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ran up to \$30.45, which was very good for this small congregation. The outlook is promising here, and we hope to have a revival all along the "lines" here this year. May God bless the good folks of Hawkins.

S. W. Thomas, March 19: Our Zion in the far west is on the up grade. The public services are fairly well attended; an increasing interest on many lines manifested, but the great need of the church is a gracious revival. The past winter was unusually dry, but little snow and no rain to speak of. Hence cattlemen expect to lose a heavy nor cont

J. W. Sims, March 22: The parsonage at this place on the night of the 20th was the scene of the loveliest exhibition ever witnessed in the town. The young people of the town, under the leadership of Sister Aggie Hodges, came almost in full force, bearing in large candy-buckets in their arms and on their shoulders many good things to eat and wear for the inmates of the parsonage. This was not a church move, but a move of the young folks, al-though sister Aggie, the agitator of the move, is a consistent Methodist. May God save the young folks.

## Madisonville.

J. A. Savage, March 24: Our first quarterly meeting is over; Bro. J. C. Mickle, presiding elder, present and preached to the delight of the people. Finances well up. If we do as well the next three quarters will clear the decks. Paid bishops fund in full and missionary assessment about half up. We protracted fourteen days. The church strengthened with seven additions. The movement all round my work is upward and Christward. Pray for

looked carefully and painstakingly into all the interests of the church. The officials made a good report. The pastor sees no reason why this should not be a profitable year to our Zion. The love-feast in the afternoon was one of the best.

elder, was on hand, as is his custom, and gave us two of his best sermons. It was good to be there. The sacramental service was a season of re-

J. M. Adams, March 24: Last Thurs day night just as we had begun to look over the ADVOCATE there was a gentle rap at the door. The door was opened. A terly meeting for this work-Richmond lady, with a great bundle, walked in. and Wharton-convened at Richmond 22d Soon others followed, and yet others, until the house was full. Old ladies, young ladies, young men, children. Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, all bearing bundles. After spending some time in singing and pleasant conversation, they took their departure, leaving their is good. It was a pleasure to worship in bundles behind, and we were assured of the fact that we had been well pounded. We have a kind people. They look after the preacher's welfare.

H. H. Vaugnan, March 20: At the last session of the East Texas Conference I was transferred to the Northwest and placed in charge of Marystown circuit.

Soon we sought our new field of labor, and were cordially welcomed. The parthing to serve the Lord." sonage not being vacant we made our home with Dr. J. M. Townes, who, with his kind family, took care of us until the parsonage was ready. The stewards, with promptness, furnished it with heavy furniture. There has been a well dug, and more land secured; very much needed. We are at home now, comfortably situated and encouraged by the kindness of the people. May the Lord bless them abundance. people. May the Lord bless the antily this year. We have not forgotton to urge the ADVOCATE's claims.

C. S. Field, March 28: Our dedication service on March 16 was a success. After an excellent sermon by Bro. Bishop we raised about \$300 to pay for chairs. This raised about \$300 to pay for chairs. This placed us clear of debt. On last Sunday we began a protracted meeting at Hutto. We had to discontinue on Thursday night, as the Baptist brethren, whose house we were occupying, had sent an appointment for a protracted meeting. The interest was increasing, and we believe if we could have continued through next week, we would have had a sweeping revival. Rev. Robt. Simpson, of Bertram, was with us, and by several earnest, pointed and spiritual sermons, touched the hearts of our people, and did us good. One addi-tion by profession and one by letter last

region, so soon as I am able to work at all.

praying for it.

Hughes' Springs. W. M. Crowson, March 26: Our second quarterly conference convened last Saturcreasing interest on many lines manifested, but the great need of the church is a gracious revival. The past winter was unusually dry, but little snow and no rain to speak of. Hence cattlemen expect to lose a heavy per cent. We are enjoying the blessedness(?) of heavy wind and sand storms now.

Junction City.

J. W. Sims, March 22: The parsonage at this place on the night of the 20th was the scene of the loveliest exhibition ever interest on the lovel interest of the lovel interest on the lovel interest of the lovel interest on the lovel in the lovel interest on the l fact, we are farther advanced in all of our finances than we were at this time last year, though the scople complain of being worse pressed. We are trying to increase the circulation of the ADVOCATE; have obtained some new subscribers; have sold several dollars' worth of our

## Oxford.

B. H. McLendon, March 25: I left home December 1st, and reached Oxford the 2d, and entered upon work; made one round and returned home to move my family. After getting all things ready, we started January 1st; reached the work on the 2d; found shelter at Bro. Thompson's, where we were comfortably enter-tained. There being no parsonage on the work, we rented a house from Bro. Thompson. My work has been hindered by sickness, but the health of country is

## Colorado.

J. H. Wiseman, March 25: After a Church, and other churches will receive me and did the preaching. His work was of the highest type. "Old time" power was on the congregation and sinners were made to tremble of their guilt. The great work of the meeting was done in the ing for greater blessings upon my charge.

## Wharton. Robt. B. Martin, March 24: Our quar-

instant. The financial report of the stewards showed up pretty well. Report of preacher in charge on the spiritual condition of the churches and Sunday-schools hopeis good. It was a pleasure to worship in There seems to be a leaven for good. God grant it may continue till the whole lump is leavened. The services, altogether, were profitable. Dr. Philpott, as is his custom, preached with great power and profit to all, building up the church and urging sinners to flee the wrath to come. My stay at Richmond Saturday and Sunday with the family of our Bro. Childers,

W. O. Shugart: Our second quarterly conference over some time since. Bro. Black was on hand, but sick and unable to preach, though he held quarterly con-ference on Saturday, but had to go home on Sunday morning. Bro. R. M. Leaton, from Pontotee circuit, was with us and preached on Saturday at 11 a. m. Bro. John W. Sims was with us on Sunday, and preached at 11 a. m. and 3. p. m.; had a pleasant and profitable time. The finances rather short, though we are sup-plied with such things as we need. The good people of this circuit have built a twenty-five-dollar chimney to the parsonage, also bought \$23 worth of furniture for the parsonage, also placed the material on the ground for a good yard fence, and

we now have the fence complete.

The outlook is favorable. We have been kindly received, and we are working and praying for a revival at every point, and trying to circulate the ADVOCATE among our people. The ADVOCATE is appreciated by all who read it.

M. J. Allen, March 29: Our second quarterly meeting over. Bro. Black, our presiding elder, was on hand and preached us two excellent sermons, which we enjoyed very much. Also Bro. A. J. Potter,

Samuel Weaver, March 25: We have just passed through our second quarter; quarterly conference convened at Strawn on the 16th inst. Bro. Stephens, our presiding elder, was on hand. Bro. March 24: Our second flave been moving on smoothly, with good congregations. We have made no special effort for a revival as a speci special effort for a revival as yet, but expect to soon. At our second quarterly meeting, Sunday at 11 o'clock, our pre-Hallville.

W. P. Pledger, March 22: Though a little late about it, I will report my first quarterly meeting, which convened March 8. Our presiding elder, Bro. T. P. Smith, was with us and preached two good sermons. The attendance was good and the reports of the quarter favorable. ly. The trustees have just made arrangements for a home for forty girls; this house is to be ready for the fall term, and we have no doubt but it will be completed by that time and well furnished; then I can see no reason why this place

N. W. Keith, March 27: When I took charge of this mission last fall we, the M. E. C., had nothing, now we are very well organized with seven appointments, and with twenty-one members gathered into the church; one infant baptized, with more to follow. Preached forty-seven times; made sixty pastoral visits. So you see we are making considerable showing, but we have not been able to organize a single Sunday-school this season, because we have to worship in school-houses altogether; the consequence is union schools at home. We need churches, but the people are not able to build. The majority of the people in this country are very poor, living on the State and school lands. Those that are able to help are not much disposed in that direction. We have a tot clonated in Barksdale by a good friend for a parsonage, but are not able to build yet. I think by faithful work will be able to stand alone in a few years. The Appropriate has been prominently brought the pleasure of attending, and offers herewith some notes of the occasion. The herewith some notes of the occasion. The herewith has been erected during the pastor-

## Hondo City.

Jas Hammond, March 25: On last Sun-J. H. Wiseman, March 25: After a day our new church here was dedicated three weeks' run we closed our meeting by Rev. Dr. Thrall, at 11 a. m. At 4 p. with about twenty-five conversions. Eighteen were received into the Methodist Lord blessed us and we had a good day seventy dollars collected on conference A. P. Payne: Our second quarterly conference convened 22d and 23d. Bro. B. M. Stephens, our faithful presiding me and did the preaching. His work was thriving town, at a cost of \$1,250. For a considerable time the brethren desired to build, and when the title was fully secured. sacramental service was a season of rejoicing long to be remembered. Ten received last quarter, five infants baptized, financial report very good. The conference granted the pastor a month's rest, that I hope will be enjoyed by him and secured, by cash and subscriptions, and secured, by cash and subscriptions, and secured, by cash and subscriptions, and secured the pastor a month's part of the majority of our membership lives three miles and more from town, but cheerfully consented to move the appointment. Hallowed associations were thus problem in the church has moved forward the preacher. So we are ready for the rain. I am praythe building was completed, ceiled, painted, seated and furnished without delay. at their Lord's command. The day has passed when the church can sit down at ease, in a quiet, happy, indolence, when near by there are springing up towns and villages destitute of spiritual privileges. The friends of Hondo City will be glad to know that we are now fully equipped. A handsome church-house, faithful membership, growing Sunday-school and preaching on three Sundays every month by Revs. D. W. Fly, T. G. Woolls and the pastor, respectively. Rev. T. A. Lancas-ter is still with us, but too feeble to preach much. We want a revival.

D. T. Brown, March 19: Four months Notwithstanding this is a mission, I am proud I was sent here. There are many precious men and women here who know how to make their boy preacher feel welcome and at home among them. While most of them are in rather a bad shape financially—because of the cotton-worms last year—they have been coming up with their money, corn, potatoes, fruit, meat, lard, butter, etc. What more are your people doing for you, Bro. Preachers you who have fat stations and well-organized circuits?

Bro. W. L. Clifton was with us the 15th and 16th inst., and held our first quar-terly conference. He was in very poor health; preached but one time, though while he was preaching heaven came down our soul to meet. Christ was with us and in us, and of course we had a good meeting. Bro. Clitton's visit was a benediction to us all, and we are praying that he'll soon be well again. This field is as "white as white can be." There are a great many young people in my work, and, alas! most all of them are "fire-brands of hell"—"bond slaves of the devil." Let all who love God and immorfor Christ and the better world.

terly conference was held March 1 and 2. the Master. He gave us three excellent sermons. Listen: "He is a mighty big preacher." Owing to the inclemency of through. the weather there were but few in attend-

organize there last summer, but failed.
We have some very good people—some
Baptists, Campellites, and skeptics not a
few. We have a very good Sunday-school
there, superintended by our energetic
local preacher, Rev. W. S. Lee.

Wm. J. Sims, March 21: Bro. Black has come and gone the second time. Bro. immigration to this country seems to be the right kind. Brady is a good town and building up fast. It has an enterflattering. Our superintendent seems to have the love of souls at heart, and every teacher is waiting on his teaching faithfully. We have now organized a Woman's Missionary Society which meets monthly at the church. All members of the society seem to feel that there is something for them to do and they are trying to do it. Our church is now being ceited inside which when done and painted inside, which, when done and painted, will simply make it a beauty. We also have on the ground lumber to add to our

# all is, that the church and parsonage will

parsonage, which, when done, will give us plenty of room, and the beauty of it

A. E. Rector: Sunday, March 16, witnessed the opening of the new Methodist church at Brownwood. This writer, accompanied by Dr. J. F. Riggs, and sisters Brown and Crawford, all of San Angelo, had the pleasure of attending, and offers because of attending and offers because of a standard and a standard at two future. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two future. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures. All are pleased with the Apvocate at two futures are plea days. The church strengthened with seven additions. The movement all round my work is upward and Christward. Pray for us.

Carthage.

Chas. F. Smith, March 24: Our first quarterly conference is just over. It was pleasant and profitable. Presiding Elder by Johnson preached three of his best sermons (so thought the congregation) and looked earefully and paintakingly and paintakingly into looked earefully and paintakingly and paintakingly and paintakingly and paintakingly into looked earefully and paintakingly and paintakin been paid. The house will not be dedicated until the entire amount is raised; but a church which started two years ago with one hundred members in a town of three thousand, and having gone thus far,

will certainly persevere until final success. glass windows and elegant pulpit appointpreachers and a throng of visitors from diacent and distant places. Of course, hishop Key was the chief speaker, and of course he was equal to the occasion. His two sermons satisfied the critics, and vocate now in existence. If any brother indantly fed the multitude. The Bishop fluence like the light which fell upon us rough the tinted windows-softening. siritualizing. Bro. Sam Franks, of Co-anche, didn't like to stand between two sishop sermons, but he did it with much ecceptability at 3 p. m. The ordination of deacons and elders, the well-sung anhems of the choir, and the sacrament of the communion rounded out a day the most imposing, and not the least profitable, in the spiritual history of Brownwood. The congregation was something worth seeing and remembering. The Baptists and Cumberland Presbyterians, led by their pastors, were there, and the auditorium and lecture room, thrown tohave gone by since this scribe was sent to this field to labor for God and his church. gether for the occasion, were packed by at least six hundred hearers. Our San at least six hundred hearers. Our San Angelo party are unanimous and unstinted their praise of Brownwood hospitality and religious enterprise. Being acquainted with the circumstances under which the church has been built, I feel like saying that the record of success is, perhaps, unparalleled in our Texas Methodism. It ows what the union of consecrated zeal in a pastor, and consecrated self-denial in a church, is capable of accomplishing. In all places where our Zion is partly, or entirely unsheltered, be this the watchword: "Let us rise up and build! SAN ANGELO, TEXAS.

The New Methodist Church Opened. Brownwood Bulletin: On last Sunday the new Methodist Church was thrown open, and the first sermon preached in it was by Bishop Key. The folding doors of the lecture room were thrown back and both the lecture room and the auditorium of the church were crowded. The audience was the largest that ever assembled in any building in Brownwood for the purpose of hearing a sermon. The seats, altar and pulpit are of antique oak tal souls pray that we may capture them and present a pleasing and substantial appearance. The papering and decoration of the ceiling are appropriate and artistic. The building is of brick, and is the largest J. A. Lovett, March 21: Our first quar-erly conference was held March 1 and 2. splendid stained glass windows. The Our much-beloved presiding elder, Rev. building is a monument to the liberality of Brownwood, and too much cannot be

Unfortunately for the writer he went Baby Head.

J. B. Denton, March 18: My health has been worse this winter than ever in my life before, and this fact accounts for my having missed three appointments—the

Joyed very much. Also Bro. A. J. Potter, of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which has sent where he could not get a along wellon his work. The people whom have the serves have given him a warm reception the watter there were out lew in attendance. Bro. Moore, my senior, is getting along wellon his work. The people whom have the serves have given him a warm reception to the watter there were out lew in attendance. Bro. Moore, my senior, is getting and could not get a seat where he could hear the serion of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which he serves have given him a warm reception have the serves have given him a warm reception. The work of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which he serves have given him a warm reception to the watter there were out lew in attendance. Bro. Moore, my senior, is getting and could not get a seat where he could hear the serion, but he went again at night and heard Bishop Key upon the theme of "Christian Conhador the winter here were out even the went and ance. Bro. Moore, my senior, is getting and could not get a seat where he could hear the serion, but he went again at night and heard Bishop key upon the theme of "Christian Conhador the winter here were out of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which as seat where he could he went again at night and heard Bishop key upon the theme of "Christian Conhador the went and the went again at night and heard Bishop key upon the three were out of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which as seat where he could he went again at night and heard Bishop key upon the three were out of San Angelo, was with us, and preached us one sermon on Sunday night which as seat where he could hear the went again at night

religious interest increases at each appointment. At different appointments round on the work the Christians have been made to rejoice while the Word of been made to rejoice been made to rejoice while the Word of God was being preached. On last Sabbath at 11 o'clock Christians were made to shout for joy—not only those of the Methodist Church, but Christians who were members of other churches. On last Sunday night I preached to the largest congregation I have preached to since I have been on the work; and what a grand occasion it was! It seemed that all the W. P. Pledger, March 22: Though a little late about it, I will report my first quarterly meeting. Which convened March 8. Our presiding elder, Bro. T. P. Smith, was with us and preached two good sermons. The attendance was good and the reports of the quarter favorable. With God's help and the co-operation of the people success is certain.

White Oaks, N. M.

We had a pood presiding elder, and when and left for home. The people loved him to give conference, and in a few minutes, with guarterly meeting. White oaks, N. M.

Black is a good presiding elder, and when and be gets into the pulpit he makes a boy conference, and in a few minutes, with guarterly meeting. White oaks, N. M.

Black is a good presiding elder, and when have a good presiding elder, and when dear, and the said, Come!" A soul-stirm, and he said, and residences being built, and everybody seems to be happy and hopeful. I think that this country is destined to be one of the leading parts of West Texas. The immigration to this country is destined to be one of the leading parts of West Texas. The and attention in my life. Praise the Lord for his bounteous mercies!

This appointment is known as the Trans-Cedar appointment. In this neigh-borhood lives Bro. Joseph F. Alexander, prising people—a people who believe in honoring God with their substance. We have two churches and there are three that have two churches and there are three church I have ever met. Grand old man! being put on the ground now for one of them, and while the country is building up we are striving to build up our holy Methodism. We preach here at Brady two Sundays in the month to good congregations. Our Sunday-school is simply flattering. Our superintendent source to the country of the country is building up we are striving to build up our holy two Sundays in the month to good congregations. Our Sunday-school is simply flattering. Our superintendent source to the country is building to be superintendent source to the country is building to be superintendent. I have ever met. Grand old man! On last Sunday evening at 3 o'clock I attended the Sabbath-school at the church of which Bro. Alexander is the superintendent. I have never enjoyed myself better on such an occasion. Bro. Alexander is certainly doing a noble work for that country is building up we are striving to build up our holy two Sundays in the month to good congregations. Our Sunday-school is simply flattering. der is certainly doing a noble work for that country, and the country at large seems to appreciate his services. I don't remember the number of students attending the school, but it is large. Old men and women reciting lessons along with the young men and ladies. The les-sons were well gotten up, and the singing was simply grand; I can't see how it

I am greatly encouraged all round on the work. I am anxiously waiting for the time to arrive when I can commence my protracted meetings. I am hoping and praying for a glorious revival all over the work. I have nine appointments, or I might say eleven, as I preach twice at two of my places each month, or will in the

made havor with early gardens. The beloved Advocate is growing in favor with the people. I would that every father could be induced to subscribe for it. Just think of a Methodist father with no religious paper in his house! Bro. Hill-During the past year the congregation cuit. The work needs a revival on chas worshiped in the lecture room. The church building. I hope Bro. H. will church building. I hope Bro. H. will ts massive antique oak pews, stained least windows and elegant pulpit appoint. It has been sadly neglected. My heart nents, was an occasion worthy of the athusiasm which it raised. Bishop Key and Sister Key were there, also a crowd this line. I think Bro. Shutt's article timely and to the point. Hope he will give us more on the same subject. En-closed I send you, perhaps, the oldest re-VOCATE now in existence. If any brother in Texas can ante-date it I hope he will himself his own best sermon. The speak out. I found said receipt in a copy of the General Laws of Texas found in my have no knowledge as to how it came there. Hope the editor will publish it in full. There is considerable of Methodist history in it. The subscriber named in the receipt was a staunch and true Methodist and helped to plant Methodism in this, then an almost wilderness. He has been dead twenty-five years. postoffice, Cora, was the first and original county site of Comanche county. It went out of existence about the same year the receipt was given. The preacher in charge named in the receipt, viz: Rev. Wm. L. Kidd, now lives at or near Kosse, Limestone county, Texas, an honored veteran of the local ranks. The publisher whose name appears and his clerk or deputy I know nothing of or what became of them. Hope the editor will furnish the missing links and explain those numbers that appear. I guess Shaw can do that. Though the Advocate has come up through trials and tribulations, I am glad to know she stands to-day the vanguard of Texas Methodist.

