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SWEDENBORGIANISM—FRUGALITY.

JEAN PAUL.

1. Emanuel Swedenborg's father was a Lutheran bishop, sternly dogmatic, fanatically odd. Among other whims he would not allow within his diocese any other than Scriptural names for children presented for baptism. The chilly religion of his father filled young Swedenborg with aversion to theology.

2. Talented and industrious, Swedenborg acquired thorough proficiency in all branches of human lore. A doctor of philosophy while quite a youth, he was the author of twenty-seven elaborate works on different scientific subjects ere he had reached the age of thirty years. As civil engineer he held highest rank. The meridian of life was passed when he began to devote himself to theology. The King of Sweden held Swedenborg in high esteem. Accepting his resignation as State officer, he allowed him full pension.

3. Swedenborg professed that Jesus had appeared to him. Had informed him that many errors concerning the Christian religion abounded. Opening his eyes for recognition of the spirit-world, he was charged to correct men's conceptions of religious subjects. Henceforth he conferred with spirits. Asserted that at times more than a dozen of spirits were with him, even when incarnate acquaintances were in the room.

4. It is generally conceded that Swedenborg was not an impostor. He was known to be a true, honest, generous man, utterly devoid of hypocritical proclivity. He believed what he said. But, yes—what is man? When morbid imagination enters the realm of the supernatural, reason only a mental attendant, phantasm will be received for reality. Woe unto him who forsakes the anchor-ground of express divine revelation, venturing out for a religious experience on the boundless sea of imagination, the emotions, fancy and romance!

5. Swedenborg did not organize a separate church. Had neither inclination nor aptitude to do so. He revealed in the supposed revelation. He found great pleasure in publishing same. His followers organized the New Jerusalem Church and received as real the entire phantasmagoria of the supposed seer. Incomprehensible. Our tenets, with regard to the holy Trinity, salvation by faith in Christ, resurrection of the body and final judgment, are discarded. Dying, each man would at once go to his own place. For the wicked there would be another probation—a species of purgatory. Ultimately hell would be depopulated.

6. Swedenborgianism contains not the elements necessary for the development of true Christian character. Wherever it appears it tears down, wrecks the individual believer's faith, ruins congregations, but fails to secure the fragments for a different and superior structure. Have seen it lead men and women away from the faith of their fathers into the—world.

1. Prodigality is as censurable as avarice. The miser and spendthrift are equally odious to God. But in our pulpits far more anathemas of holy ire are hurled against covetousness than against extravagant expenditure. Prodigality are the Scylla and Charybdis through which the Christian must find his course. Away with masquerade! Avarice is not frugality, nor prodigality liberality. Avarice and prodigality are vices. Frugality and liberality, virtues.

2. It is a Christian duty to practice frugality. Honesty requires not only to live within our income but even to lay up a certain per cent of same for times of emergency. Not to do so is tantamount to imposition on society. We become a burden to others when misfortune, sickness and death overtake us without accumulation of a pecuniary reserve.

3. We must save in small things. Take care of the pennies and the pounds will take care of themselves. Franklin wisely remarked: "A penny saved is a penny made." Poor Richard says: "A small leak will sink a large ship. Many families, not at all rich, within one year squander enough money for candy, gum, rice, powder, rouge, tobacco, conge, fringes, and countless other superfluities, which, if it had been saved, would suffice to buy a small farm. Properly some one has called our people a nation of spendthrifts.

4. Fathers of family find their burdens intolerable. Claims of wife and children exorbitant. Excessive toil and care precipitate the wreckage of their health. Now compulsory curtailment of expenditure. The large mansion, long occupied, the scene of gay parties, etc., passes under the sheriff's hammer. Penury and want are doubly painful after years of luxurious prodigality. Check the wasteful inclinations of your children.

5. Said a Pennsylvania farmer: "When I married many years ago I spent but little for the outfit of my home. Plain furniture. The bedstead cost six dollars. Though plain, I slept well in my bed. It had been paid for. It will serve me until death. But you know my son, John. When he married that fine lady from the city, he furnished his house most elegantly. The bedstead cost sixty dollars. They lived in grand style. Spent more than they earned. But it was not six months when the merchant, one fine morning, appeared and carted all the fine furni-

ture back to his store. They had not been paid for. The merchant had become tired of dunning. The following night John slept on the floor.

6. Leaving his family behind, William Penn, embarking for America, parting, charged his good wife as follows: "Live low and sparingly. Incur no debt. As to our children, let their learning be liberal; spare no cost; for by such parsimony all is lost that is saved."

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

JASPER CIRCUIT AND ITS PATRONS.

REV. E. L. ARMSTRONG.

In 1856 Rev. Lewis Crouse was pastor of the Jasper circuit. He came from Tennessee to Texas and joined the conference in 1854. He was very successful in his pastoral labors and added many to the church during the year. Being very social and loquacious he drew largely upon the confidence of the young people. He was a good singer, and could manipulate a revival meeting very successfully. He did faithful work for many years, and is now a superannuated member of the East Texas Conference.

In 1857 Jarvis L. Angell was pastor of the circuit, with Jeff Shook presiding elder. Bro. Angell was then a sound, methodical preacher; giving great care to the preparation of his discourses. He never so far as this writer knows attempted under any class of circumstances to deliver an exhortation; as for musical talent he possessed none. He could not sing; an attempt to do so was a strong reminder of the dreadful sound of a breakfast gong.

He was once the traveling companion of Rev. C. C. Gillespie through the State from South to North—Gillespie having a string of appointments to fill as he journeyed. He preached in turn with Bro. Angell and became greatly interested in his traveling companion. He often spoke of the journey and expressed great surprise at the ability displayed in the pulpit by Bro. Angell. It was under his administration that the writer of these notes was licensed to preach and recommended to the annual conference of 1857 for admission on trial, and together with thirteen others was admitted. Of that large class only three are on the effective list today: Revs. J. M. Binkley, John Adams, D. D., and this scribe. Further on we will give a brief notice of the class of 1857. Bro. Angell has done a faithful work, and is now, we believe, a superannuated member of the North Texas Conference.

In 1858 Isaac W. Overall was preacher in charge of the circuit; Bro. Shook, presiding elder. Bro. Overall was a good and faithful pastor at that time. He traveled only a few years afterward. He became a place-seeker, took a superannuated relation and sustained it for many years, and finally in 1875 was located by the conference. He afterwards joined the Cumberland Church, and is still in that communion.

In 1859 Rev. W. K. Wilson was presiding elder of the San Augustine district, Jasper circuit; Sol T. Bridges, preacher in charge. Bro. Bridges was a forcible preacher—bold in his exposure of sin, and raised some opposition, but he was unyielding and closed the year without marked success. He died in 1870 a member of the West Texas Conference.

In 1860-61 S. A. Williams was on the district. Rev. D. M. Stovall, preacher in charge, Jasper circuit. The first year of Bro. Stovall's pastorate was a grand success—revivals were held at every appointment, and the work was strengthened by more than one hundred accessions. The war cloud overshadowed the whole country in 1861, and in mid-summer Bro. Stovall was chosen captain of the Jasper Blues, the first company raised in the county. His first service in his new role was at Galveston, from thence to Arkansaspost. After the war he was again in the itinerant's ranks, where he continued until 1883. He then located, and is still in the local ranks. His son, G. C. Stovall, is a useful member of the Texas Conference at this time.

In 1862 Rev. James A. Scruggs was assigned to the charge. The war with all its horrors was upon us, and Bro. Scruggs failed to reach his work. S. A. Williams, presiding elder, supplied the work with W. A. Leonard, a consecrated and useful local preacher, who did valuable work for one year. His career was short; he was converted in 1860, licensed to preach in 1861, and died in Houston in 1866. Bro. Scruggs was admitted into the conference in 1853, did faithful work for many years, and located in 1866.

In 1863 Isaac W. Overall was appointed to the work; failing to reach the work, it was supplied by a local preacher.

In 1864 J. R. Burke was the presiding elder, and F. C. Dowdy preacher in charge. During the year Bro. D. became involved in a difficulty with a desperate man, and in self-defense slew his adversary. He fled the State, joined the army, and has been lost sight of by this writer.

Rev. James R. Burke deserves special notice in this connection: A native of Missouri, of Irish parentage, with no early educational advantages, he rose to distinction as a preacher. As a Bible scholar, a profound logician and doctrinal preacher, he had but few equals. His throne was in the pulpit. There he reigned as a master, divesting his subject of all obfuscation, and at the same time pouring forth torrents of

trite eloquence. He was for some time a member of the St. Louis Conference, transferring to the East Texas Conference in 1860. He studied medicine during his itinerancy and advanced in all lines of useful knowledge. He died suddenly at Center, Shelby county, Texas, in the summer of 1869, and his funeral was preached by this writer to a large concourse in December of that year. He was continued on the San Augustine district until the close of 1867. L. A. Burke, of Orange station, is his only child.

In 1865 T. B. Norwood, now a member of the North Texas Conference, was in charge, until severe sickness in the month of June compelled him to desist.

