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#### HOME CONFERENCES.

Terrell.

F. A. Rosser, Jan. 25: Good congregations Sunday; two accessions.

West Georgetown Circuit. Jas. M. Sherman, Jan. 28: West Georgetown circuit is moving on nicely. We begun the work without an organization on it. There are now three small organizations. One Methodist Sundayschool and one union Sunday-scoool.

Jno. C. Burgamy, Jan. 27: Allow me to say that I am very well pleased with my work. I could not ask for a kinder reception. I am having good congrega-tions, the best of order and attention. I have had some very impressive services. I am hoping and praying for a glorious revival of religion all over the work. I have moved to Lawndale. Am very well pleased with my new home. I am convenient to a fine school, and am surrounded with kind people.

ised to be more devoted to their Master's service this than last year. May God's blessings rest upon him and us all in being the light of the word; and may he prove a power in this country against Satan. Success to the Advocate.

The Advocate with profit, and will get as many subscriber as possible. My post-office is Wesatche, Goliad country, Texas.

Mt. Enterprise.

T. B. Vinson, Jan. 31: Our first quarterly meeting, which was the 18th and 19th,

Mrs. J. S. Tunnell, Jan. 28: The ladies and little girls of Corn Hill, please accept my thanks for the lovely black dress recently sent, through the kindness of Miss Ada Watson, assistant teacher in the Corn Hill Normal and Business College. Though we have found many warm, congenial friends in Taylor, and have alserved the kindless of the Master came down and leavened the whole body, and we came to gether as a unit in Christ Jesus to glorify God and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kindless of the Master came down and leavened the whole body, and we came to gether as a unit in Christ Jesus to glorify God and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kindless of the whole body, and we came to gether as a unit in Christ Jesus to glorify God and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kindless of the whole body, and we came to gether as a unit in Christ Jesus to glorify God and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kindless of the kindless of the whole body, and we came to gether as a unit in Christ Jesus to glorify God and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kindless of the kind ready become attached to our new home, we can never forget the many dear friends among whom we have all to get a deeper hold upon them than ever. As this is my first year in the never forget the many dear friends among whom we lived the past

for they will take two or three other papers that will amount to the \$2. Deny scribers to the Advocate, for which I in have no special "pounding" to report, will do you good.

A. B. Roberts, Jan. 28: Our first quarterly meeting just over; and truly it was a time of refreshing "from the presence of the Lord." Our new church (Harmoy Chapel) was dedicated by our faithful presiding eld r. E. A. Bailey. This beau-tiful edifice and the consolidation of Turn-ersyille and Prairie View societies, with a roll of 140 members, are a part of the visible results of our camp-meeting at that place last July. Six hundred dollars was assessed for preacher in charge and about one-fifth of that amount paid. Praise the Lord for a good board of stewards and for the ADVOCATE. These two are the Aaron and Hur that hold up the ministers hands while the army of the living God 'advances to conquer the kingdom of in." I send herewith five new subscrib-

### Wharton.

Robt. B. Martin, Feb. 1: "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." The wise man saith. "As The wise man saith, "As site. cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." We are not far off, but near by that love that hopeth all things. Our Bro. Childers was with all things. Our Bro. Childers was with us the third Sunday in January. Preaching in the morning and administration of the Lord's Supper, assisted by good Bro. ond, who Todd, local preacher of Richmo preached for us at night. Two accessions by letter in the morning, and two at night by ritual. Bro. Childers addressed the Sunday-school children in the afternoon, and drew the hearts of the little ones to "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings of good; that published salvation; that saith unto Zion thy God reigneth. Experience meeting Thursday

G. V. Ridley, Jan. 28: Bro. Abe Mulkey and his excellent wite have come and gone, and we are pleased to say that their work here was blessed beyond our expectations. Only those who are here and conversant with the obstacles to be over- are far ahead. come locally can appreciate the work necessary to be done in order to counteract opposition and bring into aggressive to numbers we have as many willing and ready workers in the cause as any can boast, but when local industries lay their inexorable tribute on brain and muscle, absorbing every outside consideration, it is hard to reach the soul either through the mind or heart, because the pulpit and the pew must approve all legitimate in-dustries, and this apology, which Chris-tianity must approve, is here offered to an extent rarely equaled and never ex-celled, and this fact cuts off the possibility of religious influences from many of those whom we most desire to reach; but Brother and Sister Mulkey reached a much larger number than any one else since my pastoral work began here, over two years ago. Large audiences were in attendance every night, though the weather was unpropitious nearly all the time. Thirty-five gave their names for membership in various churches; two have joined the Baptist Church, and thirteen have joined the Methodist land most magnificent mosque in the they are here to stay, that we are not soon to see them go, as did the evangelists, Bros. Burnett, Mulkey and wife. Their work here was a splendid one, and now comes Bro. Hill and picks up, as it were, the stich they dropped, and with a zeal that seems

J. M. Shuford: I reached my appointment the first of December and found a ment the first of December and found a comfortable parsonage, conveniently arranged, and we were kindly received. The first quarterly conference was held by the presiding elder, Bro. Deats. The conference was interesting. The stewards present had the cause at heart. Bro. Deats preached three times for us; Bro. Kooley once. The preaching was good. Such as will do men good; some of us at least were revived. Two young men came forward, showing an interest in their souls' forward, showing an interest in their souls' W. H. Whittington, Feb. 2: Our new preacher, Rev. J. W. Cullen, filled his appointment at Deversthe fourth Sabbath of last month. He preached two excellent sermons, and a goodly number of Christians renewed their vows and promised to be proported by the proposition of the class. We all started out afresh with renewed vigor. We read the Approary deveted to their Master's

two conference years, and their unabating things to learn, but realizing that God is acts of kindness and tokens of love. The Weekly Citizen: Last week the building committee, consisting of Young Burgher, T. B. Yarborough and D. E. Taylor, contracted with R. Baird for an addition to the Methodist parsonage, to cost \$650. This has been greatly needed and when finished will make one of the prettiest houses in town, and one of the most attractive and commodious preach.

prettiest houses in town, and one of the most attractive and commodious preacher's homes in North Texas Conference. Thus does the McKenzie congregation advance with the times and give another token of their high appreciation of their pastor, Rev. Chas. O. Jones.

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Crockett Circuit. purselves and take the ADVOCATE. It tend making a thorough canvass. Last days of pleasantness. May God bless the good people of Hallville circuit abun-dantly for their kindness to their pastor, ings to all the brethren.

John W. Holt, Jan. 26: Our first quarterly meeting over. We had a good religious time. The Holy Spirit, accompanied the Word preached, and, the day of Petecost, applied it to the wants of each heart. To the sinner it rought conviction; to the Christian, a desire for a higher and better life. The financial report was as follows: Ministerial support, \$118; missions, \$100; delegates to General Conference, \$3; Bible been much better, especially the conference claims, had it not been that our ed as the light side of church work. laboring under serious difficulties arising from the election to change the county county has voted on this question. Great and the salvation of souls be greater this excitement and much hard feelings were year than last? To this end will I study the results. For the present property here has depreciated in value at least twenty-five per cent. I think, however, this will not be the case long. I don't which, answering for myself, I say: think Blanco has lost much. It always being my helper, I will." will be the best town in the county, be cause it is surrounded by fertile land, which is thickly settled and well cultivated. Blanco is high and healthy. Good school. Church moving along nicely.

Round Rock. near Rice's Crossing, Williamson county, Texas. We claim the prettiest chapel in Williamson county, if not the prettiest on any circuit in the bounds of the Northwest Texas Conference. In some particulars we a e far ahead of the far-famed are far ahead, since we have ordered fine folding opera chairs, with a place under each one for a beaver hat. Messrs. necessary to be done in order to counter-act opposition and bring into aggressive action the spiritual forces of the Chris-tian portion of our city. In proportion to numbers we have as many willing and we must give you a couple of fine lamps, which will make it light as day." This church was built by sinners—that is, for the greater part. We trust that each one will be converted. The people of Taylor assisted us cheerfully and liberally. May God bless them. They are prospering, and deserve to prosper. I believe 1'll

Church, with many more to follow, sickness having prevented many from attending service since the meeting closed. Our people, with one accord, say: "God bless Bro. Mulkey with his strokes in the form of plain and forcible speech, and Sister Louisa with her beautiful songs and Bible to those who are seeking salvation. They have entailed upon us a blessing indeed, a dual blessing. Sinners have been saved and the Christians aroused to greater diligence. Praise the Lord for salvation.

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Jas. M. Wesson ovarious countries and raised \$62.00.

Vineyard City. J. E. McCleskey: I am making my home at Vineyard City. This is a small town, and is improving some. Its main attraction is the mineral water. Great merit is claimed for it in the way of healing external ailments and chronic diseases. My first quarterly conference has been held. The presiding elder not present on acount of sickness. Slim attendance at conference. We have no local

conditions of prosperity and hope are realized. Bros. Samuel Morriss, J. P. Mussett, and others, wrought in this field under more adverse circumstances. Today I am happy to send them the cheering news that I am entering into their labors. We desired to erect a brick structure, but at the time I came into the field and took the reins, I found it imbrick foundation-there being five colunns of brick the entire length of the building. The length is sixty feet, the breadth forty feet, and height of ceiling twenty-one feet. It is to be wainscoated three feet on the inner walls, then paper-

owing in part, I suppose, to the fact that conference have not yet been exhausted: and may he lead and nurture them as a and yet there has been a regular gentle shepherd does his sheep. Happy greet- stream of those articles mostly needed coming in ever since conference; so that, quote Tom Murrah, at La Grange, "We are in clover." A very nice thing done by our board of stewards was that every member was in attendance at their first meeting, and the fact of having done right so raised their self-respect as to ake them love their neighbor too, and they resolved that the pastor's salary had been rather light and they increased it to the capacity of the charge. One of the board said: "We will never get a blessing until we get to where our contribu-tions hurt." Let the church say, amen! cause, \$10. Our collections would have But while this is all acceptable to God and profitable to men, it should be treatchurch for the last two months has been ali-important question for each and every one of us to propound to ourselves is, Will I live more closely to God this year This is the third time that Blanco than last? Shall my efforts for his glory more time on my knees in communion with God this year than last? To all of

### Some Paris Matters.

A. P. Boyp, Jan. 30: For some reason which no one has undertaken to explainlack of spiritual life, I fear-the CATE has not had that circulation in Paris to which its excellence and its location C. S. F.: On Sunday, March 2d, at 11
a. m., our new chapel will be dedicated by Rev. Horace Bishop. This church is known as Robinson's Chapel, situated cannot do too much for our church papers, and especially ought Texas Methodists to sustain the Advocate. Speaking of Methodists, gives me an opportunity of saying that we have two churches in Paris, and they are each prosperous, al-though, perhaps, a little quickening along Lorena Chapel (I believe comparisons are invited). If I mistake not our chairs are far ahead, since we have ordered fine in vain that build it," and I can speak for Centenary church, and say that the hand of God has been laid upon us for good, and our spiritual house is now going up. Our congregations are large, our prayer meetings are well attended and are glo rious in themselves. We look upon these meetings as the forerunner of such a re vival after awhile as is seldom known. The church is praying for it, and many seem to feel that it is coming soon. In common with all our members, I am in love with our new prstor, Rev. J. W. Hill—a man of brains, a consecrated man, a man who is burdened for the welfare of Bishop and give you a quotation therefrom: "You have heard in your own country of all our splendor. Rumors of fine stained-glass wind ws, decorated ceiling and folding chairs have come to your ears. But when you come down to dedicate, on March 2, and see for yourself, you will say, 'I had heard in mine own country of all these things; but behold, the half had never been told! Like the Queen of Sheba, there is no more supported by the Queen of Sheba, there is no more support. And prays with and for the 'a. Such a man is our pastor, and he and his amiable and lovely wife have already won the hearts of our people, and been made to feel that their lines have been cast in pleasant places, and it is a sweet thought that they are here to stady that we are not soon to see them go, as did the evangelists, Bros.

## Plantersville and Countney Circuit. Jas. M. Wesson, Jan. 21: Our first quarterly meeting was held at Planters-ville January 11 and 12. The weather was unfavorable, yet the attendance was good, all things considered. Bro. Mickel, our presiding elder, was with us, and from the manner in which he handled the gavel, gave promise of an efficient officer. By God's blessing upon his administration, we anticipte a prosperous year. Al-ready tokens for good appear.

#### Benjamin. Mrs. C. A. Weatherby, Jan. 26: Our

ADVOCATE urges us to be more liberal in our work of missions, and while we are

willing and anxious to do all we can for "foreign missions," I ask you to help us at home. Will state the facts as clearly practicable and out of our reach. Hence as I can. Our town (Benjamin) is a new we will erect a wooden house upon a solid frontier town, with but few inhabitants, as I can. Our town (Benjamin) is a new and the surrounding country sparsely set-tled, and all poor in this world's goods. Grockett Circuit.

J. L. Chiles: Our pastor preached his irrst sermon to us the other Sunday, and was yell and well pleased with him. Do not know whether I am a competent judge or not, for I like all of our pastors, and will help him all I can, and in every way I can. My time will soon the Advocare, but we per way I can. My time will soon the out with the Advocare, but we have organized three could realize that they ought to take their church paper. They cannot claim poverty, for they will take two or three other. They cannot claim poverty, for they will take two or three others will alked two or three others. They cannot claim poverty, for they will take two or three others are the paper and the population of the paper. They cannot claim poverty, so that we have only one standing we had many friends on Grape and good people of my new field. Notwithstanding we had many friends on Grape and good people of my new field. Notwithstanding we had many friends on Grape and good people of my new field. Notwithstanding we had many friends on Grape and the protracted meetings, for the house is tanding our people are all and circuit whom we love and from whom we love and from whom we love and from whom well pleased with the pastors, and will person the out with the Abrocare, but expect to renew again. I wish all the brethren could realize that they ought to take their church paper. They cannot claim poverty, which is a good substitute. Since the work before us. All the index of the thurch and an amount in the work before us. All the protracted meetings, for the house, is attention of us reported the three feet on the inner walls, then paper alead the of the time for the work before us. All the or the work before us. boys." I feel that we could do a great deal more good if we had a house of our own week I went home and spent several days of pleasantness. May God bless the good people for the parsonage so warm for the last two good people of Hallville circuit abundance of the supplies furnished before the Lord. We might procure a loan from the Church Extension Board, if we were able to secure them. But we only have our pastor is paid, and with outside charities, we have not a dollar left. Then if we can build by private contribution, we will not have debts like a dark cloud hanging over us. "Tis deeply humiliating me to ask aid from the church. I was orn in the church; have been a member hirty-six years, and this is the first time have ever asked help from the church But I thank God I was never refused p that I asked for the church. Would that we could swell her coffers, so that with her kind heart and liberal hand she ald build for all her children--"her own vine and fig tree." I ask you not only to consider this appeal, but beg you to take it to the Lord and ask him, on your knees, if we need a church and how badly need it. Then I feel assured you will contribute freely. Both Bro. Haralson, presiding elder, and Bro. Bennett, pastor, will endorse what I say as to our need, also our inability to build a church. That God will open your hearts to help us, is the of fifty or a hundred packages of materia incere prayer of the writer.

### Gainesville.

W. M. Leatherwood, Jan. 27: After conference Bishop Key authorized a change between Bro. J. D. Whitehead, who was appointed to Gainesville circuit, and myself, appointed to Mount Pleasant reuit. We moved here as soon as possi-ble, rented a house in Gainesville and set work. We find a clever and genial ople so far as we have been permitted cultivate them. While this work is not strong, and the assessment for the pastor and his family is small, yet the people seem determined that we shall We are expecting a year of spiritual prosperity, and have made a pleasant beginning. At Whaley's chapel, two and a half miles from Gainesville, we held a series of services during the holidays, resulting in several conversions and a general benefit to the members. Bros. Blackburn and Neely have had la gripperather, la grippe had them. Dr. was so much indisposed by reason of the ightness of the grippe that he did not hold services Sunday and Sunday even-ing last. Bro. Blackburn and his peo-ple, at East Gainesville church, are buildg a nice, even handsome, parsonage on the lot adjoining the church; which parsonage the writer and his family are to occupy, at least till fall. That parsonage will, when completed, reflect much credit upon the members of East Gainesville hurch, and upon their pastor, Rev. M. C. Blackburn. By the way, Dr. Neely's people have sent for specifications to build a ten or twelve thousand dollar church, to take the place of the frame building now occupied by the congrega-tion. You see Gainesville Methodism is aggressive. Why should it not be with such men as Blackburn, Ballard, (presidaggressive. ing elder) and Neely, to lead the hosts? should have said that our people at Whaley's chapel remembered us pleasantly on the occasion of their Christmas

B. R. Bolton, Jan. 28: We have reached the first quarterly meeting for the new year on our new work, and this new preacher must tell our beloved editor, the chief of all the beloveds, and the readers of the Advocate, how the battle goes on Pack statics. tle goes on Rusk station. The preacher, as a rule, whether old or new, is supposed to be the leader of the flock, but as the good people of Rusk prefer to lead rather than be led, in some things, we have cheerfully conformed to their wishes. They led us first from the depot to their beautiful and elegantly arranged new office is Wesatche, Goliad county, Texas.

Mt. Enterprise.

T. B. Vinson, Jan. 31: Our first quarters was well attended by the officials, and the spirit of the Master came down and leavened the whole body, and we came to get the whole body, and we came to get the whole body, and we came to who have now the well and and advance his cause among men. We had one of the most pleasant and profitable occasions I ever witnessed of the kind. The presiding elder was with us from first to last, and though he has served this people before, yet he seemed to get a deeper hold upon them than ever. As this is my first year in the regular work, being a supply, I find I have many hings to learn, but realizing that God is vith us we are hopeful for this circuit. Ve are coming up on some lines, and are raying for a gracious revisal and consecrated predecase and any proposition of the work. I acknowledge the gift of a nice quilt by spirate preaching. We are hoping for many conversions. I acknowledge the gift of a nice quilt by least the proposition of the kind. The presiding elder was with the served this people before, yet he seemed to get a deeper hold upon them than ever. As this is my first year in the regular work, being a supply, I find I have many hings to learn, but realizing that God is vith us we are hopeful for this circuit. Ve are coming up on some lines, and are raying for a gracious revisal. God, to whom be all the praise. not been subjected to any formal, informal or premeditated pounding, but one is ordered, for the ladies have taken it in hand, and the carpets are coming. We have not been disturbed or frightened by any formal or premeditated pounding, but one is ordered, for the ladies have taken it in hand, and the carpets are coming. We have not been disturbed or frightened by any formal, informal or premeditated pounding, but one is ordered. Corsicana Circuit.

H. M. Glass, Feb. 3: Have been sick two weeks with la grippe. Raised lately All the stewards were present, and de-posited \$200 in the Lord's bank the first quarter for the support of the ministry. We have taken an insight into the various departments of church work in this growing new station, and find the church well organized and the most beautiful harmony prevailing. We are impressed with the conviction that the field is great, and the responsibilities are commensurate with the conviction that the field is great, and the responsibilities are commensurate with the magnitude of the work; but a nobler company of faithful Christian men and women can scarcely be found than those that bless the church and nobler company of faithful Christian men and women can scarcely be found We have no church and are too poor to build one. All denominations use the school-house, so that we have only one are happy and earnestly addressing our-

Not content with making everybody happy with Christmas presents and entertainments unnumbered, they have pounded every pastor in the town. Now, dear ADVOCATE, though you forewarn of brevity and contemn stale wit, ours ought to be allowed a description—at least in some details. Perhaps the inexperienced may want to know how the thing is done: Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, and other sorts in and out of the church, plot together and at a precon-certed signal they block up the streets and approaches to the parsonage in their concentration of forces and packages on their way to some secret rendezvous near Trinityby. Then when the trap is set ready to catch the intended viction, they send a deputation who make an alarm at the City Mission—Bro. Blackburn preached parsonage door, take possession of the preacher and proceed to initiate him into paralyzed, or dreaming. Then some one wearing the insignia of office moves a resolution with a facetious preamble, which is promptly carried. Then comes A cyclone of affections, prayers, sympathies, and greetings, to-gether with a cannonade from a battery good things, is turned loose upon the preacher. A cyclone and a cannonade all in one? Yes, and worse, in the preacher's bosom. He is lifted and flung stammeringly around by conflicting emotions and gyratory efforts to regain his senses and make a responsive speech. Speech! Did ever a man make a speech whirling on the wings of a tornado? Did ever phi-Was ever Yosemite pictured in prose? Was ever borealis reduced to a poem? Had ever the rainbow a peroration? Did ever self-poised composure follow earthquake? Then may a speech equal the rapture of the scene at church and parsonage Friday. night, January 17. To adjourn the meet-ing demands magician's wand. Fortunate that presiding elder, a master of assemlooms up in time for the scene. Relief comes from him by motion for adjournment. It is a motion sine die, and carries, but the pounding refuses either to sine or die. Three days and nights it Parcels, packages, bales—some bowlders—promiscuously full. Angels envy the bliss and the privilege of bestow-ing it. Inspiration follows. Preacher and people are lifted above themselves, nearer the power not their own. Reenfargement mark all such epochs. Giorious the service, sweet the martyrdom, if need be, for such a flock.

We had a most delightful time. The presiding elder (B. M. Stephens) said he was much gratified at the attendance and internal stephens. ciprocal elevation, endearment, and soul-

a number of books, obtained eighteen subtrees, as others are continuing to do almost daily. Your correspondent and all his house have been severely gripped, and very many people of this city and like the series to our Abvocate, and received six additions by certificate; all accomplished in five weeks. Congregations are good and growing. First quarterly meeting well attended. Assessed for pastor, God.

people and mention names of leading contributors, and to read head lines of subjects discussed, inspires interest in the paper on the part of the people. May name on the part of the people. May now in a fair way to recover performing of our family until this week. Our is now in a fair way to recover performing of our family until this week. boy is now in a fair way to recover permanently. He has been down for eight weeks. Our prayers in his behalf have been heard. We are now in the parsonage. The good ladies had cleaned and scoured it, and on our arrival had it well supplied with many things calculated to tickle the fancy and appetite of a tired preacher and his family. Thanks. We are happy and ever so grateful. About \$100 will be spent improving the parsonage. We have a new cistern. Oh, we are going to have a most lovely home here. No other itinerant need fix his eye and heart on it for some time yet. May the Lord help us to serve this peo-ple with acceptability and in the fear of

J. C. Calhoun, Feb. 3: Yesterday was a pleasant day with us at Mineola. Con-gregations large at each service. We preached our missionary sermon at 11 o'clock, applied it to the audience by way of a collection for foreign missions. Results, \$48.10, which was in excess of our assessment for the year. The children's service in the evening was delightful.

two weeks with la grippe. Raised lately in cash about \$550 to build a church near Eureka. Expended about \$60 on parsonage. By renewals and new subscribers we want to get our ADVOCATE in all our people's homes. God bless the ADVOCATE in its grand work.

