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OUR NEW PREACHER.

It is a lovely daj! Perfect in all things. The sun shines brightly, the air cool and bracing, a beautiful afternoon and the Sabbath day. The stillvery soothing to us while we gaze on the western horizon, where we behold the the sward of the croft." Every russet leaf has a reflection of its own, while the men of God in moving from year to year. spreading salvation and glad tidings. I r ad the line of appointment; down down. the progress I have made, and I go no reached their new work on the different charges. Some of them have preached their flocks? How discussed! how torn four miles to "meeting" and back. The quie ness now enjoyed is very acceptable tical shore. From beggars we become kings and queens. From the "common-Often we hold the lightning in our fist, he is gone. I almost caught him, the"the thunder in our c'asp! We wander stems with the other, so inconsistent are our dreams. But I hear "a rapping, gently tapping, tapping at my chamber old grandma was just settling hersel? in tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner tressingly ignorant and helpless, an inconsistent are around, I knew there was no dinner treasured.

The question of dividing our Conference is again being agitated at home and a nuisance to the world. What a great responsibility then and some of the advocates of division think door." My gaze is turned, but not rewarded with sight of that ominous bird of yore. Nor when I fling wide the lata dainty linnet with dress of brown perches upon a high back chair. It preens its wings and breast to its sa'isfaction, then a trill of melody gushes forth on my expectant ear-a lay, bur-I sat high upon the chandelier at Judge A's to-day, while he dispensed turkey and cranberry sauce to the household, and the stranger within his gates. I heard all they said concerning the new preacher. A precocious lad of fifteen was the first to remember the subject for which I was listening. "O, say, papa, how did you like Bro. X. to day?" The and fork with great ease and dexterity, took no time for thought in replying with words of "truth and soberness," but instead launched forth upon that mighty sea-the memory of his children -words and comment of lightness which will be washed ashore by the restless and butter, please mamma." waters in their after lives, as hideous wrecks of hisown creation. "As for me"from a little miss of twelve summers-· I did not like him at all. He was so fidgety, and spoke so loud; and, oh! did you see how dowdy his wife looked?

like to hear him preach. He looks so then happy and learns rapidly. It is al- preacher. The pastor's study is neat and especially the editorials. straight at one to whom he talks. He ways a great pleasure to the deaf to meet well arranged. The town seems proud just seemed to be preaching right at me, a person who is in sympathy with him of the edifice. We may expect to hear when he was after the sinners. I hope and who can converse with him in his good things of this place. Arrangements he will not keep up this disagreeable own native language. No class of people having been previously made with Rev. ness and quiet of our country home is habit all the year." The judge turned is so much benefited by education as the J. W. Hill, of Greenville, to deliver two to his visitor, remarking something about deaf. They frequently come here, al- lectures in the interest of the new church, the rise in wheat, "corners in grain, most grown, densely ignorant of who he was on hand at the appinted time, and many-hued clouds piled in mingled stocks," etc., as seen that morning by they are, whence they came, where they met quite an intelligent and appreciative splendor, heaping up here and there gorgeous thrones of purple and gold, while the radiant light is sending quivering lines and shimmering gleams "across" flew at will. Bro. C.'s house came into splendor, heaping up here and there the Fort Worth Gazette. Knowing the are, and what they are here for. And no audience. ing lines and shimmering gleams "across flew at will. Bro. C.'s house came into finally open their minds, as it were, look from Paso del Norte to the grand City view. Hoping I was not late for news- around them and realize the surroundgathering, I rested unobserved on the ings. A mind perfectly vacant and un- to the proud castilian; of her churches whole scene in the distance is aflame lintel just in time to hear Mrs. C. cultivated is wonderfully stupid and is in from the humble chapel to the grand with the gold and crimson of the dying follage. It is not to give a pen sketch of a Texas sunset, but to read the AD vocate, that I have retired to myself and to rest. I am singularly interested me when I was introduced this morning and to rest. I am singularly interested me when I was introduced this morning and to rest. I am singularly interested to myself answer: "Yes, I do. He is an earnest, urgent need of early careful instruction. There is no doubt about that.

Silver church; of her military, govern- beloed us to the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than of formation of mind. Then what an ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than of formation of mind. Then what an ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than of formation of mind. Then what an ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread to the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than of formation of mind. Then what an ever before. Lecture second was on the lighted-up parsonage. Our baggage, in part, had arrived, and we found our beds alread more of Mexico that night than of formation of mind. Then what an ever before are formation. with the gold and crimson of the dying answer: "Yes, I do. He is an earnest, in the appointments in following these I do hope he may be well received here among us." "I think he was very shabbily dressed, to say the best of him," from a starchy, well-attired youth. His ever, was speaking-as all the others year. How have they been received by is true, mother. I have never been made their flocks? How discussed! how torn to pieces, weighed in the balances, and man as I have to-day; never realized the importance of a godly walk and life and the possible nearness of our approach to like our new preacher?" has passed more than an hundred lips to day. Would we not like to hear the different dinner table talks on this subject? In fact, I would like to hear from curown circuit, if no more, for we listened to our new preacher to-day for the first time. Dear me if such a thing could be! How entertaining just to have a little bird make the rounds of each household at the noon-day neal, and hear what they say of the "new prophet" who has arisen among us. I am resting comfortably, am a little tired, have driven to-day over four miles to "meeting" and back. The curies used to the lites a delighted charge, situated some twenty mant faculty is clearly seen. They are mant faculty is clearly seen. They are ment founds of hear the different dinner taken on this subject? In fact, I would like to hear from curown circuit, if no more, for we listened to our new preacher to-day for the first time. Dear me if such a thing could be! How entertaining just to have a little bird make the rounds of each household at the non-day neal, and hear what they say of the "new prophet" who has arisen among us. I am resting comfortably, and a little tired, have driven to-day over four miles to "meeting" and back. The quite measure four miles to "meeting" and back. The curies to "meeting" and back. The curies to "meeting" and back and like the like and the possible nearness of our approach to Christ. He may have been a little tired, have driven to-day over the like and the possible nearness of our approach to Christ. He may have been a little tired that and the possible nearness of our approach to Christ. He may have been a little of the belind; good and the possible nearness of our approach to Christ. He may have been a little of the belind; good and the possible nearness of our approach to Christ. He may have been a little of to see so plainly my duty to God and minister. His wife, too, had such a sweet, patient face. I thought her real duces the mind of the deaf into the field to my feelings. I close my eyes, swing pretty when her countenance brightened of literature, qualifies it for the contemoff at last from everything real, loose as mother remarked something about plation of spiritual things, elevates it to aight and hearing of all tangible life and enter dreamfand with all the power and privileges accorded pilgrims to that mystical shore. Been the work of the church than he.

A higher conception of God and humanitan has he has privileges accorded pilgrims to that myshasty leave-taking of the subject in hand, with their fellow-men quite practicable the Mill River charge. He was delighted for little Effic capies me and comes bound. and pleasant. The great benefit that eders" we emerge into mighty potentates. a pretty bird and so gentle, too. There, eminently self supporting is an insignifi-

far a-field some times, gathering the the remnants of the repast being thrown star-eyed daisies with one hand, while we out to old Carlo, who was growling and ucation they become useful, moral, up and his mind is somewhat involved. This is universally regretted by his Holston bretheren, for we had learned to love and apprecibrush the hoar frost from blackened snarling at the hens which came shyly right citizens; without it they are distant old grandma was just settling hersel? in her arm chair on the gallery of the sunny side of the house. She seemed to be finishing up her comments. "His sermon was a benediction to me I know, no matter how other folks took it. He just reminded me of My own boy preacher, who is now so far away across the part. But right along here some parents.

World. What agreat responsibility then that we are too large to thrive in one Conference is also said to be suffering of the same disease of overgrowth. Hence a Western North Carolina Conference is taking form in the coming future. So far as I am concerted I am opposed to division, for reasons that space forbids giving in this connection. A great right along here some parents. We are all delighted, in this vicinity, to make a great mistake. Calldren are often tice does a "stately raven" enter in, but sermon was a benediction to me I know, sea. I could almost imagine it was him while I listened to our new preacher. I kept at home till they are so advanced in city a few years ago, and his mixing qualities dened with gossip—so much enjoyed, so think we—" O dear what is that slam. years, the mind so hardened in its vacant him a favorite with us all. Since then we much sought after, even by the best of ming? I start up. The gossiping little uncultivated state, that all hopes of anygone, as he came, with the hallucination of our dream. Can it be possible that I have slept, and when I was so interested in the "great hireing out" up at Weath- ing the obscurest sections of the State; ford? But I still grasp the ADVOCATE, and my thumb marks "Alvarodo station, found everywhere. Knowing this, Mr. Forth Worth district, J. Fred Cox, presiding elder." O, yes, the story the little solicit the ministers wherever they go to all the girls who wish to attend by the open-Judge, still handling the carving-knife bird has told comes to my mind. Can I look out for the deaf, tell them about our ing of the spring term, Jan. 19. We will be recognize our own dinner table comments school and urge their parents to send. able to compete with anybody in accommoin any of those just related by our newsy | Thus much good can be done. Children little visitor? Ah! such a close question are well taken taken care of here. Those to be sure, one which I have no time just without means are furnished by the now to answer, as a troop of prattlers State. I will give some account of this come filing in for "just a slice of bread NORTH BELTON CIRCUIT.

"THE DEAF SHALL MEAR." PROF. C. W. SIMPSON

The difference between the hearing and Her bonnet must have undergone any the deaf child is very great. The former number of crushes and retrim." She is bathed in an ocean of sounds from his judging from what I saw. Our pastor, was stopped here by a look from mamma, | birth and has innumerable opportunities | Bro. J. A. Wyatt, has quite a place in the who said: "Well, yes, we know, my to learn, and even before he enters school affections of his people. His success has dear, but perhaps they were not well or learns his letters has considerable been very remarkable, well deserving paid last year. He does seem to be a knowledge. It is far otherwise with the mention and commendation. Aside from very commonplace man, but let us hope | deaf. He can learn but little from others. | the increase in church n embership, and an earnest one, and one who will do his He and his own family can have no com- revived condition of the whole, he is whole duty by his charge." The girl felt | munion. They cannot teach him to talk, | erecting a nice church edifice, which will she had told the truth—had said the hear or even to think. His mind remains do credit both to the pastor and people. proper thing-although she was mildly a vacancy. "He wanders about, a In appearance it is a thing of beauty. requested to refrain from further speech hermit in his own house, an exile The plan was, as I understand it, obtain- is the order for this year of grace. on the subject. O how little they knew in his own family." Speech, that ed through our "Church Extension" with what heart burnings and misgiv- wonderful power that enlightens the Board. The design is beautiful. The arings-on the subject of that same bon- mind and stirs the soul, is to him rangement is all we could wish for. The

his new people. The bright boy added placed under the instruction of a teacher etc. The auditorium is arranged so that the Advocate to our mother in Nashville, and she writes that she enjoys reading it, urgent need of early careful instruction.

bility is assumed! Naturally the deaf Special reference to Mexico and the Mexare shut up to that limited knowledge | icans." In this he traced effect to cause, which comes through sight alone. Being etc. Many things of importance were deprived of hearing, the most important noticed. O that this whole nation Have found many names known to me. I am made glad when I see what comfortable places have been accorded some of them. I have got no further down than the middle of the "Fort Worth district, J. Fred Cox, presiding elder."

When I come upon a name in which I will understand why many of them dress when I come upon a name in which I will understand why many of them dress with the provention of the mean is by the "musical intonations, plaintive describe it. These lectures cannot full by the "musical intonations, plaintive describe it. These lectures cannot full des Have found many names known to me. father put down knife and fork, looked avenue of education, they are unassisted could have heard it. I cannot further am perhaps a little more interested than you comment on his appearance until signs. The sign language alone afusually, having known the bright, earn- you are more capable of appreciating the fords but a very meager field est young soldier of the cross in his "first motive and cause of his lack of fine for mental culture, as there are station" at Temple, and had been so clothes. I happen to know somewhat of many fine points and abstract ideas that held in this city in October last was one of charmed by his full, mellow voice in this good man's private history. How he cannot be clearly expressed in signs. song at camp-meetings, my thumb marks still supports a feeble mother and young Hence the task to teach them to reason sister." I rested now upon the almost closely in the abstract is a very difficult time at an annual session, and he did good further down the list at present, but leafless branch of a china tree near the as well as an absolutely important one. work both in the chair and in the pulpit. stop, wondering. Many of these have window of widow D.'s. Their meal Here even a little education comes His work in the cabinet gave more general was nearly over. A young man, how- nobly to the rescue. They know nothing except what they see and feel, and, being their first sermon of this conference had done-of the "new preacher." "That unable to describe this in either written or spoken language, or to hear a description by others, the importance of an ed-

> ing to the window: "Do see him! such | ucation affords the deaf in rendering them cant benefit when compared with the power afforded to understand and enjoy down man. His nervous system is wrecked, I passed near Bro. E.'s, but, seeing power afforded to understand and enjoy songster no where to be seen. Has thing like an education are vain. A sad

state of affairs indeed. Methodism represents a great machine. Ministers go in every direction penetratyes, parts of the great machinery can be Editor, the opportunity is now taken to

institution in my next. AUSTIN, TEXAS. A VISIT. REV. P. R. BAGLEBARGER.

A short visit to the town o' P.th burg. Texas, revealed to me many pleasant things-a pleasant, thriving little town, net—had the wife entered that morning him unknown. And in this sad condi-lorgan stand and pulpit are in close proxthe church he was called to serve among tion he is sure to remain until he is imity, so there will be harmony of action,

of Mexico; of its people from the peon Silver church; of her military, govern-

The session of our Conference which was the most delightful in the history of our

Bishop margrove was with us for the first satisfaction in the appointments than is usual among so many preachers and people. The preachers have now been at their posts about one quarter, and they are sending up good reports from the several charges. The

I am left for the second year at Asheville

the Mill River charge. He was delighted with his work, and began under very favorable auspice, but his health gave way, and he had to give up active service. He is a bright, genial man, with a cast of mind very but his father the Riveron but.

The question of dividing our Conference

have watched his career with no little interest. Then the heroic fight the ADVOCATE made for prohibition under his management endeared him to us very much indeed.

SOUTHWESTERN LADIES' ANNEX.

I am settled at Georgetown at last: am at work arranging for furnishing the Ladies' Annex. It is one of the best buildings of the sort that I knowof; will accommodate seventy-five boarders, and will be ready to receive dations for girls after this. So send us the

girls, and all will be satisfied. Anyone having business with the finances of the University will address me here. Exother, tell me all about it and everything will be arranged for your satisfaction, of course keeping in mind that there are two parties to every question. The South Western is the property of every Southern Methodist in the Southwest, and we want to make it a blessing to its owners; now let everyone give us what he can—a kind word—an earnest prayer, a box a girl, or a thous. -an earnest prayer, a boy a girl, or a thousand dollars; who cares? But above all, let this great enterprise of Christianty, established by us, among us, and for us, have a place in your affections, and God will open the way for the rest of its necessities. I will be giad to correspond with anyone about the work we have in hard.

C. C. Armstrong,

THE HOME CONFERENCES.

Houston. E. W. Solomon, Jan. 7: We are starting off weil at Shearn and throughout the city, I be-

Galveston.

E. H. Harman, Jan. 11: We are moving off well at St. John's. An aggressive campaign Bryan.

Mrs. C. H. Buchanan, Jan. 7: Yesterday was a good day in the history of Bryan Methodism, which is growing in our town. The doors of the church were opened and several heads of families came in. Nine altogether

Mineola. M. G. Jenkins, Jan. 8: I find Mineola to be 'ripe unto the harvest." God grant efficiency and success to the appointed laborer.

J. M. Mills, Jan. 8: We bade adieu to kind friends at Brushy creek, Dec. 30, having served them four years. After three days hard travel through mud, rain and sleet we arrived,

Beeville. W. J. Joyce. Dec. 27: We arrived at our new house. A few of the brethren and sisters met us at the depot, though after dark, and

gie Dunn, Myrtis Dodd, Rosa Dunn, Inez

quarterly meeting just over; presiding elder at his post. Assessed for the support of the ministry—\$1000. We have commenced to build a new church since conference, and now have the rafters up. This makes three church building at the same time in this charge. Have not been pounded severely but I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the ladies of West Dallas Church for that nice suit I received from the Christmas tree.

Hillsboro.

T. W. Rogers, Jan. 11: I arrived with family after a severe spell of sickness and found a kind reception in more ways than one by the good people of Hillsboro. The many acts of kindness by many of the people are more than the equivalent of a pounding. We feel glad of those kindnesses, not alone on account of their value and timely help, but as indices of the interest the good people feel for the new pastor and family. We feel like making larger outlay of effort, and with God's biessing we look for a prosperous year in Hillsboro. Pray for us.

O. S. Thomas, January 9: We have just finished our first round on the Lewisville circuit; find here a kind and appreciative people. Our congregations have been exceedingly large, and the outlook is hopeful. By the help of the good Lord we expect to do a better year's work than ever before. Reorganized our Sunday school at Chin Chapel the first Sunday, forming ten classes, with Bro. J. B. Sheiton as Superintendent. We have at Lewisville one of the best prayer meetings in Texas. Hope to bring up a good list of subscribers during the year.

veyance to take us to the parsonage, where we were met at the loner door by a good sister who had in readiness for us a good warm breakfast; after breakfast then came the pounding. Hams, pork, sacks of flour, potates, sugar, coffee, tea, rice, N mas tutkey, chickens, etc., etc., etc., till enough had been put in the pantry to do this family of five for several weeks. Surely, this must be a good people to serve. I have set in to do the best year's work of my life. Pray that God may year's work of my life. Pray that God may bless us.

Jao. B. Smith, Jan. 8: (ur first quarterly conference was held Jan, 6th and 7th, 1889. The Rev. M. C. Blackburn was present and presided with his usual ability, and filled our pulpit in every sense, to the satisfaction of all who heard him. All the interests of the church were carefully looked after, and the Texas approcate had its full share of attention, and each member of the quarterly conference, except one, gave us their subscription. The exception is one of our best scription. The exception is one of our best men, but he is blind and cannot see to read it. Our finances were not full, but more than doubled the first quarter of last year. I send you with this a good list of subscribers, and think the end of the list is not yet reached.

don't learn how to encourage the preachers.
We had a good deal of cloudy weather and
some cast wind about Curistmas, but thank
God the sun shines brightly to day. I feel
like thanking God and tableg courage.

H. M. Haynie, Jan. 7: I am glad that my lot has been cast among the people of Eigin | conference send Bro. Smith? (N. O. L. F.) and Manor. The first quarterly conference of this charge embraced the 5th and 6th of

have attended in a long time. Many stood up and testified for the blessed Lord, and quite a number of us got happy. Yes, I think I can say that last Sabbath was a day of quickening for our people at this place. May the good Lord send us many such days. Please remember us at a throne of grace.

R. C. Armstrong: 1 feel constrained to write of the kindness of the people of this charge to the pastor and his family. Among the many tokens of esteem I cannot forbear to mention a present of a costly silver water-set to myself from the ladies of my Sunday-school class and Ladies Aid Society. In good works this people will not be least or last. Our religious outlook is flattering. Pray for

J. H. Chambliss, Jan. 8: I have no pounding to report, but we have not been forgotten. I will not tell you what has been done for us or what Mrs. C. got on the Christmas tree, but suffice it to say that we have been remembered in a way that is highly appreciated. But there are other matters over which I feel more highly gratified—the apparent spiritual condition of the church. Of course we have some for whom this remark does not spuly betook ourselves after a refreshing supper prepared by the same ladies. We have seen but little of the people as yet, for we have had a wonderful amount of rain. The whole country is full of water.

Linden.

Mrs. Bettie Wood, Jan. 7: I have six Sabbath school scholars, viz.: Mamie Crow, Virgie Dunn, Myrtis Dodd, Rosa Dunn, Inez

Cochran and Caruth

C. I. McWhirter, Jan. 11: It is about time that I should make my report in regard to the happenings at the parsonage. A storm, which came from every point of the compass, cap a pie for conference. Following this was one which did not bring qualis, but turkeys. On the last day of the old year one arose in the west and soon began to beat on the parsonage, which continues with more or less Wesley and Oak Cliff.

