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## His Monument.

Eli Perkins, the humorist, tells about a man named John Jones, who began at the age of fifteen to build himself a monument, and worked on it for thirty-five years. He ed on it for thirty-five years. He

The Other Life.
Matt. I6:26.
A story has come down to us of Philip de Neri, a saint of the sixteenth century.

A young man, a student in a fa mous Italian university, came rur ning to him one day with joyful face to tell him of his hopes and aims for life. He had entered the law school because of its wide reputation, and would spare no pains to get through. his studies as soon as possible.
"Well answered the saint, "when you have got through your course of study, what do you mean to do?"
"Then I shall take my doctor's degree," answered the young man.
"And then?" asked Philip.
"And then I shall have a number of difficult questions to manage, and catch people's notice by my eloquence, my learning and my acuteness, and gain a great reputation."
"And then?" repeated Philip.
"And then, why, there can be no question but I shall be promoted to some high office, and shall make money and grow rich
"And then?" reiterated Philip.
"And then, then I shall be comfortably and honorably situated, with wealth and dignity."
"And then?" persisted Philip.
"And then, then-then I shall die."
Here Philip raised his voice, "And what then?
Whereupon the young man made and it widens the sphere of individ-

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Clarendon, Texas, July 27, 1899.
We haven't heard anything about our making a mistake last week on the law against screens in a saloon. Well, we shall see if they continue to remain. There is a law against swearing and otherwise disturbing he peace around such places also. We are opposed to licensiug saloons, of course, as much as we would be to license murder for it is nothing less, but it would open the eyes of many of our readers to know what the law requires of those running a house of this kind, and we expect soon to give the law in the case, but of course no one expects the saloon to pay any more attention to this than they do to the law against screens.
We want to call special attention of our readers to the article in last week's Agitator on the Sabbath, from Rev R. C. Armstrong. We are glad these articles are to be continued. One can scarcely realize what it means to be without the Sabbath day and it looks very much now the way things are going, unless we wake up and contend for the observance of the Sabbath, we will soon have none. We believe there ought to be an uprising throughout the entire Church on this vital subject. Let every minister preach on this subject and every citizen contend for the enforcement of the law on the Sabbath

In Too Great Hurry

## Ingersoll's Death

Robert G. Ingersoll died at his home, Walston-on-the-Hudson, last Friday, July 21. His death was sudden and unexpected, dying with heart disease, so passed away a man who it would have been far better that he had never been born. His father was almost as skeptical as his son, Bob, but was known as a congregational preacher and as a liberal. It is no wonder that a boy raised un der such influence as this becomes an Agnostic. In 1860 the was a canadate for Congress on the democratic ticket, but failing to be elected he at once went over to the republican party where he continued to figure in politics up to his death. We can scarcely give him credit for his being sincere in his utterances on the Bible and his fight against Christ ianity. One can but ask themselves the question, why should a man of his ability antagonize the Bible and the principles it advocates? That Book that has done more to elevate the human race than all others. Why waste his time in trying to destroy the hope of Heaven, the life to come? If it be not true it does no harm but gives great consolation to those believing it, and there is only one sensible explanationa, and that is he did it for notoriety and the money he made by it. We only wish that his influence and the bad books written by him might perish with him, but he has sown the seed and eternity will reveal the harvest. We had wished tnat he might be conscious in the last hour of his life so that he, like those he had followed, might repent and tell the world that he was not sincere, but it was not permitted and we feel sure he is no longer an unbeliever as to the life to come. Oh, that he might be permitted to come back and reveal to some of his followers that place to which they are going. We suppose

Passing Opportunities.
The opportunities of parents for the education of their children do not come to star. They pass and they pass soon. The work of educating must be done within the limits of educable periods. Very few be gin and successfully prosecute a college course beyond the age of eight een. The greater number are well adsanced in the curriculum before they reach this age. Parents who are able, and tail or neglect to improve the educational opportunities of their children within the educable limits, let chances go by for which they as parents will be held much more accountable than their children. Many parents who post pone their plans, thinking that a some future time they may be more able, and that it will otherwise be more convenient, will at last die with their most cherished hopes not real ized. It is as much the duty of par ents to invest for the mental and moral culture of their children as to invest for their inheritance of stock and lands. But the former investment can be made within a limited period, while the latter investment may not suffer much by a little de lay. Clarendon College has come to this Panhandle country offering con venient educational facilities. There are scores of young people whose pareuts are able to send them to this school. What answer will these parents make to their children, to their conscience and to God, if the present opportunity passes withou improvement?
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## LUCAL NEWS

Builder's material at Anderson's.
Dr. Mcllhaney, of Goodnight, was in Clarendon last Monday.

It is reported that there will be a marriage in Clarendon next Sunday.

Mrs. S. Tabor has been very sick the past few days, but is improving now.

John Mann will add another room

Several business prospectors have been here this week.
James Tackitt had a buggy horse killed by the train last week.
Dr. White went on a professional visit to McClelland creek last Monday
T. J. Noland, of Washburn, visit ed in Clarendon Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

A Mr. Holmes of California has located here for the summer for the benefit of his health.