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said that "Methodism was dead in Navasota;" but about November last a change became apparent; the Spirit of God was preacher, an orator who commands the evidently working among the dry bones attention and reaches the heart and stirs When our new pastor, Rev. J. W. Mcthe best emotions of his hearers. He impresses one as a man of good hard sense, deep thought, earnest convictions and thorough consecration to the cause of God and humanity.

Mahan, came to us, he took hold of the work with vigor, and a protracted meeting was commenced in January, but the rains came and we had to hold up. On Feb. 9, however, we began again, and the meeting is still going on. At the com-mencement it was carried on by Bro. Mc-Mahan and the writer; then Bro. Phair, of Anderson, came to help us; he was followed by Bro. Childers, of Wharton, who for nearly two weeks assailed the strongholds of Satan with wondrous sucseventh week; thirty-seven have been added to our own church, and the other churches in the town have been strengthened. God has magnified himself in our midst; he has shown that indeed there is a God in Israel, and that there is life in the Methodist Church. We are devoutly thankful to him for his goodness, and ascribe to him all the glory. Nor is this all we have to tell of the new condition of our church: When our pastor's wife and family arrived, at the end of January, our sisters received them heartily; numerous good things were provided for their comfort, and another room was added to the parsonage. We have commenced hauling rock for our new church, work upon which we hope will soon begin. We need a new church sadly; we had to stop our meeting for three days, right in the middle, because the roof of our present building is as leaky as a sieve, and during a rainy spell week before last the church was flooded. Brethren, help us with your prayers, and in any other way that you can

## Liberty Circuit.

J. W. Cullen, March 24: The joyful day has arrived. Our presiding elder, Bro. F. J. Browning, on hand, full of life and of the spirit of our blessed Master; preached four excellent sermons. Am happy to thick and fast from his lips did find a permanent place of abode in our hearts. It was indeed a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. Pastor strengthened, planted in him; his tongue ever loose to instruct, going about doing good of every seed sown by him will be gathered in eter-nity for our Master. Bless God for a living ministry, for Christ and for the plan of salvation. Now for my people: I want to say that they cannot be excelled by any people when it comes to treating their preachers kindly. There never was a more appreciative people anywhere. Let me say, Liberty is the banner circuit of the Beaumont district. There never was a minister more kindly treated than your humble servant. Presiding elder can testify to same. Take from me the riches of the world, but give me *Liberty*. They know how to gladden the heart of their pastor. I do sincerely trust that the year 1890 will ring out the bell of spirituality so loud and so long that her vibrations will reach the annual conference and produce such a harmonious sound that she will be placed among the first in her es-

teem and recollections.

Now for a word to our much-beloved presiding elder and wife: May God sanctify you, both soul and body, until the perfect day! then heaven will open up in our souls. Our quarterly meeting resulted in the following: Pastor's report on state of church and Sunday-school, good; stewards numbered eight out of nine; collections, about up; over one-fourth of the assessment paid. Assessment for preachr in charge, \$200; for presiding elder, \$50. Paid preacher in charge, \$46.40; paid presiding elder, \$11.60. For literature, \$9.20; for hymn-books, \$7.60; for repairing churches, \$125.50. Accessions, fifteen; infants baptized, four. Spirituality grow-

## "WE HAVE TOO MUCH THEOLOGY."

REV. W. H. HUGHES.

The above sentence was used some time since by a man addressing a Sabbath-school, with a large audience before him, and they seemed to smile an approval of the foolish assertion. "We have too much theology" is but the voice of skep-ticism, formalism and of all classes of sickly religionists. These union Sundayschool advocates cry out against denominational Sunday schools and say, "Too much theology."
Mr. Webster defines theology to be

the science of God, and his relation to his creatures; the science which treats of the existence, character and attributes of God, his laws and government, the doc-trines we are to believe, and the duties we are to practice." Any preacher or Sunday-school teacher who would deny, or even ignore any part of the above dennition of theology would be little short of an infidel, and would be a dangerous element in any religious community and a downright curse to any Sunday-school.

## ALEXANDER INSTITUTE.

The subscribers to the fund for building the boarding house for Alexander Institute will please forward the amount of their subscription to the undersigned at Kilgore, Gregg county, Texas, at their earliest convenience, as the committee is

# Texas Ohristian Advocate.

AN EASTER HOMILY. JEAN PAUL.

"And their eyes were opened, and they knew im."-Luke xxiv:31.

called because of his resurrection on that But that is no reason why an annual commemoration of that most epochal of incidents should not be celebrated. Rejoice and be glad, for Jesus, who was dead, liveth, yea, is alive for evermore.

I. Two disciples, of the seventy, on the day of the Savier's resurrents.

day of the Savior's resurrection on a journey to Emmans. No doubt on a mission of mercy. Overtaken by Jesus, whom they failed to recognize. Their eyes being holden. Excessive grief because of their Master's crucifixion clogged their understanding. The communication of the women relating to his resurrection caused The communication of the bewilderment. Doubt veiled their minds

with mists. Doubt and unbelief common among men. Eyes being holden.

(1.) By self-righteousness. The spirituality of the law not being understood.
(2.) By love of the world. Not deemed possible to go out from her and be separ-

(3.) By reigning vices. Unwilling to abandon them. Love darkness rather than light. "If any man shall do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself."

All doubt and belief, like streams whose waters are pregnant with death, flow

from one of these foul sources.

II. Their hearts burned within them, while the disciples conferred with the supposed stranger. Had been charged with dullness of understanding spiritual things. Opened unto them the Scriptures. Moses and the prophets had in-dicated that Christ had to suffer pain and

death in order to enter into his glory.

Burning hearts. More than a few.

Yearning for forgiveness. Penitent. Longing for peace.

(1.) Pecuniary losses cause heart-burning. Our wisdom proved folly. Trusted in man—built on sand. Wealth, like eagle, enclosed by high fence. Can't secure ourselves against encroachment from above.
(2.) Sickness and death cause hearts to

burn. Sleepless nights. Retrospection. Compunctions of conscience. Pain.
Death invades our home. Loved ones
taken away. Coffin closed. Dust to
dust. Oh, what anguish of soul!
(3.) The preaching of the gospel causes

heart-burning. Yes, we were that self-righteous Pharisee. We that Prodigal at the swine's trough. We the lost sheep. We the weary and heavy laden. We—undone, wretched, lost.

1. HAPPY EASTER .- Scriptures opened, called to repentance. 2. HAPPIER EASTER.-Penitent pros

trate at the mercy seat.
3. Happiest Easter.—Passed from darkness to light. A new creature in Christ Jesus.

## NEW ORLEANS, LA. FROM ARIZONA.

tains immediately environing are foot-hills miles away. On the latter, snow may be not barley, it is oats. Somehow the barley as he finds it here. not barley, it is oats. Somehow the barley puts forth again but changes into oats. Here, let me add, grain is harvested by a process called "heading." A machine is used which cuts the grain about six inches below the head, and carries it until the "carrier" is full when it is removed. to home in. Experiment having proven the country adapted to orange culture the pecuniary circumstances of the usual thousands of trees have been put out this claimants on the conference funds."

shadow everywhere. A farmer plants a cotton wood limb for fence posts, it takes root, grows into a tree and in three years the church. The board is appointed to for the poor—what falls on a man's land he begins to top his fence posts, and gets all the posts and fire wood he needs give. I think, has much to do with this. henceforth. There are two things objectionable in the cottonwood, however. One is, they generate millons of worms which cover your house, yard, sidewalk, etc. This pest continues about two weeks.

This right makes your farm perpetual owner of its water. Nor will they sell water to one who has no right. In addi-The etymology of the word Easter is shrouded in uncertainty. It may have derived from hostia, sacrifice; from opining door, signifying vernal equinox; from urstend, old Saxon for resurrection; from oriens. East, day-dawn, incipient day; or from Eostre, the Druidical goddess of spring. Notwithstanding this uncertainty, the Lord is risen indeed. On Easter we commemorate our Savior's resurrection from the dead. True, every Sabbath is the Lord's day, so called because of his resurrection on that When you need rain you lift the head-gate and it rains at your will. Besides, every irrigation is a coat of manure spread over your farm, not only refreshing your plants but feeding it as it grows. After stating what I have, truthfully,

about the absence of native timber and the pitch of the valley, the intelligent reader is ready for the statement, there is next to no malaria here. La grippe has been the only sickness here among the typho-malarial fever are exceedingly rare.

I must not omit reference to the recent freshet in the mining region, some sixty freshet in the mining region, some sixty or eighty miles from us, on the Hassayampa. Both placer and ore mining for silver and gold is fine in that region. But water was required. Dams costing a \$1,000,000 were constructed to store the water and issue it out as needed. A warm rain fell, melting the snow in the mountains and the volume of water came with such a rush the dams gave way, and many lives were lost. Who has not heard of the drunken revelers and the Johnstown disaster? In our recent disaster a young man was dispatched from the dams in ample time to warn the miners below, but he halted at an infernal whisky shop, got drunk, and the disaster came upon its unsuspecting victims. Bro. Collier, a regular attendant upon my ministry when in town, was in the flood. Himself and partners were asleep in the tent. A sudden crash aroused him. In a moment the water was two feet deep in the tent. vain his effort to arouse his bedfellow. He had been drinking and was in a stupor. Poor fellow! I talked to him a few days before, but he treated me coolly. "Did not need religion half so much as gold." Collier was carried 700 yards below the tent, and without a thread of clothing left upon him, found himself upon a great boulder. I cannot take your space to de-scribe the force and fury of the water. At Oh, the force of its current! It roared, dashed, foamed, and, as if a thousand fires

A personal note, a promise and I am done for this time: Mrs. Fuller has gained sixteen pounds to her weight. Her health is much improved Ernest has very slight attacks of Asthma here. Think

quoted from an issue or two since. Oh, that men would learn the facts before they write? Love to all the brethren.

D. F. FULLER.

Salt River Valley is a beautiful and very fertile country. In extent it is more than fifteen by fifty miles. The surface is quite even, and declines from north to south about two feet per mile, and from east to west twenty-five feet per mile, and from east to west twenty-five feet per mile. The mount an invitation; that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the about two feet per mile, and from east to be found in that place of honor, [That is a mistake. We have but one place of honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the about two feet per mile, and from east to be oversight of yours. Thanks to all the oversight of yours. Thanks to all the oversight of yours. Thanks to all the best one; and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the about two feet per mile, and from east to be oversight of yours. Thanks to all the oversight of yours. Thanks to all the best one; and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the about one place of honor, [That is a mistake. We have but one place of honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the about one place of honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the honor, and that it is the preacher's first and holiest duty to engage vigorously in its extermination from the earth—the honor, and that it is the preacher me say if we examine the law of our of the taller ranges sixty to one hundred church we will find we do not need any legislation on the subject of our conferus thin ice is a severe winter. Flowing through the valley from east to west is Salt river, which heads away up in the taller mountains. As its waters are melted now and ice, when normal, the stream is clear and beautiful. This size for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preaches the concentration and surrounding opinion as the eyes of laymen. But the relations between the monopoly of the natural elements necessary to all life and indispensation. elear and beautiful. This river furnishes | widows and orphans of preachers?" | Can that be improved? Is there a delewater for the irrigation of the valley. gate elected that can mend that question, And here, I will say, the entire country is net-work of canais and ditches. Water ground? I answer, No. If so, let him continues plentiful until August, when it generally becomes scarce. But the grain crops are harvested long before this time, and the fruit, especially grapes, do best the condition of all the claimants on the with but little water at that season. The conference collection within his pastoral characteristic of these people when they conference, to be washings from the mountains, is deep submitted to the Joint Board of Finance." washings from the mountains, is deep and very rich. Wheat, barley, alfalfa, honey, truits, cattle and stock are the Conference improve on that part of our principal products. The grain is exceed-book?" If the preachers will examine beginning of the abolition movement, ingly heavy. And here is something I do the meaning of words as Webster gives would have tarred and feathered Wm. derstands: after harvesting a crop them they will say let that part of the law | Lloyd Garrison, but to them (the Northnot understands: after harvesting a crop of barley the land is irrigated and left, and forthwith comes a second crop, but of her left of the law alone. Any man who is worthy to take and forthwith comes a second crop, but of the many left of the law alone. Any man who is worthy to take the law alone. Any man who is worthy to take the method of the "comfort and of the law alone. Any man who is worthy to take the law alone the law a

wild bees. There is no timber for them to home in. Experiment having proven such authentic information in regard to

As to timber, there is none but mesquite, sage-bush, iron wood and other thorny bushes which is native. Cottonwood, ash and poplar grow rapidly, and the former, now full-leaved, casts its badow everywhere. A favore please of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of the ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of this ground and see if we can't find a way out of the ground and see if we can't find a way ou hands. They represent the conference. The church looks to the conference, and

have : Conference.	Amount Allowed.	No. of Claimants.	Per Capita
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Louisville	4,000	46	86 9
North Georgia	15.000	61	245 9
Louisiana	4,000	24	166 6
North west Texas	6,000	28	214 2
North Texas	3.000	25	120 0
Memphis	3,200	34	85 2
South Georgia	7,000	47	148 93
Alabama	8,770	55	158 4
East Texas	1,400	19	73 6
West Texas	3,125	17	183 8

and not the collections, of men who have families to support, and whose salarie are from \$600 to \$1500 in the mini-try and if merchants, lawyers and doctors are going to use the law this way, why change the law for them? In one of these conferences they say eight per cent. of the preachers' salary, and in one district stew-ard's meeting in that conference they assessed for the presiding elder of the district seventeen per cent. of the preacher's assessment. That is the trouble. These boards do not assess the amount necesnatives. It was very light. Drs. Hughes and McGlasson are conceded "the physicians" of this region. I am their pastor and know them to be Christian gentlemen. They tell me ague, chills and typho-malarial fever are exceedingly rand ments, but never have I heard one against this fund. Thus I say, let us not "mend our rules, but keep them." Let each pas-tor study that clause where he must do something, and give this board full information, and let them answer with an amount necessary, and the church will respond. At any rate, let us try it one TEXAS CONFERENCE.

THE SOCIAL PROBLEM. J. L. CALDWELL.

The appearance of W. S. Lilly's article. from the Forum, in the Advocate, on the "Social Problem," and your admirable editorial referring to it, has put many of us humble laymen in a good humor and under obligation to you. True, Mr. Lilly only proved himself to be a confused philosopher; but anything on the social question helps to solve that reflex of the riddle of the Sphynx.

Many weary and despondent hearts

have longed, prayed and wondered why our preachers and papers seem so much to ignore that eminently Christian subject, in which the whole civilized secular world is now so deeply interested—the social problem. It must be solved, else

it truly seems we must be destroyed. Just to think, if you please, what im-portant interests are involved in the matter: Morals and manners and mind, love, liberty and life, and food and raiment, in this world, to say nothing of the time of this disaster Salt river was also on its largest rise. Friday, 6 p. m., it was easily fordable. Bro. Roberts and wife crossed at 4 p.m. Saturday, 6 a. m., it was a mile wide. It was our first time to witness a mountain stream at its best. Oh, the force of its current! It recently and life, and food and raiment, in this world, to say nothing of the ext! Then, to think how urgent the case; how that, as Thos. G. Shearman has demonstrated, 31,000 people in the United States now own three-fifths of the wealth of the government; that before the wealth of the government; that before the war we had but two millionaires—now burned beneath it, it boiled and rolled.
Drift-wood in the channel sped by like a
Texas passenger train behind time.
Strange, but little damage was done.

A personal national and that two millionaires—now over 11,000—and, in consequence, millions of paupers. The clergy and our religious papers must come to the rescue.
It is, indeed, the issue—the all-important—the "weightier matter" the "weightier matter".

tion have, it may be thought, been sufficiently discussed throughout Christendom for the last decade, to put all moral teach-

than any other denomination. This was demonstrated in the slavery question. The Methodist, North and South, in the bereaved and appreciate the hard for we must hold a feast unto the Lord."

the "carrier" is full when it is removed. Claims of the superannated preaches of the present the superannated preaches of the fruit! Fig trees twenty-five feet and the widows and orphan children of the heathen urchin, might be able to Pears, apricots, plums, dates, prunes, apportion the same to the different precurrents and grapes. The raisins here siding elder's districts for collection the the gurgling spring. I would point them are very fine, and honey—so rich and ensuing year." Then on page 178 (5) to the three little books Henry George elegant in flavor. Of course there are no we find the members of this board, and has written: "The Land Question." to the three little books Henry George has written: "The Land Question," "Social Problems," and "Progress and Poverty." They probably would prove a sequel to that incomparable "Sermon on the Mount." Mr. George explains the mystery of the exhortation to take no thought of the morrow as to what we shall set out the whorewithal we be clothed pear. There are a number here and there now bearing. Corn, cotton and sugarcane grow to perfection, but want of market facilities, and the fact other crops pay that little book can be mended it will take a wiser man than Thomas Jefferson opportunities—the land—the poor are oblighed to take thought for the morrow,

Under our present system of private ownership of the land it makes it impossi-

More intelligence, Mr. Editor, must be devoted to social affairs, and this intelli-They are with us now. The other is, they "fill the earth and air" with their cotton—a white, downy substance.

As many have plied me with questions, I will say nearly all the government land here is taken up, I am told. Land is high,

of course. It is worth, with water privilege near Phoenix, \$100 per acre. And here, let me explain, a man to get a patent to land from the government must make oath that he owns the water with which it is irrigated. The canal companies sell farm water-rights at \$1,000 each, I think. This right makes your farm perpetual Texas \$3,000 28 \$109 25 is for him to determine for himself and the devil catch the hindmost," is the motto of society to-day. It is wrong—a destructive wrong; and nothing short of radical economical changes can right it—and nothing short of united Christian effort can effect the change. Whether the reader feels that it can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done on the line of free land, the first can only be done. adds, with a downward glance, "I-beof united Christian effort can effect the change. Whether the reader feels that it can only be done on the line of free land, is for him to determine for himself after an honest and faithful investigation of the subject. May God help him to do so!

MART TAXAS MART, TEXAS.

"GOD BLESS YOU." OCCASIONAL.

What other words or form of speech in all our language cover the entire possibil-ities of blessings as the words, "God bless

you?" Much is often meant, much often bestowed, by this little phrase.

At times we will simply say, "God bless you." We only commit you to his hands; leave it for him to decide that which shall be "added unto him," but again, we mean to ask certain bles-ings peculiar to the recipient's need. A letter before us, from our worldly but talented brother, which bears the post-mark of a distant wicked city, calls our attention to the use and acceptance of the term. A paragraph reads: 'Your God bless you, James, are reads: "Your God bless you, James, are about all the invocations that go up to my Creator in my behalf now-a-days, and I often feel they are a power of good. Something causes invaluable blessings to continue with me and unless your prayers availeth, I know not whence." The blessings referred to were never thought of when nightly for years we have on our knees said, "bless and guide unto all truth, and into the portals of thy grace, he who is so far from me and thee." Yet the temporal blessings received are attributed to this petition. The widowed mother, whose lovely daughter lingered on the border land of time, "Waiting, only waiting, for the Savior on the other on the border land only waiting, for the Savior on the other shore, "as we kissed her tear-seared cheek and pressed her hand, our whispered, "God bless you, sister," meant not houses nor land, silver nor gold, but grace sufficient for the parting hour, strength for the battle to be fought, courage for the darkest and deepest of shadows.

