

## DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

### CALVERT DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The tenth session of the Calvert District Conference convened in the Methodist Church at Oakwoods, at 9 o'clock, a. m., June 30, 1892. Rev. Fred L. Allen, Presiding Elder of the district, presided during the session of the Conference. Four of the pastors were absent. Three local preachers were present. Twelve delegates answered to their names.

Committees were appointed to investigate and report upon the different interests of the Church. Some of these reports were very interesting and elicited much comment and discussion. From these reports we quote briefly or in substance the following items:

The spiritual condition of the district is fair. There are many consecrated men and women who in their lives are exemplifying the truth and power of our holy Christianity. Some of the members are disorderly. The report designates dancing and whisky drinking as "twin children of their father, the devil, and enemies of the church and God," and advises that if we would have our children saved to the Church, we must practically set the seal of her disapproval upon these huge iniquities. The fact is noted that wherever there is a woman's Missionary Society, there is a vigorous activity it conduces materially to the spirituality of the Church.

There is but one mission in the district, and one other point is recommended. Attention was called to the fact that there is a dearth of help of needy Sunday-schools. If the pastors of missions will avail themselves of this help, they may the more speedily raise their missions to circuits.

While there are sixty preaching places within the district, there are only twenty-seven Sunday-schools that are strictly Methodist. The committee deprecate the Union sentiment prevailing in certain localities, and say, "We believe it to be our imperative duty as teachers of the Word of God to be loyal to our beloved Church and to our children, and this cannot be successfully done in Union Sunday-schools." They urge that Sunday-schools be established as the discipline requires—wherever ten persons can be gathered together for that purpose; and that our own literature be placed in all our schools.

The preachers have been paid about one-third of their salaries to date. The collections are an average good condition. They will probably reach the usual per cent realized upon this district. There was a decided improvement last year in the care and neatness with which the quarterly conference records were kept.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals recommended the course of study prescribed for Epworth Leagues, and urged upon the pastors to try and get their people, and especially the young, to read the course. They submitted the following:

Resolved, That we, as Methodist preachers, endeavor to put the TEXAS ADVOCATE in every family where we have members within the bounds of our respective charges; and that we endeavor to leave a Bible and a Discipline where there are none.

The Committee on Temperance and Sabbath Observance, after depicting and deploring the widespread and disastrous effects of intemperance and the almost national tendency towards Sabbath desecration, offered in substance the following resolutions:

1. That our ministers preach at least once a year, and their appointment, upon Temperance and the Observance of the Sabbath.
2. That we use our utmost influence as preachers and laymen to break down the strongholds of intemperance and Sabbath desecration.

The Committee on Education closed their report with the following resolutions in substance:

1. That we urge our people to patronize our own Church schools in our own State.
2. That we use all our influence to prevent our people from patronizing sectarian schools that are unfavorable to Methodism and its doctrines.

All the above reports and resolutions were adopted.

Mrs. Sallie Philpott, President of the Texas Woman's Missionary Society, reported the progress and present condition of the missionary work in a short and forcible address.

A resolution was adopted pledging both ministers and laymen to use their most earnest efforts in organizing Woman's Missionary Societies within the bounds of their respective charges.

Rev. J. T. Smith, Presiding Elder of the Palestine District; Rev. J. B. Sears, Presiding Elder of the Galveston District; and Rev. S. M. Godbey, President Waco Female College, also visited the conference.

Rev. J. B. Sears in a short address represented the condition of Southern Methodism in Velasco, and the necessity for a Church in that place for our people. A collection amounting to \$75 was taken up for the purpose of helping to build a Church house at that place.

Rev. M. Godbey delivered a short address upon the subject of education, and submitted the claims of Chappell Hill Female College to the consideration of the people.

A resolution thanking the good people of Oakwoods for their kindness and hospitality, was unanimously adopted by a rising vote. A resolution of thanks to the officials of the I. and G. N. Railroad for reduction of rates was also adopted.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: M. D. Cole, I. N. Cronch, J. D. Stetl, R. B. Gill, W. B. Blalock and Rev. C. E. Simpson were elected alternates.

Kosse was selected as the place of meeting next year.

Prominence was given to religious exercises throughout the session. There was preaching at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 4:30 and 8:30 p. m. The following brethren preached: H. V. Philpott, J. T. Smith, A. J. Anderson, W. W. Horner, J. L. Yeats, S. M. Godbey, and F. L. Allen closing sermon of the meeting.

There were three conversions and four accessions to the E. Church, South. The love-feast Sunday morning was a gracious time. Many testified and not a few rejoiced in the love of God. After preaching there was a delightful communion service, and in the afternoon an interesting children's service. At the night service many signified a desire for prayer.

Thus ended a pleasant and profitable

time. The tenth session of the Calvert District Conference is a thing of the past; yet long will we remember the kind friends who met at Oakwoods, while we pray that the seed sown may bring forth a bountiful harvest to the glory of God.

T. S. WILLIFORD,  
Secretary.

### GAINESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The seventeenth session of the Gainesville District Conference convened at Era, June 30, 1892, Rev. C. L. Ballard, Presiding Elder, in the chair.

J. W. Murphy was elected Secretary, and H. P. Shrader Assistant.

All the pastors were present except W. F. Easterling, of Denton, and M. L. Blaylock, of the Dexter Circuit. Some of them, however, did not get in until the evening session of the first day, being delayed by the rain that fell the night before, and one did not arrive until Saturday on account of sickness. We learned that Bro. Easterling was quite feeble and could not come; why Bro. Blaylock did not come we do not know; perhaps it was providential.

The representation was very good, there being delegates from every charge, I believe, except one. Circuit. The reports from the different charges showed the spiritual state of the Church reasonably good. The brethren were cheerful and thought the outlook encouraging. There have been some conversions and accessions to the Church. The preachers on circuits are just now beginning to hold their meetings. The harvest time with them has just commenced, and they are praying for and expecting great results. God grant that it may be so. Some of the brethren in stations reported good meetings and considerable increase in membership.