C. G. Shutt: Rufus and myself are trying to run three stations and a circuit. First quarterly meeting just over; presiding elder at his post. Assessed for the support of the ministry—\$1000. We have commenced to build a new church since conference, and now have the ratters up. This makes three church building at the same time in this charge. Have not been pounded severely but I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the community this year.

Sonage, which continues with more or less force up to date. A large variety of eatables appears in the scene. How long these things shall be is not known. Be assured, however, that the visits of such storms are welcomed heartily by the inmates of the parsonage. In the midst of these days a neat heating stove found its way from Dallas to the preacher's study. We feel grateful to God and to the kind and generous donors. May God send great religious prosperity to the church and the community this year.

Layman, Jan. 11: Last Sabbath our pe ple greeted their new pastor, Rev. J. D. Scott, and his charming bride for the first time, and if they were half as well pleased as the people both in and out of the church the the people both in and out of the church the union is auspicious. The sermon was "To the Work," neither above nor below, and full of holy zeal, charity and consecration, and pastor and people have set to work with a will, and in faith, and good must come. The will, and in faith, and good must come. The Chantauqua people here are at work and the fifth session of the assembly here will be opened in accordance with the previous announcement, on the last Wednesday, the 20th day of June next, under the management of Rev. H. M. DuBose and an able corps of assistants. More elaborate preparations are being made than ever before and our people hope to greet the new editor of the ADVOCATE during the session. Rain and mud have prevented so far any activities in agricultural preparation, but we are having alcultural preparation, but we are having al most spring-like weather.

What Does it Reveal?

Dr. W. B. Rankin, District Superintendent f A. B. S., Austin: One of the colporteurs of the American Bible Society in making his and racy, and you may therefore look for one of the most original and entertaining books ever issued from the Methodist press.

Dr. Wiley, whose name is familiar even in Texas, is now the financial agent of Emory and Henry College. He is quite an old man, but his form is just as erect and his face as classic as in the days of yere. No man takes a deeper interest in the work of the church han he.

Rev. Chris. Very many therefore look for one of the best prayer interest prayer interest of the most original and entertaining books list of subscribers during the year.

Longview Station.

S. H. Nettles: Leaving Nacogdoches on the lest prayer interest of this State, for the month of December, gives a few of the questions he was asked by the people, viz: "Do you make your Bibles?" What church makes your Bibles? Did you walk all the way from New York and take your bibles? Have you any infide! Bibles? Where did you come from? Does the company you work for make a hear of most original and entertaining books as formed to the subscribers during the year.

S. H. Nettles: Leaving Nacogdoches on the list, we arrived here the next day at 7:30 a.m.; met brethren at the depot with conveyance to take us to the parsonage, where we were met at the inner door by a good six. report of Bible work in a certain county of did it come to chance to happen in the first place that you got the agency for your book? etc. Comment is not necessary. I will only add that his report for the month's work shows eighty-seven families found without the Bible, and over one-half of them were supplied by donation, which means that they were too poor to pay for Bibles. Please send us your contributions for this Bible work?

Jefferson.

F. A. Rosser: Former pastors of this charge will understand when I say it is so much the hibit of these good people to remember their pastor kindly, especially at Christmas, that it is hardly worth while to mention it; suffice it to say, four turkeys and a pig with other good things found their way to the parsonage. I things found their way to the parsonage. I began my second year's postorate with increased determination and hope. Good congregations Sunday; fine prayer meeting last evening. The district parsonage is located here and we have the benefit of Bro. Fladger's here and we have the benefit of Bro. Fladger's presence and counsel. He has made a good be ginning for the new year on his district. By the way, our district conference and the Glen Rose Mission.

J. J. Harris, Jan. 1: This preacher has been pounded again and not hurt. I could stand it every day if I had some place to pack the good things away. I do beiteve it makes me a better preacher. It is wonderful how much better a man feels after one of these visits of kind friends to the preacher's house. I learn that some of the preacher's house. I learn that some of the preacher's have quit their work. It is not those that have been pounded. No, sir; they will stay every time. It don't cost much, and I do not know why our people don't learn how to encourage the preachers.

A. P. Taylor, Jan. 8: Our Quarterly Conference at Missouri avenue last night was such a pleasant affair that I must tell our Fpringtown.

J. H. Trimble, Jan. 5: Yesterday morning I received your cards and commenced talking for the Advocate. Got six subscribers in ten minutes; in fact, I would not take a denial. A local preacher said he knew my wife married me to get me to hush. I like this work; good people and very kind to us. No general pounding, but plenty to eat and wear; good shelter; liberal assessment for preacher in charge and the presiding elder; paid first quarter liberally. First quarterly meeting over. Two good sermons by the presiding elder. Well, we like him. We have two good colleges here doing well. About 200 pupuls in each. We have an excellent Sabbath school. In fact, this is the best appointment in the Weatherford district. I do rot know what Dr. Mackey will think of this statement. I shall present the claims of our Advocate publicly and privately.

There we have in cash and good subscriptions \$1200 with which to build a parsonage, A resolution was read in the conference looking to the purchase of suitable with through our paper. We have an aparsonage in cash and good subscriptions \$1200 with which to build a parsonage, A resolution was read in the church ict being too small for both church and parsonage. A resolution was read in the church ict being too small for both church and parsonage in of the purchase of suitable lots. Judge of our surprise when one of our most be fluential men made the following of the fluential men ma friends about it through our paper. We have

J. W. Bradford, Jan. 7: "Where did the

We just think there is nobody like him and of this charge embraced the 5th and 6th of January. I am thankful to say that we had our new presiding elder, Bro. J. B. Sears, with us; also a fine attendance of the officials of the charge, who did their work satisfactorily to all concerned. One-fourth of the presiding elder's assessment of this charge was paid in at the first quarter, and the assessment for the pastor was liberal, and a good deal of that was paid down, which was thankfully received. The ruling of our new presiding elder was very acceptable. He gave us four sermons, which left us all in a better condition than he found us. On Sunday, at 11 o'clock, he gave us a fine sermon on missions, which brought forty o'd dollars to the front in a few minutes. I am truly glad to say that our presiding elder has made a good and lasting impression upon the people of Elgin. Sunday evening at 3 o'clock we had a most precious love-feast, one of the best I Sister 'Pet.' " etc. These and similar ex-

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About the Tesson.

LESSON 111., SUNDAY, JAN. 20. HEALING OF THE LEPER. Mark 1:35-45.

LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

The present lesson follows immediately the events narrated in the last. Matthew places the healing of the leper after the Sermon on the Mount; but this is obviously a deviation from the chronelogical order. So Luke, who usually agrees with Mark in this period of the history, interposes the miraculous draught of fishes between the events at Capernaum and the healing of the leper (Luke v:1-11); but that miracle was probably in connection with the call of

the four fishermen. The earlier part of the lesson refers to a preceding tour through Galilee; at some point in the journey (probably not Capernaum) the leper was healed.

The time was early in 780, A. D. 27; according to Robinson, it was a short time before the Passover; according to Andrews, it was a short time after that feast .- Sunday School Times.

LESSON NOTES.

I. Jesus praying .- Vs. 34-37. (1) A great day's work followed by private communion with God. Let all learn from this the secret of keeping up our health, strength and good, hopeful spirits in the midst of hard toil. If our Master needed to spend the early hours of that day in prayer, what about ourselves? A close study of Jesus' life gives us the best of rules for right-living in every way. He prayed often-he was often in retirement—he well understood how exhausting public life is-he was too wise to weaken himself before men and too barmless to injure others.

II. Christ's first missionary circuit -Vs. 37-39. (1) His wonderful success on his first Sabbath in Capernaum excited the whole town, hence the message of the disciples: "All men seek for Thee." There may have been much curiosity in this desire on the part of the populace. Christ did not come to gratify such. Neither should we. In all our churches, we should keep down that which merely creates a sensation. Cariosity seekers are never much benefited in their hearts. (2) Moreover, however sincere the people of Capernaum were to see him, yet other towns and cities needed his teaching and deeds of power. Hence his purpose stated in vs. 38, 29. (3) Behold here the obligation Jesus felt in preaching the Word everywhere and giving tokens of his divine mission-"For therefore came I forth" (v. 38). It is the same now. The command is to preach the gospel to every creature. As Jesus took a circuit of Galilee, so must the church take a circuit of the world. (4) There was plenty full of misery if not managed with a view of work yet to do in Capernaum, still Jesus had to push out into other quarters. The whole must be taken in, though a part has not been perfectly done. Our home field needs much; this is no reason for neglecting the heathen peoples of the earth. We are to take in the whole race, Jew and Gentile, bond and free. The gospel is for man as man-not for a few of the great brotherhood. It is a glorious truth Jesus thus teaches us, by leaving Capernaum when all men desired him and gcing to the "next towns." It is believed that this journey took about two months.

III. Healing the leper. Vs. 40-45.

(1) This circumstance took place at some town in Galilee and Mark makes use of it, because it serves his purpose to show another triumph of Christ over a great foe of man. Christ the victor over leprosy, is what our Evangelist desires to teach, just as he is the victor over every other enemy of God and man, whatever be its form. (2) The leper prays (v. 40). Sound, strong, healthy men may speculate on prayer and ask: "What is its use?" But a leper will not do this. He has no questions to ask, no doubts about it. He simply comes beseeching, kneeling down and crying is that class that have a good home on a with the whole soul: "If Thou wilt Thou canst make me clean." Men reason about prayer because they feel no need of God, no leprosy in the body or heart. (3) Christ's compassion (v. 41). No man ever yet prayed to Jesus but of every man confined within prison that moved his compassion. This word | walls, and this pathos grows more in-"compassion," holds a commanding place in the gospel. It is the mountain summit from which we must look in order Christmas time. Remorse must weigh to take in the widest possible expanse of heavily on convicts at this time. For-Carist's work of redemption. As a great historic character the Lord Jesus must boon to many of them, but memory is a time when people should be helped to Lalisjee Rao). be accounted for from the significance of keenest then, and we do not know with be hopest with themselves, it is when this word, "What think ye of Christ?" We cannot answer, "He was the greatest of soldiers, statesmen, philosophers, or poets." He never wielded a following pathetic incident of a life-cons word; sat in a legislative ball; wrote a vict: verse of poetry or used the thoughts and "I was passing out of the prison yard language of the metaphysician. All one bitterly cold Christmas morning. wisdom are all necessary, but there is a that the historian has written about Just outside the gate, and crouching way to get at the heart-wants, and minhim-all that the artist has painted-all that the sculptor has cunningly worked thinly-clad little girl of about twelve in hard stone, or the poet's frenzy has years, her face and hands blue with cold. dreamed-has been because of something else: i. e., his compassion! Jesus Christ stands out in the grand the needy-love! It was the yearning glancing down. spirit of Jesus that gave us the gospel and the cross! Christianity means com-

helps us, but now (v. 42). (5) Christ H---y.' always desired his miracles to be kept vine King; the Victor over every foe!-Dr. A. H. Moment, in Treasury.

Old and Young.

SUPPOSE.

Suppose, my little lady, Your doll should break her head: Could you make it whole by crying Till your eyes and nose were red? And wouldn't it be pleasanter To treat it as a joke,

And say you're glad 'twas dolly's, And not your head that broke?

Suppose you're dressed for walking, And the rain comes pouring down; Will it clear off any sooner, Because you scold and frown? And wouldn't it be nicer

For you to smile than pout, And so make sunshine in the house When there is none without? Suppose your task, my little man,

Is very hard to get, Will it make it any easier For you to sit and fret? And wouldn't it be wiser Than waiting like a dunce. To go to work in earnest And learn the thing at once?

Suppose that some boys have a horse, And some a coach and pair. Will it tire you less while walking To say, "It isn't fair?" And wouldn't it be nobler

To keep your temper sweet, And in your heart be thankfu! You can walk upon your feet? Suppose the world don't please you. Nor the way some people do,

Do you think the whole creation Will be altered just for you? And isn't it, my boy or girl, The wisest, bravest plan, Whatsoever comes, or doesn't come, To do the best you can?

STAY ON THE FARM.

The farmer's life is one mixed with

toil and pleasure. There is always work

to be done on the farm-a gate to mend,

a fence to reset, an ox in the ditch, a

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s tank to build, a crop to plan, a crop to plant, a crop to cultivate, a crop to gather, and a thousand things to keep the active brain and willing hands and feet employed; yet if the farmer wishes a little recreation, he can leave his tools and labor and spend a day or two in the woods with his gun, or a day with fishing rod on thelakes and streams. It is not so with the basiness man in the city. His business must go on. He cannot abut his door and walk out. If he takes a day off, he necessarily has to put some one in his place. Farm life is a real enjoyable life if well planned, but it may be of making and mixing pleasure with busineas. Farmers do mora hard work than business men and usually live longer and harder. Farm life is made more tolerable by the joy and happiness we get cut of it. The business man has his bills to meet every month, and is often puzzled to know how to make ends meet. He loses hours of precious sweet steep over embarracements that stalk in his pathway, while the contented farmer, without the fear of being closed up by the sher ff, takes his rest. Farmers have bills to meet, it is true, but they do not come like rifle balls from a Whitworth gun, every week or two. The writer has tried farm life and loves it. He has also But, above all, do not fail to carry a tried business in the commercial world. where no allowances are made for dry weather, wet weather, shor: crops or low Book; these are better than grapes or prices. The commercial world has no jelly. sympathy with a business man. The day his bills fall due he is expected to meet them; if he is unable, his paper is liable to go to protest, and his business to

good farm and make their own living. A TRUE HEART.

pieces. Those who are doing well in

agricultural pursuits should let well

enough alone. The cities are overcrowded

with population and poverty. The most

independent class of people in the world

Youth's Companion. There is something pathetic in the life tense when all the free outside world is glad with the joy that comes in the getfulness of a'l the past would be a what heartaches they recall the time they are sick. It is true they need when they too were free and happy.

The warden of a State prison tells the

close to the high stone wall, I saw a She put out one of her thin hands to detain me as I passed.

"What is it?' I asked.

When we come to God as we ought, it is and I didn't s'pose you'd mind any if clous promises, which will remind them

"I recognized the name as that of a secret while he wished his word to be life convict-a man notoriously bad. I thoughts from a leastet or choice book. preached from the housetops (vs. 43, 44). went back into the prison-grounds, the Sometimes the singing of a gospel song Not by miracles did he come to save the child following me eagerly. Going to will be pleasing. Speak to them in a world, but by his word of Grace and my cflice, I sent for the couviet. He plain, simple way, of the Lord's nearer served (v. 44). Behold in the lesson here was the look of utter hopelessness the stands pledged to love and keep them to than some men who have." Jesus is the Wonder-Worker; the Di- faces of the prisoners for life so often the end. How soon, in this way, the him, the hot tears streaming over her gladness and hope return." white face. He stepped back, sullen and seemingly angry. No word of welcome came from his lips for the ragged, trembling little creature who stood crying before him with something clasped in her hand.

"'I--I--came to-say "Merry Christmas," father.' she faltered. 'I-Ithought may be you'd be glad to see me. Ain't you any glad, father?"

"'Christmas!' 'Christ!' What would that man not have given for freedom of body and soul!

"The convict's head dropped. The hard look was going out of his face, his eyes were moistening. His little girl went on trembling and tearfully:

"'I-I-brung you something, father. could get. I live to the poor-house now.' Her trembling fingers began unwrapping the bit of soft white paper in her hand, and she held out a short, shinlittle Johnnie-mother said you did- seemed to grow hotter every moment. and so-'

hands clasped over his face.

still.

"I know it,' said the child, going closer, 'and I knowed you'd like this, now that Johnnie's dead.'

fro, still on his knees with his hands over his face. 'My little boy!'

poor house only last week, and there's the enemy of thy people,' said he, 'but no one left but me now. But I ain't all men are the friends of one who is in goin' to forgit you, father; I'm goin' to trouble; follow me.' And the chief gave stick right by you, spite of what folks him food and shelter, and guided him say, and some day maybe I can get you into the right way. Was not that well out of here. I'm going to try. I don't done, brothers?" broken door to repair, a garden to plow, never forgit that you are my father, and "Hark!' cried a third, "here they

> "He put out one arm, drew the child through her tears.

> "'Mind,' she said, before closing the door, 'I'll never forgit you, father-

ver.' " THE ETHICSOF VISITING THE SICK. R cantly there appeared in the Adent advice given, if our columns were sufficiently long. As it is, we must be content with giving a few of the most telling points. As Mrs. Goodell says, "Visiting the sick is a very sacred mission, and it is well worth our study to know how wisely to do it." These are a few of the most important suggestions: "Carry something-a flower, how it

brightens -- a little fruit, or some appeizing delicity from your own kitchen, or whatever may conduce to the comfort, especially of those who seldom have these things. A thing beautiful to look upon, or even the loan of a soft, per fumed pillow, may prove the entering wedge for the spiritual gift of Carist. smile, a cheerful word, and think to leave with them a promise from God's

"If the patient is weak, do not expect him to entertain you. Be quick to discern whether he desires to talk himself, or to listen to you. If the first, be patient and let him unburden his troubles, and give him your sympathy in spirit, if not in words. Sometimes it is a better way just to keep still and give your ear to hear. On the other hand, do not enpains and aches. Do not try to draw trampled to death by elephants. him out on all these points; this is the mission of the physician.

"If the patient shows a desire to listen think over after you are gone. Suggest face. some of the benefits of sickness, when rightly received.

"Do not be afraid to speak a word for Christ in the sick room. If there is ever cheer and encouragement, but a funny story or an exciting incident is not the only thing that will revive them, or leave the most wholesome flavor in the mind. Tenderness and tact and prudence and ister to them in the name of Christ.

"There are many of the Lord's dear ones, to day, prostrated on beds of pain, and shut away from the house of worship and place of prayer. They sadly "'If you please, sir'—she said, and miss those hours of communion so helpgalaxy of historic greatness, as s'opped, fingering nervously at the ful to them. Here is an opportunity to first in his tenderness of heart-pity for fringe of her old shawl and timidly serve the Master in the way he has indicated. To them, the coming of a warm, sympathetic heart, in Christ's "Weil, if you please, sir, I'd like to name to minister comfort and consolapassion for a needy world! (4) The com- know if I can go inside and see my-my tion, is like an angel's visit. Sit down passion of Jesus immediately went out father. He's in there, and I brung him by them quietly, and, with subdued voice, to the leper, making him a well man. something for Christmas. It ain't much, read aloud portions of the Word-pre-

not to-morrow, or next year, that he he had it. His name is Mister John of the Father's loving care and tender sympathy for his suffering children. Read or repeat a hymn or some sweet wear. The child sprang forward to meet place becomes a Bethel, and joy and

A STORY OF INDIA.

lolden Days. One bright summer morning every street in Delhi (the ancient capital of India) was in a busile. Some great news had evidently stirred the whole town, for on every side the Hindoos were swarming out of their houses, and ranging themselves in crowds along the narrow, crooked, dirty streets, till the whole roadway, far as the eye could reach, was one living forest of dark faces and white turbans and bear brown limbs.

In truth, the sight which they were waiting to see was one which was not to be seen every day.

Lallajee Rao, the famous mountain It was all I could think of, and all I chief who had held out so long among the western hills against the armies of the Emperor of Delhi, Akbar the Great, had been taken at last, and was being brought to Delhi as a prisoner. That ing curl of yellow hair carefully tied very day he was expected to arrive, and with a bit of old ribbon. 'I wouldn't it was to see him that these crowds were give this to anybody on earth but you, waiting so patiently in the heat and dust father. You used to truly, really love of that burning summer day, which

"So the old welf is trapped at last!" "The man fell to his kness with both cried a flerce-looking coldier with a scarred face. "Ling life to our great "I did love him, he said, hoarsely. 'I Emperor Akbar, the son of Humayoon, love him still; bad as I am, I love him and may all his enemies be like Lallejec Rao!"