In 1859 young Norwood, feeling that he must preach the gospel and feeling acutely his utter inability for the work, determined to flee into the far West, hoping there to drown his conviction. Reaching a county town on Saturday night he determined to wait over until Monday. He went to church, and there heard a young man of about his own age preach on the work of the ministry. Under that sermon he resolved to return to his father's house, prepare himself as best he could, enter the ministry and devote his life to that work. He did return, entered McKenzie College the same year, and in 1863 he was received on trial in the conference.

NOTES OF TRAVEL.

During our stay of several weeks in Dallas we were enabled to observe much that was full of interest to us, and to all true lovers of Texas, to-wit: the growing wealth and prosperity of this flourishing city. See looms up before us in her grandeur, with a population of about 60,000; with her railroad trains coming and going; her lines of street cars, affording facilities for her citizens; her immense mercantile establishments; her almost numberless hotels, chief among them the Grand Windsor, with its 240 rooms, affording entertainment for hundreds of guests; its elegant houses, beautiful lawns, terraces, fountains, gravelled walks, flower gardens, paved streets, factories, cotton mills; its churches, schools and benevolent institutions; its suburban towns, excelling even the far-famed city of Chicago. To one who looked upon Dallas as we had done more than thirty years ago, and contrast the humble village with its few business houses and the humble homes of the few hundred citizens it possessed, with the princely city of to-day, we are least in contemplating the changes that money and perseverance have accomplished. We rejoice in the success she has attained. So long as Dallas possesses such enterprising, energetic citizens, who do not hesitate to barter their money, means and influence for her success, so long will the prosperity of Dallas be assured, and the wheels of commerce continue their revolutions. Dallas, the home of bankers, merchants, authors, money princes and millionaires, may it ever continue the magnificent city that she is to-day—the wonder of all admirers.

Leaving Dallas we boarded the train for Alvarado, where we spent a short time with its kind, hospitable citizens. We were very pleasantly impressed with this thriving village and its kind-hearted citizens. We wish to say just here that if there are any better people anywhere in Texas than the people of Alvarado we should be glad to know them.

The ladies of the Methodist Church were having a bazaar and concert for the purpose of defraying a debt that was hanging over the church building. The bazaar proved to be quite a success, and a handsome sum was realized. What will not our dear ladies undertake for the church they love? Long shall pleasant memories linger with us of our visit to Alvarado.

Boarding the early train we are once more on the road—homeward bound. We hurry on over rolling plains and fertile valleys, through outstretched fields, where the ripened corn hangs listless from the parent stalk, awaiting the tardy reaper, and where the "floppy staple" still blooms in snowy whiteness, as if defying the breath of frost king; and here the dusky sons of Ham were busy gathering it and heaping to overflowing their mammoth baskets with this snowy treasure. More cotton raised in Texas than ever before! What a verdict for our State! Comfort, money, wealth for the sons and daughters of Texas. Good times coming for the white man and the black man.

We meet many pleasant acquaintances on the cars, and these pleasant meetings help to beguile the tedium of travel, and they make bright places in memory.

On this trip we met a lady friend, of Bastrop, who was just returning from a pleasant visit to relatives in Louisville, Ky. We are highly entertained with her interesting account of her travels, visit, etc.

The train is hurrying on. We pass station after station, until we halt at Waco. Here there is much to interest us, as we think of happy days we have spent there, and of the dear friends we claim in this rising city. We think with less pleasure of a siege of four long hours we spent in the delightful(?) depot at that place, on account of a wreck about the city that delayed the train for which we were waiting.

In Waco we heard glowing accounts of the glorious revival that had been conducted there by Bro. Mulkey and others, and how many who had wander-

ed away from the fold of a loving Savior, have been brought back, and many new recruits for the army of the Lord have been gained by this meeting. May God keep them faithful! God bless Bro. Mulkey in his untiring efforts to bring souls to the Savior.

Just over there on Ninth street nestles the home of a dear friend and her saintly mother, who at the advanced age of eighty-four is waiting for the Master.

"Only waiting till the shadows
Are a little longer grown."

She has been a resident of Texas for over fifty years, and knows all about the hardships endured by the early settlers, and wears in her heart the scars of suffering left by the foul deed of the red man, whose unerring aim robbed her of a noble husband nearly fifty years ago.

How I should like to step in and take my friends by surprise to-day, and spend a little while in pleasant converse with them. I should find a vacant place—one missing. The death angel has invaded that happy home recently, and borne hence a noble son. Yes, manly, generous, patient, Freddie has gone from suffering to joy, from earthly conflict to heavenly rest; from earth's dull scenes to the beatific visions of paradise. He died in sight of Canaan, as good Bro. Bourland has testified. God be praised for the glorious triumphs of immortality! May the Great Healer comfort the lonely heart-broken mother, and other relatives who mourn the death of our noble friend; and in heaven may they meet again never to part! We may not tarry longer here in Waco. The train hurries on, and we are being borne homeward where loving ones are eagerly awaiting us. We pass several stations, the shadows of evening grow long over the hillsides, nearer and nearer do we approach our own loved city of the hills, and just when daylight is fading we are home again. Home again, after an absence of several weeks. Oh! the joy of being at home again!

Since our return, we have enjoyed the unspeakable pleasure of hearing our "baby" brother preach. We were greatly edified and comforted. We thought of the struggle that had been going on so long in that dear brother's heart—the battle between duty and selfishness on one hand, and human plans and expectations on the other.

On one hand the success of a lucrative profession (that of medicine), on the other hand the hardships and privations of an itinerant preacher. On one hand the desire for success, that should yield a better maintenance for his widowed mother, on the other hand that voice calling to him in pleading tones, saying, "Go, preach my gospel," and the Mosaic cry coming from all quarters of benighted heathendom, "Come over and help us," and overall a gentle Jesus pleading: "Lovest thou me?" "Feed my lambs." Thank God that he obtained the victory, and has been able, through grace, to give up all for God. May he be abundantly useful in gathering souls for the Savior. Methinks if our sainted father could look out from the battlements of heaven, and see that there are three instead of two standing on Zion to-day, he would send up one glad shout of joy that should make heaven's welkin ring with its melody.

We feel that we cannot close this letter without giving you the good news about our little struggling mission church on Twenty-fourth street. We have the lot entirely paid for, and a little "nest-egg" saved toward the building of the church. We hope in the near future to have the "dirt broken" for the foundation, and ere another year draws to its close, we hope to have the new church ready for dedication, and just here we extend an invitation to you, Mr. Editor, or any others of the ADVOCATE force to be present at the dedication, and we shall claim the special privilege of entertaining you and them at our own home during your stay in our city.

M. E. WHITTEN.

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Reference is here made to Mrs. Diana Gillespie, mother of Mrs. McLean, of Waco. She is one of the oldest settlers of Texas. Her husband, Rev. J. Gillespie, was killed by Indians fifty years ago, on the creek bearing their name in Texas county.

HOME CONFERENCES.

Personals.

—The address of Rev. L. D. Shaw is Uvalde, Texas.

—The postoffice address of Rev. Jackson B. Cox is Eddy, New Mexico.

—The Rev. W. H. H. Biggs, presiding elder of the San Marcos district, is building a chimney to district parsonage.

—The Rev. Julian Woodson, of the Coffeyville circuit, made us a pleasant visit this week and made a good report of his year's work.

—The district secretary of the W. M. S. for the Calvert district is Mrs. Sallie Philpott, and for the Huntsville district, Mrs. E. M. Heroy.

—We are glad to say to our readers that the Rev. W. H. Hughes, who has been quite sick, is now convalescent, and was able to make us a visit to the office this week.

—The Rev. J. T. Gillett, whose name did not appear in the appointment of the West Texas Conference as published in the ADVOCATE, was appointed conference colporteur.

—W. H. H. Biggs, Rev. H. G. Horton has been changed from Harwood circuit to Seguin mission, and Rev. J. W. Vest has been changed from the Seguin mission to take charge

of Harwood circuit. Bro. Horton's postoffice is Seguin, Texas. Bro. Vest's postoffice is Martindale, Texas.

—We offer congratulations to the Rev. J. W. Bloodworth, of the North-west Texas Conference, who succeeded in persuading Miss Gertrude McWhirter to share his name. Much happiness.

—We acknowledge an invitation to the marriage of Miss Pearl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Snyder, to A. J. Perkins, M. D. We hope for them all the joys of this life and eternal life in the world to come.

—The fourth quarterly conference of Mountain Springs circuit passed resolutions complimentary to the Rev. M. C. Blackburn, the presiding elder, who is closing his fourth year on the Gainesville district.

—Our sympathies go out to Bro. F. H. C. Elliott and wife, of Denver, Col., in the loss of their infant daughter, Mattie Sue, who died Oct. 21. May the Lord's grace be sufficient in this great sorrow.

—Bro. W. M. Leatherwood, under date of Nov. 7th, writes: "The angels dropped tears upon us to-day, just at noon, as they bore our sweet little girl away to heaven. We are sorrowful, but 'know where to find her.' Three months waiting and watching ends in death at last. Thank God for that. There will be a time when all tears shall be wiped away. May God bless our brother now and then."