The reports showed the Sunday-school work to be in a prosperous condition in the main, though the union sentiment prevails in places. It was revealed that the greatest difficulty we have to contend against in our Sunday-school work was the lack of Church houses, owned and controlled by ourselves. It is very difficult to have flourishing Sunday-schools in schoolhouses where everybody has equal rights and authority.

There has been material prosperity. One or two camp-meeting sheds have been built, an elegant Church at Era, in which the conference was held, and one at Valley View, and others are in the way of erection. The Presiding Elder made some very timely remarks upon the importance of this branch of the pastor's work. He said he would like for each preacher to report at least one new Church, where we are not already supplied with Churches, at the next Annual Conference; that he would rather have one Church reported than fifty conversions. Since they have built at Valley View the Church had prospered more in a few months than it had for years before.

One new mission was recommended and some changes, so as to embrace territory not now occupied.

Rev. T. J. Milan was in attendance and addressed the conference in the interest of the North Texas Female College. Rev. W. P. Wilson represented the Polytechnic College, located at Fort Worth. Neither of these institutions suffered for representation. The Presiding Elder said those who had daughters to educate could not do better than to send them to the North Texas Female College, and those who had sons could do no better than to send them to the Polytechnic College and put them in care of that godly man, Rev. J. W. Adkisson.

A communication from the Southwestern University was read. Rev. J. E. Vinson, who had attended the commencement exercises, made a very interesting talk of about five minutes. He spoke of the peace and harmony which prevailed among professors and students, and also of the religious character of the institution. Long live the Southwestern University that sheds its heavenly rays of light and knowledge over this fair land of ours.

The conference was harmonious and pleasant. A spirit of love pervaded the entire body. The preaching was earnest, sound, plain, spiritual, and doubtless all the pastors will return to their respective fields of labor with renewed strength and zeal for the Master, and no doubt the laymen who attended were quickened into higher and holier aspirations.

Aubrey was elected for the place of the next session. God bless the ADVOCATE.

H. P. SHRADER,  
Assistant Secretary.

RYLDER DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The ninth session of the Tyler District Conference of the M. E. Church, South, convened in the Methodist Church at Mineola, Texas, from the afternoon of June 30 to July 2, inclusive, 1892. Our beloved Presiding Elder, T. P. Smith, presided and good order and attention prevailed throughout the entire session from commencement to close, and it was surely a profitable and spiritual occasion and we were caused to exclaim, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Lon R. Parks was elected Secretary. Only one pastor of the entire district was absent and his written report of the religious state of his charge was received and read in the conference. His absence was caused by sickness in his family.

There were thirty-six votes cast for delegates to the Annual Conference, showing a fairly good attendance of lay delegates. The following were elected to the Annual Conference: Dr. J. W. Shuford, Lon R. Parks, E. J. Lake and P. O. Tunnell, Alternates, B. E. Moore, Dr. A. J. Gray, J. K. Oaks and H. M. McAnally.

During the session we were pleased to have with us Prof. G. J. Nunn, Presi-

dent, and W. H. LeFevre, Financial Agent of Alexander Institute, and Prof. J. W. Adkisson, President of the Polytechnic College at Fort Worth, Texas, who ably represented the two above institutions. We decided to dispense with all committees except on Public Worship and Quarterly Conference Records. All other business was transacted through the conference as a whole. This added an especial interest to the session. By request the Nineteenth Annual Report of Southwestern University was read in the conference June 30 and well received.

The subject of Christian education was discussed at some length July 1, and a resolution adopted that we renew our pledges of support to our Church schools.

The spiritual state of the Church, as shown by the reports of the different pastors, is good, the same being evidenced by the number of accessions to the Church, the attendance of the members as a rule on all its ordinances, etc. Quite a number of protracted meetings are to be commenced soon after conference and a great outpouring of God's Spirit is expected, as the "fields are white to harvest," and prayers are ascending for an abundant yield. Brethren, pray for it!

The Sunday-schools were reported, with a very few exceptions, in a remarkably flourishing condition. The prayer and class-meetings reported as a whole fairly well attended and full of spirituality. Many family altars have been erected during the year. Thank God!

The Epworth League was spoken of as productive of much good where it had been organized and kept up. A resolution was passed that it was the sense of the conference to concur in the judgment of our boards at Nashville, Tenn., that our agents at Nashville publish an Epworth League Advocate as general organ for our Leagues.

The Presiding Elder and all pastors' salaries where the assessment plan had been used were pretty well paid up to date, but where this had not been used the collections were behind. The pastors think that the Annual Conference claims will all be paid.

THE TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE is a blessing to many homes in the district, judging from the number of subscriptions reported to us.

An interesting letter from Sister M. B. Adams, of Tyler, Texas, President of the Ladies' Parsonage and Home Mission Society, was read July 1, after which Miss Mary Jones, District-Secretary of the same, addressed the conference on the subject. Support in the way of assisting to organize societies in our district was promised.

A resolution was passed that the conference concur with the committee in the location and purchase of a district parsonage in Tyler, Texas, and pledges made to use every effort necessary to pay for the same.

Lindale, Omen and Canton were placed in nomination for our next District Conference. Omen had never had a District Conference, while Lindale and Canton had, therefore (as it seemed a good omen) Omen carried and will therefore please prepare to raise Methodist chickens. We like "tender age" best, but you will not spare us off if you begin raising at once, for we all expect to be there and on time.

Devotional exercises during the conference and preaching the Word was given especial prominence and we had some soul-stirring sermons, one of which was preached by Rev. J. W. Adkisson, of Fort Worth, and did our hearts good, as the Spirit of God seemed to hover over and pervade the entire congregation. God bless Bro. Adkisson.

