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ELEVENTH SESSION.

The eleventh session of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Centenary Church at 9 a. m., May 7, Bishop J. C. Keener

was read by Bishop Duncan and sung by the conference, after which Bishop Keener called upon Dr. Andrew Hunter, of Arkansas, the only surviving member of the conference of 1844, to lead in prayer. His closing words were: "May we, oh, Lord, live for God, die happy in religion, and then go home to glory."

Jno. D. Vincil, a local preacher, who assisted in the ordination of a Bishop four years ago, and who was assistant secretary of the last General Conference, came forward upon the call of Bishop Keener and called the roll of members.

Mason and John J. Tigert.

The chief business at this session was the adoption of the rules of order, found in another column of this paper, and the bishops' address, read by Bishop Wilson.

## DR. MATTHEW'S ADDRESS OF WEL-

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Having Dear Fathers and Brethren: Having been selected to present to this reverend body the greetings of the citizens of this great and growing commonwealth, and to extend to you the hearty welcome of our own Missouri Methodism, I accepted the position, but not without trepidation. You may be assured that all these organizations amongst us deeply all those organizations amongst us deeply concerned for the cause of morality and good government, extend to you, through me, the hand of welcome to the metropolis of the Southwest. You gather from the ends of the earth—men from China, from Brazil, from Mexico, from the In-dian Sea, and from different sections of our own native land. You are here to "confer" over the interests of mankind; not for a section, not for an empire, but for the race. The citizens of St. Louis appreciate the selection of their city for such a purpose by a body of men so powerful in the moral world, an assemblage representing one of the largest Protestant organizations on the continent. They recognize the im-portance of your movements in shaping tional forces. To you, therefore, is ex-tended the freedom of our great and

cause of the largeness of your plans and the scope of your spirit. There is a word of great breadth which has characterized the grand system you represent. It is the word "magnanimity" and ts literal meaning is great-mindedness. It comes from magna, great, and animus, spirit. We call those magnanimous who see things in their largeness, and who approach all problems with the dignity which invests them when they are considered in relation to all other subjects, or estimating an event by its tremendous reach and its eternal consequences.

A celebrated Italian artist was inter-

vi wed as to the division of his time. He gave a certain number of hours to sleep, others to work, others to recreation, and, added: "I give myself a half hour every day to meditate upon my Italian happiness." It is pardonable in us to spend a few moments in considering a few facts which give added interest to our welcome.

Some of you will write it down self-glorification, but the human heart needs

During the last quadrennium our erated momentum, which brings a glow justified by its song, or the orange tree by to the heart as well as cheek. We have its fruit, then is the existence of the M. to the heart as well as cheek. We have had our crisis. We who are older rememhad our crisis. We who are older remember the abyss into which our church was been and God. It is true we are not to which the light of hope might shine. Robert Cushman wrote of the mission

of the Puritans to America as a clear defeat, yet what he called defeat God organized into complete victory. In his letter he mailed out this sentence: "All and controls all my life. But we may things promiscuously forerun our ruins." speak of the tools we use. You are to Even then it was sunlight on the mountains. My own conviction is, there is more fertility in righteousness amongst us than in my boyhood.

We were chastened, but God has caused us to mount up on wings as eagles, and as spiring. She has won her way against tremendous odds. The Astor library has on its shelves 706 books and pamphlets against our church. Some godly men see no good in earth. They are looking for perfection of action and care for nothing in the comparative degree of goodness. ing in the comparative degree of goodness. True it is, men must aim at perfection, but no one should wait for that divine end before he allows himself to be happy. Such natures want no good music, no good literature, no flowers in the front, or even in the back yard. Such are tinged with asceticism. They stand by the side of St. Jerome, who said, "The duty of a monk, is not to teach, but to weep." Like Jacob, they exclaim, "Few and evil have the days of my life been." Yet he lived long and was blessed almost beyond any man who ever lived. He who dwells upon small particulars can never see the said of Domitian, the meanest of all Rosaid of Domitian, the meanest of the mean while our mean have entropy of the church, bring in this, they cause under the meanwhile our mean have entropy of the church, bring in this, they cause the best own methods; and clinis of mei

He at once issued a decree assembling the Senate to give an opinion as to how such a fish should be cooked! A dime held close to the eye will shut out the light of

You have assembled not to survey from any hill-top of personal grievance our work or our progress. We have our ills, and days of fear; they sometimes trouble us greatly, but after all, they are like a hot wheel in a train—may cause a delay, but will not prevent the travelers from reaching home at last.