Osanton.

J. C. Calhoun: Observed "week of prayer and self-denial" at Canton after 26th ult. to 3d of this month. Results: \$16.55. Did my people good.

Mountain springs.

S. W. Miller, Nov. 4: Yesterday was a gracious day with us; preached twice to two fine congregations. My work will show some deficits, but, in all, the best report from this work for years. Methodism is on a more solid basis here than possibly for ten years past, as the future will doubtless develop. I am glad to report all my family now in good health, after about a three months' siege of chills, fevers and typhoid malaria. God has been so precious to us even in our afflictions.

San Franklin.

E. G. Roberts, Nov. 5: The fourth quarterly conference is a thing of the past with us. One hundred and sixteen accessions during the year—80 net increase. Rev. J. M. Binkley, P. E., is deservedly popular with my people. So far as I have been able to ascertain, there is not a dissenting voice in the Bonham district to his return. He is indeed popular with preachers and people. Nearly 2,000 conversions in this district. Millions of wrongs have preyed upon the cotton. How hard should the preachers work for the noble ADVOCATE.

Galveston.

M. H. Neely: We have had a gracious revival in Galveston, closing last night without any abatement of interest. But we were under obligation to close, or rather to transfer the meeting to the M. E. Church on Dixon street, where it will go on. In all my ministry I have not seen a deeper work. We had fifty-seven conversions, and perhaps more. The church is most thoroughly aroused and in fine working order. The house has been packed all the time during the three weeks' continuance of the meeting. The interest was such that, despite rain and mud the second week, we had good congregations at 5 o'clock in the morning. No help from abroad. The pastors of the city helped nobly. To God be all the glory.

Red River Mission.

Jas. A. Kerr, Nov. 6: Our fourth quarterly conference has been held. The big presiding elder, W. S. May, was present and preached three good quickening and logical sermons. Bro. May is a noble presiding elder. He leaves not a stone unturned, making diligent inquiry into all the departments of the work. Next Sunday closes our second year's labor on this charge; and the fruits of our labor have not manifested to that extent we had fondly hoped and prayed for, but truly God has been good to us. Many sinners have trusted in Christ for salvation and the church has been greatly established in the faith of the gospel. The lumber for the new church at Benvance is on the ground, and it will be erected at once. Our church card (or collecting machine as one brother call it) proved a decided success. Will the brethren and friends please accept our profoundest gratitude for their contributions, kind wishes and prayers that came with their free-will offerings. However, with all the offering powers, Methodism is being firmly planted in this wild and thinly inhabited country. Our collections in the main are well up.

Quireno.

L. F. Smith: In many respects we have had a pleasant and profitable year. The Lord has been good to us and with us many times in great power. We have had about forty-five as bright conversions as ever earth rejoiced over. Fifty or sixty have united with the church, and forty or fifty have been dismissed. Homer circuit, as it now stands, is composed mostly of "out-of-the-way" societies, which have been heretofore neglected for several years. The people had become disheartened and consequently lost their zeal and love for the Master's cause. Great dissatisfaction was felt and expressed at the present arrangement of the work. They

looked upon Lufkin as the "head" of the work, and the work felt shorn of her strength when Lufkin was taken from her. To say that Homer circuit is financially weak, is to speak the truth. There are men on Homer circuit who, if they were able, would do much for the cause which they love. Many have expressed themselves as willing and anxious to do, but have not the desired means. Added to the above difficulties is my bad health. I went to my work sick and have been so ever since. My sufferings have been great. My health is somewhat improved now, but I am unable to do good and constant work. I have done the very best I could. I am thankful for the success I have had; but O! how I would love to have been able to have done more. May the good Lord give me health that I may work as I desire in his vineyard. Our finances are behind. We have labored hard to get them up in full, but the people declare their inability to respond. Homer circuit is indebted to Bros. J. M. Smith, of Melrose circuit and J. F. Smith, of Rusk, for valuable services rendered during the year. Our local brethren are faithful and good men. God bless them. Our good people love Bro. Phillips and will give him a hearty welcome should he again be on this district. Success to the ADVOCATE.

Waco.

H. A. Bourland, Oct. 29: The great revival in Waco is going steadily forward. Bros. Barnes and Mulkey and Sister Louisa have gone, but their influence lingers "like the benediction after prayer." The discouragements in the beginning were many—rain and mud for some days, and the delayed tent for eleven days, trying the patience of all. But the cloud had a silver lining, and so we hoped on. The tent came and was spread on a lot near the church. Waco has large interest in that tent. The first suggestion to buy it was by Bro. H. W. Habbey, and he gave the first money towards it, and Fifth Street enlarged it, and having so much invested we will follow it with our prayers. About 225 conversions and reclamations were the immediate results, but these are not all. The piety of the church has been quickened, and every interest of the church has been advanced. Not least of the good done was the payment of the debt on Morrow Street, which is the protoge of Fifth Street. Rev. Sam P. Wright was in his best case. He enjoys taking a collection—gives himself and makes others give. He called for \$600 and raised \$764. Besides the evangelists received about \$400 which was equally divided between them, and all current expenses met, amounting to some \$300. Nor is this all. "Uncle Jimmie" Graves, fulfilling the promise in Psalm, went to work this summer to build a chapel, and being a member of this charge he brought it before a church conference, and they helped, and the result is another church larger than Morrow Street, on Tenth and Cleveland, which will be ready for occupancy after conference. I want to say I never served a better, more liberal, and every way appreciative people. This has been the shortest and happiest year of my life, and as I go up to Belton next week to give an account of my stewardship, I thank God and take courage.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Notice to Members of Texas Conference:

I have been in correspondence with the various railroad lines with a view to securing reduced fares. The St. L., Colorado and Santa Fe Railroads will make a rate one cent per mile for the round trip to their junction points. The M. & K. and T. Railroads will make one and one-third fare on the entire round trip from all points in Texas. Persons traveling over this line will pay full fare at the starting point, and must secure a certificate from the agent, to be signed by the secretary of the conference, which entitles them to return ticket at one cent per mile.

J. F. FULTON.

The class of the third year will please meet at the Methodist church, in LaGrange, at 9 a. m., Dec. 31.

J. L. LEWIS,
J. A. SAYS,
N. E. LAW,
Committee.

To the members and brethren of the Texas Conference who live north and east of the Central Railroad:

I have made arrangements with Mr. Morris, at Ledbetter, to run tickets and baggage from there to LaGrange, a distance of twenty miles, at reduced rates, to LaGrange, and return. The train reaches Ledbetter, gates to Austin at 2 p. m., in time to arrive at LaGrange by 6 p. m.

J. P. CHILDERS.

G. H. and S. A. H. B. and T. and N. O. R. E.

Rev. J. F. Fulton, Presiding Elder M. E. Church, South, LaGrange, Texas.

DEAR SIR: Your issue of 28th in reference to the Texas Annual Conference M. E. Church, South, at LaGrange, December 4th, received.

We will make you a rate of four cents for the round trip, Houston and San Antonio to LaGrange, tickets to go on sale 21 to 4 h. in advance, and to return until 12:15 h. in advance. Yours truly,

J. G. BURKIN,
P. A.

East Texas Conference.

All preachers of the Women's Missionary Society and local preachers for ordination, promises to be admitted on trial, and all who will be at conference as visitors, will please notify the secretary. It is expected that Bishop Key will preach Wednesday night and be followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

J. T. SMITH.

Rev. J. T. Smith, Rusk, Texas:

DEAR SIR: Replying to yours 23th ult., to Col. T. R. Bonner, Receiver, referred to this office for attention:

We will place on sale round-trip tickets to Jacksonville at rate of four cents per mile, account East Texas Conference, M. E. Church, at Rusk, on Dec. 9, 10 and 11, good until Dec. 15, for return.

Tickets can be procured at principal stations between Houston, Mineola and Longview. Yours truly,

D. J. PRICE, A. G. P. & T. A.

Old and young reviled in the innocent pleasure chewing Colgan's Taffy-Tonic Gum.

COLUMN OF NORTH TEXAS FEMALE COLLEGE AND CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC, SHERMAN, TEXAS.

Edited by Members of the Senior Class. FORTUNE ROBERTSON, Editors for November. NORA KERRY.

The New Dormitory. O fortunata, quorum iam moenia surgunt!

The old hive is full, and we will let the graphic Virgil describe the glowing work of the busy moving swarms:

Qualls apes arate nova portora rura Erect sole labor, quomq. gentia additus Educant focus; et quaerunt Iberantia mella Stant, et dulci distant nectare cellas; Aut onera occupant penitentium Feruntq. radolante thymo fragrantia mella.

