





North Texas Female College and Conservatory of Music.

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CONSCIOUSNESS.

Before the student can pursue the study of mental science intelligently, he must have a correct view of consciousness.

Consciousness can not be defined. We may, ourselves, have a correct view of it; but we can not, without confusion, convey it to others.

Consciousness is a knowledge by the mind of its own acts and affections. A very interesting question about consciousness is, whether it remains active when the senses are all asleep?

The veracity of consciousness must be admitted. If we admit it in regard to self and not-self, it gives rise to the theory of realism or dualism.

One who believes the data of consciousness to be true, must accept the three following laws: I. We must not accept as a fact of consciousness anything but a primary fact.

It is known that the mind has stores of knowledge of which it is at times unconscious. A man knows 7 plus 8 equals 15; but unless he has that equation before him, he is not conscious of it.

Sometimes an abnormal condition of the mind will bring knowledge to the consciousness, as in the case of the Hebrew maiden who, suffering from fever, could speak Latin and Greek.

Sunday School Lesson.

PREPARED BY REV. CHAS. O. JONES, A. M. FOURTH QUARTER, LESSON VII.—NOVEMBER 13.

STUDIES IN THE ACTS.

THE FIRST CHRISTIAN MISSIONARIES.—ACTS 13:1-13.

GOLDEN TEXT: That repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations.—LUKE 24:47.

TIME: Between A. D. 45 and 48. PLACE: Antioch and Cyprus.

OUTLINE. I. The First Missionaries.—Verses 1-8.

II. First Missionary Work.—Verses 14-18.

[Pentecost Bible Studies.]

In a previous study we noticed how the Church was gathered at Antioch, by means of some of the disciples who had been scattered abroad in the persecution which arose in connection with the stoning of Stephen.

There are some very deep and fundamental principles opened up to our study in the very brief account of the sending forth of these two men upon this mighty enterprise.

I.—THE FIRST MISSIONARIES.

There is a union of Human and Divine agencies.—We are told that God called them to the work. The ministry, then, is not primarily a human, but a Divine, calling. All the Churches in the world may send forth men into the ministry; if God has not called them, it will be in vain that they minister.

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them to it, cheered no doubt by the thought that the Holy Ghost had called them; and refreshed by the memory of those days of solemn fasting and prayer which preceded their ordination, they went forth boldly.

So they being sent forth by the Holy Ghost. What a suggestive word is this! So soon as they left the Church and their brethren behind them, their stay and strength was the Holy Ghost only.

From Antioch to Cyprus.—What missionary does not remember his first voyage to the missionary field? They first went down to Seleucia, which was the seaport of Antioch, and there they took ship to the island of Cyprus.

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went to bed themselves. And all through the night, first papa and then mamma, would steal to the window and look out at the dark bundle, rolled up in the hammock.

Once, several dogs tore through the yard, growling and fighting; this brought the father and mother both to the window, but there was no sound from the hammock.

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THE CHARM OF GOOD MANNERS.

No one who has any appreciation of grace and beauty in nature or in art can fail to recognize the charm of fine manners in an individual. We rejoice in them as we do in a lovely sunset view, or a beautiful piece of architecture, or a fascinating poem, for their own sake and for what they express; but even beyond this they have another attraction in the magnetic power they exert upon all beholders in setting them at ease, in sweeping away shyness, awkwardness and restraint, and in stimulating them to the expression of whatever is best worth cherishing within them.

HE CHARGED FOR KNOWING HOW.

A Brooklyn manufacturer paid a bill without a murmur the other day, simply on account of the way it was worded. His engineer found that the hot-water pump would not work, and sent for a machinist. The latter bothered with it a half a day, and said it must come apart. This meant a stoppage of the factory for a long time.

Had he charged me \$25.50 for fixing the pump, I should have considered it exorbitant. But 50 cents was reasonable, and I recognized the value of knowledge—so I paid and said nothing.—Selected.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

Christmas Selections continue bright now. The New Born King. A Christmas Carol. The Wonderful Story. The Wonderful Story of the Nativity. The Wonderful Story of the Nativity.