#### East Weatherford Mission.

W. K. Simpson, Feb. 1: I have been well received at every appointment. I and my horse have been well cared for. I have eight appointments.. I have taken up my collections at four of them. results were 57 per cent on all collections secured. I believe we will see through by the 1st of March. The good people at Preston paid theirs in full, and a little over. The other appointments are falling in line in the good work. So we have a

### Itasca.

J. W. Sansom, Feb. 4: The first quar-Sacramental service at the close of the 11 o'clock sermon. I was glad to note a good religious feeling in the congregation.

### Dallas.

Dallas preachers' meeting met at First Thurch parsonage, Monday, 10 a. m. Present: Allen, president; Blackburn, Present: Allen, president; Blackburn, Hanson, Clark, Hay. After religious ser-vice, conducted by Bro. Allen, the meeting was opened for reports and discus-

Oak Lawn-Bro. Campbell preached at 11 a. m. an excellent sermon, and pastor

Trinity-Pastor, Bro. Brown, sick

City Mission—Bro. Blackburn preached at South Dallas in the morning to fair council chamber. He brings up in their midst bewildered and dazed with the scene, wondering whether he will be seened and the scene wondering whether he will be seened and the scene wondering whether he will be seened and in the morning and in the scene. gations. One accession. Bro. Blackburn reports the mission work being hopeful, both materially and spiritually Floyd Street-Good congregations morn-

ng and night. One accession. First Church-Fine congregation. Solemn sacramental service in morning, and five additions.

### Crystal Falls.

M. M. Smith, Jan. 31: We have a most delightful work up here, and would not exchange for any preacher's station, circuit or mission. Have nine appointments, viz: Pleasant Valley, Crystal Falls, Eliasville, South Bend, Goose Neck, Irvin's Chapel, Cedar Springs, Caddo and Sandy. Some from most all Brothers, in the quiet little village of Eliasville. They and families are model Methodists and worthy of imitation. We feel that we have been made better by their association. We have met every appointment during the two rounds that have been made on the work. The work in many respects indicates that good pas-toral work has been done in the past. It was our happy lot to meet the former pas tor of this charge one day this week. looked as if the grip had caught him. Hope he is well by this time. Our first quar terly conference on the work came off at Goose Neck on the 30th. We had a most He preached two fine sermons that seemed to penetrate the heart of every s. H. Morgan, Jan. 30: In accordance with the appointment of Bishop Key.at as early a day as possible I invaded this field of labor. It stands ready for labor in abundance. We entered, took possession and the seemed to penetrate the heart of every listener. Brcs. Keith and Martin will take the blue ribbon on fat turkeys. The next quarterly meeting will be at Irvin's chapel, where we have several solutions. began work in the name of the Lord of and feel that success will crown our Hosts. We find a kind, hospitable, generous people, abounding in good deeds and growing in liberality. They received us with warm hearts and open homes. We have visited nearly all the families, sold ADVOCATE and every Christian worker in scribers to our ADVOCATE, and received the land. May this be the year in which

## Texas Christian Advocate.

J. W. COKER

Permit me to enter my solemn protest against such articles as that of Bro. L. Spencer's in the last ADVOCATE. I thought politicians had worn the "bloody shirt" threadbare long since. I thought the war had ended. How long, oh Lord, how long will the brethren of our dear Southland indulge in such acrimonious speech against their brethren in the North? The bone of contention seems to be Hymn No. 899. While I don't claim to be even a novice in hymnology, I do think that Bro. John F. Neal is right, and that Judge Fisher, in his article, went off at a tangent, and that Bro. Spencer, in his article, has gone even beyond the shadow and is beating the desert air. I would just like to sing Hymn 899 for Bros. Spencer and Fisher as I learned it when I was a school boy. I think the Judge would withdraw his protest and Bro. Spencer would make that order. I love No. 899! There is inspiration in it!

HYMN NO. 899: REV. G. A. GREEN.

I have often heard when a school boy

"John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the ground, John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the

As we go marching home." surrection. To the above verse were damaged. added quite a number of others, such as "Hang Abe Lincoln on a sour apple tree," etc., ad infinitum. I never liked to join in the song, as it seemed almost sacrilege to desecrate so sacred a tune to such an irreverent sentiment. The only relation that I can see existing between the song Joln Brown's Body and Hymn No. 899 is that a sacred worship God by singing a song set to a camp meeting air has been used irreverently in connection with an irreligious sentimental song. Now, if the church sentimental song. sent mental song. Now, if the church begins to expunge every song appropriated by the devil, it must soon sadly hang its harp upon the willows. Let us let John Brown's ashes rest in peace until the morn of the resurrection, when we must all stand together, each to give an account for himself of the deeds done in the body. Let us not create in continue to cherish such sentiments as our hearts a hell for any, but rather a they have expressed, it will be useless heaven for all; and, in spite of jealousy, envy, hatred and hell, let us continue

"Glory, glory, hallelujah, Glory, glory, hallelujah, Glory, glory, hallelujah, For ever, evermore!" WORTHAM, TEXAS.

> NO. 899. REV. J. A. WYATT.

possibly could. Has not the time fully come to cease to flaunt the bloody shirt? this is the "more excellent way."-I Cor. xii:31 and xiii:1-7. WHITESBORO, TEXAS.

NUMBER 899. T. B. STONE

We have often heard of a "mountain being made out of a mole-hill," but have never seen it so perfectly exemplified as in the unfortunate furor, made over the poor little hymn, number 899, in our new hymn book.

For four years we waited for this book, and at last after the work was finished and the presses were put to work on it, it was with considerable imvery difficult matter to convince men the world to Christ; upon which he inference made was that when the debt patience we waited our turn to have that certain things were right. Reasonour order filled. When at last the book able men will not listen to reason. came, how glad we were to get it; how They use argument themselves, but will Spencer, it seems to me, should have is free from debt, the policy of those in

of love and good will, inculcated in the religion of Christ, ought surely to have sufficed to cool the blood, still the passions and remove the hate of Spencer and others. We think it ugly in Fowler, Peck, and other Northern fanatics, to keep stirring up the old fires, and arousing sectional bitterness, and we do tians, it compromises our dignity, and it is at the expense of our self-respect, judgment. when we give utterance to such senti-Spencer and others.

Say what we please, do what we may,

These articles have shown us the fly "that stinketh the whole ointment," that would never have been noticed by many of us. Our bishops, who carefully examined and cordially commended the book, have more religion and more love than some of our laymen and clergy, for they thought they could

In conclusion, while we think that our book would not have been ruined being there, and we feel safe in believing that if Bros. Spencer and others continue to cherish such sentiments as they have expressed, it will be made to the spencer and others. Texas.

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"Brothers, will you meet me On Canaan's happy shore? NO. 899.

REV. J. T. SMITH. In the ADVOCATE of January 16 is an article from the pen of Bro. C. L. Spencer on Hymn 899, and he demands A press of work delayed my reading the Advocate of last week thoroughly till this evening. I have just finished body lies mouldering in the clay." If the clay is specified in the clay is specified in the demands questions involved; and, first of all, in regard to the date of publication. At Georgetown last June, while attending to the Bible as till this evening. I have just finished body lies mouldering in the clay." If the clay is specified in the clay is specified in the clay is specified in the clay in the clay is specified in the clay i reading Bro. Spencer's article, "Expunge No. 899." I freely admit that I good—the bishops and committee thought it was—the reason is a mere preachers, we were discussing among and Hall has done this, I think, more sentiment. I, like many others, would whim; if it must be expelled for what it other things the necessity of the direct much prefer that the tune to which No. has been, for the same reason Mary and personal agency of the Holy Ghost 899 is set had been supplied by some Magdaline might have been expelled in the conversion of the soul and in the other, but I lack much of being ready to boycott our own Hymn Book and reason we should expell all reformed Publishing House because of one objectionable tune. He says, "I had just been converted and taken into the gospel. I remember taking the made up an order to our Nashville church. If it's to be "expunged" be- ground on that occasion that, while House for the book to supply our Sun- cause it brings up the recollection of day-school when I read Judge Fisher's the unhappy past, the same reason would expunge all history of the same events. ever be sent until it is shown to us be yord all question that No. 899 neither not all of our grand old standard give man knowledge of spiritual things. is John Brown's Body, nor anything resembling it sufficiently to call to mind that song of hatred and of blood." I did not know we had a "Nashville House." I thought it was our "Publishing House." I wish to know where our other "house" or "houses" are look of the same sort? No, Bro. Spencer, of the same sort? No, Bro. Spencer, which both of them, after heartily ended that did not know we had a "Nashville not at some time wring with "How sion, I read it to those brethren with due apology, as I thought, for any seeming vanity the reading might betray, upon which both of them, after heartily ended that did not know we had a "Nashville not at some time wring with "How sion, I read it to those brethren with due apology, as I thought, for any seeming vanity the reading might betray, upon which both of them, after heartily ended to the same sort? No, Bro. Spencer, which both of them, after heartily ended to the same sort? cated. Bro. Spencer once avowed to the tune to hymn 899 has been conbe "subject to the Discipline of the verted and taken into the church by on the publication of the correspondchurch, attend upon its ordinances, and support its institutions." It seems to me that until our judgment on any question involving this vow becomes infallible, to love and want it to stay. Dr. Dunthat either of us would do well to defer somewhat at least to those that are in authority. In my judgment, in spite of No. 899, our Hymn Book is the the best extant; and then I prefer to be loyal, even though everything don't sprightly lawyer and active layman in exactly agree with my "infallible" (?) our church came forward and said I fore, and the probabilities are it will do judgment. Bro. Spencer's main objection seems to be the calling "to mind That tune and song are worth the price want one of our new hymn books. good before Spencer and I get through That tune and song are worth the price with it, whether it results in my cru-(scenes) of hatred and blood, and yet he goes on to relate instances more calculated to stir up such than the song stars and bars of the red, white and sold soldier who followed the stars and bars of the red, white and blue, and lost a leg in the conflict. He says, "I wish you would write to the Yet, it seems to me that such articles | TEXAS ADVOCATE and tell Bro. Spencer as Bro. Spencer's would rather tend to that old John Brown is dead, and W. such flaunting than otherwise. Jesus H. Seward and Gen. Grant and Abrasaid, "Follow me; and let the dead bury ham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson. their dead."-Matt. viii:22. Also, and the war is over long ago, and if "Forgive us our debts as we forgive the music set to the old song of John our debtors."-Matt. vi:12. Brethren, Brown's Body is good, I see no reason why we may not use it, and if he does not like it he need not use it—'hat's all." If I didn't like it—there is only a half page of it—I'd just paste a piece of paper over it, and sing the one on the next page. The song itself may be a negro corn field song, but for all that it's heep sung for more than thirty years. it. No, no, let it stay.

> HOW THEY ARE CONVINCED. REV. ELIAS ROBERTSON.

reame, now grad we were to get it; now proud we were of it, and how much pleasure we anticipated in using it!

Masonic fraternity we are told "that perfection has never been attained on earth; the wisest as well as the best of the latter, that the misest as well as the best of the proud we were to get it; now pointed out my heresy before demanding my retirement or crucifixion.

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of the human heart, which is deceitful the quoted clause. above all things, and desperately wicked, and does not want to know the truth.

REPLY TO REV. C. L. SPENCER. REV. S. C. LITTLEPAGE.

Thunder from a cloudless sky would than the singular assault of Rev. C. L. Spencer, attorney-at-law, in Texas Christian Advocate, and I beg to reply to all that seems pertinent to the surprising at the request of friends, some eight years ago, he revised, enlarged and republished it, and it is now having a fine sale. I hope Bro. Spencer to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. I think his work to be true of him. reply to all that seems pertinent to the questions involved; and, first of all, in maintenance of the Christian life, and especially his importance in the dereason was important, it was not sufficient; that there was a spirit in man, give man knowledge of spiritual things. dorsing my reply to Dr. Hall, insisted ence, and after my return to Bastrop I received a joint letter, signed by W. W. Pinson and B. Harris-the one and so I sent it when I did, and not becifixion, Hall's decapitation, or Spen-cer's repentance and shame for having joined the accuser of the brethren in that the Publishing House should print bringing a "railing accusation" against church literature at cost. 2. The tone an innocent party who has done nothing worthy of death or of bond. In Recurring to the first, I shou reference to the origin of the corre- the only reason that would justify the spondence between Hall and myself, as church in establishing a Publishing published in the ADVOCATE, it arose House would be to procure cheaper on this wise: His publishers, it seems, literature. The country is full of pubhad broken him up completely, so that lishing houses at which we could get he was reduced to great straits and had all our literature published by paying been sung for more than thirty years and thousands have got happy singing established would amount to little; that more than that of other denominations. I having answered so completely the know nothing of the correctness of seeming evidence upon which Darwin- that statement, for the reason I have ian evolution rests its claims, he should had no occasion to investigate the mat-

have erred." Now we didn't look for perfection, but, after a casual examination, we did think the book was good enough. Somebody discovered that number 899 was to the tune of 'John invited to "come and reason together."

The Holy Spirit takes the truth and personality and divinity might be established. Then Spencer says that: "If it is a digression from the prime object the analogy is to hold good throughout, one of these writers should be beheaded none of these writers should be believed to "come and reason together."

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Invited to "come and reason together." Paul "reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come," but was it not the Holy Spirit that applied the words and made Felix tremble? Lydia's heart was opened that she attended unto the things which were spoken by Paul. Without the living the church in the council and deed of them" who crucified Christ and murdered his forerunner? It would seem so, as he raises the cry, "crucify him," "put him out," "send him to Brush College," against one of the most him," "put him out," "send him to Brush College," against one of the most him," "put him out," "send him to Brush College," against one of the most himself. I do not mean to say that if that its use might recall associations of those years of blood and hate, still we the millennium.

The evil nature of man loves darkers in trouble, and that, too, embracing think it wrong for Christians, and es ness rather than light, error more than one of the finest arguments Jesus ever pecially Christian ministers, to take it truth. Men are inclined to evil and made for the divinity of the gospel and as an excuse to show how well they can that continually, and will not seek the safety of its true friends who main- good cause, as was done in this inremember wrongs and how well they can treasure hate.

The pipings of peace for a quarter of a century, the rapid march of events, the constant practice of the principles the principles the constant practice of the principles the princip wickedness and we can be successful true or false, old or new, in the unionly so far as we can secure spiritual verse, and is its own best defense, and forces, the power of the Holy Ghost. We are opposed by the settled enmity Spencer certainly has not read except

As to Hall's pantheism, in my judgment, no man is freer from the charge This being true, where is our strength? than he. I took the liberty of insistwell to commend all efforts to counter. In the Lord of hosts. "I will be with ing upon the elimination of the entire act the influence of such men. It is derogatory to our characters as Chris but by the Signit—to convince the which God created all things from his world of sin, of righteousness, of the book before the last revision, on the ground that we could not think on Paul did not go to the Corinthians such a plane at all, much less correctly, ments as are embodied in the articles of with excellency of speech or of wisdom, and from the farther fact that it was not out against it. It appeared at first a declaring unto them the testimony of necessary to the argument against the God, "neither with enticing words of transmutation of species and evolution, may not believe the reasoning of the sneer of infidelity, as implied in the preacher, but when they see hardened aphorism: "Out of nothing nothing God's hand may blot the whole thing sinners convicted of sin, hear them cry comes," and the equally wise assumpfor mercy, and then, when pardoned, ti n, that: "Whatever has had a beshout for joy, they are somewhat con ginning must have an end." This led gather around the altar and gaze with amazement upon the wonderful works Hall frankly abaudoned the whole theo must have been struggling with la the heart, and if not quenched will car- lation, it was impossible to know anyry it on. If a man tries to live a thing about it. This public retraction Christian without the comforting and was published in Hall's own magazine strengthening influence of the Spirit, he several years ago, and I regret Bro.

> lieve, through forty-five editions, then it not only has the endorsement of the Fletcher's checks are. Next in my appreciation is "The Problem of Human Life," especially that part of it which and Hall has done this, I think, more effectually than all other writers combinded, whose writings I have read. I have circulated this book to meet exigencies as they have arisen in my pastorate, and will do so still, as necessity may require. When Bro. Spencer shows, by his letters and spirit, that he has been sufficiently nourished by the bread of life to justify him in arraiguing, trying, condemning and crucifying an humble minister whose character has passed before four different annual con-ferences unchallenged, and for thirtyfive years, then I will not refuse to die. Indeed, my heart and life, and all I have and am, has been upon the altar of the church I love for more than that length of time, and never was the consecration more hearty and joyous, or, as I believe, more intelligently made than now, and that Bro. Spencer should seek to injure me in reputation, having known me as he has, is amazing. I can stand the world, the flesh and the devil—and I reckon Spencer, toc. May the Lord have mercy on him and forgive him, as I do this.

> > "THE GREAT CRIME." CHAS, ROGAN

In your issue of the 23d inst. appears an editorial entitled "The Great Crime." In it are two points on which

enter the higher spiritual realm of ter; I have always patronized our truth, since the truth, as it is in Jesus, own house. For along time the excuse wrote the elaborate letter, to which was paid, our literature could be obmine is a reply as published. Bro. tained at less cost. But now, since it

himself. I do not mean to say that if the Publishing House, a church institution, is a money-making machine and it devotes its surplus revenue to a

everything else controlled by man.

We have government for the protection

of society. It costs something to sup-port that government; hence a tax is levied and collected for that purpose and no other. But from an injudicious administration, long years ago, a surplus accumulated in the treasury. The congressmen said, "What shall we do with it?" Instead of reducing taxation to stop the accumulation of this surplus evil crept in under the guise of "protection" (?). Taxation increased, until now the whole nation is crying good thing, yes, very plausible. So in As I understand, the song was supposed to have been sung by the Virginia State troops on their return after the suppression of the John Brown inthe case of the appropriation made by men, but in the power of God. Men ment, ought to be made to answer the Brethren, stop this new departure right now. Stick to first principles, or else out, either by fire or by an irrepressible dissension in the rank and file of the church. Above all things we should vinced, for the Spirit is at work. They to quite a heated discussion in the Mi- maintain our spirituality. We should trust in God for our necessary collections to be made from the free-will offerings of his people, and not by a moneyed institution, the invention of man, under the auspices of the church.

2. The article referred to appears to be written with much irony, and with but little of the Spirit. That course only provokes criticism, not prayer. But notwithstanding that, I do not believe that the brother intended to be sarcastic or cutting when he prepared the article for publication. I am inclined to the opinion that it is more in his style of writing, or the manner in which he expresses himself as a mode sold it to the M. E. Church, which car- of discussion. And I am inclined to ried it through as many more editions; the opinion further that the brother so

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attended him, but he grew continually worse under their care, and everybody expected he would die. I had heard of the remarkable cures effected by Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and decided to have my boy try it. Shortly after he began to take this medicine, the ulcers commenced healing, and, after using several bottles, he was entirely cured. He is now as healthy and strong as any boy of his age." — William F. Dougherty, Hampton, Va

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An Imaginary Visit to Washington City. WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 15, 1890.
My Dear Mamma: We arrived in the "City of Palaces" last night at half past six. We were tired and sleepy, but after a good rest at the Arlington hotel, we were ready to start sight-seeing this

morning.

We went first to the postoffice department. This house occupies an entire square and is the headquarters of the Postmaster General, Mr. Wanamaker.

The next place we visited was the patent office. In this office can be found everything that was ever patented, from a tap on a shoe-string to the largest piece of machinery. The salon of this office is 1.300 feet in length.

We went from there to the treasury building; on the outside it has a dingy, solemn look, but when you go inside and look down at the immense wealth in the cash room it looks very attractive indeed.

The next building we visited was the department of justice, which is of brown colored stone. Here we found the attorney general and the court of claims.

From the department of justice we went directly to the White House. I was very anxious to get there, as I have always wanted to visit the White House.

We first went to the private dining room, and I think it is one of the hand-comest rooms in the mansion. The side-

somest rooms in the mansion. The side-board is elaborately carved mahogony, bought by Mrs. Hayes. I noticed a side table, and buffet made of mahogony—din-ing table during Arthur's administration. On this side table and buffet can be seen On this side table and buffet can be seen some very elegant solid silver and gold tableware that has been used for more than fifty years. The Chinaware used during Lincoln's administration is "Solferina" with a gold band around it. A silver Hiawatha boat is in the center of the buffet, and is only used on state occasions. Very fittle.

2. What is the Golden Text? "Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man."

3. What is said of Jesus in the first verse of the lesson? "The child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon the can at least ask one; and that is quite a help to the teacher—as well as to the scholar. When a child is in the Bible school ought to have a chief place in his mind. When a child is at his home, the duties of the home demand his chief in the cannot answer a question, he can at least ask one; and that is quite a help to the teacher—as well as to the scholar. When a child is in the exercises of the Bible school ought to have a chief place in his mind. When a child is at his home, the duties of the home demand his chief in the cannot answer a question, he can at least ask one; and that is quite a help to the teacher—as well as to the scholar. the buffet, and is only used on state oc-casions. It was purchased at the Centennial Exposition in 1876. The gold in spirit," mean? That Jesus became spoons and forks were purchased during more vigorous in mind and body. spoons and forks were purchased during VanBuren's term. All the silverware belonging to the White House is marked

'President's House.''
We passed from the private dining-room We passed from the private dining-room to the east room. As we entered our attendant pointed out the place on the carpet where Lincoln lay in his coffin; also the place where Nellie Grant stood to be married.

In the blue room the furniture is of smoked-blue color. We were informed smoked-blue color. We were informed to the place when they found the place where Lincoln lay in his coffin; also the place where Nellie Grant stood to be married.

10. What did they do when they found the place where Lincoln lay in his coffin; also the place where Nellie Grant stood to be married.

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13. How old was Jesus at the present visit? Twelve years.

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smoked-blue color. We were informed that the President usually stood in that room at his receptions. Then they showed us the window that Garfield was brought through after he was shot. He was carried up a back stair-case on account of the

crowd in front.

The iong corridor that leads from the east room to the conservatory, and from which opens the red, blue, and green rooms, is very beautiful. The light, coming through the partitions of wrinkled, stained-glass mosaic, makes a marvel-ously rich effect, falling upon the gilded niches, where stand dwarf palmetto trees, the handsome ceiling and sumptous furniture. I also noticed here the life-size portrait of Garfield.

room is used as a reception parlor by the ladies of the White House. It has a home-like appearance from the presence of a piano and a handsome embroidered fire-trated Lesson Paper. We next visited the red room. This screen. This was a present from the Autrian Commissioners at the Centennial Exhibition. In the recent remodeling of the mansion it has been given an imposing carved-wood mantel of the thirteenth century style, set off with tiling of tor-toise-shell glass. There is some beautiful work on the ceiling and walls, and the whole effect of the carpet and furniture

is rich and warm. Next to the red room is the state diningroom, which has a chilly appearance, and is only used when large companies are entertained at dinner. There is a long table that seats thirty-eight persons. The President sits in the middle, and opposite

him the mistress of the mansion. In the green room is a portrait of Mrs. Hayes; and, with the exception of a small picture of Mrs. Tyler that hangs in corridor on the second floor, this is the only portrait of a President's wife to be

found in the mansion.