Friday evening it was announced that the new dormitory was ready for occupation and that there would be a move. I got my scratch book and pencil and started to report the new dormitory. Finding it pleasant in the sun, I took my seat on a rockery, around which the odor of geraniums still lingered, and admired the handsome building from a distance, where the eye could photograph the whole on its retina in one, full, charming picture. It is, indeed, an imposing, stately structure, eighty by forty-five feet, two and one-half stories high, with wide continuous galleries extending in a way round. At each corner is a tower, and between are lancet gables. Both towers and gables are surmounted by filials and decorated with shingles, cut and arranged so as to form squares and octagons which are rendered more conspicuous and beautiful by coloring the squares vermilion red and the octagons pea green. The body of the building is light yellow; shingling, pea green; trimming, emerald green. (N. B.—Green here indicates vitality; this is a live school); sash and moulding, vermilion; crown moulding, fire and plastered, olive and darker shades of green. The roof is of gothic pitch and shaded vermilion red. Double windows with vermilion sash and crown moulding are placed in front and sides. This beautiful mingling of tints and shades and varying outline relieves the eye and pleases the aesthetic taste.

After this minute and satisfactory examination of the exterior, I went to the east front, and peering through the massive stained-glass which opened upon the garden, I entered the parlor with its elegant sofas and restful chairs, whence the president will entertain her friends, and we will meet our guests. My heart instinctively turned to you, but it cannot be. This cozy nook, arranged by Venus' own hands this dark seat, this lover's retreat—what warm emotions and hot flames it recalls!

A tear rose unbidden to my eye, and there it lingered all on its hope painted her brow, and through all the feelings of the dear future and saw another parlor rise in the "sweet-by-and-by." I crossed the hall to the "President's Room," room on the right, where the artist has expended their best skill and bestowed their highest taste and workmanship in turned roses and rosy and red. The work is a masterpiece of art, and the fire of his netted grain, brought out in bold relief by the transparent hard-ill finish. Overhead are apples of gold in pictures of silver, while on the walls hang the decorative lotes and pieces of gold in the names of the President and College. We extend to our visitors a cordial invitation to come and see the beautiful, quiet and restful room with these delightful walls.

I'm in the hall again, and can but pause to admire and gaze upon the magnificent plan of the building—so elegant, so comfortable, and yet so thoroughly adapted to its purpose. Into this building, where the great wide and with twelve fast chairs, all the rooms open. It is furnished with tables, lights and ample facilities for study, and is the study hall for all the pupils of the school. The waiting-room in the hall and the turned new-els and balusters on the stairs are hard oil finished.

Ending everything so nice and comfortable in the hall, I was promoted by a desire to inspect the rooms. A zealous tap opened the nearest door and called for me a cordial welcome from a young lady, who had wide her geometry and offered me a large willow stool. As I sat in the easy chair I felt her happy thoughts and the comfort and ease of her home-like appearance which her skilful hands and the President's generous heart have given to this apartment. What a pleasure it is to keep home when you are away from home! The fresh clean wall, the new Brussels carpet, the marble top dresser, the polished mirror, the pure white counterpane and neatly kept bed are all so comfortable and cozy. The fresh clean wall, the new Brussels carpet, the marble top dresser, the polished mirror, the pure white counterpane and neatly kept bed are all so comfortable and cozy. The fresh clean wall, the new Brussels carpet, the marble top dresser, the polished mirror, the pure white counterpane and neatly kept bed are all so comfortable and cozy.

Before I left this delightful room it was removed through the building that I was "taking notes." Then I was beset by eager delegates from every room, with pressing invitations to call and see them. How many there are who are so happy to have you! What happy welcomes and special privileges are accorded him. He is admitted into the secret council chamber. He has a key to the palace cars and a complimentary ticket to all the shows. How we mortals love publicity and court notice! How pleasant it is to have others hear our names and read of our good fortune. Though there is an element of vanity here, the disposition is not altogether appreciable and unfortunate. We enjoy reading of others' prosperity. We take heart from their success and profit by their example. There is hope for humbly while there are hearts to rejoice with those who weep.

The doors of all rooms and hearts were open to this reporter. In the course of these fair courts, I passed through the whole building, even to the third-story; entered rooms for two and rooms for four, all well ventilated, lighted and neatly furnished. Each floor is supplied with bath rooms and connections with cold and hot water; and everything shows that the President realizes her true position as keeper of the sacred jewels of this great State. Here your daughters are as safe as the golden apples in the garden of Hesperides, and as happy as the muses that danced on Helicon's sunlit heights.

Aristotle, the preceptor of Alexander the Great, requested visitors to uncover their heads on entering his school. "For," said he, "you are coming into the presence of kings and lords." May not this young be the nursery of queens in the realm of letters and princesses in the kingdom of faith?

Our Health Record. The health of the College has been so excellent that the presence of a physician has not been needed since school opened. How many families in Texas can give such a report for the month of September? It is reported by this large household of 150 souls? We will venture the assertion that we are the happiest, healthiest and most industrious family in Texas. We sleep soundly, and there is scarcely a girl among us who has not added to her avocations as well as increased her mental force.

Contributions. With pleasure we acknowledge the receipt of choice mineral specimens from Mrs. B. B. Swink, of Edwaco, and Mrs. Laura A. E. Wallace, of Carlton, and a contribution to the College library from Mr. O. F. Wyrick, Sherman. These contributions are appreciated for their intrinsic worth; but far more highly are they valued, because they come as tokens of devotion to the cause of education, and they are prized as encouraging evidences of the kindly interest felt in the North Texas Female College. We will be glad to pay the express charges on any contributions our friends may be pleased to make to the museum or to the library.

About the Lesson.

LESSON VII, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

DAVID'S LAST WORDS. II Sam. xxiii:1-7.

GOLDEN TEXT. "He hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and sure." (II Sam. xxiii:5)

MEMORY-VERSES, 3, 4.

QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

- 1. What is this lesson about? David's last words. 2. What is the Golden Text? "He hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure." 3. What was David's age when he spoke these words? He was quite old, but we do not know his exact age. 4. In what sense are these his last words? It was his last Psalm. 5. What does David call himself? The son of Jesse, the man raised up on high, the anointed of God, and the sweet psalmist of Israel. 6. How many times was David anointed? Three times. 7. What firm persuasion does David express? That the Spirit of God spoke by him—"his word was in my tongue." 8. What does he call God? "The Rock of Israel." 9. Why? Because God is a "firm foundation." 10. Of whom is he probably speaking? Of a coming ruler. 11. What should he be like? "The light of the morning, when the sun riseth." 12. Does he claim that he has been thus? No. 13. Did he still trust in God's covenant? Yes. 14. Who were not righteous? The sons of Belial. 15. Whom did he mean? Wicked and ungodly men. 16. What did he say they were like? Thorns. 17. What should become of them? They should be burned with fire.—Illustrated Lesson Paper.

LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Interesting Events.—David's excessive grief for Absalom disconcerted the people, and Job severely rebuked the king, who then "arose, and sat in the gate." The tribes of Israel began to talk about the return of the king. David thereupon sent, through the priests, a message to the people of his own tribe, Judah, to stir them up in the matter. He sent, also, to Anania, promising him the place of Joab. The elders of Judah invited David to return, and they met him at Gilgal (II Sam. xix:1-15).

Shimei, the recent reviler of the king, reappears to beg pardon. Abishai proposes to kill him, but David spurs him. Mephibosheth also comes to meet the king, probably at Jerusalem, explains his absence, but his property is divided between him and Ziba. Barzillai attends David across the Jordan, but declines to be his guest at Jerusalem, sending Chimham instead. A controversy then takes place between the men of Israel and of Judah about the king's return (II Sam. xix:41-43). Sheba takes advantage of this to incite a rebellion. David asks Amasa to collect the men of Judah, but, as the latter delays, he sends Abishai to put down the rebellion. Joab, the deposed commander-in-chief, meets Amasa on the way, and treacherously kills him. Sheba is pursued to Abel-beth-maach, from which city his head is thrown over the wall to Joab (II Sam. xx:1-22).

A list of the king's officers follows (vs. 23-26). The next two chapters probably belong to an earlier period. Chapter twenty-one tells of a famine on account of Saul's slaughter of the Gibeonites, the sacrifice of seven descendants of Saul at the request of the Gibeonites, and the burial of the victims. The Philistine wars are also recounted, the date of these being in doubt. Chapter twenty-two contains a psalm that may belong to an earlier period; while the pestilence narrated in chapter twenty-four probably occurred before the date of the lesson. The account seems to be placed at the close of II Samuel on account of its relation to the buying of the site of the temple.

Place.—Probably Jerusalem. Time.—The last year of David's life.—B. C. 1016 or 1018.

LESSON SUMMARY.

Memory and prophecy blend in the words of this lesson. God has done great things for his loved ones. God shall yet do greater things than he has done, for those whom he loves. The thoughts that filled David's heart are thoughts for us all. As we look back over the past, we can see that God's love and loving ministry have been wonderful to usward. All that was done for David, for Jacob, and for Abraham, was done for us; and more than was done for them has been done for us since their day. The covenant with Abraham and with Jacob, that was renewed with David, is a covenant in our behalf to-day. It is ordered in all things, and sure; and in it is our salvation and our best desires. But God's loving profers of grace are of no avail to those who refuse to accept them. And if men will put themselves in persistent opposition to God, God will still press forward in the line of his purpose of ultimate triumph for the right; and his opposers shall be overborne in his progress. It is for us, each and all, to decide now, whether we are to be sharers in the blessings covenanted to the descendants of David, or sharers in the ruin that will come to those who are the determined opposers of God's plans.