"Yet even he hath done deeds of kindness," said a gray-haired trader who stood beside him. "The hand of death "'Dead!' cried the man, rocking to and was outstretched over my son Ismail! on the night he lost his way among the Western hills. Then it was that Lalla-"'Yes,' said the child; 'he died in the jee Rao met with him. 'They call me

A distant sound of wild Eastern music toward him and kissed her again and floated through the hot, still air, and up again. I silently left the room, and the winding street came marching a long they were alone together for half an train of soldiers, whose crimson turbans hour. Then the child came out, smiling and gray dresses and glittering spearheads and breast-plates of polished steel made a galiant show in the midday sun-

High above them all, on a black horse, to the saddle of which he was tightly bound with strong ropes of dried grass, appeared a tall and powerful man, vance, an unusually good article on this whose thick, black beard was just beginsubject, written by Mrs. C. L. Goodell. ning to turn gray. His dark face, firm Gladly would we reproduce all the excel- and massive as if carved in granite, never changed a whit at the taunting shouts that broke from every mouth as he went by; for this man was none other than Lallejee Rao himself.

Winding slowly through the narrow, growded streets, the procession at length reached the place, under the marble porch of which, with his guards around him, gat the Emperor Akbar, a finelooking man of middle age, with an eye as bright as the diamond in his snow- to a store to obtain something needed for white turban.

in charge of Lallajee Rao, coming for- stone and fell to hammering it lustily. prisoner's capture. As the last word idle," he said to a waiting customer, ward.

stange and terrible.

huge elephant, with a native mahout ness. Wherever this is, the doors are (driver) perched on its neck, was seen thrown open and the devils troop in." coming slowly up to the spot where the prisoner lay, the Hindoo custom being courage him to talk at length about his that men condemned to die should be bad ones to enter.

Lallajse Rao's stern eyes looked fearlessly at the moving mountain as it approached him, nor could the countless to you, have something ready to say to spectators who were watching him so him. Give him worthy thoughts to keenly see the slightest change in his iron

But just as the huge forefoot was raised to crush out his life, he started suddenly, cast a keen glance up at the elephant, and shouted, "Dekho chai; Lallajee Rao!" (Look out brother; it is

At the sound of his voice the elephant started in its turn, draw back its uplifted foot, and bent down as if to look closer into his face. Then it uttered a wild cry, half sport and half scream; whisked down its driver as if he had been a doil. and taking up Lallajee in its trunk, set him upon its neck in the driver's place. A murmur of astonishment ran

through the crowd, and the emperor himself rose to his feet in undisguised astonishment. "Bring that man here!" cried he to his

But before they could obey Laliaice who, bound though he was, preserved his seat on the elephant's neck with wonderful skill) uttered a peculiar cry, and instantly the mighty beast moved for-

ward with him right up to the spot where Akbar was standing.

"What means all this?" asked the em-

"It means," answered the chief, "that it was I who caught this elephant and tamed him, and that although they say Power. (6) He would have all laws ob- came, sullen and dejected; in his face presence in their need, and how he he has no reason, he is more merciful

Akbar bit his lip and was sitent. "You shall see how well he understands my orders," said Lallsjee Rao.

The elephant lowered its head and waived its truck in the air.

"Salute the Emperor Akbar!" But the elephant remained immovable "Do you hear?" cried Lallajse again. Salute the Emperor Akbai!"

This time the beast answered him with snort, and flapped his huge ears as if to shake the very sound of the name away from it.

The emperor laughed. Brave as a lion himself, he could see and admire the courage of the prisoner, and his heart was touched by the elephant's grateful remembrance of its old friend.

"It is well," said he, in clear, commanding tones of one accustomed to be obeyed, "Lallajee Rao, thou art a warrior, and I speak to thee as one warrior speaks to another. If I spare thy life, will thou be true to me henceforth?"

"No man ever yet said that Lallajee true to thee, on the faith of a warrior," was the reply.

"So be it," rejoined Akbar. "From this day thou art the captain of my guard, and none but thyself shall ride the elephant that has spared thy life." And the emperor kept his word.

WISE FOOLS.

Our Youth. To acquire knowledge is the indispensable duty of every youth who has the opportunity. But to make one's knowledge profitable, one needs that wisdom which teaches one to do the right thing at the right time and in the right way. Hence Solomon said, "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom.' There is a legend about the aucient Athenians which shows that the Greeks understood that people might have learning and yet be fools. The legend says that when the Athenians chose Minerva to be their tutelar delty Neptune was offended, and cussed them and their posterity, saying "that they should be all fools." When they be sought Minerva to take off Neptune's curse the goddess replied, "It is not possible for me to hinder you from being fools, but I will take care that you shall be learned." This satire upon the Athenians who, though capricious and fickle, were not fools, shows that the Greeks recognized at least the possibility that men may be both learned and foolish. In this they were right; therefore he who would not be a wise fool

pure. Knowledge is proud that he has learned so Wisdom is humble that he knows no more." Therefore, to cite Solomon again, "Get wisdom."

must get wisdom as well as knowledge.

He especially needs that wisdom which

God gives liberally to all who ask for it-

the wisdom which teaches one to use

knowledge rightly and to keep the heart

A SENSIBLE COBBLES. Our Youth.

A cobbler, being obliged to send his son his job, became so unersy while waiting He fistened in silence while the officer that he put a scrap of leather on his lapward with a bow, made his report of the "It will never do, you know, sir, to be was uttered, the emperor waved his who wondered at his activity. "At any hand, and instantly Lallajee, still bound rate, I should faint away." O sensible hand and foot, was dragged from his cobbler! He seemed to understand by a horse, and laid on the ground face up- sort of intuition that idleness is an evil. and that no man is wretched in his en-Then a solemn hush fell over the great ergy, unles it be victously directed, bemultitude, as if every one were holding cause then his mind is occupied-is in his breath in expeciation of something truth, like a house which has a tenant. Stick a pin in this thought, O reader, All at once the crowd parted, and a and note well that "idleness is empti-Keep your mind occupied with good

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CHANGE OF TIME.

An article has recently appeared in the ADVOCATE, written by Bro. Hughes, in support of a resolution offered, I think, by Dr. Neely at the conference, to change the time of holding North Texas Conference from November to April. This resolution was supported in speeches on the conference floor by quite a number of the leading men of the conference, and from the article referred to it seems it "will not down." Great men are not infallible, and when they make mistakes they are often hurtful. This is the attitude of this question now.

I will notice a few of the reasons offered for the chabge:

1. To avoid winter moves, bad roads,

cold weather, no wood, sick women and cold babies. This can be answered simply by saying all moves of any distance are now made on railroads.

This argument would have come with better grace earlier in the history of conference, when they were whirling men and families from one extreme to the other, through mud, snow and slush-a pleasure that should ever have been indulged with great caution and much

2. The weather would be good and the social pleasures of the occasion would thereby be greatly enhanced. This is the strong plea of all the advocates of change. The pleasure of the occasion. Now I will give Bro. H. a dose out of his our business is not pleasure, it is "preaching;" to attend the interests of the church. We are not "society men."

3. He meets an argument by saying that one preacher could plant a garden for another and thus one soweth and another reapeth. That is sound doctrine in spiritual things, but its a poor way to get a garden; men do not like to do too much for "their successors in office." In fact, it would paralyze garden work at the time upon which its success depends. No man ever knows certainly that he will be returned, and instead of planting for a successor, the whole subject of garden would be deferred until after conference, and then it would be too

4. It would leave the pastor through the perilous Christmas holidays with his own young converts. There is no answer to this except it is offset in the damage the change would effect in the revivals themselves. It would be May before the pastors could reach their work; in July the protracted meetings begin. No one could be sufficiently acquainted with his work in so short a time as to succeed the first year, and and labor necessary to carrying out this then there would be no young converts detail cannot be given by the members to look after.

positive reasons against a change. Changes are always experimental-more or less dangerous. It is what bodies do, a membership of, say 409, and probably not what they don't do, that hurts.

the Southern church. It would throw our conference out of harmony with bly a day and a half. Men occupying what I shall call the "Cotton Belt System." There is, and has ever been, a consensus of judgment throughout this to so employ the time of the stewards it region that the fall of the year is the best time to hold our conferences.

It would throw the district conference as the machine men would say, "out of is needless, and, unless absolutely neceswhack." To hold it before July would be too near the annual conference. To hold it between July and the first of November would interfere with the protracted meetings, and would necessarily in some other way than that to which throw the district conference in Novem- objection has been made. This will be ber or December; and as they occupy nearly as much time as an annual conference, then what is gained at one end of collecting is that it is not of the esin pleasant weather and "society" is lost | sential nature of church institutions to at the other.

It would confuse all of our business. Our first conference year would have to brought in by the members. It is less be either about eighteen months' long, or only about five or six, which would confuse preachers' salaries and all other assessments. It is true, they could be adjusted, but it would require a good deal of work for a few days of social pleasure, and to avoid a few tears of is in the anti-scriptural, mal-educative, sympathy for hard-moved families that compromising practice of making colought to have been shed years ago when lections by personal application to the they needed it.

But the paramount reason is, the proposed change would be disastrous to our bring as an offering into the house of finances every where and every God. This is scriptural. It is not deway. My judgment is not less parted from by any church, without sethan twenty-five per cent. all around, rious consequences following-renting The judgment of the business men of pews, failing to meet its obligations, and, the world is certainly worth something. worst of all, divorcing worship and lib Throughout the Cotton Best all contracts erality, putting assunder what God hath mature and moneys fall due at the close joined together, the grace of receiving and of the year, and why? Because that is the grace of giving. I am convinced the only season the masses in a cotton that these and other evils are incident in country have money. It has always collecting church funds, whether "quarbeen that way, and always will be. terly, weekly, or monthly, as may be de-There are a great many circuits that termined." If the church members can would become mission ground if it were be induced to "cast their gifts into the not for the extraordinary effort many treasury" the superior excellence of the energetic presiding elders put forth on weekly installment system is evident. their last round when there is cotton That collections of all moneys necessary money in the country, and the same is for the support of the ministry and the true of all our collections. Many of our payment of current expenses can be made people do not consider money due until at the Sunday offertory I have reason to it has been earned, and some must wait believe, and my reasons will be subuntil they see whether they will like the mitted in another paper. preacher or not, and the proposed change | The monthly installment plan necessibrings the time of settlement in April. tates collecting by personal application. After the cotton money is all gone and It is hardly thinkable that the rank and the little wheat money is yet in the fu- file of church members can be made his happiness and usefulness, and helps ture. The truth is, it would be finan- to remember the duty of paying in to preach so as to meet the wants and cially ruinous. We cannot afford it. It at the offertory their contributions necessities of the hearers. My dear is true we would have, or might have, "upon the first day of the month." brethren, faithfulness in this important pleasant weather, and that would be The weekly installment plan has its duty will give you soals for your hire and

the interest of the church demands that in this matter we should make haste WM. A. EDWARDS. MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS.

CHURCH FINANCES.

In the Quarterly Review of the M. E. Caurch, South, January, 1889, there is a who first loved us, and gave himself for porations, which, It is claimed, when faithfully adhered to, has been the means and disgraceful consequences of the slovenly administration of their duties by many boards of stewards, but also has caused a large increase in the contribu-

The author, "Eureka," qualifies him. self as capable of constructing a plan for the "improvement of church finances," having obtained his qualification for this needed device by the reading of 'every book, pamphlet, essay, tract, magazine and newspaper article in reach on the subject." I admit feeling incompetent to undertake a criticism of the article in question or propose a substitute for the carefully constructed system offered for the improvement of abuses that call for the most earnest and thoughtful efforts toward reform. When I confess that I have read nothing on the subject, so theroughly mastered in its literature by "Eureka," I shall have put myself at a disadvantage before the public; but I am convinced that the plan before us is radically wrong. Passing over own spoon. He said: "Our business is the contradiction in the terms "volunnot agriculture, but preaching." I say tary assessment," which form the base lines of that plan, several defects are noted:

1. As a system of collection of the money neces ary for the maintenance of the church corporation in monthly installments the plan is commended as superior to the quarterly-livision system generally in use. Manifestly it is. The quarterly system never had any intrinsic advantage, and its tenacity of hold upon many congregations is due to its relation to the quarterly conference. Monthly installments-being more easily met, and thus securing payment by a larger number and in higher ratio to "their several ability"-are better than quarterly payments. Weekly installments, by the same process of reasoning, are better than monthly installments. This is confirmed by the writer's experience. But the difficulty of making weekly collections from church members severally obtrudes. This difficulty consists in what I deem a radical error in the plan under criticism, viz:

2. The collection of the instal ments by the stewards in person. The time of many official boards. This difficulty I will now give as briefly as I can is impossible of being overcome in many of the larger churches of the connection, especially in towns and cities. To visit be compelled to visit one-half of that It is breaking up a regulation that has number a second time the same month, orked well in all the past history of would occupy each member of a board of ten stewards at least a day, more probaclerical positions cannot give the cime. for it is not theirs. Were it admissible is inexpedient. I should object to the expenditure of ten days of working time in collecting church money, because it sary, a waste of time.

It is here incumbent upon me to show how the money "agreed to be paid by each member of the church" may be collected considered constructively in another place. My second objection to this plan go to the members for their contributions; but the money needed should be the duty of the steward to go to the private member to receive his contribution than it is the duty of the private member to bring his contribution to the steward. The radical error, it seems to me, in our financial system of church maintenance. members for that which it is their solemn obligation and perpetual duty to

about all. A long move ahead, and noth- practical basis on the theory that, put stars in your crown of rejoicing in ing to move on. I have written thus by so educating our congregations the better world. Visit all your mem-

a necessary association of the ideas of other families as you can. praying and paying, of receiving in the sermon spiritual things and giving in the this article I will give next week. offertory material things; that the hebdomedal division of time, and the periodic recurrence of the holiday that commemorates the resurrection of Him financial plan for the use of church cor. us, and who, when He ascended upon high gave gifts to men, will stir up their pure minds by way of remembering to pendix of nine pages, on the mode of not only of obviating the embarrassing bring their tithes and offerings into the baptism, to which we invite public atsanctuary "on the first day of the week." (I Cor. xvi:2)

3. "Eureka" does not propose his plan as a "self-acting" one. It is a slewardtions of money by the churches where it acting plan, and one which the averageacting steward cannot put into action. Satisfactory as may be its results in the experience of "Eureka," I beg leave to ics and encourages as much privateics) as any "carefully-digested" plan for the "improvement of church finances"

that the unsolicited contribution in submit that the monthly collection by question. We may emphasize the folindividual application on the part of the stewards is not more easily practicable.

So far I have been destructive. A more difficult undertaking is to construct a substitute for the plan in part con- author-he is always clear. demned. It is a yet more exacting duty to construct a substitute so carefully mendable skill in condensation. His wrought out in all its details, so conservative, and one so plausible, as may be entered for competition with that which made strong by cohesion. embodies as much study and experience as the one whose errors I have pointed shall furnish a second paper in which a sown down all over Texas. plan, carefully digested, prayed over, experimented with, will be formulated.

FITZGERALD PARKER. EL PASO, TEXAS.

PASTORAL VISITING-AN INCIDENT.

Among the questions propounded to persons seeking admission into full connection as traveling preachers, are the following, viz: "Will you diligently instruct the children in every place?" "Will you visit from house to house?" "Are you resolved to devote yourself wholly to God and his work?" Take this first question: "Will you diligently instruct," etc., in connection with the question third, page 60 of our Discipline, "Is there a written report, etc., of the pastoral instruction of children?" What do Heartsill, made some statements about these questions mean? A brother said the work in general, which were quite to me a few months ago: "When our encouraging, and especially called our preacher comes to see us, he hardly gets attention to the school at Laredo and its girls and spends no little time playing Chica. She also read the program for impression is, that formerly our preach methods of conducting monthly meeters asked the children of the families ings, by this means endeavoring to ascerthey visited questions out of catechisms tain the most successful mode; and, made and sanctioned by the Methodist judging by the interest and zeal manihurch, giving such oral instruction as the children seemed to need. In this Marshall auxiliary exceeded all others, way children were taught the important which fact ought to stimulate each doctrines of the Methodist Church, and society to greater effort this year. A urged to give their young hearts to think, might properly be called "pasto- pleading in behalf of poor heathen women. ral instruction of children." What is page 60, "by pastoral instruction" now? Our catechisms are laid aside, specially in country places, and if the children are instructed it is orally, though some say this "pastoral instruction" is given in the Sunday-school. I cannot get rid of prayer by Mrs. J. S. Mathis; also an the impression that this pastoral instruction of children is to be given as the preachers "visit from house to house." Mark: "Will you diligently instruct the children in every place?"-i. e., I suppose anywhere you may meet children and have a chance to igstruct themespecially the family circle. "Will you visit from house to house?" In the earlier editions of the Discipline it was stated, and it is equally so now: 'Family religion" is wanting in many branches. And what avails public preaching alone, though we could preach like angels? We must-yes, every traveling preacher must -instruct the people from house to house. Till this be done, and that in good earnest, Methodists will be no better. Our religion is not sufficiently deep, universal, uniform. It will be so till we spend half as much time in this visiting as we

now do in talking uselessly. Our fathers intended that Methodist preachers should be pastors emphatically, and instruct their members in the precepts, duties and doctrines of Christianity and stir them up to diligence and faithfulness in the cause of Christ. Such services were great helps to Christians and preachers also, and so it will be now wherever pastoral duties are properly discharged. How can preachers with a good conscience neglect this important duty, especially as they have taken a most solemn oath, as I call it, to attend to it? Will not the blood of souls-of parents and children-be required at their hands? Is not the sin of willful neglect a fearful sin? I beg our young ministers to attend to this duty faithfully, especially as they have promised to devote themselves wholly to God and his work. Pastoral visiting increases the congregation, the pay of the preacher, adds to

earnestly on this subject because I think in the grace of giving that there shall be bers and pray with them, and as many faithful and es imable Christian woman, Treasurer; Mrs. J. S. Mathis, Recording

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W. M. S., BAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

The seventh annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, East Texas Conference, convened in the Presbyterian Church at Crockett, Texas, Nov. 28, 1888. The devotional exercises were conducted by the President, Mrs. R. W. Thompson. The roll of officers was called and the minutes of the last meeting read and approved, after which our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fannie seated till he catches up one of my little needs, not forgetting the schools in with her. His conversation to me is in the week of prayer, urging its observmonesyllables-yes and no. Is this "the ares. The President then called for pastoral instruction of children?" My plans of the various auxiliaries as to their fested, as well as the amount raised. letter was read from Rev. Young J Carist. Such teaching and advice, I Allen, calling for more workers, and Rosewood This earnest plea should arouse every meant in the third question, Discipline, Caristian woman's sympathies, and enlist her heartiest co-operation in this work. The hour for the next meeting being announced, the meeting closed. The second session met Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Scripture lesson and Extra Set earnest and pathetic prayer by Sister Heartsill in behalf of our work. We felt that it was good to be there. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. R-ports from several auxiliary societies were read, show ing that the interest still lives in some portions of our conference. Several auxiliaries failed to report this year, owing to the urgent demands for im & I provement on parsonages and other home work. But the verbal and written reports given by members of these societies indicate an interest, and we hope soon to be able to report good collections and an abiding zeal in the work. A silk quilt was presented to the society by Mrs. J. D. Burke, of Sexton, San Augus tine district, to be disposed of at the annual meeting, the proceeds to be placed in the missionary treasury. The President requested the Corresponding Secretary to return a note of thanks in behalf of the Society for this beautiful gift. A ring also was presented by the Jasper Society to be appropriated to the same purpose. May God abundantly bless the donors. Ray. J. T. Browning was introduced and gave an appropriate talk, which we all enjoyed and heartily appreciated. A resolution of thanks was teniered him for his words of encouragement. The

> port as follows: Whereas, ln the providence of our Heavenly Father, it has pleased him to remove from our midst our Sister, Patience Morse, at one time treasurer of our Woman's Missionary Society, of the Rock Springs auxiliary; therefore, be it Resolved 1. That she was a most

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always faithful in her attendance, and Secretary; Mrs. V. A. Leake, Auditor The incident referred to at the head of by her sympathy encouraging us in our There being no further business the efforts.