The east, blue and green rooms, and the state dining-room, all have a stiff look, and reminded me of the parlors of

We did not go to the second story, as we were in a hurry to go on to the Wash-ington Monument. This monument is made of white marble, and is five hun-dred feet high. We went up to the top in an elevator and took a look at the surrounding country through the peep-holes.
From here we went to the Bureau of
Printing and Engraying, where we stopped several minutes and watched them make

we then visited the Smithsonian Institute, where we saw all kinds of animals and insects, but the most familiar

things I remember seeing were all kinds of mice and horned frogs. We went from there to the Botanical

garden, and the most interesting thing there was a palm, purchased by Mr. Corcoran more than forty years ago.

From the Botanical garden we went to the capitol. As we entered the grounds we saw the statue of Chief Justice Markell at the fort of the terrage and reshall, at the foot of the terrace, and no-ticel the three grand colonades on the portices. Before I entered the capitol

of the "Baptism of Pocahontas," and the "Surrender of Cornwallis," and several others representing interesting things. High upon the wall is a frescoed circle, representing certain epochs in our country's career.

From the rotunda we went to the old Hall of Representatives and saw all its works of art, and a figure of "History," with the book of record in her hand. The most peculiar thing I noticed about this hall was its echoes. By putting your ear to the wall you can hear every word that is spoken in the halls—even the faintest

The gallery above the judges' seat is supported by pillars of Potomac marble, subject to his parents, and faithful in a and upon the walls are the busts of six Chief Justices who preceded the present one.

After all this, as before all this, the child Jesus was a loving and obedient son, subject to his parents, and faithful in a son's duty. Here surely is a fact worthy of note and of imitation.

There are lessons here for parents also.

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hind the bar. A rustle of silk was heard and a young man rose up an announced: "The Honorable, the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States." Then there entered a procession of nine dignified old men, dressed in black silk gowns with wide sleeves and ample skirts. At the head walked the Chief Justice, and the others followed in order of their chief of the court. They stood a minute in front of their chairs, then they all mind and thought over the things they can be down on the boats."

They took him to the house of God. When they missed him from their company, they gave up everything until they pany, they gave up everything until they all they misjudged their child in supposing that he was less interested than he was in learning and doing his heavenly Father's will. Many a parent since then has made a similar mistake concerning his child. The parents of Jesus did not understand all his ways and words fully, but they bore in mind and thought over the things they concerning from the house. in front of their chairs, then they all bowed at once to the bar. The lawyers returned the salute; and after the Chief Justice had taken his seat, the Associate Justices sat down and the business began. But as we were not interested in that we departed.

We also visited the State, War and Navy Departments, the National Con-servatory and Corcoran Art Gallery, but as my letter is already too long I will not

### About the Lesson.

### LESSON VI., SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9.

CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH OF JESUS.

Luke ii: 40-52.

GOLDEN TEXT. "Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." (Verse

MEMORY VERSES, 49-52.

#### QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

1. Do we know much of the life of the child Jesus? Very little.
2. What is the Golden Text? "Jesus

4. What does "grew, and waxed strong

5. How often did his parents go to Jerusalem? Once every year.
6. To what feast? The Feast of the

Passover.

that they had lost him? They returned to Jerusalem to find him.
11. Where did they find him? In the

12. What was be doing? Hearing the doctors and asking them questions. 13. At what were they astonished? At his answers.

14. How were Joseph and Mary affectd? They had sought him sorrowing. 15. What did his mother say to him? Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us?" 16. What did Jesus say? "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's busi-

17. Did they understand him? No. 18. What did he then do? He went back to Nazareth with his parents, and

### LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Intervening Events .- The entrance of the aged prophetess Anna into the temple, her giving thanks and declaring the Lord to those looking for redemption in Jerusalem, occurred immediately after the last lesson. The events recorded in Matthew lesson. The events recorded in Matthew ii, probably come next in order; the visit of the Magi, first to Jerusalem, then to Bethlehem, where they found the child, and offered their gilts; their return without informing Herod; the flight into Egypt of Joseph, Mary and the child; the subsequent massacre of the children in Bethlehem; the death of Herod; the return to Judea, and the final settlement in Nazareth, the previous home of Joseph Nazareth, the previous home of Joseph and Mary, according to Luke. No other incident is recorded up to the time of the

Places.-Nazareth, now called En-Nasireh, or Nasrah, sixty-six miles north of Jerusalem; then Jerusalem, in the Court of Women of the temple; then

Nazareth again.

Time.—From year of Rome 750 (B. C. 4) to 779 (A. D. 26), when John began his ministry. The visit to Jerusalem may have occurred either in the twelfth year of our Lord's life, or in the thirteenth The dates respectively would be 761 (A.D. 8), or 762 (A. D. 9), in the spring. The latter year is more probable, the former being often given from a mistaken reckon-

Persons .- The boy Jesus; his mother; Joseph; the company in the caravan; the the teachers in the temple, with the peo-

ple about them.

Incidents.—The early life in Nazareth; the visit to Jerusalem as a "son of the law;" tarrying there; the search by the anxious parents; the finding of Jesus in the temple, "in the midst of the teachers;" the words of Mary and the answer of Jesus; eighteen years more of quiet subjection at Nazareth; the reflection of Mary.

### LESSON SUMMARY.

The one incident in the childhood-life my next letter.

On the walls of the rotunda are some framed pictures: "Pilgrim Fathers" on their way to this country, also a picture of the "Baptism of Pocahontas," and the "Surrender of Cornwallis," and several others representing interesting things High upon the wall interesting things

Here is a picture of the one model child of the ages. There was never before or since a single child who could be taken in all things as a pattern. What traits are here shown in his character? What is here his example in conduct?

The list length of the one model child with the list length of the lis

When the clock struck twelve several lawyers came in and took their seats behind the bar. A rustle of sitk was heard They took him to the house of God. mind and thought over the things they could not understand. Other parents

would do well to imitate them so far. And a notable fact is, as Jesus grew in favor with God, he grew in favor with man. There is nothing that makes a child so pleasing, so winsome, as godliness. A loving heart toward God makes a child lovable in the sight of all.

as my letter is already too long I will not attempt to describe them to you, but promise to write again in a few days and describe the rest of the "City of Magnificent Distances."

No child starts on so high a plane in this world that he cannot expect to gain and grow steadily. However well a child has done up to this time, he can still hope to do better and better. The path of the just shineth more and more, as life's day If parents want their children to go to

church by and by, they would do well to go to church themselves now. A child is

as well as to the scholar.

When a child is in the Bible school, the exercises of the Bible school ought to have a chief place in his mind. When a child is at his home, the duties of the home demand his chief interest and attention. Supplementary School Times and attention of the teacher—

they is hever know who he is, " Dennis declared.

But Spudge did open his mouth every other second. He was astonished at his own appearance, and the breakfast he had from the kitchen did much to animate his spirits. He insisted on Dennis' explaintention. tention.—Sunday School Times.

### Old and Donng.

THE BABY'S THINGS.

Just as he left it—softly pressed We'll put the little crib away; The pillow needs no smoothing now— The baby went from home to-day. We may not watch his sleep to-night; O loving angels guard his bed, And stars look down with kindly eyes Where rests the downy baby head!

Take, tender hands, and fold from sight The little garments love has wrought And fashioned with such dainty care And skill, the baby's coming brought. Will wear them now, ah, nevermore! Death clothed him in such pure array. We cast aside the garb of earth When he went from home to-day

His carriage! It is useless, too, He needs it not where he is gone. For God's own hand will lead him safe, And angels' pinious bear him on.
And yet, because it held him once,
And soothed him in his earthly stay. We'll keep it for the baby's sake, Whose going broke our hearts to-day.

The scattered playthings gather up; The little rattle where it fell From out his hand; the headless horse The woolly dog he loved so well— The baby's things—such trifles once!

Ah!could I see, asleep, at play,
The little one, how fair would seem The dreary home he left to-day

### TOM FLETCHER'S GORILLA.

Tom Fletcher remembers very well, that one Saturday afternoon in the month of December, not many years ago, he wore a new pair of patent-leather shoes. He and his chum, Ralph Winslow, passed the most of that chilly afternoon among a fleet of canal-boats which were going into winter quarters; and there was a raga-muffin loafing around the boats, who threw mud on those shoes.

"Look at that fellow's legs and feet!"

"Look at that fellow's legs and feet!"
said Ralph in a low voice.

"He'll freeze if he goes round this
weather bare-footed," Tom remarked.

Then the boy flung the mud to let them
know he did not like their criticism.
Tom and Ralph both nabbed him, and
proceeded to handle him roughly; but
in the squabble Tom stepped on the boy's
foot accidentally, and bruised it.

"I didn't mean to do that. I'm sorry I
hart you." This was said quickly, and

hurt you." This was said quickly, and with so much feeling that the boy showed he was surprised.

"Say, why don't you put on your shoes and stockings?" Ralph asked. "You must be rather cold going around that

"What do yous fellows take me for?" he answered, rubbing his blue shins, and looking up at them with a leer. "I ain't no dude,—I ain't. Besides I ain't got no shoes nor stockings.

got a half-dozen pairs of shoes in my closet.

"You're talking business?" the boy inquired, more surprised now than before "Certainly, I mean what I say." And Tom took out a card-case and gave the boy his card. "Ask anybody to direct you where I live. I am always at home in the evening."

"You can jes' bet I'll come," the boy answered. Then as Tom and Ralph walked off he called out: "You don't know me. I guess.—do you? I'm Spudge."
They both laughed at the name, but they did not let Spudge see them do so.

That evening after dinner Tom went into the library to listen to his father and Uncle Erastus talk. His Uncle Erastus was saying something about Darwin; and he explained to Tom that Darwin had written a book which suggested that everybody's great-great-great ancestors were apes, monkeys, or gorillas; that the human race had all been gorillas millions of years ago. Tom did not believe it, but he listened.

here his example in conduct?

The child Jesus went with his parents to the place of worship. They thought it was worth his while to go; and he went. That is a fact worthy of note. They are in the ape and gorilla stage of existence."

"Come. come, Erastus." broke in Tom's

is spoken in the halls—even the faintest whisper.

We passed from the old Hall of Representatives to the Supreme Court. In the middle of the passage that leads from the rotunda to the Senate wing, sits a colored man. As we wished to go in, he pulled a cord, and we found ourselves in a narrow vestibule.

Just then another door opened and another colored man motioned us to a seat on a crimson plush sofa. As it was just ten minutes before twelve when we result the middle of the passage that leads from the child Jesus found his way into a Bible to him. That is another fact worthy of mote. That is a fact worthy of mote. That is a fact worthy of mote. That is a fact worthy of imitation.

When he was in a great city, with plenty of things to call his attention, the child Jesus found his way into a Bible to him. That is another fact worthy of note and of imitation.

And when the child Jesus was in a Bible school, he both asked and answered another colored man motioned us to a seat on a crimson plush sofa. As it was just ten minutes before twelve when we result the middle of the passage that leads from the child Jesus found his way into a Bible to him. That is another fact worthy of note. That is a fact worthy of mote. That is a fact worthy of imitation.

When he was in a great city, with plenty of things to call his attention, the child Jesus found his way into a Bible to him. That is another fact worthy of note. That is a fact I'm stating," Uncle Erastus continued. Then he raised a window to let in the fresh air. "What—what is that little snipe doing over there under the lamp-light?" he asked. "He is one of the gorilla species, and, unless I'm mistaken, he is sneaking around to steal the door-mat."

BULK SEED A SPECIA Soo Main Street, Port overed that this particular gorilla was soo Main Street. Dallas, Texas. "Come, come, Erastus," broke in Tom's father good humoredly, "don't put those notions into Tom's head."

Spudge put them on in the yard. As

(the coachman was coming from the house to the stable). "Here, be quick, hide be-hind this door!" Tom commanded, rath-

An idea had just come into Tom's mind, An idea had just come into Tom's mind, when the sound of approaching footsteps interrupted him. His Sunday-school teacher had been urging him and everybody in the class to bring in new pupils. Now here was a chance. He would take this fellow Spudge and have him taught not to steal. Tom walked up and down the yard and thought it over. Dennis, the coachman, perhaps would help him. At any rate, he would ask him. can't live with those other boys any more At any rate, he would ask him.

"Bring him out," said Dennis, till I have a look at him." have a look at him."

So Spudge emerged from his hidingplace, and Tom explained to him where
he wanted to take him the next day.

"To Sunday-school?" Spudge inquired.

"Where's that? What'll they give me?"
It was now discovered that the how

go to church themselves now. A child is likely to look forward with longing to the time when he can do what his parents do.

It is not well to take a child to church too early. Public worship that is suited to parents may be unsuited to their younger children. A service that would have attractiveness and profit for a child who came to it for the first time when he was old enough to comprehend its meaning. old enough to comprehend its meaning, and then he cut his hair in the same way might seem a dry and tedious service to that he sheared the horses. After that he one who had been forced to attendance deluged him with bay rum, and when Tom upon it for years before it could possibly be intelligent to him.

He who is old enough to attend a Bible school service, is old enough to have a part in its exercises. If he cannot another boy when arrayed in this outfit. "Sure, if he don't open his mouth, they'll never know who he is," Dennis

> ing who Tom was, and asked questions all the forenoon. When Tom led him into the school in the afternoon, however, Spudge suddenly became dumb with embarrassment, and was perplexed what to do with his hands and feet.

> "Where did you find him?" Ralph Winslow whispered. "What's his name?" "It's Spudge," Tom whispered back. "Keep mum?"

The class was a large one, and all of the boys were well-bred. But the curiosity of most of them got the better of their politeness, and they watched Spudge fur-tively. Ralph noticed that the clothes car. There was a crunching noise and a faint little cry of agony. Even strong men grew sick at the sound and turned he wore were exactly like a suit Tom had worn some time in the days of the past, before he had grown as large as he was at present. Spudge's arms were much too long for the sleeves, and the trowsers were several inches too short for his legs. "He is holding the lesson-leaf upside down." Ralph whispered, the first oppor-

Tom politely turned the leaf around, but this seemed to make Spudge more conscious than ever that he was ill at

Of course it was soon found out that Spudge could not read. It was then and there, in the midst of the confusion that came upon Tom and Spudge, that the former took a noble resolve. He would give Spudge a little, at least, of what he and all the other fortunate boys in that class possessed. He would teach him to rould teach him out in the stable, in Dennis' room, every evening.

But, strange to say, as soon as they vere out of the school, it turned out that Spudge lost the shame he had felt, and did not seem to care whether he could read or not. He wanted to find a cigar-stub, so that he could have a smoke. Tom was not a milk-and-water boy, however. Uncle Erastus was accustomed to assert that he was a boy with a will of his own, and a very strong one, two. He began to

exercise it immediately on Spudge.
"Look here!" he said, holding Spudge
by the arm. "I shall ask my father to
let you live in the stable and help Dennis. It will be much better this winter than to e nowhere on nothing."

You're talking business?" Spudge in-"And I'll take you to Sunday-school very Sunday as I have to-day!" Tom continued. "I'll teach you to read, and I'll give you the clothes you have on. it you must pay me!"

Spudge's jaw dropped. "I ain't got no oney!" he said, "and I ain't never going to have any!" You must pay me by doing as I want

"Oh! is that all? You can jes' bet four life I'll let you boss me all you like i you get your father to take me!" 'You mustn't smoke, and you mustn't

swear. Of course, you wouldn't be so mean as to steal or lie?" The bargain was made by Spudge without any hesitation, and they went back to in themselves?—New York Advocate.

"Tom, you're a young gintleman!" said Dennis, when Spudge had been sent on an errand, "and I'd advise you not to have anything to do with the likes of that young spalpeen. There's no good in him. He'll harm you with his speech!" Tom felt that he was boy enough not to

be harmed by contact with Spudge. The fact to be tested was whether Spudge could be changed by coming in contact with him.

This would be a long story if told at full length. It might be related that Tom's father objected to allowing Spudge to live in the stable with Dennis, but Uncle Erastus said it was worth while to let a boy like Tom try an experiment. Then much could be told by the coachman about all the trouble Tom took with that spalpeen, evening after evening, for near-ly a year; how Tom taught him his let-ters, then to read, and finally made him, as Dennis said, "dacent in his language. Tom took up a contribution in the house, to which Uncle Erastus gave more than his share, and purchased Spudge a fine suit of clothes for Sundays and special occasions. One night at Tom's request, Spudge dressed himself in this suit, and stood across the street under the lamplight. It was then that Tom called the attention of Uncle Erastus to the change that had come over that young gorilla.

But the very next day Spudge disappeared. He left the clothes carefully put away, and all the little presents that had been given him. He had put on the

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went in, and court meets exactly at twelve, we had ample time to look at the room.

Spudge. He said nothing, but after a few moments he went out to the stable, and whistled for Spudge to come over to "It was in him, I suppose," Uncle

Erastus remarked.

Erastus remarked.
"Don't fret about," said Tom's father.
"You are well rid of him!"
Tom said little, but he thought a good deal; and off and on for nearly a year he wondered what had become of that boy. soon as he stood up in them, it occurred to his benefactor to ask a direct question.

"Are you a thief?" he asked. "Do you ever steal door mats?"

"I never steal anything but bloaters, and things to eat, and cigar-stubs,"

Spudge replied promptly. creature. He had longed to come back many and many a time; now he was afraid to let them see him. And there were the church bells ringing while he stood hesitating what to do. He must

see Tom, he must see him!
Tom stood near the church deor waiting for Ralph Winslow, and watching the crowd go into Sunday-school. Some one touched him on the arm.

"Come with me quickly," said Ralph "There's a boy wants to see you around by the pastor's study!"

"Why, Spudge, Spudge! is it you?" Tom exclaimed. Tom exclaimed.

Spudge threw his arms about Tom's neck. He could not speak at first.

"I've come—come back," he said, checking his emotion. "Let me stay! I

They are not like you!"
They went into the school.—F. B. Standford, in Sunday School Times.

#### A TRUE HERO.

Let me now give you an instance of wonderful heroism, rising to meet the de-mands of a sudden crisis. It was not an hour after dawn, yet the great waiting-room of the Central Station

was full.

The soft morning air blew freshly through the long line of cars and puffing engines. A faint hum comes from without. It was the great city awakening for the day. A Scotch collie, belonging to one of the emigrant groups, went from one to another wagging his tail and looking up with mild and expressive eyes full of good-natured friendly feeling. Children called to him, some students romped with him, the ladies patted his head, a poor negro in the corner shared his meal with him, and then he seemed to unite all these different groups in a common tie of good feeling. While all this was going on, a woman was washing the windows of some empty cars drawn on to the siding, singing as she rubbed the glass. While her back was turned, her child, a little fellow about three years old ran to the door of the car and jumped down on the next track. Upon this track the Eastern Express was coming. Directly in its path was the babe; a hush of horror fell the crowd. Every eye turned in the direction, and then a low sob of anguish went up from the paralyzed people. The dog, with head erect, and fixed eye, saw the danger, and with a bound and a fierce bark darted toward the child. The baby frightened, started back. The mother went on washing windows and singing, as

away When they looked again, the baby was toddling across the platform, crowing and laughing, and the crushed dead body of a dog lay on the track. "Passengers for Pittsburg, Chicago and the West. Pas-sengers for Baltimore, Richmond and the South," so the cry went on, and the surg-ing crowd passed out, never to all meet again in this world. But the faces of men and women were pale, and there were tears in the eyes of some. The poor negro and the eyes of some. The poor negro and the millionaire, tottering old men and frolicking boys, had been helped onward, upward, by the friendly, cheerful life and heroic death of a dumb dog. Dare we assert that when the limp body,

the huge engine rushed up abreast of her

sacrificed to save the life of another, lay on the track, the heroic spirit that once animated it was quenched into utter nothingess?-Rev. F. M. Todd, in Our Dumb Animals.

## MAKING ACQUAINTANCES.

A lady who was interrogated as to how she had made and retained so many and such good friends, answered on this wise: I have always made it a rule in whatever community I lived to attend the Sabbathschool. The best class of people in any place, in my judgment, are those who are members of the Sabbath-school. The strongest tie that can bind human souls together is love for the Sovereign Good, for its manifestation, its incarnation in Jesus Christ. Once in the Sabbath-school, I had taken the first step; then I made it a point to be there without fail and punc-tually, to be prepared with the lesson, to visit my pupils, and to cultivate acquaint-ance with such teachers as I found like-minded with myself. Of course, I always attended the services of the sanctuary, the prayer and class meetings, and, so far as I could, the benevolent societies; but my closest friendships have always been with earnest Sabbath-school workers. They combine in a high degree superior intelli-

gence with ardent piety. Friendships thus formed are abiding.

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OUR CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS. Whatever may be the glory of our

point at least at which she has not measured up to her full duty. She has failed so far to make ample provision for her disabled workmen and the widows and orphans of those who have died in her service. Yet it goes without saying that the collection for the claimants is the most popular of all, and is growing in favor with the people more and more every year. To any one who could attend the annual meetings of the Boards of Finance in the various annual conferences and hear the representations which come before them; hear the groanings under the mountainous task of making a very long division out of a very short sum, and see the awful difference between demand and supply, this popularity would appear to be more sentimental than practical. Evidently there is more gush than genuine performance of duty, or else the machinery by which this fund is raised is somewhere at fault. As we do not believe the popularity of the collection to be only an empty gush, the meagreness of the supply must be the result of inefficiency in the methods of collection. The boards are generally too small, and the collections generally fall below the as-

taken, our sister of the North has provided for a general board for this fund. similar to the Church Extension and other cern pays annually \$100,000, besides the collections received from the conference boards.

But it is not the intention of this article better support for our conference claimants. That they should be better profan this admission into active aggression is the object of this writing.

The conference fund will never be adequate to meet the just demand upon the church until the amount collected is sufficient to continue the claimants on a salary equivalent to that received while in the active work.