ADDED POINTS.

An added responsibility rests on a man who is speaking his last words on earth. That responsibility now rests, in a sense, on every one of us; for our next words may be our last. God is ready to speak, by his spirit, through every follower of Jesus who is ready to be a mouthpiece of God's spirit. Every teacher ought to open his mind and heart to God's spirit whenever he would have God's truth come home to his scholars by means of his speaking. God is, indeed, a Rock to his people; a shelter from sun and storm, and a defense against enemies. Even though we are not rulers over others, we can, by God's grace, be rulers over ourselves; and that is better than being the conquerors of a great city. The ungodly are a sore trouble in this world. Let us see to it that we are not counted in that class of mankind.—Sunday School Times.

Old and Young.

UNUSUAL (3) CONDUCT.

REV. PHILIP B. STRONG.

I know a little fellow, You'd deem almost perfection, Until some chance occurrence Should lead to his detection. He'll do any one a favor, Run on an errand fleetly; So willing and obliging, He wins your love completely. But let his busy father Desire some slight assistance, He'll answer with impatience, Or even with resistance. Full often have I known him With frowns do for his mother What he, a moment later, With smiles did for another. The little girls, his playmates, Consider him "just splendid," Alas! by his own sister He could not be commended. How like you such behavior, Bright boys and merry misses? And, tell me, did you ever See conduct strange as this?—Selected.

A RELIGIOUS FREE.

From George Kennan's "Adventures in Eastern Siberia" in the November Century we quote the following: "We had no difficulty in getting post horses until just before dark Monday evening, when we reached the station of Turinopovorotnaya (Too-rin-o-po-vo-ro-tah-yah), about fifty miles from Chita, and found the whole village in a state of hilarious intoxication. Sleights filled with young men and boys were carried hither and thither with wild whoops and halloo; long lines of peasant girls in bright-colored calico dresses were unsteadily promenading back and forth in the streets with their arms around one another and singing *khorovod* songs; the station-house was filled with flushed and excited people from neighboring settlements, who had evidently been participating in a celebration of some kind and were about starting for their homes; the station-master, who perhaps had not finished his celebration, was no where to be found; there was not a driver about the stables; and the 'starosta' (stah-ro-stah), a short, fat old man, who looked like a burgher from Amsterdam, was so drunk that even with the aid of a cane he could hardly stand on his feet. In vain we tried to ascertain the reasons for this surprising epidemic of inebriation. Nobody was sober enough to explain to us what had happened. From the excited and more or less incoherent conversation of the intoxicated travelers in the station-house, I learned that even the village-priest was so drunk that he had to be taken home in a sleigh by the soberest of his parishioners. If the station-master, the starosta, the village priest, the drivers, and all of the inhabitants were drunk, there was evidently no prospect of our being able to get horses. In fact we could not find anybody who seemed sober enough to know the difference between a horse and his harness. We therefore brought our baggage into the crowded station-house and sat down in an unoccupied corner to study intoxicated humanity and await further developments. Every person in the house was drunk, except ourselves and one small baby. "About nine o'clock the noise, tumult, and shouting in the village streets began to subside; the station-master, whose intoxication had taken the form of severe official dignity, suddenly appeared, and in a tone of stern menace wanted to know where the post drivers were and what all this disorder meant. . . . Finally, when we had almost abandoned the hope of ever getting away, a really sober man in a ragged sheepskin coat emerged from the darkness and reported in a business-like manner to the station-master that the horses were ready for us. The drunken and irate official, who seemed desirous of vindicating his dignity and authority in some way, overwhelmed the unfortunate driver with abuse, and ended by firing sober or for having the horses ready, I do not know. We piled our baggage into the sleigh, climbed in upon it, and rode out of the intoxicated settlement with thankful hearts. As the last faint sounds of revelry died away in the distance behind us, I said to the driver: 'What's the matter with everybody in this village? The whole population seems to be drunk.' "They've been consecrating a new church," said the driver, soberly. "Consecrating a church?" I exclaimed in amazement. "Is that the way you consecrate churches?" "I don't know," he replied. "Sometimes they drink. After the services

THE BOYD FAMILY.

Undoubtedly everybody in the village was afraid of the Boyds'. But why? They were good, affectionate people, faithful to each other, and loyal to their friends. They had some wealth and a pretty home, and entertained freely. Yet at picnics or tea-drinking the Boyds were not sought, but rather shunned. When the squire came down the street men were inclined to shrug their shoulders, and if possible to avoid meeting him. Mrs. Boyd was dropped out of many of the church committees, and the young people left Sophy to spend most of her evening alone. What was wrong? The Boyds came down to breakfast with cheer, fond greetings to each other. Before they are seated the squire begins: "Most extraordinary thing! John Halyard told me last night that he had just come from Plainville, where there was a heavy nor'easter blowing. Now here is a south wind and a sunshiny day. If they had a nor'easter at Plainville last night, so should we this morning. Unless John Halyard was mistaken, and I consider him one of the most accurate—" "Dear me!" interrupts Mrs. Boyd. "Jane has put the yolk of the egg in the coffee! I distinctly told her not to do it. I said, Jane, it is downright waste to use both white and yolk of an egg." Just then Sophy opened her red lips. "Sue Pomfret and I walked to the fork and back last night. That is full six miles. Sue said five, but I know I am right. I know the distance from the village to all the six ferries and the Peak and the Lover's Walk—" "Talking of John Halyard's accuracy," broke in the squire, "I bet once, when I was a boy, with Joe Thompson, that John Halyard could tell the weight of his pig within a half pound. You remember that brown pig of Thompson's, my dear? Well, I bet with him that John Halyard could tell how heavy—" "I have a great mind to discharge Jane, anyhow," proceeded his wife in calm, steady monotone. "She minds nothing I say. Only this morning I said to her particularly, 'Do not put the yolk in her—'" "Sue Pomfret would have it was five miles, but I showed her—" "The pig was by lifting it by the hind legs," John, I said—" "Half of the white is sufficient," as I told her—" And so the trio go on, each pouring out a steady stream of talk about insignificant trifles. The squire goes down town, and button-holes every man he meets to tell him about the nor'easter which John Halyard had found at Plainville. Mrs. Boyd repeats the story of Jane and the yolk of the egg a hundred times before night, and Sophy, unwearied, rings the changes on the odd mile between the ferry and the town. The good old minister comes to make a call on them. There has been a death in the parish that morning, and he feels that God's hand has led him very close to the world beyond death—that he has a helpful word to speak which he never knew before. But he cannot speak it. His ears are stunned with the weight of Thompson's pig, the six miles to the ferry, the obstinacy of Jane about the yolk of an egg—" All harmless, pleasant chatter enough," he says to his wife when he reaches home; "but such unending streams of harmless chatter wash away all the reality from life—even death and God."

LITTLE HELEN KELLER, THE BLIND DEAF-MUTE.

Helen Keller has a wonderful memory, and seldom forgets what she has once learned; and she learns very quickly. She is a wonderfully bright child, and her teacher, instead of urging her to study, is often obliged to coax Helen away from some example in arithmetic, or other task, lest the little girl should injure her health by working too hard at her lessons. But her marvellous progress is not due to her fine memory alone, but also to her great quickness of perception, and to her remarkable powers of thought. To speak a little more clearly, Helen understands with singular rapidity, not only what is said to her, but even the feelings and the state of mind of those about her, and she thinks more than most children of her age. The "Touch" school-mistress has done such wonders for her little pupil that you would scarcely believe how many things Helen finds out, as with electric quickness, through her fingers. She knows in a moment whether her companions are sad, or frightened, or impatient—in other words, she has learned so well what movements people make under the influence of different feelings that at times she seems to read our thoughts. Thus, when she was walking one day with her mother, a boy exploded a torpedo which frightened Mrs. Keller. Helen asked at once, "What are you afraid of?" Some of you already know that sound (i. e., noise of all sorts) is produced by the vibrations of the air striking against our organs of hearing—that is to say, the ears; and deaf people, even though they can hear absolutely nothing, are still conscious of these vibrations. Thus, they can "feel" loud music, probably because it shakes the floor; and Helen's sense of feeling is so wonderfully acute that she no doubt learns many things from these vibrations of the air which to us are imperceptible. The following anecdote illustrates both her quickness of touch and her reasoning powers. The matron of the Perkins Institution for the Blind exhibited one day to a number of friends a glass lens-squeezer of a new pattern. It had never been used, and no one present could guess for what purpose it was intended. Some one handed it to Helen, who spelled "lemonade" on her fingers, and asked for a drinking-glass. When the glass was brought she placed the squeezer in proper position for use. The little maid was closely questioned as to how she found out a secret that had baffled all the "seeing" people present. She tapped her forehead twice, and spelled "I think."