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Advertisement for Eureka Vehicles, featuring an illustration of a horse-drawn carriage and text describing the product's features and pricing.





Woman's Department.

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CHRIST'S LOVE AND SYMPATHY FOR WOMAN.

In reading the blessed Book of God, the New Testament, my heart thrilled when I read the ready sympathy which always abounded in that loving, dear heart...

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF PRAYER

And Thanksgiving, Woman's Missionary Society, 7th St., Beginning Monday, Nov. 21, and Ending Monday, November 27, 1892.

Auxiliaries are expected to hold daily meetings. The offerings made at each are to be sent through the usual channels.

Monday, Nov. 21—Let the services be opened with prayers of gratitude to God for the many blessings that have attended the work through the past year...

Tuesday, Nov. 22—Pray for China, our oldest mission field. Mention each missionary by name. Pray that health and strength and wisdom from on high...

Wednesday, Nov. 23—Pray for Mexico and Mexican border. Remember each of our missionaries by name. Let not one be forgotten.

Thursday, Nov. 24—Thanksgiving Day. Service of song and thanksgiving. Pray for all work projected by our Board at home and abroad.

Table with columns for month (Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, June, July, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec) and various entries for church notices.

Sept. 10, postoffice order to Miss I. Shaw \$5 00
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Friday, Nov. 25—Pray for Brazil. Let each of our workers there be mentioned, and God's blessing be asked upon each and God's help for each.

Saturday, Nov. 26—Indian Territory. Pray fervently for the work at Anadarko and for our laborers there. Pray earnestly that the light may continue to spread among these wild tribes...

Sunday, Nov. 27, (a. m.)—A sermon on Woman's Work, by the pastor. Afternoon—Children's praise service. Night—An open session of each auxiliary, in connection with Young People's Society...

For the leaflet, "What Ye Will," "Uncle Dan's Prayer," and "Yes, You Do, Lucindy," write to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, No. 53 Fifth Avenue, New York. Price, 5 cents for all.

Pater—Emmeline, there are rumors about. Come, now, is there really anything between you and that good-for-nothing Jack? ... Emmeline—Yes, pa, but its only you.

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Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 30, 1892.—William & Swimmer, Agents, Dallas and Galveston. We call it No. 1. I bought a \$25 Electropole of your company located at Birmingham, Ala. I had a severe case of Rheumatism in the arms and lower limbs. It cured me. Occasionally symptoms of it return when I drink it away with "Our Little Doctor." As we call it in our family. Since then we have used it in place of a doctor for all ailments that have arisen in my family, with success.

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Southern Mercury, Dallas, July 29, 1892.—Gents: Referring to your favor 27th, will say that I will not hesitate to testify that my wife improved greatly while using the Electropole. Very Resp. MILTON PARK, MANAGER. To Williams & Swimmer, Agents, Offices Dallas and Galveston. Address them for testimonials and particulars.

"Are these the French sardines that you are giving me?" "Now, as to that, I couldn't say, for they were tush tush kish kin when we opened the box."

Church Notices. Table with columns for month and various church notices.

- BONHAM DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Randolph and Baily, at Grove Hill, Nov. 5, 6
Goff cir, at New Hope, Nov. 12, 13
Lanier cir, at ... Nov. 19, 20
Dodd cir, at Rock Point, ... Nov. 27, 27

- PARIS DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Milton cir, at Rockford, Nov. 5, 6
Deport cir, at ... Nov. 12, 13
Greenwood cir, at Brewster Prairie, Nov. 19, 20

- NORTHWEST TEXAS. VERNON DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Canyon City cir, at Huffman, Nov. 5, 6
Moorhead cir, at Moorhead, Nov. 12, 13
Harrold cir, at Harrold, ... Nov. 19, 20

- GATESVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Gatesville cir, at ... Nov. 5, 6
Correll City, at ... Nov. 12, 13
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- WAXAHACHIE DIST—FOURTH ROUND. Bristol cir, at ... Nov. 5, 6
Waxahachie sta, at Waxahachie, Nov. 12, 13
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- COCHRAN DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Rice and Chatfield, at ... Nov. 5, 6
Bethel cir, at ... Nov. 12, 13
Bartlett cir, at Bartlett, ... Nov. 19, 20

- EAST TEXAS. PALESTINE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Stephenville cir, at ... Nov. 5, 6
Lufkin cir, at Lufkin, ... Nov. 12, 13
Lufkin cir, at Lufkin, ... Nov. 19, 20

- TYLER DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Troupe and Overton cir, at Troupe, Nov. 5, 6
Canton cir, at Wallace Chapel, Nov. 12, 13
Lawrence cir, at Canton, Nov. 19, 20

- HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Zions cir, at ... Nov. 5, 6
Martinsville cir, at ... Nov. 12, 13
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- NEW MEXICO. EL PASO DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND. Las Mesas, at ... Nov. 5, 6
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PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION—1892-3. FIRST DISTRICT—BISHOP KERRER. Kentucky Conf., Middleboro, Ky., Sept. 7
Western Virginia Conf., Clarkburg, W. Va., Sept. 14

SECOND DISTRICT—BISHOP WILSON. Brazil Mis. Conf., Taubate, Brazil, July 27
Arkansas Conf., Bentonville, Ark., Nov. 30
Little Rock Conf., Magnolia, Ark., Dec. 7

THIRD DISTRICT—BISHOP GRANBERY. Houston Conf., Wyltheville, Va., Oct. 14
Indiana Mis. Conf., Ardmore, Ind., Nov. 16
North Mississippi Conf., Corinth, Miss., Nov. 30

SIXTH DISTRICT—BISHOP GALLOWAY. Missouri Conf., Montgomery City, Mo., Sept. 27
Southwest Missouri Conf., Independence, Mo., Sept. 21

EIGHTH DISTRICT—BISHOP KEY. Japan Mission Conf., Japan, July 20
China Mission Conf., Soochow, China, Sept. 28
Baltimore Conf., Front Royal, Va., March 23

NINTH DISTRICT—BISHOP HAYGOOD. Los Angeles Conf., Ventura, Cal., Sept. 14
Pacific Conf., Sacramento, Cal., Oct. 7
N. W. Mexico Mis. Conf., Nogales, Ariz., Oct. 19

TENTH DISTRICT—BISHOP FITZGERALD. Louisville Conf., Campbellville, Ky., Sept. 21
Alabama Conf., Enola, Ala., Dec. 7
South Georgia Conf., Columbus, Ga., Nov. 14

WADSWORTH DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND. Barton's Creek cir, at ... Nov. 5, 6
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Devotional.

THE DESERTED ROCK.

"They drank of that spiritual Rock that flowed from heaven, and that Rock was Christ."—1 Cor. x.

SYMPATHY.

How little it is to give! It is, in appearance, only a little tenderness in the voice that the spirit that needs it recognizes.

rest, so must it be with us if we would enjoy the Sabbath of the skies. Re-member how Bonar puts it, and let us put it so:

Death worketh, Let me work, too; Death undoeth, Let me do.

DESCRIPTION OF CHRIST.

The following beautiful description of our Savior is said to have been found in a manuscript written by Lucius Lentulus, President of Judea, to the Roman Senate, and is well worthy of preservation by those who are His followers at the present time.

MARRIAGES.

SHEFFIELD-WRIGHT.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Delta County, Texas, Oct. 16, 1892, by Rev. S. W. Jones, Mr. A. A. Sheffield and Miss Charmie Wright.

OBITUARIES.

Rev. J. W. Cooley, an ex-member of the Tennessee, Texas and West Texas Conferences, is dead. He was the son of Rev. E. J. and Elizabeth Cooley, and was born in Humphreys County, Tenn., January 3, 1825.