The advantages of such a provision would not end with the claimants themselves, but would accrue to the whole church. Nothing is more to be dreaded than a secular ministry, and nothing is more conducive to secularity in the ministry than the dread of leaving one's family unprovided for. One of the essentials of success in the ministry is that the preacher be entirely disengaged from the affairs of the world, able to put both hands and feet, heart and brains into the

work. That man practices a gross deception upon himself who thinks he can do the full work of the ministry and at the same time accumulate a fortune. To prevent secularity in the ministry our preachers should not only be supported while in the active service, but should feel assured that in case of death the wife and little ones will not be left penniless, and that old age will not be accompanied with destitu-

Again, an ample provision for those on the retired list would enable the church to keep only efficient men in the field. The door of the conference would be more strictly guarded against the entrance of incompetent men, and those who are superannuated in ability would be superannuated in fact. And besides all this, a great reproach would be removed from our Zion.

his time to much better profit by reading quite confident that he has dissipated theological truth. But others will think "come up to get a bushel of corn." that the author has fallen on error rather than truth and has given us darkness instead of light. He starts out with the old popular error that justification includes only the pardon of sin without put the law of God on a level with human law, which proposes only to regulate the external conduct. But "the law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." To be justified is to be set right with the law of God, or to be put in harmony with it. But the law of God regards character behind the conduct more than the conduct itself. The Scriptual meaning of justification is to make righteous. The Master said except your righteousness exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, and seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and the "righteousness" of the Master is equivalent to the "justification" of Paul. The righteousness of justification is not only external, but internal. Therefore Paul does not represent it simply as an act of God pardoning sin, but as a work of the Spirit the name of the Lord Jesus and by the that subject with these words: Spirit of our God." Justification in the language of Paul means to be free from is. sin. "For he that is dead is freed (justi-

Testament to purify from sin. The fact is, that the word hagiazo, a Septuagint word, derived from the older Greek word hagizo-to venerate or reverence the erally in the sense of consecrate or to re- to hold names at all times; consequently Methodism in other respects, there is one gard as sacred, e. g. "Hallowed (sancti- I have to resort to a sheet of legal cap." fied) be thy name;" "Sanctify the Lord;" "The altar sanctifies the gift;" the Son "whom the Father hath sanctified and sent into the world;" "For their sakes I sent into the world;" "The New Testa."

The paper does not reach this office the Friday at 2 p. m. Can you hurry it up to beat that? Can't you feel proud of the paper when we watch the office anxious for it to come? If you are not proud of it sanctify myself," etc. The New Testament uses another word, katharizo, to signify purifying, and never confounds it on Thursday. Keep it so doing.—E. M. with the word to sanctify.

had only a carnal or legal religion. These printed. Now if the Bible teaches anything plainly, ment, and that Abraham was justified by faith without works just as we are now. could not be sanctified before the death languishing in hades or purgatory waiting through all the years to be purified, while Dr. W. now walks the green fields to discuss methods or propose new plans, only exclaim mirabile dictu. Yes, wondbut simply to stress the necessity for a erful! Most wonderful! And the more we think of it the more we wonder how it was possible to put so many errors into so vided for perhaps all will admit, but to small a book, for the book is most remarkable for its errors.

### THE COLLECTION.

WE now suggest a rest on No. 899.

THE Dallas News copies the statement of the Central Methodist in reference to a quarrel at prayer-meeting at Flemingsburg, Ky., and thus corrects a falsehood which had been going the rounds in the

REV. J. W. HILL, Paris: The paper is getting better all the time. I am determined to put it in every Methodist family if possible.

Some are for Barnabas, some for Luke and some for Apollos. That is, some hold each of these to be the author of the

This paper having rejected a communication from Dr. Ditzler, he threatens to start a paper of his own which shall not be a local. All right, go ahead, Doctor. Hope you will succeed, and we feel assured that though your paper may not be very local, it will be at least personal.

Note the call of Bro. F. S. Jackson in paper, says: reference to Bro. L. D. Shaw. Bro. Shaw is a worthy Methodist preacher, and any Methodist in Texas wishing to do a good deed can do so by forwarding assistance

the first page when he will find himself turning somersaults in a regular theological gymnasium. Such books may afford pleasant pastime for theological solutions and the serves without the first page when he will find himself turning somersaults in a regular theological gymnasium. Such books may afford pleasant pastime for theological solutions of the states without the serves without the second the states without the sates without the sates without the states without the sates without the sates without the sates without the sates without are the sates without and ever-youthful "old Doctor." vious recantation, which this hand had signed.

—Southwestern Methodist: Our friend, signed.

2. Add knowledge. Self-knowledge. Knowledge of Bible, human nature, natufield of the sates without the sates wi

his time to much better profit by reading the simple stories of Matthew, Mark, to hear him lecture, but they did not Viewed from the standpoint of the moderror and illuminated the dark paths of old as the ages, that doodle-bugs only

THE ADVOCATE circuit rider, Bro. Green and wife, of Houston; and to Bro. subject? touching the moral character. This is to H. V. Philpott, presiding elder of Galveston district. He is now en route for Corsicana, Hillsboro, Waco, McGregor, Moody, Temple, Belton, Bruce. Receive him kindly and load him down with subs.

HAPPY ought you to be in the prosperity and encomiums enjoyed by the Advocate. God speed you "onward and upward and true to the line." E. M. Sweet. We are rejoicing more and more.

A GREAT howl is going up all over the country against the danger from electric wires, from which only twelve deaths have yet taken place. Liquor has killed 100,000 during the same time-but no legislation asked for. This is "gaping at a gnat" and "swallowing a camel" with a a point: vengeance.-Jefferson Jimplecute.

THE Alabama Advocate is level-headed on the Publishing House and superanwho works in us. "Ye are justified in nuates. It concludes a strong article on

Now, let the matter stand just where it s. We want no change in this respect, and we expect to write and vote and speak against any alteration of the Sixth Dr. Withers also perpetuates the error that sanctification means in the New Section 1 of the Sixth Restrictive Rule. We can certainly bear the prosperity of the house for four years without damage to any one. We are agreed at that point, Bro. Mc-

REV. W. M. SMITH, Eliasville, Texas, sends in a large list of subscribers, and gods-is used in the New Testament gen- adds: "Your postal cards are too small

only a perfect atonement, that none could be saved before the death of Christ. He holds that Abraham, Moses and David he paper cannot be mailed before it is

had only a carnal or legal religion. These died in sin and were kept in hades waiting until the death of Christ, that they might be saved. He says: "Those living under the first testament died justified, while their sinful nature remained unchanged, because justification is only a legal act done for and not in the sinner."

Now if the Bible teaches anything religibly the Bible teaches anything religibly. When enough, therefore, agreed together not to vote to reduce the number counted present below the number necessary to constitute a quorum, the House could not these conditions they cannot become it is that justification rests on the atone. not to vote to reduce the number counted It seems perfectly clear to us that if men proceed with its legitimate business. Mr. Reed, the present Speaker of the House, assessments made by the conference of Christ, because there was no atone has determined to break up this custom ment until then, neither could there be by ruling that all members in the House any justification before the atonement. shall be counted present, voting or not vot-To supplement these meagre collections there can be no justification, for the law which are being said about Mr. Reed, he ing number of whom put their invitation the Swiss word wald, that is, forest. They The fact is, where there is no atonement ing. And, notwithstanding the hard things many annual conferences have organized never justifies the sinner, and without is evidently right in principle. The commany annual conferences have organized societies to raise permanent funds, respectively report in such a form as atonement God cannot be just and the mon sense of the country will sustain his shall include all those who love our Lord The Italian name for Waldenses is Valjustifier of the ungodly. The atonement ruling. The obstructive method of legisof Christ is contemporary with all the lation is wrong in principle. The Repubages. When we think of Moses and Elias licans are placed in the majority by the on the mount of transfiguration still in people, and they should be allowed to general boards, to which their Book Con- their sins, and Enoch and Abraham proceed with legislation, and then the people can hold them responsible for the government. The party in power should always be allowed to go before the people of Arkansas in a "sinless nature," we can with the full responsibility of its management upon its shoulders. It is the only way to make it responsible to the country.

HERE is the latest from the happy quar-

The four girl babies, whose arrival created such an excitement are now more than a month old, and are growing rapidly. Mr. Page, the father, has received many letters of condolence and congratulations, some proffering financial assistance. A lady, said to be an old maid, living out West, wrote that she had seen the newspaper reports, and on proper proof being made that it was an actual occurrence, she will send a check for \$300. She wishes it understood, however, that the gift is a token of sympathy for the mother, and not to be construed as her approval of such proceedings.

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

The Cumberland Presbyterian thinks

solitude makes pessimists:

The man who shuts himself up from the world, and lives in solitude in communion epistle to the Hebrews. So do some hold with his own thoughts, is very likely to that Lord Bacon wrote the works bearing the name of William Shakespeare, and upon about as good evidence as that either of the above parties wrote Hebrews. worst possible world. Most pessimists The evidence may be quite sufficient to a small circle of the erudite, but the great world will always say the Epistle of Paul to the Hebrews and the plays of Shakespeare.

Worst possible world. Most pessimists are recluses who have but little fellowship with the world. They are, in the main, students whose physical constitution is wrecked by disease, who see only enough of men to make them believe every man a selfish egoist. Those who are abroad in the world, and who are in the thick of the battle of life, are almost invariably cheerful and confident in the ultimate triumph of good over evil. If you, dear reader, are disposed to take a gloomy view of life, be assured you are feeding upon your own misery and not on that of the world.

The Nashville Advocate, among other things about the evils of the Sunday

No view of the Sunday paper taken from a religious stand-point can commend it to the enlightened conscience of a Christian who honestly desires to remem-"BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD."

This is the title of a new book by Rev.
H. R. Withers, D. D., of the Little Rock
Conference. From the title the gentle reader may expect to be introduced in this book to the sweet and precious things of the gospel, but he will scarcely finish the first page when he will find himself between the Lord's day, and purposes to keep it holy. Like the unruly tongue, "it is full of deadly poison." Made up of a mixture of good and bad, it is the more dangerous. Were it altogether bad, it would find no countenance among Christians, but its name, Sunday paper, and the small amount of suitable Sunday reading, together with the church notices, are the bates which catch godly churching the first page when he will find himself

students, but the general reader can spend trated in the case of Dr. Lafferty. He attention from the divine command which Luke and John. The author strikes out on an independent line, and seems to be ever heard of doodle-bugs coming to a makes everything bend to the demands lecture? It's a world-wide custom, as of the age, they are. But viewed from the standpoint of Moses who first received and gave the divine code of morals, and which is still in force, they are not. We teach our childern God's truth every THE ADVOCATE circuit rider, Bro. Owens, returns thanks for courtesies and favors to Bro. Ridley and wife, S. F. Carter and wife, of Beaumont; Bro. Green and wife, of Houston; and to Bro. Green and wife, of Houston; and to Bro.

The Los Angeles Advocate is opposed to stage singers in church:

At a time when some about us are ap-parently forgetting the sanctities of God's house and are bringing it down to all but a level with places of amusement, let our people beware. Such unsanctified use of the tabernacle is not for us. We have a call to this land and it is to preserve the traditions of Methodism. But if the time comes that we shall put into our churches, as some about us are doing, stage singers and "benefit concerts" and exact money at the threshold of God's exact money at the threshold of God's holy place, for any use whatsoever, we may write "Ichabod" over our altars; our glory and our inheritance will have de-

The Southwestern Methodist illustrates

Some people are religious for meanness. Whatever wastes money is, in their eyes, a mortal sin, and so they value religion as it teaches sobriety and condemns prodi-gality and dissipation. But they are sticklers for plain worship. Churches should be exceeding plain, without carshould be exceeding plain, without carpets, bells, or steeples—it's to save their dollars. People who go to church should wear mighty plain clothes, and so they make a pretense of piety, to dress their wives and daughters like Gypsies. And preachers should be content with mighty wall selection. small salaries. A brother has just told us of a man who was intent upon obtaining so many thousand acres of land. For years he had declared this to be his ambi-tion. He had obtained his object, within one hundred acres, when he was set back by a small security debt he had to pay. It so distressed him that he went crazy. The brother ended his story by saying, "I believe he was a Christian." We believe no such thing, and we said, "Some people are re'igious for meanness." It helps them make and keep their money.

Here is the Independent's opinion about communion and church member-

signify purifying, and never confounds it with the word to sanctify.

Dr. Withers tries hard to show that as "santification by the Spirit" accompanies and, though we cannot always turned, and, though we cannot always turned, and, though we cannot always and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the invitation and the rejection of the spirit acceptance of the spirit acceptanc tical local organization, and that one has members. The conditions for member-ship in a church are different from the conditions given in the Scriptures for joining in the memorial of the Lord's Supper. A church has a right to say who shall be in its fellowship. A church has not this right to say who shall partake of Jesus Christ, and shall not require membership in a local church. We that one of the most devoted and successful pastors in our knowledge used to encourage his young daughter, before she became a member of the church, to go to

Our Brother in Red votes for efficient

workers in the mission field. Inefficient workers at home will be more so in our mission fields, but the facilities for finding out their inefficiency are more abundant in the former than the latter. The church at home, in many cases, has but little from which to judge of the work of missionaries outside of their own re-ports. And it is possible for a poor worker to be a good reporter. Some people are gifted in reporting what they do in the best way, while others are better workers than reporters. We believe that men and women are called to do missionary work, and that they should not be slow in an-swering this call, but there are those, no doubt, who are impelled by other influences than to save souls, to seek mission work. Men and women, whose hopes have been disappointed at home, and who seek to hide themselves from those disappointments, should do so somewhere else than in mission fields.

This, from the New York Advocate,

may be a timely warning: Type-written church letters, with the signature of the pastor also type-written, are in circulation. This will not do. Any vagabond who can get access to a type-writer can, if such letters are to be accepted, ingratiate himself into the confidence of the people and swindle them. We advise pastors to receive no church letters with type-written signatures. Such a signature would not be good on a check for twenty-five cents; surely church membership requires as much caution as a check or receipt.

### SOUTHERN METHODISM. News, Views and Personals.

-B. F. Burris, Modesto, in Pacific Methodist: For about three weeks our presiding elder, Bro. Mahon, and his wife have both been very near death's door with pneumonia, but their physician thinks that they are now out of danger.

—The preachers of Kansas City, Mo., continue their efforts for a revival at that

getting things ready for the great meeting in May. Knowing what hands are at the work we are confident that an entertain-ment will be given the conference never surpassed in the history of our church.

#### TEXAS PERSONALS.

-The address of Rev. Elias Robertson -The Rev. W. H. Moss, of Hubbard

City, is raising money to build a church. Success to him. —We are indebted to Revs. G. F. Boyd, S. A. Ashburn, I. S. Ashburn, S. H. Net-tles and A. N. Keen for pleasant calls the

past week. —Bastrop Advertiser: Rev. W. Wootton reports having had a good time, acting presiding elder at Webberville last Saturday and Sunday.

-Rev. J. M. Bond, Whitney: Two of my family sick. They haven't got the grip, but the grip has them, and is likely to get the rest of us before long.

-Rev. A. E. Rector, San Angelo, has just recovered from a four weeks' spell of sickness. He says: "This delayed the vigorous canvass which I expect now to make for the ADVOCATE.

—Llano Iron News: Rev. Dr. Black occupied the puipit of the Methodist church last Sunday, morning and night, and although suffering greatly from a severe cold, preached two excellent sermons. —Nacogdoches Star-News: "Rev. S. H. Nettles, it is said, has lost his voice, which

if true is a very great calamity." Not exactly true. Bro. Nettles has not lost his voice, but he is suffering somewhat from throat disease.

-Weatherford correspondent to Fort Worth Gazette: Bishop Key, of Fort Worth, preached this morning at the Methodist church to one of the largest audiences ever preached to in this city. His sermon was simply grand. His subject was the "Widow's Mite." At times he was logical, theoretical, eloquent and pathetic. A number of times a large number of the congregation were shed-ding tears. It is to be hoped that he will preach here often.

-Mrs. Seth Ward, Galveston, Feb.
2: Mr. Ward is in bed again, and
has been for the past ten days,
caused by a relapse of his former attack of continued or typhoid fever. He
had been free from fever but a few days when he was taken with a severe spell of toothache. The keenness of the suffer-ing and the shock of having the tooth drawn, caused a return of the fever, which continues without abatement.

Let the brethren remember Bro. Ward in prayer.

### DEATHS.

F. A. Rosser, Terrell, Jan. 25: One of our oldest members was buried yesterday —H. W. Mooring—a Methodist for fifty

Rev. W. R. Manning, Farmer's Branch, Feb. 3: Mrs. F. W. Asbury died here last Thursday night of cancer. She was the wife of a prominent citizen.

T. J. Stovall, Mixon, Jan. 27: Died, at Mixon, Jan. 27, at 9:30 a. m., 1890, little Ovella, infant daughter of J. W. and M. E. Braly, aged one year, six months, and

#### THE WALDENSES-SCRIPTURAL MATHEMATICS

JEAN PAUL 1. The Waldenses did not derive their name from Peter Waldo, a rich merchant name from Peter Waldo, a rich merchant of Lyons, who sold all his possessions, distributing the proceeds among the poor, and identified himself with the people known by above name. This merchant's name was Peterde Veaux. The name Waldo he derived from the Waldenses.

2. The derivation of Waldenses is from the Spring wald that is forest. They

dese, signifying inhabitants of valleys. In the French tongue they are denominated Vandois, that is, sorcerers. Their home for many centuries has been in the deep recesses of Alpine wild woods, where Switzerland, France and Italy join.

the communion table, and there are not a few who for one reason or another have not become church members, but who would be benefited if they felt that the privilege was open to them of partaking of the communion whenever they happen to be with a company of believers celebrating the death of their Lord.

Switzerland, France and Italy join.

3. Nothing definite is known of the Waldenses previous to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the teachings of the apostles. Notwithstanding the darkness of the dark ages, here in the Alpine fastnesses the light of the communion table, and there are not a few waldenses previous to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. According to tradition they are an unadulterated remnant of the primitive church, having steadfastly held on to the twelfth century. the gospel had never been extinguished.
4. Of yore the Waldenses excelled in Scriptural piety and morality. Falsehood, dishonesty, lasciviousness and intemper-ance were not deemed less heinous than

murder. Their preaching consisted largely in recitations from the Bible. At school, memorizing the Word of God was the principal employment.
5. The Waldenses suffered much from cruel persecutions. It was in the en-deavor of exterminating them that bloody Rome devised the Inquisition. In 1183

Rome devised the Inquisition. In 1183
Pope Lucius III. excommunicated and
anathematized them. Hunted and slain
like wild beasts, nothing less than their
extinction seemed to satisfy intolerant,
cruel, blood-thirsty Rome.

6. Inoffensive, unassuming, devout; no
other charge could be brought against
them than refusing allegiance to the pope.
For this, they were burned, buried alive,
incarcerated, roasted over slow fires

incarcerated, roasted over slow fires, hurled from the heights of rocky preci-pices, torn asunder, mouths filled with gun-powder, blowing off their heads, thrown into blazing furnaces, etc., etc. 7. Since the Reformation, the Waldenses have been abscrbed by Calvinism. Spiritual decline very marked. Of their former ardor and zeal, no trace. British missionary money supports their pastors. Since the establishment of the Italian monarchy, many Waldenses sought he in Florence and Venice.

Among the higher Scriptural mathe-Among the higher Scriptural mathematics we class the Savior's proposition: "What would it profit a man if he should gain?" etc. Here Euclid's acumen would have failed to give a solution. I now treat rudiments. Addition. Says St. Peter: "Add to your faith virtue," etc., etc. Add to. If that to which we add is a zero, our units are of no avail. But even naughts increase the numerical value, if added to units. Christ is the Christian's unit. At best, we are un-profitable, servants—zero. But Christ, our unit, converts us into tens and thou-sands. Though sinners, we are the chil-dren of God. We have received Christ by faith. To this faith we must add:

—The preachers of Kansas City, Mo., continue their efforts for a revival at that place. They have sent out a pastoral letter to the membership, signed by Bishop Hendrix and all the Southern Methodist pastors.

—Nashville Advocate: Rev. R. H. Rivers, D. D., goes to Dawille, Ky., to take charge of the Methodist Church there, in the absence of the Rev. E. H. Pearce, who goes to Florida. The blue grass society and fare will, we trust, be both pleasant and strengthening to the magnetic and ever-youthful "old Doctor."

—Southwestern Methodist: Our friend,

eral Conference, has been very busy in fession. After a recent bloody war, it was remarked, that the schoolmasters of the victors' country had won the victory. Wisdom is knowledge applied. Tools are

Wisdom is knowledge applied. Tools are for use. Wise as serpents. Zeal according to knowledge.

3. Add temperance. That is, moderation. Temperate in all things. In satisfying hunger and thirst. In value, quality and style of attire. In our efforts to obtain wealth, honor, pleasure. Wrecks from excess abound. Intemperately abstemious was sinfully misanthronic was stemious, yea, sinfully misanthropic, was Dionysius when he requested Alexander simply to step aside and not interrupt the sunshine, at the time this potentate had appeared at the hermit's hovel, asking what he could do for him.

4. Add patience. In patience possess your souls. This means your souls as pictures encased in beautiful frames. Sometimes, frame prettier than picture. Says Christ: "Learn of me, for I am meek and lowly of heart." A lady, grieving on account of her sins, penitent, bade her servant not to admit any visitors. She desired to fast and pray for forgiveness. A neighbor calling, the servant informed the visitor that her madam, being a great

the visitor that her madam, being a great sinner, refused company, and was now alone, weeping and praying. The self-deceived penitent heard the remark. The visitor having left, the servant was called a miserable, slanderous, lying wretch. She was at once discharged.

5. Add Godliness. Like God. The father is delighted when he hears his friends remark that his son is the very image of himself. Like God. Benevolent, self-sacrificing, true.

6. Add brotherly kindness. Christians constitute a family. Members one of another. Are a chain. Injury to a link is injury to the entire chain. Are a wreath of roses. The superior beauty of one rose adds to the beauty of the whole. In the Church of Christ pecuniary and social standing has no place. Where caste is at standing has no place. Where caste is at home, Christ has no domicile. "Our Father." Yes, the father of the poor seamstress no less than that of her opu-

lent employer.
7. Add Charity. Charitable in judging of men's actions and motives. Charitably condone men's faults. Judge not. Charitable to the poor, forsaken, distressed. It does not require a fortune to be a philanthropist. Love your fellow-men. Help the helpless, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, comfort the desolate. Lay up treasures in heaven.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

#### OBSERVATIONS OF A DAY-THREE POINTS.

REV. R. C. ARMSTRONG.