A MOUSE IN THE PANTRY.

A certain old man used to say to his granddaughter, when she was out of temper, or naughty in any way: "Mary, Mary, take care—there's a mouse in the pantry!" She would then cease crying at this, and stand wondering to herself what he meant; and then ran to the pantry to see if there really was a mouse in the trap; but she never found one. One day she said: "Grandfather, I don't know what you mean. I haven't a pantry, and there are no mice in mother's, because I have looked so often." He smiled and said: "Come, and I'll tell you what I mean. Your heart, Mary, is the pantry; the little sins are the mice that get in and nibble away all the good, and that makes you sometimes cross and peevish and fretful. To keep them out you must set a trap—a trap of watchfulness."

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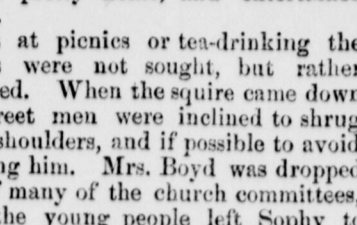
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BOOK TABLE

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WIDE AWAKE AND PANSY (published by D. Lothrop & Co., Boston), for October are our out table. These magazines are the delight of youth and they are worthy the large patronage they serve.

A copy of the latest volume of "The Century Magazine" (Vol. XXXVIII), and a set of St. Nicholas (Vol. XV), for the past year, from The Century Co., both are well bound and desirable to his circulating and similar company. They contain a vast amount of interesting and profitable information for both young and old.

We have received from John D. Wattles, publisher, Philadelphia, a set of little blue books, six in number, by H. Clay Trumbull, editor of Sunday School Times, on the following subjects: "Aspirations and Influences," "Seeing and Being," "Our Selves and Others," "Practical Paradoxes," "Character-Shaping and Character-Showing," "Duty-Knowing and Duty-Doing."

SCRIBNER'S MAGAZINE for November contains a third African article—a valuable addition to the notable papers of Professor Henry Drummond and Dr. Thomson; a discussion of some startling problems in International Law affecting the United States in the event of another European war; the description of an old Spanish university by a well-known novelist; an explanation of the relation of electricity to health by a high medical authority; an army surgeon's account of the modern Sanitary Corps which relieves the sick and wounded; and interesting essays, fiction, and poems. Most of the articles are richly illustrated.

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PATTERSON, TEX. May 9, 1887. I handle all kinds of Acne Cures, but Morley's T-X-S-Acne Tonic has the lead, because it never fails to give satisfaction. I sell more of it than all the rest combined. J. H. FERGUSON.

Eastern Man—How is Cosmopolis City, the "Occidental World of the World," and "Belle of the Plains," prospering? Western Man—Finely! Finely! We've got two stores and a blacksmith shop in full blast now.

Habitual constipation produces piles. Calcein is a cure for both.

Every farmer situated so that he can be caught by all means to raise his own meat. One or two hogs well cared for will make all the most necessary for a small family.—Cherokee Herald.

If that lady at the lecture the other night only knew how nicely Hall's Hair Renewer would remove dandruff and improve the hair she would buy a bottle.

Why is it that our farmers do not have more ribbon cane syrup than they do? There is big money in it. If you cannot sell it at home, West Texas will buy it at good figures.—Cherokee Herald.

COLUMBIA, TEX., Jan. 30, 1889. I sell Morley's T-X-S-Acne Tonic on a guarantee and never had a bottle returned. Every purchaser was perfectly satisfied and it cured several very stubborn cases. I know. JOHN S. BARTLETT.

The farmer who has a neat, well-kept garden is almost sure to have a neat and well-kept home. tidy out buildings, stock in good condition, and the housewife who takes pride in the garden generally has a home to take pride in and be proud of.—Hillboro Reflector.

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SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Kerrville and Center Point, at Kerrville, 3d Sun in Nov. Boerne, at Boerne, 3d Sun in Nov. Sabinville, at Sabinville, 3d Sun in Dec. Bandera, at Bandera, 3d Sun in Dec. Del Rio, at Del Rio, 3d Sun in Dec. Pleasanton, at Pleasanton, 4th Sun in Dec. Cotulla and Pearall, at Cotulla, 8th Sun in Dec. Llanito, at Llanito, 1st Sun in Jan. Del Rio, at Del Rio, 3d Sun in Jan. Raple Pass and Brackett, 3d Sun in Jan. San Antonio, at San Antonio, 4th Sun in Jan. San Antonio, Travis Park, 1st Sun in Feb. San Antonio, Tenth St., 1st Sun in Feb. Carrizo Springs, 1st Sun in Feb. District Stewards will at Travis Park Church Thursday before first Sunday in Dec. at 2 p. m. H. HARRIS, P. E.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Laredo, at Laredo, 1st Sun in Nov. Del Rio, at Del Rio, 3d Sun in Nov. Oakville and Tilden, at Oakville, Dec 1. Hancock, at Hancock, Dec 1. Del Rio, at Del Rio, Dec 1. Beeville and Rockport, at Beeville, Dec 2. Kennedy, at Kennedy, Dec 2. Del Rio, at Del Rio, Dec 2. Llanito, at Llanito, Dec 2. Wesley, at Wesley, Dec 2. Corpus Christi, at Corpus Christi, Feb 2. District Stewards will meet at Beeville, Thursday night, Nov. 15. ALANSON BROWN, P. E.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Kildare, at Kildare, 3d Sun in Nov. C. B. FLAGLER, P. E.

GALVESTON DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Wharton, at Wharton, Nov 16, 17. Cedar Bayou, at Cedar Bayou, Nov 23, 24. H. V. PHILLIPS, P. E.

PALESTINE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Rusk, at Rusk, 3d Sun in Nov. Rusk, at Rusk, 3d Sun in Nov. Trinity, at Trinity, 3d Sun in Nov. M. Vernon, at M. Vernon, 1st Sun in Dec. Grapevine, at Grapevine, 1st Sun in Dec. U. B. PHILLIPS, P. E.

BOEHM DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Stephenville, at Stephenville, Nov 16, 17. T. M. BINKLEY, P. E.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DIST.—FOURTH ROUND. Sulphur Springs, at Sulphur Springs, Nov 16. Lone Oak, at Lone Oak, 3d Sun in Nov. GEO. T. NICHOLS, P. E.

CAMERON DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Wildcreek, at Cedar Springs, Nov 16, 17. Wildcreek, at Wildcreek, Nov 23, 24. W. L. ALLEN, P. E.

AUSTIN DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Colmar, at Colmar, Nov 16, 17. Weimar, at Weimar, Nov 23, 24. LA GRANGE, at LA GRANGE, Nov 23, 24. J. F. FOLLIN, P. E.

CHAPPEL HILL DIST.—FOURTH ROUND. Hockley, at Smith's school-house, Nov 16, 17. Independence, at Independence, Nov 23, 24. Hempstead, at Hempstead, Nov 23, 24. JOE B. SEARS, P. E.

MARSHALL DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Church Hill, at Church Hill, Nov 16, 17. Halvill, at Halvill, at LaGrange's chapel, Nov 23, 24. Henderson, at Henderson, Nov 23, 24. Henderson, at Henderson, Nov 23, 24. T. P. SMITH, P. E.

HENTSVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Zinn, at Zinn, Nov 16, 17. Hedias, at Hedias, Nov 23, 24. Huntville, at Huntville, Nov 23, 24. J. T. SMITH, P. E.

TYLER DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Lavender, at Texas-Cedar, Nov 16, 17. Cedar, at Cedar, Nov 23, 24. New York, at New York, Nov 23, 24. Tyler, at Tyler, Dec 7. Tyler, at Tyler, Dec 7. JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Hempall, at Hempall, Nov 16, 17. Section, at Section, Nov 23, 24. Beckville, at Beckville, Nov 23, 24. Beckville, at Beckville, Nov 23, 24. Shelbyville, at Shelbyville, Dec 7. J. W. JOHNSON, P. E.

TERRELL DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Floyd, at Massey's, Nov 16, 17. Reports from tr. streets will be called for. W. L. CLIFTON, P. E.

PARIS DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Anson, at Anson, Nov 16, 17. J. C. WEAVER, P. E.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Aubrey, at Aubrey, Nov 16, 17. Aubrey, at Aubrey, Nov 23, 24. SHERMAN DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Denison, at Denison, Nov 16, 17. W. W. CASTLE, P. E.

DALLAS DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Smithfield, at Smithfield, 3d Sun in Nov. T. H. PIERCE, P. E.

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES. North Texas Conference. The class of the fourth year in the North Texas Conference will please meet at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, in Greenville, Texas, on Tuesday morning at 9 a. m., November 19, 1889. The committee are confident that the meeting will be a most profitable one, and they hope all the class will meet promptly at the time appointed, so that we can finish our work and be ready for the conference Wednesday morning, without having to examine any brother after the conference opens. W. W. HORNOR, F. A. ROSSER, W. H. STREETER, Committee.