Appropriate resolutions of thanks and appreciation were adopted as follows: To the kind people of Mineola for the hospitable and royal way in which they entertained us, and also to Rev. W. P. Pledger, preacher in charge, for his courteous manner and solicitation after our every comfort. May heaven bless Bro. Pledger and the people of Mineola, to both of whom we became so much attached, and may prosperity and godly love abound with them; to our sister denominations for tendering us the use of their houses of worship; to the railroads for favors shown us; an expression of our delight regarding the visit of Prof. J. W. Adkisson, President of the Polytechnic College of the M. E. Church, South, at Fort Worth, Texas, and promising our sympathy and support to this new institution since hearing with so much pleasure of the good work being done by it.

The following were the announcements for the morrow (Sunday, July 3) services: Love feast, conducted by T. P. Smith, Presiding Elder, at 9 a. m.; preaching at 11 o'clock by Dr. R. S. Finley, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the close of the services; Sunday-school mass-meeting at 4 p. m., with addresses by Lon R. Parks and Rev. O. C. Fontaine, preaching at 8:30 by T. P. Smith, Presiding Elder. The pulpits of our sister denominations were filled on Sunday by Revs. D. P. Cullen, O. C. Fontaine and W. H. LeFevre.

Lon R. PARKS,  
Secretary.

BOHAM DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The sixth annual session of the Boham District Conference was held at Ladonia, Texas, from June 30 to July 2, 1892, Rev. J. M. Binkley, Presiding Elder, in the chair.

The following visitors were introduced to the conference: Revs. I. Z. T. Morris, W. L. Clifton, A. W. Gibson, T. J. Milan, J. M. Dunn, J. R. Wages, W. D. Mountstee, Prof. S. T. Smith, Principal of Honey Grove High School, and Mrs. W. H. Purcell, who is representing the Ladies' Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

The following brethren preached during the session: W. L. Clifton, E. M. Murrill, T. J. Milan, L. Z. T. Morris, E. W. Alderson, W. D. Mountstee, E. C. DeJernett, T. L. Miller and T. E. Sherwood. Some of them preached more than once, and all the preaching was of a very high order. At every service the presence of God was manifested.

I have never attended a conference which was entertained better than this one. This scribe, who was the guest of Brother and Sister Tipton, thinks he had the best home, though others may, and perhaps do, think theirs the best. We will not fall out about that.

The conference resolved to build a district parsonage at Boham by the next session of our Annual Conference. We have on hand about \$300 for that purpose. Broham will give the lot and \$250. The Presiding Elder will assess \$750 more on the district to be apportioned to the various charges outside of Boham Station on the basis of the salary of the Presiding Elder. This will make the parsonage cost \$1300 exclusive of the lot.

The Board of Managers of Honey Grove High School reported that a hotel had been purchased and moved on the school property at a cost of \$1000. This is to be improved. The estimated cost of the building and improvements, together with the necessary improvements of the school property, is \$2000. Honey Grove Station proposes to pay, and will pay, \$1200. The rest of this district will pay \$700, and as this is joint property of the Boham and Paris District we expect that district to raise the remaining \$700. With this boarding department Honey Grove High School will be better equipped than at any time in its previous history. Let the preachers and laymen of these two districts rally to the support of this school.

The following was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

"Whereas, by a limitation statute of our Church, the relation of Rev. J. M. Binkley to the Boham District as Presiding Elder will cease with the close of this conference year, and believing him to be a man called of God and eminently qualified to fill the high office in which he has been placed, as is manifest by his sound doctrinal preaching and clear presentation of the truths of the gospel, and recognizing in him a man of faith and devotion to the cause of Christ and of unswerving fidelity to the Church, a wise counselor and able administrator, whose hand is ever firm in emergency and yet whose heart is in sympathy with his brethren; therefore be it,

Resolved by this District Conference, That in view of separation we do hereby express our deep regret and promise him our prayers and sympathies and pray the Lord to spare him yet many years to the Church.

The following were elected lay delegates to the Annual Conference: C. B. Jennings, Rev. A. N. Curtis, H. D. Wolfe and E. H. Adams, wise-counselor, Yeager and H. H. Smith were elected as reserve delegates.

Ben Franklin was elected as the place of holding the next District Conference.

Mrs. W. H. Purcell organized a Ladies' Parsonage and Home Mission Society with twenty-two members.

The district as a whole is behind with the preachers' salaries. I believe only one charge is up to date. Book-keeping circuit is 84 in advance of what is due to date. We can see no reason for this unless it be that they have built and paid for one Church and raised \$1600 for another Church this year.

C. C. DAVIS,  
Secretary.

PARIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Paris District Conference met in the town of Blossom in its twenty-third annual session at 9 o'clock a. m. July 1, 1892. Rev. J. R. Wages, Presiding Elder, was present and presided. The preachers in charge were all present; also a fair attendance of local preachers and laymen.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered at the close of the session on the morning session, which was a gracious season. The Presiding Elder had arranged a program for the conference as follows:

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The conference finished its business and adjourned at 4 p. m. Saturday.

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JEFFERSON DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

The twenty-sixth session of the Jefferson District Conference was held at Hughes Springs, June 23, 24, 25, 1892, O. P. Thomas, Presiding Elder, in the chair throughout, and S. C. Riddle, Secretary.

The reports on the spiritual state of the Church convinced the committee on this subject that it is necessary to emphasize the class-meeting and the family altar. This committee thought that on the whole the Church in this district is doing comparatively well. The Sunday-school work has made decided progress, the attendance upon the ordinances and social meetings is good, and the finances are well up for this time of the year.

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The conference approved a recommendation of a special committee on Church property, requesting each pastor to investigate carefully the titles to the property of the Church in their several charges and see that imperfect titles are perfected.

The visitors (ministers) were Rev. J. M. Dunn, President of Central College, and Rev. J. W. Lively, of the East Texas Conference.