Just as the writer stepped into an attorney's office, a gentleman was leaving with a paper in his hand. Who is that just leaving? "A gentleman from D—; an editor of a religious paper. He is circulating a petition asking Congress not to pass a Sabbath law, as that would tend to the writer of a religious paper. to pass a Sabbath law, as that would tend to the union of church and state." Strange, indeed, that a professed teacher and conservator of morality, not to say religion, should be engaged in such a work as this. Why oppose a Christian Sabbath? Has not God enjoined upon all men to keep his Sabbath sacred? Who has a right to contravene by legislation, direct or indirect, the full force of God's ordinance? By allowing corporations to ordinance? By allowing corporations to prosecute their business and seek their personal gain, thousands of poor laborers are deprived of any rest and have no church privileges. Judging the future by the past, we cannot flatter ourselves that avarice will become more relenting if let alone. The conscience of some corporations has become exceedingly obdu-rate. Is there no relief for these oppressed sons of our race? Must they be driven onward by the inexorable decree of sel-fishness? Will a professedly Christian nation permit a select few, because, for-sooth, they are wealthy, to so manipulate legislation that they may carry on their business to the oppression of employes by depriving them of their Sabbath, and to the annoyance of others who wish to enjoy an uninterrupted day of devotion and rest? But who opposes a law secur-ing a day of rest to all alike, and what are the arguments used by the opposition? 1. The sentimentalists who feel that it

is a matter of no consequence to infringe upon God's law. The fact is, there is a class, and not the baser, who resort to beer gardens, and third-class saloons on the Sabbath, the dissolute who yend their the Sabbath, the dissolute who vend their wares and indulge their passions—of course they oppose the Sabbath law, but the elite, even the talented H. Spencer has said: "The child of Puritanic parents, brought up in the belief that Sabbathbreaking brings after it all kinds of transgressions, and having had pointed out, in the village or small town that formed his world, various instances of this connec-tion, is somewhat perplexed in after years. tion, is somewhat perplexed in after years, when acquaintance with more of his country has shown him exemplary lives joined with non-observance of the Sabbath. \* \* He finds the best people of foreign societies neglect injunctions which he once thought essential to right conduct. He still further widens his original small and stiff conception." original small and stiff conception. (Sociology, pages 132 and 133). Thi would be to us extraordinary language us extraordinary language. but for the fact that Mr. Spencer represents a class who can easily set aside the divine commandment as a thing of no imdivine commandment as a thing of no importance. Mr. S.'s whole argument in the book from which this quotation is taken, is based upon a false postulate. Instead of reformations being effected by the outward force of evolution, the true theory is an inward life power working outward, affecting society at every point. That life power is from God. Through him have reformations been effected. Destroy the Christian Sabbath, and instead of this myster. tian Sabbath, and instead of this mysterious, wonder-working power of evolution, evolving a higher type of civilization, the retrogression will be as marked as the decline of the Roman Empire. Men cannot with impunity disregard God's law.

2. I doubt not but that some gentleman ratiging from the atterney's effective years.

retiring from the attorney's office was of the kith and kin of E. J. Waggoner and Alonzo T. Jones, editors of the American Sentinel, a copy of which is before me. It is filled with anti-Sabbath matter. This picture presents to us a sad commentary upon human nature. That men should so strenuously regard a dogma, as do the Seventh-Day Baptists, that they would sooner see the perpetuation of wholesale desecration—a nation without a Sabbath—than that there should be the slightest estoppel of their cherished hobby. If they desire the welfare of men and the good of their race, allowing they are perfectly honest in observing the seventh instead of the first day as their Sabbath, can they not see that it would be infinitely better for them that men keep the first day rather than no day at all? But why rather than no day at all? But why should they use such specious arguments (?) to catch the unsuspecting as they do, claiming the Rest Bill is a Catholic clique to unite the church and the state? Do they know no better than this, or are they so blinded by prejudice that they fail to see that this is a perversion

WEAK CONFERENCES.

REV. H. S. THRALL, D. D.

the weakest, it is seen that they were organized as follows: Columbia in 1866; Western and Los Angeles in 1870; Ger-man Mission and Denver in 1874; Monman Mission and Denver in 1874; Montana in 1878, and Mexican Border in 1882. These seven conferences report in 1888 an Gray is just the man for the place. But aggregate of 161 effective itinerant preachers and 10,904 church members. we ought to have had five men instead of one. Where are the other four? One One presiding elder's district in the North Carolina Conference has within about a thousand as many church members as the seven conferences named; and either the North Carolina or North Georgia Conference has seven times as many members as those above named.

Weak conferences are objectionable bemany members as those above named.

Weak conferences are objectionable because it is difficult to keep preachers in them. A late number of the Nashville Advocate announces that the men sent out West lately have gone to stay. This

out West lately have gone to stay. This is encouraging.

One of the burdens upon a Methodist congregation is the support of the presiding elders—an officer essential to the effectual working of the itinerancy. A preacher in a city charge once informed me that his congregation paid the elder one hundred dollars a sermon during the year—a pretty heavy tax. The multiplication of conferences largely increases this burden. The above named conferences have twenty-two presiding elders, and require most of the services of two bishops. Rather too much supervision for 140 preachers and 10,000 members.

In new and weak conferences there is

In new and weak conferences there is a tendency toward localizing the itinerant ministers. For ten years after I came to Texas, I believe every married preacher had a home of his own: which led Bishop Andrew to remark that the itinerant wagon in Texas had its wheels locked. As conferences get older and stronger par-sonages are provided.

Looking at the facts and figures, and

the lessons which experience has taught us, it would seem safe to conclude that it would be wise for the General Conference to go slow in creating new conferences in territory but sparsely settled, and where the prospect for rapid increase is any-thing but encouraging. So far as this scribe is concerned, finis.

#### CHINA MISSION CONFERENCE.

DEAR DR. JOHN: Our conference was held at Suchow, Dec. 11, 15, 1889, that date being fixed by telegram from Bishop Wilson. The annual meeting of the representatives of the Woman's Board of Missions was held at the same time and place. There was a full attendance, and the sessions of both bodies were characteristics. terized by great harmony and good will. Notwithstanding an unusual amount of sickness during the latter half of the year, sickness during the latter half of the year, the records of work done showed a great advance on any previous year. This, however, is just what ought to have been reported, seeing that the re-enforcements so liberally granted us a few years ago have now been long enough in the field to make themselves felt. The openings now before our missionaries are so great, encouraging and urgent, that there is no disposition to yield priority to the call from position to yield priority to the call from Japan. Nor can I see any need for it, however anxious I may be to see our church come up to the full measure of her opportunity in the latter country.
But to return to the conference. I am

sorry I have not time to write more fully; but my lack will, I suppose, be abundantly supplied by the secretary, who was instructed to send you the minutes for publication in your Reporter.

In our mission meeting the question of

unifying our educational work was referred to a committee appointed to devise a plan whereby so very desirable a result might be accomplished. That committee will in due time, I think, be able to report successfully. All the brethren are in favor of it; and as the time has fully come for such a step—the advance of China, the extension of our work, and the necessity of reducing the individual element, personal jealousies, rivalries, etc., alike calling for it—there is no doubt in my mind whether as to the feasibility of the scheme or its success. We must organize our long contemplated Southern Methodist any other mission here, and we have nearly all the elements or factors necessary for its successful inauguration. It will need to be chartered, or incorporated, at home, and such other steps taken as may be necessary to constitute it a bona fide part of our great missionary enterprise in China. I will not say more about it now, but hope in due time to see the it now, but hope in due time to see the whole matter laid before the board and the church for acceptance and adoption. Our plans here contemplate great things for China and the church, and we are now compelled to go forward and attempt great things for God and his cause, or yield our place to others and retire in disgrace and

The following are the more important of the statistics presented at the conference: Missionaries of the Parent Board, including wives, 18; and of the Woman's Board, 14; stations, 6; sub-stations, 7; native membersship, 312; local preachers, 12; probationers, 156; infants baptized, 8; adults baptized, 53; ordained preach-8; adults baptized, 53; ordained preachers (native), 4; unordained, 10; colporteurs and helpers, 5, Anglo-Chinese schools, 3; pupils, 205; boys' boarding-school, 1; pupils, 78; girls' boarding-schools, 3; pupils, 63; day-schools, 31; pupils, 579; foreign teachers, 14; native schools, 45. teachers, 45. Sunday-schools, 20; teachers, 72; pupils, 666. Hospitals, 2; patients, 10, 427. Missionary collections—paid

tients, 10,427. Missionary collections—paid by foreign missionaries, \$908.38; by native Christians, \$235.58. Total, \$1,143.96. The delegates elected to the General Conference were: Clerical—A. P. Parker, D. D.; lay—Dzau tsz-zeh (alias C. K. Marshall); alternate—Rev. Geo. Loehr. Dr. Parker left here on the 21st inst.; Bro. Loehr is already at home. I am very sorry that Mr. Dzau will not go. Young J. Allen. Young J. Allen.

P. S.—Referring to "An Inquiry," signed "Senex, Jr., in your paper for October, I beg to say that, while I should deprecate what could not but appear to be a shirking of duty on the part of the church—such as an attempt to send mis-sionaries at their own charges in whole or in part would be—yet I cannot ignore the fact that such are the advances being made at some of the ports in China, espe-cially at Shanghai, that it would not by any means be impossible for a young man, while getting ready to undertake missionary labor, to support himself, by half at least, by organizing here an English school, which he could teach say half the day. There are many such schools, both day and evening, and they are greatly on have competent teachers; hence the op-portunity is all the more favorable. But it would be far better every way for the board and the church to send men unembarassed. It was only by schools and teaching that Japan could be entered, and that is true still. But China is open. The missionary can go where he lists. Such is the difference.

Y. J. A. SHANGHAL CHINA, Dec. 26, 1889.

which amount the native preachers paid

We are glad to welcome Bro. Gray to

comes and another goes.

After fourteen years' work in this field I am now, with my wife, coming home for

November, is now very much better, and will, we trust, soon be strong again. I inclose a list of the appointments. A. P. PARKER.
Steamship "Congo," near Hong Kong, Dec. 23,

APPOINTMENTS.

Shanghai District-C. F. Reid, P. E.

Shanghai Station, C. F. Reid, F. E. Kia, one to be supplied (by Tsen Tz Veng). College Station, Y. J. Allen.
Tsih Pao Circuit, C. Soon.
Sung-kiang Circuit, W. B. Burke, one to be supplied (by Wong Vau Tz).
Tsing Pu Circuit, to be supplied (by H. L. Gray, and Dzeng San Tseng). . Gray, and Dzeng San Tseng). Nansaing Circuit, M. B. Hill, Dzeng Dzin San, and Seng Yuon Peh.

Anglo-Chinese College, Y. J. Allen, president; W. B. Bonnell, G. R. Lochr,

Suchow District-D. L. Anderson, P. E. Suchow Station, J. L. Hendry, one to e supplied (by Dzeng Yong King). Chang-shuh Circuit, Li Tz T. Kwen-san Circuit, to be supplied (by

Dong Moh San).

Nanziang and Hospital Chapel, to be upplied (by C. K. Marshall). Buffington Institute, A. P. Parker, principal.

#### THAT OBJECTIONABLE TUNE. REV. WESLEY SMITH.

Please allow me space in our excellent Advocate for a few thoughts by way of rejoinder to the late criticisms of Hon. terling Fisher and Rev. C. L. Spencer. I know these brethren to be sincere, in-tellectual, Christian gentlemen, and I can fully sympathize with them, as I remember something of that terrible war of coercion and the period of re-construction
—so-called—that followed it. And I also
remember that that war ended (disastrously to the South) in 1865, say twentyfive years ago, and, while my loyality to the South and Southern Methodism is not to be questioned, I verily believe that all sectional predjudice and rancor should be (if possible) buried with the "lost cause" in the "tomb of the Capulets." But what has all this to do with tone No. 899 in our new tune book? Just this. I think the criticisms of these good broth. I think the criticisms of these good brethren are, for various reasons, to say the least of them, unfortunate and of evil tendency. In the first place, the committee of revisal, provided for by our last General Conference, was composed of the best men for the work in our connection in the judgment of our college of bishops; and we learn that the work of said committee was thoroughly scrutinized by the bishops, especially by Bishops McTyeire and Keen-er, and, therefore, I conclude that if there had been anything seriously objectionable connected with this particular tune, it would have been rejected. As to the tune itself, I know almost nothing. Never sung it, never heard it sung, had never, until quite recently, seen it in print, not having up to this time owned a copy of the revised hymn and tune book. But suggest that this particular tune may be and probably is a hundred or more years older than old John Brown whose worthless body lies mouldering in the grave, and if it be any addition to Christian harmony, we have as much right to its use as any federal soldier who aspired "hang Jeff Davis on a sour apple

Again: The tune is in our book-placed diversity, and now is the time to do it. there by legal authority. The book is on sale at our own Publishing House, and. tion of the General Conference to expunge said tune would seriously imperil the usefulness and success of our brethren on the border. He thinks the enemies of Southern Methodism would use it against us, and would be glad to have such an opportunity. These brethren in the border conferences are, by their sur-roundings, compelled to be conservative. "So," he says (and I agree with him), "let the tune alone; sing it who may wish" (as we are in a free country) "and let the others confine themselves to the other 917. ABILENE, TEXAS.

#### ARRIVAL AT VANDERBILT-WESLEY HALL-MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Arriving here next day after thanksgiving, Dean Tillett being at one of the annual conferences, I was kindly received by Assistant Librarian Miss Florence Conwell. She conversed intelligently of Texas men and work, lingering especially at the names of Bros. Shelton and Stovall. This was an earnest of no mean value; yet the manifest interest of our church in this school and its men in-creases daily. Why should it do other-

Let us take a glance at Wesley Hall. the home of the young theologue. It is the only theological seminary owned by our church. Its cost is estimated at \$150,000. Of modern architecture, it has every convenience conducive to comfort and happiness. The building is complete within itself. Under the same roof pro-fessors and students reside, study, wor-ship, and do their respective lecture and recitation work. This school prepares men for the entire church. Every Southern State, every Southern conference, every Southern college, should have rep-resentative young men here. Of the twenty-two preachers in the junior class, Mood and myself are from Southwestern University and the Northwest Texas Conference. Then there is Bradfield from the North Texas. These are the only men in the Biblical department. Now take up the annual register, examine the Law, Dental, Medical, Literary—every Law, Dental, Medical, Literary—every department—and it will be seen that, besides Tennessee, Texas has by far the largest representation. Men are met with here, who, laying aside their professions for a time, have come up from the fields of medicine, law, school teaching, to prepare for extended usefulness; or, rather, in order to hold their positions. This indicates that everything in Texas is destined to move forward. I take it that destined to move forward. I take it that the next ten years are to push us further forward than the last twenty have done. Dear Dr. John: Our conference met Dec. 11, and adjourned Dec. 14, at 10 o'clock p. m. Your subscriber was elected president, and M. B. Hill, secretary. We had a most harmonious session. Four native preachers were received on trial. The statistics show a gain of fifty members over last year. Over \$1100 was raised in the session for church work, of

should we not, as a church, stop to consider how little we are doing to educate

our ministry?

Bro. Allen's letter contained much that met my approbation. Having struggled with adverse circum-stances for some years, I hail with delight the publication of whatever looks to the education of our preachers. They meet with the adversity of poverty, but this is not the greatest The troublesome barrier is the disfavor brought to bear by those who pro-fess to be friends. Taking into account these internal demands and the needs for educated men in the foreign field, we are led to see that comparatively nothing is being done. As proud as we are of our school at Georgetown, it is a fact that between the years June, 1882, and June, 1888, there was no preacher, as such, graduated from its halls. Since that time we see a change for the better. God grant that we may be ministerially repre-

grant that we may be ministerially sented in each succeeding class.

What we need is less discouragement from Israel's hosts. Give a boy proper and he will earn means or borrow it at a fair rate per cent, and go through college, whether he reaches the seminary or not. Let a general encourage his men they will charge a fortress, scale a walled city, or face the booming cannon. Here is something of what I mean. At the annual conference in Belton an intelligent lady, the wife of a presiding elder, said:
"So glad you are getting off to school!
You can form no idea of the demands for prepared men, the calls by the laity for cultured ministers of the gospel."

Now, to my young brethren who are looking this way: Do not think of com-ing here until you have received the advantages of our Southwestern. It will be wise to attend Vanderbilt for theology, but secure your literary education Texas. The reasons are numerous and C. V. BAILEY.

### good. NASHVILLE, TENN. WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

At the Luling conference, when I was made "chairman" of the "Joint Board of Finance," the conference paid that year for the support of the superannuated preachers, etc., 14½ cents per member. At the Victoria conference, a year later, the conference paid 18% cents per mem-ber. At the Seguin conference the same paid 23½ cents per member. The efforts of the "Joint Board of Finance," or by the officers of the same, were objected to by some of the members of the board, and by a few of the preachers. We give the figures to show the wisdom of the board as well as the success. Being young, and some of the older brethren complaining at what they called my rashness, in-expedience, and unlawfulness in work, we took on a severe case of the "blues," and begged Bishop Key, at conference, several times to release us from the board. He did not. This increased our case of

'blues.' Since conference we have received several letters from the faithful old veterans and heroines, thanking us for our effort in their behalf, and praying God's blessing to rest upon them. Viewing the fig-ures as above presented, the two have enabled us to turn a "summersault" out into the sunshine again.

So, brethren, you may complain, misjudge, or anything else, but "this one thing I do," forgetting such grumbling, etc., I mean to press the work until we give a respectable support to our precious old men and women. F. S. JACKSON.

### A NOTE FROM KENTUCKY.

During the late session of the Louisville Conference I was appointed to the Sharon Grove circuit, Todd county, Ky. Wife and I reached our field of labor the 11th of October. Found some friends of Methodism waiting in weary suspense while others had gone. They were not crue!, did not pound us, but they were friends and members of the Dorcas Society. "They brought treasures from afar." found eggs, lard, apples(dried and green) meat and jellies in quantity enough and to spare. For this compensation we be-gun a meeting at Mt. Sharon, which terminated with good results-some eighteen professions, ten restorations, and ten ac-cessions to the church. At the close of this meeting I came home and had a meeting; met that interesting, expensive company; and it's in keeping with the manner in which I was reared to entertain strangers, "for some have entertained angels unawares." I entered into conversation with him; thought of interrogating him in regard to his political views; but he declined telling. I suppose he preferred waiting until the next prohibition campaign. However, I ascertained his principles religiously; found him to be a simon-pure Methodist. The young man seems to be doing well, but his paternal progenitor has been wild ever since his birth, on the 22d of November, with animated unapproachable rhapsody. I am highly pleased with the people I am serving and delighted with my circuit. Send greetings to Clark, Nichols, Binkley and Matery.

H. G. SUMMERS.

### WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

DEAR BRETHREN: Our brother, Rev. L. D. Shaw, is now quite low and may never recover. We will have no friends at the next annual conference to help him.
Will all pastors ask their congregations
for a special collection for him and forward it to Bro. V. M. West, Uvalde,
Texas, or pay over to the Joint Board at
conference? "With what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again.
F. S. JACKSON,
Chairman Joint Board of Finance.

THOMPSON & CLINT, Lawyers,
— 725 MAIN STREET, — Dallas, Texas, Special attention given to Land Law and Wills CHURCH EXTENSION FUNDS.

The gravest question confronting us is, The gravest question confronting us is, How are we to secure enough money to pay the appropriations made by the Board last spring which are now se urgently needed? Sociamorous were the demands upon us that we made larger appropriations than ever before, hoping that the church would respond with such liberality as to enable us to pay them all before the end of our fiscal year. This response has not yet been made and the funds are not yet in our treasury. They may be and yet in our treasury. They may be and will be if the preachers will take up their church extension collections for the current year and ferward the money to the treasurer of their respective conference boards. We hope no money will be sent us except by the treasurers. Let it go to them and let them divide it and send only the part belonging to the General Board and all confusion will be avoided. Let no one suffer the month of February to pass without taking his collection and remitting proceeds, as above suggested. If this be done many churches will be built this summer which otherwise must be deferred and it will enable us to make a much more gratifying report to the church and to the General Conference. May we not depend upon our brethren every-where to help us out in this emergency.

LOUISVILLE, TEXAS. FOR DYSPEPSIA Use Brown's Iron Bitters.
Physicians recommend it.
All dealers keep it. \$1.00 per bottle. Genuine
as trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

DAVID MORTON, Secretary.

### GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The committee appointed by the last General Conference to provide for its en-tertainment at the approaching session in St. Louis, beginning May 7th proximo, has established an office in that city, located in the American Central building, room 503, corner of Broadway and Locust streets. It is in charge of R. M. Scruggs, Esq., a member of the committee, to whom also has been assigned the duty of making all local arrangements, with authority to appoint committees and assistants as he may deem proper and expedient. Rev. T. M. Finney, presiding elder of the West St. Louis district, has been appointed and has consented to act as secretary of the local committee of arrangements. By request he will also attend the office of the General Committee in St. Louis and conduct the correspondence of both committees. All communications in reference to the business of either committee and inquiries for information are to be directed to him at the above address and will receive due attention. The committee has in hand the affairs entrusted to its management and is earnestly endeavoring to carry into effect the plan of entertainment prescribed by the General Conference. The Cen-tenary Church has cordially tendered the use of their commodious and imposing edifice for the place of assembly, and it has been accepted. All other arrange-ments will be concluded in due time and public announcement made. Timely private notice will also be given to each delegate, with ample information concern-ing railroad rates and the reception of delegates on arrival in St. Louis and their place of abode during the session of the conference. Secretaries of conferences will confer a favor by forwarding a copy of their printed innerse committee at St. Louis.

E. W. Colle, of their printed minutes to office of the

NASHVILLE, TENN., Jan. 27, 1890.