Have secured reduced rates for the North Texas Conference over all the M. K. & T. roads, from Nov. 15th to 26th. JAS. W. HILL.

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The preachers of the North Texas Conference who are in charge of circuits, stations and missions will please ascertain who are conference claimants within the bounds of their respective charges, and what their needs are, and report to the Joint Board of Finance at its next session. Brothers, please note that after this notice no claim may be done by all who are really claimants upon the conference fund. Raise as far as you possibly can the entire assessment, because the assessment is now too low to meet the needs of our worthy claimants. Remember the brethren who paved the way for us and into whose labors we have entered. D. J. MARTIN, Chairman Joint Board of Finance.

The class of the second year will meet the Committee of Examination at the Methodist Church in Greenville, Tuesday, Nov. 19th, at 9 a. m. P. C. ARCHER.

The class of "admission on trial" will meet the committee at the Methodist Church, in Greenville, at 10 a. m., Tuesday, November 19th. Let each member of the class, as it may not be convenient for the committee to accommodate applicants who are behind time. J. W. ADKISSON.

Texas Conference. Applicants for admission on trial into the Texas Conference at the approaching session will report for examination on Tuesday, Dec. 31, at 9 o'clock, at the Methodist Church, in LaGrange, Texas. E. S. SMITH, Chm. For the Committee.

I request the brethren who will be accompanied by their wives, and those who will come to the conference by private conveyance, to notify me at once. Brethren, you will save me much unnecessary trouble by writing at once. Don't delay. D. H. HOTCHKISS, P. C. LA GRANGE, TEXAS.

The class of the second year are hereby requested to meet the committee at the Methodist Church, in LaGrange, at 9 o'clock a. m., Dec. 31, 1889. P. C. ARCHER, Chairman Committee.

The class of the first year of the Texas Conference will meet in the Methodist Church, in LaGrange, Tuesday, Nov. 31, at 9 o'clock a. m. Each member of the committee will bring a book for examining with. The members of the class will please have their sermons ready to take to the committee at the first meeting. J. Z. MORRIS.

The committee and class of the fourth year will meet at the Methodist Church, in LaGrange, Texas, Tuesday, December 31, at 10 a. m. Will some member of the class please bring the books along with him. J. F. FOLLIN, Chairman.

East Texas Conference. To the Presiding Elders of the East Texas Conference: DEAR BROTHERS—Bro. J. R. Hearshall has prepared, as per instruction of the conference at its last session, a statistical book for the use of the Sunday-school Board. He has sent each of you a copy, and asks each of your preachers. Please, brethren, put these blanks in the hands of your preachers, that they may fill up and send one of them to Bro. Hearshall, as requested. J. T. SMITH, Chairman Board.

DEAR BROTHERS—Please send me the names and addresses of lay delegates and local preachers coming for ordination, and candidates for admission to our conference, so that arrangements for their entertainment can be made. If your information is not full, write me now and let me hear from you again when you have further information. Early replies will be greatly appreciated. D. H. HOTCHKISS, P. C. LA GRANGE, TEXAS.

The committee and class of the fourth year will meet at the Methodist Church, in Rusk, Texas, Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 10 a. m. We hope all of the class will meet us promptly at the appointed time. T. P. SMITH.

The class of the first year will please meet the committee at the Methodist Church in Rusk, Texas, at 8 o'clock, a. m., Wednesday, December 11, ready for examination. Brethren, please bring your own books for examining with. The members of the class will please spend three days of the conference session in the committee room, as we did last year. H. R. BOLTON, P. C. F. A. ROSSER, L. C. ELLIS, Committee.

The Light of Home. A cheerful, healthy woman is the light of home, but through over-exertion in her efforts to minister to the happiness of her household, her health is often impaired, or weakened, or displaced brought on, making life miserable, and causing an otherwise happy home with gloom. The thoughtful and careful mother, in such cases, will be intelligent enough to perceive the cause of such gloom and suffering, and furnish her with that best of remedies, Compound Oxygen. Favorite Prescription, and recognized and used in thousands of homes as a certain cure for female ailments. In such cases, Compound Oxygen is a "favorite prescription" is the only medicine for women, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee from the manufacturer, that it will cure every case, in every case, or money will be refunded. This guarantee has been printed on the bottles, wrapped, and faithfully carried out for many years.

The man who buys good animals and gives them scrub feed, ought to be consistent, not to feed his animals in a stall-stor.

The Best Snake Story of All. A man who kept a garden near the river Euphrates, had an adventure with a snake many years ago, has involved himself and family in trouble ever since. One of the adventures was the sentence pronounced against the woman that "in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children." No doubt this sentence included the many ailments consequent on child bearing, such as weak back, female weakness, tumors, irritations, irregularities and the like. "X" does not forget the name of the woman who was cured for all such troubles. Millions are using it, and blessing its author. It is the only remedy for these ailments, sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee of cure, or money refunded in every case, or money promptly refunded.

The Andes will be crossed and Buenos Ayres will be connected with Valparaiso within a couple of years. In the near future South America will have other trans-continental systems of railway, or of telegraph and railway; for the industrial activity which has marked some of the states of that continent during several years past, is becoming common to all the States of the continent, and characterized the development of the Argentine Republic, the most progressive of South American nations, and like tendencies are manifested by other states which have become infused with the same spirit. They now want to go too fast for healthy growth.—Farm Implement News.

The hinge of the wood-house door was broken, and Farmer John, who never liked to see things going to pieces, went to work to replace the broken hinge with a new one. He got the screws, however, had rusted, and although a man of muscle, not one of them could Farmer John budge, until Willie came out to see what was going on. Willie is a great reader. His father often thinks he spends too much time over his books. "Let us try the Russian way," said Willie, and he got on his knees he located the hinge screw for a few minutes, and the door was easily taken out with a screw driver. Willie is a "book-learning" boy, so much so ore for the bright boy.—Ez.

The compost heap is the best place for any rubbish that will decay and give off heat for manure. Old bones should be broken before being thrown into the heap. If weeds that have gone to seed are put in the compost, they will grow and be cut up and burnt them. Where there is droppings of the pig pen, hen roost or stable are added to the compost, they will decay and should be kept out, or they will drive off the ammonia.

FLOWERS FOR THE GREEN HOUSE. Some of the Sweet Scented Favorites Which It Pays to Grow. The justly popular Freesias are greatly prized for the delightful fragrance of their delicately colored flowers. These will, when cut, remain in good condition in water a long time. Freesias are not particular as to the soil, providing it is not too heavy. They are easily grown or forced in a light sandy soil in a frame or greenhouse. They require only moderate supplies of water at any time. Numbered with desirable Freesias are: Refracta Alba, pure white; Odora, white; Leichtholm, creamy white; shading to yellow. Major, creamy white, shading to yellow. By cultivating mignonette in pots, it may be had in flower nearly all the winter. Golden Queen is a fine, new and distinct variety, with flowers of a golden hue. Vick classes it among the best of recent introductions. Machel is a dwarf plant, vigorous, of good habit and producing numerous large spikes of sweet scented red flowers. This variety is especially fine for pot culture.

The heliotrope is another fragrant flower very desirable for house culture. It is too well known to require special advice regarding its culture. Numbered with new varieties that are attracting the florists' attention is Mrs. David Woods, a semi-double sort. The flowers are rich, dark purple in color, and it is claimed that its lasting qualities when cut are much greater than are the single varieties. La Renommee is another new variety. It produces very large, well formed trusses of flowers. It is a valuable kind for cutting.

A few pots of violets will find plenty of admirers in early spring, and these give little trouble. Nearly all the varieties do well in pots. Among the best is Marie Louise. This variety is easy to force in winter, blooming profusely early in spring and late in fall.

The geraniums afford a pleasing variety in way of scents. There is the Nutmeg, Rose, Rose Variegated, Citron, Pennyroyal, Little Pet, Dr. Livingston, Mrs. Taylor, etc.

Other fragrant flowers worthy of a place in the greenhouse are jonquils, Polyanthus maritima, tuberoses, Lemon verbena and Harrison's musk.

Culture and Treatment of Grape Vines. Set the grape roots eight feet apart, and six to ten inches deep. Prune, or rub off, all the laterals and throw the growth into one can. The first year, in November, cut it off eighteen inches above the ground and bend it up or down the row, and cover with earth. The following years train to one or more canes with spurs, and in November cut off three-fourths of all the new wood, and if you reside where protection is necessary, lay down and cover. After the fruit is set, if you want to protect from birds, insects, mildew and rot, slip a small paper bag over the cluster and pin it about the stem, advises a Wisconsin fruit grower.

Geraniums kept for window culture require pruning to prevent their becoming staidly. The principal caution to observe in pruning is to cut the stems just beyond a bud.

Late pears carefully selected and packed in boxes holding but a single layer may often be profitably disposed of at the confectionery and the fancy fruit stores.

Tomatoes may be taken up by the roots and hung up in a greenhouse or other shelter, where many will finish ripening.