KENNEDY.—Died at Mt. Pleasant, Texas, October 3, A. D. 1892, Mary Lillian, the only child of O. W. Kennedy and wife, Carrie Kennedy, being one year eight months and fifteen days old.

MCDANIEL.—Willie Loyal McDaniel, son of James A. and E. J. McDaniel, departed this life October 15, 1892, near Bluff Springs. Willie had a severe attack of slow fever, which disease had prostrated him for two weeks.

SCHROCK.—Lessie Homer Schrock, infant son of H. and S. Schrock, of Temple, Texas, died June 1, 1892. One by one we pass away. Little Homer, as he was called, was a sweet child, and all who knew him learned to love him.

LEWIS.—This is a sad day to Bro. W. H. Lewis and wife, who buried their only child, little Agnes, just two weeks old.

JULIAN.—Mrs. Lucretia Julian (mother) has gone home to rest. She was born in Tuscaloosa County, Ala., June 1, 1822, and died in Houston County, Texas, June 8, 1892.

HENSLER.—Irene, daughter of Rev. A. A. Hensler, was born October 28, 1885; died September 24, 1892. Her father died when she was about five months old.

MAJORS.—John McKie passed away to his heavenly Father on September 21 after a lingering illness of nearly four weeks. He was born in Bryan County, Texas, and the little fellow suffered only the loving hearts of his parents who attended him night and day can tell.

HUFF.—Relentless death has again invaded our marching ranks and taken off captive one of our advancing host. We salute to the death of our friend, Jesse Huff.

HOSKINS.—James Theodore Hoskins, son of W. D. and M. R. Hoskins, was born in Brazoria County, Texas, August 4, 1839. He was commonly called, at an early age developed a fondness for books, and his father gave him the advantage of a good education.

BUNTING.—Nedham B. Bunting died near Courtney, Texas, Oct. 13, 1892. He was born in Tennessee, April 24, 1824; lived a few years in Mississippi; then moved to Bell County, Texas; subsequently he removed to Grimes County.

JONES.—Martha Evelina Bailey was born in Pontotoc County, Mississippi, January 15, 1830. At the age of twenty-one she was married to J. F. Jones, who preceded her to the spirit world twenty years. She was a devoted mother of five children; three gone over the river; five wait the summons to join mother.

CLEMENTS.—With sad heart we chronicle the death of little Bryant Trignell, infant son of Allen and Fannie Clements. This precious treasure was taken October 21, A. D. 1892, at the tender age of eleven months and fourteen days.

THE ALE & BEEF CO., 267 W. 17 Street, New York City.

FIKE.—Little Myrtle Fike, daughter of Bro. David and Sister Alice Fike, was born March 29, 1891, and died October 15, 1892. May the Great Shepherd of souls cheer and comfort the bereaved ones and lead them to heaven.

JACKSON.—The subject of this notice, Mrs. Louisa Jackson, was born October 18, 1832, in Trinity County, Texas, and was married to H. A. Jackson, May 19, 1878; professed faith in Christ in 1852, and joined the M. E. Church, South. She leaves a husband and six children.

OXFORD.—God in His wisdom has called for the jewels of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Oxford's home—their twin babies. These little ones were born December 10, 1891. The first to pass away was little Lula, who breathed her last August 18, 1892.

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JACKSON.—The subject of this notice, Mrs. Louisa Jackson, was born October 18, 1832, in Trinity County, Texas, and was married to H. A. Jackson, May 19, 1878; professed faith in Christ in 1852, and joined the M. E. Church, South. She leaves a husband and six children.

OXFORD.—God in His wisdom has called for the jewels of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Oxford's home—their twin babies. These little ones were born December 10, 1891. The first to pass away was little Lula, who breathed her last August 18, 1892.

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A PLAIN TALK

On a Plain Subject in Plain Language.