Then he is to have system about it, "in every place." He is not expected to have just a few nice pet lambs that receive all his attention, but in every place that comes under his pastoral care he is to eive them all the instruction in his power.

when the weeping mother bids her boy farewell as he steps into the world alone— one whom she crowns with blessings rare, "God bless you, my son," means all that "heighten his pleasures or solace his woes;" means everything desirable within woes;" means everything desirable within there a written report from the preacher and his efforts were rewarded, for his little bounds of human possibilities—God's in charge on the number and state of the school-room became too small to acguidance in the narrow path, success in business, health, strength, renown, all and more are included in these three standing the prominence given this line grew the Floyd Street Church, now one words.

When we heard Sister Embree, at the Belton Conference, say "God bless you, Uncle Jimmy," we could but wonder what more can be added to this venerable

aden. We—undone, wretched, lost.

III. In due time the disciples recognized the Savior. We, too, will recognized the Savior. We, too, will recognized the Savior. We, too, will recognized the Savior we, too will recognized the Savior we, too will recognized the Savior we, too, will recognized the Savior we, too will recognize the Savior we we then the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report with the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report with the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report with the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report with the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report with the savior was all-power to simply with the savior was all-power to simply make a verbal report w In our work in a certain city where fleedenominated the single tax. This reform promises universally, through its
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local bless the Texas Advocate, and
admonitions to the same party at the
same time. The law-makers of our church
had good authority for requiring the pasing the last fortnight we have asked the cates, the entire abolition of involuntary poverty. Poverty, they claim, causes different styles of readers, "What do you read first in the Advocate?" Will See Deut., vi:7: "And thou shalt teach Cates, the entire abolition of involuntary poverty. Poverty, they claim, causes more human suffering, and dapravity, and ignorance, and crime, than all things else; and is, therefore, the greatest sin, and as such, could not be a creation of posium I will take it for granted you expected I would write without an invitation of involuntary poverty. Poverty, they claim, causes more human suffering, and dapravity, and ignorance, and crime, than all things else; and is, therefore, the greatest sin, and as such, could not be a creation of the first column to see if the long article when thou walkest by the first column to see if the long article when thou walkest by the first column to see if the long article when thou liest down, and the will expect that is I will console myself that it is the preacher's first and heliest duty to engage vigorously a mistruct the change.

See Deut., vi:7: "And thou shalt teach you pardon us if we, in our egotistical way, give our own answer (?) first? Why, of course we turn to the front page, scan the first column to see if the long article we had written with so much care was to be found in that place of honor, [That is first and heliest duty to engage vigorously and ignorance, and crime, than all things of course we turn to the front page, scan the first column to see if the long article we had written with so much care was to be found in that place of honor, [That is great question.]

Brethren of the ministry, let us wake the first column to see if the long article we had written with so much care was to be found in that place of honor, [That is great question.] rightful home in hell.

Too much ought not to be expected of the preachers. "Their intellectual eyes are just as apt to be closed by the force of education and surrouncillar or intellectual eyes are just as apt to be closed by the force of education and surrouncillar or intellectual eyes is had by its great excellence crowded out Jean Paul from his rightful inheritance. In the devices and haunts of sin to control the young. And shall the church and the ministry look on and see him bind the rising generation hand and foot in his education and surrounding opinion as the education and surrounding opinion as the education and surrounding opinion as the up and down till the last is searched. The page editorial we hastily pass, knowing of bondage, Pharaoh made four proposinighty and weighty matters only occupy there. We come upon it, however, and our proof reading begins. Has the editor left out, curtailed, or otherwise muti-lated our pet article? Consolation comes in the shape of finding it as writtenmore complimentary to the editor's charers at least upon inquiry."

We may, however, have no occasion to despair of the Methodist Church, notdespair of the Methodist Church, notseriously speaking, we invariably read the editorial matter first. This always gives the key-note to all that follows; makes us more charitable in our views of the opinion of others with whom we do work done by the ministry in general. —Ex., x:9. The devil is making this Every word is read. Then even the advertisements are taken up, begenning leave the children with me," and thouso tenaciously that nothing short of the hanging of Jefferson Davis would seem to a certain baking powder," until the last corner, where we behold the joyful news, appease their enthusiasm.

"The Deaf Hear," and "Fits Are Cured." One preacher answers: "Praise the Lord! I always look at the revival notes first." ports from two certain works, to see how my boys are getting on preaching the gsspel." Another says (a man not overly pious, but a constant read), "It depends upon the fight on hand. I was anxious for awhile to know if John Brown's soul would go marching on to the same old tune, or would we be instructed to paste a piece of paper over No. 899. Then I A pious mother says: "I look for the re-ports from two certain works, to see how a piece of paper over No. 899. Then I became interested to see how many would take up the 'modish' question, and how long before Bro. Campbell would require silence. Now, I stand closely by to help him in case the lawyers and judges get too hard upon him for his defense of Czar Reed.' One precious old mother in Israel first searches "King Death's domain" to be comforted and strengthened by the testimony of those gone before, and rejoice with those who have a hope of meeting

them in the great beyond. A little maid, with eyes of blue briskly replies: "The Advocate always reaches us on Saturday afternoon. I watch my turn to get it to learn my Sunday-school lesson. I do believe I find it plainer there than any where else. Then," she

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preachers like grandpa."

The reply of a good sister was the answer we quite expected: "For by their fruits ye shall know them."
"Foreign missions always interest me first, especially woman work. I read every word in the ADVOCATE on this subject, and I find generally something to rejoice over."
The testimony of one boy of ten closes this list, although there are still more answers. He enjoys hunting for 'tisements of bicycles and air-guns. Success to the paper which can, and does interest every reader in some way

lieve-I-er-look-at the marriage no

tices next to see if I know any of the girls

married or the preacher who marries them." The unique occupation of one

NORTH BELTON CIRCUIT. THE PASTORAL INSTRUCTION OF CHILDREN

into the conference, "will you diligently instruct the children in every place?" Of course he gives a satisfactory answer, that is, he answers in the affimative, or he would not be admitted into the travel-

gish, careless, or indifferent the pastor may be about his other duties, he is to be diligent in this all-important work of in-

give them all the instruction in his power. The church has given prominence to this work in the second place, by requiring the pastor to make a written report of it every quarter. The question is asked four times pastor to make a written report of it every quarter. The question is asked four times each year in every pastoral charge: "Is of pastoral duties, there is unquestionably great indifference on the part of many pastors in regard to it.

Uncle Jimmy, we contain the discovery threshold of his was man of God who journeys down the western slope, upon the very threshold of his mighty inheritance upon the other side. Surrounded by friends, comfortable, full of the Holy Glost, can aught be wished for him but the answer to his lifelong prayer—"a peaceful hour in which to die?" How far beyond the reach of our blessings have some saintly spirits strayed, blessings have some saintly spirits strayed, will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he will require him to put in writing what he was a man, indeed, the conference again until the question is raised in quarterly at a session of the Louisiana Conference, when the Bishop who was to preside was detained by some cause and failed to reach the conference, and Bro. Armstrong was elected presiding officer of the conference. The testimony is that he measured up to the requirements of the occasion, and proved himself a man of executive ability, and of Christian courterly and the reach of the conference. sires to read know that he has neglected

slavish chains?

When Moses would lead his people out tions to him:

1. That he should remain in the land

and offer his sacrifice.

2. That he should stop out on the border, and not go very far out.

That the grown-up folks should go and leave the children behind. 4. That they should leave the flocks

If he had been successful in either of these propositions, the, probability is that the whole nation would have remained in bondage. But Moses said, "We will go with our young and with our old, with sands of Christian parents accede to his proposition. And shall the ministry look on and not enter a protest? Strange and inconsistent as it may seem, there are actually church members that will oppose and discourage the inclinations of their children to be religious, rather than with all their might strengthen such desires.

ful account must such give in the judg-ment! I wouldn't discourage a child in

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its religious inclinations for a million "But whose shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."-Matt.

LANCASTER, TEXAS.

### REV. SAMUEL ARMSTRONG. In the death of Rev. Samuel Armstrong,

who died not long since, at his home in West Dallas, the North Texas Confer-ence has lost an honored member. He transferred from the Louisiana Conference to the North Texas Conference in 1873, and in 1874 was appointed to Dallas city mission. It was my privilege to be-come acquainted with him soon after he entered upon his work in Dallas, as my brother's home was among the first to which he was invited, where he ever af-terward found himself an honored and welcome guest. Dallas at that time was but a small town, but with the advent of two railroads was growing rapidly, and people of every denomination, and of no denomination, were arriving from other points. Bro. Armstrong's labors as city missionary were arduous, and demanded The question is asked every preacher when he knocks at the door for admittance when he knocks at the door for admittance a remote suburb, now one of the most populous and handsome portions of the city, I recall his earnest words, his cheerful, inspiring presence, and I remember how he won the respect and love of his little congregation, how they gathered there Sabbath after Sabbath for services ing connection.

The church has given prominence to this particular work; first, by putting the adverb diligently before it. It is the only place in all that catalogue of questions where diligently is found. However slugs the pastor was something new to me, then one of the younger members of the old Lamar where diligently is found. However slugs there indifferent the pastor was Bro. Armstrong's influence that more in the service of my Master than I had ever done before. It became a pleasure for me to meet with the little Sunday-school on Sunday afternoons, to assist in hymning praises to God, and to aid the youthful minds in acquiring a knowledge of the lessons for the day. Bro. Armstrong was untiring in his efforts to bring the people to his services, and of the most prosperous in Dallas. Bro. Armstrong led an honorable, useful life in the ministry, before coming to our State, How many make that promise to in-struct the children and never think of it in the church. I have heard a relative of tesy and dignity. He was a man, indeed, in whom were blended the graces of the



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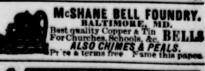
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"Moses"-By Members of the Christian

Association—Passage of the Red Sea. (Continued.)

Although the Israelites were guided by

the sea, and God caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and the waters were divided as by walls and the sea became as dry land. God also caused the cloud that stood before them to be moved behind them and throw

confusing darkness on the Egyptians, while it shed light on Israel. Thus the Israelites passed safely through the sea, while their enemies, who attempted to follow in the same path, were hindered by having their chariot wheels removed.

which he did, and the waters returned in their strength, causing all the Egyptians to perish. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hands of the Egyp-tians, and the people saw the great work which the Lord did, and they feared and believed the Lord and his servant Moses.

The Commandments: The command-

ments of God were given unto the people through Moses, from Mount Sinai, when the Lord came down upon the Mount and

met Moses. Here Moses was commanded to go down to the people and tell them not to touch the Mount—for whosoever toucheth the mountain shall surely die. Afterwards Moses, Aaron, and seventy

elders were told to come up to the mountain to worship, but Moses alone was to approach the presence of God; for God had said: "I will give thee tables of stone, a law and commandments which I have written that they mayned to the

When all things were ready, a

cloud filled the tent so that Moses was not able to enter. The cloud rested on the mercy-seat. When it moved, the children of Israel knew they were to move, and when it rested they knew they were to rest; thus proving to them God's willingness to guide them.—Eva Standley.

On their journey from Mount Hor, by way of the Red Sea to compass the land of Edom, the Israelites became dis-couraged and spoke against God and Moses. To punish them and to bring them to a consciousness of their sin, God

sent fiery serpents among them. They found no remedy for the bite of these serpents and all who were bitten died. The people in their distress came to Moses, acknowledging their sins, and asked him

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Moses not Permitted to Enter the Promised Land: Even great men are not with-out their faults. By one act of sin Moses,

the great law-giver of Israel, shut himself out of the promised land. The patriot leaves his quiet flocks to take charge of a murmuring and rebellious people. With admirable patience he endures the com-plaints of the Israelites, always turning

What a lesson for us who are often per-What a lesson for us who are often per-plexed and bewildered!

The multitude have almost reached the Promised Land. They come to the desert of Zin, which lies in the northeastern part of Arabia, just south of Canaan. Here Miriam, the sister of Moses, dies; and here, because there is no water in the land, the people, as usual, rise up against their leader, even threatening him with and here, because there is no water in the land, the people, as usual, rise up against their leader, even threatening him with violence. Moses at once seeks God's counsel, and had he followed it, as he had been wont to do, how different might have been the result! God said, speak to the rock. Moses smote it twice; and for this act of disobedience and presumption he is act of disobedience and presumption h been wont to do, how different might have been the result! God said, speak to the rock. Moses smote it twice; and for this act of disobedience and presumption he is not permitted to enter the land "flowing with milk and honey." We can but sympathize with Moses. When, wounded and vexed by the repeated ingratitude and rebellion of the Israelites, in an unguarded moment this hitherto faithful man does that which is displeasing to God. Nevertheless, we know that God is just. At the age of 120 years, having led the most eventful life of any historic person-

to God to direct him in time of trouble.

age, by God's direction ascends Mount Nebo, beholds the Promised Land far off, and dies there, and no man knows his

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A few points of similarity between Moses and Jesus: Both had good mothers and descended from the tribe of Levi. Each had unusual experiences in baby-hood. Jesus was cradled in a manger, and Moses was rocked in a basket floating on the waters of the Nile. No other stall was ever so honored; no craft ever bore such precious cargo as Peter's fishing boat and Jochebed's ark that lay hid among the bulrushes. Moses had to flee a pillar of fire by night and a cloud by day, and knew that Moses got his instructions direct from God, yet when they saw the Egyptians pursuing, they were afraid and murmured against Moses, telling him it would have been better to serve the Egyptians than to be brought into the

wilderness to die.

Then Moses said unto the people: "Fear not; stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." And God told Moses to lift up his rod and stretch forth his hand over with God for the sins of the people, and both wroughly missely a greater and more arduous work.

Both left courts of splendor, refused earthly honors and chose to suffer for the people of God. Both made intercession with God for the sins of the people, and both wroughly missely a greater and more arduous work. both wrought miracles to conquer unbe-lief and establish their divine authority.

Both died on mountains, and angels attended at their burial.

Israel had wandered from home and become slaves to Pharaoh, and Moses came to lead them back to peace and plenty in the land of their fathers. The human race had strayed from God, and Christ came to deliver them from the bondage of sin and lead them back to that by having their chariot wheels removed.

After the Israelites were safe on the other shore, the Lord directed Moses to stretch forth his hand again over the sea, which he did, and the waters returned in

About the Lesson.

LESSON I., SUNDAY, APRIL 6.

CHRIST'S LAW OF LOVE. Luke 6:27-33.

GOLDEN TEXT. "As ye would that men should do to you. do ye also to them likewise."-(Verse 31.)

(MEMORY VERSES 35-37.) QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

elders were told to come up to the mountain to worship, but Moses alone was to approach the presence of God; for God had said: "I will give thee tables of stone, a law and commandments which I have written that thou mayst teach the people." And Moses remained on the Mount forty days. When he came down his face shone with heavenly radiance, so bright that the people could not look upon him. Upon these ten commandments are based the laws of our government to-day.—ADA CANDLER.

Free-will Offerings: During the comparison of the mountain to day.—ADA CANDLER.

1. What is the subject of this lesson? Christ's Law of Love.

2. What is the Golden Text? "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."

3. Whom does Jesus say we must love?

"Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you."

4. Whom should we bless and pray for? "Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully uso you."

5. What should we do for those who injure us? "Unto him that smitch thee

ment to-day.—Ada Candler.

Free-will Offerings: During the communion on Mount Sinai, God directed Moses to take up a free-will offering to build a sanctuary that God might dwell among them. As the Israelites were dwelling in tents, this tabernacle was to be so built that it could be easily moved, God does not leave us in doubt in any matter of importance, but gives plain and full directions so that "he that runs may read." Moses was directed even to the smallest details concerning the tabernacle: the length, width and material for the building; the duties and costumes of the priests; the decoration for the pillars, and even the embroidery and colors of the curtains were all minutely set-forth.

So What should we do for those who injure us? "Unto him that smitch thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloak forbid not to take thy coat also."

6. What did he say about giving? "Give to every man that asketh of thee, and of him that taketh away thy goods ak them not again."

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7. What should be our rule? "And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise."

8. What do sinners do? They love those who love them.

9. Should we do that? Yes, and more than that.

10. What else do sinners do? They do good to those who do good to them, and lend to those of whom they hope to re-

good to those who do good to them, and lend to those of whom they hope to re-The Israelites were so liberal in their free-will offering that Moses had to restrain them from giving. Zipporah did not have to get up a church supper, as our good mothers are often compelled to do to do when all things were ready. a "Be we therefore merciful as your Father."

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful."

also is merciful."

13. What did Jesus say about judging?
"Judge not, and ye shall not be judged."

14. What did he say about forgiving?
"Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven."

15. What did he say about giving?
"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over."

16. What is the rule of God's giving?
"With the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

LESSON SURBOUNDINGS. found no remedy for the bite of these serpents and all who were bitten died. The people in their distress came to Moses, acknowledging their sins, and asked him to pray to the Lord to take away the fiery serpents. Moses prayed and the Lord told him to make a fiery serpent and set it up on a pole, and that all who were bitten would surely be cured when they looked upon it. Moses made a serpent of brass and put it on a pole as directed, and all came to pass as the Lord had said. The fiery serpents were typical of sin, and as they only cure for sin is looking to Christ, the brazen serpent on the pole was a type of our crucified Savior. Christ himself referred to this and gave this explanation: "And as Moses iffted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have eternal life."—Allie Philips.

Moses not Permitted to Enter the Promised Land: Even great men are not with-Intervening Events .- The healing of the

Place.-The traditional site of the Mount of Beatitudes is at the Horns of Hattin (Quroon Hatteen). This is a small ridge, with peaks resembling horns, on the west shore of the lake, southwest of Capernaum (whichever be the site of that city). It does not rise very high above city). It does not rise very high above the plain in most places, and would be a very convenient spot for the great assem-blage. Stanley upholds this site; Robin-

for teaching; probably the disciples closest to him; then a great multitude of listen-Parallel Passages .- Matthews v:40-48;

vii:1, 2. LESSON SUMMARY. Love is the theme of this lesson. Love, lovingness, loveliness. Love possessing the heart; love going out unceasingly to-

ward all; love making winsome the one whom it controls; love toward our fellows, because of our love toward God.

Professor Drummond has given point to Of the several million who left Egypt for Canaan only two persons, the faithful Caleb and Joshua, reach their destination. We can see the wisdom of this when we remember that the Israelites had strongly imbibed Egyptian ideas and customs. With these principles, together

for his sake.

As "sons of the Most High," we are to look upon all the children of our common Father as members of the same human father s

ADDED POINTS.

checked by their cursing us.

If a Christian's love has any special

A clause of verse 35, as given in the Revision, is worthy of special note:
"Never despairing." After seventy times seven, then seven hendred times seventy ing as quickly backward as forward. However paradoxical it may sound, a certain amount of weight is indispensable in

There is a name I never speak—
A name which I forever seek
To hide within my weary breast,
A name I could not, shoul I i try,
Pronounce without a heart and eye
O'erflowing with love's deep unrest—
A cherished name, here unexpressed—
O heart, thou knowed the respectable. O, heart, thou knowest the reason why. There is a name to me so sweet. There is a name to me so sweet,
Heart-echoes ever more repeat,
There ringing like a silver bell;
A name which sighs and broken sobs
My voice of tone forever robs
To speak in accents plain and well—
The reason why, O, who can tell,
That me of voice it ever robs?