### THE LOST BOY FOUND.

On the 31st day of December last the town of Atlanta was suddenly thrown into the greatest consternation and anxiety, and the family of Bro. J. D. Johnson

She was her mother's only darling, her sety, and the family of Bro. J. D. Johnson into the profoundest grief and sorrow of heart. That morning the father, J. D. Johnson, with his son Henry, a sixteen year old boy, went twenty miles north of grew, she proved beautiful and though it seems our lives are blighted, what are they in a God's eternity? Cannot God act without you murmuring and as existed in this family. As the child year old boy, went twenty miles north of Atlanta, to shoot ducks in Sulphur bottom, and the son got lost from the father in that dense and watery bottom, and was not found until last Sunday morning, the 26th Jappager, 1809, and the son got lost from the morning the 26th Jappager, 1809, and the son got lost from the father in that dense and watery bottom, and was not found until last Sunday morning, the 26th Jappager, 1809, and the son got lost from the father in that dense and watery bottom, and was not found until last Sunday in its influence. morning, the 26th January, 1890, and the unmutilated, his clothing perfectly sound as it was the morning he left home. When it was announced that his body had been found a large number of Atlanta's best people went at once, embalmed the same day and interred it in the presence of nearly the entire population of

This sad occurrence (and no man knows duces unless he has passed through some-thing of the sort) brought to the surface developed many noble and heroic acts, in which hundreds of men imperiled their After

cloud that had hung over our people for then her new-found friends see more clearly twenty-seven days and nights. There in her patient suffering the angelic chartwenty-seven days and nights. There in her patient suffering the angelic charwas almost a simultaneous ejaculation from every one: "I'm so glad he is found." To attempt to describe the agony and distress of the family through those terrible days and nights is impossible. Not until the human heart with its deepest emotions can be spread on can-less or photographed can such sorrow ebbing strength. The little fingers flut-

the inevitable), but an absolute resignation to the will of God, that is worthy of apostolic times and every one's admiration. I have nearly always been religious, and have always prized my re-ligion above "my chiefest joy," but I never so much loved it as I did when I saw the mother rise like burnished gold through the trials of her soul's burning sorrows and plant herself firmly on her faith in God. Then the incubus of darkness that hung over the spirit was suddealy changed to a halo of light-night became day. The pall of despair instantly became a star of hope, and bitterness and anguish were supplanted with joy and praise. Thank God for such religi-ous support, and for the bright hereafter, romised in his word!

a meeting at this place. He was quite seldom seen on the streets, always at church and Sunday-school. Very promall they had in life, bringing back all they had in life, bringing ber back seldom seen on the streets, and prom-church and Sunday-school. Very promising for usefulness, and when by the not as they took her away—no: but bring-swollen waters of that muddy river I ing her back—in her—coffin! What a sad, saw the few little mementoes taken from his pockets to become home and heart treasures is ever after, those that most impressed me were his Sunday-school papers and prize tickets. They were well ac-credited passports from that watery grave to the realms of light, and were current on the other side, and now for all that have wept and all that rejoice, we say farewell Henry, dear boy, until we meet in that brighter and better day above. WM. A. EDWARDS.

## SANTA CLAUS VS. CHRIST.

REV. C. N. RIGGAN.

We need a critical examination of the song at the birth which Christmas cele-brates, "Glory to God in the Highest." By the custom in many Sabbath-schools should be "Glory to Santa Claus in the highest." [See facts in the case]. If St. Nicholas exists his prominence is due to a semi-barbaric custom. The arguments offered by his devotees are unparental, unchristian and too silly for note. Should a lie be taught to children? Should we pretend to commemorate God's great gift man and tell the little ones a mythical character does all this liberality? How can a Christian invoke Christ's presence and blessing, say "Amen," then ask an old feather and cotton man or a dressed-"swill-tub" as Santa Claus ("blissful delusion"), to come out, deliver the presents as from him, receive all the honor and retire covered with eminence, gratitude, mystery, reverence, etc., a feeling which should be offered to Christ alone as the primary cause of these presents to "us children?" It is easier to secure confi-dence in ten matters now than it will be in one after your child finds you lied to him. The day may come when your off-spring will doubt the existence of Christ. Then remember this: Santa Claus is ruse of the devil. LADONIA, TEXAS.

To regulate the Stomach, Liver and Bowels. Dr. Pierce's Pellets excel. 25 cents a vial:

"Where are you going my pretty maide?"
"I'm going to sneeze—atchoo, she saide."

WILLIE. "COUSIN CARRIE."

What a lovely, bright afternoon it was when I first saw the little Willie. It had only been three weeks-such short, blissful weeks, too—that the handsome, gallant man by my side had had the right to call me "wife" (which always so delight fully thrilled me) when we cantered up to papa's and mamma's gate on our little

later, as I stand beside Willie's newbrown ponies this bright May afternoon. vines clambered in such a graceful, tender clinging way, and the air so fresh, as an that ride that afternoon in May! Ah, 'twas because I was so happy. Every-thing looked gay, and everybody looked

joyous and happy.

When we stopped at the gate they all came running out to meet us. "Mamma' gave me such a good, old-fashioned handshake, and said: "Welcome, Cousin Carrie." How confortable the low, old farm house did look, with its broad galleries and ample yards! How we did enjoy going there! Such good things they gave us to eat! The memorics of those days, and those happy times are with me here—here, so near the boiling, surging, moaning billows of the Atlantic, that s metimes I fancy I can almost hear their wailing. Ah, how things have changed! "Papa's and mamma's" forms are bent with age and grief, and their hair is frosted with the snows of many winters; the husband of my young days—with the little Ralph God had so graciously given us—has left me all alone. The little us—has left me all alone. The little enough to me, so long as this earth exists, family has been transplanted—only one member left—alone! Then my little willie, dear, sympathetic child, how this life. I find comfort in the thought member left—alone! Then my little
Willie, dear, sympathetic child, how
close you crept to my heart! I wonder
me did you know how I loved you. In me did you know how I loved you. In the pays of sympathy, some people's lives there are no clouds— me a tear of sympathy.

Then I would say: "Grieve not, parlittle sunshine. But Willie had always ents, for your darling." Question you been bright—like this May-day when first God's will? Doubt you that a Savior I saw her-only there was a heavy bank

in its influence.

At last misfortune came—the clouds 27th day from the day he was lost. His bad obscured the bright sunshine—and body when found was for the most part the father took his wife and the little Wilthe father took his wife and the little Willie to California. Now, indeed did she prove herself of angelic courage and fortitude. She encouraged the parents' drooping spirits and verified the happy results of a sunny, cheerful nature. Again his body as best they could, and returned they found warm friends. The child is now a woman and has many suitors. Her sweet, Christian character charms every one, and even the skeptic looks upon her and her work, and feels drawn toward the ow sad and what sort of feeling it pro- friend she loves. Her Bible is her constant companion, and many happy letters come to the loved ones in the Lone Star all the kindness of fellow feeling of which human nature is capable. The almost bear testimony that her religion is undecontinuous search for twenty-seven days filed, and leave impressions which prove

which hundreds of men imperiled their fives, endured rain, cold and deep water until it reached a sublime climax in the finding of his body by Dr. Crossly and Ed. Green Sunday morning last.

The finding his body was a rift in the land hand was a rift in the land that had hand over our records for the hor new found friends see more clearly then her new found friends see more clearly. After many months in the "Golden conveyed to the understanding of ter as she claps them-so feebly nowthers.

The parents manifested a Christian "Mamma, dearest mamma, do not weep. His will is mine." How happy she seems as she sings the "Sweet Bye and Bye" with such a sweet, tender smile on her face. "All is well!" Happy mother! Happy father! You now have two angels in heaven—all your own. Parents of two angels. What an incentive for you to live nearer the cross and to use your best energies to influence others to love the dear Christ. The lovely, beautiful life of Christ is such an oasis of thought for the Christain.

Happy mother. I pause and ask my self the same question. Bitter, scalding tears are my only answer. Would you Could God again give you your Willie, would you call her to you? Take her from her home-ah, such a home-to this Henry Johnson, as above stated, was about sixteen years old, and was a member of the M. E. Church, South. He made a profession of religion about three years ago, when Mulkey and Burnett held years ago, will take you home." Poor life of disappointment and sorrow not as they took her away-no: but bringsad journey! At last the whistle blows for Ladonia, her home, and, lo! a vast concourse of relatives and friends are there to—meet her. Not as they had expected to meet her when she returned. "Papa's and mamma's" bent forms are there. Papa had idolized the little Willie. That train of cars he sees approaching bears all he will ever see of i life. As the train comes up to the plat-form, his daughter's screams well nigh drive them frantic with grief and sympa- surplus... thy. Then they follow the loved remains to her home, up there in the churchyard, and she's at rest. How reverently they lower the coffin! How tenderly they pour the dust on it. Ah, how it chills my heart to hear the

clods of clay fall on the coffin-lid! How W. C. CONNOR, it brings back to remembrance two days of my life, when I saw them covering up from my sight my two coffins ! years have passed since I stood beside

### A SERIOUS MISTAKE

Much mischief is done in the treatment of constipation. The common opinion is that all requirements are fulfilled if the medicine forces unloading of the bowels. A great error. Medicine simply purgative, corrects no morbid condition, consequently their use is followed by greater cestiveness. A remedy, to be effectual and permanent, must be

and cartiartic properties. Tacscare admir-ably combined in Dr. Tutt's Liver Pills. They will, in a short time, cure all the suf-ferings that result from inactive bowels. They give tone to the intestines, stimulate the secretions, and correct imperfect func-tional action of the stomach and liver.

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those mounds, and as the train goes rushing by the old home I look at the f. m! iar place, and the happy days spent there crowd my memory, out—the train stops. No one is expecting me, and I go up to the church-yard. Such a sad, precious privi-

made grave, thinking of her reception Why was nature so extravagant on that day! Never had the flowers looked so pretty, never had their fragrance been so sweet, never had the birds sung so delightfully or the grass looked so green; the her Savior, her mother came up to me at

her grave: She is happy, cousin, mine, and wanders in the beautiful beyond with your little boy, and mine. I fancy she says, "Oh, they will come—after awhile."
"And papa?" "Yes, Christ saves all. I prayed in the other world, and never a doubt disturbs me now."

I have a fancy—though I have prayed that it be real—that the loved gone before are allowed to come to us, hover over us in our sorrows, press our lips while we lay asleep. I have fancied this to be so real that my arms open to re-ceive the little head on my breast; that I have looked to where it seemed the loved one was standing or sitting. Fancies? Yes, so far as I have seen the realities, but often when I awake I feel as if I had been with one gone before. Absurd fan-cies, you say? Perhaps—yet exceeding-ly comforting.

I fancy the little Willie sheds angel

tears over her parent's sorrow for her. An angel shed tears? It seems real that a loved angel of heaven can leave the joys of that blissful abode and give

who studies our needs knows what is best for you or your darling? "These light afflictions are but for a season.' thus weeping and agonizing? She said: "Weep not, for I am going home." Should you not be more cheerful and moderate in your grief when God gave the jewel entirely into your keeping for eighteen years? May God be good to you and to me, and teach us how to win souls for Christ's kingdom by a bright, happy religion—a practical, every-day re-ligion. I would that my pen were stronger that I could help you. May the great, good God help you to be brave, cheerful and happy in doing his will.

#### Commendable.

All claims not consistent with the high All character of Syrup of Figs are purposely avoided by the Cal. Fig Syrup Company. It acts gently on the kidneys, liver and bowels cleansing the system effectually, but it is not a cure-all and makes no pretention that every bottle will not substantiate.

If you should happen to want your ears pierced, just pinch the baby.

## WHAT IS SCROFULA

It is that impurity in the blood, which, accumulating in the glands of the neck, produces unsightly lumps or swellings; which causes painful running sores on the arms, egs, or feet; which developes ulcers in the eyes, ears, or nose, often causing blindness or deafness; which is the origin of pimples, cancerous growths, or the many other m tions usually ascribed to "humors:" which fastening upon the lungs, causes consumption and death. Being the most ancient, it is the most general of all diseases or affections, for very few persons are entirely free from it.

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By taking Hood's Sarsaparfila, which, by the remarkable cures it has accomplished, often when other medicines have failed, has proven itself to be a potent and peculiar medicine for this disease. Some of these cures are really wonderful. If you suffer from scrofula, be sure to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. "My daughter Mary was afflicted with scrof-

ulous sore neck from the time she was 22 months old till she became six years of age. Lumps formed in her neck, and one of them after growing to the size of a pigeon's egg, became a running sore for over three years. We gave her Hood's Sarsaparilla, when the lump and all indications of scrofula entirely disappeared, and now she seems to be a healthy child." J. S. CARLILE, Nauright, N. J. N. B. Be sure to get only

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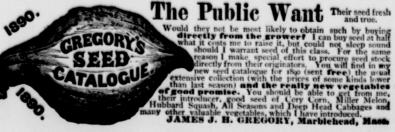
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## Texas Christian Advocate.

Secretary Blaine's daughters are excellent housekeepers and perhaps the most skilled needlewomen in Washington. The daughneedlewomen in Washington. The daughters of Chief Justice Fuller pride themselves on their cookings, and General Sherman's daughters, who are conspicuous for their good work among the parish poor, are always apace with the news of the day. Miss Rachael Sherman has the reputation of knowing as much about politics as Mrs. Logan.

### Rheumatism

Is undoubtedly caused by lactic acid in the blood. This acid attacks the fibrous tissues, and causes the pains and aches in the back, shoulders, knees, ankles, hips, and wrists. Thousands of people have found in Hood's Sarsaparilla a positive cure for rheumatism. This medicine, by its purifying action, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, and also builds up and strengthens the whole body.

Nellie and Hattie Cook, aged fourteen and sixteen years respectively, daughters of Ly-man Cook, of Smith county, Kansas, husked 1000 bushels of corn for their father this fall, for which he paid \$25, having agreed to pay them two and a half cents a bushel for all they would husk.

COLUMBIA. TEXAS, Jan. 30, 1889.

I sell Morley's T-X-S Ague Tonic on a guarantee and never had a bottle returned.

Every purchaser was perfectly satisfied and it cured several very stubborn cases, I know.

JOHN S. BARTLETT.

Senator Pettigrew, of South Dakota, has the only herd of buffaloes now in existence. There are fifteen animals in the herd, and they are corralled on a farm about four miles from Yankton, at the end of a railroad built by him and used by the public for excursions.

By its gentle laxative qualities, Cascarine will speedily eradicate the one great foe to good health—constipation.

Mrs. Penn-Don't make such emphatic statements. How do you know what you say is so? Mr. Penn—How do I know anything?

#### CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED.

To the Editor:

Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption, if they will send me their Express and P. O. address. Respectfully,

T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 181 Pearl St., New York.

"I hope you will not waste that on the saloons," said a temperance philanthropist, giving up a quarter to a poor tramp. "I won't sir, I won't," he replied, with tears in his eyes. "When I've got this much money I buy my liquor at wholesale."

The only reliable vegetable substitute for cal-omel, which acts on the liver, blood, kidneys at **d** stomach, and best anti-bilious purgative is Ma-guire's Cundarango, Indorsed by Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia: Rev. McAnally, of St. Louis, and a host of prominent people.

After the Holidays: "Papa," said little Rollo, as he laid down the copy of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" which he had found in his Christmas stocking, "papa, why don't you call mamma dearest?" "Because my son." replied the father, as he looked at the holiday bills, "no gentleman will twit on facts."

Simmons Liver Regulator produces no unpleasant effect upon the stomach no matter how long it is taken. A little taken at night insures refreshing sleep and a natural evacu-ation of the bowels. A little taken in the morning sharpens the appetite, cleanses the stomach and sweetens the breath.

"I never recommend a medicine unless I know it to be good. In a ministry of twenty-five years I have often felt the need of such a medicine, and when I found it I exclaimed: 'Eureka!' "—Rev. J. P. HARPER, Proprietor "Christian Visitor," Smithfield, N. C.

Miss Oldun—No. Mr. Hollings, I am getting too old for the assemblies. Hollings, 93—Oh, don't say that. Miss Oldun. Miss Oldun—Why, I feel like a faded leaf among all these young buds. Do you ever press autumn leaves, Mr. Hollings? (Great embarrassment from '93.)

We can truthfully say that in no instance has Moriey's T-X-S Ague Tonic failed to cure Chills when taken strictly as directed. We have guaranteed every bottle sold, to cure any case of Chills, however bad they may be, tle sold. Yours truly.
W. J. WYAN & SON. and have never had to refund on a single bot-

According to the figures of well-informed military men abroad, the rapid mobilization of the French, German and Russian armies would cost \$100,000,000, and their maintenance in the field would cost \$200,000,000 a

Nervoustiess, sleeplessness and a headache in the morning mark the inception of disease, Cascarine will remove the cause and effect a

Barber-Your head is sadly in need of a shampoo, sir. Tailor (in the chair)-Yes, and your clothes are decidedly seedy, but I don't nag you about it.

Bailey's Saline Aperient.—What is it? It is a cheap, mild, effective and delightful laxative, far superior to nauseating pills, while it is cooling and refreshing. For dyspepsia it is superior, and for sick headache, acid stomach, indigestion, etc., it cannot be excelled. It is a delicious fever drink, and acts finely upon the skin.

Mollie—I wonder how the expression, "an arm of the sea," originated? Harry (with a tender look)—Perhaps somebody noticed that it hugged the shore.

### Bradfield's Female Regulator

Should be used by the young woman, she who suffers from any disorder peculiar to her sex, and at change of life is a powerful tonic; benefits all who use it. Write the Bradfield Reg. Co., Atlanta, Ga., for particulars. Sold by all druggists.

The Rev. Heber C. Newton told this congregation recently that a distinguished rector once said: "To be successful in the ministry in New York requires somewhat of the grace of God, but also a little spice of the devil."

Catarrh, Rheumatism, and all pains subdued and cured by Pond's Extract. Avoid crude imita-

Larkin—Here's the biggest English syndi-cate yet. Gazzam—What does it propose to buy? Larkin—The Niagara hackman. Attention! If you desire a fine head of hair of

a natural bue and free from dandruff, Hall's Hair Renewer is the best and safest preparation to ac

"When I drink much I can't work, and so I let it alone." The drinking?" "No, the working."

Good health, as well as a good name, is rather to be chosen than great riches. To insure this it is necessary to keep the liver in good condition, which can be done by the

It is reported that the Hon. Thomas Pal-mer, United States Minister to Spain, will re-sign his mission next spring and return to his home in Michigan, for the purpose of running for the governorship of his State.

DEE, ARK., November 30, 1888.

My father had a very bad case of Chills, and after trying whole bottles of several kinds of "chill cures" without effect, he bought a 50 cent bottle of Morley's T-X-S Ague Tonic, one or two doses of which broke the chills and before he had used all of one bottle he was enjoying perfect health.

Pass the butter gently, Mabel,
Shove it lightly through the air;
In the corner of the dish, love,
You will find a nut brown hair.
What fond mem'ries it awakens
Of the days ere we were wed,
When you may he coat coller

Of the days ere we were wed,
When upon my fine coat collar
Oft was laid your little head;
Lovingly I stroked those tresses,
In the happy days gone by;
Now I strike them every meal time
In the butter or the ple.

A New Strike.—The working classes have struck against high-priced cough medicines, and indorsed Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. Price 25 cents a bottle.

"The first bringer of unwelcome news hath but a losing office." So happy people prefer to tell of the terrible pains they have cured with Salvation Oil.

Mrs. Billus (pounding at locked door of inner room)—For mercy's sake, John, what are you making all that noise about? Are you going crazy? Frenzied voice of Mr. Billus (on the inside)—Keep away, Maria! Keep away, or I won't be responsible for the consequences! I'm using that Christmas razor you gave me.

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

J. H. FERGUSÓN.

Is the woman who goes to church to ex hibit her sealskin saque-religious?

You cannot be happy and have indiges-tion at the same time, but by taking Cascarine the digestive organs will be fully restored and happiness complete en-

To prepare skins of animals for rugs, first remove the legs and other ragged portions of the skin, and place it in tepid water, softened with a little sal-soda and soap, for a few hours, until soft, then cut away all the fleshy hours, until soft, then cut away all the fleshy pieces and soak in warm water for two hours longer; next for each pair of skins the size of a sheep or a dog, take half a pound of salt and half a pound of alum, dissolve in one gallon of hot soft water; then stir into a tubful of cold water in which soak the skins for a night, then hang over a fence to drain, after which nail them to a board, stretching and utiling them while drying, while still damp which nail them to a board, stretching and pulling them while drying; while still damp turn the flesh side out and cover with a mixture of alum and saltpeter (finely pulverized) or powdered quick-lime, rubbing well in with a scrubbing-brush; then fold together, pile one skin upon another, and place them in the shade for three days, changing their position daily so that the lower ones are on the top; next, taking each one on a piece of board or common table, scrape off all the loose, rough skin, and if not perfectly clean and free from skin, and if not perfectly clean and free from flesh, again sprinkle with the alum, etc.; when clean, have a quantity of pumice or rotten-stone, and with a chamois skin, a soft pad, or the hand, give the surface a thorough rubbing, when it will become perfectly smooth and soft.—*The Modern Priscilla*.

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JORDAN KELSO.

Gentleman (to young lady from Richmond,
on the cars)—Beg pardon, but I am a physician. Your companion is very pale, Is she
scian. Your companion is very pale, Is she
seriously affected? Young Lady—Painfully
so, I assure you. Gentleman—An aneurism,
perhaps? Young Lady—No; I think his
name is Arthur Jones.

Monday at 10 o'clock after 1st Sun in March
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SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. lst Sun in April
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April 25
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April 29
April 19 Del Río
Eagle Pass and Brackett
Amphion cir, at Ramby Grove
San Antonio, Travis Park
San Antonio, Tenth Street
Montel mis.
Ingram mis
Carizzo Springs B HARRIS, P. E. FORT WORTH DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND Corpus Christi Barquette.
San Diego mis, at Banquette.
Oakville and Tilden cir, at Lebanon
Raneho cir, at Bundick
Gollad sta.
Beeville and Rockport cir, at Rockport
Kenedy cir, at San Domingo.
Helena cir, at Runge
Lavernia cir, at Sockdale
Wesley cir, at Selma.
Lagarto cir, at Skidmore.
Corpus Christi sta.
Alanson Brow SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND —SECOND ROUND.

1st Sun in March
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1st Sun in June
2d Sun in June
7, commencing 9 Black Jack Grove GEO, T. NICHOLS, P. E. SAN SABA DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Llano sta 3d Sun in Apr San Saba sta 4th Sun in Apr Delegates to the district conference will be elected on this round. M. A. Black, P. E.

ABILENE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND Big Springs and Midland, at Midland. Feb 12. Colorado sta. Feb 15, Snyder mis, at Snyder Buffalo Gap cir, at Jim Ned Buffalo Gap cir, at Jim Net Albany sta Baird cir, at Putnam Haskell mis, at Haskell Anson cir, at Prairie View Roby mis sweetwater cir Abiline mis Abilene sta Stonewall mis JNO. A. WALLACE, P. E.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Eunis sta Feb 9
Dresden cir, at Mt. Zion Feb 15, 16
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, 30
Oak Cliff sta, at St. Marks April 5, 6
Reagor cir, at Reagor April 12, 13
Avalon cir, at Byrds April 19, 20
Sims and Glenwood, at Glenwood April 26, 27
Wesley and Rush 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. CUERO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

Cuero sta Feb 15, 1 Gonzales sta Feb 22, 2
Victoria sta March 1,
Edna cir, at Ganado March 8,
Boxville mis, at Moralis March 15, 1 Hallettsville cir, at Yoakum March 22, 2
Williamsburg cir. at Finney chapel March 29, 3
Waelder cir, at Moulton April 5,
Leesville cir. at Bethel April 12, 1 Weesatche cir. at April 19, 2
Clear Creek cir. at April 26, 2
DeWitt cir. at
ROBT. J. DEETS, P. E.
GALVESTON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Bolivar Feb s,
Cedar Bayou Feb 15, 1
Alvin Feb. 22, 2 Columbia and Brazoria March 1.
Velasco March 8, Matagorda March 15, 1
Matagorda March 15, 1
Richmond and Wharton
Washington Street Church on Feb. 23, at 7:30 p. n
H. V. PHILPOTT, P. E.
TYLER DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.
Edom, at Tunnell's Chapel Feb 8.

