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FROM OUR LOUISIANA CORRESPOND-ENT.

For summer in midwinter commend me to New Orleans. Grass, flowers, roses, and mosquitoes in rich profusion in December and January may seem strange to some in far-off climes, but are no novelty here. Howbeit we have some intimations of a change just now, and may yet be permitted to catch sight of a home-raised icicle before winter shall fall into the loving arms of the beautiful spring. Sam Jones (the only Sam) has been bombard-ing the forces of his Satanic Majesty in our city for more than a week now. Crowds wait with marked interest and Crowds wait with marked interest and close attention upon his services. Good is being accomplished. But Samuel has learned the old boy a lesson, and he has deliberately, with malice aforethought, shut his mouth, stopped his ears and slunk off without raising even a howl to discover his whereabouts. You have heard of the courtier who, being reproved for failure to remove his hat in a chase when in the presence of a king, made reply:

failure to remove his hat in a chase when in the presence of a king, made reply: "My saddle is girthed fast to my steed. I am strapped hard to my saddle, and my hat is laced tightly to my shoulders. So I cannot salute my monarch without turning self, saddle, steed and all topsy turvy into the gutter." History repeats itself. The jesting courtier finds a striking illustration of his peculiar condition in the present status in New Orleans.

That mighty octopus—zelept, the Louisiana State Lottery Company, has its fangs and tentacles wrapped tightly around his Satanic majesty, while on top, held in its unyielding grasp, sits a venal and subsidized daily press, and not a word can they say, nor a motion can they make, for fear of turning the whole miserable, rotten combination into the miserable, rotten combination into the wawning gulf beneath. So we have the sublimely beautiful spectacle of newspapers ignoring the news and as silent as the grave as to what is being said or done by the combined forces of Christianity as represented in this city, and led by the courageous and inimitable Sam.

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courageous and inimitable Sam.
Such a sycophantic, venal, mud-bespattered, boot-licking set of papers as pretend to represent this fair city of the South, you would need to travel many a mile to find again. The best citizens of the State are looking to having a daily paper here, sometime in the near future, that can neither be bought up by Louisiana Lottery pap, bulldozed into measures, or hoodwinked and led captive by the blandishments of God and moralitythe blandishments of God and morality-hypocrites. New Orleans is growing in size and beauty. Business seems to be good in nearly all lines. Many elegant residences and business houses have gone up in the last few months. Not so new— nor having the spring and snap of Dallas— she still moves, and bids fair to maintain front rank among all the Southern coast

stood before. "But we see Jesus," says the Apostle. Seeing him, as he is, we shall ought to be changed.

word is ordinarily understood assuming its obligations!" and the thing ought to be changed. ed haven. As he never

Thrall speaks as one having authority Christian faith" and now comes to "ratify and not as the common scribes in a late number of the ADVOCATE, and opposes the measure on the ground that it would be contrary to the growing tendency to make conference limits conform to State cretion," to ask them to "ratify and conlines keeping each State together. Now firm the promise and vow of repentance, faith and obedience contained in the bapmen who labor in these parts have retismal covenant, would be well enough: quested me to reply to the Doctor's remarks, as they thought I was well posted as to the geography of the proposed new conference. I hesitated for obvious reasons to comply with this request, hoping that some older person would do so, but so far I have seen nothing of the kind has appeared, and if I mistake not the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the ediction of the tenor of a "few remarks" by the edi-firm" them. It is well enough that we tor recently on the subject the Apvo-have their answers laid down and that the CATE seems to take it for granted that the Preacher is gracious enough to repeat them—they would not be answered else. mend that New Mexico and Arizona be organized into a conference, leaving Texas

as it is; hence this letter.
As to other States and other cases I have nothing to say. There are cases where the States lines are better limits, but there are other lines that should have the preference over these. I refer to those natural bounds that seem to say, "thus far and no farther." Now, we take the position of the states lines are better limits, but there as an ordinary had grown pup knows of the states lines are better limits, but there as an ordinary had grown pup knows of the states lines are better limits, but there as an ordinary had grown pup knows of the states lines are better limits, but there as an ordinary had grown pup knows of the states lines are better limits, but there as an ordinary had grown pup knows of the states lines are better limits, but there are other lines that should have the preference over these. I refer to those natural bounds that seem to say, "thus far and no farther." Now, we take the position of the states lines are of tion that that part of Texas proposed to be set off into the new conference is by such limitation so completely separated from the body of the State that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and an injection of the state that it were unreasonable in itself, and it is the state that it were unreasonable in it to the men who have to serve these outposts to retain this corner of the State in

tion, and Murphyville the first in the new conference. These two points are distant from each other nearly 300 miles, which is, and for ages will remain, largely a wilderness. This same stretch of desert wilderness. This same stretch of desert runs up east of the Pecos river to the New Mexico line. So it will be seen that by mighty smart now I know, but the time this wild, uninviting country this corner of Texas is cut off from the other confer-

2. Should it be continued as it is these three hundred miles alone would cost the preachers an aggregate of \$180 per annum. But add to this the fact that the conference is rarely ever likely (I mean soon) to hold its sessions farther this way than Sau Antonio, the aggregate cost, therefore, to these men would be about \$400 per annum. I calculate on the basis of ten men. It would be an average of \$40 each, be they ten more or less, in number.

18.

We claim that the above reasons justify We claim that the above reasons justify the formation of the proposed conference. It is true it was proposed by Bro. Monk, (no more suitable person) for has he not gone over every inch of the ground, and has he not paid out of his own limited means more money to attend a single session of his conference than some men (including perhaps Dr. Thrall) have in a

dozen years?
The doctor was caught off his guard when he presumed that the Denver Con-ference would oppose the measure for that body memorialized the General Conference in favor of it. I ask Dr. Thrall to pardon me for this "attack," and I send to him and all your readers a happy new year's greeting. EL PASO, TEXAS.

SOME NEEDED CHANGES.

REV. JAS. W. HILL.

Allow me through the columns of "your Allow me through the columns of "your valuable paper, etc.," to express my sincere and unfeigned thanks to Rev. C. I.

McWhirter for the neat and prompt publication of the minutes of the North Texas Conference. I think he deserves a vote of thanks from that body.

I regret, however, that he was not enabled to print a greater number of copies.

I got only five, and I could use two hundred to good advantage. For the answer that "the Advocate published all that was important of the conference proceedings," does not meet the case here in Paris—at least not in Centenary Church. Very few copies are taken. Even the stewards are without the paper, (except two or three) one of whom, the chairman of the board, said last Sunday in the church conference, that he had lived here six years and he had never seen a copy! I got ten subscribers that afternoon among the members of the con-ference. [By the way, could you not send Bro. G. Washington Owens over here after some "subs."? I will feed him while he stays and give him "good back-in" in his work!

in'" in his work.]

I was not elected to the General Conference, (sad fact!) but I suggest to our delegation that if they get a chance to put in a word edgewise, they advocate a strong law regulating the reports of preachers to our annual conferences. There is a great deal of slackness "along these lines," as Bro. Clifton would say. I am not smart, even where the skin is off, but it occurs to me that when a member has been in heaven five years, his name might be dismissed from the roll of the church militant! I say nothing of the financial phase of the matter, but the statistical secretaries and the treasurers know that a shaking up on that score is

also in order.

While I am on the subject of legislation, I wish to say that some changes in our ritual would greatly please me; for instance, in the reception of members into our ritual would greatly please me; for instance, in the reception of members into full connection. On page 249, paragraph 180, the candidate is assured that "none who have arrived at the years of discretion can remain within its (the church) pales, or be admitted to its communion, without assuming its obligations, etc. Now our close-communion friends (?) use this cudgel on us when we attack their "usuage." It is not true that "none can be admitted to its communion." "usuage." It is not true that "none can be admitted to its communion," as that word is ordinarily understood "without for 200 yards, we reached the face of the

Be it remembered that our ritual pre-supposes that all persons applying for membership have been baptized in our THE PROPOSED NEW CONFERENCE.

REV. J. D. SCOOGENS.

Relative to the question of a new conference to be set apart by the next General Conference, as per resolution of the West Texas at its recent session, Dr.

The proposed New Conference is session in the proposed in our faith. In fact, infant baptism is generally presupposed, and the form of reception is simply what the English Establishment would term "confirmation." It presupposes that the candidate for confirmation has been instructed in "all the articles of the Conference is a proposed in the proposed i and confirm them in the presence of God and the congregation.' tions were put to me—a sixteen-year-old chap, of Baptist parentage, who knew just about as much about "ratifying" and 'confirming' -especially in this senseas an ordinary half-grown pup knows of Pygmaleon! O yes, I would do it! Cer-

pline of the church," etc. I would substitute the word "discipline" with the stead of adding to the proposed new constead of adding to the proposed new conserved. In support of this position, we have but to call attention to three facts:

1. The natural boundary: Del Rio would be the last appointment in the West
Texas on the Sunset railroad in this direction of the Sunset railroad in this direction. The natural boundary is the first in the results of the sunset railroad in this direction. The natural boundary is the sunset railroad in this direction in which it stands in our Book of Discipline is used against us—especially in the country. I have met it frequently. "You Methodists must obey the Dicipline," they say; and then add, will take the Bible in our proposed new considerable of the sunset in the sunset of the sunset in the sunset i law or rules. Our "big guns" may have forgotten it; but this very word in the connection in which it stands in our Book quently. "You Methodists must obey the Dicipline," they say; and then add, "We'll take the Bible in ourn." Such

sophistry catches the ignorant. But some one may say, "O well, if they have no more sense than that, let them was, perhaps, when you were no smarter than I was when I took those vows on the

"say so" of my pastor! Eh?
But I must close, withdraw the augur,
mail this paper and warm my feet. Come to see me. Send Owens. Give my love to all the Dallas preachers and as many of the people as inquire after me.

FIRST TRIP WEST.

At 4:30 o'clock a. m., Xmas, I, in comeach, be they ten, more or less, in number.

3. These charges are immediately connected with the New Mexico country—on the Pecos valley, on the Rio Grande valley, and in mountains of Lincoln and

ply was, "Time for sale of such tickets expired an the 24th of December, 1889," the day that such tickets were put on sale on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas rail-road, which looked to us like a scheme to beat the laborer out of his hire: so we

paid full fare from there. Having to wait four hours for the train at Fort Worth, I suggested a trip through the city to the bank, land office and gun store. At the last place, the joke seemed to get on the other side when a stern and defeated clerk refused to further show his guns, as I had asked for one "he nor any one else had or had even ever heard of." Uncle Jim said that he kept me from

infested with such company as never sleep | past year. when others do. These, together with the cries of a dog shot in the street just as I began to snooze, then the pawing of a restless horse against the walls of the stable along the side of the hotel, prevented my getting to the land of nod until near daybreak. Uncle Mike paid for the beds. We tried to get him to bring them we heartily recommend the Star hotel to all travelers. Those who took notice to ment for the new preacher, but concluded we had better wait and make it here, as all his old friends would like to hear his

warm and carnest remembrances, we thank God for such people and the people for such kindness. W. W. HENDERSON. SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

had the least idea of this work before. It

some 200 houses and near 1000 inhabi-

tants here, and, to my utter surprise, no Methodist preaching. I hope Bro. Irvin

will look into this matter. There are some

good Methodists there. I reached home

safe at 10 o'clock p. m., December 31, thanking God that Uncle Mike's leg was

not broken and that Uncle Jim was not in

jail and I was not shot, and with many

In response to the call of J. M. Binkley, President, the Board of Curators of the Southwestern University met Jan. 18, 1890, in the Fifth Street Methodist invitation from him to the presence invitation from him to the presence; the come to Caldwell to conference; the presence is the presence of the pres their names: From the North Texas also for the preachers' daughters to come Conference, J. M. Binkley, M. H. Neely, and bring their beaux. Now if any in-R. M. Powers; from the Texas Conference, E. S. Smith, A. E. Goodwyn, Wm. Shapard, I. Z. T. Morris; from the East Texas Conference, R. W. Thompson, U. B. Philips, L. M. Fowler; from the Northwest Texas Conference, H. A. Bourland. H. Bishop, F. T. Mitchell; from the West Texas Conference, B. Harris, J. S. Gillett

and H. S. Thrail.

J. M. Binkley, the President of the Board, occupied the chair, and H. S. Thrall was elected secretary pro tem. The Board accepted the resignation of Dr. J. W. Heidt, as Regent of the Uni-versity, and a resolution was adopted ex-pressing the high regard entertained for and fortunate mother who gives her last the doctor and their best wishes for his boy to the ministry.

Mrs. C. C. Armstrong.

future prosperity. The principal business engaging attention related to the selection of another Regent. After a full and free discussion of various propositions it was thought best to defer the election until the regular annual meeting, at Georgetown, in June

A communication was received from the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, exhibiting a satisfactory condition of the finances of the institution. During Dr. Heidt's temporary absence from Georgetown, and since his resigna-tion, Dr. J. H. McLean, Vice-regent, has been the acting Regent. The Board unanimously and cordially approved the administration of Dr. McLean and his colleagues in the faculty. The institution is most heartily endorsed and commended to the patronage of the public.

The Board of Trustees of Waco Female College, and other citizens, invited the Board of Curators to take a ride through Waco and view its various institutions, and visit points of interest. The invita-

tion was thankfully accepted, and also one from Prof. Burgen to visit the Paul Quinn College.

The members of the Board enjoyed their visit to Waco, and will always cher-

Dona Anna counties, New Mexico. El Paso is directly linked to that territory by its commerce and its railroads. Also ets at Fort Worth to Abilene, and the replacement of the climate is similar, which is no small ply was, "Time for sale of such tickets hundred and eleven by one hundred and specific placement." seventy-five feet.

> or more feet above the surface. The water is thermal, and slightly tinetured with sulphur.

to their work, is under admirable management, and enjoys a large patronage. Both sexes here receive their education, getting a flogging. Getting to Abilene at 9 o'clock, p. m., we thought we would enjoy a good night's rest, and went to what was called a "first-class hotel," and paid 50 cents each for beds. Unfortunately, mine was only straw in great lumps, and infested with such company as never sleep where there deducation, Both sexes here receive their education, the pupils cultivating a large farm, managing an extensive printing office, and performing other labor. The tuition fees and the proceeds of their labor paid all the expenses of the institution for the past year.

H. S. Theall.

FROM THE ALBANY PARSONAGE.

I never liked that modern beatitude, "Blessed are they who expect nothing, for they are not going to be disappointed." Half of life's pleasure consists in anticipation, and no man is more miserable than he who expects nothing. The Mibeds. We tried to get him to bring them home with him, as he paid all they were worth, but he would not. From Abilene to Anson, Jones county, we went in a hired buggy. Joking, hallooing at praining dogs and singing religious songs, etc., le I longed to try my hand throwing at prairie dogs, so numerous and saucy, but time forbade. Passing over as pretty a country as I ever saw, we arrived at Anson at I o'clock p. m. We were cordially welcomed and hospitably entertained at the Star hotel, managed by Dr. McEachan and family. I have yet to find more courtesies and genialities than were shown us by this generous family. They are relatives of Uncles Mike and Jim, and we heartily recommend the Star hotel to all travelers. There are no a gruoge at the aforesaid pleasure of anticipating even one conference; when, lo! it fell to my lot to attend two—a piece of good fortune that I never had before in one year. I had, some way, a foreshadowing, or premonition, that the preacher who presides over my destiny, and orders my "goings out and comings in," would be appointed in the Northwest Texas Conference; so, when the opportunity came, I went to Belton, and, after it was over, I received an official invitation to attend our old conference. we heartily recommend the Star hotel to all travelers. Those who took notice to our alighting pronounced Uncle Jim a Cambellite preacher, as he was the only one with baggage, viz., saddle-bags, so we at once set about arranging an appointment for the new preacher, but concluded to the conference. I was conditing to the new preacher, but concluded to the conference. I was conditing to the conference of the ment for the new preacher, but concluded we had better wait and make it here, as all his old friends would like to hear his first effort. Anson is the county site of Jones county, surrounded by as fine a body of land as I ever saw. It has a good court-house, large, near, well-furnished college, well equipped, with Prof. Cox, quite a noted teacher, as principal; the largest county paper I know of, without a patent side, yet full of news; near 1000 inhabitants, as noble a people as I have realized in the last few county paper I know of, without a patent side, yet full of news; near 1000 inhabitants, as noble a people as I have realized in the last few face. I had my first look at our new offered beinged to some church, and that in the last election for local option they downed the king of devils four to one. I met the man pronounced by some the ugliest man in our conference, the untiring, brave and successful lover and winner of souls, Raymond, who is on the biggest boom of any of our preachers, so far as I have heard. I leave him to tell-it. Stopping over at Abilene rather than travel on the Sabbath, I heard Bro. Hampton morning and night. He preaches to the point and in earnest. I took in the coal mines near Strawn, shared the hospitalities of Bro. L. W. House and family, that I will now the such as a large of the conference of the spiritgives we confort again. The conference of the spiritgives we confort and in earnest. I took in the coal mines near Strawn, shared the hospitalities of Bro. L. W. House and family, that I will near near strawn, shared the hospitalities of Bro. L. W. 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Our hearts will ever be richer for their love and kindness. The conference was spiritual and harmonious, and the entertainment ahead in some respects of any I ever saw. The guests were met by free hacks and conveyed to their homes. Only two members of the conference were "boarded out." LaGrange regarded it a privilege to have the preachers in their homes. There were twenty-five preachers' wives and eleven daughters in attendance, and they were publicly invited to attend conference again at Austin. Bro. Murrah said: "Bring your wives and sweethearts." Then, as it was not voted to go to Austin, but to Caldvitation could be broader or more generous. I don't see how. It was with a sore heart we bade adieu to the preachers and people of the Texas Conference, especially those of the Austin district, and of those especially our dear widowed sister, stovall, who has ever been a true sister. May the light of faith and hope penetrate the darkness in which she sits, and may she "see of the travail of her soul and be satisfied." Among the last we bade

HOME CONFERENCES. Trinity.

farewell was the new preacher, Hotch-kiss, who was one of the principal factors

A. J. Frick, Jan. 18: This is the fourth year on Trinity circuit, and on the night of the 13th instant we received our fourth pounding. We asked God's blessings on the good people who donated, that we might live better and closer during the ensuing year. After the donators dispersed, we took stock, which amounted to about \$30 in all. God bless the good people of Trinity.

Dallas Preachers' Meeting.

D. P. Brown, Secretary: The preachers' meeting net at First Church parsonage Monday at 10 a. m. resent: J. R. Allen, President; Hanson, Clark,

Present: J. R. Allen, President; Hanson, Clark, Hay.

Oak Lawn—Usual service night and morning.
Congregation good.

City Mission—Bro. Clark preached at 11 a. m.
East Dallas, and South Dallas at night. Good congregation in the south.

Floyd Street—Good service in the morning. Two additions. Meeting of the church at 3 p. m. for the purpose of considering church building, which resulted in the appointing of a building committee. No service at night on accoure of the auniversary of the Y. M. C. A.

First Church—Good congregation in the morning. Five additions. Pleasant young people's services also in the morning. Adjourned at night for Y. M. C. A. service.

We reached Nechesville on Friday night, and was kindly taken care of until Monday, when we got conveyance and came out to the neighborhood of the parsonage. Here we found kind friends in the persons of Bros. J. F. and B. C. Cely and their kind families, where we were cared for until we could get our goods across the river and move home. We feel that we are in the midst of a good and generous-hearted people, and our prayer is, that God may bless them abundantly during this year, and that our appointment to Kickpoo circuit may prove to be a wise and providential one; that the church may be built up and many souls may be gathered into the fold of Christ. We will kindly remember the Advocate while calling upon our people.

Carbon.

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I. N. Reeves, Jan. 16: I preached last Sunday, the 12th at Pisgah, six miles from Cisco. House filled to overflowing. While the good sisters were engaged in spreading a most excellent dinner. I went to work for the Advocate, and succeeded in securing ten subscribers before I ate dinner. Preached at 3:30 o'clock to the children. So we had a good day at Pisgah. Success to the Advocate. I hope to be able to do more for its columns and for the enlargement of the list of subscribers. When you come to Carbon, call at the new parsonage and get a good drink of water from our new well.