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Delegates-elect to the Annual Conference: T. J. Wilson, J. C. Hutchinson, J. W. J. Bewley, local deacon, and M. C. Lively, Alternates; J. D. Hedrick and J. G. Hiershey.

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6. What should our people read? and the importance of circulating our books and papers.
7. The best system to raise the assessments for the support of the gospel.
8. Church Extension—its importance, success and obligation to support the cause.
9. Foreign missions, or the great commission to preach the gospel to all creatures.
10. The Sunday-school an auxiliary to the Church.
11. Our young people—their danger and the Church's duty.
12. The Epworth League—its history, plans and purposes.
13. Can we have Leagues on circuits?
14. Reports from Leagues in the district.

The first question: Is the Church advancing or retrograding in vital godliness? elicited a wide range of discussion in which the giants of the conference and visitors and all took part. The whole matter wound up with a masterly discussion of conversion, what it is, etc.

Dr. John R. Allen preached on Thursday night a masterly sermon and pitched the key-note high.

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GOD WALKS IN THE MAN.

Mr. Carlyle said that if we could see a man tall enough and strong enough to stand on the earth and reach forth his hand and lift the sun out of his place, we would think it very miraculous, and yet it is a great deal more wonderful than any man is able to lift his arm at all.

When Peter and the other apostles saw Jesus walking on the water they were very much frightened because they supposed him to be a spirit. Perhaps they thought him an evil spirit and the very ghost who had raised the storm on the lake and that he was coming to settle with them in person.

These weary and storm-tossed disciples could not conceive of a man walking on water, but there was no difficulty in the way of a spirit so doing; hence the very natural supposition that they saw a ghost.

Yet Jesus was doing nothing that every man of them could not do except walking on water. They could all walk—a more wonderful thing than walking on water. And were it not for the simple fact of its commonness there could be no doubt but that to walk at all is greater than to walk on water.

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FAITH ALONE. Faith alone, always reasonable, could solve the mystery. As reason was compelled either to add a new power to this man or else extend beyond the common experience the power of some one of his faculties, faith looked along the line of the extension to infinity and saw God.

the mystery of the incarnation, but there is no difficulty to Christian philosophy, which combines faith with reason, as touching that mystery. The Man God and the God Man are two harmonious truths.

But faith not only saw God in the man walking on the water, but beholds him in all the forces of nature. In every effect which human reason attributes to "a law of nature" faith hears the voice of God saying, "It is I."

MORAL AUTONOMY HONORS GOD.

A father has two sons and gives each a piece of work to be done. One requires the constant oversight and direction of the father in order to accomplish the work. He must be shown where and how to place every stroke.

THE WAY THEY DO IT UP NORTH. A great manufacturing institution, nursed and petted as an infant industry until somewhat overgrown, undertakes to reduce the wages of its employees.

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TAKE YOUR CHOICE. With this issue we have given our readers the national platforms of the four political parties. They all have some good and some objectionable planks.

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without the Divine will can do nothing, but with it it can do all things. The consent of the Divine will is always therefore the limitation of faith's power to appropriate.

There should be no stumbling upon the part of Christians at the doctrine of the incarnation of the Son of God in the Son of man. Every conversion or new birth is a limited incarnation, for then we are "made partakers of the Divine nature."

JUSTIFYING THEMSELVES BY OTHERS' SINS.

The World's Fair people have sent out to the members of American Churches of all ranks, from laity to Bishops, including editors of the religious papers, a defense for running the liquor traffic in connection with the Fair.

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that platform which he thinks will bring most good to the country, and most honor to God. The candidates should be considered also in connection with the platform. To elect bad men on a good platform, and vice versa, is like trying to mix oil and water.

THE COLLECTION.

DEAR BROTHERS: The Book which you take for your guide and whose precepts you teach others to obey teaches that only the merciful shall receive mercy. Let us beseech you therefore by the mercies set forth in that Book to have a little mercy on our printers if not on your "poor" editor.

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one extreme, but there is another. Too much obituary and too many tributes of respect tend to make the memorial columns disproportionately long. A newspaper should present a variety of matter and in proper proportions. The present age finds it necessary to economize two things very closely—time and space.

THE Pacific Methodist Advocate has put on a new head dress, which is much admired by many. As for our part, without the least intention to criticize in any but the best sense, we must say we would prefer a plain head.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topics for Prayer-Meetings. JULY.

31. Jesus at Jacob's Well.—John 4:5-26.

TOPIC FOR JULY 24.

Jesus and Nicodemus.—John 3:1-18.

1. Nicodemus came to Jesus by night because he feared the opposition to Christ. He did not wish to compromise himself before the Sanhedrin, of which he was a member, nor before the people until certain that he was right. He went to inquire about the Messianic kingdom, and was not a seeker of personal salvation.

2. Jesus saw what was in his heart and did not wait for him to formulate his questions; but proceeded at once to tell him of the qualifications necessary to enter the kingdom.

3. Instead of accepting the statement of Christ as fact, and then asking the conditions of that birth, he asked: "How can these things be?"

4. Our Lord proceeds then to inform him that his unbelief will preclude the explanation of the matter. How could any one explain heavenly things who had not been to heaven?

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be, not in itself, but in its effects. We know seed propagates itself and produces its like, and the generative part in the seed lies covered with husks and skin, so that it is hard to tell in what atom or point the generative particle lies.

It is certainly true, that as a painter can better decipher a cloudy and stormy air than the serenity of a clear day, and the spectator conceive it with more pleasure; so it is more easy to represent the agitations and affections of natural corruption, than the inward frame of a soul wrought by the Spirit of God.

REGENERATION is not a removal of the old substance or faculties of the soul. Some thought that the substance of Adam's soul was corrupted when he sinned, therefore suppose the substance of his soul to be altered when he is renewed.