There is a name to me so dear. There is a name to me so dear,
The owner's voice I seem to hear,
When twilight shadows compass me;
Ah! when night comes and labor o'er,
And direlight gleams upon the floor,
And one is missing—unto thee,
O, God, I cry, Is there for me
Rememberance, and nothing more?

A nameless one, a vacant chair— An aching heart, a lock of hair— Are these to me all that remain? O, God, thou knowest: Is there no

# Uniting me to the beyond. Where I shall greet my loved again? Shall plainly speak that name again? Else why a love so true and fond!

HOW SHE MADE HIM DO IT. Harry was standing in the road, on the way home from school. There had been a heavy shower an hour before, and there was a large puddle in the road. He had a switch, and was switching the water

a switch, and was switching the water from side to side.

Nettie came along, and looked very crossly at Harry.

"You stop that!" she said.

Harry did not like the way she spoke nor the look on her face.

"Say 'please,' and I will," he said.

"I'm not going to say 'p'ease!""

"Then I shall do it as long as I like."

"I can't get by till you stop."

"I can't get by till you stop."
"Yes, you can. I'm not hindering "You are. I shall get all splashed." "Then stay where you are. You can't Now, the truth was that Harry did not care a bit about switching the water any

longer. If Nettie had spoken pleasantly, he would have stopped at once. But now he felt as if he would stay there all day just to spite her.
"I shall tell your mother, you mean boy, if you don't stop," went on Nettie.

Harry laughed louder as Nettie tried to run by. He gave a harder switch and laughed more loudly than ever as he saw visit to friends in Oregon.—C. E. Cline.

ples (Luke vi:12-16). Coming down to a level place, he delivered the Sermon on the Mount, of which the lesson forms a part. That this is the same occasion reterred to in Matthew 5-7, appears from the circumstances recorded by all evangelists, as well as from the contents of the discourse.

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"Stop a minute, and let me get by, Harry," said Ruthie.
"I don't have to stop," growled Harry.
"But I can't get home till you let me

is worse than to suffer wrong from others.

laugh.
"I should like to see you try," said
Harry, holding his switch tighter than
before while he looked at Ruthie. "You're
as big as I am; but who cares for that?" "I can, though," said Ruthie. How do you think she did it?

"Idon't care. You can't make me stop."
"O, yes I can," said Ruthie, with a

She came nearer, still smiling, and said:
"Harry, please let me pass. You wouldn't be ugly to me, I know." He gave a little laugh as he stood back to let her pass, saying:
"Well, if that's the way you're going to make me, I guess I'll have to give up."
Try it, little children. You have all seen how one angry word or look will bring another, and how little good they do, and how much harm. Try how much power there is in a gentle word.—Our

with their grumbling, rebellious disposition, they would soon have become an idolatrous nation. From the sin of Moses we learn how much obedience is valued in the sight of God. If the patriot, the law-giver, the meek and lowly Moses, sinned, how much we need to be watchful! Let us "fear God and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man."—Clara Barlow.

"A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your own brethren, like unto me."

A few points of similarity between Moses and Jesus: Both had good mothers

shows how the greatest thing in the world can be made use of by us in every relation of life.

On the face of it, it is not an easy thing that hat us, to be full of kindliness toward those who are full of unkindness toward us. Yet, if we are swayed by love toward God and toward those whom God loves, we are just as sure to love our riends. Indeed, we cannot be said to love God while refusing to love those who are dear to him. A few points of similarity between Moses and Jesus: Both had good mothers

mon Father as members of the same human family; and we are to concede to them all the rights and privileges and favors to which we deem ourselves entitled. And so it is that the brother hood of man, as an outgrowth of the fatherhood of God, is a fact that prompts us to be loving toward all men, because God is loving toward all men, and asks us to be so for his sake.

And if we are full of love, we shall be lovely. Love begets love, and he who

lovely. Love begets love, and he who loves, is loved in return; "for with what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again."

Occasionally it changed its position a little, but remained on its wings (which moved so fast as to be almost invisible) when court adjourned in the evenwhen court adjourned in the evening.
It was there when the court epened the

He who can not love unless he is loved in return can never truly love; for a love that bargairs for its own existence is not love.

It is not that we are to bless men simply having sustained a continuous flight property of the course they expect the course the cours because they curse us; but it is that our wish to have them blessed ought not to be checked by their cursing us.

without food or water for thirty-one hours. We doubt if the youngest reader of this statement would live long enough to count the motions made during that time

when a godless person's love would fail.
"If you'll love me, I'll love you; but if you won't, I won't," may be well enough for a selfish child, but not for an unselfish child of God.

A glusse of verso 25 as given in the bird can and does frequently do this very

endeavors in behalf of one who taxes the patience and tries the temper of a follower of Jesus. "Never despairing;" "never despairing." There is no end to love like that the power to use the wings and the As our Father is, so ought we to be in our love toward those whom he loves. He is our pattern. His standard should be our standard. "Be ye merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

If you want to be a love to be in the power to use the wings and the weight to reciprocate—the two sitting, as it were, side by side and blending their peculiar influences to produce a common result. Weight also adds momentum. The canvas back duck is the plumpest, roundest and neaviest duck known on the There is a name I never speak—

A name which I forever seek

To be our standard. "Be ye merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

The canvas back duck is the plumpest, roundest and heaviest duck known on the lakes of the Northwest; and he also travels at the greatest speed—about 100 miles an hour. A heavy body once set in motion, meeting with little resistance from the air through which it passes, sweeps like a heavy pendulum. The trouble with all flying machines hitherto made by man is that they have not evidently been constructed in accordance with the principles in nature in properly adjusting the wing power to the weight. In birds, the wings elevate the body one instant, and the body by its fall elevates the wings the next. When a bird first rises, it has little or no momentum; consequently a flock of ducks momentum; consequently a flock of ducks or geese on the water always rise against the wind, though they may be compelled thereby to fly at first toward the hunter. When, however, they have attained suffi-

cient momentum, they turn and go easily in any direction. Cranes, geese and other large birds always spread their wings and run for a dis-tance on the ground when starting to fly, in order to gather sufficient momentum to enable them to rise. This momentum costs many a bird its life by flying against costs many a bird its life by flying against telegraph wires and light-houses. Frairie chickens are picked up almost daily through lowa and Minnesota along the railroads, where they have been killed by flying against telegraph wires. Not long ago an experiment was tried on a kinglisher (we will not tell who did it) by placing a small fish on a board and floating it down stream, where a number of king-fishers were sitting on trees near the brook fishers were sitting on trees near the brook diving every few moments like arrows into the water for fish. The board had not gone far when a kingfisher went down "kezip" on to the board for the fish.

The result was a kinglisher had a broken neck. Some birds, especially aquatic ones, are furnished with hollow bones and a liberal supply of air sacs in different parts of the body. These air sacs are very distinct in swans, geese and ducks. Some birds also have hested air in their bones. The use of the air sacs and hollow bones (that is bones without marrow in them) is obvious I think, and yet some of the best flyers, among which is the snipe, have bones

Of the many mechanical problems be-fore the world at present, perhaps there is none greater than that of aeriel navi-gation. It is well known that an eagle can lift and carry away a lamb as heavy as his own body; and this proves that it is possible, by means of wings, to trans-port heavy bodies through the air. There is reason to believe that our knowledge of this most difficult department of science will go on increasing until this knotty problem is finally solved. If this day should ever come, will it be too

tilled with marrow.

that great as the destiny of our race has been hitherto, it will be quite outlustered by the grandeur and magnitude of comingevents?

much to affirm that it will inaugurate a new era in the history of mankind, and



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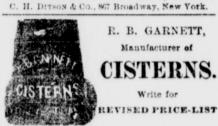
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WHY CHRISTIANS DIE.

More Christians die from starvation than from any other cause. They starve not for lack of meat, but from neglect of eating. And strange to say that one of the first effects of negligence to eat is the loss of appetite. The starving Christian never suffers from hunger. Therefore many are deceived. They do not know their condition and therefore persuade themselves that they are in good health when they are really dying. They imagine that they are eating meat when really they are not. The disciples of the blessed Master were astonished once when in reply to an invitation to eat, he said: "I have meat to eat that ye know not of." They said among themselves: "Hath any man brought him to eat?" Then "Jesus saith unto them my meat is to do the will of Him that sent me and to finish his work." This is the meat for which a greater part of the church is perishing to-day. The true disciple is like his Master. Christianity is Christ. The say I have no confidence in the purity of Christian is a reproduction of the charac-Christian is a reproduction of the characteristics of the Christ. To do the will of God is the meat and drink of the least it is that way in the copy I kept, 30 by Bishop Wilson. true Christian. A want of appetite is the sign of disease. The man of sound health gets hungry when the body needs meat. Meat satisfies hunger and gives life and strength to the body, and there is nothing more agreeable to the taste of a hunstrength to the body, and there is nothgry man in sound health than meat. The tion for Sam Jones and his co-laborers, same is true of Christian work and the which amounted to \$25. That was no Christian. Doing the will of God satisfies more than was just and right. Any thethe deepest hunger of the soul. It sus- atrical troupe, for less labor, would have tains life and gives strength, and there is carried off a larger sum, and it would nothing which yields so much in solid have brought nothing to the city, comjoy. "It is more blessed to give than to paratively, in the way of crowds and receive." This is the highest ideal at- money, and would have left the people tainable in Christian life. Not until morally worse, while Sam Jones flooded doing the will of God becomes the daily the town with people who spent their food of the soul can it be said the disciple money in Fort Worth; and, infinitely betis like the Master. In the Christian life ter than all, led many of her citizens into work is food and idleness is starvation.

## RUDENESS OF POLITE SOCIETY.

There is a section of our people which is generally designated as "society," sometimes with the adjective "polite" or "good" prefixed. This section is supposed to monopolize refinement and good

It is against this section that we bring the deliberate accusation of social rudeness, and such rudeness as only comes ness, and such rudeness as only comes from the home of my boyhood; and befrom coarseness and narrow-mindedness. sides this, it has the "biggest" editor The very essence of rudeness is that it disregards the feelings and wishes of others. But these people set up their own ideas and customs as right at all times and insist on their adoption, no Jones morning and afternoon last Sunday

the religious convictions of others. Who has not known the very best peo- statement: ple of this ilk to enter an elegant home on invitation to some social occasion, and after they were assembled to beg and entreat the hostess to permit them to dance when they knew that such an act on their part would not only distress the hostess, but would seriously compromise her with her church? What conduct on the part of guests short of down right ruffianism could be ruder? It is the same way when they receive visitors into their own homes. Who of us have not been forced, our civilization. unexpectedly and under embarrassing circumstances, to avow our temperance

temperance people, compelled to decline language that a man could only use in the offered punch or to go back upon their principles.

Perhaps the greatest instance that can be offered is the most common. Sons and daughters are raised by pious parents, and by their efforts are educated and given a place in society, and they straight- an orator. way conclude that their parents are old fogies, and their wishes too foolish to be regarded. Then the first thing you know they have invited a crowd of their young friends around to the beautiful home the parents have provided, and the first thing the old folks know of the real character of the occasion is the sound of the orchestra and of shuffling feet in the parlor. Such an instance was given in the Ap-VOCATE last week, where an adopted daughter so used the home of a Methodist as to bring reproach upon him to whom she owed everything. The children who will thus cater to society for the poor reward of being written up in the society column of a daily paper, and to gain their worthless object will trample upon the hearts of their parents, are savages at heart, whatever may be the polish of their manners.

## THE COLLECTION.

A TYLER paper informs us that the Hon N. W. Finley, of that place, has withdrawn from the Teneha Club and united with the M. E. Church, South. It was wise to leave the one to join the other. Every one should free himself of all entangling alliances with the devil before member who clubs with the world is like a man going to battle with his hands tied behind him. The baptismal vows taken by those joining the Methodist Church cannot be reconciled with membership in a club which encourages the vulgar dance, card-playing, etc.

REV. C. H. MALOY, Leesville, writes: "I am not near through canvassing for the best paper in the State. I am going from house to house, and I never forget the claims of the ADVOCATE. I have sent forty-two subscribers thus far."

THE discussion on the appropriations of the Mission Board of the Northwest Texas Conference closes with this issue. paper changed should be careful to name not only It is proper that the writer who opens proceeded far enough on the present line of discussion.

> and then a mercenary in the pulpit, but such are rare indeed. It must be admitted by all that while ministers of the gospel do not preach for money, they cannot preach without it. Any man who works preacher and another for the laity. Every support of the college by sending their the cord by which the lamb was drawn hire, is the law for all alike. But these assured success. false accusers condemn themselves, for they do just what they falsely charge the preacher with doing. And when a man circulates a charge of that kind imorder that he may be a gainer thereby, he certainly has reached the lowest depth of baseness.

R. M. Powers: The types make me any member of the church who in any in St. Louis, May 3d.

and that is the way I want it to read. QUERY: Can a man be pious who is QUERY: Can a man be pious who is to see by telegram that our Las Vegas not pure? and can a man be pure who is college was burned, with but small innot pious?

a better life. Neither will the amount paid Sam Jones decrease the salaries of the local pastors, but rather increase them -and they ought to be increased.

Bro. L. B. Ellis, formerly of Texas,

but now of St. Louis, Mo., writes: I feel almost lost sometimes without the TEXAS ADVOCATE. I love Texas, Texas preachers, Texas editors, and the Texas ADVOCATE. I have been reading the AD-VOCATE since I began reading. It tells my friends, brings me tidings [chestnut] it ever had, and is a "bigger" paper than it ever was, and I love the paper for what it is.

HAVING been present and heard Sam matter if they conflict with the wishes or at Fort Worth, we give the following from the Dallas News as a just and fair

> Speaking for Brother Jones, it must be said that no tongue ever rang out from the pulpit in Texas stronger truths, even apart from religion, than did he.

> In the sermon to men this afternoon he spoke about the flagrant violation of law, the compromising manner in which sworn officers of the law discharged their duties. In all the sermons Bro. Jones had said strongly that the loose manner in which the laws were executed was not only largely responsible for the public disre-gard of high morality, but was weakening the laws themselves and enervating

> There was never an audience in Texas so deeply impressed as the concourse of seven thousand men that heard Bro.

presence of men.

These men were mistaken altogether.

The Michigan Advocate tells about a bequest of more than \$5000 that came recently into the treasury of the Detroit Conference Superannuated Preachers' Relief Society; and we know of other lega-cies, small and large, falling to similar organizations for the aid of faithful ministers, retired by age or disease from ac-tive service. It really seems too bad that a few well-meaning people persist in thus "destroying" the collection for conference claimants. For if the drift of the argument among our Southern brethren be correct—in the discussion now going forcorrect—in the discussion now going forward, and which was precipitated by a dividend of \$5000 from their publishing house—that the tendency of such aid is to breakdown "the Fifth Collection," then endowments and legacies for the benefit of aged and disabled ministers must also be hurtful. The logic seems to be that the "regular collection" has been so sattisfactory that it is hazardous to imperil isfactory that it is hazardous to imperil it. Yet we know in most cases it is a regular pittance only, even poorer than the "claimants" and feebler than the faith of those who fear for its health. Fraii indeed it must be, and miserable the purpose behind it, if a breath of helpful cheer from the Book Concern or from some grateful Christian may blow it away, or

dry up its : o irce.

How we long to whisper in the ears of tangling alliances with the devil before our brothers down there that their fears joining the church of God. The church are groundless; that their dividends will rather stimulate both the sales of their publishing house and the collections for the claimants, if the pastors and presiding elders are only careful to show the people that these dividends, with their annual gifts, reasonably increased, may presently enable the church to do what it never has been able to do, with all its other obligations, give a decent support to its veteran ministers! The effect of dividends, legacies, and all other helps, depends on the turn given the facts by the pastor. The people only need light and encouragement.

> THE following is an extract from the letter of Mr. Washington Duke, of Durham, N. C., tendering his gift of \$85,000 to Trinity College:

I make this gift, not with any spirit or Texas Conference closes with this issue. It is proper that the writer who opens a discussion have the closing article. Bro. Hearn opened, and with his article this week the discussion must close. If any of the brethren wish to discuss, as a any of the brethren wish to discuss, as a and attract students by its superior adgeneral proposition, the best policy for vantages. I desire to promote the high-making missionary appropriations, all est learning under the guidance of Chrisright; but we think the discussion has proceeded far enough on the present line resources of the Board of Trustees must be increased so as to enable them to get and keep the most talented professors THE men who say Sam Jones preaches for money will say and do say the same of other preachers. There may be now thoroughly equip every department of the college with the best and most approved buildings and appliances for doing this work and secure the largest possible patronage by opening these advatages to all young men of whatever financial ability, who are prepared to avail themselves of them. I am aware that this gift is not large enough to do all for the college that I desire to see done for it, for money as an end is a mercenary, make it with the expectation that it will been a suspicious visitor to Dallas for whether he be a common day laborer, be speedily supplemented by liberal donamerchant, physician, lawyer, teacher or tions from the Methodists and friends of the institution throughout the State, and week, one of Bro. Allen's fair lambs. preacher. God has not one law for the that they will also rally heartily to the His brother, I. S., assisted him by tying man must eat bread by the sweat of his sons to this, the college of their own away. The young lady's name was Arm

> If I did not feel assured that my exmaking the donation, and if such should not be the result, I shall be disappointed in the purpose of the gift.

## SOUTHERN METHODISM.

News, Views and Personals.

-The bishops will convene in council

-St. Louis Advocate: We were pained

-Dr. Kirkland, editor of the Southern

for duty. -The Methodists of Arkansas have had the difficult question of the location of a college to decide, and have located Hendrix college at Conway, which place gives \$55,000 for the location.

-Rev. W. T. Bolling, D. D., has been transferred from Denver to Kentucky. Conference and stationed at Covington. Bro. Crow, of Louisville, Ky., takes Bro. Bolling's place in Denver.

-Dr. Carter's (editor of New Orleans Advocate) second son, Thomas, has been licensed to preach by the Felicity Street quarterly conference. He was graduated from Tulane University, last June, and is not quite twenty years old. We congratulate father and son.

-Trinity College will be moved from Raleigh, N. C., and located at Durham, N. C., the citizens of the latter place having donated \$114,361 to be used as follows: 450,000 is to be put in the building, \$20,000 for the site, and the remainder, 44,361 to the endowment fund by the college. Mr. Washington Duke, of Durham

tobacco fame, gives \$85,000 of the amount. -Episcopal Methodist: Bluffton, Ala., makes the munificent gift of \$500,000 to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the location of the educational institution known as the University of the Southland. Rev. C. L. Mann, D. D., who has it in charge, says that \$1,500,000 will expended on the main building, which will be 300x300 feet, and seven stories in height, with an inner court 200 feet square. The material to be used is white marble, granite and sandstone. Ground will be broken on April 15, and work on building pushed rapidly.