W. T. Thornberry, Jan. 15: I have been two rounds on my work—ten appointments. Brush, thorns and varmints plentiful; good country; few inhabitants: no saloons—all local option. Will occupy our fine new church I have mentioned.

J. L. Russell, Jan. 16: We reached our work shortly after conference, and received warm welcomes everywhere on our work. We are building a parsonage. Have raised money enough to buy the material, and have the most of our framing timber on the ground, and will have a parsonage soon. We are expecting nothing short of a prosperous year, under the hand of the Lord. We are encouraged.

Menardville.

1. G. Watkins, Jan. 14: The first quarterly conference for this charge is over. Our beloved presiding elder was present, and that means a great deal. He is no small man. Some Methodist preachers look lean, thin, hungry, and as if they were hard run, but not so with our presiding elder. I imagine he looks as large as John the Baptist, if he did live on locusts and wild honey. Our presiding elder is pretty good on tame honey. He preaches well, too. Our quarterly conference was a very quiet, but I trust profitable meeting. The assessments very liberal—that is, large enough, and I hope the good stewards will go forward and do their whole duty. The presiding elder preached only once. Ours was a sort of running quarterly meeting on a week day, and he had to preach and run, but took a good stand, good text, good sermon. I have been going to and attending quarterly meetings for forty years or more, but I must confess that this was certainly the easiest quarterly meeting I ever attended. Very easy, indeed. I hope by next time we will have some chicken and hot potatoes—all hot for our presiding elder.

Green's Creek Circuit.

J. A. Savage, Jan. 14: The hearts of the people are just like the circuit—large and accessible. We got here on the 19th of December; were met by a kind and hospitable people, who received us kindly and pounded us severely. The dining table is like the circuit and the hearts of the people, and it was loaded to its ca-pacity with every thing that was good and nice-such as ham, lard, light bread, cakes, pies, fruits, jellies, pickles, sugar, coffee, tea, soap—in fact, everything that was needed, even to a box of cigars. I pray that we may prove worthy of such a times and have taken up one collection rest, but when the conference adjourned, and I was receiving showers of thanks for fifty cents. God bless the ADVOCATE. We intend to place it in every family we can.

Willis. Geo. E. Stovall, Jan. 14: To say that I am pleased with my appointment would but tamely express it. With a good sup-ply of hog and hominy and a handsome variety of other things to match, already in hand, gratis, and a wise provision made for the future upon the part of a just and generous official board, backed by a liberal and learning people; in short, every-thing essential (and more) to the comfort of a preacher and his family, and that should inspire and promise prosperity to his work, all this, I find, positively makes a man restless until, in some way, he records, not his pleasure, but profound gratitude for such a delightful home in such a rich field of labor. Such is the heritage of the pastor of the Methodist Church in Willis. The many substantial tokens of welcome and good will that we have received from these people since our return to them as pastor and servant for another year, could not but increase our affection for them and deepen our devo-tion to their best and highest interests. Our work last year was harmonious, and, in a measure, successful. Preachers fully paid, every claim well met, and every enterprise and institution observed. We lost largely in numbers, but gained grandly in the beauty and power of a better life and intensified devotion to the sacred behests of the Master's blessed cause. We are listening for mighty shouts of triumph this year. Let all the people say

Garland.

H. C. Parrott, Jan. 14: 1 have gotten a good start with my work. Having had excellent weather, my congregations have been large and very attentive. My stewards are live men and know how to take sum of money for the preacher and have been doing so from time to time ever since. A liberal assessment has been do all the pounding. Our first since. A liberal assessment has been do all the pounding. Our first quarterly made and a system adopted by which they will raise the amount in due time. Nor January in the town of Rogers. Notwithhas the pastor been idle; having visited, standing it was raining very hard and had pastorally, nearly every member of the charge and talked to them about the Apvocate, the baptism of the children, the family altar, the general collections, at-The members of the Board enjoyed their visit to Waco, and will always cherish a grateful remembrance of their hospitable entertainment.

Those who remained until Thursday enjoyed a ride through the city, visiting the site and inspecting the foundation of the site and disagrees at last, after a long and disagrees at l

pure and undefiled religion in our beloved union. We want God's servants through-out the land to join us in praying for it. I have raised about half of the collections ordered by the conference and hope to get it all soon. I find these good people ready and willing to meet the claims as they can. I have found several who have family prayers, and others promise that they will begin praying with their fami-lies. Have gotten eight subscribers and renewals for our ADVOCATE and will get more. Several have been added to the church by letter and will add many more.

Boxville Mission.

E. G. Duval, Jan. 8: My first quarterly meeting was held last Saturday and Sunday at Boxville. Owing to high waters and rain, we only had service at 11 o'clock Sunday. The sermon by the presiding elder was good, and sacramental service profitable. One reception by letter.

D. J. Martin: On the evening of January 2, 1890, while this preacher and his family were attending prayer-meeting at the church, some of the members and friends came to the parsonage and left bundles of presents and then went to the prayer-meeting. The presents were all useful and valuable to the inmates of this household. Some of the donors remained a while with us after prayer-meeting closed. Such tokens of love, friendship and esteem are encouraging and a ben-ediction to the recipients. To one and all who contributed to our happiness on the above-mentioned occasion, we tender our gratitude and pray that the blessings of heaven may rest upon them.

J. B. Minnis, Jan. 13: On the first day of December we started from Grapevine in pursuit of our new field of labor, and on the third day arrived at Queen City. and were there met by the smiling face of Bro. J. B. Adair. And after spending a few hours with Bro. A., we were then handsomely seated in Bro. T. J. Wilson's buggy and driven fifteen miles over the nice sandy roads, surrounded by the tall pines that waved in all their luxuriant beauty. Our goods didn't arrive for nearly four weeks, during which time we were cordially received by the family of Bro. Wilson, and others. We are now com-fortably housed in the parsonage at Douglassville. Have been preaching from two to three sermons every Sunday since reaching my work. Have organized one new class, received ten members in the church, baptized one infant. We are in the midst of the best people I have ever met. Have liked nothing as yet that we have not received at the liberal hands of my people. To God be all the glory.

Livingston.

J. M. Porter, Jan. 13: Leaving the the good peeple of Jasper circuit on the 7th inst., we reached this our allotted work for the present conference year on the 10th. Found everything in readiness for us at the parsonage. In the pantry was found flour, sugar, coffee, tea, butter, eggs, syrup, preserves, meal and pork enough to last us several weeks, besides the good sisters had supper prepared that was good enough for a king. A dish of chicken that was simply immense. They can explain its immensity to you better than I. May the Lord bless them all abundantly, and give to this preacher whatsoever things are necessary to enable him to feed them spiritually, as they have work has four appointments, Livingston Moscow, Corrigan and Providence. The three former are railroad towns. Livingston is a half station, and has been paying more in proportion to her membership than any church in the East Texas Con-ference. We hope by God's help, and the co-operation of the people, to bring up a good report at conference.

Rogers Circuit.

C. E. Maule, Jan. 10: At the session of

the Northwest Texas Conference I was ap-pointed to supply Rogers circuit. I had filled Belton station for several months, and worked almost night and day to do the work and prepare to entertain the conferreception. I have preached thirteen ence; felt that I needed a few days to rest, but when the conference adjourned. my success, our presiding elder issues his command, which was, "Get up and git." So I got up and got. The following Sab-bath I was in Rogers; met cordially by the people; have been one round and partly round the second time. Find the church at every point willing to co-operate with the pastor in the work. We have a very nice new church in Rogers just fin-ished and every dollar paid. It is yet to be painted and seated. I think I will be able to occupy it at my next appointment, the third Sabbath in this month. We had some trouble in getting the money to make the last payment and the brethren said we would have to defer the painting indefinitely. So when the men in the church give up I know just where to go for help in financial troubles. I preached at night in the school-house; asked the ladies to meet me the next morning at the new church. Notwithstanding it was raining, at the appointed time you could see them coming each one with a chair in hand, as there were no seats in the church. That to me meant success. We organized a Ladies' Aid Society to make the money to paint and seat the church. True to their nature (God bless them), they went to work and gave a supper—such a one as had never been seen in Rogers. This first effort brought them \$41.25 net, so when I got back the ladies were proud and happy over their success, and greatly encouraged to go forward with the good work. I have seen and read with pleasure the kind receptions of the preachers to their new pastorates, together with those who have been severely pounded. It has been said there is nothing in a name. I am disposed to believe there is, for I have not been pounded nor even threatened from people from any such midnight assaults. I have been threatened with hoisting a

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SOME NEW BOOKS. REV. E. B. CHAPPELL.

There are two of them that I wish to speak of in the ADVOCATE. They were not written by mine enemies. The authors were both my companions and classmates in our university days. The fact that I know them personally and intimately, I must confess, rather preposesses me in favor of what they write, because I know they are sincere and thoughtful men — earnest and honest truth-seekers, and because I believe they are full of faith and the Holy Ghost, and are prompted in their work by a profound desire to promote the kingdom of God.

The first published of these books is THE PREACHER HIMSELF.

By the Rev. John J. T. Tigert, D. Itinerancy of Southern Methodism." "The Preacher and the Press," "The limpid depths a Preacher and the Public," "The the finny folks. We learn the lessons which the gifted author here seeks to inculcate in the school of experience. Much time and energy are often wasted, however, while we are learning thus; and sometimes the wisdom comes to us when we are too old and too much crystallized in our habits to profit by it, so far as practical work in this world is concerned. Let the young pastor read this book, and he may be saved from many blunders and his usefulness may be greatly enhanched during the first years of his

THE DOCTRINE AND FUNCTION OF REVELATION,

Is the title of the other book; the author, Rev. J. H. Harrison, B. A., principal of McTyeire Institute, Mc-Kenzie, Tenn.

I speak what I know when I say that this work is the product of years of deep and earnest thought and painstaking investigation; and it will certainly be read by the scholar and the thinker with profound interest. It is the work of a Christian philosopher and contains his mature convictions upon subjects that have an intense interest for every thoughtful lover of the

Some of the conclusions will seem startling to many. But such a book should not be rejected because one cannot agree with all its teachings. The author is both devout and learned; the book is the outcome of a sincere desire to promote the truth, and the only question is: "Does it throw any light on the problem it seeks to solve?" Of this much I am sure, no Christian scholar can read it without profit; while to many who have been sorely puzzled over the question here discussed, it will seem like a word spoken

It would be impossible, in a short newspaper article, to review such a work without making false impressions and creating unjust prejudices. Let me give only a few hints: Prof. Harrison in his preliminary chapter takes the ground that the conflict between revelation and physical science origin-ates in imperfect knowledge; that there can be no real conflict, since they take cognizance of entirely distinct and separate classes of facts. He regards the Bible not as "a text book of science or philosophy, but simply as a book of moral or religious significance," quoting with approval the words of Dr. Geike: "It (the Bible) was given to reveal Him to us and to make known His laws and will for our spiritual guidance, but not to teach lessons in natural science.

He then proceeds to discuss the claim of Scripture and the nature and purport of revelation, and to discriminate between truth revealed and incidental. His conclusion is, that "the Holy Scriptures contain all things necessary to salvation; so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man; that it should be believed as an article of faith or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation." But the cosmogony of Genesis is not to be enforced as an "article of faith" nor as "necessary or requisite to sal-

Part II. discusses the "relation to Part III. "Man in relation to the universe." Both contain chapters of absorbing interest. The author is a Christian evolutionist, but seems rather to lean to the view that man came into ball players. existence by a distinct and separate act of immanence demands that this God be the physical agent of nature; and high school. Two literary societies the personal God of theism cannot had been formed, and these had re-

AGAIN A BENEFACTOR. SAM'L P. WRIGHT.

Three books, or rather one book in three small parts, have fallen recently under this writer's eye, which he wishes to notice briefly, yet enough to interest every person who has the direction of the mind of a little boy or girl. They are: "Nature Readers, Sea-Side, and Way-Side." They have numbers one, two and three, were written by Julia McNair Wright (not a kinswoman of ours) and published by D. C. Heath & Co., Boston.

Number one devotes ten chapters to D., of Vanderbilt University. It is beautifully and appropriately dedicated "To the Preachers' Wives in the of wisdom has the author put up in Itinerancy of Southern Methodism." homeopathic, sugar-coated, pellets, Is begins with the preacher in his pre- which one greedily swallows without paration for his work and follows him knowing it is knowledge disguised! through all the varied labors of his Number two discusses ants, and flies pastrol life. It talks wisely about the and beetles and barnacles, while numpreacher's personality, piety, pulpit preparation, manners in the pulpit and conduct in his parish. It discusses "The Preacher and the Press," "The limpid depths and sees the beauty of the pressure of the p

those sweet little girls of yours would be charmed with it. This note is written, not in the interest of the publishers, but solely in that of such as should read the books.

CHARACTER BUILDING. In Memoriam. REV. J. S. KENDALL.

In a September number of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE there appeared an obituary notice of the late Robert M. Shelton, written by Rev. John M. Barcus. The principal facts, as there set forth, were true, and, so far as they went, did full justice to the later years of him in whose commemoration they were affectionately penned.

But beneath the strong exterior of many a noble life there often lie elements of which the world at large little dreams. These, paradoxical as it may seem, can be the source of weakness and of strength. He, therefore, who would write the biography of the noble dead, can best serve the cause of humanity if he is prepared to go beneath the out-ward surface and bring to view these may-be unobserved qualities which made the character what it was. In dealing, as an instructor, for nearly a score of fears, with many hundreds of young men and women, the writer of this cannot name a single one of his former pupils whose character, from boyhood up formed a worther of cause. Yet his was a nature which, may-be unobserved qualities which made the character what it was. In hood vp, formed a worthier object of profitable study than that of Robert Shelton. A brief recital of some details, not known, perhaps, to Bro. Bar-cus, may form an addendum to his worthy tribute, while it shows the successive steps in the upbuilding of a truly noble character.

Fourteen years ago last September, Robert, then a mere stripling, presented himself to the writer as a pupil, among the thirty-two who formed the nucleus of the Honey Grove High School.

Plain and somewhat blunt in his bearing, the boy gave but little promise at first of what the man would, in the future, become. However, three important factors in his make-up appeared quite early. These were: Love of plain truth, strict obedience to the calls of duty, and a steadfastness of purpose in whatever he planned to carry out. If he made an error in a problem, its fallacy must be unequivocally shown by teacher or fellow pupil before he could be made to yield an inch of his ground. Yet no one was more eager than he for the true solution; and its truth, once established, found in him a ready champion. Exactness of statement, with reasonableness of proof, he demanded in all things presented for his acceptance.

Experience demonstrates that boys, for the most part, are gregarious in thought as well as in action, following too often the lead of some jolly souled comrade, without stopping to ask them-selves the right or the wrong of the steps to be taken.

This was not the case with the subject of our sketch. Boyish pranks, if they crossed the line of established authority, had no charms for him. Still, his was far from being a cold or indifthe doctrines of physical science;" and ferent nature. In all proper sports he

A little incident will serve to illusof creation. He rejects the doctrine of trate his determination to do what he divine immanence, because theism demands a personal Grd. The doctrine goodly number of promising young men goodly number of promising young men and bright girls were on the rolls of the logically do the work of the physical solved to have a joint session, to which agent of nature. But he believes in a physical calamities upon us, his Spirit is always present to help our infirmities and overrule affictions for our good.

I connot follow this description of the first member called caused as a specific product of the first member called caused as a speci loving providence over every human pointed afternoon came, and so did the I connot follow this devout and the others. One by one, as their names earnest thinker in all his conclusions; but the book is thought-provoking, swered "unprepared," until the name of R. M. Shelton was reached. There of R. M. Shelton was reached. There

good. This impression it has left deeply fixed in my mind: That the undue emphasis we are accustomed to put upon the physical side of life is the cause of many serious mistakes in religion and about the Bible. Buy the book and study it.

Austin, Texas.

was a pause, a slight noise on the right side of the room, and then the fright side of the room all the cannot lead another where he him self has not been. The preacher must take care also as to the motives that actuate him. The ten ptations at this point are great and insidious. If the tendency of the populace is the tendency of the populace i plainly showed the would-be orator's agitation. But his part was executed, even though no one preceded and no one followed him. Determination had overcome fear, and for the embryo speaker it was a genuine victory. A lady remarked, on leaving the room:

"That boy will succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and he did succeed! "and he did succeed!" and he did succeed!" and address from the same speaker.

college. His highest ambition then was to be a bookkeeper in a country village store. From this idea we dissuaded with two other excellent students, recited daily to the writer a lesson in Greek, after the regular work of the day was closed. The thought of becoming a bookkeeper merely was now abandoned. He had risen to a higher release and his vision took in a risen to my pointical scrupies, I could make the change, but duty to my parent church alone forbids." To this letter casion and said: "Take no thought how be justly lodged the laconic criticism of or what ye shall speak, for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak," but this was a special promise. Now the single recessary, live there. What though single recessary, live there. What though single recessary to many of these extensive effusions may be justly lodged the laconic criticism of or what ye shall speak, for it shall be certain sermon, said: "It is a diarrhow of words without knowledge. Against True, Christ sent out some on one occurrence of the present. Preacher and Worldly Amusements."

A long time ago our little Nell, now abandoned. He had risen to a higher plane and his vision took in a wider through the whole catalogue of his official duties, closing with "The Preacher and the Collections." It is Preacher and the Collections." It is the finny folks.

A long time ago our little Nell, now abandoned. He had risen to a higher plane and his vision took in a wider range of possible usefulness. He had of the member of the Methodist Church, but during a laways attest your Southern origin, allow, in the many folks.

A long time ago our little Nell, now abandoned. He had risen to a higher plane and his vision took in a wider range of possible usefulness. He had confederate soldier, and what though your own bearing and even speech will always attest your Southern origin, allow, in the many folks.

A long time ago our little Nell, now abandoned. He had risen to a higher plane and his vision took in a wider range of possible usefulness. He had confederate soldier, and what though your father fills the unknown grave of the Methodist Church, but during a always attest your Southern origin, allow, in the many folks.

A long time ago our little Nell, now abandoned. He had risen to a higher plane and his vision took in a wider range of possible usefulness. He had of the unknown grave of the meanly, go North again, allow, in the many folks. full of wise counsel from beginning to end, and ought to be in the hands of every Nellie, "it must not have in it, "See my the high school, he felt a call to preach. pastor in the connection. Many of the suggestions here made come to us one by one as we work in our vocation. It must have some sense in it." Not Nellie, but Julia McNair Wright, has written a book brimful of length of the genuineness of the call, sense of the most delightful kind. Pa-rents, send and get it. Bro. Campbell, Some of the brethren wanted him to enter at once the ranks of the itinerancy. for his high calling. Hitherto he had maintained himself chiefly, as is stated by Bro. Barcus, through his personal labor during spare hours and days on the farm of his brother in law. At his earnest solicitation, the writer assumed control, as legal guardian, of the wreck of an estate left him by his parents, and by dint of effort, money sufficient was secured to send him to Vanderbilt University for one year. The unlooked-for collection of an old debt due his estate made possible his stay for a sec-ond year at the university. At the exestate made possible his stay for a second year at the university. At the expiration of that time he earnestly asked for a third year, and by borrowing a part of the necessary funds, his wish was granted. At the close of the session of 1881–2 he returned to Texas, bringing with him a fine stock of ac-curate scholarship. In addition to his graduation in the theological depart-ment of the university he had re-ceived the gold medal for superiority in Hebrew, Professor Dodd, in making the award, declaring that he was the best Hebraist that the institution had though firm in its denominational prepossessions, could not brook at any time ectarian or sectional isms.