A winter is just before us with all of its biting winds, cold, drizzling rains, sloppy, muddy streets, and sudden changes of temperature. This will cause at least one-half of the people to have catarrh, colds, coughs, pneumonia, or consumption. Thousands of people will lose their lives and tens of thousands will acquire some chronic ailment from which they will never recover.

TRIBUTE TO AN OLD FRIEND AND COMRADE, WILLIAM GEORGE VEAL.

The city of Dallas, where he lived for many years, the city of Fort Worth, his home, and the whole State of Texas, which for forty-five years was the field of his usefulness, are horror-stricken at the tragic fate of this great and good man; and many tears this day well up

The last General Conference passed a law allowing the Presiding Elder to nominate the District Steward. That guards him in the matter of assessments. Now let a law be enacted that will ensure—or most likely insure—the collection, and you have given the "beloved" a fair show. "But," says the Presiding Elder is lazy and does not earn his salary? Then, I suppose the District Steward would have to

GEO. F. ALFORD.

BELLS.

The readers of the ADVOCATE have been familiar for many years with the Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., as the advertisement of their bells has been running almost continuously in our columns.

The "Blmyer" bells made by the Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, having attained an excellent reputation through the country.

You may add another name to the roll of honor from the West Texas Conference. It stands this way now—our share of the missionary debt, \$128,000—subscriptions:

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Frank (tenderly)—What would you say if I asked you to marry me? May (coldly)—Just as little as possible.

THE PRESIDING ELDERSHIP.

No, sir; it is not a "fifth wheel," but one of the most important offices in our Church; and when properly manned and rightly worked is a great power for good.

It is not always the case that the incumbent "magnifies his office," however, and it is less frequent that the masses appreciate the benefits flowing from it.

The result of all this is that the faithful "elder" is the most overworked and underpaid laborer in the entire vineyard. Just look at it. His salary is seldom more, and frequently less, than that of the pastor of the leading station in his district, and yet his "traveling expenses" are to come out of that.

But the most unpleasant, not to say unjust feature of the whole business, is the prorating of his "allowance" with the "estimated claims" of each and all of his preachers. This plan makes the payment of his salary depend upon the payment of every dollar due every one of his preachers.

It is easy to see that a faithful and efficient Presiding Elder, according to this plan, may—yes, must—be cut out of his just rights because some one else does not get his. This is wrong; but it is worse when indolence or inefficiency upon the part of a pastor is the cause of this deficit, which more than less is the case.

Here we are confronted with a downright violation of every principle of equity; a faithful man is made to suffer for another's fault—not voluntarily nor vicariously, but per force of a law that is founded neither on justice nor common sense. But it is in the Discipline. Just so. Other laws have been there that are not there now. Let this statute go the same way—strike it out.

Let the District Stewards not only "assess" but elect the salary of the Presiding Elder; and

1. Let that amount be estimated—no more nor no less—that will be needed and most likely paid. It is a habit in some places to raise the assessment for this purpose higher than any one expects to reach in order to avoid the effects of prorating. This is disastrous. It gives the stingy an excuse for growing at "big salaries," makes the Presiding Elder to appear in a false light, and leaves a deficit at last, not creditable to the district he serves.

Beloveds, what do you think of it? GULLIVER.

It is a great domestic remedy, and should be kept in every home. Mr. Norman Chestham, Waverly, Sussex Co., Va., who has never been without it for twelve years subscribes to this option. His young family has been using Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup for twelve years and never without it in the house. It is invaluable.

THANKS.

I wish to acknowledge through our dear ADVOCATE the receipt of money and other things sent to Sister J. M. Guzman in my care, in answer to an appeal I made some time ago, for which I wish to thank the Christian people who have so kindly answered:

One box clothing from Wallis Station, Texas. A gentleman writes: "Dear Sir and Brother: We send you to-day, by freight (prepaid) one box clothing, packed by our wives, to be used, as by your letter in TEXAS CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Fraternally yours, Brandt & Harris." The ladies of First M. E. Church, South, of Dallas, Texas, one box clothing. From Mrs. R. A. Patterson, of Waxahachie, one trunk full clothing, value, \$10.