> Rescived 2. That we deplore her loss tion by Bro. Browning. and feel that our Woman's Missionary member. Mrs. Jas. Turner, Mrs. U. B. Philips, Mrs. A. A. Jeest, Committee. Resolutions were offered and adopted as follows:

Resolved 1, That we tender our thanks to the ministers who have helped o advance our work in the past. May God abundantly reward them.

Resolved 2, That the ministers all be requested to preach a sermon to their congregations on the importance of Woman's Work for Woman."

Resolved 3, That we tender our thanks to the people of Crockett for their hospitable entertainment, and also to the pastor of the Presbyterian Church for the use of the church in which we conducted our services.

After the adoption of the resolutions the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. R. W. Thompson, President; Mrs. John Adams, Vice-President; Mrs. F. A. Heartsill, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. R. T Dorough,

society was adjourned with the benedic-

On Saturday afternoon the Bishop and Society has lost a valued and efficient conference kindly suspended business in order to hear our annual reports read. The reports from the several auxiliaries were read by Mrs. R. W. Thompson, Mrs. Heartsill, Mrs. James Turner, Mrs. U. B. Philips, and Mrs. J. S. Mathis. After which the Bishop made some very encouraging remarks, urging the preachers to assist us in our work. He then presented the silk quilt to Sister B. R. Bolton. The quilt had been sold by the society for \$20, withwhich Sister Woolam was made a life member of the Woman's Missionary Society.

MRS. R. W. THOMPSON,

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NEGRO EDUCATION AND THE

No subject seems to be receiving more attention just now, North and South, than the negro problem. It is not our purpose to discuss the political the better educated class of negroes allowed. must wield over the rest of their race it becomes a matter of great importance to the country. We think it of the done under the auspices of the Southmost friendly relations possible to the rubric seems to justify both modes. whites of his own section, and therefore the reasons why he should be edu- this general confession be made by the cated under such influences. If the minister, in the name of all those who Christians of the South would open are minded to receive the holy comtheir minds to see the importance of munion, both he and all the people and those who are outside the church saying." could see the importance of giving the

in operation under the auspices of the This without doubt requires "all the to those who sleep, not so to different Southern churches. If the people" to say the confession. But those who are awake. The norleading secular journals, such as the the first of the sentence requires the mal life of the Christian is wakefulness sion. St. Louis Republic, Times-Democrat, minister to make the confession "in the and soberness. Wakeful and sober News, and Fort Worth Gazette, would name of all those who are minded to watching is not to be overcome with take hold of the matter they could render no little assistance and do a good work for the country. What say our the name of the people, in whose name neighbors of the press?

UNIFORMITY IN PUBLIC WORSHIP. Methodism evidently intends without

being inflexible to be generally uni-

tion may be used. It is very desirahis privilege to worship. This can only be done by strictly conforming in all places to the required modes. It will be noted that in all places where discretion is allowed, it can be done known that discretion in many instanes and places has gone beyond its allowed privileges. Take the ritual for the administration of the Lord's Supper for example. The Rubric says: "The elder shall read one or more of these sentences, during the reading of which the stewards shall take a coilection for the poor." While this requirement is complied with in some of the city churches, it is far from being uniformly practical throughout the church. What part of our worship is more imphases of the subject, but to call atten- portant than the collection for the tion to an incidental question, which, poor? And when we remember that He however, may have no little to do with who was rich became poor that others the settlement of the race problem it- through His poverty might be made self. In fact, this subject, the educa- rich what time is more appropriate to tion of the colored people, enters into raise a collection for the poor than the general discussion as a factor in the when about to commemorate that disadjustment of the race difficulties. It tinctive act in which the Master gave is agreed upon all hands that the all to enrich the world? Some preachblacks ought to be educated. This is ers, where the demands for a collection acknowledged by the States in the pro- for the poor of the community are not the Baptist stands among the greatest visions made for them in the public pressing, take the collection for the school system. The public schools as "conference fund," i. e. for superanthey are now maintained and operated nuated preachers and widows and orcannot promise anything more than an phans who are claimants upon the conelementary education. This is good as ference. We have known this plan far as it goes, and perhaps the great followed with the most satisfactory remasses, either white or black, will sults. Another custom which prevails never be in a condition to obtain more is, "dismissing the communicants" than this under any system. This when there is not sufficient room at the always leaves an open field for chancel for all to kneel there at once. private and benevolent institutions to As the dismissal is not provided for in come in with their endowed schools the order of the ritual, the minister is for higher education. The State more- left to improvise the words of "dismisover does not propose to educate es- sal" at his own discretion. Some pecially and directly the religious and choose to exhort, or admonish, and moral nature. Yet, viewed from the some to "dismiss" with a simple bene- the start. The forerunner of Christ Bible House during the same month, 116,391 it but merely to discover waste places that are standpoint of the churches, nothing is diction. In some churches, when each was not to be made as a machine is more important than that the religious communicant has received the bread built, but trained according to the laws and moral faculties should be educa- and wine he quietly goes to his seat, under which the free development of ted along with the intellectual facul- while another as quietly comes forward ties. The necessity for the complete and takes his place, and by the time been the product of mechanical power development of all man's faculties is the that the elders have waited upon those there had been no question about the basis on which church schools stand. who first come forward the chancel is parents, but as the fitness of the man Nothing is more needed to-day among filled with others to be waited upon. for the work depended on his moral the blacks than such education as the Then when all have communed the serchurches propose to give. The negro vice is closed with the prayer and beneneeds, as the white, to be taught that diction provided in the ritual. We the Christian religion means a good have seen this order used with orderly moral character. Righteousness is success. It saves time, and sometimes fundamental in true Chtistian char- the congregation from an inappropriacter. Among this people the ate "dismissing exhortation," and in emotional idea of religion is prev- fact seems to conform more strictly to alent. They need to be educated in the order of the ritual. There are an intelligent religion that will make other irregularities that we might call them, not only devotional, but true in attention to, but these are sufficient for all the relations of men to men-that illustration. Our preachers ought to will make them render the best read and study carefully the ritual of service both to God and to Cresar. the church, and then conform strictly When we consider the influence that in all cases where discretion is not

IS THE RUBRIC CONTRADICTORY Should "all those who are minded very greatest importance to the South to receive the holy communion" repeat that this class of education should be in audible voice with the minister the general confession? It may surprise ern churches. One prolific source of some that such a question should be mutual prejudice between the whites asked, yet it is doubted if a uniform and the educated negroes of the South answer would be given by all our is that the negro has received his edu- preachers. Always we have seen the cation mainly under the influence of "Lord's Supper" administered by eld-Northern politics. While we do not ers and Bishops in Tennessee and in believe in mixing religion and politics Texas, and never yet heard a Methodeven in our schools, we do not wish the list congregation say the "general conblacks to be educated under influences fession" until at the session of the that are against us and them. The West Texas Conference. The invari-Southern churches generally are non- able custom so far as we have known political. The negro, being educated it has been for the minister to say the in the absence of direct political in- confession. Yet in other places it fluence, would be left free to shape his seems that the people also say it along politics according to his best interests. with the minister. Why it is difference? The South being the home of the col- Is it the result of indifference, or is properly is that the parents should be comes to distraint for the payment of church ored man, any unprejudiced mind will there reasonable ground for it in the see the desirableness of his being in the rubric? Upon close examination the

It reads as follows: "Then shall giving these people religious education, kneeling humbly upon their knees, and

higher education to the colored race clause of the above sentence evidently under Southern influences, we think the connects the participles "kneeling" Lord find in a normal condition? several emigles appeared, and at night they mates to all who come. Ask your station time could not be far distant when and "saying," thus making "say a;" Though the Lord will come sud- crowd having previously gathered before the ther particulars address S. Sherin, Secretary,

receive the holy communion." Now, if the minister makes the confession in with awe. Those who walk with Christ do they themselves make it? It looks a little strange that the minister should be required to make a confession in the name of the people when the people are required to make the same confesform in public worship. The Book of Discipline has indicated where conformity is required and where discreendorse the minister while he makes not of the night, nor of darkness. ble that uniformity should prevail the confession in their name. Another Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; to the extent at least that no fact, however, corroborates the inter-Methodist will be at a loss to know how pretation which requires the minister to proceed in public worship in any to make the confession. The formula Methodist church in which it may be of the Episcopal Church, of which ours is a reform, reads as follows: "Then shall this general confession be made by the Priest and all those who are minded to receive the holy communion, humbly kneeling." If our fathers without confusion. Yet it is well intended the people to say the confession with the minister, the simplest thing they could have done would have been to have substituted "minister" for "priest," This would have put the matter beyond all question with the change of a single word. They evidently aimed at a change in practice as well as in words, but so confused the language as to confuse the practice also. As the language now stands, both ways are right, accordingly as you consider the first or last clause of a single sentence of the rubric. The confusion of the rubric at this point is of sufficient importance to demand the attention of the next General Conference.

LIKE PARENT, LIKE CHILD.

In more instances than one we are given an insight through the Bible into God's method of raising up great and good men. One notable instance attracts our attention at present. John of Bible characters. He was a child of providence, as every other good man is. He was chosen before birth, and raised up for a great and responsible work, and he received the divine appointment not in vain. The point in the divine method that attracts our special attention at present is the selection of parents. The Lord had a great and important work to be done, and a man was to be chosen and prepared for the work. It was not to find a work for the man, but a man for the work. In preparing the man for the work it was in the plan of the Lord to begin at December were \$33,334 58. Issues from the character, must proceed. If John had character developed by his own free will influenced by his environment, it was a matter of some importance as to sive charge which scatters the liquid when what that environment should be. The character of parents, who were to be the source of the strongest human influences present in the shaping of his character, was of the very first concern. It was therefore according to God's method to choose not only the man for is heated only as fast as used, giving great the work, but in order to fit the man for the work to choose his parents also, The character of Zacharias and Elisabeth, who "were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless," was no uncertain prophecy of what the man, John the Baptist, would be. As much as the law of heredity has to do with the disposition and ultimate character of he child, it was not the only question of concern in choosing parents for the child, but an equally important question was the impression to be made by the character of the parent upon the child while its character was in the process of formation. There is no doubt but that much that is set down to heredity should be charged to the influences upon the child after birth. But from whatever standpoint we view the importance of parental character to that of the child, it is of the first consideration, as is manifest from the instances by which the mind of the Lord is made known to us. The first condition of training children lished Church any too well, and when it and live what the child should be.

IN THE LIGHT OR DARK?

If Christ the Lord should make his sudden appearance, how many Christians of to-day would be overtaken in a state of unpreparation for that event? How the night? These questions resolve The conjunction "and" in the last themselves into the question, how

several colleges for blacks would be set agree with "he and all the people." denly as a thief in the night surprise, though it may be subdued daily ought not to tremble at the thought of his coming, but rather rejoice. They who walk with the Lord walk in the light, and only to those who sleep in the dark will the Lord come as a thief in the night, "But ye, sion at the same time and in the same brothen, are not in darkness, that that negroes; in the Freetown riot of this year, the way. Possibly it may be said that the day should overtake you as a thief. Ye only white man killed was a white Republipeople by saying the confession only are all the children of the day: we are but let us watch and be sober."

THE COLLECTION.

LOOK out for sample copies next week. MANY sermons which are called long would

not seem so if so much time were not lost before preaching begins. The sermon generally has to carry the time spent in other ways after the hour arrives.

THERE is no good reason for, and many against, making the pulpit an advertising medium. It is a good rule to announce nothing from the pulpit except strictly religious

DR. W. C. DUNLAP, writing of his work in the interest of the education of the colored people, says: "I doubt if there is any purely missionary work of the church that has more grown upon the convictions of our people, especially the preachers. More and more they see and appreciate this open door to carry on unto perfection the work o' the church begin among our colored people before the

THE stated meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Bible Society was held at the Bible House, on Thursday, Jan. 3, 1889, the Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, L.L., President, in the chair. The re-Dr. J. E. Rankin. Grants of books were made for gratuitous distribution to the value of about \$7743, including grants to the American Missionary Association, to the American Seamen's Friend Society, to the copies. American Board for Micronesia, and also to the Hawaiian Evangelization Association: and consignments to the Society's Mexican. Brazil and La Piata Agencies. Funds were also granted to the amount of \$1200, of which the sum of 1000 is for the use of the Russian foreign correspondence of the month mentioned Mr. Bowen's return to Constantinople Dec. 15th, from a long and hard tour in Asia Minor, and Dr. Bliss' proposal to start in January for Egypt; Mr. Whipple, Nov. 8th, was about leaving Tabreez for Teheran; Mr. Mc-Kim, Dec. 29th, was leaving Havana for Beracoa, and Mr. Penzotti, Nov. 21st. was going from Lima to the south of Pera. Mr. Tallon, South American Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Dr. Burt, of Fiorence, asks for a new appropriation for Bible work in Italy; and Mr. Donne, of Ponape, tells of the need at once of new supplies of Scriptures to meet the growing demand from both volumes; issues since April 1, 1888, 746,764

Ler the subscription list increase at least

OSMAN DIGNA, the Heutenart of the Mahdi in Egypt, is by birth a Frenchman. His merous daughters.

"A GERMAN patent covers a rocket carrying a cylinder of oil, together with an explothe projectile reaches its journey's end. In experiments at sea the rockets have been thrown 900 feet against a strong gale. By this means oil can be distributed in different directions, securing to the storm-tossed vessel

a large area of smooth water." "In the novel and remarkably simple boller of the Serpollet Brothers, of Paris, the water economy in time of getting up pressure is well as what is claimed to be abse lute inexplosibility. The boiler consists of a heavy steel tube rolled flat until its opening will scarcely admit a bairthe space being only from one hundredth to two hundred and fiftieth of an inch across. the heated tube, and is emitted as steam at few strokes on a small pump, and is instantly stopped by shutting off the supply of water. The speed is governed by a regulator controlling the supply pump. An experimental form of one-horse power boiler weighs about inches high, vaporizing 45 pounds of water per hour with only " pounds of coal. A trione of these boilers.'

NASHVILLE ADVOCATE: The leading pa NASHVILLE ADVOCATE: The leading paper of one of the proudest Sates in the Union gives the brutal and puerile details of a cockfight in the last issue that has reached this office. We suppress the name of both the State and the newspaper from a sentiment that is almost filial in its nature. But we had thought that this vice, which combines brutality and siliness in about an equal degree had had its day except among the lowest slums of our large cities.

We four that the Fitzgerid's State is not We fear that Bro. Fitzgerald's State is no

alone in this matter. THE Western Advocate: There is trouble in Wales. The Welsh do not like the Estab rates there are several counties in which the Mr. Jones, vicar at a place with an unpronounceable Welsh name, attempted to secure the church tax a few weeks ago by the aid of people of his approach, and crowds gathered to hoot, howl and hinder in every possible way the efforts of the vicar to get his "rates." When the distraining party started out a cart many would meet him with joy, or how was put at the head of the procession, conmany would receive him as a thief in taining an effigy of an intoxicated elergyman

vicarage and hooted at the vicar. Mr. Glad- 38 West Delose street, St. Paul, Minn.; J. T. stone evidently had reason for the remark, in his recent great speech, that the question of disestablishment in Wales is ripe for discus

To AGENTS: Distribute sample copies of the ADVOCATE in the families of those who ought to take the paper.

TIMEE-DEMOCRAT: "Let us say here, for the benefit of our Northern brethren, that in the race disturbances in the South, the division is always made on race, not political lines. In the Colfax riot of Easter, 1873, every white Republican was found acting with the whites against the negroes; in the Lafourche troubles of last year the leading Republican of Southern Louisiana, and formerly Republican candidate for Governor, was against the can, who was acting against the negroes. And when only the other day a race difficulty was reported at Lamar, Miss., the Westerners settled at Michigan City, and who have been in the South but a few years, poured to the assistance of their Southern white brethren against the negroes. The Western man, Republican or Democrat, who settles in the South, very soon takes a position on the race question, and the only position a white man can take

REV. F. M. GRACE, in Nashville Advocate: Altogether it may be said with confidence that the future of Southern Methodism in Louisiana is now brighter than at any period since 1860. A great work yet remains to be done in the city of New Orleans, where there are about fifteen hundred Methodists in a population of more than two hundred thousand, and in the sugar parishes where a vast majority of the population are negroes, and most of them Catholics.

DR. ANDERSON has solved the "Problem of Methodism" by the discovery of "sin without guilt." Bishop Paine said in a communica ion to the Nashville Advocate a short time before his death that when a young preacher, a brother, asked him if he had yet repented of Adam's sin, he replied: "No; I had trouble enough with my own sin without repenting of Adam's," which opinion the good Bishop said he never saw cause to change. Neither God nor sane men ever condemn where there is no guilt. Yet some people give themselves and the church more rouble about "guiltless sin" than about the salvation of souls exposed to "God's wrath and damnation."

A FINE list of subs ribers was recently received at this office, the result of a few sample

SOUTHWESTERN METHODIST: A bill has been introduced into the Legislature of this State to make the keeping of bucket-shops a felony. We hope it will pass. For church members who speak against this business and denounce it in the papers, and yet prac-Bible Society, and \$200 for the Italy Mission tice it, there is little hope but in the fear of of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The the penitentiary. .By the way, is it not time for the church to begin to deal with speculating in futures as it deals with ordinary gambling? We write that it is gambling; we preach that it is gambling; why not come to business; and if it is gambling, resolve that it shall be so construed, and so dealt with under the discipline?

THE following is a suggestive item from the of Montevideo, sends the salutations of the dark continent. A Suakim dispatch states that the large relief expedition of the African lakes country, which set out to ascend the Zambesi and Shiri to reach the scene of the recent troubles at the head of Lake Nyanza, has successfully accomplished the difficult journey. Lieut. Gen. Wiessman in an internatives and foreigners. The cash receipts in view recently said: "Africa is to civilization a new ground, and to explore it is not to civilize in need of civilization. It has been the work of the nineteenth century to make a map of Africa. It will be the work of the twentieth century to bring the vast population of the inerior into the general fellowship from which, broadly speaking, they alone are at present exc'uded. The trader and the road maker will bring the now isolated tribes name was Vinet before he abjured it and his into communication with each other and with religion to marry one of the late Mahdi's nu- the world that works and obeys laws. To them the change will be like that from darkness to light. To the world at large it will be the gain of a new continent of workers, or, in in the language of political economy, of 100 000,000 producers and consumers.

This is the future which Prince Bismarck had before his mind when he consented, in spite of the difficulties which he as clearly as myone foresaw, to hoist the German flag along the vast stretch of coast east and west, The first works of civilization in its advance into barbarous regions are trade and communications, and communications in such a country are synonymous with rivers. Of the four great rivers of Africa, only the Niger is navigable from its mouth, and on the Niger the trade is protected by the British flag. The other three, the Nile, the Congo and the Zambesi, all lead to the populous region of the equatorial lakes, which is destined some day to be the most prosperous region of the trop and then coiled in a spiralor left straight, as | cal world. Each of the three rivers is, how may be required. The water is pumped into ever, shut off from navigation in its lower course so that the way to the interior can great pressure. The engine is started by a only be reached by an overland route from the coast, striking the river above the cataract section of its course. Such an overland route has been to some extent made by the African lakes company for the Zambesi, and efforts are now directed to recovering it and 75 pounds, and has a tube 614 feet long and 4 keeping it open. The projected railway to Stanley Pool is to perform the same function for the Congo. The Upper Nile, the water cycle has been successfully propelled with way from the Victoria Nyanza to the Khar toum and Berber, is accessible only from Sua kim. The importance of Suskim to the world at large, therefore, is that it is the gate of the soudan and that it must become, as soon as commerce has begun to exert any perceptible influence on Central Africa, the great trading

> SAMPLE copies, judiciously dis ributed, will aid the agent in procuring subscribers.

10 st of the Upper Nile basin.

