and the debt which is hanging over the order delegates are feeling rather blue and wondering what the outcome will be. At the end of June, 1887, the order was \$379,177 ahead. Of its condition one year later Mr. Turner says: "On June 30, 1888, our balance was \$164,667 with bills to the amount of \$267,790 and unpaid. Oct 31, 1888, there is a balance of \$16,987, with \$308,730 in due and unpaid bills."

A Mrs. Barry, in reporting upon the condition of working women, gave some rather startling figures. Instances of the following kind: Men's pants that retail at prices from \$1 to \$7 per pair are taken by a contractor at 15 cents per pair. Operatives are often employed and housed together in close, stuffy, back rooms; where the machine operatives furnish their own machines, and in most cases thread, and do all the machine work on pants, with the exception of buttoning. They are then passed over to the finisher, who puts on the buttons, makes the button-holes and puts on the buckles for 3 cents a pair. Six pants is an average day's work, supposing five operatives to be employed, and there are often more or less. The contractor makes 30 cents a piece, which nets him or her \$1.50 per day. Men's vests are contracted out at 10 cents each, the machine operative receiving 25 cents and the finisher 5 cents each, making 5 cents a vest for completion. Twenty vests is a day's work. Here again with the five operatives she nets \$1 per day doing nothing while her unfortunate victim has 50 cents for eleven and twelve hours of her life's energy. These women are required by society to meet the requirements of a dress and a fashionable woman. Think of their ability to do under such opportunities! In the manufacture of women's underwear this hellish number is carried on with great force. On Central avenue, Cincinnati, O., undergarments are made for 25 cents per dozen, trimmed with either lace or ruffles, while the same with ruffles and lace are made for 50 cents per dozen, the average week's wages of such employees running from \$1.50 to \$3.

Wants Peace between England and America.

A London telegram says: Lord Randolph Churchill, in a speech at Paddington expressed the hope that the peace of London at Washington would soon be signed. He said there is no doubt that Lord Sackville had been primarily indiscreet, and had made an irreparable blunder. No fault could be found with the United States' action toward the Minister. The American people were essentially just and proud in their relations with other countries.

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uring attendance at a meeting of the Centennial and Exposition National Board, to be held in Washington on the 4th of next month, in order to confer about the bills now pending in congress relating to the constitutional centennial celebration in 1889, the world's exposition in 1892 and the permanent exposition of the three Americas, has been extended to the mayors of all cities of 25,000 inhabitants and upward. The ministers of Mexico, all the Spanish republics, the two republics of the West Indies, and the empire of Brazil, have been invited to this conference. Membership of the board includes all governors of States and territories, the mayors of fifty-three cities, one hundred and fifty-five presidents and secretaries of boards of trade, the masters and secretaries of most of the granaries, and the presidents and secretaries of many agricultural societies.

One row of sweet potatoes raised by Capt. Mattie of Calahan county, produced 125 bushels of potatoes. The row was 400 yards long, and the potatoes taken from it weighed from ten to twenty pounds each. At this same rate an acre of land would have produced 1500 bushels. Now, this is not a Mulhattar, fish nor snake story. It is a fact that will be sworn to by Capt. Mattie and a number of other citizens there. Mattie is the same man that had the biggest potato in Texas at the Dallas fair. He was one of the judges of the fair, having been appointed by Gov. Ross.

The locating committee has selected what is known as the "driving park" for the site of the new Waco Female College. The land belongs to Fort Worth and Dallas capitalists. The same parties own ninety-eight acres of land in that quarter of the city. They gave the board of trustees fifteen acres and a cash bonus to have the college located on the property. A \$90,000 building will be erected, and the work will commence shortly.

The case of the Feigles vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company at Fort Worth, ended in a \$1500 verdict for the plaintiff. He sent a telegram from Malvern and it was not delivered; hence the suit.

At San Marcos the grocery store and stock of W. F. Coppie was entirely destroyed by fire. No insurance.

A rumor at Austin has it that prosecuting attorneys throughout the State have been instructed to investigate election bribing, and prosecute every man who has made a bet. The law positively forbids such bets, but nearly everybody has won or lost something on the bet.

A war between England and America, he declared, would be more atrocious and dangerous than any wars since God created the earth.

He trusted that the government policy toward the new Washington administration would be conservative, with a view to making the American people England's best friends on all questions and producing a durable friendship between the English speaking people, thus safeguarding to humanity in turn the blessings of liberty and peace.

Lord Randolph approved of the government taking measures to repress crime in Ireland, and strongly advocated the restriction of the sale of intoxicating liquors in that land.

Does the Earth Really Move? Science says that it does, but we cannot help wondering sometimes if there isn't some mistake about it, when we see how stubbornly certain old fogies cling to their rusty and antiquated ideas. It was believed once that consumption was incurable, and although it has been clearly demonstrated that it is not thousands of old-time physicians close their eyes and put their hands to their ears and refuse to abandon the theory. But for all that, the world moves on, and Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery continues to rescue sufferers from consumptive graves. It is a sure cure for this dreaded disease, if taken in time. All consumptive diseases and consumption is included in the list—yield to it.

Texas Incidents. A Baird telegram says: "Forty three car-loads of freight for Germany arrived in one day from Mexico over the Mexican National."

Dallas polled over 10,000 votes in the late election. Hays county people are buying cattle to fatten on the surplus corn and sorghum crops.

Life insurance agents in Texas have organized a State Association, with headquarters at Dallas, the objects of which include the pooling of rates, placing life insurance on a higher basis, and creating a State Comptroller of Insurance. It is claimed that upward of \$3,000,000 is paid annually in Texas for life insurances.