> In order to fit himself further for his work, as also to discharge the pecuniary obligations incurred in his seven consecutive years at school and university. the subject of our narrative engaged with the writer in a two years' term of service as first assistant teacher, in Honey Grove at the Walcott Institute, then in the second year of its existence. As a teacher he succeeded admirably, being a general favorite with fellow teachers, pupils and school patrons. How could it be otherwise, when the solid staying elements of character, so marked in his early years, had mean-while received such careful development? But long confinement had done, too, its work on a constitution never robust. At the approach of summer, his health showed signs of giving down, and he was accordingly released from his class duties one month before the session closed, and spent the summer of 1883 in Michigan. Entering the school promptly again in September, he took hold of his work with his accustomed vigor and success. But the careful study of dietetics, supplemented by long rambles in the country after school hours, failed to offset the steady encroachments of bodily infirmities caused by confinement. No one knew, perhaps, so well his exact condition as did the writer. In February, 1884, he was, therefore, released from all further engagements, and went immediately North. The spring and summer of that year was spent in Wisconsin, in Waukesha, Milwaukee and the adjacent country. There his health was quite good, and he preached often and acceptably to congregations of North-ern Methodists. Indeed, during the latter part of his pleasant stay there he was urged by preachers and laymen to become a member of the conference those Puritan-descended people, who seldom believe any good thing can come out of Nazareth-that is, the South. October turned his face once more towards his Southland, and after spending sometime with the writer, who in the meanwhile had been called from Texas to Missouri, he reported for duty in Texas, and was assigned work at Graham station. In this action was exemplified, in at least the judgment of the writer, the noblest and the

weakest points in the character of our

portion of the same audience, with many others, in the same room, were edified and delighted with a literary address from the same speaker.

Nearly a year later he again, in subsaints, and not meet to be called an apostle." But he should not go to the extreme of some, and say that since God has chosen the weak and foolish things all means let the length of the sermon how oppressive to me, physically and accomplished in one session what others did in two. During his third year he, to my political scruples, I could make preacher. Follow the dictates of your own con- has. With others of us, he deemed it best science, correlated by your maturest An important item in the prepthat he should first fit himself properly judgment, and leave the rest with God." aration of a sermon is the selecting of a

was sought or given in regard to a

five years before. Yes, at the early age of thirty he passed from labor to his rich reward. As all earnest workers in any honorable calling may well wish to do, he died in the harness of duty. But the value of an article lies not in its bulk, nor the worth of a man's life in its length. In the brief span allotted to our departed friend; there was more of true manly worth, more of nobility of character, and more of that activity which makes the world better and happier by its presence, than fall oftentimes to the lot of many a man who, amid the wealth sequired and the hollow pomp it affords, goes to his grave bearing the snows of four-score years on his head. Who of us, knowing the pure, earnest, consecrated life of our friend, do not feel that we have, by this knowledge, a higher conception of man's destiny, here and here-after? Of himself, in the language of his favorite classic poet, he might truly

have said: Non omnis moriar multavue pars mei, Vitabit libitinam,

give us many such blessed examples to teach us how to live and how to die for for truth, duty and heaven.

avoid both plagarism for the sake of show or fame, yet unless he makes use of the thoughts he gathers from reading and hearing, he had just as well be blind

GLASGOW, MO. PREPARATION OF SERMONS. REV. J. M. BARCUS.

[This paper was read before the preachers' meeting at Fort Worth, December 30, and is published by request of the meeting.]

Preaching is a great mystery. It is a combination of human and Divine power. God chose man, above all other agencies at his command, and honored him by confiding to him a embracing the section where he was commission involving the eternal desthen sojourning. His generous, loving tiny of souls. Though man was thus spirit could gain friends even among commissioned without being previously consulted, still be is strictly responsible for the proper discharge of the duty laid upon him. Though the treasure However, he did not remain, but in has been committed to earthen vessels, it is man's duty to see that there is no flaw in the vessel by which the water of life may escape, and no impurity by which it may be corrupted. He must hold the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience, for the best part of preaching is that which the Holy Ghost impresses on the heart, but no impressions can be made unless the heart be kept in

er's calling, and your class especially, knows no territorial limit. Neither your church nor your friends can use him; but if he has brains, he is question the sincerity of your motive, and the future will justify its wisdom. the best possible use of the talents he

An important item in the prep-The writer does not know whether subject. This cannot be done intelli-or not the counsel of any other friend gently without a careful study of the congregation for whom it is prepared. change of location which might involve It is just as important for a preacher to likewise a change of church. After do this as it is for a physician to study two or three years the subject of our his patient. The physician may have at sketch ceased to write of any desired command a great many excellent remechange of location. Evidently there dies, but his greatest skill and care are had been a complete surrender of him- necessary in order that the proper remself on this point. His letters told in charming detail of the surroundings of his different appointments, their dark and their bright sides as well, and the

Texas brethren than to the writer. human life. He must meet the de-From the correspondence and from friends bright glimpses, however, of these were occasionally received. One learned, the high and the low. He canpainful fact seemed present each recur-ring year, and that was that his church must, in the middle of the summer gospel is adapted to gatisfy all these

that sad August day, the brief item of subject. This will sometimes be found the daily newspaper stated, "Rev. R. M. Shelton died at his home yesterday in Belton, Texas," there seemed the realization of that destiny which was foreshadowed to its victim more than subject so as to be sure to get the mind of God as far as revealed, and in order that every position you assume may be in barmony with his Word. Then get definitely in mind what you propose to accomplish by the sermon. Aim at something. Much of our preaching is like beating the air, because it is aim-less. If we have no definite object before us, it is not surprising if we accomplish nothing. True it is here: "Ex nihilo nihil fit."

It is a good plan to make a topical outline, arranging each position so as to lead gradually and conclusively to the end in view. This will give symmetry to the sermon, and if there is a natural development the mind of the hearer will be more likely to retain it. These divisions should be distinctly made in the preacher's mind, but they need not be formally announced. As to materials used, they should be gathered from every available source. It is the preacher's duty to give his people the best thought for their spiritual and intellectual food which he can command. The Discipline requires him to draw all Vitabit libitinam.

May the all-wise and merciful Father avoid bold plagiarism for the sake of and deaf. These thoughts, gathered, it may be, from many sources, some known and others unknown, will, of course, be passed through the crucible of his own mind and be so thoroughly assimilated as to be part of his own thought and the product which issues will be the legiti-mate offspring of his own brain and heart, though materials may have been gathered from a dozen sources.

It is well to avoid an error of some that of making the sermon a bulletin board on which to display the names of authors, in order to appear to have read many learned books. For, aside from its being no proof of extensive reading, since the quotations themselves may be copied from some cyclopedia, it smacks of pedantry, an offense against good taste which the thoughtful can hardly condone. I think, also, that the occasion is exceedingly rare when it is pardonable for a preacher to

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After one year's stay at the high school, during which time he had studied only the elementary branches, the subject of our sketch wished to leave school in order to attend a commercial school, during the head studies and studies and strong, and since his strength is made perfect in human weakness, it is, therefore, not necessary to make any preparation to be proportioned to the thoughts presented in human weakness, it is, therefore, not necessary to make any preparation to violation of this rule on the part of the school in order to attend a commercial structure against long sermons is justified by a preacher. No preacher has a right to bring to naught the wise and strong, and since his strength is made perfect in human weakness, it is, therefore, not necessary to make any preparation to preache. For while it is true that God's preacher. No preacher has a right to bring to naught the wise and strong, and since his strength is made perfect in human weakness, it is, therefore, not necessary to make any preparation to preache. For while it is true that God's preacher. No preacher has a right to bring to naught the wise and strong, and since his strength is made perfect in human weakness, it is, therefore, not necessary to make any preparation to preache. For while it is true that God's preacher. No preacher has a right to bring to naught the wise and strong, and since his strength is made perfect. brethren here—and, indeed, all my power is magnified in using human detain an audience an hour with Southern friends—say if I should with- weakness, it must not be voluntary thoughts that could be more forcibly store. From this idea we dissuaded him, and induced him to continue his general studies. Beginning in his second year with us the study of Latin, he accomplished in one session what others by words without knowledge. Against plane and his vision took in a wider range of possible usefulness. He had been from his early boyhood a member of possible usefulness. He had been from his early boyhood a member wour own bearing and even speech will plane and his vision took in a wider would be the unknown grave of a Confederate soldier, and what though a proved unto God, a workman that provided by a free use of the pen. This enables the preacher to more easily confine his thoughts to the sub-When God counts a man worthy to ject in hand and to avoid vain repetiyou will be recreant to none of these if, for the reasons alleged, you change your locality. Besides, the true preacher's calling, and your class especially, manuscript is not necessarily, and perhaps ought very seldom to be, carried into the pulpit, but it gives a mental discipline which is necessary, and which very few speakers can acquire in any other way.

> EVOLUTIO-PANTHEISTIC DRIVEL. We Neither ask for, nor Give, Quarter to REV. C. L. SPENCER.

Two letters appeared in the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE of August 8, 1889, signed respectively A. Wilford Hall and S. C. Littlepage, No. 1 dated September 10, 1888, and No 2, Septem-ber 17 of the same year. These letters were stale at the date of their publication, one being eight months and twenty-eight days, and the other eight months, twenty-one days, some hours and a few minutes old at that date. As no reason is assigned for their publication at so long a time after they were written, we must conclude that the motive in-citing thereto was either to exhibit the theological or, perhaps, the scientific, attainments of the authors, or to impart some valuable information necessary for the public good.

But in either case, I have to answer,

that the first was unnecessary and the second, impossible.

Unnecessary, because their attain-ments, in that respect, have been sufficiently exhibited heretofore; and impossible, because the base of the theory is false and pantheistic; for Mr. Hall says that God neither did, nor can, make substance out of nothing, and that all substance was made out of God himself.

One of these writers is a friend, whose name I regret to see appended to such a letter; but when the battle is between the Christian religion and evolutiopantheistic sciolism, boastfully and falsely called science, the point of the sword should be none the less keen on that account; for the sentiment expressed at the head of this paper must prevail when the Christian religion is assaulted, be the assailant whoever he may. The Christian religion has nothing to fear from her open foes; for if its author is either unable or unwilling to take care of His church, after having sent His Son into the world to estab lish it, the farce ought to terminate, that the minds of the people may be at

Her enemies, by attempting to de-stroy, have only built the walls of the church the stronger; by attempting to ex-terminate, they have only planted it in every land; were ber apostles, bishops and zealous members put to death to in-timidate the flock, their blood only proved to be the elixir of life, welling up in the heart and imparting new vigor and momentum to it, strengthening every nerve, expanding every muscle and urging her on to more rapid growth, until now she is revered by the governments of the civilized world, and justice is administered by the

courts in her name.

The Christian religion sustains to the world the relation of a defendant in court, who is only required to put in his plea of general denial, without pro-

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ducing any evidence until the plaintiff makes out his case, which the plaintiff can only do by proving the allegations in his petition. Let them rebuild the temple of Jerusalem and restore its worship; let them rebuild Ninevah. Babylon, or Tyre, and cause them to be inhabited, and let them restore the government of Egypt to her nativeborn sons; let them do all of this, or any one of them, and then will be the time for us to answer, by proving the truth of our religion.

It is not her enemies whom the church has cause to fear, but her professed friends, who have spied out her liberties, who wear her robes by her authority; partake of her altars, and profess her religion; who have the watchword of her sentinels; mess with her soldiers; draw rations from the commissariat and money from her treasthe better enabled to gain the confidence and to pervert the faith of the Both young and old came to the banquet hall,

church, and the more especially of the Methodist Church, peddles Hall's Problem of Human Life among the flock over whom he is pastor as the proper food for their spiritual life, a decent Were there, and men of lower grade. respect for the proprieties of life, the religion he professes, and the church he represents—excuse me, the church he misrepresents—and whose doctrines he professes to believe, would suggest that he retire to "brush college" and there professes to believe, would suggest that he retire to "brush college" and there begin his theological studies anew, for his intellect must be so obtuse that he cannot discern between the sword of the Spirit and the tail of the dragon. Had these letters appeared in any other than After the door was shut, one came alonea Methodist paper, this writer would have been silent, but the prominence And loved—who almost found the truth; given them by the manner and place of given them by the manner and place of their publication seems to me to demand some notice of them, which shall be as extensive as their publication, for our silence would, doubtless, be regarded by these writers, and perhaps by others, either as an approval of their sentiments, or an inability on the part of ments, or an inability on the part of answer them; and as no one has appeared to do so to this date, I take the reaponability of takena, I take the responsibility of taking the sword of The door is closed for aye. the Spirit and of meeting the foe, and it may be, that by giving him the "tierce" point, I shall pierce, at least, the gossamer sac containing the superabundance of gas which envelops him

and open a way for its escape.

The book to which these letters relate is labelled, "The Problem of Human Life," and the essence of that he represents these perceptions combined book must be made known to the reader before he can appreciate these the creation of an active imagination. letters to the full extent of their merits. Each component part is a realty: the re-

"The Problem of Human Life," for old; the combination is new. that book is a trinity in unity, being composed of three books, formerly published separately, and named respec-tively, "The Problem of Human Life," sees whole lines of comrades fall, like lution of Sound," all of which appear sees the conquered remnant, with furled here in one volume, bearing the afore-said label, the convection of which said label, the connection of which seems to be the continuous paging, and the unity the binding.

December 25, year of Rome 749: that is, B. C. 5. It cannot well be placed later, since Herod died in April, A. U. C. 750. the unity, the binding.

The original book, called the "Prob-lem of Human Life," (of which alone chapter II. Then follow twenty-six pages of controversy with correspondents, in which the author pleads by way of confession and avoidance to the allegations of his opponents. Then follow six pages said to be something about the will, but just what about it is unintelligible. "The Problem of Human Life," and the book, or, as it is in this volume, the chapters called "Evolu-tion Evolved," I have read with care and thought, but the "Evolution of skipped, and I have never since had

the desire to skip back again. view of the nature of my dissent from past or future. Reason asks what is true? the sentiments expressed therein, I Imagination, what is possible? Percepthe sentiments expressed therein, I will give some extracts from one of it, and imagination utilizes it.

tor which I believe God has raised you up and sustained you, and it is natural, and perhaps right, that you should and perhaps right, that you should synonymous with invention. According still 'lay about you' with the weapon to this view the cotton gin of Eli Whitthat shock the regions round about this wilderness of learned speculation;

ney is as much a creation of imagination as the Saint Peter of Michael Angelo. 'The blind receive their

gush has not the true cat-nip flavor, with the taffy addition? Can it be possible that there is a Methodist minister who believes that God has raised up and sustained Mr. Hall for the purpose of teaching that God made all material as well as immaterial sub-

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"And the Door Was Closed."

All day the rich and costly feast was spread; And, standing at the door, The host stood waiting—to the guests he said,

Retainers come and go, And he whose eloquence Sanhedrims stirred, Who came at night the word of life to know,

Still at the open door, To every passer-by the Master said, Entreatingly, there's room for many more.

anyone, and especially the minister, to But let him knock; although the hour is late.

#### A Paper on Imagination.

There lingers in the memory of the artist the picture of a snow-capped mountain, an Italian sunset, the ruins of an ancient castle, the rushing torrent of a mighty cataract merging into a gently flowing river. With canvas and brush letters to the full extent of their merits.

I do not mean the book now published in one volume, and labelled, picture is an ideality. The material is site of the Nativity is a cave southeast of

sees whole lines of comrades fall, like Evolution Evolved," and "The Evo- thistle-down before autumnal winds; he tion, which forms, not original combina-tions, but pictures of scenes presented by or earlier in A. U. C. 749, though the forthe language of another. Both active mer is less probable than the latter. I now write) in this volume contains only twenty pages, and is designated as different degrees by different persons. The date of the date facts of memory into various new assemblages and investing them with reality. Imagination is divided by Hamilton into three kinds, or classes. A natural imagination involuntarily presents ideas in the order in which impressions are received. logical imagination, like a philosophical memory, presents ideas in the order of their importance; that is, Sound "I have not read—not even so much as one page—because the author Psychologists differ as to whether imagisaid, at the end of "The Problem of nation is a distinct faculty of the mind Human Life," that I could "skip" or a power to which are subordinate perception, memory, reason, etc. In perception, the could be subordinate perception, memory, reason, etc. In perception, the object is presented; in imagination the object is presented; in imiagina-tion it is invented. Memory deals with what is actual and past; imagination with That the reader may have a clear what is ideal, whether portaining to the tion gathers the grain, memory garners it, and imagination utilizes it. Wayland these letters, and the book. But first from letter No. 2:

"You have done a noble work, Doctor,"

"You have done a noble work, Doctor," bining objects which are remembered with various new assemblages." Some philosophers make the term almost

Imagination is to some extent involunand if some Herod is permitted for a tary. This is illustrated by dreams, in time to arrest you, don't suffer a which troops of thoughts teem through shadow of doubt to flit across your the mind at random, but in our waking moral sky, but let me send you with a loving, loyal heart a message from the waster. 'The blind receive their vaders. Thus we are enabled to keep our sight—the lame walk—the lepers are cleansed—the deaf hear—the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached unto them, and blessed is he whosoever is not offended in me." As this was the message sent by Jesus to John, whom Herod had arrested, if the analogy is to hold good throughout, voluntary imagination images arise with-

About the Lesson.

LESSON IV., SUNDAY, JANUARY 26.

JOY OVER THE CHILD JESUS. Luke ii: 8-20.

peace, good-will toward men." (Verse 14.)

MEMORY VERSES, 10-14.

#### QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

the city of David a Savior."

8. What should be a sign unto them? The babe should be found "wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

9. What next occurred? "Suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of

the heavenly host, praising God."
10. What did they say? "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.' 11. What came to pass when the angels were gone? "The shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethle-

12. What did they do? "They came with haste."

13. Did they find it as the angel said?
Yes; they found Joseph, Mary and the

babe. 14. What did they do? They made it known to all.
15. How did the people feel? They wondered at all those things told them by

the shepherds.

16. What did Mary do? She "kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. 17. What did the shepherds now do?

They "returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and

#### LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Intervening Events.—As already intimated, the events recorded in Mattew i:18-24 probably followed the return of Mary to Nazareth. Then, nearly three months after, came the journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Joseph and Mary went thither to be enrolled, in accordance with the degree of Court Augustus. ance with the decree of Casar Augustus, which commanded all the Jews to go "every one to his own city" to be enrolled. (The Roman ruler was Quirinius—the Cyrenius of the Authorized Version—but it is disputed whether he was only superintendent of the census or the official governor of Syria.) In the stable belongng to the caravanserai at Bethlehem,

Jesus was born. Places .- The neighborhood of Bethlehem; the stable where the child was laid. Bethlehem is about six miles south of Jerusalem, on the road to Hebron; it the town. Over this a church was built by the Empress Helena in the fourth cenbe proven. The appearance to the shepherds has been located about a mile east of the convent, and Helena built a church

birth being placed near the close of the year, the beginning being fixed at the miraculous conception. The visit of the shepherds occurred on the night of the

Persons.—The shepherds (number un-known); one angel; then "a multitude of the heavenly host:" the child, his mother and Joseph.

Incidents.-The shepherds watching: the appearance of the angel; the fear of the shepherds, the comforting message of the angel; the song of the heavenly host; the visit of the shepherds to Bethlehem; the surprise at their story; the effect upon Mary; the return of the shepherds.

## ILLUSTRATIVE APPLICATIONS.

There were shepherds ... abiding in the there were sucherors... abiding in the field,... keeping watch by night over their flock. And an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them (vs. 8, 9). The post of duty is the post of honor in this world. There is no place of special privilege to be converted with the place where one's compared with the place where one's personal responsibilities center for the time being. When Zacharias had a round of duty in the temple at Jerusalem, an angel came to him with a message from God. When the shepherds of Bethlehem had a round of duty in the open fields tending their flock by night, an angel of the Lord came to them with a heavenly message. If Zacharias had left his post of temple-duty to look after sheep, he would have missed the angel's visit. If the shepherd's had neglected their flock in order to be at the temple, they would have failed to receive the honor God planned for them. It is not a question of the relative importance of temple-service or sheep-tending; but it is a question of one's personal duty in the premises. God wants every child of his to be where he belongs, day or night. Whatever honors or privileges God has in store for us he will send to us at our post of duty.

If we are not there just then, we shall miss the blessing; and it would be no excuse for us to say that we had deserted our post of duty in order to look up honors

one of these writers should be beheaded and the other crucified.