We congratulate you, and through you

at 9 a. m., May 7, Bishop J. C. Keener in the chair.

Very impressive were the opening services of the conference. Hymn No. 10, read by Bishop Keener, was sung to the tune of "Rockingham," Dr. Peterson, of Virginia, leading. A most impressive prayer was offered by Bishop Wilson, when Bishop Granbury read Is. lxi and Bishop Hargroves Col. i. Hymn No. 206 was read by Bishop Duncan and sung by plus?"

reaching home at last.

We congratulate you, and through you our 1,200,000 members, on the harmony existing amongst us as a people. It is said we have never closed a quadrennium in greater peace. We have some warriors amongst us—these belligerents have gone up and down the lines of the church in search of a question over which swords might be drawn, and the only one found worthy of their steel is, "What shall we do with our thirty-eight thousand surplus?"

Modern history may note many remark-The great thinkers and observers assent that the control of the world is rapidly passing over to the English speaking people. Methodism to-day controls, possibly, a greater number of English speaking men and women than any other section of the church of Gen tion of the church of God. Our organization, the genius of our sys-tem, our potencies, can be paralleled only

by Romansm.

There are men of thought, who, standing merely on an intellectual basis, are trying to decide which is the greatest of the two organizations. One writer tells of a lady of large culture, who said, "I have not yet made up my mind whether I will be a Methodist or a Roman Catholic "We welcome you, not only for your fidelity to the old truths, but also for your fidelity to the old truths, but also for your fidelity to the old truths, but also for your fidelity to the old truths, but also for your fidelity to the memory of the fathers. Perhaps Providence indicates more than seems in the selection of 200 men who lave never sat in this legislative body before. When the children of Israel ware

There is a general feeling of expectancy over the world about the closing of this century. It is said this last decade of our remarkable era will witness sublime movements in national, social and mora! life. Your compact organization, con-trolled by men with hearts aflame with love for God and their fellow-men, holding such an equipment, it is anticipated you will have accomplished something

grand for God and humanity. All Europe is in a state of unrest. Men who have been muttering for a quarter of a century are organizing their forces for a vast movement. The broad Atlantic is not too mighty a barrier for this sentiment to overleap. Current events are forcing to the front grave questions which must affect vast masses of men. In their settlement you have an important respon-

These facts constitute your session—one of great and pregnant interest. You need not be told there are single days which carry a greater value than whole years, for they settle what the year shall be in their character and results. It is well known that the issues of a life-time often rest upon a few sharp points. Many great men are found where they are because of what took place in a single hour away back in their youth.

This age has adopted the theory of nineteen hundred years ago—the children of this world are wiser than the children of light. It is turning its knowledge of steam and electricity into great channels of industry; and from the wider study of man it is secking higher forms of government. More than two million eyes are turned toward your session, anticipating wise action in carrying forward the vast enterprises of God's empire. You are expected to put your hands under the plans of God and lift, and employ your wisdom in utilizing your tremendous possibilities.

Many of you are old enough to know the needs of the church of God. Some one has said by the time a thoughtful man has reached fifty, he knows what he needs as to food, medicine, exercise, sleep and climate. You have come to this convocation with a conception of the needs of the church in this epoch; you are here in the calmness of your strength, undis turbed by any heresies, or any propositions of a revolutionary character. Provideuce affords you a great opportunity to plan for a campaign of unusual power. Two things are essential, wisdom and enthusiasm. In the old days of Grecian worship men were said to be "enthe-astic"—touched with the God-power. from this our word has come. We need the Deific touch.

glorification, but the human heart needs occasions in which it may contemplate its source of happiness. So the church has its moments when it needs cheering. has its moments when it needs cheering. has its moments when a melancholy; have combined for the high purpose of happiness. happiness. Your high mission is recogchurch has moved onward with an accel- nized. If the mocking bird's existence is ber the abyss into which our charter plunged twenty-five years ago. Those were days of peril—days in which there seemed no rifts in the clouds through the light of hope might shine.