Misses Lulu Ward and Allie Graves will visit friends at Amarillo the last of this week.
John Clopton's new residence is bearly completed and he will soon occupy it with his family.
Passenger trains have been delayed two days this week by washouts between Claude and Washburn
Rev. W. B. McKeown, of Valley Mills, Tex., is here this week visiting Presiding Elder Hardy and family.
Miss Bertie Noland, of Washburn, is spending the week in Clarendon, the guest of Rev. J. R. Henson and family.
Rich Bowlin expects to build a residence in town in the near future to enjoy the school advantages to be had here.
A man stole a horse Tuesday from Joe Barker, brought it to town and sold it to Dock Cox for $\$ 25$, and so far has escaped arrest.
C. Malone who has been here some two months improving his Clarendon property left Tuesday for his home at Waldron, Ark.
Dr. White, John Sims and Theo Pyle accompanied by their families and Miss Ruth Carnes are spending a few days fishing aed bunting this

Junior League Program.
Leader-Oscar Coulter.
Subject-"The Lily," Matt. 6:28
Song.
Prayer.
Song.
Roll call answered by scripture erses.
Scripture reading-Wesley Hall. Superintendent's talk.
Song.
Lesson Story-Cornie Caldwell. Recitation-Gertie Henson. Lesson Explained-Pastor.
Select Reading--Hallie Ajcock. Duet-Katie I'wombly and Ethe Henson.
Recitation-Pearl Mooney Song.
Close with Lord's Prayer.
We want all the Junior Leaguers present

## Sunday Service

There was preaching at all the churches in Clarendon but one las Sunday and though the day was very warm we had a very large congregation at the Methodist church. The service was excellent, it was good to be there. Three were received in the church on profession while the storm at night prevented the reception and baptism of several more. This closes our meeting and notwithstanding it rained all through the meeting great good was done

Ice.
It seems we made a slight mistake last week in regard to the price of ice as sold in Clarendon. We have always understood it was sold at a cent a pound where less than a hundred pounds was bought, and 75 cts . per hundred, but we are informed by Mr. Cain that be delivers thirteen pounds of ice for a dime. We make this correction and are willing at any time to correct the slightest mistake time

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Whither Goest Thou?
It seems hardly possible in this enlightened age of the world's history and in a town where there are so many churches as are in Clarendon that there could be found so few young men and young women who are Christians. There are some indeed, but appearantly bow passive; satisfied to let the earth roll on as it may happen and turniug no hand nor drawing a breath to save an everliving soul.

It was the privilege of the writer to attend the Epworth League a few Sunday's ago. Possibly he was too critical in what he thought. It fell upon his heart like a chill to see the lack of interest and eren apparent desire for amusement that prevaded God's holy sanctuary. Earnest, serious thoughts seemed to be decidedly absent and some minds were evidently bent ou having fun. Some there seemed to have lost altogether the idea for which they should come to have no thought of the pleasure, the joy that might be theirs in doing God's wish. Young man, young woman, stop for a moment and think What would be the result if you were ushered into eternity during such a frivolous moment of your life? Where would you go? It is certainly a serious thought.

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Arranging for the Press Meeting. Several representative citizens met at Morgan's Ice-cream Parlor Tuesday to arrange for the entertainment of the Northwest Texas Press convention to meet here Aug. 8th and 9 th .

Judge White was made chairman and W. P. Blake secretary, and the following committees were appointed:

## RECEPTION.

Judge B. H. White and wife, J. D. Stocking and wife, A. M. Beville and wife, Albert Erwin and wife, W. P. Blake and wife
some Signs of Growth in Grace. There are some proofs that we are growing in grace which are good tests for each of us to apply to our own experience.

1. Easier victory over the trials which are inevitable in this life. We can easily discover whether we are as much annoyed as formerly by poverty, anxiety about the future, losses, slights and insults
2. Quicker recognition of the divine will. The better acquainted we become with the Holy Spirit, the more readily we ought to recognize is leadings and commands.

Less severe temptations from the world. The world is our enemy, seeking either to allure us or to frighten us. We ought to care less, the better we know Jesus, for the influence of the world which seeks to drag us down to its level.
4. Deeper insight into the Word of God. It requires spiritual sight to behold the beauties of God's Word and to see its spiritual lessons. As grace increases, insight into the Word increases.
5. Better J knowledge of the devises of Satan. The apostle says "We are not ignorant of his devises." We ought to know the author after a while as soon as we hear his sugges tions.
6. Fiercer attacks of the devil. The farther along we get in grace, the more Satan will atlack us. Greater temptations give greater rictories, and hence greater installments of grace. God will not allow him to "tempt us above that which we are able," but Satan will meet our increased strength with fiercer attacks
7. Greater charities for the in firmities of others. The more we grow in grace, the more we shall love other people, and make allowance for their weaknesses and sorrow for their sins.
8. The establishment of the faith babit. Faith, after a time, ceases to

On Censuring the Church Of course the chureh is imperfect Certainly the ministry is human. Are not their censors both imperfect and soon? Christians, no matter what ${ }^{2}$ claims they may have to onfide be discredit themselves wen they seek to injure the Church; for most of them have at some time vowed allegiance to the very organization of which they now speak in derision and contempt. Aside from all this, and above all, the Churches are doing a thousandfold more good in the world than all their enemies, devout or devilish; and sensible people, however godless, know it. More souls are being saved and more pemanent good is being done through the instrumentality of one spirituallyminded and denominationally-loyal preacher than by any half-dozen ministers who spend a considerable part of their time magnifying the weaknesses of the Church and prating bout the coldness of the clergy. The Church belongs to God, and the man who would lay upon it unholy hands should be made to understand that he does it at his peril.-Cum berland Presbyterian

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