And, now, I submit to the intelligent reader. if this perfumed, mellifluous gush has not the true cat-nip flavor. material as well as immaterial substances out of himself, and that as a consequence, everything screating as well as "aggregatim" is God—that the most loathsome beast or reptile wears a body that was made out of God's body, and inhabited by a life that is a part of his eternal life, and that at death the life flows back into him, its eternal source—and this is the substance of what all this gush is about.

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"rise to nobler things."

This faculty is also susceptible to abuse. When allowed to dwell on scenes of sadoness or those of a vulgar nature, or when permitted to indulge in reverie, it is weakened and soon becomes dwarfed and degraded.

No faculty of the mind is more worthy of cultivation than the imagination. Psychologists have given methods of developing it. The study of the works of others and of nature tends to cultivate this faculty, but, in accordance with a law of nature, its greatest strength is derived from activity.

Similar to find the Son of God which the Son of God which we shall find in those flames, when duty calls us to be there. We are so of the events of the two beast or they were taken away to their which toses us, that we sare so for the terribleness of the storm to not heave a surprise that the son these of the same that the which toses us, that we shall find in those flames, when duty calls us to be there. We are so of the terribleness of the storm to surprise the storm to not rescue. We are so ready to rest on the seath of the which toses us, that we shall find in those flames, when duty calls us to be there. We are so of the storm to surprise the storm to not rescue. We are so ready to rest on the seath of the which the shall find in those flames, when duty calls us to be there. We are so of the terribleness of the storm to not have a seath that the depth of our loss and grief we say God conscious of the terribleness of the storm to not rescue. We are so ready to rest on the seath of the duty calls us to be there. We are so on the seath of the which toses us, that w

of our pet project, this loss of our accumu-lations, this latest misunderstanding with friend, this disappointment, or accident, or bereavement, can be anything to be grateful for. It really looks frightful, for the time being. Yet we may learn, sooner or later, that it has brought the blessing of blessings to us. If indeed GOLDEN TEXT.

God has those feelings of humanity under which he lovingly pictures himself to us, how it must grieve him to see us start back in terror when he comes to

us in tenderness to bestow the most precious tokens of his limitless love. There is born to you this day a Savior, which is Christ the Lord (v:11). Every 1. Who sent out a decree that all the world should be taxed? Augustus Cæsar.

2. Who went up to Bethlehem with his wife? Joseph of Nazareth.

3. What happened in the inn-yard at Bethlehem? The babe was born.

4. Who were watching their flocks near the world's history, there was never, before or since that birth-night of Jesus, another such message to the race of man another such message to the race of m below or since that birth-night of Jesus, another such message to the race of man as that which then greeted the ears of the shepherds of Bethlehem. Only Jesus the son of Mary has ever claimed, or been claimed, to be the personal Savior of all who would accept him. Booddha, Zorother with the city of David a Savior." sought to show men how they might save themselves. Jesus came to save, and he is ready to save—" you."

They made known concerning the saying which was spoken to them about this child (v:17). It is to the shepherds' credit that they did tell what they had learned about the new-born Savior. It would have been to their shame if they had not done so. If one man of a party perishing with thirst on the desert should learn of a well near by, what would be thought of him if he were to creep to that well and drink, and say nothing of it to the others? If one man out of many in the upper stories of a burning building were to learn of a passageway to a fire-escape, what a monster he would be deemed if lie were to make it available for himself only, without calling the at-tention of all to it! If we have the knowledge of a Savior for all, we shall want all others to have that knowledge; and this it is that makes the missionary spirit that is one of the distinguishing marks of true Christianity.

#### ADDED POINTS.

God's best gifts are often sent to us in the darkness of night, rather than in the glare of broad day. It is when the sun-light is hid that stars are seen in the sky. When gloom seems to be shutting about us, let us look up for new disclosures of God's light of love. Every messenger of God says to the

child of God to whom he brings a mes-sage, "Fear not." If only we realized that God's messenger is God's messenger, we should find no room in our hearts for

God's representative is quite is likely to be in a stable as in a palace. And God is able to make use of one who starts on the lowest plane of earthly service, for the accomplishing of a greater work than ever an earthly ruler wrought among the sons of men. There are two kinds of questioning.

One is that which does not care to believe, and which has no wish to learn the real truth. The other is that which counts a message almost too good to be true, but which is ready to follow up the facts and accept them as fast as they are confirmed. The method of the shepherds is an example to us all.

If the truth be made known concerning Jesus Christ and his salvation, it will be a source of wonder to-day, as it was when the shepherds were the earliest human preachers of this truth. There is not enough of this kind of message-bearing even now. Men need to be told over again of the Savior who came to be their Savior. There is no substitute for this kind of preaching and teaching.

wrought for us, we cannot keep from rejoicing. If a sense of it is once in our space hearts, it will be always running overand never growing less .- Sunday-School

## Old and Voung.

LITTLE PITCHERS.

Little pitchers whose ears are long shall be the burden of my song; Frolicsome boys and laughing girls With rosy checks and clustering curls, With eyes of black and brown and blue-Who so worthy of song as you, "Little nitchers"? "Little pitchers'

Would father a secret of State confide To a chosen comrade true and tried? Has mother something of moment deep Too weighty for her alone to keep?— Of quiet nooks they may well beware. For without a doubt they are listening there— "Little pitchers."

Little pitchers ask questions queer That sometimes cause us to quake with fear; Little care they for hint or frown— Like Banquo's ghost they will not "down;" Words that are icy and looks that freeze Alike are wasted on rogues like these— " Little pitchers."

"Little pitchers" remember well. And their fearful tales they are sure to tell, Be it later or be it soon, Always at moments inopportune.
Frightful phantoms with twinkling feet,
Beautiful, horrible, terrible, sweet
"Little pitchers!"

-John S. Adams, in January Wide Awake.

## TOBY AND CHARLIE.

THEOPHILUS LUKE, M. D.

They were not heroes nor statesman, nor characters known to fame, but simply two horses—two faithful itinerant horses. They were mates, belonging to the same master, and for over ten years itinerated in the Northwest Texas Conference. They traveled the Hillsboro, Covington, Mountain Creek, Acton, Fort Worth, Weatherford, Marystown and Arlington circuits. During their lives they have gone on many hard errands for Zion's good. Fed or hungry, rested or weary, in summer's heat or winter's cold, on turnpike or through slush and mud, they stood to their hard lot without a murmur. They have conveyed many a herald of the Cross in Central Texas to his appointment or to the depot our post of duty in order to look up honors and privileges elsewhere.

And they were sore afraid (v. 9). Afraid of the angels! Afraid at the moment or ride, or before the plow, or on the gala picnic day, the same uniform, faithful, true servants, doing duty for the poor little reward of scant food in this life alone. One died at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, December 14, and the other left not the spot of his comrade's death except as he was bridled and taken away, and next morning he was found cold and dead a few rods away. Amid a flood of tears from the little ones (and perhaps the older ones) they were taken away to their

#### GEORGIA'S SECOND JASPER.

A great deal has been said and written about the siege of Battery Wagner. The record of those days is full of suffering and destruction, but luminous with points of martial courage and personal bravery.
Indeed, the history of the civil war is rich with heroic incident. Accustomed as its soldiers were to feats of prowess, fond of personal adventure, the Confederate army furnished its quota of brave and imperturbable spirits, willing to take any odds for the execution of orders, or the accomplishment of difficult plans. Inferior shred, and Private John Martin in numbers and equipments to the enemy, and reported to his commander. the Southern army was kept together, especially during the latter days, by a daring and determined spirit which fired its soldiers and made it almost invincible. Hundreds of these incidents will never

be written. They were lost in the wreck of civil strife, and scores of anecdotes now floating about during the regimental re-unions will be forgotten when the men who repeated them at the camp-fires are The last days of Battery Wagner were

described by Colonel Charles C. Jones in his address to the Confederate Survivors' Association on Memorial Day, 1888. His description is vivid and impressive, when he says:

'Our men were exhausted by continued vigils, enfeebled by a scarcity of food and water, and well-nigh stunned by the ceaseless roar of the bombardment. The bombproofs had suffered so severely that they were capable of but partial reparation. Outside of them, the men could not live; within, existence was barely tolerable. So persistently had the Federals pushed their sap, that it almost crowned the counter-scarp of Wagner. Such of the heavy guns of that fort as were still serviceable could not be depressed sufficiently to bear upon the working parties, and the sharp-shooters of the enemy effectually commanded all the embrasures. So violent was the hurricane of bursting shells and impinging solid shot—sweeping the parade at all points, and searching even the gun-chamber-and so unremitting was the fire from telescopic rifles, that the Confederates could no longar man their guns, or show their heads above the parapet without in-curring the penalty of certain death. Wagner had been practically silenced, and was sullenly suffering inevitable demoli-

But the incident I am going to relate was known only to the members of the Twenty-eighth Georgia Rigiment, and at that time not all of them were present. This gallant regiment was commanded by Colonel William P. Crawford, now a resident of Augusta, and himself one of the coolest, bravest and moet modest survivors of the war. Among the men then on duty, were several who are now citizens of Augusta. It was during the very hot test of the fight that Colonel Crawford decided to send an order over to a detachment at his command, stationed in a dif-

ferent part of the fort.

Nearly every gun had been disabled, and Colonel Jones, in his description, declared that, in the midst of this tempest of shot and shell, there were hours when even a bird could not have flown with safety across the parade ground of the fort. Old soldiers who were there will remember that this description did but justice to the terrible raking, fire. "Wagner, indeed, was but little else than a volcano."

How to get this order executed was a problem. Colonel Crawford called for volunteers. There were men there who did not mind adventure. For fifty days they had braved shot and shell, and there were no places about the fort bomb-proof or safe; but to walk out on the paradeground so as to reach another point of Morris Island meant certain death and mutilation. Men who, every day, were putting their lives upon a hazard, naturally shrank from any such escapade.

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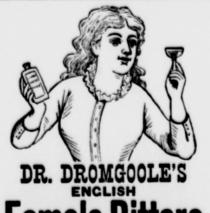
But the order had to be obeyed. "Well,
When we realize what a salvation is boys, shall I go myself?" said the popular commander, walking towards the open

"No, colonel; I will go!"

A tall fellow, with black hair and mustache, came out of the bastion. Saluting his commander with the precision of a man on dress parade, Private John Martin received the colonel's orders, and walked over the parade-ground. Quiet seemed to reign in the fort. What few guns had been served from time to time on the Confederate side, were stilled, for the gunners were noting the lonely figure as it stalked across the plain. It seemed to his companions that John Martin was seven feet tall. Around him, on every side, poured the unremitting hail of Parrott guns and Coeburn mortars. It looked to his comrades like Martin had gone on his long journey; but, if he ever thought of his almost hopeless errand, he did not show it. With steps slow and stately, as if on picket duty, John Martin measured off the space that seemed to separate him from eternity. The few hundred yards were made in safety, but it seemed to the men is the fort that they would never be completed. Then commenced the return of the faithful messenger, as he faced about from the barbette after delivering the order that shifted or silenced the Confederate fire in that part of the fort.

Would nothing arouse that stolid spirit, and make him walk faster in this race for his life! Only one thing perhaps, and that happened just then.

Casting his eye towards the sky-it was about 2 o'clock in the afternoon-John Martin locked up immediately to the bright sun which flamed beyond the bastions fringed with fire. Possibly he thought of his home up in Georgia and wondered whether he would ever return to his friends alive. Just then a shot struck the flag which floated serenely above the battle, and the radiant bunting determined by the struck of his production. fluttered half-way down the staff like a shadow of ill-omen to Battery Wagner. John Martin had performed his mission. He had no obligation now, except to get back to the bomb-proof as fast as possi-



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ble. As if emboldened by this dismantling of the flag, the Federal batteries and ships redoubled their fusilade, but Martin's blood was up. For the first time during this dangerous outing his spirit seemed to flame. Personal danger had failed to arouse him; the sight of the disheveled flag fired his very soul.

With the spring of a panther he rushed to the center of the parade-ground and climbing to the halyards, succeeded in raising the flag to its defiant height again. Shells now fell like rain, but somehow the stars and bars rode the storm without a shred, and Private John Martin got back

The boys say there was something unsteady in Colonel Crawford's voice when he said; "All right, John. I will give you a furlough if we ever get out of here." And as for John Martin, he went back into fort and lit his pipe and returned to his post in his old, quiet, faithful way. No stars or epaulettes ever marked his soldier cloth. To-day he lives on Captain Sam May's place, in Columbia county, where he has worked ever since the war was over. The man who wants to know anything about his heroric conduct at Battery Wagner must hear the details of this incident, as I have done from some

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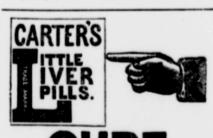
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"My little sister, four years of age, was so ill from bronchitis that we had almost given up hope of her recovery. Our family physician, a skilful man and of large experience, pronounced it uscless to give her any more medicine; saying that he had done all it was possible to do, and we must prepare for the worst. As a last resort, we determined to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and I can truly say, with the most happy results. After taking a few doses she seemed to breathe easier, and, within a week, was out of danger. We continued giving the Pectoral until satisfied she was entirely well. This has given me unbounded faith in the preparation, and I recommend it. in the preparation, and I recommend confidently to my customers."—C. Lepper, Druggist, Fort Wayne, Ind. For Colds and Coughs, take

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#### THE GREAT CRIME.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has suddenly, after all these long years of spotless purity, fallen into an irreparable sin. It has actually and voluntarily, with motive aforethought, made some money. And not only so, but the crime has been greatly aggravated by appropriating the enormous sum of \$5,000.00 to enrich the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased traveling preachers! Notwithstanding this very thing has been the purpose of the church constitutionally expressed since it was organized, nothing much was ever said or thought about it until the five thousand dollar dividend was actually declared; but a roaring east wind has since set in and has become so fierce that even the general organ has called for a change in the settled policy of the church. It had been thought the business of the general organ to defend and not oppose the constitutional policy of the church, i. e., that the organ represented that policy rather than the opinions of an individual; but no one, not even the editor of a general organ, can be expected to violate his conscience by advocating a sin.

But lest some one dull of hearing fail to see that the church has committed, through her constitution and publishing house, a great sin in that she has produced by the publication of good books and periodicals profits amounting to \$5,000,00 and has given the same to the Lord's Howard Crosby uses the following lanpoor, we proceed to submit the following guage: proof of the allegation :

1. It is a sin for the church to make money. It goes without successful contradiction that the church should always and methods. The grouping of the three is, in this respect, unfortunate. The lawsin, make money. Notwithstanding the first command issued to man by the divine Creator was to subdue the earth able end; but the preacher sets aside all and have dominion over it, the manufacture of filthy lucre belongs to the world and the devil, and the church must not thought of property accumulation and seeks only the good of his fellow-men. The lawyer and the physician may have an earnest desire to do good to others, and make it, no matter what the motive.

may take great satisfaction in righting wrong and healing the sick; but yet universal, enforced by nature and revelamoney out to the broker, that the capital may yield interest, great or small. Notwithstanding the Master used the omnipowithstanding the Master used the omnipotence of the Godhead to heal the sick and tence of the Godhead to heal the sick and give sight to the blind, and pure and wholly diverse from this. Here the undefiled religion is to visit the fatherless and widow in their affliction, the church must not make money even to the profession is benevolence, and the one give the poor. Sin is sin. Again, if the aim is to do good to others. As in the church has the right to make money by publishing books and periodicals, it has the same right to make money by manu- because of the incongruity between facturing shoes and other necessary arti- character and their profession. If they cles. True, it may be answered, that if the church has the right to publish books but would be laudable. This fact subat cost without profit, it has the same stantiates our main position regarding the right to manufacture shoes without profit; and if it is wrong for the church to publish books at a profit, then it is wrong to publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all; but such publish books at a profit at all publish books at a profit at all publish books at a profit at all publish books •bjections as these will spoil any system
of theology, and therefore must be set
aside, because sin is sin. (See above.) Again, it may be objected that if the their personal advantage than they ought house makes books for nothing, the authors of books will have to quit the cases the controlling desire of the minister market, because they cannot write them is the good of his fellow-men, and the defor nothing. But the house will buy all of well-doing comes in aside. The world books in manuscript, paying the authors is every ready to look at the less worthy a good price, which will be counted in the motive and ignore the dominant desire. cost. Then that will not cheapen the article much; besides, it will encourage we agree with Dr. Crosby. We also agree every man who can read and write to that, as a matter of fact, the world genwrite "a little book and sign his little erally agrees with him in his discriminaname to it," and the house will be bur- tions between the aims of the preacher dened with books without sufficient merit and other professions. We cannot agree, tions must fall in the presence of the that discrimination. argument that sin is sin-and it is sin to make money.

against the poor-house was that he asked for more. Sin, you know, is sin. Again, the great sin which the Sixth Kestrictive Rule has entailed upon the church will cut off the liberality of the people. That indeed would be a great misfortune and a

greater fault. A liberality so profuse as that bestowed upon the claimants certainly should not be curtailed by any means. Of course when all the people are furnished literature "dirt cheap," their liberality will expand proportionately. The demand for cheapness tends to prosuid before, sin is sin.

are the stewards, so to speak, of the claimsupplementing the meagre pittance given acter. the claimants by the conferences with the products of the house, and so teach their own stewards, by example, that they themselves will be perfectly satisfied with a little bread and water.

But if any further proof be needed to convict the M. E. Church, South, of a great sin in the foregoing allegations, we submit the following mathematical problem and demonstration, viz.: Tweedledee is tweedledum; therefore, tweedledum is tweedledee.

#### MISTAKEN COMPLIMENTS.

There are no greater qualities in a writer or speaker than perspicuity and simplicity. St. Paul declared that it was better to speak five words with the understanding than ten thousand in an unknown tongue. Yet it is sometimes thought to be a compliment to books and men to say that they must be studied to be understood. It is no compliment to a preacher to say that he is a poor preacher for fools, but a great preacher for sensible men. Neither is it very complimentary to a book to say of it, "That's a good book, provided it be understood." No more unfavorable criticism could be passed upon a speaker or book. To question the clearness of either is to question excellence. It is the business of the public speaker to be understood by his audience, otherwise he "speaks into the air." A book written for the people, and yet in a style not easily understood by the people, is like a lantern whose light has been extinguished. Neither is it the greatest thought which seeks to make a show of adjectives, especially superlatives. It is the small idea which hides itself with glittering passamenterie. It makes a show of dress to distract attention from its dwarfishness. Great ideas never make a show of dress, nor of the carriages in which they ride. Wherefore we should be careful in our zeal to compliment a friend lest we bestow an unfavorable criticism when a compliment is intended.

## A HERESY IN MORALS.

In an article published in a recent number of the Independent, on the "Trials

It is customary to speak of the three ssions of law, medicine and theology, and hence to reckon the practitioners in the three as having similar aims, motives yer and the physician practice their pro-lessions for the sake of worldly emolu-ment, a perfectly legitimate and honorrighting wrong and healing the sick are not their chief aim. It is not for the general character of these prof money question is wholly subordinate. It is reduced to the minimum of mere bread

and butter. The controlling motive of other professions, so here the few exceptions cannot modify the statement. Money-seeking ministers are despised.

On the objects and aim of the ministry, to sell them even at cost. But all objec- however, with him in the endorsement of Classin. The Texas Christian Advocate

Jesus Christ was the model man, and his was the model life, not only for the it more agreeable to abbreviate their 2. To help the conference claimants is a preacher, but also for the lawyer and ein; first, because sin is sin, and next, be- physician and all other men. He miniscause they should be kept poor. Why tered to the bodies as well as to the should wornout and superannuated souls of men for the same supreme end of tastes. Subsequently they were both preachers and widows and orphans of de- doing them good. Money-making can married, and are now residents of Engceased preachers have enough to eat and never be legitimately the chief end of any clothes to wear? They should be taught to profession or occupation. The preacher, Biddulph Martin, wife of a London remember that the great sin of Oliver Twist | the lawyer, or the physician, who makes | banker, and Miss Tennie being the wife against the poor-house was that he asked money-getting the chief end of his pro- of Sir Francis Cook. It seems that be-

which control its proper uses. Every legitimate profession and occupation among men has a benevolent purpose which should be the chief aim of those who follow it. We hold the doctor, theremote liberality. True, it would be just as fore, to be guilty of a heresy in morals, in reasonable to demand pastors to live at that he says that it is "a perfectly legiticost, and missionaries to go at cost, and mate and honorable end" for the "laweditors to work at cost, and teachers to yer and physician to practice their proteach at cost, and everything to be fessions for the sake of wordly emolubrought down to dirt-cheapness, in order ment." We are sorry to say that Dr. to promote liberality. Everybody knows Crosby, however, is not by any means in that when everything else is reduced to small company. No heresy the church the minimum cheapness, liberality will has ever had to contend with has been so rise to the maximum at once. But as we great an obstruction to the conversion of the world as this. The point at which By the way, this subject offers a good well nigh the whole church needs to be opportunity for the preachers to exhort regenerated is the scriptural doctrine of their stewards by example. The pastors money-getting and money-using, and yet the Master makes the proper use of earthants. Let all the pastors now oppose ly possessions the test of Christian char-

REV. SAMUEL ARMSTRONG.