glory in organizations or in results, out in the Lord. However, in the day of battle the shout of victory on one part of the field cheers others where the battle is still the light of hope might shine. prolonged. My Methodism is not my religion. It is simply the instrument by which I work and develop the religion I

or remodeling. This brusque and busy Southwest extends both hands to greet a body of thinkers who, notwithstanding the re-adjustments of thought and philosophy and science, there is not the semblance of

widely and quarrel so much as the ab-stract thinkers. The old metaphysicians discussed the nature of angels, but never

in unanimity in any decade known to us. The enemies of Christianity have talked of decay when Protestantism in this land is building five houses of worship a day at least. Our chief pastors have honored the confidence reposed in them, and have with godly jealousy conserved the cardinal doctrines so dear to Methodism. They have stood at the helm steadily and the prow of the vessel has been heading in the boundaries of this magnificent in the boundaries of this magnificent in the boundaries of this magnificent what a church can amount to and come to, and what Methodism will be to and come to, and what Methodism will to and come to, and what Methodism will to and come to, and what Methodism will be. Suppose we take this as a starting to godliness." The class-meeting, whose province and power have been taken up to godliness. The class-meeting, whose province and power have been taken up to godlines. Asbury, let us take this as our point of departure, and, sir, in forty or fifty years more what will Methodism be in the boundaries of this magnificent.

The Discipline makes it their duty "to aid the preachers, and, if it be found necessary, provide for some satisfactory method of training, especially for our young contraction. The doctrine which is according to godliness." The class-meeting, whose province and power have been taken up to godlines. Its revival, if it be found necessary, provide for some satisfactory method of training, especially for our young contraction. The doctrine which is according to godlines.

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seems in the selection of 200 men who have never sat in this legislative body before. When the children of Israel were entering upon a new epoch, a new leader was necessary. The mission of Moses was ended, and he must be removed to give place to another chieftain. And God would not let them know where their great captain was buried. They would have halted over his tomb forever. The Chinese empire did not take one step forward for a thousand years. The people halted over the graves of their dead ancestors. Herein may be our danger. We must not halt at the tombs of our dead, however noble or great. It is a noble work to wean men from their dead heroes. Those who linger over the graves of their dead never go forward on any line. We are not to stop where Asbury died. We must not linger over the tomb of that noble Roman, Joshua Soule, who brought us over this Jordan in 1844. We must no more worship the past than worship an idol. New issues confront the church of God. A new line of Philistines are to be met and conquered. New plans must be devised, and you are here to devise them. May the Holy Spirit guide you in your responsible task responsible task.

BISHOP KEENER'S RESPONSE.

Bishop Keener responded to the address of welcome as follows:

We are, sir, more than happy to respond to you. You have very ably represented the magnificent guild of Southern Methodism in St. Louis. I do not know that any place in the entire country could be taken as an exponent of the onward ancient confession, or to put upon it an movement of Methodism that would more interpretation not warranted by reason certainly establish the continuity, the steady development of the power of the Holy Spirit accompanying the methods of fidelity of our people to the teachings out

our Zion, than this honorable city.