WE have been potified that the Second An nul Minnesota Methodist Convention will be held in the Hennepin Avenue Church, Min neapolis, May 22, 28, 24, 1889. It will be composed of one lay delegate for each fifty mem bers, and all m nisters and sunday school superintendents (including German, Swedish and Norwegian, as well as English-speaking people break out into violent opposition. A churches), of the Methodist denomination, in this State. Hon. F. W. Hoyt, of Red Wing, is president. The first day will be devoted to the interests of Methodist Sunday-schools. the sheriff. Guns were fired to apprise the The several benevolent societies of the church will receive earnest consideration The purpose of the convention is to promote the general interests of Methodism in her mission in the great Northwest. It is expected that Bishops Vincent, Fitzgerald and Newman, besides several general secretaries, seated in an easy chair, with a bottle of wine | will be present. The convention will close in front of him, and having on his breast, in with a grand banquet at the West Ho Welsh, the words: "This is what we do tel. The Methodists from adjoining States many professing Christianity would the with our tithes." Before the day was over will be cordially welcomed. Reduced were burned amid great excitement, the agent. Full program issued soon. For fur- fixed order in public worship:

Wyman, Chairman Executive Committee,

New experiments in manufacturing aluminium on a large scale continue to be made. The Cowles Brothers whose electric smelting furnace has now been in successful operation in the United States for several years are opening works in England. A somewhat different electric process, that of M. Heroult. is being employed at Neuhausen, Switzerland, where a crucible capable of producing 400 pounds of aluminum per day has just been set up, and yields an average of one pound of luminum for each fifteen horse-power hours of energy expended. Neither of these methods give the pure metal, but its useful alloys. Castner's efforts to cheapen the sodium process have given results so encouraging that he has recently opened works near Birmingham, with an estimated daily capacity of 500 pounds of aluminum and 1,500 pounds of sodium. This process turns out pure aluminum at less than half its former cost, or about fifteen shillings per pound.

THE greater the list of subscribers to the ADVOCATE the smoother will run the machinery of Methodism in Texas. Let the paper boom.

The New York Post says: The financial affairs of Plymouth church are just now in a critical condition and there are indications that there may be great difficulty in meeting the current expenses of the society and conducting its mission work. This was strongly brought out at the annual meeting recently. The receipts during the past year have been a little over \$23,000 and the expenditures have exceeded that amount by \$2,000. In concluding a long article on the condition of Mr. Beecher's old church, the Post says: In the face of this showing Dr. Abbott, who was paid \$6500 last year, wants his salary raised to \$10,000. For Plymouth church, which once raised \$68,000 from the sale of her pews and averaged \$40,000 for many years, the future does not look extremely prosperous in view of these facts.

BISHOP KEY rejoices that Dr. Josephus Anderson has found the complete solution of the "Problem of Methodism," and is really "impressed" that it ought to be put in permanent form. Well, as there is a diversity of gifts by the same spirit, there seems to be a diversity of "impressions" also: at least Dr. Anderson's "solution" does not impress all good men alike.

WE received by mail what seemed to be the atter end of a reverie, by S. A. A. As the author sent neither the other end of the reverie, nor his name, it went the way of the for-

BRO. O. P. THOMAS has charge of an apostolic church at Terreli. It is composed largely of good women. Mrs. M. A. Allen is the President of the Woman's Missionary Society which paid \$150 for missions and Mrs. W. B. Dashiell is President of the Juvenile Society which raised \$125. SUBSCRIBERS can aid the preachers in pro-

curing subscribers by recommending the paper to neighbors. They ought to do it. DR. J. D. BARBEE explains the delay of

the hymn books. From his explanation we give the following:

give the followit g:

The parties in Philadelphia who contracted to finish the whole job, and put the hymnal, complete, into the nands of the Bock Agent by the first cay of last December, have not yet finished their work. Therefore we are standing in this situation: Part of the plates in the Publishing House, and the presses at work on them, and the remainder of the work in the hands of the contractors in Philadelphia in an unfinished condition. The Book Agent could have published the word edition long ago, but under the instructions of the Hymn-Book Committee, whose instructions he must follow, he has withheld the word edition for the purpose of bringing out both word and music editions simultaneously. But since there has been such delay of the music, causing so much inconveni-nee to the church, it has been decided to bring out at least one style of the word edition in advance of all others. Work is being pushed on this style, and we hope soon to announce that it is ready for the market. to announce that it is

And now, brethter, please exercise all pos-sble patience, for your hymnal shall not be delayed at this place. The delay is elsewhere, and beyond our control.

We wonder how much that Philadelphia printer is bound to forfeit on account of the

Now is the time to push the ADVOCATE.

A FEW MINUTES WITH THE PRESS. What the Papers Think and Say.

Everything is sa'd to have two sides. The Metho list Recorder shows one side of the Salvation Army as fellows:

of the Salvation Army as follows:

The recent speciacle of a detachment of the Salvation Army in Brooklyn, in full uniform, chasing one of their number, rigged out to represent the devil by proxy, up and down the streets and alleys, and around the squares of the city, to the music of drums and tambourines and hallely has, must certainly have been more amusing to the thoughtless than edifying to the sober-minded, or assuring of the speedy overthrow of his Satanic Majesty by use of such methods. As compared with beating the tom-tom and making the air hidrous with unutterable vocal discords, practiced by the dervishes of the African wilds to extreize evil spirits, the Brouklyn methods have little to recommend them. It is not quite as bad as burning witches to get the devil out of them, but for tilliness, is of the same piece. Isn't this thing of fighting the devil by proxy being overdone anyway? Where is the need of incarnating him in a human form, or in any one particular form of evil or abuse of society, where he has already taken up his abode in millions of men around us? Isn't it a trifle absurd to make a crusade against him in any mythical resort of his, when the route takes us past the doors of his against him in any mythical resort of his, when the route takes us past the doors of his real dens a dozen times? Fight the real devil in the hearts of men, and waste no ammuni-tion on a proxy devil hidden in some abstract The New York Advocate presents

another and more commendable side. Our adgment is that while this should have been done the other should have been left undone:

Religious sects and organizations must be judged by their fruits, and not by the estimate the world places on them. According to this standard the Salvation Army deserves more credit than most people have been disposed to give. It has been supposed by many that the distinguishing characteristic of this organization was its lusty shouting and noisy bearing of dums. But under the leadership of them But this has according to precises with of Gen Boothit has devoted its energies with encouraging success to the improvement of the condition of the fallen and outcast classes in the city of London. To supply the needs of the deserving poor a food and shelter depot in a suitable locality was opened one year ago, where means and lodgings are provided at the lowest possible rates. No less than 23,500 beds in clean, warm rooms have been at the lowest possible rates. No less than 23,500 beds in clean, warm rooms have been it raished at a penny each, and 470,000 meals at equally cheap rates, and large numbers of the men and boys for whom this temporary provision has been made have been introduced to good situations. The army has five homes in London for the rescue of the fallen, where girls are trained to work at various pursuits, so that these institutions are well nigh self-supporting. If in this practical way it shall continue to show forth the spirit and carry out the mission of Christianity, it and carry out the mission of Christianity, it will furnish a sufficient answer to all the ob-jections which have been urged against its

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pit and seme in the pews who find fault with a fixed order on some general grounds. They have a feeling that it tends to make worship mechanical, and some of them feel a sense of restraint put upon them by the order of worship. A little thinking will commonly remove this feeling. In the first place, the time allotted to a service must be limited. There are rare people who deny it, and would say: "Do not close any meeting until you are through." But a following of that injunction would soon empty the church. People want to know just when service will begin and about when it will close. They would be better pleased if they could know just when it would close. Some pastors happily answer this demand by closing within one to three minutes of a fixed hour. It is not really difficult to do this; it is only a question of habit. The habit of "going through the subject" is really only a habit of preaching longer sermons than are quite convenient. The "thorough sermon" is usually marked by unnecessary amplification, or it is an effort to preach two or three sermons in one, or it abounds in repetitions. Many men have cut down these fifty-five minutes sermons to thirty or thirty-five minutes with profit all round. It is not a question of spoiling a good sermon by breaking its bones, but of getting rid of some of its adipose matter—in most cases. There are, of course, fit seasons for longer sermons than are desired by average congregations. There is a medium, too, in this matter. There is a too short as well as a too long. This is a thing for common sense. But it is certain that the fixed order helps to adjust sermonic habit to a reasonable time table.

The choir is equally under check in an order of worship which disposes of the time which can be consumed in a service. The reasonableness of the requirement that no exercise shall trespass on the time of another will appear as soon as the fixed order is recognized as binding. There is also a miscellaneous feature of worship average congregation. There is another point of dan

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Here is a life picture of the religious dyspeptic by the Southern Advocate:

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We have in every pastoral charge, if not in every congregation, a class of persons which, for want of a better name, we shall call religious dyspeptics. They never seem to enjoy a robust spiritual health; they are always a "little aning," and they require much pastoral tursing and petting to keep them going at all. These are the persons who give the pracher most concern; who do least and grumble most; who never allow you to forget their existence by reason of their much complaining. To keep them in anything like a comfortable existence, the pastor must see them every few days, and must be an expert in administering religious pap and grue! If any preacher should conclude that he has other and more important duties to perform and should neglect, even for a season, these frequen, and necessary ministrations, loud and long will be the cries sent up, as though the ark of God were lost and the hosts of Israel defeated. These persons measure their pastor's work, not by his ability in the publit, not by the size of his congregation, not by the increase in the membership, not by the number of conversions, not by the spiritual growth of the members, not by the material prosperity of the churca, but solely and entirely by the number of times he has been to "our house," and his skill in feeding his dyspeptic patients on caramels and sugar-coated pills. Spring, summer, autumn and winter come and go without witnessing any improvement in their spiritual health. Their disease has become chronic, and there seems but little hope or improvement as long as they remain in this sublunary sphere. It is needless to say that these few puny, sickly, whining, compilaling Christians give the sensitive pastor more worry of mind and pain of heart than all the test of his flock put regether. They are grevious "thorns in the disabilities of the flesh and make him long for a residence among the saints in light.

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The "pegro question" has been seriously discussed in Arka was for some time past, and it has been expected by some that the i.eg-islature about to convene would take some islature about to convene would take some action on it. From nearly two pages of opinions of members elect printed in the Arkansas Gazette it is plain enough that nothing will be done in the way of adopting either a property or an educational qualification. The Democratic opinion of the Legislature seems to be fairly represented by this from Hou. P. L. Kilgore, of Magnolia county:

I am opposed to restricting the right of suf-frage on account of "ignorance." I was des-perately opposed to granting the right to that class of people. But now that it has been done, and the "chickens have come home to roost," let them "vote early, vote late, vote often, vote all their time," as they were advised aforetimes to do.

Senator J. P. Copeland, of the Thirteenth

District, writes:

I am opposed to a property qualification from the fact that a great number of our best men are poor. I am opposed to an educational qualification on the ground that some of the best men in Arkansas are liliterate.

Senator Davidson asks "who are the ignorant?" Represe tative Coffin, of Lawrence, answers him in some sort by declaring that it is vice that needs restraint. Hon. N. M. Hulton, of Leacounty, says that "a free and untrammeled right to vote, without reference to any standard of lette est culture has so long to be a condition that it is unsafe to disturb 1." Hon. W. F. Hicks, of Lonoke, has a tieory:

I f-vor manhood suffrage. Ignorance is an indefinable centimen, that can be ascertained by no ordinary methods. The ignorant would be called to sit in judgment upon ignorance in many instances. It would place the power of ching wrong in the hands of the "book learned" rascals. Besides the educated fool is a bigger fooi than an unlette ed fool, and thinks it smart to be so.

There is some dissent from these views, but with the majority the sentiment is the conservative one of holding hands off and trusting to P. ovidence for some more satisfactory solution of the "race problem" than any they are able to imagine as now feasible. This sentiment is not confined to Arkanasa, it is general through the South. Registration laws, the presentation of a certificate of payment for politax before voting and laws to prevent bribery and repeating are favorably discussed, but the white people want to let the so-called "negro problem" alone as long as they possibly can in the hope that time will adjust the relations between the races on a satisfactory basis.

SOUTHERN METHODISM.

News, Views and Personals.

-Southwestern Methodist: Rev. S. C. Daily, a superannuated member of the Southwest Missourt Conferency, has removed from Windsor, Mo., to Denison, Texas. His health is materially improved.

-A telegram from Pilot Point to the Fort Worth Gazette says: "The enterprising trustees of the Methodist Church have just Rev. A. B. Roberts, Jonesboro, Texas; put in a hot air furnace of the most approved pattern at a cost of \$215. Pilot Point now claims to have the handsomest and best fur-nished caurch in North Texas."

-Arkansas Methodist: We hear with pleasure, of many pastoral charges in our church in this State, having estimated and assessed larger salaries than usual for their stors. We anticipate commendable in-ease of liberality in the support of the min-

-In the Raleigh Christian Advocate Rev.

are not able to defray the expenses incident to college life."

-New Orleans Advocate: Rev. G. S. Ioge, our pastor in Holly Springs, Miss., in a note to the Nashville Advocate, says that on Dec. 23 his congregation raised \$1470 to "clear the decks and contine improvements on the church and parsonage." That is the "first gun" from North Mississippi. May we hear such booming all over that conference during the whole of 1889!

-Arkansas Methodist: As was expected. because right and becoming, our preachers generally were cordially received for the present year. From many charges we have seen reports of "poundings," donation parties, etc. A kind consideration for the pastor and a liberal provision for the support and comfort for himself and family, will rarely fail to benefit his charge in several ways. -Rev. John E. Edwards, D. D., in Rich-

mond Advocate: What a misfortune it is to the success of the ministry that so many of our success of the ministry that so many of our preachers get into the inexcusable habit of preaching in a slow, drawling, poking utterance of their words. Why don't they go on? Why make such long pauses between their sentences? If a man has anything to say, why don't he say it? It is a mistaken notion to suppose for a moment that drawling can by possibility add anything to the effectiveness of what he has to say.

-Rev. Olin Boggess is transferred from the —Rev. Olin Boggess is transferred from the St. Louis Conference to the Denver Conference, and takes charge of the church at Albuquerque, N. M., the appointment held by Bro. Nollner; and Rev. G. W. Nollner returns from Denver to the St. Louis Conference, and will take charge of Mount Zion and Ciayton circuit, the appointment assigned to Rev. Olin Boggess at the last conference.

-J. H. Baxter in Wesleyan Advocate: "The pastor is the leader of his people. He is the soul of every enterprise. He is the life is the soul of every enterprise. He is the life of every movement. He can, sooner of later, lead his people to do whatever they ought to do. The true pastor, who knows his vocation, and feels his God-given authority, instead of whining over what ought to be done, manfully leads his people, inspires them, to the doing of it. And they will respond. They are ready, and are only waiting to be shown their duty, are only waiting for some one to point the way."

—Query: What do you think of a local preacher of our church hauling a "woman preacher" about to preach—prate—in our church, when said woman cla'ms to be a Baptist, and is not allowed to preach—prate—in the Baptist churches?

The above overy comes from a preacher in

Baptist churches? Vox.

The above query comes from a preacher in the Alabama Conference. The object seems to be to get our opinion. We give us in plain English. The local preacher alluded to is of no account; and the woman is of less account. No names are furnished us, and therefore we answer the question on its own merits and without reference to anyone.—Alabama Advocate.

-A special from Hartselle, Ala., Jan. 12, says: "Last night Benjamin Rains, a Methodist preacher in the eastern part of Morgan county, was brutally murdered. Mr. Rains, county, was brutally murdered. Mr. Rains, his brother Bob and a man named Sims had been to Somerville and started home in the afternoon. The minister's horse returned home late last night, and the family sent out messengers to find the missing man. His dead body was discovered eight miles from home, lying near the roadside. He had been stabbed to the death. There is no clew to the murderers.

-Rev. Wm. Hodges, Tomahawk Spring W. V., in Episcopal Methodist: While egotism and self-assumption, with laboring breath, court admiration and applause, humility, without effort, wins them. It adorns the spirit that it invests more than courtly array, or gold, or jewels. To "be clothed with humility," is to be in the fashion of the angels, and the purest and happiest and lovilest on earth! Although a plain dress, it is well-fitting and becoming, and is therefore, in the e-timation of all sensible people, beautiful. titul.

-The following touching words of Ero. E. H Harman, who has co ne to make his home among us, we clip from the Florida Advocate They will touch the cords of many sympacomplaining Christians give the sensitive pastor more worry of mind and pain of heart than all the rest of his flock put together. They are grevious "thorns in the desn" to preachers. There is little danger of a preacher becoming unduly exaited who is biessed with one or two such members. They keep him perpetually reminded of the disabilities of the flesh and make him long for a residence among the saints in light.

The St. Louis Republic gives the following as the status of the negro and suffrage question in Arkansas:

The "negro constlor" has been seriously thought be condition required. The next over in Memphis and gave such reacedes as I thought her condition required. The next day I arrived at rialiville and sent at once for the best physician in town. The next morning I telegraphed to Longview for another physician, who came at once, and a consultation was held. The physicians agreed that she was suffering severely from croup, but thought she would recover. But she grew worse, and died Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. She was only three years old, but uncommonly bright for one of her age. A short time before the little spirit broke loose from its fetters of clay, she pointed up and said to her aunt: "I am going up yonder," and later on she said: 'I want to go up yonder,' Who will say that my precous child was not taught of the Holy Spirit? I know not what she saw, but the sight was glorious, and her little soul was so thrilled that she wanted to leave us and go. We buried her yesterday by the side of my sister's two children who also went 'up yonder' a few years aco, and last night I started to gialveston with a torn and bleeding heart.

THE HOME CONFERENCES.

-The Rev. B. H. Bouads was in the city

and called to see us this week. -Rev. J. W. Stevens, of Hillsboro, called to see his old friend, the editor of the ADVO-

CATE. -We sincerely sympathize with Bro. B. F. Badgett in the bereavement of his infant daughter, who died Jan. 9.

-Dr. F. T. Mitchell was in Dallas in the in terest of Waco Female College, and came in to see as. He reports the college in the most prosperous condition.

-The many friends of J. Clark Smith, of the North Texas Conference, will be pained to know that he is seriously ill at his home in Terreli.

-Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, P. E. of the Calvert district, has been detained at home on account of sick wife. Sister M. is better, and Bro. Morris says the ADVOCATE must boom on his

-Raleigh Advocate: Fev. W. P. McCorkle and wife, formerly of our conference, now friends in Charlotte, N. C. during the holi-days. of El Paso, made a visit to relatives and

-Our church in Mexia passed suitable reselutions appreciative of the past services of Bro. S. I. Munger, one of its staunch members, who will remove thence to Dallas. Bro Munger will be welcomed by the church in this city.

-We appounce by request postefli as as follows: Rev. Joe. F. Hines, Evergreen, San Jacinto county, Texas; Rev. Sam'i Morriss,

-Floresville Index: Rev. J. C. Russell preached two fine sermons here last Sunday.

preached two fine sermons here last Sunday. Yet there were a great many empty benches in the church, which could have easily been filled if half the people idling around the corners had been at church. Mr. Russell will preach again next Sunday night, and we kope to see a largely increased attendance.

—Alabama Advocate: Rev. M. K. Little, of the Northwest Texas Conference, is now in Alabama on a visit to his aged parents, who reside in Murphree's Valley. He is now closing out his fourth year in the Waxahachie station. We were giad to see him again and were specially delighted to see that the Texans are taking such good care of our Alabama boy. He now tips the beam at 204 pounds and looks every inch like a Methodist in Alabama on a visit to his aged parents, Dr. Jno. E. Edwards says: "Randolph Macon College has about sixty students studying for the ministry. A large number of these young men are assisted by an association, lately organized in the Virginia Conference, for raising of funds to assist such students as

preacher. If you will leave Alabama, the best State in the Union, Texas is a good place

-Rev. Jno. W. Stovall, who has been in Germany for some time, has returned and is now at San Marcos. He says: "I intended to remain in the land of 'sauer kraut' until next fall, but the 'best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft aglee,' so here I am. I hope to find some work soon and place myself on the list of active canvassers—not for lucre's sake, but for the good of the cause."