	H. V. PHILPOTT, P. 1
TYLER DISTRI	CT-FIRST ROUND.
Edom, at Tunnell's Cha Tyler City mis, at Cedar Lindale, at Harris' Chap Grand Saline cir.	8t. Feb 15 sel Feb 15 Feb 22
Canton at Canton Lawndale mis New York, at New York Tyler sta	March 15 March 22
BROWNWOOD DIS	JOHN ADAMS, P. I TRICT—FIRST ROUND. Feb

W. T. MELUGIN, P. E. Editor Smith, of the Philadelphia Press, a close friend of Mr. Blaine, is convinced that he will not be a candidate in 1892.

Doomed to die, and oh, so young, Is there nothing that can save
This poor, hopeless sufferer
From the dark and cruel grave?
Comes an answer: "Yes, there is:
'Favorite Prescription' try;
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Who were given up to die."

Who were given up to die."

For all "female diseases," Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the standard remedy, and no woman should despair of recovery until she has given it a trial. Edmund C. Stedman, the poet, says that la grippe is the result of vapors through which our planet is passing on its way around its orbit. He contends that the greater the ele-

vation the worse the grip.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Martinsville mis, at Mt. Pleasant. Feb 8, 9
Nacogdoches, Lufkin and Garrison, at Nacogdoches Feb 15, 16
Linn Flat cir, at Twilight Feb 22, 23
Center and Timpson, at Timpson March 1, 2
Carthage cir, at Clayton March 16, 16
Sexton cir, at Myrtle Springs March 16, 16
Beckville cir, at Beckville March 22, 23
Hemphill mis, at Center View March 29, 30
Shelbyville cir, at Shelbyville April 5, 6

MONTAGUE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND 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.

Bethel cir.
Farmers Branch cir.
Cochran and Caruth
Grapevine cir.
Lewisville cir.
Smithfield cir. 2d Sun in Feb
3d Sun in Feb
3d Sun in Feb
4th Sun in Feb
1st Sun in March
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3d Sun in March
T. R. PIERCE, P. E. MARSHALL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Kilgore cir, at Danville .... Marshall mis, at North Side Church Hill cir, at Oakland Troupe and Overton cir, at Troupe Hallville cir, at Summerfield Henderson cir, at Good Springs. Henderson sta, at Henderson

CAMERON DISTRICT .- FIRST ROUND. Rockdale sta, at Rockdale .......3d Sun in Marc FRED L. ALLEN, P. E.

TERRELL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Rockwall and Royce cir, at Rockwall
Forney cir, at Forney
Mesquite cir, at Farmer's
Garland and Duck Creek
Allen cir, at St. Paul
Roberts mis, at Bethel. W. L. CLIFTON, P. E. CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Bellville 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 C. H. Brooks, P. E. CALVERT DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Feb 8, Feb 15, J. FRED Cox, P. E. WACO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND.

Bruceville cir, at Eddy Waco, Morrow Street Mount Calm cir, at Dawson SAMUEL P. WRIGHT, P. E. BEAUMONT DISTRICT .- FIRST ROUND Burkville cir, at Burkville Orange cir, at Caney Sunset cir, at Kountz Beaumont sta, First Church Beaumont sta. First Church Orange sta Sabine Pass mis, at Sabine Pass. Liberty cir, at Liberty Livingston cir, at Livingston Moscow cir, at Hollywood F. J. I

F. J. BROWNING, P. E. PALESTINE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Augusta cir, at Augusta 2nd Sun in Feb Crockett sta. at Crockett 3d Sun in Feb Crockett cir, at Porter's Springs 4th Sun in Feb Trinity cir, at Trinity 1st Sun in March Palestine cir at Eikhart 2nd Sun in March Jacksonville mis, at Providence, 3d Sun in March Palestine sta, at Palestine 4th Sun in March U. B. Phillips, P. E.

HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Cold Springs and Shepherd at Cold Springs Feb 8, Dodge cir, at Black Jack Prairie Plains cir, at Mary's Chapel Madisonville cir, at 

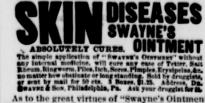
WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. B. M. STEPHENS, P. E. AUSTIN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Austin, Central Church Smithville, at Smithville. Winchester, at Winchester Flatonia sta Flatonia cir, at Ridge Chapel Wiemar, at Weimar Columbus sta

PARIS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Clarksville sta Clarksville mis Detroit eir Annona eir Darby Springs eir Boston eir Ingersoll mis SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 2d Sun in Feb Feb 11 3d Sun in Feb Feb 19 4th Sun in Feb Fairlee Sulphur Springs sta Sulphur Bluff Sulphur Springs mis Lone Oak

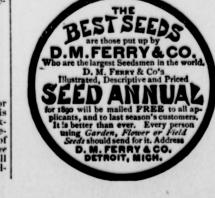
BONHAM DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Ben Franklin cir, at Ben Franklin. Dodd's cir, at Providence Gober cir, at Gober Stephensville cir, at Lone Elm Maxey mis, at Naxey J. M. BINKLY, P. E. GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Decatur cir. Aurora mis. Denton cir C. L. BALLARD, P. E.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. Carrizo Springs . B. HARRIS, P. E. CUERO DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND. 

SHERMAN DISTRICT-FIRST ROUND Whitewright and Marvin, at Whitewright, Feb 8, 9
Pottsboro and Preston, at Pottsboro Feb 15, 19
Ponison cir, at Shiloh Feb 22, 19
Howe cir, at Howe March 1, 2
Pilot Grove cir, at Cross Roads March 8, 5
Anna mis, at Melissa March 15, 18
W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.



As to the great virtues of "Swayne's Ointment," we are permitted to refer to the Publishers of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.



THE AYRSHIRE COW.

Rapid Development of This Breed Throughout the Dairy Regions of the World. The Avrshire cow now ranks very high as to both the quality and quantity of its produce. A fair average of herds of say fifty cows, not especially selected, runs from 640 to 680 gallons of milk per annum, according to as excellent authority as Mark Lane Express, which furnishes an interesting account of the recent development of this breed.

An Ayrshire cow generally shows 13 per cent. of solids, 13 to 16 per cent. of cream, and 3½ to 4½ per cent. of butter fat. In the milking competitions of the London dairy show and the Oxfordshire and other shows, the Ayrshires have stepped far ahead of the Shorthorns, Guernseys etc., in the quantity and quality of the

milk which they yielded.

The milk of the Ayrshire is pre-eminently suited for cheese making. All samples of milk under the microscope are seen to be composed of a homogeneous fluid, in which float little globules of butter fat. These globules vary in size, and while in the Jersey they are comparatively large, in the Ayrshire they are small and not rising quickly, but, mixing with the curd butter, make an evenly rich cheese. The quantity of cheese yielded by such animal is about six hundredweight, estimated in so many stones of twenty-four pounds each.

As to the butter yielding properties of the Ayrshire dairy cow, the ordinary milk shows about 4 to 4½ per cent. of butter fat, while selected animals come up to, if they do not exceed, the Jerseys. The average yield, so far as records go, ought to be something about 240 pounds per annum. The writer has had recently tested a 4-year-old Ayrshire cow, which is yielding fifteen pounds of butter per

It is customary with some breeders of cattle to speak disparagingly of the Ayrshire from a butcher's point of view. We venture, however, to maintain that of all the races of milk producing animals, she dies best and most profitably when no longer desired for the milk pail.

The development of this breed within the past fifty years has been very marked and rapid. The Ayrshire cow is fast superseding other dairy races in England. She graces innumerable dairy farms in Holland; has crossed the wide Atlantic. and feeds along the northern as well as the southern shores of the river St. Lawrence and rests beneath the shadows of the Rocky mountains. Possessed of the finest and nicest woolly coat of any breed of cattle, she has lately been extensively imported to the stormy regions of Russia, and at present she is unquestionably the favored dairy animal of Australia and New Zealand.

Remarkable Instances of Antipathy. Amatus Lusitanus relates the case of a monk who would faint on seeing a rose, and never quitted his cell when that flower was bleoming. Orfila, a less questionable authority, tells us of Vincent, the painter, who would swoon when there were roses in a room, even though he did not see them. Valtaid tells of an officer being thrown into convulsions by having a pink brought to his chamber, Orfila also relates the case of a lady of 46 years, a hale, hearty woman, who, if present when linseed was being prepared for any of its various uses, would have violent coughing fits, swelling of the face and partial loss of reason for the next twenty-four hours.

Hinting at these peculiar antipathies and aversions, Montaigne remarks that there have been men who more feared an apple than a cannon ball. Zimmerman tells of a lady who could not bear to touch either silk or satin, and who would shudder and almost faint if by accident she happened to touch the velvet skin of a peach. Boyle records the case of a man who would faint when his room was being swept, and of one who naturaily abhorred honey.

who would always swoon at hearing the sounds of a flute. A lunar eclipse caused sight of a roast pig had the same effect upon Vaughelm, the famous German sportsman.

The editor of "Notes for the Curious" has a sister who will not stay in a room where a watermelon is being sliced, and who, although she has long since grown out of all other fanciful whims, says that she has never been able to look upon that delicious product of the vine without feeling as though an emetic had been taken. So, too, the writer knows a youngster, away up in the teens, who, in counting, will not say "18," and thinks no more of saying 17, 19 than the average person would of saying 17, 18, 19. He says that the bare thought of the objectionable figures makes him feel the same in the stomach and gives the same sensations that swinging to a dizzy height does-i. e., a sort of an "all-gone feeling."-St. Louis Republic.

Met by Chance.

Fur Clad Individual (his hand closing on a silver dollar in is pocket)-You poor child! Have you no friends? Thinly Clad Little Girl (whose mother

had married for love)-Why, Uncle Victor! Is that you? Fur Clad Individual (his hand gripping the dollar tighter)-Why-hum-Nelly, I didn't know you. Folks all well! Good day .- Chicago Tribune.

Timely Hints Concerning the Management of Poultry-The Treatment of Frozen Eggs-How to Make the Birds Pay the Rent of Their Roosts.

The growing of poultry has come to be an occupation of more or less importance to the dwellers, not only in country places, but in suburban towns as well. Amateurs in this business, as in all others, make unavoidable mistakes through lack of experience. Following are a few suggestions gleaned from American Poultry Yard that will be found helpful:

Eggs for sitting should be from healthy, adult birds, not related. Never breed from late turkeys, if it is possible to get better. Never breed from yearling turkeys, if you can get 2-year-olds.

In winter, especially, it is desirable to have plenty of chaff scattered in the houses for the fowls to scratch about and pick over, for otherwise they would have nothing to do but eat their meals at regular intervals, and would spend the intervening time in moping around or sleepily sitting on their roosting benches.

No matter how careful we may be, we shall occasionally find eggs frozen in the nest. These eggs are, of course, unfit for sitting or marketing, but with a little care can be preserved and made useful for culinary purposes. The only precaution needed is to keep them frozen till they are to be used. To prepare for use, pour boiling water over them, and allow them to cool in a warm room. Then use them at once.

Poultry will not pay the rent of their roosts in winter, unless they have clean, warm and light quarters. These "modern improvements" provided, however, and a plenty and variety of food—corn, barley, oats, meat scraps, moderately seasoned with warming condiments, and a dessert of ground oyster shells, and a choice selection of gravel set on their table daily, and you may reasonably expect the rent to be regularly deposited in the boxes therefor provided.

Experience has shown that the best mode of killing fowls is to cut the head off with as little of the neck bone as pos-sible; then, as soon as scalded and picked, cut off as much of the protruding bone as will enable you to draw the skin down over the end of it and tie tightly with

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way we are made, and it must be so-rest

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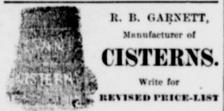


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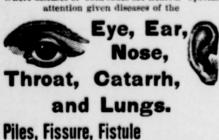
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### Devotional.

GOD HOLDS US ALL.

"Take me, papa," said my darling, As we stood within the hall; So I bore him up the stairway, Scarcely felt the burden small.

In my other hand I carried Books I wished to scan that night, And the elfin begged me let him Take them in bis arms so slight.

Step by step to top we mounted: Then he said with childish pride, "Baby carried books for papa— Dindn't he?" "Yes," I replie 1.

Little innocent! ne'er dreaming. As he bore the asked-for load, That his father's strength upheld him, Double-burdened on the road.

God is sometimes pleased to give us
Work for wondrous skill and thought;
Gleefully we don the laurels,
When his hand the triumph wrought.
—Adaline H. Beery.

WALK IN WISDOM TOWARD THEM THAT ARE WITHOUT." The Christian is presumably "within" the church. The visible church of Jesus Christ in the world should have every living Christian within its fold, and none others. As a matter of fact, however, there are living Christians who are not it in the above that the state of the christians is the state of the christians who are not it is the above that the christians who are not in the christians. there are living Christians who are not within the church, and there are within the church those who are not Christians. But it has always been so. The Master warned his disciples that there would be tares in all wheat-fields. Even in his own small field of twelve stalks of grain there was one stalk that was a tare, and another stalk that for a time looked very much like a tare. And from their epistles to the churches we learn that in the fields of the apostles tares were continually found springing up with the wheat. So it has been in all lands and in all the generation since and solities are within the exceeding sinfulness of sin; it shows that, if forgiven, he will not be so likely to sin again, as if he had a low estimate of the guilt of disobedience and rebellion. All iniquity is great. It is defying the authority of God; it is trampling on a law which is holy, just, and good. Whoever prays for pardon, thinking that he will obtain it because he is not so bad as others, that he has some amiable qualities, and that his sins are nearly balanced by his virtues, will fail. God will pay no more attention to his prayers than he did to that of the Pharise desiring such notices to appear in full as written, should realt money to cover excess of space, to-wit: at the rate of ONE CENT per word. Money should of the apostles tares were continually found springing up with the wheat. So it has been in all lands and in all the generations since, and so it is now. And yet, bad as this is, it is better to be within the But there is a fold in which there are dom of God in the world. It is not physical and visible, but spiritual and interest of the more of the mercy of the chief of sinners, if truly penitent, as the most self-complacent moralist. The stonement of Christ is for sinners. are lost, helpless, hopeless. And for such the true prayer is that of David. It is the

ical and visible, but spiritual and invisible. Its metes and bounds are not tangi-ble, but intangible. To some degree its true prayer for us all. We fail to secure ble, but intangible. To some degree its unseen boundaries correspond to the seen boundaries of the church; but sometimes they pass without them, and often lie far within them. God sees where they run, and whom they include; man does not. But within these bounds are all God's people in the world, and none others. And every one of them has a new heart, and believes on the Lord Jesus Christ. and believes on the Lord Jesus Christ, and loves him, and is united to him, and is an heir of heaven and eternal life. This means something and is worth something. These citizens of the kingdom of God are and INHALANT. A cure for Catarrh, Bronchitis, Asthma and all diseases of the Throat and Lungs. Consumption—if taken in season. The K in g of Cough Medicines. Will be most offensive breath. Carried handifie, This INHALER is approved by Physical Indorsed by the Medical Journals. Sold sts for \$1.00. By mail \$1.25.

These citizens of the kingdom of God are not perfect men, women and children, not one of them, and some of them are very imperfect indeed, but they are citizens of the kingdom, with all that that includes. And no one whose eyes are open to see can fail to see that it is good to be within this invisible spiritual kingdom of God.

And there is something better still, a not perfect men, women and children, not one of them, and some of them are may lead us to "think about" God; but

dom of God.

And there is something better still, a fold still more sacred than this. It is the fold Christ Himself. Every Christian is in Christ. All Christians are in Christ. It is not blasphemy—it is not irreverence—it is not thoughtlessness to say this.

We have authority for it. We cannot experience where the same statement of the commune with them. It is not thoughtlessness to say this. plain it, but we can assert it. Paul says:
"There is therefore now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus." And again: "That I may win Christ and be found in him." And again: "Who also were in Christ before me." "And Jesus says: "I am in my Father, and ye in me." "Abide in me." "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye except ye abide in me." It is a great mystery, but it is also a great revelation. Christ is in Christ. The fire.

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Bar of steel, and the bar of steel is in the fire of the forge. The bar can get fire into it only by getting into the fire. The Christian can get Christ in him only by getting in the hear and the hands handle. A quaint old writer compares the hunger of the soul for God to the hunger of the stomach for glorious.

Christians are in the church, in the kingdom of God, and in Jesus Christ.

And the value of all this may be seen in that which is suited to the needs of hunger or the craving still continues. Give the price paid for it. God the Father so loved us that he gave his Son to death to bring us into the church, into his kingdom, into his Son. God the Son so loved us that he suffered and died to bring us New York Ledger. into the church, into the kingdom, into himself. And God the Spirit so loved us that he came into the world to bring us into the church, into the kingdom of God, and into Jesus Christ. This is the ex-pression of God's estimate of the value in itself, and of the worth to us, of being in the church, in the kingdom of God, and in Jesus Christ.

all these things. They are "without" the church, "without" the kingdom of God, "without" Jesus Christ. And the misery of it is that they do not wish to be within. Sin so blinds the eyes of them, and so Sin so blinds the eyes of them, and so blurs the truth of them, that they do not wish to be within. And the lives of some within the church, the visible church, are so worldly and unlovely that they repel those "without" from wishing to go "within" to them. This, if possible, is greater misery than the other.

Hence, the exhortation to those within

greater misery than the other.

Hence, the exhortation to those within that we live lives sustained and cheered and comforted by a power high-Hence, the exhortation to those within to walk in wisdom toward them who are "without," to induce them if possible to come within. But are they walking in wisdom when they seem to be indifferent whether those without do or do not come within? Are they walking in wisdom when they do nothing to bring those without within? Are they walking in wisdom when they deny themselves no pleasure of the world and no desire of the heart and no demand of the will to win those "without" "within?" Are they walking in wisdom when they live so inconsistently and 'sinfully that those "without" can see no difference between them as Christians and themselves as sinners?

When will God's people learn that it

When will God's people learn that it means something, means everything, to be a Christian, and be "within" the

Every Christian should discipline himself with a view to helpfulness. The inti-macies of life bring us near to each other; and we have more to do with the formation of the character of others, especially in the family circle, than many of us are aware of. One has said: "We are on the meward way together and no doubt there is in this great mutual help; but there may be mutual hinderance as well. One may cast a shadow on the path of another. He looks with a clouded brow, with a mis-trustful eye. He speaks in a hesitating cast a shadow on the path of another. He looks with a clouded brow, with a mistrustful eye. He speaks in a hesitating tone. He seems to see nothing but the wrong things and the weaknesses; the right and the growing strength are within, and are seen only by him who looks from the same as those of the clock? You know this would do no good, for the hands would soon be as far wrong as ever. I must send my watch to the watch maker, that he

appeased. So it is with the soul. The soul gets hungry and it goes out in sallies after its proper food. Give to the man who is soul hungry the amplest profits from trade and the largest credit at the banks, and luxuries and pleasures of every sort, and honors till he is surfeited with them, yet will the soul be hungry still. But give to this same man God; set God before his hungry soul, and let him feed on him as on the Bread of Life,

And sinners, be they who they may and what they may, great and small, all who are not Christians, are "without"

It has become the fashion with many be a Christian, and be "within" the church and the kingdom of God and Jesus Christ? When they do, those "without" will clamor to come "within."—Illustrated Christian Weekly.

THE HINDERANCES OF FELLOWSHIP.

It has become the lashlon with many preachers and writers of the present day to draw very powerful and affecting pictures and suggestions from what is described as "looking into the great heart of eternal Love," as if, living in these days, they had clearer and fuller insight into the divine mysteries than all the saints, inspired or uninspired, who went before them. Doubtless no one, except the beloved Son, who came from the bosom of the Father, has any adequate idea of the infinite fullness of pity and compassion in that heart. But let us not

venture to set aside the limits and condi-tions of the manifestation of that love which God himself has laid down .- George my watch to the watch-maker, that he may put its heart right too. So it is with Marriages.

VANDERVAUTER—SMITH.—On the 22nd inst., at the Methodist parsonage, at Ballinger, Mr. H. Vandervauter and Miss Lizzie Smith were joined together as "man and wife," by Rev. J. T. Blood-worth. signs of purity are interpreted as signs of guilt; diffidence is confounded with pu-sillanimity; self-distrust with unfaithful-

ness; a zealous energy is sneered at as officiousness; openness of action is called STEWART-NEW.-At the home of the bride's father. Mr. Kin New, in Gaudalupe county, Jan. 22, 1890, by the Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. John Stewart and Miss Katle New. LAY-McKAY,—At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Jennie McKay, Jan. 15, 1890, by the Rev. C. E. Statham, Mr. D. B. Lay, of Lavernia, Wilson county, and Miss Lillie McKay, of Gauda-lupe county, Texas.

ostentation."

If our spirit is molded after the divine pattern, it will be easy to watch against everything that tends to "offend" and hinder others. God will then be our "Keeper," so that we may become the keeper of our brother. Kindly sympathies, correct estimates, noble assistances, keeper of our brother. Kindly sympathies, correct estimates, noble assistances, will mark our daily life; and so we may become the servants of Christ by serving those whom he seeks to bless and save.— WOLF-COLE.—At the Baptist Church, in Wolf City, Jan. 19, 1890, by Rev. W. F. Clark, Mr. Mor-rison H. Wolf to Miss Anne L. Cole, all of Wolf City, Texas.

ROGERS-THOMAS.-On Jan. 23, 1890, at the bride's father's, Mr. Granville Rogers and Miss Effic W. Thomas, by the Rev. W. H. Carr.

What a strange petition that is in the twenty-fifth Psalm: "O Lord, pardon my iniquity; for it is great." When men apply to human beings or governors for pardon, they plead that they are innocent, or, if guilty, that there were extenuating circumstances. But David urges the greatness of his iniquity as a reason why he should he forgiven. And this is a good plea in the sight of God. It shows the sincerity of the pleader; it shows his appreciation of the exceeding sinfulness of sin; it shows that, if forgiven, he will not be sa likely to sin ergin as if he had a single with the sight of the leader; it shows his appreciation of the exceeding sinfulness of sin; it shows that, if forgiven, he will not be sa likely to sin ergin as if he had a single with the parsonal stranger and single cannot have a ford outlier. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal discovers the parsonal stranger and single cannot have a ford outlier, by the Rev. W. H. Carr.

CRAIN—HAYES,—On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 2, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier, on Jan. 22, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger. On Jan. 1, 1890, at the parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier, and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier, and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier, and outlier parsonal stranger and outlier parsonal and

prayers than he did to that of the Pharisee in the temple. The beginning of every acceptable plea for the mercy of God is a deep sense of our moral siles.