Away back—as far as in 1806—Bishop
Asbury was here. He complained of this field as the hardest one he ever knew of, and gave as an item of it that he could not even find time to pray in the Western Conference, and as an evidence of the poverty of it the good old man gave his coat and his watch, and, as the record says, gave his shirt, to the Western Conference. That was a beginning, but it was like the wonderful kingdom, a very small seed, but with an immeasurable power of life going along with it. In 1807 there was John Travis, and then there was Jesse Walker, a man, it is said, who never complained and never stopped, and every time you heard of him he was farther held a camp-meeting twelve miles above this place. Along with them came a man by the name of Jesse Smith, or James this great pioneer—invested in a cartload of meal and crossed over the river. Some one asked him where he was going. "Weil," he said, "I am going to take it to St. Louis." He came over here and rented a log house alongside of opened a school, and in the course of one year he had a flourishing school, and in the course of another year he had a church men and God. It is true we are not to and seventy members. And very prop-glory in organizations or in results, but in erly this Methodism of this St. Louis began with this man Jesse Walker. Well, now, after him there came on a wonderful collection of great men : our great Wesley Browning, whom you all know by reputation. He joined the conference about that time—not very long since gone to heaven. Then there was Brother Johnson, and Brother Berryman; they came in. moved out a little farther west, in order to be nearer the Indians. This city then was a very grand city; that is, in its pros pects, it being really at the gate of all great lead mining interests of the West, and the great trade with the West. It had before it, and it was duly appreciated, too, an unbounded mercantile and com mercial future. As it went along Meth odism vent along. There were such men as Caples; such men as Marvin, and the Headles. No grander spirits ever lived than the Methodist preachers who upheld Southern Methodism during the fiery period of the war in Missouri. I might name a great many grand men that have worked and labored and died under this great Methodism. All that dreamed of the rights of man. One secret of your success is that your chief that they gained in influence among men, thinkers have studied to draw near to the they have left as our inheritance. And

which we have not yet fallen so low as to accept. Nor will this nation, so long as evangelical churches are true to their Lord.

You have enthroned the moral law in universal supremacy, your aim has been to fill the world with happiness. The chief business of your laborers has been to push God's plan for saving others. A Your pulpits have been true to the supremander of the preaching—Christ Jesus our Lord. A theme broad and mighty in its sweep, embracing the history of the world in the past and its high destiny in the future. There has been a crystalization around the evangelical view of truth unequaled in unanimity in any decade known to us. The enemies of Christianity have talked of decay when Protestantism in this land is building five houses of workins along the street of the surface of in the boundaries of this magnificent city? Sir, we are glad to be welcomed and entertained by you, and we do not forget that you offered to entertain us before we thought we were able to entertain ourselves. You offered it generously, and no doubt we should have been grandly entertained, as we are being. We shall be here to invoke the blessing of God upon Methodism, and specifically the Southern Methodism of St. Louis. We are not presimint to the blessing of the southern method the specifically the southern method the specifically the specifically we are not presimint. We are not pessimists. We live in hope. We are saved by hope, therefore we live by hope. We are full of hope, and full of faith, and full of gratitude to God, and we hope to be many times more than we are; yes, fully a hundred times more.

#### THE BISHOPS' ADDRESS.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN: We cordially greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Your coming together is to us an evident token of the gracious care of our great Head over his church, and gives promise of blessing to accrue through your wise and faithful handling of the interests committed to your oversight. We shall not cease to pray for you, that "the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of his power to-ward those who believe."

We have reason to be grateful that the ntellectual and moral activity of the age has disclosed no need of change in our "Articles of Religion," or standards of doctrine, nor has there been among us any serious demand for such change. The great body of our preachers and people hold firmly to the Methodistic statement of truth as being in full agreement with the "words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the doctrine which is according to godlineas." That statement has been sub-jected to close scrutiny by reason of its unavoidable relations to other forms of teaching, and has been fully tested in its application to individual and social life; and the results show it to be sufficient as the rule of faith and practice. Occasional sporadic efforts, have been made to induce the church either to renounce its or by the "analogy of faith." These have been successfully resisted by the of which the organic life of the church has grown, and by which its spiritual life has been nourished. We trust that the unity and power of the church may remain to the end of time unimpaired by the intrusion of heresies destructive to

the simplicity and purity of its faith. We rejoice to record our conviction that the spiritual life of the church has suffered no decline in the past four years. The faithful preaching of the truths characteristic of Methodism has been productive of gracious results; extensive revivals have been reported each year; large numbers have been added to the church; and very many of our members have made increase in faith and holiness. y time you heard of him he was farther It has been demonstrated that our people These two men, as early as in 1808, are true to the principles of vital godliness, of experimental religion, by whomsoever they may be attacked, however subtle and enticing the appeal may be Smith. But this city was not invested until about 1820, the year after I was born. Then this great man, Jesse Walker an age when the functions of the pulpit and pastorate are largely usurped by the secular press and platform, and doctrines are widely disseminated (sometimes from the pulpit itself) subversive of the authori-ty of the word of God and of the foundations of spiritual life, and when the atan old abandoned court-house, and there tempt is made to substitute the amenities, he intrenched himself with his meal. He culture and entertainments of educated society for the graces, virtues and fellow-ship of the church of God, it is gratifying to note the steadfastness with which our members adhere to the conviction that the church is a separate and divinely ordained association, taking its life and its law from its own living Head, and by the terms of its existence, incapable of sub-