From the ladies of the Missionary Society of Coleman, Texas, one box clothing. From the ladies of Chappell Hill, one box clothing, sent by Mrs. P. N. Alexander. I have also received the following sums of money from the different names here sent:

Mrs. W. W. Mackey, money order, \$3.00 Mrs. G. M. Swink 1.00 Mrs. Bettie Green and Rev. G. A. Green 2.00 Postoffice money order sent by Rev. Sterling Fisher, contributed as follows: Geo. Lemons, 1.00 Mrs. M. Manoffe, 1.00 Geo. S. Gayle 1.00 Ladies Aid Society, Edna, Texas, 10.00 C. C. Delarneck, Wolfe City, 2.00 Mrs. H. T. Henry, Troup, Texas, contributed by different persons, 3.70 A. Friend, Martin, Texas, sent by D. P. Hopkins, San Marcos, Texas, (sent by Bro. R. Harris), 5.00 From Carlton, Hamilton County, Texas, on Carlton Circuit, Cisco District, Northwest Texas Conference (sent by Miss Mattie Pickens), 6.20 (To be divided, \$3.10 to Sister Guzman and \$3.10 to the old man who is working at Catarina's, Mexico, for \$5 per month.) Bro. Pinson, San Antonio, 3.00 Bro. Joyce, bundle of cloths, 1.00 R. T. Woolsey, Giddings, Texas, 1.00

And hoping the blessing which our Savior speaks of in Matthew 25:31-40. Our Annual Conference was held at San Marcos, Texas, this month, and I am sent back to the same district this coming year, but my residence will be at San Antonio, 317 South Pecos street. Yours in the Gospel,

JAMES TAPOLLA.

P. S.—Mrs. E. Bright wishes some information in regard to the lady at Uvalde, but she does not write her name, so I can not say to her. If she will send me her address I will answer

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her question. Other persons have written to know if they can send direct to Sister Guzman's address. To them I say instantly sent to Mrs. J. M. Guzman, in care of Rev. F. N. Galvan, Del Rio, Texas, will be safely received.

Owing to a serious spell of sickness, that bade fair to become dangerous, in Mexico, I have, with great reluctance, returned to the home work, and transferred back to my old conference—the Northwest Texas—and I have been permitted a month's rest through the kindness of Bishop Haygood, who transferred me thus in time to recuperate and be in shape for full duty at Waco, November 23, if God wills.

My place in that most important field is vacant. How glad I would be if some strong, well-qualified man would or could be found at once to take my place. In fact, it was the hope that a better man might be found to take my place that reconciled me to the fact that my health demanded my speedy return home.

I have great joy and thankfulness in being able to say that after nine years of labor in the mission fields of the Church I have more hope than ever in the final triumph of the evangelical faith. This is especially true of Mexico, where a vast army of Mexican preachers are growing up to press the work into every nook and corner of the land.

THE PRESIDING ELDERS NORTH WEST TEXAS Conference will meet at Fifth Street Methodist Church, Waco, Texas, Tuesday, at 9 o'clock p. m., to nominate the usual Conference Committees.

PRAY FOR A BAPTISM OF POWER FROM ON HIGH.

Brethren of North Texas Conference, let us go up to our coming session praying for, and expecting, a baptism of power from on high. Let us have preaching each day at 3 p. m. Let us pray, sing and work for a revival in our own souls, and for the conversion of sinners while we are in Sherman. Let us leave the Bishop and cabinet to fix appointments, and see to it that our own business is to save souls.

ANNUAL CONFERENCES.

TEXAS.

The trains from the South arrive at 12:45 p. m. and 3:10 a. m.; from the North at 2:30 p. m. and 12:50 a. m. Please make it a point to get here on the day train, otherwise what can be done on the hotel till next day.