Statistics Baltimore Conference: There are 111 local preachers, 40,028 white members, 25 colored members, making a net gain of 1138. The additions have been 928 by certificate, 2735 by profession of faith. The removals from all causes were 2544. The number of churches are 447; value, \$915,669. Parsonages, 118; value, \$197,125. Other church property, \$28,-282. Total value of all church property, \$1,141,076. The expenditures on churches and parsonages were \$61,275. This is an increase of nine churches, value, \$28,834; five parsonages, value, \$9725; increase value in other church property, \$4877.
Total increase in value over last year's report of \$43,436. An increase of \$5152 principles? Not long ago we saw a social Jones this evening. Thousands were gathering, composed almost entirely of there because they expected to hear and parsonages. There were raised

for building and improving church property \$45,585, an increase of \$9677. There was raised for building ment that any woman on earth could not hear with propriety, but on the other hand he spoke with the wisdom of a philosopher, the acumen of a statesman, the piety of a preacher and the force. ture was \$5005; contributions for missions \$7997, collected on Children's Day \$331. The number of scholars in infant classes Dr. Earl Cranston, of Methodist Book Concern (Cincinnati) in Western Advo
1274. Expenses of Sunday-schools \$9191. For missions and church extension the report shows: Assessments for foreign missions \$13,379, paid \$10,717. Domestic missions, assessed \$6251, paid \$4258. For church extension, assessed \$3394, paid \$2051. For education, \$1144. For Bible cause \$167. Collected for missions during week of self-denial, \$305. For ministerial education. \$160. For Lane Institute, \$58. Ministerial support, presiding elders, as-sessment for \$10,300, paid \$9541; preachers in charge, assessment \$87,815, paid \$83.854; junior preachers, assessment \$4475, paid \$4009; bishops' fund, assessment \$1230, paid \$1114; conference claimants assessment \$1230, paid \$1114; conference claimants assessment \$1230. ants, assessment \$9107, paid \$7085; other

obligations \$19,511. -Southwestern Methodist: It is late in the day for Methodist preachers to be de-bating, "What are the conditions of Membership in the Methodist Church?" yow of repentance, faith and obedience.
One who is ready to assume these vows,
understandingly and sincerely, no Methodist preacher has a right to exclude from the church; one who cannot assume them, no preacher has a right to receive. "These societies," mentioned in the Discipline, are not the church. One who does not believe that Christ was conceived of the Holy Ghost, has no right to membership in the church, no matter how much he may desire to "flee the wrath to come."

## TEXAS PERSONALS.

-Prof. Cooper, State Superintendent of Public Schools, called to see us this week. We were glad to see him.

-Little Ida May Lewis, who lives at McGregor and has a missionary hen, thinks the ADVOCATE is a good egg.

-We are indebted for calls this to the following brethren: Revs. H. C. Parrott, I. S. Ashburn, A. S. Ashburn, Samu'l P. Wright, L. L. Adams, and W. F. Clark.

-We notice in our marriage column this week the marriage of the Rev. Milton H. Porter, of the Texas Conference, to Mrs. Louisa M. Lafferty. A good help-mate is no drawback to the Methodist itinerant, and we congratulate the brother who has been able to find one.

-The Rev. J. T. Nichols, presiding elder of Sulphur Springs District, called to see us on his return from the Terrell District Conference. He left the office for his home sick. We trust his sickness was nothing more than an ordinary chill, and hope to hear that he is better.

-J. B. Gober, Rosalie, March 25: Bro. J. M. Jones, while out bird hunting, was leaning on his gun with his shoulder against the muzzle, when his dog running against the gun, discharged the whole load into his dog. into his shoulder, making a very painful wound. The doctors think he will recover.

—Bro. J. T. Armstrong, the pastor upon Kerens circuit, Waco district, was called home from his quarterly meeting by a telegram Saturday, 22d ult., which an-nounced the death of his daughter. We join our sympathy with that of many wrethern who will represented Fig. A. in brethren who will remember Bro. A. in this sudden and sore trial.

-The Rev. S. A. Ashburn, who has some time past, revealed the character of brow and the laborer is worthy of his church, and taus make this great work an strong. Sam is happy, and we wish that the honeymoon may never wane.

-The Rev. A. J. Potter, of the West pectations as above stated would be Texas Conference, who lives at San Anrealized, I would not feel justified in gelo, has been in extremely ill health for gelo, has been in extremely ill health for some time, and is now dependent upon the sales of his book for a support. Any one wishing "The Life of Andrew Jack son Potter" can get it by sending him \$1.50, or any preacher can get it for \$1. Bro. Potter has lived the life of a frontiersman, and his biography is not wanting in thrilling incident. ing in thrilling incident.

## DEATHS.

J. R. Allen, Dallas: Mrs. Eleanor Heady Russell, a Texas pioneer, who molded the first bullet fired for Texas independence, the widow of one of our noblest pioneers, and, better than all, a mother in Israel, died in Dallas, March 23, and her funeral took place from the First Methodist Church at 2:30 p. m., on the 24th.

## FLESH AND FISH.

The following will explain itself:

Editor Christian Advocate

Dear Sir: For two or three years ef-forts have been made to secure the passage of a law placing "yellow-covered novels" and boys' story-books in the mails as third class matter, instead of second class, where they are now rated. The result of the present classification is that such books, to the amount of hundreds of tons, are carried annually in the mails at one cent a pound, while other books - bibles, miscellaneous, school books, etc.—cost eight cents a pound. Last year such a bill was passed by the

House, but failed in the Senate. I need hardly explain to you that the deleterious, hurtful and abominable books sold at from three to ten cents each that are ruining boys by the thousands, as well as twenty to fifty-cent paper-covered novels, are carried at one cent a pound, while good and unobjectionable books cost eight cents a pound.

It seems almost incredible that such books as "The Mysterious Marauder, or the Boy Burglar's Long Trail;" Will, or the Boy Ferret of New York;"
"Flora, or Wizard Will's Vagabond
Pard;" "Gold Trigger the Sport, or the Girl Avenger;" "Solid Sam, or the Boy Road Agent," and thousands of others, of which these are only a fair sample, should have a premium placed on them by the Postoffice Department, and be carried at one eighth the cost of helpful books.

It is true, some unobjectionable books are classed as second-class mail matter, but the number of such is very small. We simply want to place all books on the same level.

A bill similar to that of last year has been introduced (H. of R., 7558), and I want to ask your assistance in securing its enactment. Now, the way your readers can help this bill is: 1. To write to some member of the House or Senate Postoffice Committee (a list of which I send you), or, 2. To write to the member of Congress from their district, or a senator from their State, calling attention to the bill by number, and asking their assistance in secur-

ing its enactment.

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Yours Truly, THOMAS K. CREE. 40 E. 23d street, New York, March 22, 1890.

## A CHANGE WANTED. R. V. GALLAWAY.

Bro. W. H. H. Biggs, in Advocate of 6th inst., is right. There is no such thing in Methodist economy as a circuit register, but the law ought to be more explicit in other places as well. Under Duties of Preachers in Charge, Discipline, page 82, in answers 12 and 13, add after "kept" by the secretaries of church conferences) then on page 80, answer 7, add, after the words "each" church and "quarterly conference." Our statistics are often incor-rect, and discrepancies occur; hence we hear read out at the annual conference forty or fifty dropped. It is the duty of the church secretary to furnish the statistics to be reported to the annual confer conditions are stated definitely in the ence. They do not do it. One reason is, three yows, or, as we sometimes say, the they frequently have not the data, from the fact that preachers in charge, instead of seeing that these books or registers are kept, keep them themselves, and the church at home is neglected. Rolls are not furnished, because they are not correct, neither are they understood. I am glad we are improving on this line. Let us go on unto perfection.

District conference vs. quarterly conference. Better blot out the district conference than injure the quarterly conference. In our connectionalism there is danger in neglecting our congregations. Our suc-cess is based upon a converted and educated membership-educated in our doctrines and usages. Our people ought to know what we are doing. Our church papers are doing a good work on this line. Our minutes help, but all do not read either; therefore we want to emphasize the proper use of the church conference. Let us improve this institution. I sug-

1. Discipline, page 66, after "receive reports," say, 1st. "From preachers in charge." Let this embrace in writing all the statistics which the Discipline requires to be reported to the annual conference. 2d. Instead of first, add local "preachers," change 3 to 4, 4 to 5.

Under 5th, "From stewards," add: (Let this embrace in writing the whole amount assessed and the amount the soelety is expected to pay, and the final settlement of the same at the close of the year, together with all moneys paid out

by the church.)

Then on page 111, answer 2, after the word "return," say "to the church and quarterly conference."

By keeping a record of our finances in every church and our people posted, it will help our collections. Societies rise and fall, and no record left. Many, if not all, our churches are without a true record at home. To emphasize our connectional institutions without home culture is but to fail; fruit will always grow at the end of the limb. The limb frequently breaks, and the trunk is injured.

Let us hold church conferences, but not abuse them. I have seen records of church trials in the minutes of church confer-ences. Let our presiding elders arrest the character of every preacher who brings the character of our people before a church conference, the instructions of committee for admission on trial to the contrary notwithstanding. Delegates to the General Conference, take due notice

Snowed in! Yes, were snowed in! A Texan can hardly realize the import of the term; so this is a new experience with this itinerant.

Snow, snow, snow! forty-four inches leep, and still it snows! The tall firs bend and sway under their vast load of whiteness. The grim mountains seem to frown defiance upon us! Here we are shut in—five of us, and a bachelor steward, whose cabin "in the wilderness" we temporarily occupy as a parsonage. Weary weeks have passed, and still the storms are not abated. Nobody stirs from their cosy homes unless stern necessity com-Through the tall trees, which round our mountain home, the winds sigh and mean, and seem to echo the thought of the dear people in the following strain:

"The steward is there, so we need not fear; They will be cared for with tenderest care." But, what good's the steward but to help eat the scanty store? I, to-day, found myself taking a mental

invoice of the stock on hand, about as follows: A little flour in the sack, a lean, cadaverous-looking shank-the doleful remains of a 10-pound shoulder, and a few lonesome, pathetic-looking onions in a little box! "Well," says I to the bachelor, "I believe it is Josephus tells us how some men in a cave, at the time of the siege of Jerusalem, were reduced to such straits that they came to the desperate onclusion that, in order to save life one of them would have to serve as food for the rest of the gang, and it was decided that the man who had the biggest nose should be that one." I knew my nose was not the largest in our crowd, and so I felt tolerably safe in making the proposition to adopt their expedient for tiding it over the storm. At any rate, the proposition might be of some practical use to the inmates of the parsonage (even should it not be acceded to), something on the principle of that made by some prisoners during the late war, who, being much pinched by hunger, proposed to make pork of "Wash," a colored man in the camp. Of course Wash, rather than "go (or rather, down), in that way, was willing to risk his scalp by making a raid that night upon a roasting-ear patch which grew near by. "At all events," thinks I, "we will watch developments." I hope, Mr. Editor, you shall not have to chronicle the sad catastrophe of an Oregon itinerant starving to death in a land of plenty, nor of his having to eat a live steward.

P. S.-Well, we've waited until 90'clock a. m. next day, and no change for the better. Oh! ah! alas! must we starve? I've just been rumaging the goods-box pantry, the pots, pans, and in fact every place where victuals are wont to be found, only to share the sad disappointment of old mother Hubbard and her poor doggie. I'm like a donkey in a thistle patch. Sam Jones' old lean ox in the hot lane, licking grass through the fence cracks, i nowhere. But, see! here comes a ray of sunshine through the window pane and falls upon the page as I write. May be we'll be all right yet. Very Truly—Oregon ITINERANT.

## WILLIAMS, OREGON.

REPLY TO REV. B. A. THOMASSON. REV. R. V. GALLAWAY.

He says: "I do not claim many presiding elders do actually receive too much salary." J. W. Hearn would no doubt endorse this statement. They give up the question, and there is, therefore, no

"waste of our Lord's money;" but dis crimination is the trouble. A gentleman was once asked if he was going to send his boy to college. He replied: "No, God forbid that I should waste \$5000 on a ten cent boy!" A wise father, he knew how to discriminate; so I am glad our Board of Missions has shown wisdom in its admin-Missions has shown wisdom in its administration. They may and do make mis-takes, but their wisdom is shown, first, in occupying all the ground planned under wise counsel; second, in being able to pay 100 cents on the dollar. As far as hinder-ing the cause is concerned, there are Ing the cause is concerned, there are those in the church who are always getting something between them and their contribution. A good brother once said to me, "I don't think I will pay any more missionary money," because the board had appropriated some money to a certain work and the bishops had sent a man there that could not preach. Some peothere that could not preach. Some people say they will not pay the preacher because he does not visit them. A member of my charge once said to me: will not pay you if you do not preach in our part of town." I told her I was not on the market; what I did, I did from principle. This is the only way we can support the cause of God. Pay from principle, and let us never be satisfied until we pay \$1 per capita, instead of twenty-eight cents, as we now pay. FAIRY, TEXAS.

## THAT PROTEST. Reply to Rev. Horace Bishop. REV. J. W. HEARN.

Bro. Bishop says: "Bro. Hearn assumes that the Gatesville district is territorially the same this year as last." No, Bro. Bishop, I make no such assumption, but I do say, the new territory paid the presiding elder last year \$823, to which is added this year the new circuit of Coryell City, which I suppose will average well with the entire work, which will give us \$57 to be added to the above, making a total of \$880 for presiding elder for this year which is good proof; that Cotton-ille

year, which is good proof that Gatesville district "is no longer missionary ground."

Bro. Bishop makes another fatal mistake in this: "The size of the presiding elder's household is thirteen," which statement is true in fact; but I ask, are all the thirteen dependent on the president. all the thirteen dependent on the presiding elder for support, or are several of

them self-supporting?

I have yet to learn that a preacher's family, some married, others in business for themselves, are to be counted in the number of those who are dependent upon him for support.

If that is the law, I have nothing more

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to say. I say nothing about the presiding elder's salary. The assessment is not too large, it ought to be paid; but in view of all the facts, why not let them take chances with their brethren?

Again, "if assessments always meant full collections, then indeed would the Board of Missions rejoice." My! Bro. Bishop, please turn to page 57 of the minutes of the Northwest Texas Conference and let your tearless ever run down ence and let your tearless eye run down the column of "paid the presiding elder and preacher in charge," and tell us which of the two is most deserving of sympathy. The comparison will doubtless do you good.

Again: "Ask any presiding elder you may select by what amount the traveling expenses of the presiding elder exceeds

expenses of the presiding elder exceeds those of the average pastor. He will in no case say less than \$150, often \$200."

Not so fast, Bro. Bishop, one is ready to testify to the fact, with this amendment: not what the presiding elder does spend in traveling, but what is strictly necessary.

Claburne district—Of the \$1200 assessed. Cleburne district-Of the \$1200 assessed for the presiding elder, Bro. Bishop says: "I pray that they may realize their expectations. If they base their calculations on the records of the past, they are surely groundless." If they did not so "base their calculations," then the only conclu-sion for me is, that they made the assess-AN OBEGON ITINERANT SNOWED IN. ment larger than they expected to get, so that the presiding elder would have the

> final settlement, which I can not believe; but that such will be the case, though not by intention, is inevitable. Again: "It is a new district, with a new presiding elder with a growing family, and himself a frail man."(?) Yes, a "new district," composed of old and well organized churches, struggling for progress on all lines of church work, with a record above the average, and with the will to "abound yet more and more," but at the remainder of sentence I pause. Let Bro. Bishop look over on the Cleburne district, and he will see "new men" on new works with "growing families," and some of them very "frail." And if Bro. Bishop's rule is good in the one case, and not in the

advantage of the preacher in charge in

other, will he please tell us why? Again: "The district has to be traveled by private conveyance, and involves a heavy outlay." Exactly the same with every preacher on the district with whom I am acquainted, though not quite so heavy as in the case of the presiding elder, and for which excess due allowance should be made by the board of district

stewards. Mulkey Memorial—Bro. Bishop says:
"Bro. Barcus was sent there to organize a
new work." The presiding elder of the
district, which includes the Mulkey Memorial church, in a private letter to this scribe, says: "Mulkey Memorial Church was organized just before conference with seventy members."
Who is right? Be that as it may, here are the facts: A church house worth

\$8,000 or \$10,000, a parsonage worth \$625, preacher paid in full to date, and now immediate steps are taken to carpet the church, which is rapidly nearing completion, for all of which I rejoice; yea, and will rejoice, but while I do so, I must be allowed to say: The board could have appropriated the \$500 where the demand is greater, and at the same time Mulkey Memorial would have accomplished all her desires.
Again: "It is an open secret which

Bro. Hearn ought to know, that Bishop Key's words, which are often quoted: Texas is no longer missionary ground,' have been thoroughly mis inderstood," etc. Admit it, will Bro. Bishop inform us by what rule we are to understand a writer if it be not found in the meaning of the words which he uses?

If the above rule be not true, many us have been betrayed into error, and is it not important that we should be set right? for be ye assured that their name is legion who reach the same conclusion as myself, and while we are open to conviction, yet something more than fun, "sweet babies" "snow storm," and bluster will be necessary to that end.

ROCKWALL, TEXAS.

### WHAT IS AN EPISCOPAL DECISION WORTH? REV. J. B. SEARS.

Rev. J. W. Groves has, in his silence, allowed "Justice" and several others to indulge the supposition that there is a connection between the salaries of the presiding elder and the preacher in charge and that they are not as "independent as the conference fund, bishops' fund, or any other claim upon our church."

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Again, if under our present law these two claims are as "independent of each other as the conference fund, bishops' fund, or any other claim on our church," our revisers ought to have changed the eighth question in the order of quarterly conference business. This form of the eighth question was inserted in 1866 at the New Orleans General Conference, and though there have been five General Conferences since, it stands unchanged.
An explanatory note was added in 1874, which sustained the popular interpretation of this question. The very wording of the question and the note more than of the question and the note more than hints that these two claims are not as "entirely independent of each other as the conference fund, bishops' fund, or any other claim on our church." Now this eighth question is at a very dangerous point, for every presiding elder and preacher in charge are exposed to the danger of mistaking, worse, of misapplying, this law at least four times every ing, this law at least four times every year. Revisers, take notes.

"The only warrant for pro rating the salaries is custom," law and justice (?). GALVESTON, TEXAS.

## CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

REV. J. M. ARMSTRONG

Am I due you or the conference claimants an apology for failing to heed your invitation to join in the recent symposium? I once thought of venturing the statement of an opinion, but the more carefully the matter was considered the less capable I felt of reaching a correct conclusion in so short a time. One thing is certain: The inadequate aid given these claimants is a shame and a reproach to the church. What we need is an awakening on this subject—an awak-ening in the pulpit as well as in the pew. Facts indicate that those of us who are in the active ministry have not this question on our consciences as we ought to have it. We let other things monopolize our atten-We let other things monopolize our attention—things that are no more important and no more sacred. It is inconceivable that any duty should be more sacred or of greater importance than looking after and properly providing for those through whose self sacrificing toils we have been brought to such a goodly heritage as we now enjoy, and but for whose labors what would have been our present condition? To make better provision for their wants is due them. Every impulse of the nobler self demands the payment of the debt. God demands it, and some of us may count ourselves happy if he takes us to himself before our names are announced count curselves happy if he takes us to himself before our names are announced in answer to the question, "Who are superannuated?" We may be left to share the fruits of our present indifference. For my part, I hope "to cease at once to work and live." But, worst of all, our wives and children are likely to suffer for our own negligence in regard to creating just views and right consciences. creating just views and right consciences touching this question.

We preach missionary sermons, organ-ize missionary societies, have missionary anniversaries and mass-meetings; we emphasize church extension and the woman's department of church extension; little attention is given to the latter. Often the bare statement of the c'aim is made; sometimes this is done apologetically; seldom is the question pressed home upon the conscience of the people as it should be. The subject does not receive the emphasis that its importance demands. No wonder the results are unsatisfactory to all concerned, and espe-cially to the claimants and to those of us whose business it is to divide the pittance between them. Mr. Editor, the subject grows upon me, as it will certainly do upon any one giving it an earnest consideration. I am glad that you are directing the attention of the church to it. Much good will surely result. Whether a new plan be adopted or the old one retained, our consciences have certainly been quickened, and this means an increase of funds—the thing most devoutly desired.