Rev. Samuel Armstrong, a superannuated member of the North Texas Conference, died at his home in West Dallas, Jan. 17, 1890. He was born in Abbeville, S. C., Dec. 13, 1813. He was converted in early life and licensed to preach Feb. 14, 1836, at Charleston, S. C. He en- graph: tered the traveling ministry in the South Carolina Conference, and was ordained deacon by Bishop Andrew, and then elder by Bishop Morris, at Columbia, S. C.; was stationed at Charleston and other places in that conference. He was transferred to the Alabama Conference, and was presiding elder on the Montgomery district eight years, and on the Eufaula district four years. He was transferred to the Louisiana Conference in 1860, and in 1873 to the North Texas Conference, and was appointed to the Dallas City mission and established the Floyd Street Church, after which he traveled but one year, when his wife having died, and being feeble in health, he was put on the supernumerary and then on the superannuated list. The daughter, with whom he made his home, and from whom the above facts were obtained, says further:

During the past year he now and then received letters from the older States from men now in the ministry who said that they were converted under his preaching. Always consistent and uniform in his piety, always a peace-maker, always cheering others by telling them when despondent, "Only be patient and the clouds will pass over." More than fifty-two years of ministerial life—a life pure and spotless-he hands down to his only surviving child and grandchildren a name and record as pure as earth can give. Although he had been sorely afflicted in the latter years of his life by the death of his only son, and others of his family, still he was never known to complain. His last sickness was long and wearisome, but his mind clear unto dissolution. At 7:15 a. m., Friday, Jan. 7, without a struggle, his spirit left his body to dwell with the Savior whom he had served, and join those of loved ones who had gone before.

The ADVOCATE extends sympathy to all who are bereaved.

## THE COLLECTION.

A READER of the ADVOCATE, of sound 'In my judgment the ADVOCATE grows better and better as the weeks go by, and is now the peer of any of the Advocate family."

THE Methodist Recorder (Pittsburg) opens the question, whether the year 1900 belongs to this or the next century? Does the Recorder remember how that other question was decided, viz: How many devils can dance on the point of a needle at one time?

WE are obliged for a ticket to the Florida Industrial and Semi-Tropical Exposition, Ocala Florida, good from Jan. 15 to April 1.

WE have received two copies of the minutes of the Northwest Texas Conference, Rev. F. P. Ray, J. K. Lane and J. M. Barcus, secretaries. We are obliged for the copies, and pronounce the work well done.

REV. J. J. DAVIS, Crawford, sends a good list of subscribers, and adds: "This is one day's work."

is about the size of the hymn and tune biographical sketch, so to speak, by Dr. W. F. Tillett, giving all that is known inspire devotion as well as give a great deal of information. Any one wishing to ing should have a copy of this edition. Let every Methodist family buy at least

THE Rev. J. P. Mussett, writing of a young man who recently died in his charge, says:

"I had the statement from his own lips that he had brought the disease upor himself by smoking cigarettes. He said that even after he was fully convinced of the injurious effects thereof upon himself, could not resist the desire to smoke This statement is made in the hope that others may be warned against the use of this poisonous preparation.'

Texas readers will remember the cele brated Victoria Woodhull and Tennie at the time made it so hot for them and their free-love utterances that they found Texas tour and return to a part of the country where they could find a social atmosphere more congenial to their land, Mrs. Woodhull being now Mrs.

accomplish some other higher and better Inspector Byrnes, of the New York police. The inspector naturally receives the news of his danger with smiles and a sneer, has placed a cloud upon her once brilliant purpose is in itself a violation of the laws | The inspector naturally receives the news vouchsafing only the remark that in case history that will be no legacy to posterity and has cost her millions of honest inverse entertaining developments. It is to very entertaining developments. It is to be hoped that since both of the parties named are, according to their own statement, "happily married," they have the south, whom they have wronged of millions of money which by right belong the south, who whom they have wronged of millions of money which by right belong the south. changed their very radical and disgusting to all other honest professions of men, and let the star of her unsullied glories opinions as to that holy relation—opinions which, if they be as wise as they claim to people with such legalized conspiracy and be happy, they will not cause to be aired disgrace. in an American court.

TEH Wills Point Chronicle says: The TEXAS ADVOCATE of last week made a mistake in connecting the Baptist Church of Wills Point with the entertainment given by the amateurs. The young men and ladies gave the entertaintment and appropriated the proceeds to the church. Our community commended them for the public spirit manifested." The report as printed warranted the construction placed upon it by the ADVOCATE. We cheerfully publish the above correc-

THE ROUND TABLE is a new paper to be

"The South has had no paper of high literary claims not the organ of some party or For obvious reasons, there great demand for such a paper, one that shall be thoroughly truth-loving, broad,

Thirty-five eminent writers have been secured the present year. Fourteen of whom live in Nashville and eight are connected with Vanderbilt University. It will be one-half the size of the Independent and the subscription price is \$2.

REV. J. G. MILLER: We have put the REV. J. G. MILLER: We have put the thing of the appreciation of Bro. Shaw by ADVOCATE in every Methodist home in his old Kentucky Conference. I wish all Blum but one.

Our worthy confrere of the Arkansas Methodist struggles with the grippe. We hope, however, he will get the victory and be ready for work on his next issue; but he works well even when sick. In the meantime he has our sympathy.

As I get older our church papers grow more interesting and important to me in every way. How any Methodist can get his consent to do without his church paper is as inexplicable to me as that any decent man can stay in a church he does not help to support .- Dr. A. G. Haygood.

A CORRESPONDENT, in a private note, says: "When I preach a good sermon, full of unction and power, the people get the blessing; but when I falter or fail, as I often do, I get the blessing myself." We think that brother is on a high plane of grace. Any man who can extract a FEW MINUTES WITH THE PRESSblessing out of failure turns his failures into successes. He does not receive "the grace of God in vain."-New Orleans Ad-

ONE of the publishers of this paper possesses a very ingenious and scientific device for taking instantaneous photojudgment and in his right mind, writes: graphs, and charges nothing for them. Among those who have been accommodated are Revs. W. F. Clark, C. I. Mc-Whirter, Jno. R. Allen, D. P. Brown, E. others. Bro. J. H. White came near losing a train, as he did not learn of this White, however, by using double-quick action, reached the office, had his picture taken true to life, and got back in time for the cars.

REV. S. NELSON, Marysville: I am more than mere names. going to do my "level best" to place the ADVOCATE in every Methodist family, for where it goes the preacher and his duties and his necessities are better understood. and he is more heartily supported than in those families where it is a stranger.

A FRIEND of ours, an ex-school teacher and present real estate merchant, came into our office the past week with malice aforethought to knock the ADVOCATE's orthography into smithering. We confessed to fallibility and occasional mis-Dr. Barber has gotten out a second takes, typographical and otherwise, but edition of the Annotated Hymn Book. It consented to hear our critic's charge. He charged that once upon a time, in an ediedition, and each hymn has appended a torial, speaking of a dog being hit the ADVOCATE said the dog h-o-l-l-o-w-ed. you left it out of the prayer you teach your children? Are you ready to amend the Lord's Prayer?" Whatever may have about the origin and circumstances, authorship, doctrine and changes of the he had better withdraw his criticism, but this good lady, we commend the question hymn. The notes will, no doubt, help to he became more positive that a dog hallooes, but never hollows. Whereupon Webster's Unabridged was opened and sing with the spirit and the understand- his finger put on the place which reads:

' Hollow, interj. Hollo. "Hollow, v. i., to shout; to hollo. "Whisperings and hollowings are alike

to a deaf ear.—Fuller.
"Hollow, v. t. To urge or call by shouting. "He has hollowed the hounds upon a velvet-headed knobbler.—W. Scott."

and fixed smile was there in the same

WE find the following extract and com ment in the Oak Cliff Weekly:

If the Louisiana State Lottery is forced to leave Louisiana let Texas make the company this proposition: Let Texas rouchsafe the company the right to run its lottery in Texas for, say, twenty-five, fifty or one hundred years, one-half the profits accruing to go to securing deep water somewhere on the Texas coast. Don't fly off at this and say, "We don't wan't a gambling concern in Texas." Think of what a mammoth thing it would be. We believe it would insure deep water for Texas in less than a decade. With deep water, Texas would be forced to have a board of health; this is what

Yes, with such a pernicious carbuncle

The Weekly hits them none too hard, and we add that we do not care to have physical health at so great a cost as the moral debasement of the State. Texas can afford to do without a board of health, and our families without health journals a long time before they get ready to take such medicine.

HERE is an opportunity to get some good books and help a good man. The following is from Bro. E. K. Denton, under date of Jan. 13. Let Methodists come to Bro. Shaw's relief:

The Rev. L. D. Shaw, of the West Texas Conference, is with his family in Gonzales, Texas, confined to his bed, and issued at Nashville, Tenn., about the 1st of Febuary next. The reasons for its publication are given in the following paragraph:

does not expect to ever get up again. He authorizes me to publish his books for sale at a reduced price on each volume. He has quite a good library of the most useful selection—books that every preacher wants, who hasn't them already. Undergraduates in the conference would do well to communicate with us as to the books they will need. The books are in my care, at the parsonage, in Gonzales, and I will take pleasure in replying to the brethren who may write to me as regards the books desired and the price of each. Brethren, if you need books let us hear from you. Bro. Shaw and family the money. As the brethren of the West Texas Conference remember, Bro. Shaw was not put on the superannuated list at the last conference, hence he receives no support from the conference.

I send with this a clipping from the Central Methodist, which shows somecould see and hear how a good man talks as to his future when death seems to be near at hand. Bro. Shaw said to me yesterday, "All was clear; he dreaded not death; he only felt sad because of his family. Said the gospel he had preached to others for twenty years was of gre comfort now to him." O brethren, bless God for the faith of this pure, good

man at such a crisis!
"Some of the friends of Rev. L. D. Shaw, now in Texas, in very feeble health, have determined to send him a donation, and thus show their appreciation of his valuable labors while in Kentucky and in good health. The amounts reported to us, thus far, are: John W. McDanell, \$10; R. B. Baird, \$5. These brethren are at Ghent, Kentucky. Let those who would like to join in this movement either report to this office, or to Bro. Baird, as above, and the matter will have prompt attention. The plan is to raise at least one hundred dollars."

READ Dr. Morton's notice.

What the Papers Think and Say. The Sunday-School Times gives this

good definition of charity and breadth: There is such a thing as intolerance of all narrowness: that is not breadth, it is only one form of intolerance; and all intolerance is narrow. Narrowness has its mission in the world. Many a mind would fail to be of any service unless it worked within narrow limits. mind is capable of breadth rejoices in narrowness where narrowness is a neces-L. Armstrong, J. M. McKee, and some sity; within the proper limits of narrow ness he also is narrow, but beyond those limits he sees yet more to rejoice in. The test of a man's breadth of view is the charchance until at the depot, when he was ity of his estimate of uncharitableness, informed of it by Bro. J. M. McKee. Bro. rather than the fulness of his approval of charity in general. Unless a man can be charitable toward uncharitableness he is not truly charitable. Unless a man is broad-minded enough to see the good of narrowness, he is not so broad-minded as he ought to be. Charity and breadth are

The missionary Reporter commends question:

"I feel but little interest in foreign mis sions," remarked a Christian mother to her minister, who was seeking to intro-

duce missionary literature into her home. "Have you ever taught your child to repeat the Lord's Prayer?" he inquired. "Of course I have," she answered, in a tone of surprise. "Would it not be well," he answered, "to leave out of that prayer the words 'Thy kingdom come'? That is a missionary prayer. The business of the missionary is to spread the kingdom of Christ among all nations. Christ considered the work of missions of such importance that he made it the special subject of prayer among his people in all lands and in all ages. As you differ with Christ on that subject, would it not be as well if to other Christian mothers: "Are you ready to amend the Lord's Prayer?" Would it not be better to amend our opinions and adjust them to the mind of

The New Orleans Advocate, speaking of the Sam Jones meeting, has this to say about the press of that city:

The attitude of the press of this city toward this revival movement is opening velvet-headed knobbler.—W. Scott."

A dry grin at once fixed itself upon our friend's face as if it had come to stay, and the last time we saw him the same deep the daily papers about the meeting. The Picayune started out well; but by the end of the week it was completely silenced. It seems that the virtue of the daily press has been shocked to silence by slang and buffoonery of Sam Jones. That is the ostensible reason for this sience. Some think that the real reason is, that Sam Jones' merciless exceriations of the Louisiana State Lottery have caused that institution to send out its orders, and that the newspapers dare not disobey.

The Southwestern Methodist has a

word on soul winning:

"He that winneth souls must have some sense," is the way Rev. Jno. B. Culpepper puts the text. Yes, and much sense at that. If we could get a correct analysis of all the preaching that is done, if we could know how much of it is lost energy, and how much of it working, to have a board of health; this is what we are most interested in, though a round-about to secure it.—Texas Health lowerd.

Spiritual power, we should be astonished, I doubt not. We know a preacher of brain-power, a man who thinks much, who preaches much, and if he only could or would connect himself with his congre-

left. While that curse has been patiently himself and the people, frequently pronouncing himself mean and intimating that they are meaner, though they do not think that at all. Yet this brother does not lack sympathy. He has a tender heart; he will rally to the persecuted on every occasion. He cannot bear to behold imposition upon a brother. But he waits till some one actually needs help before he seems to grow tender. As ministers we must be tender-hearted, gentle toward all men. The Lord Jesus did not hesitate to show his tenderness toward even the wayward.

> The Pittsburg Advocate, speaking about church periodicals, among other things

It will be well to recognize at the outset that this is the age of the press, and particularly of the newspaper department of it. The "craze" of the times is the publication of newspapers. Every village must have its own paper; and so mus every order, every society, every reform, and every little coterie which has a cause to advocate. It is not strange, then, that the same spirit of enterprise should seize the localities and institutions of the church. As a result many sections of the country, not contented with the service the established periodicals give them, have commenced the publication of little local papers, and several of the church societies have started periodicals of their own, that they may, as they suppose, the better serve their own special interests. Is this course wise? Is it expedient? That the multiplication of local papers has become an evil admits of no dispute Whatever may be said of the necessity for a few of them, and of their ability and usefulness, no one can defend the policy which plants them by the dozen and raises a crop of small and insufficientlysupported papers, which are not able pro-perly to do the work themselves, and which crowd out strong papers which could do the church creditable service in

#### SOUTHERN METHODISM

News, Views and Personals

-St. Louis Advocate: We have received the following; no particulars: "Rev. Thomas Hurst, of Ridgely, Mo. died Jan. 4, 1890, in peace

-St. Louis Advocate: Rev. T. G. Whit ten was in the city last week looking after the material for his new church. house is well advanced, covered and floored. The congregation expect to begin worship in the basement before long.

-New Orleans Advocate: Bishop Galloway is president of the Board of Trus tees of the new Methodist male college in Mississippi. The college has been named "Millsaps Methodist College," in honor of R. W. Millsaps, who inaugurated the scheme by a donation of \$50,000 for endowment. So the college is no longer in posse; it is in esse. We are glad to chronicle the fact of the existence of another church school where our boys may be "trained up in the way they should go."

-M. B. Chapman, Little Rock, in St ouis Advocate: Just now our church in Arkansas is considerably stirred up over the removal of Hendrix College from Altus. The Board of Curators met in this city last week to consider the question, full power having been given them by the three conferences. Both sides were heard and the result was a virtual decision to remove the college to some more central and desirable location. The Board ad-journed to March 30th, when they will receive propositions from the various points desiring the college. Searcy, Ar-kadelphia, Morrilltown and Little Rock will probably be the leading contestants.

-The Rev. T. F. Carson, Los Angeles. Cal., sends this item: FINLEY—PIRTLE—Married, December 26, 1889, at Duarte, Los Angeles county, Cal., Rev. John F. G. Finley, of Phoenix, Arizona, to Miss Lizzie father, Dr. J. M. Pirtle, officiating. The groom was formerly a member of the orth Texas Conference. He is now presiding elder of the Arizona district, Lo Angeles Conference—a man of sterling worth. The bride is well and favorably known. Her superior qualities of mind and heart have won for her the esteem of all who know her. Heaven's blessings be upon them.

## HOME CONFERENCES.

Texas Personals. -Bro. W. W. Julian, of Frankford, called on the ADVOCATE.

-The Rev. M. K. Little, of Missouri Avenue Church, Fort Worth, is having a revival in his charge. -Revs. B. H. Bounds, H. C. Parrott.

O. S. Thomas, R. W. Thompson, J. M. McKee, B. A. Thomasson and John H. White called to see us the past week. -The Rev. O. S. Thomas reported at this office that he had raised in cash and

good subscription \$700 to rebuild the church destroyed by the recent eyclone. -Chappell Hill correspondent to Bren ham Banner: The new pastor of the Methodist Church, Rev. J. M. Armstrong. is meeting with a warm reception from the members of his church and the com-

-The teachers and students of Chapresolutions, regretful, appreciative and commendatory, on Dr. O. L. Williams, who leaves that place to make his home in Dallas.

-Chappell Hill correspondent to Bren ham Banner: The Rev. C. H. Brooks, presiding elder of this district, has returned to our midst, and he and his family met with a cordial welcome from their many friends.

—We sympathize with the Rev. S. H. Nettles of the East Texas Conference, whose wife, Sister Leah Nettles, died at Longview, Jan. 16. May our brother have all the consolation of the gospel in his great sorrow.

-The Rev. W. M. Leatherwood writes —The Kev. W. M. Leatherwood writes under date of Jan. 16: "Died, at the family residence, in Preston Bend, Grayson county, on the 12th inst., (Sunday morning at 2 a. m.), Mrs. Nannie Noble, wife of Rev. A. G. Noble. Obituary will be forwarded soon." We pray that Bro. Noble may find the grace of the Lord sufficient.

cient. -C. S. McCarver, Alvarado: Bishop Key and wife came with Bro. Fred Co. and were with us at the first quarterly meeting Saturday and Sunday. The bishop preached us three splendid sermons. He was a blessing to us. Bro. Cox is the same friend to God, the preacher and the church that he used to be. He sustained this relation to us before.

Valley View

W. F. Easterling, Jan. 14: I am not very well. My folks, a few nights ago, pounded me with such varied appliances as to overtax my digestive capability; but neither I nor they are weary in well doing.

J. H. Davidson, Jan. 12: Bro. Sears, at St. John, has been well received and made a good start. He is on the old style

of Methodist preachers-he attends to all the duties. Hope and pray that he will have a gracious and powerful revival of experimental, genuine religion. Bro. Ward, of St. James, has been sick with

typhoid fever. He is up, but not able to preacher in charge a respectable amount preach. Has a fine chance to have our church completed as soon as he is able to look after its interests. Property is looking up, and the "boom" will come.

Lovelady.

R. B. S., Jan. 13: Our "new preacher," Rev. J. T. Smith, filled his first appointment at Lovelady the first Sabbath this month. He preached two excellent sermons, and a goodly number of Christians renewed their vows, and promised to be more devoted to their Master's ser-vice this than last year. May God's grace aid and assist us all in being the "light of the world" and "the salt of the

had to build. Have bought one acre of land in Ingram. Have my house so as that we can live in it. Having to build hindered me very much from my work. I hope that I will soon be able to give all my time and attention to my work. Am determined to do all I can. Am very well pleased. Kind friends brought myself and family some nice presents a few nights ago. The Lord bless the benefactors.