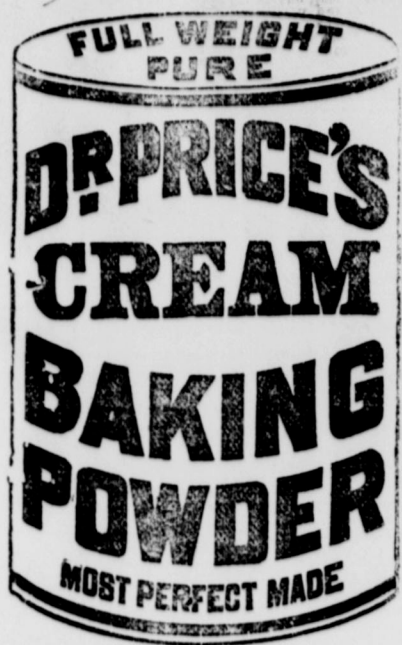
There is nothing better for grape posts than red cedar.

There is but one method of treatment for blackberry rust—tear out and burn up every affected cane as soon as noticed.

The pinch-sown balsaminum for early spring use will be benefited by a mulch of manure.

A writer in the Indiana Farmer has well said that years ago it was considered that the Jersey cow was the one for the rich man; but now she may be considered the poor man's cow as well; but though she may well be the property of both, she will never be the profitable cow for the slavy man—for she stops payment when not well fed and treated. So all cows for that matter, so far as profit is concerned.

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UNANSWERED LETTERS. Nov. 5.—J. C. Calhoun, sub. J. W. Kizlar, sub. C. B. Brooks, sub. G. R. Hughes, has attention. C. N. Riggs, sub. and change. F. J. Bowling, sub. W. T. Ayers, has attention. F. M. Sherrard, sub. has attention. Nov. 6.—D. H. Hecht, sub. W. E. Caperton, change made. C. L. Littlepage, sub. and change. E. F. Long, sub. Jackson B. Cox, sub. L. G. Watkins, sub. J. P. Rowland, correction made. W. A. Stuckey, sub. D. W. Towns, has attention. Nov. 7.—George H. Phair, sub. L. F. Palmer, sub. F. O. Favor, sub. we have no statistical blanks. J. C. Russell, sub. James Hammond, sub. L. A. Burk, sub. Nov. 8.—C. H. Smith, sub. A. O. Biggs, sub. J. W. Horn, change made. A. J. Anderson, sub. at conference will answer. J. M. Mills, sub. B. T. Hayes, sub. W. V. Graham, sub. J. D. Burke, sub. Nov. 9.—E. Statnam, sub. E. W. Alderson, sub. Ches O. Jones, sub. G. W. Graves, sub. Geo. Ward, sub. H. G. Horton, sub. Nov. 11.—Jas. A. King, has attention. E. Y. Seale, sub. W. A. Coppedge, change made. W. W. McAnally, change made. E. B. Thompson, sub. H. P. Shrad, sub. Nov. 12.—W. H. Porter, has attention. J. H. White, sub. an change have attention. W. H. LeFevre, has attention. H. M. Sears, sub. J. O. Mickle, sub. November 13.—T. C. DeFew, sub. have attention. H. M. Sears, sub. J. C. Calhoun, sub.

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Texas Incidents. L. W. Christian, Weatherford, and John L. Kane, Galveston, have bought some fine cattle, and are making arrangements to establish a creamery near Weatherford. The late cold spell has been very damaging to the sheep interests in some portions of the State.

A well-bred, in Saiton county, eighty miles from San Angelo, passed through a vein of very pure silver ore at a depth of 203 feet on the 6th of November.

The heaviest snow storm ever known visited the Panhandle, November 6; the snow was six inches deep on a level at Clarendon. Trains on the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad were blocked; nine engines were in a snow drift at Fields, seventy-five miles northwest of Clarendon. Drifts are nine feet deep at Hartley.

A terrific storm passed over Galveston, November 5th. G. P. Mason who was wounded in the recent wreck at Zephyr has said the Santa Fe Railroad for \$2,000 damages.

The San Antonio Fair which was to have opened November 5, was postponed to noon the 6th, owing to bad weather. The poultry exhibit at the San Antonio Fair is said to be the finest ever seen in the South.

T. H. Jones who was left at Zephyr by the wrecked passenger train, Sunday, died November 5. On November 5th, two cow boys roped a bear on Devil's river weighing 600 pounds. He is chained up in their camp and will be taken to San Angelo.

On the 1st of November, the Farmers' and Mechanics' National Bank, Fort Worth, was robbed of \$3,000. The money was stolen from the vaults which were locked with two combinations and the door was supposed to be opened by one knowing the combinations. No traces of the thieves has been discovered.

The pecan crop of Texas, this year, has been immense. A proposition to build a \$3,000 roller-factory mill has been received by the people of Mexia.

On the 8th of November a strong flow of natural gas was discovered in an artesian well at a depth of 150 feet in Corpus Christi. H. Dumble thinks there are heavy beds of lignite under the city sufficient for large manufacturing purposes.

Dr. S. Newman, Dallas, offers ten acres of land situated near Oak Cliff to any company who will establish a factory worth \$5,000 to \$50,000.

Rev. K. C. Beckner, Dallas, has been appointed by Gov. Ross delegate to the National Prison conference to be held in Nashville, Saturday, Nov. 16.

Texas Casualties. On the 5th of November W. A. Gude, Cisco, was taking the school children home on his float, and Mr. Rodgers' little boy fell out and the hind wheel passed over his body, seriously injuring him internally. The next day he could scarcely move, and it is feared he will die.

On the 5th of November, in Galveston, John Baizer, a clerk in the cotton office of Wm. Nesbit, was entering the Western Union Telegraph office, and a large ornamental design was blown from the cornice, striking him with such force that he was driven through a glass door of the telegraph office. His face was badly cut and he will be disabled for life.

On the 7th of November, Mrs. Charity Utley, Fort Worth, an elderly lady over seventy years old, fell from her door steps, dislocated her shoulder, injured her hip and was hurt otherwise.

On Nov. 9th Mr. Gresham's little seven-year old son, at Alvarado, was severely torn and bitten by two dogs. The wounds, though painful, are not considered fatal.

Mr. P. Taylor, ex-division roadmaster of the Texas and Pacific Railroad, at Bonham,

was run over in the company's yards by a box car and crushed to pieces, Nov. 7. He was forty years old and leaves a wife and children.

Miscellaneous. Charleston's (S. C.) great earthquake festival opened Nov. 4 with 100,000 United States flags and hundreds of yards of bunting floating in the breezes of a cloudless day. A grand pyrotechnic display and a mimic attack of the Federal fleet on Fort Sumter, closed the evening.

More than a million dollars worth of bonds were fraudulently issued by Col. E. A. Burke, of New Orleans, La., during the last ten years. He is in Europe.

Col. W. C. Feltner, who was shot by his former partner, Mr. Thurman, at Ripley, Miss., last week, died Nov. 7. Thurman is in jail in Ripley, and great excitement prevails. Col. Feltner was president of the Gulf Railroad; he fought in the Mexican war, and was colonel of a Mississippi regiment during the war of 1861. He was elected to the legislature the day he was shot.

The President has appointed Wm. W. Bates, of New York, commissioner of navigation.

Ohio gave 10,000 democratic majority in favor of Mr. Campbell for governor against Mr. Foraker.

Hon. Thos. F. Bayard, ex-Secretary of State, married Miss Mary Willing Clymer, Nov. 7, in Washington, D. C.

Oct. 24 was Alliance day at the Piedmont Exposition, Atlanta, Ga. Several thousand persons in attendance and it was a grand day. Hon. Henry Grady delivered the welcome address. Special trains took the Texas delegation to the scene of action. Fire works of great beauty closed the day's exercises. A double wedding with brides and grooms dressed in cotton bagging was one of the interesting features of the occasion.

The National Grange met in Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 12. Elections were held in ten States, Nov. 5th, most of them giving democratic majorities.

Johnstown, Pa., is threatened with another flood. On the 9th of November the river was rising rapidly, the Conemaugh bridge at Cambria City was carried away, and logs were floating down stream. Woodville is flooded and some houses have been deserted.

Messrs. Beranheimer & Levi, the largest dry goods and millinery dealers in Topeka made an assignment Nov. 9. Liabilities, \$200,000.

Three cowboys froze to death during the recent blizzard in Colorado and New Mexico. Petersburg, Va., sustained the heaviest loss by fire, Nov. 6 that it has experienced since the war. The dry goods house of Geo. H. Davis & Co. caught, and several front buildings were destroyed. The actual total loss was \$500,000.

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Now, therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States of America, do earnestly recommend that Thursday, the 29th day of this present month of November, be set apart as a day of national thanksgiving and prayer, and that the people of our country, ceasing from the cares and labors of their working day, shall assemble in their respective places of worship, and give thanks to God, who has prospered us on our way, and made our paths the paths of peace; beseeching Him to bless the day to our present and future good, making it truly one of thanksgiving for each reunited home circle, and for the nation at large.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

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