-T. F. Dimmitt, Jan. 4: Rev. N. S. Rector, of this place, met with a serious accident this morning. A horse fell on him, fracturing his left limb between the knee and the ankle. Amputation was thought necessary, which operation he endure! with great Christian fortitude. Bro. Rector is little more than seventy-one years old, and in this trying ordeal he will doubtless have an interest in the prayers of his many friends.

-Cleburne telegram: The revival meeting being conducted here by Rev. Abe Mulkey is increasing in interest and is attended nightly by large crowds. The peculiarities manifested by Mr. Mulkey have never been witnessed here before and are creating a sensation. He is ady assisted by the itev. J. H. Collard, the preacher in charge, and there are umbers of conversions every night.

Oxford.

Jackson B. Cox, Jan. 5: Back on Oxford circuit the second time, and have not been beaten nor bruised nor "pounded" as yet. Lest wrong impression be made concerning my people, however, I will say, they knowing that I have no one with whom to console or share a pounding, have been merciful. Bro. J. Thompson has been so very kind as to let me

J. Thompson has been so very kind as to let me make his house my home for the present year. I staid there the latter part of last year—that is, what little time I staid at any one place, and he never charged me anything. The rough weather during Christmas kept us from having the meeting we intended to have; for we intended protracting till after New Years at Oxford, but having no stove in the house, we were compelled to stop the meeting, notwithstanding we were anxious to have revival. Two persons came forward on Christmas night for prayer, and the congregation was quite small, too. Had a watch nightmeeting New Year's eve with good turnout considering the weather. It was a sweet meeting; have sent four subscribers and three renewals of the Advocate since conference. Rev. J. B. Denton, of Llano, was with me at Oxford for a few days during Christmas, and owing to the rain had to stay in the house most of the time. This gave him the opportunity of giving us some very interesting history of his adventures among the Indians. Rev. W. R. Knowlton, a local brother, was with me and preached some excellent sermons, so say the people.

PETTY, TEXAS, May 5, 1888 A. B. Richards Med. Co., therman, Texas was a sufferer for a number of years with Itching Piles, and in looking for relief had several physicians and spent considerable

Two applications of your Hunt's Cure cure me entirely, and I take this method of express ing my gratification to you for giving the publie so valuable a remedy. Yours, R. U. Diege.

THE DISTRICT STEWARDS' ASSESS MENTS, HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT.

By request I forward to the ADVOCATE for publication the following assessments by the district stewards of Hunsville district. Texas publication the following assessments by the district stewards of Huncsville district. Texas Conference, under at their recent meeting at Willis. It will be noted by all concerned that there is an advancement in the assessment all along the line as compared with last year. This was unavoidable for the reason that at the late session of our Conference the district was reduced in financial ability, as compared with last year, 26 per cent, while the assessments on the district were reduced only 8 per cent. It will require energy and the spirit of self-sacrifice to raise these assessments, but by the grace of God it can be done. I would most earnessity urae the preachers of the district to begin early and esergetically to work along the time of daily, beginning with the assessments for Domestic Missions.

E. S. SMITH, P. E.

Huntsville—For presiding elder, \$200; blsheps, \$18; foreign missions, \$175; domestic missions, \$77; church extension, \$55; education, \$29; delegates to General Conference, \$9.

Prairie Plains—For presiding elder, \$50; foreign missions \$22; delegates or spirite. foreign missions, 52); domestic missions, \$10; church extension, \$6; education, \$3; delegates to General Conference, \$1; bishops,

Bedias Mission-For presiding elder, 825; Bi-dias Missi m-For presiding elder, \$25; bishops, \$1; foreign missions, \$10; domestic missions \$7.59; church extension, \$3; edocation, \$3; delegates to General Conference, \$1. Zion-mor presiding elder, \$45; foreign missions, \$45; domestic missions, \$20; church extension, \$15; education, \$7.50; delegates to the General conference, \$3; bishops, \$1. Navasota-For presiding elder, \$100; foreign missions, \$56; domestic missions, \$40; church extension, \$27; education, \$12; delegates to the General Conference, \$5; bishops, \$10.

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Anderson—For presiding elder, \$90; bishops, \$8; foreign missions, \$75; domestic missions; \$50; church extension, \$25; education, \$10; delegates to General Conference, \$4.

Willis—For presiding elder, \$90; bishops, \$8; foreign missions, \$90; domestic missions, \$30; church extension, \$25; education, \$10; delegates to the General Conference, \$4.

Conrow Mission—For, oresiding elder, \$20; deligates to the General Conference, 34.
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bishops, \$2,
Mon*gomery—For presiding elder, \$75; bishops, \$6; foreign missions, \$6); domestic missions, \$25; church extension, \$2; education, \$7.50; delegates to General Conference, \$3.
Cold Springs—For presiding elder, \$75; foreign missions, \$6); domestic missions, \$25; church extension, \$20; education, \$7.50; delegates to the General Conference, \$5; bishops, \$6.

\$6 Shepherd Mission—For presiding elder, \$50; bishops, \$2; foreign missions, \$30; domestic missions, \$15; church extension, \$10; dele-gates to the General Conference, \$1; educa-

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Dodge—For presiding elder, \$40; bishops, \$2; foreign missions, \$2); domestic missions, \$10; church extension, \$6; education, \$3; del-egates to General Conference, \$1.

Piantersville and Courtoey—For presiding elder, \$90; bishops, \$8; toreign missions, \$80; domestic missions, \$35; church extension, \$20; education, \$10: delegates to General Conference, \$4.

AUSTIN DISTRICT.

The district stewards made the following seessments and apportionment to the several assessments and apportionment to the several charges:
Austin Station, Tenth Street—For presiding elder, \$30: Bishops' fund. \$13: foreign missions, \$22: domestic missions, \$15: church extension. \$25: delegate to General Conference, \$7: education, \$20.
First Street, Austin Mission—For presiding elder, \$25: Bishops' fund \$2: foreign missions, \$25: domestic missions, \$13: church extension. \$4: delegate to General Conference, \$1: education, \$4.
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Bishops' fund. \$9; foreign missions, \$80; domestic missions \$35; church extension, \$20; delegate to General Conference, \$4.50; education. \$.100.

Weimar Circuit—For presiding elder, \$110; Bishops' fund. \$9; foreign missions, \$50; domestic missions, \$35; church extension, \$20; delegate to General Conference, \$1.50; education, \$10.00.

Fiatonia Circuit—For presiding elder, \$45; Bishops' fund. \$2; foreign missions \$20; domestic missions, \$10; church extension, \$2; domestic missions, \$10; church extension, \$2; domestic missions, \$40; delegate to General Conference, \$2; education, \$2.5; Bishops' fund. \$9; foreign missions, \$25; delegate to General Conference, \$4.50; tducation, \$1100.

Merrilltown Circuit—For presiding elder, \$50; \$1100.

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C. O. Weller, Secretary.

TROY, Bell Co., Texas, April 24, 1888. A. B. Richards Medicine Co., Sherman, Texas: Send me one dozen Hunt's Cure by return express.

It never has failed in a single case of Itch yet. It is certainly the cure for Itch. Respectfully, G. W. GREEN.

A CHANGE.

The first quarterly meeting for McGregor charge has been changed from the first Satur-day and Sunday in February to the fourth in Jan., to be at McGregor. Let the friends and brethren take notice and prepare accordingly. My address is McGregor. Sam'l Morriss.

The brethren who fail to get their Missionary Reperter will please write to Dr. I. G. John, Nashville, Tenn., and give him your address. J. M. Armstrng.

To Secretaries of Conference Mission Boards We have commenced work on the annual report of the Board of Missions. Will the secretaries of the conference mission boards forward their reports without delay?

I. G. JOHN,
Secretary Board of Missions, M. E. C., S.

TEXAS CONFERENCE MINUTES.

I have sent nineteen copies of the minutes to each pastor in the Texas Conference. If any brother fails to get his write me and I will help to hunt them up we cannot priot any more copies. They are all paid for, and the preachers can dispose of them as they think best. Some errors get in, but we, as we always do in church work, have done our best.

I sent also a copy to each supernumerary and superannuate preacher; a so a copy to the widows of our deceased brethren. If they do not get them let them write me.

Bayan, Texas.

BRYAN, TEXAS. EL PASO DISTRICT, WEST TEXAS

Apportionments of district assessments, by order of District Stewards, Jan. 4, 1889, in meeting at El Paso, Texas:

El Paso, 275 of total assessments; Deming, 125; Ft. Davis, 15; Pecos, 10; La Luce, 65; Peniasco, Boneta, White Oaks, Roswell, 675. Education 7, church extension 5 cents for each member in the several charger. Tetals assessed to the district: Presiding elder, \$400; foreign missions, \$97; domestic missions, \$97; conference claimants, \$26; Bishops' fund, \$850; traveling expenses of General Conference delegates, \$4.50.

A. J. Potter, P. E. A. J. POTTER, P. E.

The appea' in the Apvocate some months since in behalf of the blind sister for treatment-preacher's daughter and wife-elicited responses to amount to a considerable sum, but not sufficient to secure the end. A little more help will be gratefully received. Let no one cecline to respond because a large amount cannot be sent. The original purpose was to compass the end by small contributions that would not be missed by the donors. Send remittances by mail to E. M. Sweet, Arlington, Texas.

WOWAN'S DEPARTMENT CHURCH EXTENSION, N. T. C.

Officers elected by the Board of Church Ex-Conference Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Viola Hunt, Dallas, Conference Treasurer — Mrs. S. C. Riddle, Mentague. DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

Dallas District—Mrs. Jack Bowman, Plano. Sherman District— 978. J. M. Everhart, Bells.

Terrell District—Mrs. A. M. Alfen, Ferrell, Boaham District—Mrs. W. W. Horner, Commerce,
Paris District—Mrs. J. W. Fulton, Paris, Sulphur Springs District—Mrs. Mary Martin, Greenville. Jefferson District-Mrs. C. B. Fladger, Jefferson.

Mon'ague District—Mrs. R. C. Johnson,

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Weak and Painful Kidneys. Aching Sides,
Back, and Chest. Rheumatic, Sciatic, Sharp, and

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

I repeat the warning of Bro Gillett to the members of the Ministerial Aid Association, \$2.50 is due each to Bros. Strekley and Thornbery, from all members, superannuates, supernumeraries—all. All have, or all will receive, the benefit. Those failing in three months pay double at conference next or formonths pay double at conference next or for-tieft membership. There can be no excep-tion. Mercy shown will be at the expense of one in worse condition. Do not send the money to me, but to Sterling Fisher, secretary and treasurer, at Victoria, or to W. M. Shock-ley, San Marcos, and W. T. Thornbery, Mar-fa, Texas.

W. J. Joyce, Pres't.

MINUTES NORTHWEST TEXAS CON FERENCE.

The copy for our minutes has been in the hands of printers since Dec. 6, and was to have been ready for distribution by the 25th, but are not ready yet. 1 will send them out just so soon as they are ready. I am doing the best I can for you with the facilities at hand G. W. Swofford. GRANBURY, TEXAS, Dec. 31, 1888

MINISTERIAL BENEFIT ASSOCIA TION.

Notice to Delinquent Members of Ministeria Benefit Association of West Texas Confer BRETHREN -Please send the money due to

Brether - Pieass send the money due to Bros Succeey and Thornberry, \$2.50 each, to me at Victoria, instead of to them, and thus save confusion. Or, if you send it to them, send me their receipts, so that you may receive credit. I have notified you all I think by postal card—if not paid by March 1, membership is forfeited.

Sterling Fisher, Sec. and Treas, Victoria, Texas.

HOLINESS MEETING.

Pastors desiring the Spring Meeting of the Texas Holiness Association will address, B. F. GASSAWAY, President, BOSQUEVILLE, TEXAS.

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Sheppard Homans, the President of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York is the author of the American Experience Table of Mortality, which is the standard of nearly all States for solvency in life insurance, also the author of the contribution plan adopted by all companies in their distribution of dividends. His company has been introduced into the State by Col. R. B. Parrot, an experienced underwriter, who says that the Provident has by far the best and most equitable plans ever offered to the people of Texas.

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Mutual Life, for every \$100 they owe, have \$100 to pay.

Manhattan Life, for every \$100 they owe, have \$116 to pay.

New York Life, for every \$100 they owe, have \$16 to pay.

Washington Life, for every \$100 they owe, have \$100 to pay.

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Provident Savings, for every \$100 they owe, have \$208 to pay.

Men in every pursuit of life should carry life insurance, and we most earnestly suvgest to you to examine into the plans of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society, and information will be furnished by addressing Col. R. B. Parrott, Drawer 18, Waco, Texas, stating that you were advised by this paper to investigate the Homan's plans of yearly renewable insurance.

Texas.

J. W. MELTON, Principal.

Nashville (Tennessee) College for Young Ladies,
New Term Jan. 18, 1889. Free literary tuition to that date. New scoool building completed. President, REV. GRO. W. F. PRICE, D. D.

At Williams' Gallery,
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Jan. 10—G S Hardy, sub. RR Raymond, subs. DC Stark, subs. S G Shaw, subs. A C Benson, subs. J C Weaver, sub at half price. J H Wiseman, sub. W H Stepher soo, sub.

Jan. 11—Jno W McMahan, sub. Geo T Nichols, thank yon. W F Graves, sub. E G Roberta, sub. J D Davis, subs; one at half price. Laniel Morgan, sub. J M Shufford, change. A F Cox, sub, "by the way." H M Haynie, sub. Ben H Bounds, subs. J P Bodgers (Paris), subs. J M McKee, subs; we know yon are: thanks. F M Sherwood, has attention. W L Griffith, subs. E T Bates, sub at half price. J O Jorden, sub. F O Miller, sub. A W Gibson, sub. J S Tunnell, sub. E A Smith, sub. J T Williamson, sub. S T L Derew, subs. W T Melngin, subs. C J Oxley, stb. L G Watkins, subs. J A Gardner, sub; he shall have the paper. G W Briggs, sub. G S Sandel, subs. J G Maynes, sub. B H Newby, subs. C H Smith, sub. J T Hows, sub. B H How, sub. W J Lenons, sub. J H Davis, change made. J T Browning. Subs. J A Barder, sub; he shall have the paper. G W Briggs, sub. B R Botton, sub. B T Bavis subs. J B Hoston, sub. W J Lenons, sub. J H Davis, change made. J T Browning. Subs. J H Davis, change made. J T Browning. Subs. J H Davis, change made. J

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Jan. 15 — S Harriman, your name is placed on perpetual list. S crutchfield, sub. C C Williams, sub. E M weet, subs.

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BOOK TABLE.

THE ADVOCATE schnowledges the receipt of an exquisite and neatly executed calendar for 1889, from the Smith & Authory Store Co., Boston, Mass.

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THE QUARTERLY REVIEW of the M. E. Church, South, is to hand with a good bill of fare. The first atticle by "Veritas" upon "Evolution and the Origin of Life" is a forcible and conclusive arrangment of the prevelent form of materialism: perhaps it is too harsh at a place of two, but it will bear reading and study. We were somewhat mystified by the title of the next article. "Nature the Interpreter of Providence." We read it and found some fine writing, but we are mystified yet "Goldsmith is an increasing subject, and J. F. II. treated it interestingly. E. darrass on Romanism, is a point d and timely article. Or Price has done a service to the churca in digging up one of her early heroes, John Tunnell. Prof. R. M. Smith continues his articles of The Revelation to the Greeks, and Br. Samford his reminiscences. Dr. There is nothing so valuable to us as health.

Morley's Two-Bit Cough Syrup, of Tolu, Cherry and Tar, is the best remedy we have ever found for colds and coughs or for throat and lung diseases. We have used it in our family for years. It always effects speedy

A match between two dentists in their art

READERS of the ADVOCATE are referred to the advertisement of The Panhandle Machinery and Improvement Co., Fort Worth, Texas. Read what they say and when you need anything in their line it will pay you to write them for prices.

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The texidermist who is cutting up Adam Forepaugn's "Chief" probably realizes that he has got an elephant on his hands.

"So old Brown is dead, eb? Well, well! Did he leave anything?" "Yes. It broke his heart to co it, but he left everything." From Rev. Dr. McAnally, editor of the St.

Louis Christian Advocate, "il have tried J. & C. Maguire's Cundarango on my-eif and others, and it is my opinion that to produce a healthy and safe seriou on the Liver, Kidneys and secretions generally, there is not a better medicine known, and for persons of Billous or Costive habits, its action is most effective and salutary."

D. R. MCANALLY.

Gainesville, Texas, April 2, 1888.—Dr. Thurmond: I cannot find words to express my gratitude for what your wonderful Lone star Blood Syrup has done for me. I have been suffering for nearly two years with rheusalide in the beautiful my blood of the carries of th my legs and pained me so bad I could not walk. My son got for me two bottles of your valuable medicine and I took it according to directions and I now feel scarcely any pain, and I believe one more bottle will entirely cure me. Please send me one more bottle. Yours truly,

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A Negative I climation: Papa - on, what do you want to be when you grow up? John-nie—Well, I ain't particular, so long's i don't grow up to be a little boy that mamma can spank every time anything goes wrong in the

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Ringing Noises

Admit Tunnell. Prof. R. M. Smith continues his articles of The Revelation to the Greeks, and Br. Samford his reminiscences. Dr. Hanna shows his old time fire in his article on the Crucifixion. Dr. Anderson is tumping away at poor Boland's Problem. Well, it can stand a good deal and needs some little. The editor's Table."

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There is noth ng so valuable to us as health, but we do not realize this until we are deprived of it. How many of our readers awake in the morning with our pains in the back and head, and find it a hard task to perform daily duties? These are symptoms of malaria, and we snow from personal trial they may be completely eradicated by Shallenberger's Antidoto for Malaria. It is a simple and effective remedy, and we advice our readers to try it.

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Mrs. Duquesne—1 suppose you sing or play? Miss Newcomer—Oh, no. I'm not at all musical. Mrs. Duquesne—You recite, probably? Miss Newcomer—Oh, no, indeed! Mrs. Duquesne—Weil, then, I suppose you paint plaques? Miss Newcomer—Me paint! I couldn't paint a fence. Mrs. Duquesne (eagerly)—Oh, you dear girl, how lovely! You must promise to come to every one of my receptions. You will be such a sensation.



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MARSHALL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. balash All Bistrict—First Round DeBerry cir, at Breckenridge Springs, Jan 19 Iarrison cir, at Concord... Jan 28, Ialiville mis, at Winterfield Feb; Ciyore cir, at Danville... Feb 18, Croupe and Overton cir, at Troupe... Feb 13, Iarshall sta, at Marshall March 18, Iarshall mis, at Marshall March 19, Ienderson sta, at Henderson... March 18,

JEFFERSON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

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GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. GEORGETOWN DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.
Bertram cir, at Bertram Jan 19, 20
Florence cir, at Pleasant Grove Jan 26, 27
Corn Hill cir, at Berry's Creek. Feb 2, 3
Holland cir, at Holland Feb 16, 17
Begiton sta, at Belton Feb 16, 17
Rogers cir, at Rogers Feb 23, 24
Killeen cir, at Killeen March 2, 3
North Beiton cir, at Cedar Creek March 9, 10
South Belton cir, at Wilson's Valley Mar 16, 17
O'Enaville cr, at O'Enaville March 23, 24
Salado cir, at Salado March 30, 31
HORACE BISHOP, P. E.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Corpus Christi sta, at Corpus Christi Jan 25
Seeville and Rockpert cir, at Beeville Jan 25
Lasarto cir, at Lagarto Feb 15
San Diego Mis, at San Diego Feb 16
Mineral City Mis, at Mineral City Feb 17
ALANSON BROWN, P. E.

MONTAGUE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. PARIS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. | Milton mis. | Jan 19, |
Pattonvide cir.	Jan 26
Woodland cir.	Feb 2,
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Annona cir.	Feb 16,
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Daiby Springs..... J. C. WEAVER, P. E. VERNON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Childress miss, at Childress Jan 19, 26
Estacado mis Jan 29, 26
Sey nour sta Jan 29, 27
Farmer or Jan 37
Throckmorton cir, Upper Fish Creek Feb 2, 4
Benjamin mis, at Benjamin Feb 9, 16
JEROME HARALSON, P. E.