Hain, rain, in many parts of Texas. Late cotton badly used up.

John Harris, a colored boy, started from Senator Richard Coke's farm, below Waco on the Brazos, on horseback, carrying a quarter of a beef, intending to deliver it at the other side of the river. It was a dangerous and arduous trip through the bayou, and after he reached the widest of the river, he was attacked by the snarl of a crocodile, chased, and the boy was compelled to drop the beef to save himself. After eating the meat they pursued the boy again. He was able, however, to escape after getting rid of his load.

A circular from Alex. D. Anderson, Secretary of the National Board of Promotion,



NO MAN CAN TO JUSTICE TO THE EXTREMES IN which the Cuticura Remedies are held by the thousands upon thousands whose lives have been made happy by the use of Cuticura, the most perfect skin cure ever known. It is a skin cure for every form of skin and blood disease, from pimples to scrofula.

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the chair. Mr. Fraley was re-elected president for the ensuing year and a long list of vice-presidents was chosen.

The prohibition vote in New York, which was 41,800 last year, will hardly reach 30,000 this year.

The Secretary of the Treasury has awarded the contract for the vault doors for the public buildings at Galveston and Dallas, Texas, to the National Lock Company of Cleveland, O.

The first rail on the Kansas City, El Paso and Mexican Railroad, popularly known as the White Oaks railway, was laid November 16. The track will be laid with steel rails weighing thirty pounds to the yard. The first ten miles of road out from El Paso must be completed by December 1 to enable the company to the subsidy being due December 1. The roadbed is graded for sixteen miles and the track can be laid rapidly.

The importance of the road lies in the fact that it will be the shortest route from El Paso to Kansas City, and will also open up the country above White Oaks, which is rich in coal, iron, gold, silver and other minerals as well as in lumber. A gentleman, who is well informed, said to a correspondent recently: "As soon as the first ten miles are completed Jay Gould will step in behind the road."

This is understood to mean that a branch of the Missouri Pacific will be built south to meet this new line at White Oaks.

"Hunt's Cure" guaranteed a cure for Ringworm, Tetter, Eczema and all forms of skin diseases.

The supreme court has again decided the dispute over the strip between Kaufman and Rockwall counties in favor of Kaufman county.



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SANGER BROS. MID-SEASON CARPET SALE.

A new feature, but imperative. Imperative, because the sale consists in the main of "one room" Carpets. Of course that means all Carpets of which there is only enough left to cover one room. Some will cover small rooms, and some will cover large rooms, but they'll cover a room.

Our Carpet business this season has been so enormous that we are compelled to inaugurate a sale of this kind earlier than usual, because those ends of styles have accumulated faster.

Tapestry Brussels. We have a selection of One-room lengths in our 75c quality that will be sold at 55c per yard.

One-room lengths in our 90c quality that will be sold at 65c per yard.

One-room lengths in our \$1.00 quality that will be sold at 75c per yard.

With most of these we can furnish borders to match.

Body Brussels. Our \$1.15 quality in one-room lengths will be sold at 90c per yard.

Our \$1.25 quality in one-room lengths will be sold at \$1.00 per yard.

With most of these patterns we have borders to match, besides our attractive line in hall and stair patterns, all of which will be sold at proportionately low prices.

WILTON VELVETS. In this popular and durable Carpet we have a large line of one-room lengths, with borders to match, worth \$1.15 to \$1.25, which will be sold at \$1.00 per yard.

Special for This Week. Cotton Chain Extra Supers 55c per yard.

All Wool Extra Supers 65c per yard.

All Wool 3-ply Ingrain Carpets 90c per yard.

Portiere Curtains. We are closing out a number of styles of Chenille, Turcoman and Tapestry Portieres at very low prices, also Japanese Bamboo Portieres at great reductions from former prices.

Blankets, Comforts and Lap-Robes. We don't know why we've sold more Blankets and Comforts this season than any two seasons before. We suppose our customers do know, but we don't ask them. We thank them for their patronage and try to do better. This is how we do it on

White Blankets. All Wool White California Blankets, in new and stylish border, \$5.25, worth \$6.95.

Same quality and style in larger size, a \$6.45, worth \$5.50.

California Blankets, manufactured by the celebrated San Jose Woolen Mills, extra size and weight \$8.75 for Blankets that are worth \$11.50, and \$9.85 for Blankets that are worth \$12.75.

Colored Blankets. All Wool Red Blankets, worth \$5.00 at \$3.95.

All Wool Red Blankets, worth \$7.25, at \$5.90.

Large line in navy-blue, light-blue and myrtle-green Blankets, extra fine quality of wool, at \$6.40 per pair, worth \$8.75.

COMFORTS. Full size Comforts, good cotton filling, covered with sateen and oil-red Calico, at \$1.75, worth \$2.25. Better qualities at \$2.00, worth \$2.65, and better qualities at \$2.55, worth \$3.40.

For this week we will also make some special low prices in All Wool and Plush Lap-Robes. Our selection of styles is by far the largest and handsomest we have ever shown.

Horse Blankets. We are showing a large line of attractive styles for stable or outdoor use at prices that compare with any line we handle.

Holiday Goods. One of the most important reasons for inaugurating sales thus early in the season is found in the fact that our stock of Art Holiday Goods, Plush Cases, Fancy Leather Goods, Mirrors, Lamps, Tables, Toys, Dolls, etc., is larger than any previous season, and we are compelled to make room for their immediate display.

SANGER BROS.

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