## CHAPPELL HILL, TEXAS. DANCING.

FAXET. "Christians do not desire to dance." Such is an expression in a recent article the objections of himself and others in the ADVOCATE from Bro. Annis. That therets. I beg leave to present figures is a very sweeping assertion when univeris a very sweeping assertion when universally applied; but I take it that he means Methodist Christians. With that understanding, I say correct. As for anybody else—well it is none of my province to determine. There is no use for further legislation on the question by the General Conference. The above quotation from Bro. Annis is the understanding of all well informed Methodists. There is no use of discussing the proposition with or well informed Methodists. There is no use of discussing the proposition with or among Methodists. The question, and the only question, that is necessary to be considered is: "What ought to be done with persons in the Methodist Church who are not, and possibly never were, Christians?" They were taken into the church knowing the facts in the case. Why were they taken in before they were they taken in before the now, as now, in each district, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at. Before giving the figures I will state that Bro. Jackson was then, as now, in each district, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at. Before giving the figures I will state that Bro. Jackson was then, as now, in each district, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at. Before giving the figures I will state that Bro. Jackson was then, as now, in each district, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at. Before giving the figures I will state that Bro. Jackson was then, as now, in each district, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at. Before giving the figures I will state that Bro. Jackson was then, as now, and when each pastor, as now, was "fully committed to do his utmost to bring up this coll ction in full," so that an intelligent conclusion may be arrived at.

before them the idea that it is disreputa- facts in figures: ble to be turned out of the church. Some will quit if the preacher is positive in such matters. It is useless to try to convince a dancing Methodist by argument that it is wrong to dance. You can never convince one of that kind that it is wrong. Suppose they do leave off dancing. Under such a showing are they any better or more suitable for continued church membership than they were before? If we cannot do something for them that will bring them to regeneration, had we not better get rid of them, dancing or nodancing?

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11886 the past economic devices and our children. I prefer to think, in the light of the above facts, that those who have drifted away from faith in the creed of evangelical Moses was a kind of Baptist, omitting a duty without authority of law.

UNANSWERED LETTERS.

March 24.—C E Gallagher, change made. Chas Irvin, sub. GF Boyd, correction mace. Daniel ford, subs. S C Riddle, subs. J H Tr

The best way to get a person to quit dancing is to get him converted. Now is it easier to convert a man out of the church or in it? If it is easier out of it than in it, then why did you take him in before he was converted? But it is not easier out than in. The church has resources which, if used properly, would bring every one of these dancers to a state of regenerwhich, if used properly, would bring every one of these dancers to a state of regeneration. There is just one good reason why these persons should be stricken off, and that at once, and that is a lack of sufficient vitality in the church to vitalize these branches if they remain. We only prune a tree to increase its vitality. We engraft the wild olive into the vital tree and it partakes of the root and fatness of the new

sipation as to be incapable of nourshing her own children, but must turn them over to a hired nurse. No wonder they dance. There is wonderful recuperative powers in the church. Proper nourishment and rest from dissipation for a few days will develop wonderful vitality. I do not mean by dissipation drunkenness or dancing, or such things as that, but the anxious care about present things.

"What shall we do with our unconverted members Bro. Annis? What shall we do."

As Bro. Gillett says, it is suggestive

"What shall we do with our unconverted members, Bro. Annis? What shall we do with them?" Get them converted and then they will think that dancing is wrong, and will not dance. If we cannot do that then let the law take its course, and say to the society where it is done, "These died for want of vitality in the church."

PUT DANCING IN THE RULES.

D. N. HABRIS.

To the conference.

As Bro. Gillett says, it is suggestive and significant also that all the experienced clerical members of the board were left off, and I say indeed so, that all the lay members, save one, were left on. That will do to think over.

I believe that every board desires to do the best thing, and that any preacher whom in God's providence is placed at the head of it, is worthy to trust with the money of the old veterans.

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## REV. C. K. MARSHALL AT NASHVILLE

I see in the Advocate suggestions coming up from all over the land, calling attention to those things that should be brought before the General Conference; but there is one subject all have failed to touch upon, so far as I have seen—that is, the subject of dancing. In our Discipline we have a list of vices enumerated, under the head of "Evils Most Generally Practiced;" but in this list, not one word do we find against dancing. We are having the pleasure and profit of the presence of Rev. C. K. Marshall, named for Dr. C. K. Marshall, of Mississippi, with us. Bro. Marshall is a native Chinaman, just over from Soochow, his home. He was raised mostly and educated in this country. He came here when a boy, and found a home in the family of Dr. Kelley, remaining until he had reached manhood, and then returning to his native country, twenty-one do we find against dancing.

Moral science teaches us, "Where there is no law, there is no transgression;" and had reached manhood, and then returning to his native country, twenty-one years ago, as a preacher of the gospel. He now returns to attend the General Conference at St. Louis in May, coming by Nashville and other places to visit friends of his youth. He has favored Wesley Hall, of Vanderbilt University and West End Church, with lectures on the progress of the Christian work in China. We feel afresh that our efforts in foreign mission fields have not been in in all legal proceedings the accused has the right to demand that all charges preferred against him be specifically set forth. Now, I would ask, how could we legally try a member for disobeying the rules of the church, should said member see fit to dance?

Do not understand me as defending dancing members, for I believe if it is not against the church rules, it is against the church policy, for we well know that, in our church, at least, a dancing member never makes a good working church member, and that dancing is one of the greatest temptations a young convert has

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yond a question of doubt, that dancing is against the rules of the church; and I

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"dancing" not mentioned, the devil, who is ever present to whisper evil in their would tear in pieces a Bible or other reear, says: "See; that is true! It is not forbid! Dance, if you want to; there is no harm in it!" Too often they give way to the temptation, and backsliding is almost sure to follow. Now, I, as a layman, would most respectfully ask some delegate to bring this matter before the General Confer-

of worship under the protection of the government, not so then. Two decades ago they would scarcely hear the word, now they press to hear the words of life. I might say more, but suffice it to say I think if I had have had that miserable creaker present, I am confident if it was information he was lacking in, he would ever after have been hope they will have it head the list of "Evils Most Generally Practiced." lacking in, he would ever after have been a changed man, and been red-hot for missions; and if he was lacking religion he would have been a hard-hearted wretch if he had not been moved to repentance, In the last issue of the Advocate appears a paper from Rev. J. T. Gillett, in which he proposes to "turn the light on" some of Rev. F. S. Jackson's work as president of the Board of Finance of the West Texas Conference in the year 1888 and at once been ready to go to the mourner's bench.

Brethren, in the words of Bro. Marshall, as he quoted them, "The morning light is breaking;" God's hand has brushed away the insurmountable obstacles; the way is open; let us move up and take possession. These opportunities are golden, and if we let them pass, we may never have these advantages again. The forces of Satan are moving, and we must not turn a deaf ear to the wail of our suffering and needy brother, while God has so plainly opened the way and we are the responsible keepers of our brother. May God bless the foreign mission work, and give us a sense, as the laity, what our duty is in this.

THE EFFECTS OF FREE THOUGHT IN Faith in the great cardinal truths of re- me, because of the circumcision." they are true, at least in large part, if not in whole.

The history of our own and other thurches has not been without sad exchurches has not been without sad examples of the truth of what is above said, that those who have drifted away

raised for their preacher." This law was changed to its present form in 1870. Under this present form a test case was brought before a Joint Board of Finance for decision in 1875. The Joint Board of Finance for decision in 1875. The Joint Board referred the case to the president of the annual conference for an Episcopal decision, which decision was to the effect that the stewards must make a pro rata devision between the presiding elderand preacher in charge of the funds collected for the support of the ministry. Some of us are of the opinion that this decision upon present law is authoritative, at least until new law upon this point be enacted.

Again, if under our present law these the case was as "independent of each" the church is not simply a society of rules; but a state of regenerated than the church is not simply a society of rules; but a case that the governed by a code of rules; but as each an impetus as enables it to go, in but, above all, it is a society whose principal bond of union is that they are "new coult being bond of union is that they are "new coult being bond of union is that they are "new coult being bond of union is that they are "new coult being the could learn, put of the case to the president of the annual conference for an Episcopal decision, between the presiding elderand preacher in this is not making new rules or adding to the "general rules," for no one can do what is required therein without being brought to a state of regenerated. The best way to get a person to quit dancing is to get him converted. Now is it allowed to draw conclusions from the outlay, it will be just to say, at least on the coultay, it will be just to say, at least on the outlay, it will be just to say, at least of ellection of 1889, \$431.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the collection of 1889, \$4541.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the collection of 1889, \$451.81 over the col has no doubt of his view—the objection kept the wounded president at home last year and saved the old preachers \$75, but we find that the excess last is less by \$101.19 than that of year before (1888). Had the excess last been twenty-five per then denied it, and later denied any and all divine inspiration of the plenary inspiration of Scripture, then denied it, and later denied any and all divine inspiration in the general state. cent greater than that of 1888, the minutes would have shown the excess for 1889 to be more than \$800, instead of \$541.81; so it is just to conclude that in saving \$75, several hundred were lost. I that at once, and that is a lack of sufficient vitality in the church to vitalize these branches if they remain. We only prune a tree to increase its vitality. We engraft the wild olive into the vital tree and it partakes of the root and fatness of the new that the church is not ensure the church is the mother of the children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. These children are lacking in vitality if the mother lacks it. The children of God. The church where they are converted. In all the collections as a rule, in no instance is there such a grand showing as in the so-called conference callections, nor was anything unusual even recorded to the faithful president of the board, thereby enabling him by faithful work to arouse and entire twith the has come now perhaps to hold very little in common with evangelical Christians. It is to be hoped that he will go so far, while some go further, landing as in the so-called conference callections, nor was anything unusual even recorded to the faithful president of the board, thereby enabling him or learned to the faith came unter twiew and were ejected from his creed, until the has come now perhaps to hold very little in common with evangelical Christians. It is to be hoped that he will go so far, while some go further. Not all who start as he did go so far, while some go further, landing in skepticism and infidelity, and ending in the utter loss of all moral character. This case, with slight variations, finds a parallel in other churches. When one begins to drift away from the faith can be very largely

of intellect or superior knowledge. Has the Christian church been studying and praying over the Bible for all these centuries without settling anything as to its great cardinal doctrines? Surely no set of men, or generation of men, in any day can do the thinking and creed-making for all time to come. But white this is admitted, it is also true that the consensus f Christian thought for eighteen centuries as to what constitutes the great cardi-nal and essential doctrines of the Chrisian faith has in it every probability of truth, and furnishes every ground of con-fidence; and he who is rash enough to deny any of these cardinal doctrines does so at the peril of his own character and so at the peril of his own character and DELEGATES AND VISITORS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE. n Theology."

# HOW SHALL WE GET THE MASSES

tween five and six hundred members, and only forty religious papers taken. There is a wrong somewhere, and the question is, where is the wrong? Is it the fault of the preachers, or is it the fault of the preachers, or is it the fault of the people? I have canvassed my work thoroughly in behalf of the Texas Advocate, and it seems that I have failed to arouse the masses to the extent that they will take and read the church papers. First, they say they are not able; second, the paper is too high; and sometimes when this is the case, \$10 and \$12 a year are paid for other papers, of a political nature; and some say and sometimes when this is the case, \$10 and \$12 a year are paid for other papers, of a political nature; and some say they don't like to read church papers, and give as a reason: There are too many church advertisements. Mr. Editor, I feel it my duty to work for the spread of longview Auxiliary for outgoing missiondancing members, for I believe II it is not superior, if equal, in the Lord knows a thousand; bouse this argument with them: "Why are not superior, if equal, in the portane to the sacred daty of providing for these conference claimants. Yet, how III attention is given to the latter."

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### CIRCUMCISION IN THE WILDERNESS. REV. JOHN S. GILLETT.

Why was circumcision not practiced in the wilderness? I think it was not omitted by divine authority, and the circumstances were not such as to make it impossible or even impracticable. Chil-dren were born, and the hosts of Israel continued often for months in the same place, and they were so under divine protection as to be in no danger from unexpected invasion by their enemies. Why, then, was not circumcision practiced? I think it was in consequence of some opposition to the bloody rite on the part of Moses, the man of God. He had been brought up in the Egyptian court; he had married a woman not a Jewess, and had allowed himself to imbibe their maintains and had allowed himself to imbibe their maintains. prejudices, and so to oppose, or at least neglect, an ordinance bloody and painful. It will be remembered that as he and his family journeyed to Egypt, to undertake family journeyed to Egypt, to undertake the extradition of his people, "the Lord met him and sought to kill him. Then Zipporah took a sharp stone and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet, and said, Surely, a bloody husband art thou to me. So he let him go. Then she said, A bloody husband art thou to me, because of the circumcision." Now, it appears to me that through the influence or opposition of his wife, Moses had ence or o vealed religion as held by evangelical it appears to me that through the influ-christianity has marked the greatest characters and inspired the noblest lives neglected the circumcision of his son, and The Quarterly Ro characters and inspired the noblest lives of the Christian church. It may matter little whether a man believes in this or that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not he believes in the cardinal truths of Christianity itself. These truths are the food upon which the noblest characters and the greatest workers of the church have been fed and nourished. The fruits of free thought in religion are not good.

The history of these who have deited the circumcision of his son, and in consequence of his disobedience or neglect the Lord sought to kill him, and that in order to save her husband's life, the woman quickly circumcised her child while at the same time she heaped reproaches upon her husband. Then in the wilderness, under the same influence or prejudice, and considering maybe that the exact performance of other duties would condone the omission, or child was circumcised upon the constant of the church have been fed and nourished. The fruits of the church have been fed and nourished. The fruits of the church have been fed and nourished and the circumcision of his son, and in consequence of his disobedience or neglect the Lord sought to kill him, and that in order to save her husband's life, the woman quickly circumcised her child while at the same time she heaped reproaches upon her husband. Then in the wilderness, under the same time she heaped reproaches upon her husband of the church have been fed and nourished. The fruits of the church have been fed and nourished the circumcision of his son, and in consequence of his disobedience or neglect the Lord sought to kill him, and that in order to save her husband's life, the woman quickly circumcised her child while at the same time she heaped reproaches upon her husband of the church have been fed and nourished. The fruits of the church have been fed and nourished the church ha Why were they taken in before they were converted? Because we believed that the influence and assistance of the members of the church would help them to become Christians. We never thought that the law of the church would do it. The reason that every one of them is not a Christian to-day is because the means of grace were not brought into one promised to be a fruitful bough has developed into nothing. It was grafted in, but the assimilated food of the original stock did not reach its aroused vitality, and it could not grow.

tunity allowed laid his plans freely before me, and was very anxious to do somethat the fitted of some that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not lection, and thus relieve our old retired believes in the cardinal truths of believes in the same that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not he believes in this or that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not save her husband: Christianity itself. These truths are the believes in this or that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not save her husband: Christianity itself. These truths are the lection, and thus relieve our old retired but the same time she believes in this or that phase of evangelical Christianity, but it does matter much whether or not save her husband: Christianity itself. These truths are the lection, and thus relieve our old retired but the proved, not as an officer of the board, but as friend and his elder.

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The undersigned has just returned from Dallas and Fort Worth, whither he went to complete arrangements for the excursion to St. Louis, May 5th. Announcement of all that is necessary will be made in the Advocate of the 10th, or that of the 17th, at latest. If one wishes to go with the excursion, let him listen to no with the excursion, let him listen to no proposition from any railroad, but only

## HOLINESS ASSOCIATION.

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Scribner's Magazine, April number. Eleven articles. Leader: Tadmor in the Wilderness, by Frederic Jones Bliss. Harper's New Monthly Magazine for

April. Leader: Comedies of Shakespeare. The Merchant of Venice, by Andrew Lang.

The Quarterly Review of the M. E. Church, South April number, is on our table with the following table of contents: Reminiscences of the Olden Time-Second Paper; W. F. Samford, L.L.D. The Abyssoi Darkness; R. L. K. Two Anony mous Poems; Rev. Paul Whitehead, D.D. mous Poems; Rev. Paul Whitehead, D.D. Walks in London; Rev. William Harrison, M. A. Theism: A Survey of the Argument; Rev. J. J. Tigert, D. D. A Representative American; J. R. G. What Books Shall I Buy? Rev. W. F. Tillett, D. D. The Land of the Montezumas; Rev. P. C. Bryce. The Witness of the Spirit; Rev. William Tucker, D. D. John Wycliffe; Edward Barrass. The Origin of the Mythe; Rev. H. Wele Feetlers

Editor's Table—The Verdict Reversed.
Paul before Agrippa, Illiteracy North and
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LETTER FROM PHOENIX, A. T.

Dear Anyocate, you do not know how your bright face cheers us away off in this valley, so far from hone, and yet he had not been the interest well of the heart of a revival. While there has not been the interest well we would like to see, yet the good Lord has not forsaken us in this wicked city. There has not been the interest well we would like to see, yet the good Lord has not forsaken us in this wicked city. There have been three conversions, five at the altar for prayer last night, and our church greatly blessed. We thank his holy name and take courage, and hope we have not seen any results yet, compared with what may follow; and may I ask our friends to differ special prayer for us, for we have never felt the need of prayer more than a churches said a few nights ago, they had never had a conversion in their members and the work here for some one to do. Fray for us, that we may do our part.

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1. (1) Wednesday, 2:30 p.m.—Mission ary Love Feast, led by Dr. W. G. Connor. (2) 8 p. m.—Sermon by J. Bishop Key.

"The Cospel and Foreign Immigration," 2. (1) Thursday Morning—Foreign Mission reports. (2) 11 a. m.—Sermon by J. R. Nelson, B. F. Gassavay; Waco, Wn. Price; Waxahachie, W. H. Vaughan; Fort Worth, J. P. Missaway, Waco, Wn. Price; Waxahachie, W. H. Vaughan; Fort Worth, J. P. Missaway, Waco, Wn. Price; Waxahachie, W. H. Kyangha, S. J. R. Nelson, S. Revetary, Bellength and the control of the proposition of the proposition of th

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HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Courtney and Plantersville cir. at Montgomery cir, at Collins' Mill.
Willis sta.... My customers are using Moriey's Two-Bit
Cough Syrup for La Grippe. It soon stops
the fever and cures every pop.

JOHN CLEMENTS.

Willis sta
Cold Springs cir, at Shepherd
Dodge cir, at Old Waverley
Huntsville sta
Prairie Plains cir, at Martha's chapel.
Zion cir, at Lake Grove
Madisonville cir, at Elwood.
May
Bedias mis, at May 10, 11 hapel...May 17, 18 .....May 24, 25 ....May 31, June 1

J. C. MICKLE, P. E. CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

SAN AUGUSTINE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

PALESTINE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. FALESTINE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Homer cir, at Stanley Creek. 1st Sun in April
Rusk sta, at New Birmingham 2d Sun in April
Kickapoo cir, at Tennessee Colony, 3d Sun in April
Alto cir, at Wells 4th Sun in Abril
Augusta cir, at Enterprise 1st Sun in May
Crockett sta, at Crockett 2d Sun in May
Crockett cir, at Wesley's chapel 3d Sun in May
Palestine cir 4th Sun in May
Trinity cir 2d Sun in June
Jacksonville mis 2d Sun in June
Palestine sta 4th Sun in June Palestine sta 4th Sun in June
District conference meets at Jacksonville, June
26th. Delegates to the district conference are to
be elected during this round. I hope to have
Bishop Key with us at the district conference.
U. B. Phillip, P. E.

BONHAM DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. BONHAM DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Fannin cir, at New Hope April 5, 6

Brookston cir, at White Cut April 12, 13

Petty and White Rock, at White Rock April 19, 20

Ben Franklin, at Pecan Gap April 26, 27

Gober cir, at Harrison's C. H. May 3, 4

Dodd's cir, at Oak Ridge May 10, 11

Bonham cir, at Randolph May 17, 18

Stephenville cir, at Allin's Church May 24, 25

Masey mis May St and June 1

Delegates will be elected this round to district conference. Would like for all members to be present.