Orange.

Wm. A. Sampey, Jan. 18: This preacher and his wife landed at their place of destination the first day of January. We were met at the depot, and escorted to the parsonage, where we found quite a number of persons awaiting our arrival. It may all be said in a word: the people of Orange know how to receive a preacher. Of course we received the pounding, and what is better, the pounding continues. With gratitude we make the above statements.

Woodville.

J. C. H. McKnight, Jan. 17: We arrived at this place on Dec. 24. Met a kind reception from the good people of Woodville. The ladies gave us a pounding, which was much appreciated. When we arrived here we found the parsonage poorly furnished, but I am happy to state that at our first quarterly meeting, which is now over, I was enabled to report \$65 raised for the benefit of the parsonage. This amount has not been foolishly spent. Yes, our first quarterly meeting is over, Yes, our first quarterly meeting is over, and our presiding elder was on hand. The Lord was with him, and we had a feast of love indeed. We are expecting great things from the Lord this year.

#### Lindale.

W. H. Crawford, Jan. 15: Sunshine among the clouds. When does it appear? When a good sister hails at the parsonage door with two pounds of nice butter and a gallon of milk in hand; (no parsonage cow, you see) when a good and thoughtful member hands you a five dollar free-will offering and says: "If you need any more call on me;" when the pastor is absent from home and some thoughtful member calls round to see that the wife and the little ones are comfortable; when and the little ones are comfortable; when while preaching the good people respond with hearty amens, while tears steal down their cheeks; when a call is made for missions to see tears and amens ma-terialize into silver dollars. Thanks to God for sunshine among the clouds.

J. David Crockett: The Russian "la grippe," or influenza, has reached our little city, and during the past two weeks there have been a number of cases here. None fatal as yet, but some have been made very sick and suffered no little. It has now laid its hands upon our baby boy (not yet two years old). We are having a remarkable winter. Some are having Irish potatoes fresh from voluntary vines. Bro. Lackey had a mulberry tree set out Bro. Lackey had a mulberry tree set out in his yard the 5th of last month. It now has young berries on it. Mr. Whitney, a druggist here, got a peach the size of the end of the finger from one of his

Abilene Mission. Geo. W. Calhoun, Jan. 16: I arrived on my work the first Sunday in Novem-ber, and preached in the evening. Have arranged my appointments and preached twice each Sunday since arrived. This is a part of Lytle Gap and Anson mission was made Abilene mission at last confer-ence held at Belton and a new man in the work was received on trial at Belton. I have been received with kindness everywhere on the work; my church extension all up; have eight appointments, but not many members. We have no organiza-tion at some of my points, but will organ-ize one of them soon. We have five additions, and expecting more soon. In all, I am well pleased, and pray that God may bless us abundantly this year. Brother

to me. J. G. Miller, Jan. 1: We are moving on smoothly with our work. We serve the same charge this year that we did last. We haven't the least particle of envy toward the brethren throughout the conference, for we have as good people as can be found anywhere. We were kindly received after conference, and have fared as well as we could ask; have been feasting on backbones, ribs and sausage, and they are almost as good as chicken. Our will result in great good. Blum is a can-didate for the district conference, and would be glad to entertain all those who may be so fortunate as to attend. Would say to the preachers of the Cleburne dis-trict: If you choose to come to this place you will have pleasant homes and good fare. Vote for Blum and try us.

## Chillicothe.

Jas. D. Odom, Jan. 5: It will be remembered, by a number of your readers, that the Chillicothe circuit was made at our last conference. It is situated on the Fort Worth and Denver railway, 178 miles from Fort Worth, in Hardeman country. The circuit is composed of five county. The circuit is composed of five classes, with a total membership of eighty. Our people here, though few in number, are strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. They are a religious, con-secrated and self-denying little band. This is a new country. Nearly all of our people are in debt, more or less, for their lands. None of them have their homes people are in debt, more or less, for their lands. None of them have their homes improved as is really necessary in this country. Notwithstanding this they are meeting the financial demands of the church, after a "manly order." As an illustration of this fact, they have erected a nice and comfortable parsonage, at a cost of about \$300, in which the preacher and family are now snugly housed. The building of this house cost only \$10 in cash. The brethren built it with their own hands, without charging for their labor. One other thing I note with pleasure, to the credit of this people: Every man that I asked to help on the parsonage, except two or three, did so, and every man who subscribed paid the full amount of his subscription—not one subscription unpaid to-day. The circuit has already paid its foreign mission assessment and a part of its domestic mission. It has paid the presiding elder and

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preacher in charge a respectable amount of their salaries. Our first quarterly meeting embraced the first Sunday. It was a Holy Ghost meeting—a season of rejoicing in the Lord. The conference session was, also, religious and pleasant. A goodly number of the official brethren were present, not only at the conference session, but during the entire meeting. Our charge is in a good spiritual condition. May the Lord bless and prosper it this year.

to be more devoted to their Master's service this than last year. May God's grace aid and assist us all in being the "light of the world" and "the salt of the earth." Success to the Advocate.

Ingram Mission.

J. C. Ballard, Jan. 15th: Myself and family came to this work about six weeks ago. Failing to get a house to live in I had to build. Have bought one acre of land in Ingram. Have my house so as that we can live in it. Having to build hindered me very much from my work. I hope that I will soon be able to give all my time and attention to my work. Am determined to do all I can. Am very well pleased. Kind friends brought myself and family some nice presents a few nights ago. The Lord bless the benefact. and paid him about \$80 of it at our first quarterly meeting. Bro. May, our pre-siding elder, was with us, and did some good preaching. Every energy will be put forth by our membership at St. Jo during the ensuing spring and summer to pay our new church out of debt. When that is done, we will assuredly be on rising ground and on the way to permanent pros-perity. We have taken out \$1200 insurground and on the way to permanent prosperity. We have taken out \$1200 insurance on our new church house for three years in a good company, which will put us on safe footing in the event of accident by fire. St. Jo is improving rapidly, and for the first time in her history it can be said of her that she is on a boom. No town of her size in this State has had a finer trade during the past fall and winter than has had St. Jo. It is to be hoped that our spiritual progress will always, in the future, keep pace with our material ad vancement. Bro. L. W. Harrison, colporter for this and Gainesville district, was with us during our quarterly meeting was with us during our quarterly meeting occasion, selling good books and making himself useful every way. Our people ought to give him a support.

Forney.

W. M. Adams, Jan. 18: We remained at Holly Springs, Miss., until after our session of the North Mississippi Confer-ence, which threw us about three weeks late in reaching our charge at Forney. We were met at the depot by a good brother, and conducted to his hotel. Here we found a cordial welcome. Very soon one of our stewards came round with an injustic for his good wife two lates. vitation from his good wife to make their house our home, which we did, finding all we could wish or desire here. We soon found ourselves in the parsonage, which had been mostly furnished, and the premises neatly cleaned for our reception. As we bowed around our family altar at home again our hearts "welled up" with gratitude to God for so comfortable a gratitude to God for so comfortable a home and that we were among so noble a people. And their good things, just such as are calculated to make a pastor and his family happy, have been coming in ever since, and their hospitality seems to increase. Bless the Lord. We have completed the first round upon the circuit and had large congregations. The storm interfered with us at one appointment. We had three Christmas trees, which were enjoyed much, especially by the Sunday-school children. Our children were not forgotten among them. We opened the one at Forney with prayer, and opened the one at Forney with prayer, and O what sweet singing we did have. Then some of the little folks spoke to us, and Santa Claus distributed the presents. Sunday during Christmas week we held a Christmas service, which all seemed fo enjoy. Also our "watch-night" service was enjoyed very much indeed. We praise God that this old, time-honored service of Methodism is still enjoyable. Ouite a number have pledged themselves

and Sister Wallace are worth a great deal and then left for parts unknown, did not reach us until about thirty minutes past 2 o'clock Saturday evening. Though dis-appointed in not being permitted to hear him preach at 11 o'clock in the morning. we were glad to see him when he did come and very glad that he reached us in time to preside in the conference. The conference was a very harmonious and pleasant one. The assessments made by the board of stewards were liberal and satisfactory. The amount paid in for the support of the preachers was also greater than heretofore. Bro. Ballard remarked they are almost as good as chicken. Our first quarterly conference has passed. It was indeed a very pleasant occasion. Bro. Nelms was with us, looking after the general interests of the church. He preached four good sermons, and we feel sure they will seem the good sermons. ing shows that Rosston circuit is on the up grade, for which I am truly and humbly thankful. After the business of the conference was over, Bro. Ballard announced to the brethren that he had good reasons to believe that when his horses ran over the wire fence the night before that one or both of them were badly cut, and that therefore he would have to leave us immediately for home. Again we were disappointed, but as the reason given was a good and merciful one, we could but sadly hold our peace. Bro. Ballard, though a stranger comparatively to us though a stranger comparatively to us and the youngest man in the presiding eldership of the North Texas Conference, made a favorable impression upon the brothern, and they will be elad to see him brothern, and they will be elad to see him laberty it.L., Texas, Jan. 18, 1890. made a favorable impression upon the brethren, and they will be glad to see him again and are anxious to hear him preach. He presides well for a man of his age and experience. I want to express to Brother and Sister Stribling and Brother and Sister Vick my warm appreciation of their kind, y visit to the pastor and family on the 9th and 10th instant, and especially I appreciate their bringing with them their lovely little girls, Laura Stribling and Susie Vick. Both of these little girls,

A Good Deed and Thanks.

H. T. Hill: I send you the following letter and resolutions, hoping you will have them printed in the ADVOCATE. Per-

"MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 5, 1889.—To the Pastor of the Methodist Church, South, Medina, Bandera county, Texas.— BOUTH, Medina, Bandera county, Texas.—
DEAR BROTHER: While visiting Bro.
Bellows and his family last winter I was
told of your plan and hopes of soon being
able to build a church edifice. This led
me to resolve to secure funds for the purchase of a bell and present it to your
church and society, for your new house of told of your plan and hopes of soon being able to build a church edifice. This led me to resolve to secure funds for the purchase of a bell and present it to your church and society for your new house of worship. And it gives me great pleasure to tell you that in addition to the sum contributed by myself I have secured from others in the town of my residence, Woburn, Mass., (which was also formerly the residence of Bro. Bellows and his Woburn, Mass., (which was also formerly the residence of Bro. Bellows and his family) a sufficient sum, and I have purchased and shipped it, Dec. 3, in care of Bro. Bellows, whom I have asked to take charge of and present it to the church. To my mind and ear the sound of the church bell is so intimately connected with the Christian Sabbath and the house of God, with its blessed influences and associations, that when on Sunday I find myself in a place where there is no church bell to ring out its pleasant peal, calling to the house of God and the place of prayer, there seems to be something wanting to make the day complete. And I believe, also, that in addition to the pleasure it affords the Christian that the sound of the church bell has turned the steps of of the church bell has turned the steps of many an indifferent and wayward one toward the sanctuary. \* \* \* When the bell is received and put in place I shall be glad to hear from you. Truly yours, in Christian love and sympathy, L. H. Allen."

L. H. ALLEN."

The first church conference for the Medina City appointment for the year 1890 was held at Medina City, Jan. 8, 1890. Conference was opened with singing and prayer by Rev. H. T. Hill, pastor. After a short but very appropriate presentation speech by Mr. Bellows and the reading of a letter from Mr. L. H. Allen, of Woburn, Mass., in reference to the presentation of a very fine bell to the M. E. Church, South, the following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That the sincere and heartfelt thanks of every member and friend of the M. E. Church, South, at Medina City, are due and are hereby tendered every person who bore a part in the gift of this magnificent bell, and especially to Mr. L. H. Allen, of Woburn, Mass., and that while this bell shall continue to call us to duty and to prayer, the name Allen shall be gratefully associated with every welcome peal.

Resolved, further, That so much of the proceedings of this conference as pertain to the bell shall be published in the Texas Christian Advocate and Bandera Enterprise, and that copies of said papers be sent to Mr. L. H. Allen, of Woburn, The first church conference for the

Enterprise, and that copies of said papers be sent to Mr. L. H. Allen, of Woburn,

The bell has this inscription: "Presented to the Methodist Church, South, Medina, Texas, by L. H. Allen, of Woburn, Massachusetts. Let him that heareth, say come."

- THOMPSON A CLINT, -Lawyers, — 725 MAIN STREET, —

Dallas, Texas, Special attention given to Land, Law and Wills.

GEO. F. FAIR'S QUESTIONS.

praise God that this old, time-honored service of Methodism is still enjoyable. Quite a number have pledged themselves to seek pardon, and some to seek a higher life, during this year. By God's grace we want to do the best year's work of our life. We thank God for salvation free and full.

Rosston.

H. C. Rogers, Jan. 15: Our first quarterly meeting conference for this year metin the town of Rosston on the 11th and 12th instant. The official attendance was the largest I believe that we have ever had during the three years that I have been pastor on the Rosston circuit. I was glad to see this, and I earnestly hope that every member of the conference will from this time forward always promptly attend. I commend them for their full and prompt attendance at the first. Our presiding elder, owing to the fact that his horses on the night of the 10th instant, ran over and broke down a part of a wire lence and then left for parts unknown, did not reach us until about thirty minutes past

## A SENSIBLE CALENDAR

As usual at this time of the year the new crop of Calendars is coming in They are of all sorts, sizes, shapes and kinds, and many of them can be had for the asking, but the BEST Calendar that comes to our office is that published by N. W. Aver & Son, Newspaper Advertising Agents, Philadelphia, and which they send post-paid to any address on receipt of 25 cents.

This calendar is 14x22 inches, the upper portion being beautifully printed in colors, while the monthly sheets are printed with figures so plain that they can be easily seen at a distance. Although the calendar is an advertisement of their ever-growing business, it is at the same time so valuable to those having use for a calendar that lyear by year the sale steadily increases.

## CHURCH EXTENSION.

To the Preachers of the Northwest Texas Con-

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

## All applications for aid to the General Board of

All applications for aid to the General Board of Church Extension must be on file in our office on the first day of April, 1830, in order to secure attention at our annual meeing. They cannot be tabulated so as to give a full and fair hearing to each in less time than we have allowed, and hence the rule of the Board, which will be rigidly enforced. Blanks for application for help by gift or loan for churches or parsonages can be had free by addressing DAVID MORTON, See'y, 705 West Chestnut street, Louisville, Ky. January 17, 1890.

## WEST TEXAS DELEGATION.

In the organization of the West Texas
Conference delegation to the General Conference, the tollowing were elected: W.
H. H. Biggs, chairman, postoffice, Lockhart, Texas; John E. Pritchett, secretary, postoffice, San Marcos, Texas; M. N.
Shive, treasurer, postoffice, Goliad, Texas.
Our secretary is authorized to confer with any who may have business with us.

W. H. H. Biggs.

Another Man Hung
His "stocking by the chimney with care," and was tickled almost to death to find that his good wife had anticipated his mear-at-hand wants, and filled the stocking with Standard seeds, grown and put up by D. M. Ferry & Co, Detroit, Michigan, who, on application, will mail you free a copy of their Seed Annual for 1890.
This is the most useful of all seed cata-logues, not only for experienced garden-W. H. H. Biggs.

Many Persons Are broken down from overwork or household cares Brown's Iron Bitters rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes ex-cess of bile, and cures malaria. Get the genuine.

Notices of the Press.

Dr. W. H. Potter in Weslevan Christian Advocate: have them printed in the Advocate. Perhaps I ought to say just here that Mr. Allen never thought of his letter being published; but he will pardon me for this liberty:

"MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 5, 1889.—To the Pastor of the Methodist Church,

Rev. W. G. E. Cunnyngham, in Sunday School Magazine:

The book is well written. The style, mat-

Rev. D. R. McAnnally, D. D., in St. Louis Christian Advocate:

A charming book, and an important col-lection and presentation of facts and inci-dents. The author in collecting and publish-ing these facts, and thereby securing their preservation, deserves the thanks of the church. We are thankful for a copy, and commend the work to the reading public.

#### MINUTES.

To the Members of the Northwest Texas Conference, Methodist Church, South:

DEAR BRETHERN—I am mailing the minutes to you as fast as they come from the bindery. I shall continue to do so until I have gone through the list. Should anyone fail to receive a copy, write me at Waxabachie. Very truly and fraternally, your brother in Christ, F. P. RAY. Its Excellent Qualities Commend to public approval the California liquid fruit remedy Syrup of Figs. It is pleasing to the eye, and to the taste, and by gently acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, it cleanses the system effectually, thereby promoting the health and comfort of all who use it.

dress and title, it is in its revelations a glad surprise.

The Shop. By A. E. Winship. Price, 60 cents. A little book on the labor question, full of short, quick anvil blows that make the sparks fly in every direction.

The Catholic Man. By Mrs. Lawrence Turnbull. Price, \$1.25. This is a notable new novel of home and society life in New York City during the late Civil War, still in no sense a domestic or society novel.

Superior to Chrumstances. By Emily Lucas Blackall. Price, \$1.25. It grapples boldly with three most vital, most perplexing problems, namely, the sphere of woman's work, the relations of wage-paying and wage-earning, and the methods to be employed by the church in reaching the people.

Those Raebuan Grats. By Mrs. A. F. Raffensperger. Price, \$1.25. It is full of golden hints upon a practical subject, and is not a whit less fascinating for being so sensible.

The scholars of our public schools will be interested in an offer made by The Youth's Companion in its issue of January 9. Its purpose is to stimulate them in a commendable competition and at the same time increase their love for their country. The world in the same time increase their love for their country. ostimulate them in a commendable competition and at the same time increase their love for their country. The publishers of Tur Companion offer to present a fine, large bunting flag, 9 by 15 feet, with forty-two stars, to that pulic school in each of the forty-two stars, and Territories, which shall send to them the best essay on "The Patriotic Influence of the American Fag When Raised over our Public Schools." These essays will be received by the publishers of Tur Companion until April 1, 1809. The award of the flag will be made as near June 1 as possible, in order that the successful school may float the "Stars and Stripes" over its building upon the Fourth of July, next. This movement to interest the young people of the present generation in securing a flag for the school house, is one that should be heartily commended and encouraged. Why cannot one of our own schools secure The Companion Flag for this State?

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|   | Colorado sta Feb 19                                          |
|   | Snyder mis, at Snyder Feb 22, 23                             |
|   | Buffalo Gap cir, at Jim Ned March 1, 2 Albany sta March 8, 9 |
|   | Baird cir, at Putnam March 15, 16                            |
|   | Haskell mis, at Haskell March 22, 23                         |
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WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

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Italy cir, at Frost Feb 22, 23
Lancaster and Ferris cir, at Ferris March 1, 2
Rice and Chatfield cir, at Sessions March 8, 9
Irene cir, at Midway March 15, 16
Bristol cir, at Palmer March 22, 23
Red Oak cir, at Cedar Hill March 29, 50
Oak Cliff sta, at St. Marks April 12, 13
Avalon cir, at Reagor April 12, 13
Avalon cir, at Byrds April 12, 13
Avalon cir, at Byrds May May 3, 4
Waxahachie May 10, 11
Delegates to the district conference will be elected on this round. Let every member be present. Now is the time to work for your pastor.

Let the stewards make a strong effort now.

E. L. Armstrong, P. E. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—Sec Waxahachie sta. Ennis sta. Dressien cir, at Mt. Zion Italy cir, at Frost Lancaster and Ferris cir, at Ferris Rice and Chatfield cir, at Sessions Irene cir, at Midway Bristol cir, at Palmer Red Oak cir, at Cedar Hill. Oak Cliff sta. at St. Marks. Reagor cir, at Reagor Avalon cir, at Byrds. Sims and Glenwood, at Glenwood. Wesley and Rush Waxahachie.

Pecos 3d Sun in April
Fort Davis 4th Sun in April
Fort Davis 1st Sun in May
All persons writing to me will address me at
El Paso, Texas, care of Rev. W. D. Robinson.
J. M. STEPHBNSON, P. E.

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Another Man Hung

This is the most useful of all seed catalogues, not only for experienced gardeners, but for the novice as well. Send your name and address for a copy to D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Michigan.