A MAN may reform, without true repentance, though no man can truly repent without moral reformation. Reformation whitewashes the house; regeneration takes the house to pieces, and rebuilds it from the ground.

A VICIOUS horse is none the better tempered because the kicking straps prevent his dashing the carriage to atoms; and so a man is none the better really because the restraints of custom and providence may prevent his following that course of life which he would prefer.

AN old heart will never serve for, or enable one, to act of new obedience. The water will rise no higher than the fountain head whence it floweth.

THOU must be righteous and holy, before thou canst live righteously and holily. If the ship hath not its right make at first, be not equally poised according to the law of that art, it will never sail true.

WE must be born again; it is not a dead nature, nor a dead faith, can produce living fruit for God. We may as well read without eyes, walk without legs, act without life, as perform any service to God without a new nature.

THE Epworth League at Corpus Christi numbers seventy members. They are going to do a nice thing by giving the pastor's wife, Mrs. E. K. Denton, a round trip ticket to visit her mother.

THE Illinois State Convention of Epworth Leaguers, in this city last week, unanimously asked Congress to appropriate \$5,000,000 for the World's Fair on condition that the exhibition shall be closed on Sunday and that no liquor shall be sold in the grounds on any day.

ON each Tuesday night at the Methodist Church of this city the Epworth League meets. It has been ascertained there are some thirty or more members belonging to this body, which is a valuable auxiliary to Church polity.

SOUTHERN METHODISM. News, Views and Personal. —Nashville Advocate: Rev. Dr. Andrew Hunter, after a long and painful illness, is again able to go about.

—El Paso Times: The El Paso Seminary for girls, which has been conducted for two years past by Miss Blanche Gilbert under the auspices of the M. E. Church, South, has prospered to such an extent that new quarters are needed.

—Bro. Reuben B. Gill, a staunch layman of Oakwoods, made us a pleasant call this week.

—The Rev. J. W. Hearn, of Duffau, made us a pleasant visit this week. He was en route to assist in a meeting near Forney.

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day. He came in to take the train for that place, but the train had gone.

—Dr. J. A. Wallcup, of Ennis, and Rev. John A. Wallace, of Waxahachie, were announced to exchange pulpits last Sunday.

—We extend our sympathy to the Rev. F. O. Favre and wife, of Hempstead, in the loss of their little daughter, Anna, who died July 4.

—Rev. J. A. Stafford, Presiding Elder of Granville District, writes: "The health of my wife is not good, and I take her to Hughes Springs to-morrow and return to Farmersville."

—Bro. McVoy, our pastor at Oak Lawn, is holding a protracted meeting, assisted by the different Methodist pastors of this city and later by his brother from Louisiana. He is having a good meeting.

—C. H. Maloy writes: "Rev. Wm. Gillespie, my predecessor, has gone to his Virginia home, we suppose, to die with consumption. Rev. W. J. Johnston, of Ingram Mission, went with him. Mrs. F. B. Yett, my mother-in-law, died at her home in Burnett County, after an illness of two days, June 27. The Lord sustain the bereaved."

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Woman's Department.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The eleventh annual session of the W. M. S. of East Texas Conference convened in the Methodist Church in Palestine at 3 p. m., June 23, 1892.

Officers present: Mrs. John S. Mathis, Vice-President; Mrs. F. A. Heartsill, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Laura L. Phillips, Recording Secretary; Mrs. F. J. Browning, Corresponding Secretary of the Beaumont District; Mrs. Mary Huntington, Corresponding Secretary of the San Augustine District; Mrs. Laura L. Phillips, Corresponding Secretary of the Palestine District.

Agents for Woman's Missionary Advocate and Little Worker, and Committees on Publication, Finance, Missionary Candidates, Juvenile Work, Resolutions, and Memorials were appointed.

The claims of our missionary literature were earnestly presented by Mrs. Heartsill.

Mrs. Mathis laid stress on the importance of our ladies reading the Woman's Missionary Advocate. On motion of Mrs. Heartsill the society sent greetings to the Woman's Missionary Society of the Northwest Texas Conference in session assembled at Weatherford.

The five districts were reported as follows: Palestine Auxiliary, by Mrs. Mollie Davis; Palestine "Susie Keys", by Miss Lettie Richie.

Rusk Juveniles, by Miss Mary Malard. "Elkhart Sunbeams," by Mrs. Sallie Boyton.

Alto Auxiliary and Alto Little Workers, by Miss Fannie Harrison. Jacksonville Auxiliary, Jacksonville "Lara Christmas," "Crockett Auxiliary, Trinity "A. J. Frick" Society, Groveton "W. H. Crawford" Society, Wells "Nannie Holding" and Lutkin Juveniles, by Mrs. Phillips, District Secretary.

Mrs. A. M. Barbee represented Love-lady Auxiliary. Shelbyville Auxiliary, Mary Huntington Juvenile, Asbury Chapel and a reorganization at Center were reported by Mrs. Huntington, District Secretary, San Augustine District.

Carthage "Young Ladies" Society, by Miss Hull. Sardis and Sexton by the Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Tyler Auxiliary, by Mrs. John Adams. Tyler's "Added Links," by Miss Mary Huggins. Woodville Auxiliary, by Mrs. Stewart, Livingston, Colmesneil, Liberty, Jasper and Beaumont Societies, by Mrs. Browning, Secretary of the Beaumont District.

Marshall Auxiliary and Marshall Juvenile, by Mrs. Slater, The Ledia Lane, of Marshall, by Miss L. P. Lane. Longview Auxiliary, by Mrs. Kirby. Longview Juvenile, by Mrs. Carroll.

The North Marshall Auxiliary, "Fannie Heartsill" Juvenile, of Henderson and Concord Societies, by Mrs. Heartsill. Rock Springs, by Mrs. Malone.