J. M. BINKLY, P. E. CALVERT DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

CALVERT DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Bryan sta. April 5, 6

Bremond and Reagan, at Reagan April 12, 13

Kosse cir, at Harmony April 19, 20

Caivert sta April 26, 27

Jewett and Buffalo, at Jewett May 16, 17

Fairfield cir, at Mt. Zion May 10, 11

Franklin cir, at Beck Prairie May 17, 18

Centerville cir, at Pleasant Ridge May 24, 25

Rogers Prairie mis, at May 31, June 1

Boon Prairie mis, at Walnut June 7, 8

Millican and Wellborn, at Millican June 21, 22

H. M. SEARS, P. E. GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

GAINESVIILE DISTRICT—SECONI
Gainesville cir
Maryville cir
Dexter cir
Rosston cir
Bolivar cir
Decatur sta
Decatur cir
Aurora cir
Deton cir
Mountain Springs cir
Aubrey cir C. L. BALLARD, P. E. SHERMAN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

April 5, 6
April 12, 13
April 19, 20
April 26, 27
May 3, 4
May 10, 11
May 17, 18
May 24, 25 Whitesboro sta.... Collinsville cir, at Collinsville... Denison sta Bells and Savoy, at Savoy Pilot Point sta Gordonville eir at Gordonville Sherman eir, at Pecan Whitewright She man cir, at a teach whitewright
Pottsboro and Preston, at Georgetown
Pottsboro and Preston, at Georgetown
May 31, June 1
Denison cir May 31, June 1
Howe cir June 7, 8
Pilot Grove cir June 14, 15
Anna mis, at Stiffs Chapel June 21, 22
W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.

JEFFERSON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Oneen City cir, at Forest House...lst Sun in April Coffeeville cir, at Cox's school-house Coffeeville cir, at Forest House...Ist sun in April
Coffeeville cir, at Cox's school-house
2d Sun iu April
Atlanta sta
Daingerfield cir, at Bradfield's church
Gilmer cir, at Parish chapel....lst Sun in May
Texarkana sta
Linden cir, at
Sun in May
Linden cir, at
Sun in May
Linden cir, at
Sun in May
Linden cir, at
Sun in June
Mount Pleasant cir, at
C. B. FLADGER, P. E.

C. S. FLADGER, P. E.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. material. Her husband, it is said, has sworn off drinking.

W. A. Shaw, of this paper, says that he keeps a bottle of Preston's "Hed-Ake" beside him at all times, and considers himself armed against headache.

Mrs. Brindle—You can't always tell how a man will turn out. Now, there's Josiah—Miss Redingote—You don't mean so say Unice Brindle has ever distinguished himself." Mrs. Brindle—Well, I'll tell you what he did. I sent him down to the store with a ribbon the other day, and he matched it.

BEAUMONT DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Woodville cir. April 12, 13
Colmesnell cir. April 26, 27
Jasper cir. May 10, 11
Jasper sta. May 11, 18
Sunset cir. May 10, 11
Jasper sta. May 24, 25
Orange sta. May 23, 24
Orange sta. May 23, 24
Orange sta. May 23, 24
Drive tir. June 14, 15
Livingston cir. June 21, 22
Moscow cir. June 22, 22
Moscow cir. June 22, 22
Moscow cir. June 24, 25
Orange sta. F. J. Browning, P. E.

Grayness, baldness, dandruff, and all diseases SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. lst Sun in April
2d Sun in April
3d Sun in April
3d Sun in April
1st Sun in May
2d Sun in May
2d Sun in May
4th Sun in May
4th Sun in June
2d Sun in June
5d Sun in June
5d Sun in June

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.
Oak Cliff sta, at St. Marks. April 5, 6
Reagor cir, at Reagor April 12, 12
Avalon cir, at Byrda April 19, 29
Sims and Glenwood. April 26, 27
Waxahachie, at Midlothian May?
Wesley and Rush May3, 4
Delegates to the district conference will be elected on this round. Let every member be present. Now is the time to work for your pastor.
Let the stewards make a strong effort now.

E. L. Armstrong, P. E.

PARIS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND Emberson cir... Centenary sta... Roxton cir.... Pattonville cir. Rosalie cir..... Detroit cir Annona cir.
Annona cir.
Dalby Springs cir.
Ingersoll mis.
New Boston cir.
Clarksville mis.

District conference will convene in Paris, Lamss Avenne, Thursday, 9 a. m., June 5. Bishop Key is expected. J. R. Wages, P. E. WACO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Waco, District—Secosa.

Waco, Morrow Street April 2, 3
Bosqueville cir. at Mt. Zion April 5, 6
Waco, Fifth Street April 12, 13
East Waco cir. at Brushy Tank April 19, 20
Mt. Caim cir. at Hubbard City April 22, 11 a. m.
Bruceville cir. at Bruceville April 26, 27
Oenaville cir. at Pendleton April 27, 28, 11 a. m.
Lorena cir, at Stanford May 3, 4
Saw't. P. Wright, P. E. EL PASO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

...1st Sun in April ...2d Sun in April ...3d Sun in April ...4th Sun in April Fort Davis J. M. STEPHENSON, P. E. CLEBURNE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 4th Sun in Apri Tuesday after 4th Sun in Apri W. L. NELMS, P. E.

"Ma," said Willie, who had been to the missionary sewing society with his mother.
"I feel very sorry for the poor little heathen."
"That's right, Willie. I am glad to to see
you show such a spirit." "Yes'm. I'd feel
sorry for anybody that had to wear the clothes
that you people were making to-day."

"An Honest Man is the Noblest Work of

CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Burton and Giddings, at Giddings. April 5,6
Chappell Hill sta April 12, 12
McDade eir, at Pleasant Grove. April 19, 20
Elgin and Manor, at Manor. April 26, 27
Bellville cir, at Bellville. May 3, 4
Hockley cir, at New Hope. May 10, 11
Patterson cir, at Patterson. May 17, 18
Sealey and San Felipe, at Wallis. May 24, 25
Eagle Lake cir, at Aleyton. May 31, June 1
Hempstead sta. June 1, 15
BROWNWOOD DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Ft. Chadburn mis. Hayrick. April 5, 6
Ballinger cir, Bowmans. April 12, 13
Comanche and Deleon sta. Comanche. April 19, 20
Comanche cir, Gentry's Mill. April 26, 27
Round Mountain cir, Sand Hill. May 3, 4
Carbon cir, May 16, 11
Sipe Springs cir, May 16, 11
Sipe Springs cir, May 16, 11
Sipe Springs cir, May 17, 18
Big Valley mis, May 21, 11 a m
Cottonwood cir, May 21, 11 a m
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W. T. MELUGIN, P. E.

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SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. B HARRIS, P. E. WEATHERFORD DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. April 1, 2 April 5, 6 Graham sta
Crystial Falls mis, at—
Palo Pinto and Mineral Wells
Garvin cir, at— SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. TYLER DISTRICT .- SECOND ROUND. TYLER DISTRICT.—SECOND A. April 5, 6
Athens, at Malakoff April 12, 13
Mincola, at Mincola April 19, 20
Larissa, at Earl's chapel April 26, 27
Tyler City mis, at Liberty Hill May 3, 4
Lindale, at Red Spring May 10, 11

John Adams, P. E. CUERO DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. CUERO DISTRICT

Waelder cir, at Moulton April 5, 6

Leesville cir, at Bethel April 12, 13

Weesatche cir, at April 19, 20

Clear Creek cir, at April 26, 27

DeWitt cir, at May 3, 4

ROBT, J. DRETS, P. E. MONTAGUE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

MONTAGUE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Wichita Falls sta April 5, 7 p m

Montague and Belcher, at Montague, April 12, 7 p m

St. Jo cir, at Mount Zion April 19, 20

Burlington cir, at Illinois Bend April 26, 27

Sunset and Crafton cir, at Crafton May 3, 4

Chico cir, at Pleasant Grove May 10, 11

Alvord cir, at Lone Mound May 17, 18

Post Oak cir, at Antelope May 24, 25

Archer City mis, at May 3i June 1

Red River mis, at June 7, 8

Bowie cir, at Lone Mound June 7, 8

Bowie cir, at Lone Mound May 17, 18

W. S. May, P. E. ABILENE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Roby mis
Sweetwater cir.
Abiline mis.
Abilene sta ....April 5, 6 ...April 12, 18 ...April 19, 20 ...April 26, 27

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. Marystown cir, at Joshua. lst Sun in April Alvarado sta Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., 9th of April Itasca cir, at Osceola ... 2d Sun in April West cir, at Hickory Valley ... 3d Sun in April Whitney cir, at Whitney ... 4th Sun in April Hillsboro sta. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., 50th of April Fort Worth, Mulkey Memorial ... 1st Sun in May J. Freed Cox, P. E.

GATESVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. 
 Coperas Cove cir, at
 1st Sun in April

 Lampasas cir, at
 2d Sun in April

 Bee House cir, at
 3d Sun in April
 4th Sun in April
1st Sun in May
2d Sun in May
3d Sun in May
E. A. BAILEY, P. E. 

CAMERON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND 
 Cameron sta.
 April 5, 6

 Cameron cir. at Given's Chapel
 April 12, 13

 Milano cir. at Gause
 April 19, 20

 Caldwell, at Lyons
 April 26, 27

 Marlin sta
 May 3, 4

 Durango cir. at Blevin's
 May 10, 11

 Wilderville cir. at Ward Chapel
 May 17, 18

 Maysield cir. at Port Sullivan
 May 31, June 1

 Deanville at Purser Chapel
 May 31, June 1

 Davilla cir. at Lebanon
 June 14, 15

 Mockdale sta
 June 14, 15

MARSHALL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. MARSHALL DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.
Longview sta, at Longview. April 5, 6
Centennial mis, at Breckenridge Springs.
April 12, 13
Kilgore cir, at Hickory Grove. April 19, 20
Deferry cir, at Wainut Springs. April 26, 27
Marshall sta, at Marshall. May 3, 4
Hallville cir, at Hallville. Tuesday, May 6
Marshall mis, at Grover. May 10, 11
Church Hill cir, at Black Jack. May 17, 18
Troupe and Overton cir, at Fountain Head,
May 24, 25
May 24, 25



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TERRELL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. GALVESTON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. GALVESTON DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.

Galveston, St. John. April 5, 6
Galveston, West End Mis. April 5, 6
Bolivar cir. April 12, 13
Houston, Washington Street April 19, 20
Houston, Shearn Church April 19, 20
Houston, Shearn Church April 19, 20
Houston, McKee Street April 26, 27
Alvin cir. May 3, 4
Columbia and Brazoria. May 10, 11
Cedar Bayou cir May 17, 18
Matagorda cir May 24, 25
Richmond and Wharton May 31, June 1
II. V. Philipott, P. E. DALLAS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND. City Mission .3d Sun in Ajril
Plano. .4th Sun in April
McKinney lst Sun in May
Farmers' Branch cir .2d Sun in May
Grapevine cir .3d Sun in May
Weston cir. .4th Sun in May
Cochran and Caruth .1st Sun in June
Bethel cir .2d Sun in June
Lewisville cir .3d Sun in June
Lewisville cir .4th Sun in June
The delegates to the district conference will be
elected this round. T. R. PIERCE, P. E.
CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.
Helena cir. at Runge. April 6

Helena cir, at Runge April 6
Lavernia cir, at Stockdale April 13
Wesley cir, at Selma April 20
Lagarto cir, at Skidmore April 27
Corpus Christi sta Alanson Brown, P. E. VERNON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

Frazier mis
Mangum mis
Seymour sta
Farmer cir
Throckmorton mis
JEROME HAE

Richland Springs cir..... May 17, 18
May 17, 18
May 18, 4, 25
FTON, P. E.

ROUND.

April 5, 6
April 5, 6
April 19, 20
April 19, 20
April 19, 20
April 26, 27
May 3, 4
May 10, 11
May 17, 18
May 24, 25
May 31, June 1
Morott, P. E.

ROUND.

Sun in April

"Woman, we are taught," said the preacher, "was, in the beginning, formed from a rib of man." "Yes," musingly assented Hisnobbs, who sat in one of the rear pews, "and, metaphorically speaking, she has been more or less a bone of contention among men ever since." men ever since.

SAN SABA DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND

Citizen—You are, I believe, a professor of languages? Traveler—Well, I speak Engl sh. German, French. Italian, Spanish, Irish, German, Korwegian, Swedish, Finnish, Scandinavian, Russian and Hebrew. Citizen—Indeed! And do you expect to get pupils in all? Traveler—Oh, no. I'm going to Chicage to teach English.

Last month Gladstore was invited to be April 5,6
April 12,13
April 12,13
April 12,13
April 26,27
April 26,27
May 3,4
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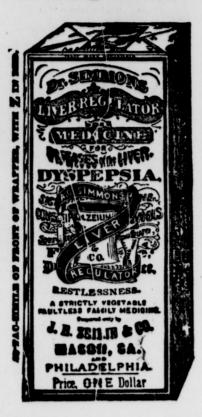






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The pilgrim's staff is left behind, behind the sword and shield, The armor dimmed and dinted on many a hard-fought field;

ever bright.

The blessed angels round him, 'mid heaven's

loving might,
Hath crossed the waste, hath reached the
goal, hath vanquished in the fight.
Hail, brother, hail! We welcome thee! Join in our sweet accord: Lift up the burden of our song, Salvation to the Lord!"

And now from out the glory, the living cloud The old familiar faces come beaming on his The early lost, the ever loved, the friends of long ago, Companions of his conflicts and pilgrimage

They parted here in weakness, in suffering, and gloom, ey meet amid the freshness of heaven's immortal bloom,

Henceforth in ever-enduring bliss, to wander hand in hand,
Beside the living waters of the safe and sin-less land.

O, who can tell the rapture of those to whom 'tis given,
Thus to renew the bonds on earth amid the bliss of heaven?
Thrice blessed be His holy name, who for our fallen race
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"CHRISTIANS DON'T CARE ABOUT MY SOUL."

So said a young man recently, when pressed by a friend to attend to the subject of his salvation. "I see them careless in the house of God, engrossed with the honors and pleasures of the world during the week, and I mingle often with those who projess to love me, and they those who profess to love me, and they never say a word to me about my soul. It cannot be a matter of so much importance as you represent, or surely they would not be thus inconsistent."

A few days later, that young man sent for the pastor of the church he attended, who found him with despair written on his pale, anguished contenance, and was about to offer prayer. But the young man prevented him. "Your prayers," said he, "can do me no good; it is too late. I have grieved away God's Holy Spirit, never, never to return. I feel already in my soul the agonies of the damned. I sent for you, not to pray, but to be the bearer of a message—a message from the borders of eternity.

"You remember preaching, some six months ago, from the words, 'Choose you this day whom ye will serve.' You spoke of the value of the immortal soul, the uncertainty of life, and urged an immediate decision. My judgment was convinced, my heart tonched, and I re-

that he might leave the house before I had an opportunity of speaking to to him, I turned toward him to be seech him to pray for me, and to ask him to come to my room after dinner to pray for me and read the Bible and instruct me in the way of salvation. All unmindful of the sanctity of the place, and of the solemn truths just spoken, he was laughing amusing himself in criticising the coat of an old man near us, and before I could recover from my surprise sufficiently to recover from my surprise sufficiently to speak he made some ludicrous remark on

OUR COMMUNION WITH GOD.

Retire, O my soul, from the busy world and employ thyself about that for which thou wert created—the contemplation of thy God. I will hasten to my closet or yonder solitary walk, and there sequestered from a vexatious world I will not suffer a single thought of it to approach me unless by way of pity and contempt.

How delightful is it, O my soul, for thee to enjoy this sweet communion with thy

God, and thus to dwell upon divine objects. Here am I safe and at rest in this dear place of quiet, and earnestly pity all the men of business and hurry, hard-fought field;
His, now the shining palace, the garden of delight,
The palm, the robe, the diadem, the glory
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O, blessed freedom! O, charming soli-tude! I will grasp you, and I will hold you fast—the delight of silence and re-The blessed angels round him, 'mid neaven's hallowed calm,
With harp and voice are lifting up the triumphs of their psalm;
"All glory to the Holy One, the infinite I Am,
Whose grace redeems the fallen! Salvation to the Lamb!
"Another son of Adam's race, through Jesus'
"Another son of Adam's race, through Jesus'
"Another son of Adam's race, through Jesus' of my prayers .- Thomas Ken.

## Marriages.

GONZALES—PETTIS—At Lyons, Burleson, county, fexas, March 18, 1890, by Rev. John R. Dunn, Mr. oe Gonzales and Miss Martha Ann Pettis.

HANCOCK-YOUNG-By Rev. E. L. Armstrong, near Brandon, Hill county, Texas, March 16, 1890, Mr. D. L. Hancock and Miss Dora Young; all of PORIER-LAFFERTY-At the home of the bride, in Calvert, Texas, March 19, 1890, by Rev. H. M. Sears, Rev. Milton H. Porter, of the Texas Conference, and Mrs. Louisa M. Lafferty, of Calvert, Texas.

Holms-Simpson-At the residence of the bride's father, on March 13, 1890, by Rev. S. D. Wad iill, Mr. B. F. Holms and Miss Martha E. Simpson; all of Coryelle county, Texas. Jackson-Cloun-March 16, 1890, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Dr. Cloud, of Dallas county, by Rev. H. C. Parrott, Dr. J. D. Jackson, of Richardson, Texas, and Miss Olie M. Cloud.

ETHERLY-JOPLIN-Maich 16, 1890, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Joplin. of Dallas county, by Rev. H. C. Parrott, Mr. Marshall A. Etherly and Miss Ella Joplin. Etherly and Miss Ella Joplin.

McHenry-Corry-At Mount Sylvan, Smith county, Texas, March 25, 1890, by Rev. W. H. Crawford, Mr. S. A. McHenry and Miss Maggie Corry; both of Mount Sylvan.

CHANDLER-MILLER-At the residence of the bride's mother, near Bolivar, March 20, 1890, by Rev. J. W. Seeton, Mr. Wm. M. Chandler and Miss Mattie M. Miller; all of Denton county, Texas.

ALEXANDER—FLMORE—At the residence of Mr. Nick Wilson, Pilot Point, Texas, at 220 p. m., March 26, 1826, by Rev. W. W. Graham, Mr. John T. Alexander, of Ardmore, Indian Territory, and Miss Ida Elmore, of Pilot Point, Texas.

## Obituaries.

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## REV. J. E. SLATER.

James Emmett Slater was born in Decatur, Ga., Jan. 24, 1831, and left Brenham, Texas, for heaven, March 7, 1890. At the age of fourteen he was converted and joined the Methodist Church in Mobile, Alia. While he was yet quite young his father died, and he was reared by Mr. Brewer, of Mobile, who sent him to Europe, where he inished his education. At the age of nineteen he returned home, and was licensed to preach. He was married in 1844 to Mrs. Georgia Shepherd, of Montgomery, Ala. During the war he was lieutenant colonel on Rugle's staff, and was finally discharged on account of ill health. He came to Texas in 1888, lived a few months in Harrisburg, and then moved to Brenham, where he embarked in mercantile pursuits. In 1870 he built the Peabody House: in 1871 was secretary of the State Senate, and that year lost his only son; from 1877 to 1888 was manager of the Western Union Telelegraph office. He was an invalid for several months before his death. He preached often, was Sunday-school superintendent at different times, and class leader. Bro Slater was in.