jection or of conformity to this world. As is well known, the individual exceptions to this statement are many. Many walk of whom we have told you be fore that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ who mind earthly things. The instructions and exhortations of the pulpit and the impressive and emphatic vows of the baptismal covenant, solemnly ratified and confirmed at the moment of their reception into our communion. are insufficient to restrain these from indulgences in dispositions and practices quite incompatible with Christian holiness and the purpose of the Christian church. To them the exercises of godli-ness are tame and distasteful, the meaning of Christian fellowship is unknown, and the church is attractive only when it can strongly enough appeal to their sensuous tastes through an eccentric pulpit, an aesthetic service, and the sensational appliances so often employed as substitutes for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. They would have the church

clared, that no one charged with the re-sponsibilities of the pastoral office among us can show us any sufficient excuse for failure in its treatment. It is unnecessary to repeat deliverances that have gone forth in more than one pastoral address by authority of the General Conference, declaratory of the law and binding upon all our preachers and people. It will be well, if practicable, to indicate and promade compulsory; and its voluntary ob-servance seems to require a larger meas-ure of spiritual life than is common with us. In its absence some more thorough and systematic method of pastoral in-struction should be considered, in aid of which the sanctified abilities of the laity might be enlisted. No added office or order in the church is needed. We seek only the free and hearty co-operation in this pastoral service of the consecrated talents of the whole church. It is surely high time that the culture and skill of our members should be brought under contribution for the higher uses of religious ious life. By such means we may train up a generation exercised unto godliness, and prepare to assert and maintain the claims of personal holiness against all the seductions of the world and the wiles

of the devil. While we thus aim to secure our separateness from the world, we cannot forget that by the terms of our gospel we are brought into special relations to it. Our responsibility is not restricted to the sphere of the interior life of the church. Our Lord's words, "Ye are the salt of the earth," "Ye are the light of the world," earth," "Ye are the light of the world, put upon us a sacred trust; while the apostolic exhortation, that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings, and all that are in authority, is prompted by the consideration that a healthful social order and righteous rule are necessary to der and righteous rule are necessary to der and righteous rule are necessary to the "quiet and peaceable life in all god-liness and honesty," upon which the growth and prosperity of the church greatly depend. In the world, though not of it, the church acts intensely upon it, and in its turn, on many sides of its manifold life, is strongly influenced by it. These vital and responsible connec-tions between the two should be con-sciously and constantly in view when

sciously and constantly in view when regulating the affairs and shaping the economy of the church. Very many questions of social order are, on one side, principles of godliness, and the assertion and enforcement of them within the limits of its own life and action are the church's witness to the truth before the world. Our members have their names enrolled in the commonwealths and kingdoms of earth as well as written in heaven; and it is within the province of the church to exact that in the discharge of their functions as citizens, in the conduct of business, in the regulation of the family, and in the observance of social reuirements, they shall conform to and illustrate the law of life given in and by the Son of Man. We cannot hope by impertinent and unwarranted interference in the affairs of government and society to change the currents of human life; but by unequivocal testimony to the truth, and its constant and uniform application and enforcement within the sphere of the church's rightful authority, we may exert a healthful and saving influence upon the world. The careful observance scope and limit of the church's action, combined with bold, uncompromising enunciation of every ethical and spiritual principle of the gospel, will save us from embarrassment and entanglement in

worldly schemes, and insure the greatest efficiency to our measures for saving men. The unsettled state of the relations be tween men in the various conditions and callings of life-in many instances the positive antagonisms among them-make it obligatory upon the church to give more explicit expression to the law of Christian fellowship. The Gospel Christian leflowship. The Gospel of Christ—and that alone—gives promise of a satisfactory solution of the vexed and vexing problems of life and society. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." and its practical correlative, "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise," "Take heed and beware of covetousness," "Honor all men," and such like self-renouncing principles and commands, which put all men upon the common ground of mutual respect and helpfuiness, are the contributions of our faith to the attainment of peace on earth and good will among men -the only satisfaction for the needs of a disordered, restless world. To let men see, within the communion of saints, that these are practicable and vigorous ele-ments of life is to give the highest assurance that the success of the gospel is the true and only guarantee of the rights and interests of all men.