Fifty Woman Missionary Advocates were reported taken by the Marshall Auxiliary. Miss Fannie Harrison's interesting relation of the "Little Workers Ways and Means of Raising Funds," was pleasing and amusing.

Plans of work were briefly discussed. Mrs. Browning told of Jose Segobed, the Mexican boy, whom the Beaumont Juvenile Society is clothing. Mrs. Browning's report of her district was most excellent, showing the greatest progress of any in the conference.

ent at their meeting at 7:15 o'clock, was accepted. A \$10 gift to the memory of Miss Jewel Ozment, by a number of friends, was presented the society by Miss Shirley Green.

Mrs. Marks and Mrs. Heartsill resigned their offices of President and Conference Secretary. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this society extend to Mrs. Fannie Heartsill their most sincere and hearty thanks for her arduous and cheerfully rendered services as their Corresponding Secretary, over the space of the past eleven years.

2. That it is with extreme reluctance that they accept her resignation. That they will ever remember her most affectionately in their prayers, commending her in her joys and in her sorrows to that Good Shepherd whom it is her delight to honor or serve.

The society tenders thanks to their outgoing President, Mrs. T. M. Marks, also to their ex-Secretary of Marshall District, Mrs. Booty, for past efficient services, expressing affectionate appreciation of same, and praying God's best blessings upon them both.

A resolution expressive of appreciation of "Consistent Annie's" labors was adopted by rising vote. Mrs. Gooch made remarks upon the inspiration and benefit received by the "Palestine Workers" from the coming of the Conference Society into their midst.

Mrs. Phillips expressed regrets that none of annual meeting sent by herself June 6 and 10, were not received at office in time for publication of meeting June 23-25.

Longview was elected place of next meeting. OFFICERS FOR THE NEW YEAR. President, Mrs. John S. Mathis. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Heartsill. Recording Secretary, Mrs. Laura L. Phillips. Treasurer, Mrs. R. T. Borrough. Secretary, Mrs. Laura L. Phillips.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES. Mrs. Slater, Marshall District. Mrs. Browning, Beaumont District. Mrs. Phillips, San Augustine District. Mrs. Phillips, Palestine District.

The anniversary exercises of Thursday evening were very enjoyable; consisting of devotional exercises; welcome address by Mrs. Gooch; response by Mrs. Slater; singing of hymn 665; presentation by Mrs. Heartsill of greetings from Mrs. Marks; annual report of Corresponding Secretary; report of Board of Missions by Miss L. Payne Lane, and address by Rev. H. G. Scudderly.

On Friday evening the society and friends assembled at the church, and after devotional exercises, were presented by Mrs. Heartsill, most excellent talks in behalf of the work. A beautiful silk quilt, the handiwork of Sister Burke, and presented from her to the society, was placed on exhibition, and through the earnest solicitations of Bro. Smith for contributions, brought \$47.

The society held largely indebted to Bro. Smith, and in token of their love and appreciation have presented him the beautiful quilt. On Sunday at 11 a. m. the missionary sermon was preached by Rev. H. G. Scudderly.

Bro. Scudderly showed condensed the New Testament to be replete with accounts of foreign missionary labors, mentioning the various fields whither the different apostles went preaching the Word.

Sunday afternoon the "Susie Keys," of Palestine, gave an interesting entertainment, consisting of songs, recitations, a letter on Juvenile work by Miss Hull and a talk by Miss Irene Shaw.

The weather was cloudy and rainy most of the time, but we had sunshine in our hearts, and we trust the visitors all returned home with kind recollections of us, and, more than all, that our Heavenly Father accepts our annual meeting with his own name's honor and glory.

REPORT OF ORGANIZATION OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY. We have organized this year an auxiliary at this place (Daingerfield) and Atlanta, through Bro. Ashburn, and reorganized at Jefferson.

Mrs. Bettie Woodson, Sec'y. W. M. S., Jefferson District. A FULL report of the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Northwest Texas Conference has been received from Mrs. L. V. Hampton and will appear in the next issue of the ADVOCATE. We are always glad to get reports of the work, and hope our sisters, officers of the Conference societies and members of the various auxiliaries will send us such reports from time to time, and items from the parsonage and Home Mission Society are also gladly received for publication.

The proposed plan for the postal tube between France and England is to suspend two tubes, each about three feet in diameter, by means of steel cables thrown across the channel, 120 feet above the level of the water.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she became a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she ate up Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion & Debility. Saxes cures all scrofulous diseases.

Mourn not thy short stature and frail form, slender youth. Some day they may have to journey in a sleeping car.

The Youth's Companion wants to know "Why is Pond's Extract like Time," and truly answers, "Because it heals many a wound."

Worked his way up. "How on earth did Coke, the anthracite baron, ever get into society?" "Through the coal hole."

Eternal Vigilance is the price of health. But with all our precaution there are enemies always lurking about our systems, only waiting a favorable opportunity to assert themselves.

Fair Patient—But, doctor, I suffer so much with my eyes. Doctor, who is becoming testy at this, his fifteenth call—"You'd suffer much more without them, madam."

The publishers of the TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE heartily endorse the merits of Hawkes' Crystallized Lenses.

Guest—I say, landlord, your food is worse than it was last year. Landlord—Impossible, sir!

Take Saxes for Rheumatism. Church Notices.

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SHELMAN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Whitewright and Marvin. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

MONTAGUE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Burtin and Neocan, at Prairie Mount. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

GREENVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Roberts mis. at Stringtown. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

TEXAS. As the preachers of the Huntsville District (owing to falling health of the Presiding Elder) are unable to attend the quarterly conference, I therefore send the following list of appointments, which they may take for the third round.