I have secured a rate over the International Route for the Texas Conference, which meets at Galveston, Texas, commencing November 23, at Calvert. The rate is one fare for the round trip—over stations Wallis, Huntsville, Palestine, Martin, Taylor, including all intermediate points, to Hearne and return. Tickets to be sold on November 23 to 30, inclusive, limited to November 27 for return.

The class of the fourth year are requested to meet the Committee of Examination at the Methodist Church, in Calvert, at 9 o'clock, sharp, on Wednesday morning, November 9.

The H. & T. C. Railroad will sell excursion tickets to Calvert, Nov. 7 to 12, inclusive, good to 15th. Bro. Ward will secure rates over the other roads. Many are writing me about securing rates at hotel. I will say to all interested that I have secured a rate of \$1.00 per day, and it is an excellent hotel. Any of the brethren concerned by private conveyance will please notify me at once.

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The Presiding Elders will please send me names of local preachers coming up for ordination and candidates for admission on trial. Don't wait to finish your round up, send them names, but let them come as you get them. Members of the conference, clerical or lay, who will be accompanied by wife or any member of their family will please let me know it at once. Visiting brethren from other conferences, who will drop me a card, will be provided for. Now if these requests are complied with promptly we will make your stay with us pleasant, but if

formerly of Brenham, is the Superintendent.

At Bairdstown, Texas, the two-year-old child of Mr. Thos. Baird vomited up a live snake over 8 inches long.

The cotton crop is estimated at 7,300,000 bales, 2,000,000 of which are credited to Texas.

At Caddo, I. T., the four-year-old child of C. J. Basten fell in a tank and was drowned.

The new postal card with prepared reply was on October 27 placed on sale at all class postoffices throughout the country.

Judges Pardee, a Federal Judge of about the McCormick pattern, has issued an order for Federal election supervisors in Georgia.

At Charleston, S. C., Monday, October 31, opened her week of celebration. New attractions for every day have been provided.

David Dudley Field, the great constitutional and international lawyer, has donated his great library to the Washington and Lee University.

Third party manipulators in Georgia are trying to intimidate the negroes by threats in order to scare them into voting their way in the National contest.

October 28 a fire which started in the Union Oil Company's store almost destroyed the entire wholesale business section of Milwaukee east of Milwaukee River, below Huron street. Loss, \$6,000,000.

Emilo Castelar, Spain's eloquent and distinguished Prime Minister, will in all probability be the orator on Ceremonial Day, May 1 next, when the World's Columbian Exposition opens its gates to the world.

The army doctors of England are experimenting as to the character of wounds made by different makes of guns, and establish the theory that the greater the velocity of a bullet the cleaner and more merciful a wound.

They have a queer way of doing things in some parts of North Carolina. At Burnsville some desperados vowed no Democrat should speak. Rev. Geo. W. Sanderlin, candidate for State Auditor, determined to try. Result: a fight in which several men were killed.

Senators Jones and Cannon, the American delegates to the International Monetary Conference, will sail for Europe on the steamer City of New York, Nov. 9. They will be accompanied by E. O. Leach, director of the mint, who will attend the conference in an advisory capacity. Other American delegates will meet in Washington, November 10, to receive final instructions and sail for Europe November 12.

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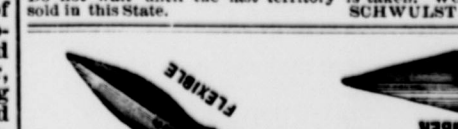
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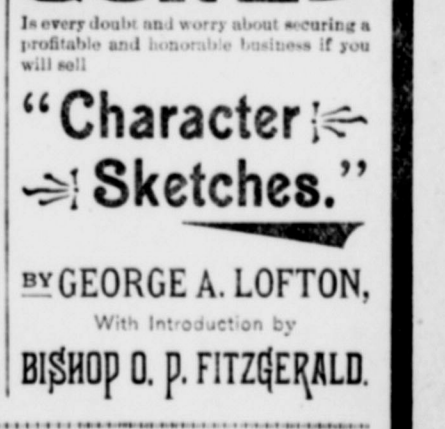
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