VICTORIA DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

BONHAM DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Williamsburgh dir, at Williamsburgh Jan 19, 20
Hallettsvil e dir, at Hallettsville. Jan 28, 27
DeWitt dir, at Burns sta. Feb 2, 3
Leesville dir, at Leesville. Feb 9, 10
Clear Creek dir, Hocky. Feb 18, 17
iddletown dir, at Middletown. Feb 23, 24
Yoakum mis, at Hope. Mar 2, 3
ROBT. J. DEETS, P. E.

Zion e r Mar 23, Bedias mis Mar 30, E. S. SMITI, P. E. SHERMAN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. ells and Sevoy, at Virginia Point ... Jan 19, ottsbero and Preston, at Pottsbero... Jan 26, Gordonville, at Rock Creek Feb 2
Jenison cir. Oak Grove Feb 9,
Lowe cir, at Howe Feb 16
Pilot Grove cir Feb 23 CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND

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 Beliville cir. at Beliville.
 Jan 19, 20

 St aly and San Felipe cir. Sealy
 Jan 26, 27

 Patison cir. at Asbury
 Feb 2, 3

 Rebmond sta
 Feb 9, 10

 Ragle Lake cir. at Eagle Lake
 Feb 16, 17

 Independence cir. at
 Feb 23, 24

 Heckley cir. at
 Mar 2, 3

 Hempstead sta
 Mar 9, 10

 J. B. SFARS, P. E.

AUSTIN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Austin, 1st Street..... West Point cir. Wi chester cir.... Webberville cir. BEAUMONT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Jasper cir, at Magnolia. Jan 19 26
Newton cir, at Newton Jan 26, 27
Hurkeville cir, at Farrs Chapel Feb 2, 3
Spurser cir, at Village Mills Feb 9, 10
Beaumont sta Feb 11, 2
Or-nge m s, at Blands Feb 11, 2
Or-nge m s, at Blands Feb 18, 14
Orange sta Feb 18, 17
Liberty cir, at Liberty Feb 18
Livingston cir, at Livingston Feb 21, 22
Woodwille cir, at Woodwille. Feb 23, 24
woodwille cir, at Woodwille. Feb 27, 28
The district stewards will meet in the Methodist Church at Beaumont on the 12th day of February at 2 o'clock p. m.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Jan 12, 1 inity Jan 17
18, at Ferris Jan 19, 20
1, at Bethel Jan 29, 21
1, at Rice Feb 2, 3
1, L. Armstrong, P. K. Reagor, at Reagor Sims and Glenwood, at Bethel Rice and Chatfield, at Rice Kerens, at Kerens

CALVERT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Centerville cir. at Leona Jan 19. 20
Kosse cir. Kosse. Jan 29. 27
Franklin cir. at Franklin Feb 2, 3
Milican a d Welborn, at Milican Feb 9, 10
Wheelock cir. at Wheelock Feb 16, 17
Madisonville cir and Esst Madison mis at Madisonville cir. Madisonville March 2, 25
Ruffalo cir. Buffalo March 2, 36
Fairfield March 2, 10
Headville cir. Harmony March 16, 17
L. Z. T. MORRIS, P. B.

PALESTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
 Palestine cir.
 4th Sun in Jan

 Kickapos cir.
 1st Sun in Feb

 Crockett sta.
 2d Sun in Feb

 Crockett cir.
 3d Sun in Feb

 Mt. Vernon cir.
 4th Sun in Feb

 Mt. Vernon cir.
 4th Sun in Feb
 SAN SABA DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

L ano sta. 4th Sun in Jan
Mason and Brady 1st Sun in Feb
Cherokee mis 2d Sun in Feb
M. A. Black, P. R.

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GALVESTON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
 Columbia and Brazel
 Feb 23.

 Velasco
 March 2.

 Alvin
 March 2.

 Wharton
 March 16.

 Matagorda
 March 16.

 H. V. PRILPOTT, P. E.
 TYLER DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Lindale, at Harris Chapel Jan 19, 5
Larissa, at Wainut Grove Jan 25, 5
Canton, at Canton Feb 2,
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Canton, at Canton
Edom, at Prairie Sprizg
Mineola, at Mineola
Tyler cir, at Ceater
Tyler sta
March 1,
Tyler City mis
March 8,
JOHN ADAMS, P. E. WACO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Kast Waco eff. at Battle Institute
Thornton, at Thornton. Feb 12, 1
Wortham, at Wortham Feb 23, 2
Dresden, at Blooming Grove. Mar 2, 1
Bosqueville, at Un on Hill Mar 9, 1
SAM'L P. WRIGHT, P. E. GATESVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. GATESVILLE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Jonesboro cir, at Jonesboro. Jan 23
Gatesville sta, at Gatesville. Jan 24
Honson Creek cir, at Rowland
Chapel. 4th Sun in Jan
McGregor cir. at McGregor. Ist Sun in Feb
Crawford and Valley Mills cir, at
Crawford. Feb 7
Clifton cir, at Clifton. 2d Sun in Feb
Martin's Gap mis, at Martin's Gap. Feb 13
Dublin sta, at Dublin. Feb 15
Green's Creek cir, at Green's Creek
Alexander cir, at — Sd Sun in Feb
Alexander cir, at — Feb 20
E A. BALLEY, P. E.

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Indian Creek cir. Lamar. Jan 19, 11 a. m
Brownwood sta, Brownwood Jan 20, 21
Pecan cir, Clio Jan 23,
Santa Anna cir, Thrifty Jan 36, 27
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Coleman and Bailinger sta, Coleman City
Feb 2, 3
Comanche and De Leon sta. Comanche Feb 18, 17
Comanche cir, Indian Creek Feb 23, 24
W. T. MELUGIN, P. E.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

CAMERON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Davilla cir, at Davilla. Jan 19, 20
Picasant Hill cir, at Thompson's Chapel Jan 26, 27
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Lexington cir, at Center Point Feb 9, 10
Deanville cir, at Deanville Feb 16, 17
Durango cir, at Pleasant Valley Feb 23, 24
Marlin sta. March 2, 3
FRED. L. ALLEN, P. E.

ABILENE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. ipe Springs cir, at Pleasant Valley .. Jan 19, Cisco sta. Jan 25
Fort Chadbourne mis, at Jan 23, 27
Abilene sta. Jan 24, 27
Abilene sta. Jan 25
Sweetwater mis, at Sweetwater Feb 2, 2
JNO. A WALLACE, P. E.

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SAN MARCOS DISTRICT.—FIRST ROCKS.

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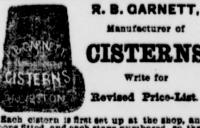
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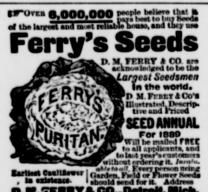
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"The mills of God grind slowly,

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Keep still. When trouble is brewing,

that letter in my pocket against the day

Kind words produce their own image

Our character is but the stamp on our

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Marriages.

LAMB-JENKINS.—In Caldwell county, by H. G. Horton, on Dec. 12, Mr. R. W. Lamb

TEAS-BUTLER.—In Caldwell county, by H. G. Horton, Dec. 28, S. B. Teas and Miss Alice Butler.

Thompson-Johnson.—At the residence of the orace's father, Mr. G. W. Johnson, of Spring Ridge, La., Dec. 30, 1888, by Rev. S. M. Thompson, Mr. E. P. Thompson, of Pur-ley, Texas, and Miss Sudie L. Johnson.

ROGERS-DICKINSON.—At the residence of the groom's father, Mr. W. J. Rogers, by Rev. S. M. Thompson, Dec. 30, 1888, Mr. A. D. Rogers and Miss Emma Dickinson—all of Panola, Texas.

GRAHAM-BURKET.—On Jan. 1, by Rev. Jas. Mackey, Mr. Sol G. Graham and Miss Mary Burket.

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Devotional.

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Oh not in dark seclusion, Within the cloister's walls, Oh not with rash intrusion In kingly palace halls, But where the thousands sadly Their daily burdens bear, The hand of help may gladly

Wherever hearts are breaking With sorrow, want and woe, Wherever souls are aching And know not what to do-There, there the voice of duty

Those heavy burdens share.

Calls kindness from its sleep, And brings the smile of beauty To eyes that droop and weep. O friend! while others need thee

Dwell not apart, alone; For goodly deeds may lead thee To heights thou ne'er hast known And it may be that kindness, Though done in lowly guise, Shall open eyes of blindness,

And draw men to the skies. -I. E. Dickenga, in Golden Rule. THE MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION.

As to the manner in which this ministry of consolation may be performed, but few suggestions can be made. If the heart is ready to receive it, no rules will be needed. Genuine sympathy is the keep still. When slander is getting on basis of all true and wise comforts. We its legs, keep still. When your feelings must enter into the experiences of those are hurt, keep still, till you recover from to whom we would minister comfort. Four excitement, at any rate. Things We must understand their grief. This look differently through an unagitated will make us reverent in the presence eye. In a commotion once I wrote a letof their trouble. Some one has said that ter, and sent it, and wished I had not. Io if we could read the secret history of my later years I had another commotion. even our enemies, we should find in each and wrote a long latter; but life had rubone's life sorrow and suffering enough to bed a little sense into me, and I kept disarm all hostility.

True sympathy draws us very close to when I could look it over without agitathe sufferer. It also gives us that tion and without tears. I was glad I did. thoughtfulness and that delicacy of feel | Less and less it seemed necessary to send ing and touch which make us gentle in it. I was not sure it would do any harm, all our treatment of grief; for in no min- but in my doubtfulness I leaned to retistry is rednement of spirit so essential icence, and eventually it was destroyed. as for that of dealing with pained or Time works wonders. Wait till you can wounded hearts. A wrong touch, a speak calmly, and then you will not need harsh word, or the quick flash of an eye to speak, may be. Silence is the most may do irreparable harm, only opening | massive thing conceivable sometimes. It afresh with new pain and torture the is strength in it's very grandeur. It is wound it was meant to heal. Hence, there is a deep significance in the prophet's portraiture of Christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with christian the made for the bessed angels. She was too precious for this earth; so the savior sent a band of singles, with their downly wings, to was too precious for this earth; so the savior sent a band of singles, with their downly wings, to was the prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits: "A bruised settled more ministers than small sale-prophet's prophet's portraiture of christ's gentleness with crushed spirits." wound it was meant to heal. Hence, like a regiment ordered to stand still in reed shall He not break." He never ries everdid, or lack of ability .-- Dr. hurt the bruised heart he meant to soothe. Burton's "Lectures to Yale Divinity Stu-No touch of his was ever rude; no word of his was ever harsh. We also need the most delicate gentleness for the office in men's souls, and a beautiful image it of comfort.

We need victorious faith as well as gentleness. We cannot give what we have not in ourselves. How can we communicate strong faith in God and in his word if our own hearts are full of doubts and misgiving? How can we kindle the lamps of hope and courage and joy in the breast where all is dark if there are no lamps shining in cur own breast? A true comforter must know deep Christian joy, the joy that springs up amild sorrows. One woman wrote to another in deep grief: "The shadow of death will not always rest on your home; A true perception of the gospel is the lamps for a lamp of the strong faith as well as gentleness. We have him out of his sour, meroze, unkind feelings. We have not yet begun to use kind words in such abundance as they ought to be used.—

Ch. Christian, the God whem you serve is so excellent that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and so infinite that no good can be added to him; and yet is not the less happy, and pet is not the less happy; he shows mercy to the full, and yet remains full of life; and he was conscious, too, that the community in which he lived and the church, and was near, he spoke calmly of death, and expressed himself as being residued to fold's will. He selected his own birth place, near We need victorious faith as well as the hearer. They shame him out of his death will not always rest on your home; you will emerge from its obscarity into entire forgetfulness of self, utter absuch a light as they who have never sor- sence of any pretension, and the comrowed cannot know. We never know or begin to know the great Heart that loves world's praise or judgment.—General plete and utter refusal to accept the us best till we throw ourselves upon it Gordon. in the hour of our despair." The writer herself knew the joy which she foretold | The deepest peace is to rest in the to her sister now walking in the deep thought that to be true to duty is more shadow. One who had had sorrow, but than all eatthly gains or honors, and to who had never got out into the sunshine have a consciousness of having chosen could not have given such comfort. that better part .- Southwestern Methodist. Bright, radiaut, victorious faith is essential in one was would give real consola-

BY THEIR FRUITS.

tion. - Sunday-School Times.

If one goes through an orchard in Jone he will find the trees luxuriant in feliage. He will have to wait till fruit harvest to find which are the really excellent and valuable.

Washington Irving telis of an amusing encounter with a street Arab who was prowling about his place on the Hudson. The litterateur saw that the boy did ro recognize bitm; and he led him on in the talk till the youngster told him that he could tell just where the "good trees" grew. "And, indeed," laughed Irving, stand perfectly the character of my fruit trees. This one was tough, that one and Miss Katie Black.

DUKE-BLACK —At the residence of the bride's father, near Glenfawn, Dec. 39, 1888, by Rev. Jno. Helpenstel, Mr. Z. D. Duke and Miss Katie Black. good for nothing, but over yonder was one in whose praise he poured out his best slang." Many a sinner who makes best slang." Many a sincer who makes no pretense himself at bearing good fruit can tell with similar accuracy just which trees of the Lord's planting can be ielled up in for the fruit which the world has a right to expect them to bear.

KERR-Cooper.—At the M. E. Church. South, in Pattison, Texas, on Jan. 1, 1889, Mr. Thos. A. Kerr and Miss Ella Cooper, Rev. F. H. C. Elliott officiating. There are pleasures that have abundan: leafage, many of them profuse blossoming and the promise of a rich harvest; but the ingathering is that of

"Dead sea fruits that tempt the eye.

But turn to ashes on the lips." There are people of pleasant speech and charming address whose principles are deadly, and contact with them is

dangerous. The French Revolutionists were pronounced by Burke "the ablest architects of ruin the world ever saw;" yet "liberty, equality, fraternity," were forever upon their lips.

The Mormons do everything in the name of the Holy Ghost. Brigham Young used to stand in the tabernacle in the presence of thousands of the "Saints," and utter such obscenities as many not be permitted to enjer on the permitted to enject on may not be permitted to enter our thought, prefacing his speech with,"The Holy Ghost tells me to say so and so."

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PRELE — Died, at Black Jack Grove, Texas, Jan. 1,1889, Capt. Chas. G. Peele, an aged citi-zen, of Hunt county.

WARD.—James Acie, son of E. G. and L. E. Ward, was born May 9, 1881; died July 26, 1888. Being the only boy he was the pet of the family and intelligent beyond his age. While sick he told his mother he would be well next week. True to his word, by that time he was where sickness never is known. May the grace of God sustain the family in their bereavement, and may they strive to meet him in heaven. Henry Jones. David said, "I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree, yet he passed away, and lo, he was not; yes, I sought It is much more important that we bear HEADVILLE, TEXAS.

CAIN.—Sarah J. Cain, nee M'Cloud, was born in Marshall county, Miss., Feb. 25, 1847; converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 16; married to R. A. Cain Jan. 23, 1868; moved to Texas in 1868, and died in Robertson county, Nov. 10, 1888, leaving husband and six children. Sister Cain was a kind mother, an affectionate wife and a faithful Christian. May the Lord sustain the husband and children, and may they live so as to meet her in heaven.

HEADVILLE TEXAS. abundant and good fruit for the Lord rather than for ourselves, as eternity is longer than time, and Gol is better than we. There is no possible chance for us to bear good fruit, except we be branches of the True Vine .- Mrs. J. F. Willing.

HEADVILLE, TEXAS.

SMUTH.—Mary Burton, infant daughter of Rev. C. B. and Mollie C. Smith, was born Oct. 3, 1888, and died Nov. 31, 1888, after a short stay of nearly one month. She has gone to her sainted mother, leaving a bereaved and lonely father, and a sweet little sister on the shores of time. God bless the remaining child, and give me grace to bring it up in the nuture and admonition of the up in the nurture and admonition of the

Smith — Mollie Cole, wife of Rev. C. B. Smith, was born April 29 1854; professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, June 15, 1871; married to the above Aug. S. 1883; died in the faith Oct. 31, 1888. Great indeed were her sufferings, but she bore them with Christian patience and fortitude. The least that can be said of her, by those who were intimately acquainted and associated with her, is that she was a pure, noble Christian woman, a fond, loving wife, and an untiring, devoted mother. While she was unconscious during her last illness, all who knew her know the end. She has gone to her reward on high. May all her relatives live to meet her in heaven. meet her in heaven.

ETZEL - Mary, Infant daughter of Robert and Luia Eizel, was born Dec. 14, 1888, and died Dec. 20, 1888, aged six days. Parents, while you have lost your dear little one, heaven has gained an angel; and happy is she spirit to the pearly gates of heaven. Sleep on, darling little Mary, within thy narrow bed; thy spirit wings to day in heaven's pure atmosphere. We mouth for loved ones that are gone, but it we will be faithful for a few more days we will join in the chorus of sweet soags of Zion with him who said: "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

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Mcl ELLAND.—The subject of this memoir was term in South Carolina in 1837, was raised in Mississippi, came to Texas about 1857, and departed this life at his home in Glodings Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, Dec. 30, 1888. Bro. McLelland was twice married. The first time to Miss Susan Mooct, June 16, 1861. The union was blessed with three children. The wife and two children had preceded him to the home above. He was again married him to the home above. He was again married wife and two children had preceded to the home above. He was again married 12, 1871, to Miss Louise Raney, who is with his only eaughter to mourn their parable loss. Bro. McLeliand was conceased attention of the data of his enlistment has served his chief and of the date of his enlistment has served his chief in an official capacity, ever filling his et of he satisfaction of the church hie data of his charge and was a likely average.

office to the satisfaction of the church He loved his church and was a liberal supporter of it. He gave of his means, not to be seen by men, but because he loved the cause of God, and desired to promote the work of God We look up to our Heavenly Father, and ask llim to give us grace to say in our hearts thy will be done and to comfert the wife and daughter.

J. P. Childees, WHEELOCK.—George Ripley Wheelock was born Feb. 2, 1819. He was married to Mary A. Slaughter in 1858, and died Nov 30, 1888. His father moved to Texas in 1888, and settled near the now old town of Wheelock,

settled near the now old town of Meerock, in Robertson county. Here he grew to manhood and often distinguished himself as a brave patriot in defending his country against its forse-mains and Mexicans. He professed religion and joined the M. E. Church early in life. Amid the early struggles of life he suffered a considerable niche to be made in his church life, but finally renewed his church objections and continued faithful made in his church life, but finally renewed his church obligations, and continued faithful until he was called to the heavenly rest. He leaves a wife and four children are all large enough, however, to have received a father's impress for good. I pray that every impression made upon the children tending to a good, devoted, religious life may continue to grow, "Fill we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." May the lonely wife find the fulfillment of many precious promises in her deep sorrow. precious promises in her deep sorrow.