## REV. N. A. CRAVENS.

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Regers.—Martha Vivian, daughter of Rev. J. R. and M. J. Rogers was born Oct. 13, 1887, and died in Cisco, Texas, March 8, 1890. Weep not, brother and sister, your sweet little Vivian will never suffer again. "Sorrow not as those who have no hope," you will see her again. She is now with the dear Savior, who while on earth said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

T. M. C.

SMITH.—Robert E. Smith, son of Bro. H. K. and Sister Gabrella Smith, was born July 11, 1884, in Milam county, Texas, and died November 28, 1884, in Montgomery county. The good Shepherd has taken little Robert to the great fold above. He has only gone before and is waiting and watching for the loved ones left behind to join him on the plains of sweet deliverance.

G. S. SANDEL.

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HENSLER.—Sister Linuic Hensler, daughter of E. and A. Adams, was born in Fulton county, Ark., April 7, 1851; converted in 1876; joined the Missionary Baptist Church in 1881; married Rev. A. A. Hensler Dec. 27, 1884; died of pneumonia at her father's residence in Coryell county, Texas, March 12, 1890. Sister Hensler leaves four children, three of whom are outic small. A loying daughter, sistematical states of the county of the count whom are quite small. A loving daughter, sis-r, mother and good wife is gone home. We will oil, labor and suffer until the Master says it is nough; then we will meet her in the sweet by-nd-by.

S. D. Waddill.

LOHMEYER.—Robert B. Lohmeyer, only son of ohn H. and Martha J. Lohmeyer, was born sept. 1882, and died of typhoid fever March 15, 1880, ged seven years, six months and thirteen days ittle Robert was the only child, and the idol of ather and mother. He was a good boy. The little cllow is where sickness cannot touch him, ather and mother can go to Robert. He has just one before; they will soon follow behind. May be good Lord bless the mourning parents.

W. H. LEFEVRE.

DENTON, TEXAS.

DENTON, TEXAS. McLendon.—Died, February, at the family resistance, Blanco county, Miss., Permelia Adaline, aughter of B. H. and M. McClendon, aged sevencen years. She was converted and joined the hurch at a meeting held by Bro. Oxley in the ost Oak neighborhood, in 1887. She lived a decited Christian life until translated to the church immphant. Now we doubt not she sings the one of redemption with her sainted mother and ther dear kindred and the multiplied millions if the redeemed in the paradise of God. e redeemed in the paradise of God.

Lison.—Addey May Filisor, infant daughter fro. J. L. and V. I. Ellisor, was born Nov. 10.

and died Feb. 17, 1890, at Evergreen, San into county, Texas. The home of these fond ents is darkened by the removal of the press little treasure, but heaven is made more attive and richer. She precedes mother and er, and, like a bright link, joins their hearts he "glory land." The heavenly home is befilled with precious treasures. Of such is the god of heaven. The precious little bud that mised to bloom in earth's home will bloom in vet. To the parents: Be faithful and you il meet your loved one in heaven.

J. P. CHILDERS. A. F. Cox.

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wer comes; for He who said, "Suffer little chilen to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom
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in heaven. Remember, grief stricken parents

d children, that while he cannot come to you,

a can go to him. May the family all meet in

DEXTER, TEXAS.

PEATER, TEXAS.

FOOL.—Prise lla Rogan Fool, daughter of John f. and Annie Pool, was born in San Saba. Texas, fanuary 29, 1888, and died March 8, 1890. Her stay in earth was brief, but she filled her mission here, and has gone to live with the angels in heaven. She was a sweet child, and the hearts of Ler garents are sad since her death, but God saw fit to take the little jewel to himself. And now that she is gone to the home of the good, they bow submissively to the will of Him who doeth all things well. May they find comfort in the hope of meeting their darling little Priscilla in "the sweet by and by." May God bless them and enable them to train the little ones left behind so that they may constitute an unbroken family in heaven.

ROBL M. CHENAULT, Pastor.

Miller.—Little Jesse Earl Miller was born Dec 3, Isos, and died March Is, Isoo. A home is darkened by the removal of this little treasure, but heaven is now more attactive and richer. The dealings of providence are sometimes mysterious to us, but we believe that in the end we shall realize that all things have worked together for our good. May the parents have grace to bear this bereavement, and may it be sanctified to the good of the family. "Hope looks beyond" to that place where we shall meet again, and where the loved ones who pass over before us, like visions, will stay in our presence forever. Father and mother, be faithful and you shall see little Jesse again. Children, be good and love God and you shall meet brother in heaven. God bless the family.

BEXTER, TEXAS.

DEXTER, TEXAS. HILL.-Whereas, our gracious and loving Father

BEXTER, TEXAS.

III.L.—Whereas, our gracious and lowing Futher has seen best to take from our mides for James Hill, who was a lowing husband, a kind father, a consistent and humble Christian; therefore, he it by the level; sundays-chool to the form of the level; sundays-chool to the low in humble expense of the level; sundays-chool to the low in humble expense of the sundays can be middle to the low in the level; sundays-chool extend to the low in humble expense of the sanday school extend to the low in the lower of the sanday school extend to the low in the lower of the sanday school extend to the low in the lower of the sanday school extend to the low in the lower of the

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SAUNDERS.—On the night of March 4th, Bro. H. J. Saunders, familiarly known as "Uncle Hunt." value and peacefully passed away from the

Cooper.—In East Waco, on Monday morning, March 10.1890, of pneumonia, Annie Rachel, daughter of Will C. and Janie Cooper, aged eleven years, one month and eight days. Annie was one of those sweet, agreeable little girls that impress visitors so forcibly with their presence and individuality that one cannot realize that death has come and taken them away when a funeral notice is all the testimony to the fact given. I feel sure that a visit to the hospitable home of her now heart-broken father and mother will be necessary to assure me fully that the dear child has gone to the loving embraces of a deneer Father above. In all the relations of life—daughter, sister, pupil. Sunday-school scholar, little friendshe filled the measure of her brief life, and will be mourned by many.

San'l P. WRIGHT.

HOUX.—Died, Feb. 25. 1990, Nicholas Thomas Houx, in the forty-third year of his age. He was taken siek on Feb lith with pneumonia, which later became complicated with typhoid pneumonia and jaundice, which resulted in his death

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J. B. Gober, P. C.

Davis.—Mrs. Emmie Davis (nee Darst) died in the city of Fort Worth, March it, 1890, aged thirtynine years. From her carly childhood she was distinguished for her eminent piety, having joined the M. E. Church. South, when but a child, and continuing faithful to the end of a life fraught with usefulness to all who were favored with her association. No conditions in life ever suggested to her steadfast mind a single doubt of her spiritual security. For eight years she daily experienced the encreachments of an incurable lesion, about which she expressed no personal solicitude, but when she did refer to in in the presence of her loved ones, it was in terms denoting Christian resignation to a Will wis rihan her most matured wish. In all of her afflictions she readily discovered the hand of a kind Providence, and like a Christian philosopher she recognized the truth that the afflictions of God's children were not objectless, well knowing that a affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth sorrow spring out of the ground." No circumstances however favorable to the acquisition of worldly emoluments, ever caused her for a moment to look back upon any possible sacrifice she had made in accepting Christ with any degree of regret, but rather with ever-increasing pleasure—circumstances only affording her fresh evidence of the wisdom of her children, was constantly engaged in readering melodious praise in harmony with her devotional heart. When the most trying ordeal of her life an earth simply, but in order that she might still be permitted to extend maternal care to her three little children, and exalt to a Christian's hope the husband she loved so tenderly; but the wisdom of the did do not so direct. The science of surgery and the skill of the surgeon, however perfect, and the vigalant care of leved ones, ever so faithful, were not sufficient to stay the sceptered hand of death. After line eith gride the healing communion with her sai



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from one to three million dollars.

The loss of life is between eighty and one hundred. It is estimated that as many as 200 people are seriously hurt, while the slightest wounded will run to

Reports from several towns in Illinois,

Kentucky and Missouri also give accounts of heavy losses in life and property.

At the Mouth of the Brazos.

The annual meeting of the Brazos River Channel and Dock Company was

River Channel and Dock Company was held at the office of the company, in Velesco, March 25. The president's annual report showed that the east jetty was finished to a point 3300 feet from the beginning, and the west jetty to about 3500 feet, with new work being finished at the rate of fifty feet per day. At the present rate of increase the company will have

cations were read from steamship owners in Europe, requesting data with reference

as to when the port will be open for business. It is now considered abso-lutely certain that the Brazos river bar

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Casualties of the Week

A Mrs. Tucker, near Dodd, was so badly burned by her clothing catching as she passed a fire that she will die. Jno. F. Wilhelm, of Menardville, took enough rough on rats to kill him. He

was a wealthy stock man.

Mary Murphy drowned herself in a

cistern at Galveston. W. M. Mack, switchman, was run over by the cars at Texarkana and killed.

Mrs. Ellen Priestly, near Manor, was burned, it is feared fatally—her clothing being ignited while she was cooking. Mr. Walter Goodman, at Waxahachie,

umped from a passenger train, and it is leared received fatal injuries. Mrs. Robinson, at Marshall, was fatally burned while trying to save her house-

H. H. Boles, a farmer living at Forney, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart.

Mrs. Jarrett, daughter of Mr. John Rodgers, who resides about three miles north of Clarksville, was so badly burned March 28 that all hopes for her recovery are abandoned. She was in the field burning stalks when her clothing caught were burned to a crisp.

John Herron, brakeman on the Corpus Christi railroad, was terribly mangled while coupling cars. while coupling cars. At Lone Oak four business houses were

destroyed by fire. Just as Hon. W. S. Pendleton, candidate for mayor, was about to address citizens of Fort Worth a messenger arrived and announced the death of his little boy.

Green Powell, a farmer near Marietta, Cass county, came home on the 27th in-stant and found his wife and infant child in the well. His wife was alive, but had lost her reason. She held her dead child in her arm. Powell got them out after great trouble. It is not known whether she threw the child in the well in her despendent of the rangement or went deranged from the child's action by falling in. The infant could not be revived. The lady continues deranged to this date and gives no light on the affair.

Lampayas anticipates a connection with the Cotton Belt by running a road to Leon junction.

Hubbard City has organized an artesian

Mr. Wm. L. Dial, a well-known news-paper man of Fort Worth, was instantly killed near the Union depot. It appears that he was at the Union depot about 5 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of leaving on an early train for Galveston to fill an engagement on the Evening Tribune. He,

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however, went north of the depot on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas track, at a point where the Y intersects the main line, and a switch engine transferring cars from the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe to the Missouri, Kansas and Texas backed up on him, one car running over his arms and chest, severing one arm from the socket and crushing the life out of the

The Matthews hotel at Mineola was The Grand Central hotel was burned at

Paris, Texas, March 30. Wm. Arlidge, living near Paris, lost his life in attempting to recover his effects. His charred remains were found after the fire. Wm. Turley, a house carpenter, was

Texas Incidents.

The Galveston deep water bill passed the United States Senate without opposi-

Waco has fixed May 22 as the date for her water power display.

Sherman is extending her street railway system to form a belt of seven miles. Arthur M. Linberger left Waco Feb. 10, and has not since been heard of. Foul play is suspected.

The Waco Board of Trade has asked the real esta's owners of the county and city to contribute one per cent. of the assessment value of their property to an adver-

tising fund. The material for the McLennan county tower of the Texas Spring Palace has been forwarded to Fort Worth.

operation by summer.

electric lights and an ice factory. Dixie Williams at Dalias, Sam Jones of the at Fort Worth, and Abe Mulkey at Salado, worst. have been showing what evangelists can do in the way of causing people to turn from the errors of their way.

Hon. G. T. Todd of Jefferson, has been appointed master in chancery of the East Line and Red River railroad.

Real estate values at Ennis are looking up in anticipation of the location of the Houston and Texas Central railroad shops. "Corn is all planted and some of it up," is the daily report from various sections of

It is authoritatively stated that within the next sixty days work will begin at San Antonio on the largest paper mill in the South. Ground for the plant has been purchased, and all other preliminaries for the enterprise have been perfected. Further details of the matter are being kept quiet for the present. E. P. Smith, a wealthy paper manufacturer of St. Louis, has taken \$150,000 of the concern's stock, and will be at the head. stock, and will be at the head.

Atterney-General Hogg writes the following "strictly business" letter: Mr. J. W. Brice, Salisbury, Texas: Dear Sir—Your complaint, by favor of 24th instant, against the Fort Worth and Denver railroad company for its failure to establish a depot at Memphis, on the line of its road, has been received, and the company duly has been received, and the company duly notified of its duty in the premises. If it fails to establish a depot there within a reasonable time from this date, please make a full statement of the number of people and business houses and business demands at that point, to the end that the proper action may be taken to force

ham, Friday, April 25; Houston, Saturday, April 26; Brownwood, Thursday, May 1; San Angelo, Saturday, May 3; Waxahachie, Friday, May 9; Dallas, Saturday, May 10; Cuero, Friday. May 16; Hallettsville, Saturday, May 17; Hillsboro, Saturday, May 24; Decatur, Thursday, May 29; Childress, Saturday, May 31; Greenville, Saturday, June 7; Bellville, Friday, June 13; Galveston, Saturday, June 14. At night—Mexia, Friday, 20; Waco, Saturday, 21; Weatherford, Friday 27; Fort Worth, Saturday, 18; New Braunfels, Friday, July 4; San Antonio, Saturday, July 5.

The following committee will help out.

The following committee will help out the road convention here April 8: On reception—Judge E. G. Bower, chairman; Hon. W. C. Connor, Frank Field, R. V. Tompkins, J. B. Simpson, W. E. Parry, J. H. Cochran, C. F. Carter, C. W. Guild, J. H. Cochran, C. F. Carter, C. W. Guild, C. H. Cooper, Bryan T. Barry, H. S. Brewer, H. Blakeney, Will Waters, Henry Exall, Jas. Arbuckle, W. H. Abrams, E. G. Knight, R. B. Godley, J. S. Thatcher, Floyd Shock, Lawrence Knepfly, H. H. Smith, W. H. Lewis, Joe Record, Ed. C. Smith, Judge R. E. Burke, Judge C. F. Tucker, J. H. Traylor, W. B. Gano, John Bookhout, Chas. Culberson, Hon. Barnett Gibbs, A. T. Watts, B. H. Barrett, T. L. Marsalis, Luther Rees, R. A. Ferris. T. L. Marsalis, Luther Rees, R. A. Ferris. On arrangements—B. T. Barry, chairman; James Arbuckle, C. H. Cooper.

fire. Her father, seeing her peril, rushed to her assistance, and in the effort to ex-The corner stone of the new high school tinguish the flames his hands and arms ing the week in Fort Worth under circum-were burned to a crisp. interest taken in the institution by dren present, and enough other spectators to bring the attendance up to 3,500. Su-perintendent Cooper delivered a most in-

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structive address.

and tiling factory has begun operations in Six thousand trees have been planted in Corsicana this spring.

The presbytery of Eastern Texas met in Jacksonville, March 27.

Hubbard City has organized an artesian well and water company.

Miscellaneous News Items.

The legis'ature of Canada has been petitioned to bring about unrestricted re-ciprocity between the United States and

The anti-trust bill before the United States Senate has fatal constitutional de-fects—but the millionaire senators support it, no doubt, for this very reason. The Mississippi river is again rising at Memphis and a break in the levee has oc-curred at Austin, Miss., inundating the

wlands and driving the inhabitants to the hills. The court of claims has given judgment in favor of Representative Crain, of Texas, in his suit to compel the govern-

ment to reimburse him for money lost through the defalcation of Clerk Silcott. It is claimed that the defeat of the ef-C. H. EDWARDS,

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Refugees from high water in Louisiana are beginning to arrive at Shreveport.

burying 200 helpless victims, of which number few escaped uninjured.

Along Main street the path of the storm extended from Sixth to Eleventh streets, and from Seventh to Eleventh streets not The bill admitting Wyoming as a State has passed the lower house of congress. Prominent New York lawyers have dea single building was left standing. Occasionally a massive stone or iron front still stood, while the entire structure proper had been swept away. It presented the most stupendous spectacle of disaster and ruin ever witnessed.

In the course of the storm lay the pride of the tobacco market of the city, and the warehouses almost to the last one lay in ruins. They include the Kentucky, Pickett's Ninth Street Fall City Phonix clared the interstate commerce law unconstitutional and a prominent railway company will begin an aggressive fight to nullify the law.

Dyspepsia's victims are numbered by thousands. So are those who have been restored to health by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Labor Conference.

The labor conference inaugurated by ett's, Ninth Street, Fall City, Phonix, Emperor William of Germany adjourned Nov. 29. Among its recommendations were the optional establishment of a court run over by a switch-engine at Sherman, and killed.

Towns Incidents.

of arbitration, consisting of representatives of employers and employed to settle labor disputes and the general observance of Sunday as a holiday in all trades. But when continuous work is unavoidable it is rec-ommended that each employe have at least every alternate Sunday free. Various delegates made minor reservations. For instance, the French delegates did not insist that the day of rest should be Sunday, but none of these reservations affect to any considerable extent the decisions of the conference.

Diseases are insidious. A headache, sleeplessness, nervousness, mark their in-ception. Cascarine will remove the cause of the trouble. It is infallible in such

Mississippi Flood.

The breaks in the levees of the Missis-sippi are still threatening inundation. In sippi are still threatening inundation. In this connection the following is startling:
Greenville will have her ice factory in operation by summer.

Wichita Falls will have water-works, electric lights and an ice factory.

Dixie Williams at Dalias, Sam Jones at Fort Worth, and Abe Mulkey at Salado, have been showing what evangelists can do in the way of causing people to turn from the errors of their way.

Hon. G. T. Todd of Jefferson, has been appointed master in chancery of the East Line and Red River railroad.

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Already, although several immense crevasses have formed in the levees below Vicksburg from 200 to 1500 feet wide and twenty to twenty five feet deep, carrying off millions of gallons of water every second, the height of the river at Vicksburg and Cairo has remained almost sta-J. J. Berry, of Abilene, Kan., is buying land near Henrietta for a colony from Kansas.

It is authoritatively stated that within the next sixty days work will begin at San Antonio on the largest paper mill in crest from this new storm comes down the river things are bound to be carried away and the entire surrounding country covered. This will probably arrive at Cairo in two or three days, but it will be three weeks before it reaches New Or-leans. New Orleans will be visited, with-out doubt, with one of the most disastrous floods ever known, and I would not give five cents for my life in that city when the wave crest strikes it. I do not say this to frighten people, but am simply stating facts that will be verified. I have been stationed at Cairo, New Orleans and Cinstationed at Cairo, New Orleans and Cincinnati during the time of great floods, and I know what they are. Some of the strongest levees on the river, those at Helena, Ark., have been swept away completely in less than two days. To-day it is snowing all through the Northwest, the lake regions, in the Northern Mississippi valley and in New England and raining to the South, the storm covering every State east of the Rockies.

Gen. Greely, chief of the signal service.

The wrecked portion of the city lies be-tween Eighteenth, Broadway, Eighth and Main streets, the destroying elements

passing diagonally across the section, which is probably a mile square.

Probably the greatest loss of life occurred at the Falis City hall, which was in the center of the tornado. In the lower rooms of the hall were fifty or seventy-five children with their mothers and other relatives taking dancing lessons. There were at least 125 persons on the lower floors and seventy-five more attending a lodge meeting on the upper floors when the terrible wind swept down upon the building. The entire structure in less than five minutes was a shapeless mass,

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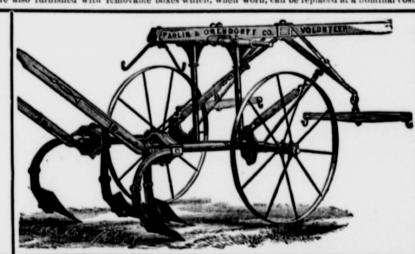
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