GALVESTON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Bremond and Quintan, at Velasco. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

AUSTIN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. McCabe cir. at Center Point. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

MAIRLAND DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Woodville cir. at Steele's Grove. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

MAIRLAND DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Kilgore, at Hopewell. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

NORTHWEST TEXAS. FORT WORTH DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Mulkey Memorial. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

GATSVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Fredell and Hico, at Fredell. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Washburn cir. at Oak Branch. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

BROWN WOOD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Indian Creek cir. at Buffalo. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

WEATHERFORD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Graham sta. at Cuero. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Coffeyville cir. at Smyrna. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

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TYLER DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. White House cir. at White House. July 16, 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31.

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Advertisement for EVER READY DRESS STAY. Includes text: "EVER READY DRESS STAY", "Will Not Cut Through", "Acknowledged the BEST DRESS STAY on the Market".

Advertisement for COTTON BELT ROUTE. Includes text: "COTTON BELT ROUTE", "TO NEW ORLEANS, MEMPHIS, AND POINTS IN THE SOUTH EAST. TAKE 'THE ST. LOUIS LIMITED' 12 HOURS SAVED".

Advertisement for DR. M'GORK'S INVIGORATOR. Includes text: "DR. M'GORK'S INVIGORATOR", "The Great Restorative", "This celebrated Remedy is a positive cure for nervous debility, loss of vitality, and all the symptoms of nervous exhaustion."

Advertisement for PAPER WARE HOUSE. Includes text: "PAPER WARE HOUSE", "HENRY LINDENMEYER & SONS", "NEW YORK", "Texas Advocate—\$2 per year."







THE CONFERENCES.

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on the part of Christians to bring people to repentance, and thank God, about twenty-five or thirty were saved.

Canton Circuit.
John A. Gardner: We have just closed a glorious meeting at Fair View. Twenty odd conversions, and twenty odd sanctifications, clear and ringing, glory to God for old-fashioned Methodist fire.

Springtown.
Chas. Irvin, July 5: We began a protracted meeting in this charge Sunday, June 26. We have held two services every day since we began, with splendid results. The church is in much better condition, many sinners have been convicted, and up to the present eight have been happily converted, and the meeting still goes on with increased interest at every service.

Quannah and Childress.
R. A. Ellis, July 2: These two points constitute a pleasant charge. It is here, however, as it is at most places, as to intelligence, morality and sobriety, these two towns will compare well with any I have known elsewhere.

EAST TEXAS CONFERENCE.
Homer.
C. B. Smith, July 4: My meeting at Stanley began Saturday before fourth Sunday in June and continued six days. We had a glorious revival in the church, and it is now in better condition, spiritually, than it has been for years.

Athens.
J. C. Calhoun, June 28: The third quarterly conference for Athens and Malakoff was held last Saturday and Sunday at Bethel Church, five miles from town.

WE PLEDGE OURSELVES,
it given the power, to labor to correct these evils by wise and reasonable legislation in accordance with the terms of our platform. We believe the powers of the Government should be expanded, as in the case of the postal service, rapidly and as far as good sense of intelligent people and teaching experience shall justify to the end that oppression, injustice and poverty shall eventually cease in the land.

Quicura Soap advertisement with image of a woman's face and text describing its benefits for skin conditions.

PEOPLE'S PARTY PLATFORM.

The preamble:
Assembled upon the one hundred and sixteenth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, the People's Party of America in first national convention, invoking upon their action the blessing of Almighty God in the name and in behalf of the people of this country adopt the following preamble and declaration of principles.

PLATFOOM PROPER.
Finance.—We demand a national currency, safe, sound and flexible, issued by the General Government only, full legal tender for all debts, public and private, and that without the use of banking corporations, just, equitable and efficient distribution direct to the people at a tax not to exceed 2 per cent per annum to be provided as set forth in the sub-treasury plan of the Farmers' Alliance, or some better system, also by payments in discharge of its obligations for public improvements.

LAND.
Land including all natural sources of wealth is the heritage of the people and should not be monopolized for speculative purposes and alien ownership of land should be prohibited.

LABOR.
Feeding of children who want building up, should take BROWN'S PATENT.
It is pleasant to take, cures Malaria, Indigestion, Biliousness and Liver Complaint.

TEXAS PROGRESS.
Jacksonville new carriage manufactory has started work.
The corner-stone of Brazos County's fine new court house was laid July 8.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Yellow fever of fatal type rages in Vera Cruz.
A war is being made on gamblers in Little Rock.
Diaz is still on top in Mexico, as evidenced by recent elections.

DR. PRICE'S Cream Baking Powder.
Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

West Texas Press Association assemblies at Fort Worth July 18.

The State Encampment at Austin promises to be a great affair.
August 8, Burnett's ex-Confederate regiment will reunite at Palestine.

Hill County encampment of ex-Confederates will be held August 24, 25.
Foster, the weather prophet, lectured at San Marcos, Chautauqua, last week.

The sons and daughters of ex-Confederates are to organize a camp at Terrell.
Plano is making elaborate preparations for her Confederate reunion July 28 and 29.

St. Joe, Texas, has voted a special tax of 20 cents on the \$100 for school building purposes.
The Second Brigade of ex-Confederates goes into camp for one week in September, at Brownwood.

Yoakum will celebrate its fifth anniversary July 28 by a big barbecue and the usual national trimmings.
The first reunion of the Albert Sydney Johnston camp, ex-Confederates, Kingston, Hunt County, July 11, was a grand affair.

The Texas World's Fair directors seem inclined to abandon hope of a creditable Texas exhibit because of the indifference of the people.
Citizens of Parker County prior to 1861 are to meet and form an association at the time of Fort Bragg reunion at Weatherford, August 11-12.

W. Waldo, Vice-President of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, is completing arrangements for the extension of the Katy from Boggy Tank to Houston.
R. B. Hollingsworth, a farmer living one mile from Santa Anna, while boring for water struck gas at a depth of 300 feet, and a fine flow of salt water.