M. H. PORTER, P. C.

BAINS-DOWNMAN.—At the M. E. Church, Scuth, in Pattison, Texas, Jan. 2, 1889, Dr. L. W. Bains and Miss Anna W. Downman, Rev. F. H. C. Elliott officiating. Wheeler - Augusta Wheeler (Buchmeyer) was born Dec. 6, 1868, near Loyal Valley, Mason county, Texas, of German parents. This section of Texas was at that Vailey, Mason county, Texas, of German parents. This section of Texas was at that time, and for several years afterwards, infested by bands of roving Indians. It was on May 18,1870, while little Gusta (for this was her pet name) and several of her brothers and sisters were playing some little distance from the house that one of these bands of Indians came suddenly upon them, capturing two boys and little Gusta: but when they found she was a girl they released her, not even attempting to hurt her, and taking the two boys with them they were soon gone. The younger boy escaped and was returned home in a month, or something like that time. The older was kept nearly eight years, but was finally returned. She was converted at a meeting in April, 1885, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and lived a member in good standing until the day of her death. She married Mr. G. W. Wheeler on Feb. 14, 1888, and they moved to Travis county soon after their marriage, settling eight miles from Austin. It was on Nov. 17, 1885, while surrounded by husband and friends, after telling all farewell, and saying to father Wheeler (who will be a 100 years old some time this year), "I will meet you in heaven before long," that she died in peace and without tear of going into the chilly waters of the river of death, which is consoling to bereaved friends. SAUNDERS-ALLEN.—By the Rev. J. H. Trimble, Dec. 23, Mr. Joshua Saunders and Miss Laura Allen—all of Parker county, Texas. GANOR-CAMPBELL.—At the residence of Mr. B. W. Ballard, in Whitney, Texas, by Rev. H. B. Henry, Jan. 1, 5:30, Mr. J. D. Ganoe, of Kingal and, Ark., and Miss Annetts Campbell, of Corsicana. STEWART-FRANKS —At Science Hall, Hays county, Nov. 21, 1888, by Rev. W. J. Joyce, Mr. W. ira Stewart and Miss Mary Franks. BASFORD-MENIFEE.—On Jan. 6, 1889, by Rev. J. M. Armstrong, Mr. O. P. Basford and Miss Nannie Menifee—all of Flatonia, Texas. HUFHAM-KIRBY.—At the Canadian Hotel, Corrigan. Texas, by Rev. S. N. Barker, Dec. 19, 1888, Mr. J. T. Hufham and Miss Fannie Kirby—all of Polk county, Texas.

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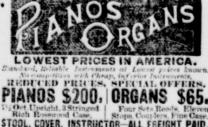
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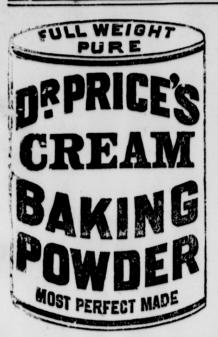


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DIED—Jno. P. McKenzie, at Mexia. Mrs. Bay Hart, at Cleburne. The four-year-old son of L. B. Davis, at Cleburne. The two-year-old son of Mrs. Dora McGee, at San An gelo. Frank Steiner, furniture dealer, at Waco. Mrs. Mary Helm, of California, the daughter of Mrs. Simpson, of Gainesville, died at the latter place. Mrs. J. H. Edwards, at Dallas. R. B. McMamee, of Whitesboro, died at Gainesville. W. A. Butler, at Abilene. Mrs. Addie C. Mars, at Meridian. Mrs. Bettie Jowers, wife of Judge Jowers, at Palestine. The infant daughter of W. F. Ramsav, at Cieburne. Francisco Galan, sanitary officer, at San Antonio. Clark, a mute shoemaker, at Denison.

Destructive Tornado. The storm king held high carnival Jan. 9.h. At Harrisburg, Pa., he swept past in his fury, destroying over \$20.000 in values. At Wheeling, W. V. and surrounding towes, he did great damage in unroofing and destroying helding.

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Dispatches from many points in Michigan,
Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin indicate that the storm was general throughout
the Northwest, aithough most severe in
Northern Wisconsin and Michigan.

At the navy yard in Brooklyn one-half the
roof of the main barracks was blown cif, injuring a number.

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At Pittsburgh the loss of life reached over twenty, and double the number badly hurt.

At Reading, Pa., a slik mill in which over the force of the storm. Many other buildings were unroofed and otherwise injured. A telegram from Reading says: There is mourning and sorrow in many households. The pall of death hangs over the city. Fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends are grief-stricken over the wieck. The cyclone left the entire city in darkness, which was only relieved by electric lights and huge bonfires which shed their lurid glare on the seene of death all night, where brave and willing hands assisted in the work of rescuing the dead. The list of fatalities will fully reach 100, and may be more.

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At Sunbury, Pa. the loss of life is six or eight. No such storm has occurred within the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

OUACHITA CITY, LA., June 29, 1888. This is to certify that after using one box of Hunt's Cure, I have been cured of Tetter of six years' standing, after having used other remedies without benefit.

F. L. NEWMAN, M. D.

Texas Incidents. A LaGrange telegram says fully fitteen per cent of the cotton crop remains unpicked. Ennis is to have a canning enterprise. Its capacity will be 7000 cans daily, and will employ a force of 300 hands. The town is also to have a system of water works, and is a rival for H. and F. C. machine shors.

R. F. Boals, of Arlington, Texas, has been R. F. Boals, of Avlington, Texas, has been chosen as general business manager of thy alliance exchange at Dallas. He is said to be an excellent gentleman, and Dallas as well as the exchange may well be prond of securing him.

him.

The steamer Alpha left Jefferson, Texas, for Shreveport Jan. 19 with a large cargo, consisting of goods manufactured out of Marion county from ora. Her cargo consisted of 1,000 Kelley plows, 30,000 pounds of hollowware, 24,000 pounds plow castings, 3,000 pounds firebacks, 18,000 pounds of bolts. The pig from from which these articles are made was dug out of mother earth in Marion county and manufactured into the above articles by the Kelleyville foundry, four miles from Jefferson.

San Antonio has struck white sulphur in boring an artesian well.

Texas Casualties.

Judge J. N. Rector, of San Saba, was trampled upon by a horse and a leg so badly hurt as to necessitate amputation. S. M. Bird, of Taylor, was drowned while duck hunting in a boat.

Mrs. Clemmie Cox, of Paris, of unsound mind, saturated her clothing with coal oil and then set them afire. She was horribly burned, death relieving her agony in a few hours. Prior to her dementia she was a cultivated and accomplished lady.

T. B. Robertson, brakeman on the T. & P., was run over by a frieght train at Atlanta, Texas and both legs cut off, from the effects of which he died. J. W. Rotanberry, an engineer, was crushed to death under a derailed engine on Southern Pacific, at San Antonio.

Hon. A. A. Clark, of Albany, had his leg broken in two places by a fall, and will be laid up a month.

Wm. Allen, near Whitewright, was killed by a tree which he was cutting failing upon him. He was from Tennessee. A daughter of J. W. Wootton, living near Actions, was standing so near the fire as to ignite her ciothing, when the was enveloped

in flames. With rare presence of mund, she jumped into a bed and pulled the covering close about her, thus smothering the fire, but not until she had been badly burned.

Revs. R. Holland and Jas. Davis were bad-ly injured at Bells, by an awning falling on

At Whitewright, Mr. J. O. Lewis, Tiler of the Masonic Lodge at Whitewright, met with a terrible accident in Cullers & Henry's gin. A large ginstand was jerked over on him ty a misplaced belt. His collar bone was broken and run into his lungs; the left shoulder crushed and his head was bruised up in a horrible manner. But little hope of his recovery is entertained.

J. S. Davis, a Hebrew merchant, died from effects of morphine, taken it is thought with suicidal intent. Dr. Kesterly, of Palestine, was attacked after dark by a party unknown and badly cut because he refused to pilot the party to a restaurant.

J. H. Gill, a merchant of Joplin, Mo., died

on the train near Waco. He had been at San Antonio for his health, but physicians told him he could not recover, and he had started

A Mrs. Thurmond, who had been in the insane asylum at Austin twenty-two years, was discharged as well. She was being conveyed home by her son in a wagon, but died suddenly as they were driving through the city. The young man attributes the attack to excitement, incident to gaining her liberty after so long an imprisonment.

A Mrs. Louise Hancock, among the oldest residents of Lamar county, was very seri-ously, if not fatally, injured by the accidental explosion of a carthidge.

The year old child of Mrs. John Romans, near Clarendon, was so bady burned by its clothing getting afire that it may die. A thirteen-year-old daughter of J. B. Benson, near Goldthwaite, was caught by a main shaft and whirled with it, her head striking the ground with each revolution. When the engire was stopped, her brains had been beaten out, one leg torn off, and her body otherwise bady mangled.

FIRES.—A fire, which broke out in Ikard & Patton's turniture store, at Henrietta, destroyed it and a number of wooden structures adjoining, involving a loss of between \$5000 and \$10,000. The residence of Mrs. Cason, in Morris county, burned; loss \$1200. The residence and furniture of J. S. Boren, Ennis; loss \$2000. The store of Messrs, Smith & Mitchell at Shephard.

Business Straits.—The North Texas Farmer has been placed in the hands of a receiver; liabilities, \$1750. R. W. Boggess, stationer, assigned at Ennis. R. T. Smith & Co., druggists, assigned at Mineola. Alliance store at Coleman assigned. J. E. Barry & Co., book store, assigned at Paris. W. E. Turner, grocer, assigned at Gainesville. E. W. Hope, picture frames, etc., assigned at Sherman.

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The Legislature.

This paper does not, for obvious reasons, promise to give any but leading features of the legislative session.

The people will not be liable to seriously object to stringent railroad legislation. The railroads have done much for the devolpment of Texas, but they have been paid about as extravegant a price for their philanthropy as could well be imagined, and which ought to satisfy an institution even less souliess than railroad corporations. Mr. Pope, it is said, will introduce a bill requiring that receivers of railroads in Texas must be residents of the State. From present indications we will have a railroad commission.

The contest for minor offices were interesting and candidates numerous. The latter exhibited themselves like fat stock at a fair, each laying extravagant claims as to pedigree, and especially as to war and Democratic records.

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each laying extravagant claims as to pedigree, and especially as to war and Democratic records

The reported dislike of ex-Clerk of the Senate, Boynton, to Hon. Jefferson Davis came near beating him—and would have done so but for earnest explanations of friends.

The following are chairmen of Senate committees: Land Office, Harrison; judiciary No. 1. McDonald; constitutional amendments, Upshaw; education. Burney; internal improvements, Pope; finance, Jarvis; private land claims, Davis; penitentiary, Frank; public health, Atlee; military affairs, Claiborne; public lands, Burgess; State affairs, Crawford; commerce and manufactures, Claiborne; roads and bridges, Lane; claims and accounts, Kimbrough; contingent expenses, Douglass; frontier protection, Stephens; federal relations, Allen; counties and county boundaries, Woodward; public debt, Ingraham; public printing, Johnson; State asylumns, Armistead; stock and stock raising, Davis; agricultural affairs, Harrison; retrenchment and reform, Tyler; treasurers and comptroller's office, Morris; privileges and elections, Douglas; public buildings and grounds, Townsend; rules, Maetze; insurance and statistics, Seale; judicial districts, Sims; engrossed bills, Simpkins; enrolled bills, Field.

In Joint session the two houses counted the vote for governor and lieutenant-governor.

Field.
In joint session the two houses counted the vote for governor and lieutenant-governor, which was given at 252,441 votes for L.S. R.ss., 98 447 for Marion Martin; Ross' majority 153 934. For lieutenant-governor. T. B. Wheeler 245 578, W. A. Moore 87,614, F. E. Yoakum 7280, scattering 603; Wheeler's majority, 150,484.
The Governor's message, like all papers

ity, 150,484.

The Governor's message, like all papers from him, is a conservative and forcible document. We have not room for even an opitome. A resolution adopted by the Senate provides for the printing of 5000 copies in English, 3000 in German, 2000 each in Bohemian and Spanish: the House provided for the printing of 4000 in English and 1000 in German.

German.

It is charged by the Fort Worth Gazette that twenty-two members of the House are accompanied by their sons, whom they wanted made pages. Salary, \$2 a day. Business this Mr. Alexarder of Hunt was chosen speaker of the House by a unanimous vote—the secretary casting the ballot.

SHERMAN, TEXAS, Jan 4, 1889. A. B. Richards Med. Co.: Gentlemen-I take pleasure in stating your "Hunt's Cure" proved very effective in curing a very severe Ringworm of about a year's standing, after

several other remedies had entirely failed. Respectfully, H. S. HYNEMAN. On the Deep Water Question. Senator Coke and Mr. Crain introduced in the Senate and in the House respectively a joint resolution, of which the following is a

joint resolution, of which the following is a copt:

Whereas, the commercial, agricultural, mining, manufacturing and stock interests of all that part of the United States lying west of the Mississippi river, and the commercial and naval necessities of the entire country, demand a first class, permanent, deep water port on the coast of Iteas, therefore,

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America. In Congress assembled, that the Secretary of War be and is hereby authorized and dicested to appoint a board of three engineers, officers of the United States army, whose duty it shall be to make a careful and critical examination of the northwest coast of the Gulf of Mexico west of 93 deg, and 30 min, west longitude, excepting therefrom the mouth of the Brazos river in Texas, and to select the most eligible point for a deep water harbor, to be of ample depth, width and capacity to accommedate the largest ocean going vessels and the commercial and naval necessities of the country, which can be secured and maintained in the shortest time, and at the least cost, and the sand Board of Engineers shall report through the Secretary of War to the next Congress the point selected and the estimated cost of securing such port. The sum of \$2000, or such part thereof as may be necessary to pay the expenses of said commission, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Miscellaneous.

Judge Barrett in the supreme court at New York rendered a decision in favor of the actorney general against the sugar trust. The suit was brought by the people of New York against the North River sugar refining company by the attorney general to forfeit the charter of the North River company of that city on the ground that it had virtually passed out of existence by selling out all its stock to the sugar trust combina ions and closing up its works.

A Washington telegram says: There are in Texas 100 national bank-, an addition of time since the last annual statement. The combined capital stock is \$11.805,700, an increase of nearly \$2,000,000 within twelve

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months. Their surplus fund amounts to \$2,776,767, over \$300,000 having been added in the year, but their undivided profits, now \$1,128,945, are not so large as last December by nearly \$400,000. The amount held as individual deposits is \$15,784,698, which is not much more than was in their custody last year. The total resources of the national banks of Texas amount to \$38,471,456.

The postal laws governing the importation of books through the mails have been modified at the suggestion of the secretary of the treasury so as to provide that "dutiable books addressed to and from branch offices from postal union countries will, after ascertainment of the amount of duties thereon, be delivered to the addresses when convenient through the branch postoffices of such exchange office upon payment of the duties and postage due thereon."

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Ex-Congressman O. R. Singleton of Mississippi died at his residence in Washington January S. He was a presidential elector on the Pierce and King ticket in 1852 and representative in the thirty-third, thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth Congresses of the United States, retiring in 1861 and becoming a representative in the Confederate Congress from 1861 to 1865. Subsequently he was elected to the forty-fourth, forty-fifth, forty-seventh, forty-eighth and forty-ninth Congresses of the United States. He was born in Kentucky.

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The State department is informed that owing to misunderstandings between the government of Venezuela and the Breakwater company all work on the LaGuayra breakwater has been suspended.

A telegram from Bismarck, D. T., Jan. 12, says: A memorial to Corgress praying for the opening of the Sioux reservation passed both houses and will be forwarded to Congress. The Department of Justice has asked for deficiency appropriations to cover expenses incurred in the Texas judicial districts. For support of prisoners, western district, \$39,435; eastern district, \$5389; northern district, \$8555; fees of wittnesses, northern district, \$1870.

R. G. Dunn & Co.'s weekly review says: Not the least important feature of the railroad presidents' arrangement is the fact that bank-ers of large influence commit themselves, in ers of large influence commit themselves, in case the compact is signed, to refuse their countenance or aid to negotiation of securities for new competing lines or extension, where either of the rairroads agreeing to the compact object. The report of the Interstate Commerce Commission shows that on 120,000 miles of road for the year ending June 30, 1888, stock and bonds were of equal par value, but on 52% per cent. of the stock no dividend was paid, and on 20 per cent. of the bonds no interest.

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A telegram from Zanzibar, Jan. 11, says: Advices have been received from the interior that in October last Mwanga, king of Uganda, plotted to destroy his entire body guard, his intention being to abandon them on an island in Lake Nyanza, where they would starve to death. The guards, who had been forewarned of the king's intentions, refused to enter the cances which were to convey them to the island, but returned to the capital and made an attack on Mwanga's palace. The king fled to escape the fury of the guards, and his brother Kiwewa was enthroned in his stead. Kiwewa appointed Christians to the principal offices. This enraged the Arabs, who murdered many of the Caristian officials and replaced them with Mohammedans. The Arabs burned the English and French mission stations and killed many of the converts to Christianity. The mission boat Elanor, in which some of the persons who had ceen converted by French missionaries were fleeling, was struck by a hipopotamus and sank, five of the converts being drowned. Many letters for Emin Bey and Henry M. Staniey were destroyed by the burning of the missionary station. Missionaries nave reached U-amboio in safety. The Mesalala depot is safe, Mwanga is a prisoner at Mangu. He has appealed to the English missionaries for assistance. The Arabs have written to Missionary McK-sy exulting in their triumph, and prophesying the extinction of all mission stations in Central Artica in revenge for Eggland's anti-slavery policy. They have proclaimed Uganda a Mohammedan kingdom.

Col. J. G. Tracy's assault upon a cotton future's manipulator in Washington, D. C.

Col. J. G. Tracy's assault upon a cotton future's manipulator in Washington, D. C. will be remembered by readers of this journal. He was not week found guilty of assault with intent to kill, but recommended to

The senate committee on finance heard a delegation from the wool growers' associa-tion, which has been in session in Washing-ton. There were present representatives of Ohio Washington, D. C., Pexas, Wiscondin, New York, Vermont, and of California. They Ohio Washington, D. C., I'exas, Wiscob-in, New York, Vermont, and of California. They seek from congress the incorporation into the tariff bill of a wool schedule to divide wool into three classes—clothing, combing and car pet. The duty on wools of the first and second classes shall be 11 cents a pound, including hair of the alphac goat, camel, ilama and other animals. Wools of the third class, valued at 12 cents a pound or less, shall pay 3 cents duty; valued at over 12 cents, 6 cents a pound; prepared wool shall pay extra duty according to character of preparation; waste composed wholly or in part of wool or worsteds, 30c a pound; woolen rags, shoddy, etc., 30 cents a pound; wools dyed or otherwise prepared, scouring and washing, shall pay the same duty as manufacturers of wool in-isted upon the committee recognizing the fact that President Cleveland had made an issue of free wool in the recent election and the woolmen had won. It is not deemed probable that any material change will be recommended by the committee.

In the second annual report of the intercent

In the second annual report of the inter-state commerce commissioners they say that outside of the roads affected by ocean com-petition, and those of the Atlantic and Pa-cific, the long and short haul clause has been fairly well observed. The commission insists that it has confidence in it in spite of railroad profests that the law has been otherwise than been ficial to the roads.

me ficial to the roads. Mrs. Jay Gould, wife of the great financier. died in New York Jan. 13.

A Galveston (elegram, Jan. 11, seye: The Mexican telegraph company, doing business in this city, has arranged for laving a new cable across the guif. The Texas office of this company was formerly located at Brownsville, but six or seven years ago it was re-



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Advices from Honolulu state that the vol-cano af Kilauea, situated on one side of the Sandwich islands, and which has been dor-mant since March, 1886, has breken out again. Sandwien islands, and which has been dormant since March, 1886, has broken out again.

The December report of the department of agriculture, which publishes in detail estimates of some of the more important crops, makes the product of corn 1987 799,000 bushels, grown on 75 672,763 acres, valued on farm at \$677,561,589, or 34 1 per bushel, against 44 4 for the crop of 1887, adecrease of 23 per cent, of the product of 1887, being 27 per cent, less in volume than that of 1888. The average yield of the corn belt or the seven corn surplus States average \$3 2 bushels ner acre. The Atlantic coast, south of the Potomac, averages 11.2 bushels of comparatively a poor quality of wheat aggregates 414,868 000 bushels, grown on 37,333,138 acres; value \$384,-248,639, the average yield therefore 11.1 bushels per acre, winter wheat 11.6 bushels and spring wheat 10.3 bushels per acre. The average farm value is 92 6 cents per bushel, against 68.1 cents for the previous crop. The difference is due more to foreign than domestic scarcity. The aggregate for oats is 707,737,000 bushels, grown on 26 993 283 acres; value \$195,424,240. This is 27.8 per bushel, against 30 cents for the crop of 1887. Comparison of the aggregate values shows that the present corn crop is worth \$31,000,000 more and oats \$5,000,000 less.

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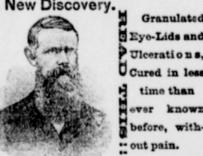
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