To keep ants out of your honey-house, sprinkle the floor with salt.

HISTORY OF METHODISM IN TEXAS. MARSHALL DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS.

The Board of District Stewards of Marshall dis trict met in Longview, January 11. Rev. T. P. Smith, P. E., presiding, with H. W. Hopkins, of Marshall, Secretary. In accordance with instructions from the last district conference, assessments were made by the Board against the several pastoral charges of the district, aggregating \$1200, for the building of a district parsonage at Kilgore. said amount to be distributed on the basis of the claim of the presiding elder, and to be collected in three annual installments, as each preacher in charge may consider best. The assessments made for the year were as follows:

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thetic effects of the disease, banishes the headache, and refreshes the tired mind. "I have been troubled with dyspepsia. I had but little appetite, and what I did eat distressed me, or did me little good. In an hour after eating I would expe-

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DEE, ARR., November 30, 1888,
My father had a very bad case of Chills,
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'Twas harder than poverty, rougher than sin; From the roller suspended, it never was bended, And it flapped on the wall like a banner of It grew thicker and rougher, and harder and Tyler sta .

tougher,
And daily put on a more inkier hue,
Until yesterday morning, without any warn-It fell to the floor and was broken in two! -Amarillo (Texas) Northwest.

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|   | GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.                   |
|   |                                                     |
|   | Georgetown sta, at Georgetown Jan 25, 26            |
| Н | Jonah cir. at Live Oak Feb 1, 2                     |
|   | Burnet sta, at Burnet                               |
|   |                                                     |
|   | Taylor sta, at Taylor Feb 22, 23                    |
|   | Round Rock cir, at Robinson's Chapel. March 1, 2    |
|   | Florence cir, at Pleasant Grove March 8, 9          |
|   | Bartlett eir, at Holland March 15, 16               |
| ď | North Belton cir. at Leona r March 22, 23           |
|   | Roger's cir, at Mount Vernon March 29, 30           |
|   | Belton sta, at Belton April 5, 6                    |
|   | Temple sta, at Temple April 12, 13                  |
|   |                                                     |
|   | South Belton cir, at April 19, 20                   |
|   | Salado and Corn Hill, at Belle Plaine. April 26, 27 |
|   | Liberty Hill and Leander, at Leander May 3, 4       |
|   | West Georgetown cir, at Connaway's May 10, 11       |
|   | Marble Falls cir, at May 17, 18                     |

HORACE BISHOP, P. E. GATESVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Lampasas sta, at Lampasas Gatesville sta, at Gatesville. Coryell City eir, at Osage Crawford and Vailey Mills, at ... 2d Sun in Feb 3d Sun in Feb ...4th Sun in Feb Compton Section 18 Compton Secti Clifton mis, at Coon Creek Meridian sta, at Meridian Killeen eir Coperas Cove eir, at

VERNON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

CUERO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

GALVESTON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND GALVESTON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Houston—McKee Street Jan 25, 25
Houston—City Mission Jan 28
Galveston—West End Mission Feb 1, 2
Bolivar... Feb 8, 9
Cedar Bayou Feb 15, 16
Alvin Feb, 22, 23
Columbia and Brazoria March 1, 2
Velasco March 8, 9
Matagorda March 8, 9
Matagorda March 1, 16
Richmond and Wharton March 2, 23
The district stewards will please meet me at
Washington Street Church on Feb, 23, at 7:30 p. m.
H. V. Philpott, P. E.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT—First Round.
Melrose cir, at Fairview Jan 25, 26
Martinsville mis, at Mt. Pleasant Feb 1, 2
Martinsville mis, at Mt. Pleasant Feb 1, 2
March 18, 9
Carthage cir, at Twilight Feb 22, 23
Carthage cir, at Clayton March 1, 2
Carthage cir, at Clayton March 1, 2
Beckville cir, at Beckville March 22, 23
Hemphill mis, at Center View March 29, 36
Hemphill mis, at Center View March 29, 36
Hemphill mis, at Shelbyville cir, at Shelbyvi TYLER DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Athens, at Athens Larissa, at Larissa Edom, at Tunnell's Chapel. Tyler City mis, at Cedar St. Lindale, at Harris' Chapel. Grand Saline cir March 15, 16 March 22, 28 John Adams, P. E. New York, at New York. PARIS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 'Feb 8, 9 Feb 15, 16 Feb 22, 23 March 1, 9 March 15, 16 March 22, 23 J. R. Wages, P. E.

SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Cooper ..... Commerce Fairlee Sulphur Springs sta. Sulphur Bluff Sulphur Springs mis. Lone Oak BONHAM DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Brookston and White Cut, at Brookston. Jan. 25, 26
Petty and White Rock, at Petty Feb. 1, 2
Ben Franklin cir, at Ben Franklin Feb. 8, 2
Bodd's cir, at Providence Feb. 15, 16
Gober cir, at Gober Feb. 22, 23
Stephensyille cir, at Lone Elm March. 1, 2
Maxey mis, at Maxey J. M. BINKLY, P. E.

J. M. BINKLY, P. E. GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Dexter cir. Decatur sta Decatur cir Aurora mis. Denton cir Mountain Springs cir Aubrey cir . Denton sta.

CLEBURNE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Henrose cir..... reen's Creek cir Armstrong cir ..... SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Amphion cir, at Amphion. San Antonio, Travis Park. San Antonio, Tenth Street. Carrizo Springs CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

ABILENE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Robey mis, at Robey ..... Stonewall mis, at Rayner. .....Jan 25, 26

Abilene sta
Abilene mis, with Abilene sta
JNo. A. WALLACE, P. E. SAN SABA DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. M. A. BLACK, P. E.

SHERMAN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. SHERMAN DISTRICT—FIRST ROCKD.

Gordonville cir, at Cedar Mills Jan 25, 26
Sherman cir Kendall's Chapel Feb 1, 2
Whitewright and Marvin, at Whitewright. Feb 8, 9
Pottsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro Feb 15, 16
Denison cir, at Shiloh Feb 22, 23
Howe cir, at Howe March 1, 2
Filot Grove cir, at Cross Roads March 1, 2
Anna mis, at Melissa March 15, 16
W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Jonesboro cir, at Harmony Chapel..4th Sun in Jan Henson Creek cir, at Henson Creek, 1st Sun in Feb E. A. Bailey, P. E. WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Jan 23 Jan 25, 25 Jan 29, 30 Feb 1, 2 Feb 7, 9 B. M. STEPHENS, P. E. Finis cir.

AUSTIN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Cedar Creek, at Cedar Creek Austin, Central Church Smithville, at Smithville. Winchester, at Winchester. Flatonia sta Flatonia cir, at Ridge Chapel Wiemar, at Weimar Columbus sta. LaGrange sta.

WACO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Oenaville cir Waco, Fifth Street East Waco cir, at East Waco Bruceville cir, at Eddy Waco, Morrow Street Mount Calm cir. at Dawson SAMUEL P. WRIGHT, P. E.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT .- FIRST ROUND. Jasper sta Jasper eir, at Clear Creek Burkville eir, at Burkville Orange eir, at Caney Sunset eir, at Kountz Beaumont sta, First Church 

PALESTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Willis sta ..... Huntsville sta Huntsville sta Cold Springs and Shepherd at Cold Springs Feb 8, 5 Dodge cir, at Black Jack Feb 15, 16
Prairie Flains cir, at Mary's Chapel Feb 22, 23
Madisonville cir, at Mch 1, 2
Zion cir, at Mch 8, 9 Madisonville Medi 15, P. Bedias mis, at Round Prairie McLE, P. E.

A. Bailey, P. E.

Nel 15.

J. C. Mickle, P. E.

Yellow as Egyptian mummy,
Was his sallow face,
And he seemed a very dummy
Of the human race.
Now he's brimmed with sunshine o'er,
His clear and sparkling eye
Tells us that he lives in clover;
Ask you the reason why?
What has wrought the transformation?
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Cut this out and posterior

Farmer eir April 29, 29
Throckmorton mis May 3, 4
JERONE HARALSON, P. E.

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.
San Marcos sta, at San Marcos. 2d Sun in Feb seguin sta, at Seguin sta, at Seguin sta, at Seguin sta, at Seguin mis, at Vernor's Church. 3d Sun in Feb Belmont cir, at Belmont. 1st Sun in March Luling and Prairie Lea, at Luling
Monday at 10 o'clock after 1st Sun in March Harwood cir, at Harwood. 2d Sun in March Elm Grove mis, at Clarke's Church
San Marcos cir, at Pleasant Ridge, 4th Sun in March Lockhart cir, at Lockhart. 5th Sun in March Lockhart cir, at Good Time !

"Danced all night till the broad day-light And went home with the girls in the morning." CUERO DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

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CUERO DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Weesatche, at Middletown Jan 25, 25 Clear Creek cir, at Rocky Feb 1, 2 DEETS, P. E.

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WERNON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Throckmorton mis Jan 25, 26 DEETS, P. E.

BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

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Comanche cir, at Fleming Jan 25, 26 Round Mountain cir, at New Hope Feb 1, 2 Sipe Springs Feb 8, 9 Continued use restored him to heatilh and fortune. He lives to-day to bless Dr. Pierce for his medicine, and soon will wed a charming girl. If Colds, Consumption, Catarrh, Bronchitis, or other throat or lung troubles attack you, don't delay getting the "Discovery."

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. MONTAGUE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

MONTAGUE DISTRICT—F1

Sunset and Crafton, at Sunset
Chico cir, at—
Alvord cir, at—
Feb 18, 16
Feb 15, 16
Feb 22, 28
March 1, 2
March 8, 9
farch 15, 16 WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Waxahachie eir, at Oak Branch....... Jan 26, E. L. Armstrong, P. E

JEFFERSON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. JEFFERSON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.
Atlanta sta. 4th Sun in Jan
Gilmer cir, at Gilmer 1st Sun in Feb
Daingerfield cir, at Daingerfield 2d Sun in Feb
Eylau cir, at Red Lick 3d Sun in Feb
Mt. Pleasant, at Mt. Pleasant 4th Sun in Feb
Kildare cir, at Kildare 1st Sun in March
Linden cir, at Linden 2d Sun in March
CHAS. B. FLADGER, P. E.

DALLAS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Ath Sun in Jan

1st Sun in Feb
2d Sun in Feb
Feb 11
3d Sun in Feb
Feb 19
GEO. T. Nichols, P. E.

DALLAS DISTRI
McKinney
Weston eir
Bethel eir
Cochran and Caruth
Grapevine eir
Lewisville eir
Smithfield eir

MARSHALL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. MARSHALL DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

DeBerry cir, at Mt. Zion Jan 25, 26

Marshall sta, at Marshall Feb 1, 2

Kilgore cir, at Danville Feb 8, 9

Marshall mis, at North Side Feb 15, 16

Church Hill cir, at Oakland Feb 22, 23

Troupe and Overton cir, at Troupe March 1, 2

Hallville cir, at Summerfield March 8, 9

Henderson cir, at Good Springs March 15, 16

Henderson sta, at Henderson March 22, 23

T. P. SMITH, P. E.

CAMERON DISTRICT .- FIRST ROUND. 

TERRELL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Kemp cir, at Gray's Prairie Jan 25, 26
Kaufman sta Feb 1, 2
Rockwall and Royce cir, at Rockwall Feb 8, 9
Forney cir, at Forney Feb 15, 16
Mesquite cir, at Farmer's Feb 22, 23
Garland and Duck Creek March 1, 2
Allen cir, at 8t. Paul March 8, 9
Roberts mis, at Bethel W. L. C. March 15, 16

SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Blanco sta, at Blanco Jan 25
Blanco mis, at Rock S. H. Feb 1
W. H. H. Biggs, P. E.

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. ICT—FIRST ROUND.

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ake March 1, 2
March 18, 9
March 15, 16
March 22, 23
C. H. BROOKS, P. E. Elgin and Manor, at Elgin McDade cir, at McDade Sellville cir. at Bellville Sealy and San Felipe, at Sealy Patterson cir. at Asbury Eagle Lake cir. at Eagle Lake Hockley cir. at Hockley Hempstead sta. at Independence sta, at

CALVERT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Jan 25, 26
uffalo Feb 1, 2
Feb 8, 9
Feb 15, 16
Feb 22, 23
March 15, 16
March 15, 16
March 15, 16
March 22, 23
H. M. SEARS, P. E. Calvert sta Jewett and Buffalo cir, at Buffalo Fairfield cir Franklin cir Centreville cir Boon's Prairie mis. Millican and Wellborn. Bryan mis. Roger's Prairie mis

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Marystown cir, at Joshua Itasco cir at Berry's Creek West cir, at Labanon Whitney cir, at Bethel Jan 25, 2 Feb 1, 1 Feb 8, 9 J. FRED COX, P. E. EL PASO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Fort Davis mis, at Alpine 4th Sun in Jan Pecos mis, at Midland 1st Sun in Feb Jas. M. STEVENSON, P. E. Poison oak and its near brother, the sumac, are excellent honey plants.

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Feb 15, 16
Feb 15, 16
Feb 22, 25
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Sabine Pass mis, at Sabine Pass. March 18, 16
Liberty eir, at Liberty March 22, 25
Livingston eir, at Livingston March 29, 30
Moscow eir, at Hollywood. April 5.

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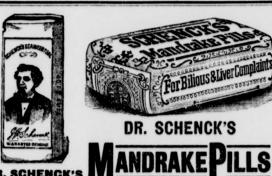
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What music fills its story!
What sweet compassions move!
Where love is all the glory,
And all the glory love!

I had thought that abiding in Christ Rev. C. H. Parkhurst. meant keeping our hearts so fixed upon Christ, so constantly meditating upon Him and dwelling in Him, that we never lost the consciousness of His presence. I thought we were continually, so to speak, to realize His presence, and continually to look to him for blessing and help and guid-

look to him for blessing and help and guidance. Now, what I thought was abiding I have since seen was feeding upon Christ. Feeding is a voluntary act. We go to the table and sit down, and partake of what is there. That is a voluntary act. But the man who wanted to feed all the day, and wanted to feed all the night, too, wouldn't be a desirable member of any community. That was what I was trying to do, and because I couldn't manage it, I would get into a sort of almost religious would get into a sort of almost religious

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The distinguished the strong and then the thought would steal over me, and then the thought would go off into my closet almost in despair and confess this sin. I was in very great distress indeed. I wanted to be feeding at the table all the time. Now, if a man has two or three square meals every day, and perhaps a lunch or two between, he ought to be able to go to work.

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What sweet compassions move!
Where love is all the glory,
And all the glory love!
Here souls cast down and fearful
Are strengthened from on high,
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#### Marriages.

BAUGH-MALLETT-At the residence of the bride's mother, at Dallas, Ark., Dec. 24, 1889, by Rev. D. D. Warlick, Prof. Richard Baugh, A. M. and L.L. B., President of the Methodist High School at Dallas, Ark., and Miss Arka Mallet. Teacher and pupil.

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CLARK—VINSON—On Jan. 5, 1890, at 1 o'clock p. m., at the residence of the bride's father, in Port sullivan, by Rev. A. L. P. Green, Mr. J. B. Clark and Miss Jennie Vinson; all of Milam county.

Lewis—Bramlett—Gray—Johnson — On Jan. 5, 1890 by Rev. W. R. Manning, Mr. L. P. Lewis and Miss Katie Bramlett; and Mr. E. E. Gray and Miss Clasie Johnson; all of Dallas county, near Frankford; under one ceremony.

REAMS—Moss—On Jan. 9, 1890, in Travis Park Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by Bishop Joseph S. Key, D. D., Rev. Thales B. Reams, of North Texas Conference, and Miss Ora L. Moss, daughter of Dr. A. H. Moss, of San Antonio, Texas.

HAM—ANDERSON—At Sunshine, Jan. 5, 1890, by

Anderson.

Musgrove—Layton—At Sunshine, Jan. 5, 1890, by Rev. M. H. Porter, Mr. F. A. Musgrove and Miss Lillie Layton.

Bartlett—Sanders—At the Methodist Church on the fourth Sunday in December, 1889, at 7 o'clock p. m., by Rev. W. G. Cocke, Mr. Charley Bartlett and Miss Willie Sanders; all of Devine, Texas. Gossett-Bradshaw-At the residence of the

bride's parents, on Jan. 1, 1890, at 3 o'clock p. m., by Rev. W. G. Cocke, Mr. R. H. Gossett, of Gon-zales county, and Miss Mary L. Bradshaw, of De-vine, Texas.

TERNER-PITTS-On Dec. 17, 1889, at the resi-tence of the bride's mother, near Bristol, Texas, oy Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Mr. J. M. Terner and Miss

by Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Mr. J. M. Terner and Miss Clemmie Pitts.

McCall.—Simmons—On Jan, 12, 1800, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Mr. W. L. McCall and Miss Kate Simmons; both of Ellis county, Texas.

Dees—Wilhorn—On Jan, 13, 1800, in the Washinzton Hotel, Galveston, Texas, by Rev. Jos. B. Sears, Mr. Willie Dees, of Repton, Ala., and Miss Jennetta Wilborn, of Double Bayou, Texas.

Wilhorn—Fish—On Jan, 14, 1800, in the Washington Hotel, Galveston, Texas, by Rev. Jos. B. Sears, Mr. Geo. F. Wilborn and Miss Maria L. Fish; all of Double Bayou, Texas.

Strannon—Holt—At the residence of Mr. A. J. Holt, Jan, 9, 1890, by Rev. J. N. Hunter, Mr. W. F. Strangn and Miss M. E. Holt; all of Hunt county, Texas.

Hall—Scott—In Garland, Texas, Jan, 12, 1890, by Rev. H. C. Parrott, Mr. Sam, C. Hall and Miss Nannie B. Scott; all of Garland.

Witt—Hardin—At the residence of the bride's

WITT—HARDIN—At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. B. B. Smith, Pallas, Texas, Pec. 24, 1889, by Rev. J. R. Allen, Mr. John L. Witt, of Gatesville, Texas, and Miss Nannie Dixon Har-din, of Ennis, Texas.

FOREST—ROBINSON—On Dec. 22, 1880, at the Methodist Church in Madisonville, Texas, by Rev. J. A. Savage, Mr. S. S. Forest and Miss Ora Robin-on; both of Madison county, Texas. EBERHARDT-BYERS-On Dec. 24, 1889, at the esidence of the bride's father, by Rev. J. A. Savure, Mr. Frank S. Eberhardt, of Linden, Cassounty, Texas, and Miss Lila Byers, of Madison ounty, Texas.

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## REV. D. G. GREGORY.

Dr. D. G. Gregory departed this life at Alleyton, Texas, January I, 1890. He was born in Hawkins county, Tenn., May 29, 1809, and at the age of twenty years removed to Platt county, Mo., then a new country. During the year 1853 to 1855 or 1856 he was missionary to the Shawnee and Pottawatamie tribes of Indians, whose dialect he then spoke fluently. (The writer spent two years of his babyhood with his parents among these Indians.) Having embraced the Savior himself when a small boy, returning to Missouri, he engaged in the practice of medicine and continued to preach in the local ranks of the M. E. Church, South, until 1846, when he removed to Texas, locating at Rutersville, Fayette county, where he resumed the practice of the profession, and his ministerial functions. At a later period he united with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and continued to preach mere or less to the close of life. In 1878, on account of advancing age and failing health, he relinquished the medical profession, and removing to Colorado county engaged in the fruit-growing and nursery business. He was twice married, raising and educating a family of ten children by the first, and an only child by the last marriage. During a period covering nearly seventy years, his faith in Christ was ever firm and unwavering, and from the first marriage till the end, the family altar was continuously kept up, unless providentially interrupted. Dr. Gregory's house was always norably the preachers' home, as scores of Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist preachers all over Texas can attest to this day. The worn-out tenement returns "earth to earth "—the freed spirit blooms in immortal youth and vigor in the realms of the blest.

C. W. Gregory.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

Townsend.—Bro, J. J. Townsend, after a painful illness of two or three weeks' duration, passed away on the 20th day of December, 1889, leaving a large family and many relatives and friends "weeping on the shore." Bro. T. was raised in Colorado county, and was well and favorably known.