Extra copies of paper containing obituaries can be procured if ordered when manuscript is sent. Price five cents per copy.

Moore.—Little Osear Edmund, son of W. T. Moore and wife, Clennie Moore, sixteen months old, died suddenly of congestion of the lungs on the morning of the 24th instant. Thus the hand of death has taken the babe of the family, around which the tenderest affections cling. The family is bereaved, but little Osear has gained the sweet beyond.

ELOY, TRAKS

Ricks.—John Alexander Ricks, aged eighteen years and three months, after an illness of six or seven days, died near Weimar on the 24th Instant. He professed religion July, 1888, at Osage campground, where he joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he remained a consistent member to the time of his death. He sleeps in the cemetery near Weimar till the trumpet shall sound and the earth and the sea shall give up their dead.

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him. Yes, this touches a vital point in the kingdom of them are very imperfect indeed, but they are citizens of the kingdom, with all that that includes. And no one whose eyes are open to see can fail to see that it is good to be within this invisible spiritual kingdom of God.

And there is something better still, a fold still more sacred than this. It is the fold Christ Himself. Every Christian is lessed voice, declare his power and willing memories, cheered by the hope of a happy reunion in the land where sickness, pain and death ingreess to save. Do we only "think lessed voice declare his power and willing memories, cheered by the hope of a happy reunion in the land where sickness, pain and death ingreess to save. Do we only "think lessed voice declare his power and willing memories, cheered by the hope of a happy reunion in the land where sickness, pain and death ingreess to save. Do we only "think lessed voice declare his power and willing memories, cheered by the hope of a happy reunion in the land where sickness, pain and death ingreess to save.

In a suit of man is too large to rest until it rests in God. It has capacity for too wide an outlook to be shut in by just what the eye can see and the ear can hear and the hands handle. A quaint old writer compares the hunger of the soul for God to the hunger of the stomach for God to the hunger of the stomach for God to the hunger of the stomach for God. A hungry man must be fed with that which is suited to the needs of hunger or the craving still continues. Give the man music, give him pictures, give the man music, give him pictures, give him pictures and pictures our heart-strings entwined around him. He was a prifer thaby in form, in development, in disposition, and, until one week ago, in health, also. We never thought but we would be permitted to keep him but a little while, but in that time how closely were our heart-strings entwined around him. He was a prifer thaby in form, in development, in disposition, and, until one week ago, in health, also. We never thought but we would be permitted to keep him. Medicine was unavailing, for God willed otherwise, and we must how in submission, remembering that he is "too wise to err, too good to be unkind." But we dry our eyes with the Christian's hope and that voice whispering, "You will meet him by and by in his glorified state before our Father's throne." Yet how great is the mother's task to-day, who goes about weeping, gathering up those little garments, each one reminding her so vividly of her bereavment. We would here tender our sincere thanks to the many kind friends who ministered to our necessities.

LOVD.—Sister Lillie B. Loyd was born in Collin county. Texas, March 10, 1871; moved with a married sister to Hamilton county, Texas, in 1879; was married to Geo. W. Loyd, of Hamilton county, March 10, 1887, and died Jan. 13, 1890. She professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, south, in early life. My personal acquaintance with her warrants me in saying that she was a kind mother, a loving and an obliging neighbor, she leaves a husband, two children and a host of friends to mourn their loss. She was a patient sufferer, and murmured not at the afflicting hand of Providence. The sympathy of all who knew her is enlisted in behalf of her bereaved brother, sisters, husband, and especially her little children, who lose in her a devoted mother. May a kind and mereiful savior guide the little orphan feet aright, and administer comfort to the sorrowing husband. Let us all bow submissively to Him that doeth all things well.

B. P. Byrne. HAMILTON, TEXAS.

Neel.—Bro. John F. Neel was born in Lincoln county, N. C., March 15, 1815, and departed this life, near Jonesboro, Coryell county, Jan. 12, 1820. He professed religion in Dunklin county, Mo., in 1847, and joined the M. E. Church, South, in which he lived a faithful member till the day of his death. If there was a perfect Christian on Jonesboro circuit, it was Bro. Neel. He was the greatest sufferer I have ever known, and bore his sufferings with the most patient and Christian fortitude. His team ran away with him and crippled him on the 5th day of Jan., 1880, and for ten years and seven days he was a constant sufferer. It was a benediction to visit him and hear him tell how the grace of God sustained him, and to hear him praise God that his sufferings were no worse. His prospects for heaven grew brighter as he drew near the river of death, and he told me the last time I saw him that there was not a cloud between him and his God. Like his blessed Master, he was made perfect through suffering; and, thank God, he rests with him in that land where the inhabitants shall not say, "I am sick."

A. B. Roberts. The Interior has recently published a suggestive article on "How Shall we Keep the delayer of our Children?" We

A. B. Roberts,

Steed, and daughter of Elijah and Sarah A. Bailey,
was born in Campbell county, Ga., in September,
1832; removed to Texas in 1838, at five years of
age. She was seventeen years the weided and
fastiful consort of our deeply bereaved brother.
Thomas H. Steed. She died January 29, 1830, at
the family residence in Cooke county, Texas, eight
miles northeast from Gainesville. The writerher new pastor-was summoned to give to her
memory the last pathetic service of her loved
church. Sister Steed was a true and faithful
Christian woman, and a teacher in our Sundayschool at Union Hill. This fact was suggested to
the writer during the funeral discourse, on seeing
several small girls crying like their little hearts
would break; their tears uttering the depths of
their sorrow. May the mourning church and
community profit by her virtues, and heed the
solemn ministry of her death. May the bereaved
and lonely husband have the wound in his heart
and ruin of his home repared by the grace of God
and hope of heaven. The cross of Christ we commend to him—there is help for him there.

W. M. Leatherwood.

W. M. LEATHERWOOD.

ELKINS.—Chesley W. Elkins was born July 17, 1852; and married Adaline Yeary. July 11, 1872; and professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church. South, Aug. 21, 1881; and was licensed to exhort, May 5, 1883, by Wm. Monk; and died Nov. 11, 1889. His illness was protracted, his suffering intense, which he bore with Christian fortitude. Even in the midst of agony he would praise the Lord. The writer of this visited his bedside several times during his sickness, and religion was his theme day and night. And when I returned from the annual conference he asked me to tell him about the session of the conference. When I commenced to tell him, he commenced trying to shout, and exclaimed, 'I would to God I had strength to praise him aloud?" Bro. Elkins was one of the most zealous men I ever saw. All of his power was directed to the glory of God and the salvation of men. But alas, death has stilled his voice! No more he stands before us and warns us to fee the wrath to come, for he said to me, a few days before his death, that was all he wanted to get well for, was to warn sinners to flee the wrath to come. And we can safely say, Rancho circuit has lost a valuable member, the church a main stay, the preachers a good helper, and sinners a true friend. But our loss is his eternal gain. His last words were to his boys, to be ready for death. He left a wife and eight or nine children to mourn his loss.

T. G. Russell. you; you must first get your heart put right, then your hands will go right, and your feet, and all will go right.—J. Inglis.

SHEIVE.—Mr. D. A. Sheive died in peace January 2, 1890, at the residence of W. W. Roberts, Beeconnty, Texas. Mr. Sheive was born January II, 1813, in Hopkins county, Ky., and came to Missouri when a boy, and remained until 1800, then moved to Texas, where he liged the rest of his life. He was married to Margret Mabery 1836. He had nine children: all are living except two. He joined the Methodist Church in 1832, and lived a true follower of the cross. He was a devout Christian, and never faltered in his duty to God. Anger and impatience had no place in his nature. He suffered long and painfully: yet not a murmur escaped his patient lips. He was confined to his bed six years and twenty days. His disease was paralysis. May God comfort his aged wife who still lingers behind and his sorrowing children, and may we all so live as to meet him in heaven.

Williamson.—Sister Mollie Williamson (nee

WILLIAMSON.—Sister Mollie Williamson (nee Nichols) was born in Crawford county, Ga., Nov. 8, 1859, and died in Smith county, Texas, Dec. 26, 1889. She married Matthew Williamson, Feb. 16, 1876. She joined the M. E. Church, South, when a child, and lived a consistent Christian life and died in full hope of immortal life beyond the grave. For four years she was greatly afflieted and desired much to get well until a few days before her death, when she kissed her mother and committed to her care her two little boys, with the request that she raise them for heaven, and then asked her to pray that she might depart in peace. The church has lost a good, faithful member, the parents an affectionate child, the husband a true wife and the children a loving mother—their best earthly friend. But our loss is her gain, and may the grace and precious promises of our Heavenly Father comfort their hearts. Rest in peace, dear sister! After a while we will all meet again!

HARRISON—PORTERFIELD.—At the residence of the bride's grandfather, Rev. D. C. Hardman, M. D. in McGregor, Texas, at 2 p. m., Jan. 29, 1820, and Miss Lula L. Porterfield, of McGregor, Texas, the Rev. H. B. Henry, officiating.

McCaleb—Seaman—At' the residence of the bride's parents, in the city of Houston, by the Rev. A. J. Friek, Jan. 28, 1890, Dr. J. H. McCaleb, of Austin, Texas, and Miss Jennie Seaman.

Obitraries.

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The space allowed obituaries, twenty to twenty-five lines; or about 170 to 180 words. The privilege is reserved of condensing all obituary notices. Parties desiring such notices to appear in full as written, should remit money to cover excess of space, to-wit:

Weimar, Jan. 29, 1890, Dr. J. H. McCaleb, Cathey was born in Pennsylvania. May 16, 1818. Cante to Texas in 1814, and settled in Colorado county, where she continued her residence up to the 18th of January, 1890, at which date, after a long and painful illness, she died in great peace. Sister Hargrove was married in 1857 to Janues M. Caller, who died in 1850, Afterward (in 1858) she married Stephen P. Hargrove, who died some time during the late war at Little Rock, Ark. She was consciously converted in childhood, and the evidence of that blessed fact remained with her during life, always manifesting itself in her labors of love and mercy. Hers was an intelliatory of the county of the little war at Little Rock, Ark. She was consciously converted in childhood, and the evidence of that blessed fact remained with her during life, always manifesting itself in her labors of love and mercy. Hers was an intelliatory my works." She leaves an only son, several grandchildren, and scores of other desolate ones to weep for Ler, but we know where to find her by-and-by.

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RILEY.—The home of our dear Brother and Sister, J. D. and Limina Riley, was made very sad on the night of January 18, 1820, on account of the death of Maudie, their sweet little nine-year-old daughter. On the evening of December 39, 1889, the family and neighbors were alarmed by the screams of the children in the back yard, where they had some fire, popping corn. The parents attending the alarm saw at once the awful cause. Maud is on fire! Not until the clothing were almost entirely burned off did they succeed in getting the fire extinguished. None but those who have witnessed such scenes can have a true conception of its horrors. Medical id was called at once, and the best of attention was given both by kindred, physicians and friends, but it seemed only to prolong the little sufferer's aronies, for death had claimed her for his own. For twenty days she lingered "on the margin of the river," and then God said, "it is enough," and at 11:55 o'clock p. m. her suffering ceased, and her "spirit returned unto 6 od who gave it." Fond parents, remember Jesus says; "Suffer little children to come unto me to sing her little songs any more for us, but she will sing for Jesus and the angels.

R. H. S:MUSON.

Spencer.—Mrs. Susan Spencer was born in Philadelphia, Penn., Sept. 29, 1805. She removed when quite young vith her parents to Cape Giradeau county. Missouri. She first married Wm. Gray, by whom she had two children, a son and a daughter. The latter has been for several years the wife of Rev. C. L. Spencer. Her husband having died she was in 1842 united in marriage with Rev. Urban C. Spencer, late of the Texas Conference. They resided at New Madrid. Missouri, until 1857, when they came to Texas. Bro. Spencer filled many important appointments in the Texas Conference, cheered and strengthened by his faithful wife. She looked well to the ways of her household during his protracted absences from home. Her piety was a steady, flowing stream, making green and glad the lowly vales of domestic life. Left a second time a widow she lived with her children, a blessing to their homes. In the latter years of her life she was affilieded with blindness. The writer, who was familiar with her from her first arrival in Texas, often visited her in her widowed loneliness and blindness. She loved to talk with him about religion and bow in prayer, invoking Ged's blessing. No murmur escaped her lips; but a heavenly radiance would illamine her pale and furrowed face as she spoke of the rest and loy of that happy home to which she was drawing so near. Largely shut out from the world, she enjoyed constant communion with God. By a sad accident her long and useful life was terminated. An accidental fall caused such Injuries that, after a few days of suffering, she died Jan. E. 1890, agged ciphty-nine years and nine months, less thurten days.

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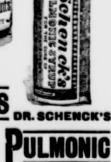
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Jan. 29.-J P Mussett, subs. Milton L Moody, Jan. 29.—J P Mussett, subs. Milton L Moody, sub. Geo S Wyatt, sub. C E Gallagher, sub. R S Gorskine, sub. Jas William Hill, sub. J T Stanley, subs. J D H Reynolds, subs. J J Canafax, sub. Isaae I. Mills, subs. J M Sitton, subs. W W Henderson, change made. S B Ellis, sub; other matter o k. Jno R Steele, sub. W B Mc-Keown, subs.; 2 cards; all right; will keep "Uncle George" out. E J Maxwell, subs. W M Leatherwood, subs. W H Ardis, change made. W M Crowson, subs. Ben H Bounds, subs. E J Mathews, thanks. Jas P Rogers, subs. J M Porter, subs. one at half price. H T Hart, sub; 2 cards; G J Irvin, subs and change. Jno R Morris, sub J W Dickinson, sub. H C Parrott, subs. C H Smith, sub. H P Shrader, subs. F A Rosser, sub.

Tellbertson, sub. J. D. Hudgins, subs. very few up with you. I. N. Barks, subs. W. H. Vauphan, sub. A. F. Cox, subs. J. C. Hadlard, subs. J. L. Russell, subs. J. B. Minnis, subs. J. A. Savage, subs. A. J. Frick, sub. J. M. M. J. A. Savage, subs. J. H. Wisens, subs. J. D. M. Sim, subs. J. E. Surith, sub. J. A. Savage, subs. J. A. Wright, change made. J. A. Garison, sub. J. T. Morris, subs. J. E. Surith, sub. J. B. Gober, sub. S. C. Benson, sub. S. T. F. Dimmitt, sub. J. T. Smith, sub. J. B. Gober, sub. J. C. H. Maloy, subs. fine list: J. Postale, T. B. Savage, subs. J. S. H. H. W. Gartham, subs. J. S. M. S. H. H. W. G. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. H. G. A. E. F. L. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. M. Savage, subs. J. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. M. S. H. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. M. S. J. M. S. J. M. S. J. M. S. J. M. Savage, subs. J. M. S. J. M. S.

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Scribner's Magazine for February. Leader, "Life Among the Congo Savages." Harper's New Monthly Magazine for February. Leader, "The Standing Army of Great Britain."

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The following corrections in the statistical tables of the minutes of the Northwest Texas Conference, in the report of the Grandview circuit, W. W. Henderson, preacher in charge, are published at the request of Rev. F. P. Ray, editor of the

minutes:
Assessed for Foreign Missions, \$61; paid, \$40. It should be: Assessed, \$100; paid, \$197.59.
Assessed for Home Missions, \$61; paid, \$40. It should be: Assessed, \$100; paid, \$400. Assessed for Church Extension, \$14; paid, \$9. It should be: Assessed, \$24; paid, \$24.
Assessed for Education, \$8; paid, \$8. It should be: Assessed, \$13; paid, \$13.
Assessed for Bishops' Fund, \$8; paid, \$8. It should be: Assessed, \$8.50; paid, \$8.50.
Raised in Sunday-school for Missions, \$4. It should be: \$4.70.

#### MIDLOTHIAN-GLENWOOD.

The amount credited "Midlothian" in the published report of the Sunday-school Board should have been to "Sims and Glenwood circuit." The remittance was sent to the board from Midlothian, and so credited through mistake.
W. G. CONNOR.

TERRELL DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

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### NORTHWEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

collection in full.

The Executive Committee of the Board the first of April, we cannot postpone our meeting longer than the date above. Blanks for applications can be had by writing to the secretary at 709 Missouri avenue, Fort Worth, Texas.

M. K. LITTLE, Secretary.

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PASTOR'S MEMORANDUM BOOKS.

The supply of this book has been exhausted. By arrangement with the author, we will soon issue a revised and improved edition. All who have used the book commend it as the best yet published. It may, however, be susceptible of some improvements. All suggestions in this direction should be sent to Rev. J. T. L. Annis, Big Springs, Texas.

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Capt. W. J. Colvin, of the Ross Light Infantry, was instantly killed at Colms-neil, Texas, by Constable G. W. Wash-burn.

L. B. Lemay, a book agent of Memphis, now at Galveston, shot, and it is feared, fatally wounded Chas. Wolf, a fellow-boarder. It is said Lemay is not in his right mind, and imagined he was being

A pot of boiling soap was overturned upon the two-year-old daughter of Wm. Ewers, Duffau. She died from its effect. Cora Chambers, twelve years of age, ecidentally shot and killed herself at Hillsboro.

W. H. Portwood will die from effects of a wound received in the accidental discharge of a Winchester shot-gun. Mr. John Nicholson, of Houston, died from effects of wound received from the accidental discharge of a pistol.

The four-year old son of J. T. Franklin, Waco, in playing with fire, had his clothing catch fire and was fatally burned.

The worst feature about catarrh is its dangerous tendency to consumption. Hood's Sarsapa-

#### rilla cures catarrh by purifying the blood. Texas Incidents.

Texas pastmasters—J. D. Cravey, Amphion, Atascosa county; Mary Wainwright, Rockwood, formerly Discord, Coleman county; W. W. Tullas, Emmett, Navarro county.

Dallas has now an organized and chartered meat packery, which will begin operations in a few months. To the enterprise of Mr. J. S. Armstrong is due this new feature of Dallas prosperity. Officers: J. S. Armstrong, President; F. H. Doran, Vice-President and General Managery W. Description. Manager; Wm. Doran, Secretary. Capital stock, \$250,000.

Attorney-General Hogg, at Henrietta, Clay county, filed a suit in the Disirict Court against the Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company and T. H. Olcottand Geo. Downs, of Kings county. New York, to recover sixteen sections of school land in that county.

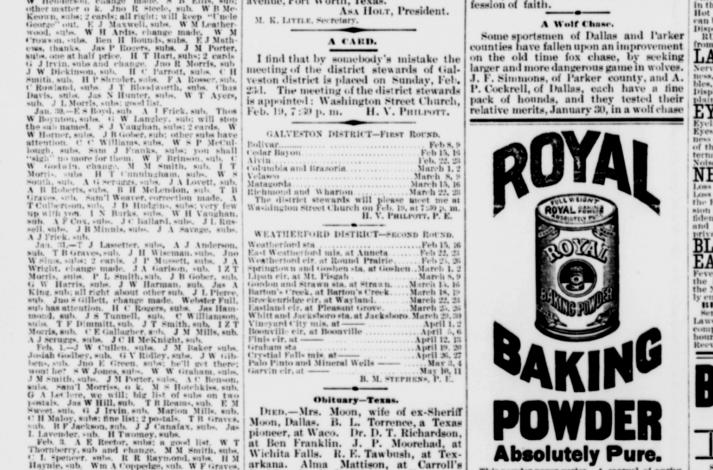
The Independent Order of Odd Fellows met in Grand Lodge at Dallas during the veek past. This office had visits from a number of the delegates.

Supervisors of the census for Texas: Hiram A. David, first district; Joseph F. Pello, second district; John Nevins, third district: Thomas A. Pope, fourth district; David Redfield, sixth district.

#### Miscellaneous News Items.

The residence of Secretary Tracy, at Washington, D. C., was burned on the morning of February 3. Mrs. Tracy and Miss Tracy, wife and daughter of the Secretary, and a French waiting maid, lost The Terrell district conference will a narrow escape from suffocation, and meet at Kemp, Texas, March 27-30, at 9 o'clock a. m. March 27th conference will open. Bishop Key will preside. The preachers will please bring the Bishop's daughter, jumped from the second-story. The mother had a wrist broken and was daughter, jumped from the second-story. The mother had a wrist broken and was seriously hurt in other respects. The daughter was seriously injured about the lower limbs, but no bones were broken. A series of misfortunes have visited the present administration at Washington, which excites the sympathy of the nation of Church Extension will hold the spring meeting at Weatherford, Texas, March 14, 15, 1890. All applications for aid from the Parent Board should be made through this committee, and as all applications must be in the hands of Dr. Morton by the first of Aril was a son and a daughter within the past sixty days, and following the first of Aril was a son and a daughter within the past sixty days, and following these comes this last terrible calamity.

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in Parker county. The following is the result: At 9 o'clock three wolves were started. The hounds divided. Cockrell's dogs were unused to wolves, and did not start promptly, but were led aside by jack rabbits. Simmons' dogs also divided, but two of them run a wolf to bay in the water and gave fight. When the hunters water and gave fight. When the hunters rode up Cockrell jumped into the mud and water waist deep and caught a wolf and threw it to the dogs. Simmons' two dogs also ran a wolf to bay in two hours, but were unable to cope with the wolf in the water. The chase is unsatisfactory both to Dallas and Parker. The former has some good dogs, but that they were clearly outmatched by Parker county is conceded. The Dallas dogs are not wolf dogs. Before the chase Cockrell admitted the superiority of the Parker county dogs. A number of chases were run for sport. The dogs are demoralized. There dogs. A number of chases were run for sport. The dogs are demoralized. There was a large attendance, fine sport and other matches. Mr. Cockrellis a popular gentleman and sportsman. The rival parties are on the best terms. All guests are at Mr. Simmons'. The interest is intense. Everyone who has "followed the hound" will read this with interest. If the sportsmen will continue their sports. If the sportsmen will continue their sport without the gambling features usually incident, they can furnish a harmless yet most exciting pastime.

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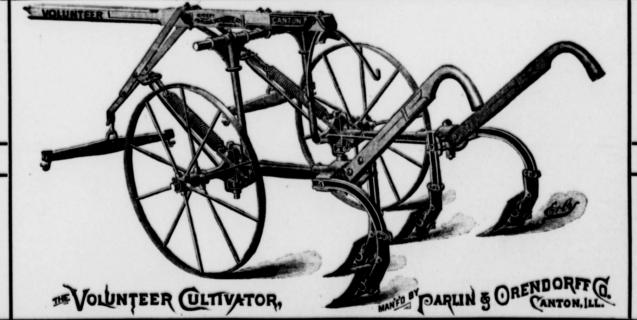
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