R. Works, of Peaster, in Parker County, a Third Party man, fell dead from heart disease—the immediate cause apparently being excitement caused by a political argument with another doctor.
An order has been issued by the court authorizing the receiver to turn over the L. and G. N. Railroad to its owners July 11, and that the receiver has until the first Monday in September to wind up his business.

George Smith was hung at Sherman July 8, for the murder of Jos. Isbell, at Belts, in 1891. It is thought Smith was an assumed name, and that he would not disgrace his family by permitting his identity to become known.
The deaf and dumb had a reunion barbecue at Blooming Grove July 4. Speeches made in English and translated into mute language, with others in mute language translated into English, were novel and enjoyable affairs.

The most attractive feature issued this season by the Home and Texas Central for the encampment at Austin. The mechanical work is superb, but the greatest feature is the warm invitation extended by Capt. Faulkner to the people, especially the ladies, requesting their presence. The ladies will certainly be there.

Wanted—Agents to handle "Photographic Trip Around the World" and other new and fresh works. The fastest selling books on the market. They capture everybody. One agent reports 41 orders in 3 days. HOME PUBLISHING CO., 215 Commerce St., Dallas, Texas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
BEN. E. CABELL, candidate for SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY.
W. L. McDONALD, respectfully asks your support for COUNTY ATTORNEY OF DALLAS COUNTY.
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States are: Virginia, 85; North Carolina, 81; South Carolina, 84; Georgia, 84; Florida, 80; Alabama, 80; Mississippi, 85; Louisiana, 85; Texas, 87; Arkansas, 87.

July returns at the Statistician's office, Department of Agriculture, show the following averages of condition: Corn, 81.1; winter wheat, 89.6; spring wheat, 90.9; oats, 87.2; rye, 92.8; barley, 92; potatoes, 90; tobacco, 92.7. The acreage of corn is reported 95.6 of the actual area last year, potatoes, 94.7, and tobacco, 97.8. Texas corn, condition 90.

Nearly 7000 new money order offices will be the result of the recent order which changes the rule governing the creation of such offices. Prior to April last a postoffice must have a revenue of at least \$250 before it would have the right to issue money orders. Then it was the rule that a postoffice in existence at the time of the order was to have the privilege when application was made by the postmaster or citizens, but now any office having receipts of not less than \$250 is made a money order office without further preliminaries. The extension of this system to small towns is believed to be a great public benefit. At the close of this last fiscal year there were some 90,000 money order offices in existence. There are now nearly 15,000, and by the end of the year there will be some 40,000 or 50,000 additional offices established.

For delicacy, for purity, and for improvement of the complexion nothing equals Fozzoni's Powder.
Congress.
The following is the silver bill as reported to the House favorably, to provide for the free coinage of gold and silver bullion and for other purposes: Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, that the owner of silver bullion may deposit the same at any mint of the United States to be coined for his benefit, and it shall be the duty of the proper officers upon the terms and conditions which are provided by law for the deposit and coinage of gold to coin such silver bullion into the standard dollars authorized by the act of February 28, 1876, entitled "an act to authorize the coinage of the standard silver dollar," and such coins shall be a legal tender for all debts and dues, public and private. The act of July 14, 1890, entitled "an act directing the purchase of silver bullion and the issuance of treasury notes thereon and for other purposes" is hereby repealed. Provided that the Secretary of the Treasury shall proceed to have coined all the silver bullion in the Treasury purchased with silver or coin certificates.

The total amount of the pension appropriation bill adopted upon in conference committee is \$146,737,350, or \$11,912,284 greater than the amount voted by the House.
Saxet is the best blood purifier.
This must be a female turkey," observed Hunter, at the dinner table. "What makes you think that?" asked Mrs. Small. "It has such rich dressing."

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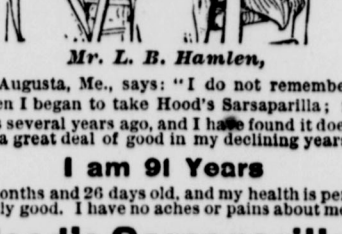
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Your choice of Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs that sold for 50c, 60c and 75c each For 35 cents.

Your choice of Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs that sold at \$1 and \$1.25 each For 75 cents.

Your choice of Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs that sold at \$1.50, \$1.65 and \$1.75 each For \$1.00.

Your choice of Ladies' White Embroidered Handkerchiefs that sold at \$2, \$2.50 and \$2.75 each For \$1.50.

Your choice of our entire line of Ladies' Colored Embroidered Handkerchiefs that sold at 60c to \$1.25 each For 50 cents.

Your choice of Ladies' Mourning Handkerchiefs that sold at 50c, 60c and 75c each For 35 cents.

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We also offer One Great Special In Ladies' Neckwear.

Your choice of Ladies' Colored Silk Mull Jabots trimmed in Point de Reine Lace that sold at \$1.15 and \$1.25 each For 75 cents.

We also announce some Emphatic Reductions in Children's Reefers.

Navy Blue, Red and Tan, all wool reefers, with brass buttons, ages 4 to 8, \$1.24, reduced from \$2. Same styles in ages 10 to 12 \$1.65, reduced from \$2.50.

One line all wool Cheviot Reefers, Navy, Gray and Brown, ages 4 to 12 always sold at \$3.50 and \$3.75 Choice for \$2.50. And two special numbers in Ladies' Blazers.

One lot of Ladies' Blazers, a number of styles to select from in Diagonal, Serge, Ladies' Cloth and fancy Checked Worsteds. Former prices ranged from \$3.50 to \$5. Choice for \$2. Fancy striped Light Blazers \$1. Former Price \$2. Orders by Mail. Receive careful and prompt attention. All orders amounting to \$5 or over shipped free to any express point in Texas. This great offer does not include heavy goods, such as domestics, prints, blankets, carpets, shades, poles, oil cloths, matting, valises, etc. With this offer we place you on the same footing as our city customers. SANGER BROTHERS, DALLAS, TEXAS. When writing mention Texas Advocate.