T. B. Graves.

WEIMAR, TEXAS.

ROBERTS.—Mrs. Dollie Roberts passed "from her home below to her home in heaven" on the 13th inst., leaving a disconsolate husband and five little children, together with many relatives and friends, to mourn their loss. She was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and her virtuous life seems to have left its imprint on the neighborhood in which she lived and died.

T. B. GRAVES.

J. P. MUSSETT.

CAMPENIL.—The subject of this notice, Mrs. Mary B. Campbell, daughter of Lucian and Mary Pleasants, was born in Washington county, Arkansas, June 24, 1840; came to Texas with her parents in 1845, and settled in Old Springfield. Limestone county, at which place both her father and mother died. Sister Campbell joined the church in 1856. In the summer of 18.9 she came to Chappell Hill, and was married to W. H. Campbell, Nov 18, 1880. Sister Campbell was a woman of extraordinary qualities of mind and heart. As a wife and mother she had few equals. In her home life she was a model of industry, neatness, love and patient fortitude. From the sixteenth year of her age she was a devoted, consecrated member of the M. E. Church, South, and was ever in the front rank of these who do the will of the Lord, Sister Campbell died in peace, at her home, in Chappell Hill, on the 28th day of December, 1889. Her husband and all her children are members of the church. May the hope of reunion in heaven sustain them in their affliction.

C. H. Brooks.

Hackney,—Mrs. Louisa Elizabeth Morning Hackney (nee Reeves) was born Jan. 18, 1825, and slied Jan. 9, 1806, on Coryell creek, Coryell county, Texas. She was married to Wm. W. Hackney, June 15, 1843, and this happy unton was blessed by twelve children, four of whom have "gone to rest." The husband and eight others still linger with grief-stricken hearts on the shore of time. Sister Hackney was happily converted to God sixteen years since, and joined the M. E. Church. South. These years have been given to communion with God and Christian service. This is fully shown when it is known that her children are giving their hearts and lives to God and his church. Near the residence of Bro. Hackney stands a Methodist church, which for some time has been known as Hackney's Chapel. Thus it appears that the element of character for good, as impressed upon this community in the life and influence of Bro. and Sister Hackney, was outspoken, well-defined and carnest. By the grace of God let us all meet her in heaven.

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Sanders,—Mrs. Martha J. Sanders, wife of Dr. Sanuel D. Sanders, mother of Prof. Sanuel G. Sanders, and daughter of James and Jane Pegues, was born in Marlborough district. South Carolina, Dec. 13, 1824, and died suddenly at her home in Georgetown. Texas, Dec. 20, 1889. Descended from plous ancestry, brought up by her faithful parents in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, she was soundly converted in her girlhood, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and henceforth her heart was fixed and her life was consecrated to God. It was her habit to avail herself of all the private and public means of grace. Her prayers were answered prayers. She daily touched the hem of the Savior's garment, and felt that his divine power was transmitted to her. She never allowed the evidence of her acceptance, the witness of the Spirit, to grow dim in her soul. In all religious enterprises she was a steady, faithful worker, doing what she could. For years she led the infaut department of our Sunday-school, "dispensing to the little ones the bounty of her Lord." But chiefly within her own home were her most gracious and precious influences shed. Gentle, modest, lovely, holy, she made her home the gate of heaven, and all who associated with her here will arise and call her blessed. An angel woman has dwelt among us, God be blessed for her!

Samuel D. Sanders.

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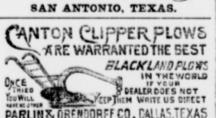
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UNANSWERED LETTERS.

Jau, 14.—J T H Miller, subs; 2 cards. A B Trimble, sub. A G Nolen, sub; will get the name right.
J J Davis, subs: a good day's work. J A Wyatt, sub. U J Morton, sub. W E Caperton, subs. M 8 Hotehkiss, subs. C G Shutt, sub. S L Ball, sub. C S McCarver, sub.
Jan. Ib.—H A Boaz, papers are going to subsnamed. J D Hudgins, sub. D J Martin, sub. W F Brinson; sub. D P Cullen, sub. B J Guess, sub. W B McKeown, subs. H B Henry, subs. W V Jones, sub. J H Morris, subs. J no 8 Gillett, subs. Albert Little, sub. C C Williams, sub. Daniel Morgan, sub. T J Lassetter, subs. J M Bond, subs. U J Morton, subs. J G Miller, sub. E D Mouzon, correction made. S Nelson, sub. E D Mouzon, sub. J W Hill, subs. C B Smith, sub. E R Barcus, sub. J D Crockett, subs. E S Williams, subs. E M Sweet, subs. Jno W McMahan, subs. E M Sweet, subs. Jno W Sims, subs. B A Thomasson, subs. E B Thompson, subs. S H Morgan, subs all have attention.
Jan. 16.—F C Mabery, subs. C W Godwin, sub.

subs. E. B. Thompson, subs. S. B. Morgan, subs. all have attention.

Jan. 16.—F. C. Mabery, subs. C. W. Godwin, sub. A. B. Roberts, changes made, J. T. Bloodworth, sub. J. J. Davis, subs at half price. W. F. Graves, subs. J. H. Chambliss, subs. J. B. Gober, sub. J. A. Wyart, subs. F. L. Smith, sub. J. M. Hackett, subs. James R. Jones, subs. W. N. Bonner, has attention. T. S. Garrison, sub.

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Jam. 17.—J W Kelley, subs and change. A J Frick, subs. J T Trice, sub. Saml Morriss subs. T C Del'ew, subs. S N Allen, subs. Jas D Odom, subs. Jas M Adams, sub. C V Oswalt, sub. T J Minnis, sub. R M Chenault, sub. J A Garison, subs. R A Hall, sub. J D Scott, subs. J A Say-ave, subs. R S Gorsline, o k. G F Boyd, sub. Jas A King, sub; will address the paper as you direct. C H Smith, sub and change. J M Porter, sub. Henry T Hill, subs; 2 cards. H M Hayule, sub; we know you always do that. John R Morris, subs; thanks for your prompt and careful attention. J W Vest, subs. W W Horner, subs.

Jan. 18.—W M Robbins, has attention. H M Glass, subs; one at half price. D W Towns, sub; samples will be sent. G D Wilson, sub. J F Follin, subs. C E Statham, subs. G H Collins, subs. C N N Ferguson, sub. J A Wyatt, subs. T B Graves, subs. A G Sernggs, sub; it was a half dollar, not half dozen; you see that would mean over four dozen; C B Moore, subs for account of J T smith. E B Thompson has attention. E M Murrill, will send more.

Jan. 20.—Albert Little, subs. M K Irvin, sub. Tom C Ragsdale, subs. A J Frick, sub. E B Thompson, sub. W. D White, sub. Aunt Mary, all right. W H LeFevre, sub. M V Jones, sub; 2 cards. J J Davis, subs. O M Ad lison, sub. H B Henry, subs. J H Chambliss, sub. W F Brinson, sub. J C H McKnight, sub. Geo 8 Myatt, subs. J C H McKnight, sub. Geo 8 Myatt, subs. C A J Prick, sub. H B Henry, subs. J C H McKnight, sub. Geo 8 Myatt, subs. C M T Hornberry, subs. J Neceves, sub; a card full. W R D Stockton, has attention. I S McCarver, o k. J D Hudgins, subs; samples sent.

sui, died at Galveston. Major Albert Chalmers, a Texas veteran, at Waco. Joer Webb, at Kingston, Hunt county. Infant of J C Harper, at Mexia. Mrs. 8.

A. Wade, of Mexia. at Wootan Wells. Jas. Scars. at Whitewright. Mrs. 0. L. Partain, at Waxanaenie. Miss Nettie McManis, at Baird. Jas. Gillagnia, abort. McManis, at Baird. Jas, Gillespie, sheriff Brewster county, at Alpine. Solomon Detusch, dry goods merchant, at San Antonio. Jno. W. O'Neai, a Texas veteran, at Corsicana. Mrs Matilda C. Phillips, at Wylie. J. F. Tomly, at Como. Mrs. Leah Nettles, at Longview. Mrs. R. Luske, at Houston.

## A New Political Creed.

The confederation of Farmers and Knights of Labor at St. Louis in December last formulated their demands as folting the confederation of Farmers and and useful members of society who might object to a more categorical mention in this connection. lows: 1. That we demand the abolition of national banks and the substitution of legal tender treasury actes in lieu of na-tional bank notes, issued in sufficient volume to do the business of the country on a cash system; regulating the amount and that all money issued by the government shall be legal tender in payment of all debts, both public and private.

That we demand that congress shall pass such laws as shall effectually prevent the dealing in futures of all agricultural and mechanical productions; preserving a laws of the country expand; and that all money issued by the government shall be legal tender in payment of all debts, both public and private.

2. That we demand that congress shall pass such laws as shall effectually prevent the dealing in futures of all agricultural and mechanical productions; preserving a law of the country expanding the country expand mechanical productions; preserving a stringent system of procedure in trials as shall secure the prompt conviction, and imposing such penalties as shall secure the most perfect compliance of with the law. 3. That we demand the free and unlimited coinage of silver. 4. That we demand the passage of laws prohibiting the alien ownership of land, and that congress take early steps to devise some plan to obtain all lands now owned by airens and foreign syndicates; and that all lands now held by railroads and other corporations equal rights to all and special privileges to none," we demand that taxation, national or state, shall not be used to building up one interest or class at the expense of another. We believe that the money of the country should be kept as much as possible in the hands of the people, and hence we demand that all revenues, national, state and county, shall be limited to the necessary expenses of the government economically and interest of the people administered. sufficient amount of fractional paper cur-rency to facilitate exchange through the medium of the United States mail. 7. We demand that the means of communi-cation and transportation shall he owned by and operated in the interest of the people as is the United States postal sys-tem.

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Texas Agriculture

The following summaries from the report for the year 1888 of Texas agricultural statistics collated by Commissioner Foster will be found interesting. The report, which is now about ready for distribution, comprises about 400 pages:

Number of counties
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Area and population—
Total square miles of territory.
Population (1880)
Estimated increase to Jan. 1, 1890.
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Acres planted Syrup, barrels produced Value Cut for hay, acres Tons hay produced Value Acres in Value

Plums— Acres in Value Grapes, value Total acres planted Total value produced Number tenant farmers Number hired farm laborers

These summaries, compared with those of 1887, show an increase in cotton acreage and yield per acre, but a reduction in price which about equalized the return. in corn the same is the result. In small grain the acreage is considerably reduced, which Mr. Foster attributes to the abandonment of wheat farms in the drouth districts, but states he is confident that wheat production has been resumed in the west, and that a much larger acreage and production will be shown by the re-

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The large amount realized from cotton, given at \$48,466,412 for the cotton and \$4,353,678 for cotton seed, shows up very fine and imposing for the leading staple, but averages only \$15.16 per acre, while but averages only \$15.16 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, pribon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, while sweet potatoes averaged \$49.55 per acre, ribbon care syrup and sugar \$94.66 per acre, ribbon care syrup acre and sorghum care swarps acre and sorghum care swarps acre and sorghum

lation at a third of the whole. Tenant farmers and farm laborers comprise a third of the adult population of the state, it appears, another third is producing wealth in town behind counters, humming for candidates and in other profitable pursuits, and the remainder consists of farmers wno own their own farms, stockraisers, penitentiary inmates, rural jus-tices and notaries, and other influential

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Casualties of the Week.

Alx. Hoffman, alderman, was drowned

Wm. Cameron was found dead in his saddle, near Denison; death supposed to have resulted from heart disease. He had left town on horseback for a friend's house a short distance out.

Capt. Chas. Jocobsen, of schooner Star from Calcasiu to Galveston with lumber, was knocked overboard near High Island in the Gulf of Mexico and drowned.

Rufus Burnet, a white man, of Marshall, Texas, shot and killed Marcellus Aiken, colored, while the latter v as ad-vancing upon him with an open knife.

GRATUITOUS ADVICE.

This species of advice is not always acceptable, but in many instances much benefit would be derived were it acted upon. No section of the country is exempt from disease. To know the best means of combatting this common enemy, with the least injury to our pockets and tastes, is certainly a great advantage. We must expect Torpid Liver, Congested Spieen, Vitiated Bile and Inactive Bowels, and all prudent persons will supply themselves with Tutt's Pills, which stimulate the Liver, relieve the engorged Spieen, determine a healthy flow of Bile, thus regulating the bowels and causing all unhealthy secretions to pass off in a natural manner. "An ounce of preventive is worth a pound of cure." Be advised and use

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It appears the Galveston City Railway Company has been sued by a Chicago firm for commissions of \$5000 earned in selling for the company the Beach hotel for \$200,000.

Ex-governor Lubbock will not be a candidate for re-election as State Treasurer, but is working for Mr. Wortham, his chief clerk.

Texas postmasters: J. E. Jones, Bartonville, Denton county; J. S. Arnold, Beaukiss, Williamson county; Mrs. M. Sloan, Kyle, Hayes county; F. C. Willhern, Llano, Llano county; A. J. Montgomery, Miami, Roberts county; V. A. Orr, Nathan, Johnson county.

Green's Brigade will have a reunion Feb. 21 at Bastrop. The annual conference of the M. E. Church met at Clarendon, January 16. The town entertained the delegates hand-

somely. The comptroller will soon call in and pay outstanding seven per cent bonds aggregating \$200,000, and refund them in permanent school funds drawing five per cent—saving annually \$5000.

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> An exchange says: Documents in the Secretary of State's office show that At-torney General Boone ruled that the Texas and New Orleans railroad was not entitled to land for sidings, and yet the Sunset obtained land for a large amount of sidings under the same administration.

Roscoe, a six-year-old son of W. P. Duke, of Willis, wandered into the woods, and before searching parties found him, froze to death. When found his body was almost denuded and lacerated by the brambles among which he had picked his way for eight or ten miles.

A Gainesville, Texas, special says: It is reported that a family named McMul-len, half breed Osage Indians, residing on Wild Horse creek, left a little girl named Clara, six years of age, at home alone, while the mother went to the creek, a quarter of a mile distant, to do the family washing, and while she was absent a wild boar entered the cabin and attacked the child, and when the mother returned was eating her. The horrible scene caused the mother to faint, and she remained in an unconscious state an hour or more, until discovered by a neighbor who hap-pened along. The wild boar escaped to the swamps, carrying away with it a part of one of the little girl's lower limbs.

Mrs. Geo. F. Siddora, daughter of R. B. Brown, of Itasca, was burned to death this week, her clothing being ignited while she was brushing a mantel.

Itasca has shipped 10,000 bales of cotton this year.

At Emory, East Texas, M. S. Pierson sold 500 bales of cotton to Martin, Wise & Fitzhugh, of Paris, Texas, for 9½ cents

Tyler Methodists have sold their old church and grounds and will erect a \$30,-000 temple of worship.

Mrs. Cameron, of Denison, gave birth to triplets—all boys. The failures in Texas in 1889 were 387 in number, a decrease of 181 as compared

with the year previous, and with the exception of 1885, the smallest in number in the past six years. The liabilities last year were \$4,503,138, against \$7,008,241 in

Goodwin, Aldrich and Thomas. Drs. Helbing, Spain and G. W. Johnson were enrolled as new members. Dr. Klyce stated that there are now about 250 eclectics in the State, with new ones constantly arriving, and they seem to be uniformly prosperous. Many eclectics of other States are looking to Texas, desirous of

locating here. S. K. Palmer, county superintendent of schools, Dallas county, calls upon all trus-tees, teachers and school officers to meet him in Dallas, Feb. 1, 1890, for discussion

of all matters pertaining to this interest



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Liberty is a cheap thing, after all. Jno. Kunze, a little German, convicted among the murderers of Dr. Cronin, was granted a new trial. The judge admitted him to bail in the sum of \$5000, and it was made by a dime museum man, on the condition that Kunze would become one of his "at-tractions."

Congressman Abbott has introduced a bill the intention of which is to abolish trusts. The bill defines a trust as any combination intended to restrict competition or control prices, imposes both fine and imprisonment as a penalty, denies to any contracts, agreements, notes, or other commercial paper held by such trusts the recognition of the courts, and empowers the president to abolish duties on the importation of any article upon which any such combination exists.

The National University of Chicago has received a New Year's gift of improved Illinois farm property, estimated at \$25,000, which will be utilized by its agricultural department as a means of teaching improved practical farming to needy young men who desire to pay their expenses while at college, and who take the agricultural course.

On the White Rock, thirteen miles north of Waco, John Brinigan found a rattlesnake partly awake from the winter sleep. He took the serpent to his campfire and when it fully awoke it bit Brinigan in the cheek and he died from the effects.

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on the Texas border.

H. M. Turner, D. D., LL. D., of Atlanta, Ga., bishop of the African Methodist Church, speaking of the bill before Congress, which proposes to give National aid to such colored people as might desire to return to Africa or elsewhere, said: "God grant that the bill may pass. The white people brought us here against our will. Now they provide for us to leave if we desire. Besides, we must work out our destiny, anyhow, and a portion of us think we can do it better elsewhere."

Congressman Stewart has introduced a

uplings. Walker Blaine, Examiner of Claims of waker Biaine, Examiner of Claims of the State Department, and the eldest son of the Hon. James G. Blaine, Secretary of State, died at the family residence in the old Seward mansion, Lafayette park, Washington, January 15, of acute pneu-monia, superinduced by an attack of la grippe.
An "Afro-American Convention" as-

sembled in Chicago last week, and adopted unanimously a resolution asking Congress to appropriate \$100,000,000 to furnish transportation to unhappy white citizens of Alabama, South Carolina and other & Fitzhugh, of Paris, Texas, for 9½ cents a pound.

Rev. Sam Jones will visit Tyler late in February. A tabernacle to hold 4500 people will be constructed.

Or Anabama, South Carolina and other Southern States, who may desire to settle in more favored localities, free from Afro-American majorities, and especially naming Senator Morgan as the Moses to the bottom well covered with straw as an absorbent for the liquid portions.

lead the emigrants. Who knows but the negro may yet get the forty acres and a mule which was promised by the carpet-

Mr. Crain wants Congress to substitute the 31st of December for 4th of March as applied to the presidential term.

It has been discovered that a firm of Mexicans, running a "private bank," across the border from Texas, have been coining United States silver dollars for two years past—and that it is probable as much as \$7,000,000 have been thus foisted upon the United States.

Georgia, by act of her legislature, will observe Gen. Lee's birthday as a general holiday.

Representative Robertson, of Louisiana, has introduced in Congress a bill appro-priating \$3,000,000 to reimburse the State of Louisiana for the destruction of the State Capitel at Baton Rouge, I.a., by fire while in possession of the United States military authorities in 1863.

A Montreal telegram of January 14 says: The most terrible wind storm ever ex-perienced in Eastern Canada began here perienced in Eastern Canada began here yesterday at noon and up to midnight raged with undiminished fury. One of the steeples of the magnificent St. James' church, just built, toppled to the street, injuring half a dozen people. The St. John Baptist Church was blown down. Not an orchard remains standing on the Island of Montreal. At Hilaire, on the Grand Trunk Road, an accommodation train was rounding a curve running twenty miles an hour when the burricane ty miles an hour when the hurricane came and the cars were lifted and thrown bodily down the embankment and were completely wrecked.

A Rev. J. W. Johnson, pastor of the Methodist Church, South, at Huntington, W. Va., lost his life last week in the ceremonies incident to the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree in Masonry. The report says: He was about to be lowered into a thirteen feet deep yault symbolical into a thirteen feet deep vault, symbolical of the search in the ruins of the temple, when suddenly the rope upon which his weight was suspended, unwound from the tackle and he fell to the floor below. He was extricated by means of a ladder and no outward mark of injury could be found. He had struck on his left hip and suffered intense agony. He was conscious and ab-solved the brethren from all blame. No

Rio Janeiro gives news of a rencounter between soldiers in that city. It seems that on December 18 it was discovered that part of the army, about two hundred men, was opposed to the republic and strongly favored the monarchy. The pro-visional government sent a company of artillery to arrest the insurrectionists. They opened fire on the soldiers and it is reported that over one hundred of them were killed.

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