The conduct of the affairs of the church during the quadrennial period has been attended with as little difficulty as can be expected under any system administered by men. With very few exceptions the preachers have been blameless; nor have we to mourn many departures from rectitude and propriety of life among our members. Close inspection and more vigorous application of discipline would perhaps have brought to light offenses that have escaped publication and censure; but it may be ques tioned if in any age or under any conditions the church has enjoyed greater freedom from the vices and sins that dishonor humanity and exclude from the kingdom of God. As a whole, the administration has been faithful, and its results commend our system as thoroughly effective and suited to the conditions and needs of our widely extended territory. The part taken by the bishops and Annual Con-ferences in the conduct of affairs will be

requirements of self-denial and unworld-liness imposed by the gospel. Much of it undoubtedly might be abated by uniform, impartial, judicious and firm administration of discipline. The attitude of the church upon the question of conformity to the world is so pronounced, and has been so often authoritatively declared, that no one charged with the responsibilities of the pastoral office among tion under such provision; but no abuse could arise, and, as the number of such appointments is few compared with the whole number, the difficulties may be adjusted and would gradually disappear. We do not, however, recommend any change in this feature of our system.

It may be well to review carefully the regulations concerning local preachers, and, if it be found necessary, provide for more accurate definition of their place and work and for their greater efficiency. may be the cause, these provisions are to a considerable extent inoperative; and many of this class assume the functions of evangelists at large and carry on their work, without regard to disciplinary limitations, wherever they can find an open house and sufficient compensation. The church is much indebted to the local ministry, and in many sections of the work is still in a great measure dependent upon it; but should not consent that the regular itinerant ministry be supplanted by practically irresponsible agencies. In some instances it is known that traveling preachers have taken a location for the purpose of engaging in evangelistic work, untrammeled by the restrictions of appointment and responsibility. Would it not be wise to so change the law as to put local preachers under the direction of the presiding elder for assignment of their work in the district? Proper adjustment of the local service to the enlarging and increasingly complex movements of our itinerancy may add ent upon it; but should not consent that movements of our itinerancy may add much to the strength and effectiveness of

Not many cases have occurred to test the provision, made by the last General Conference, for an appeal by a traveling preacher, in case of trial and conviction, in advance of the meeting of the General Conference, to a committee from an adjacent conference; but, in the few who have called for its application, suggestions of difficulty have been presented that seem to indicate the propriety of a change of the law. The present arrangement, being virtually an appeal from one annual conference to another, seems likely to put the conferences concerned in attitude of disagreement, and has too little of the connectional character to command unqualified respect for its judgments.

Other proposals for change in the pro-cesses of trial, looking to the removal of ambiguities and uncertainties and providing for an unembarrassed administration of the law, will, in all probability, be submitted to you. These will receive your careful attention, for the order and purity of the church depend in no small degree upon the clearness and certainty of the provision for indictment and trial and the

forces and the increase made since the last General Conference. Four years ago there were reported in the General utes 4406 traveling preachers, of which number 3885 were effective; the report of the last year shows 4862, of which 4295 are effective, an increase of 456 in the itinerant ranks. The local ministry has grown in the same period from 5943 to 6269, an addition of 326. There were. according to the minutes of 1885, 980,645 members. The last returns give 1,166,-019, an increase of 185,384. The whole number of preachers and members at present estimated is 1,177,150, an addition to our force in the four years of 186,156. In such measure the blessing of God has been upon our heritage and has rewarded the labors and prayers of his servants.

We thank God and take courage, while constrained to confess that the gains have not been proportioned to the resources and capabilities of the church and to record our conviction that intenser holiness, instant prayer, uncompromising faithin a word, more thorough and universal consecration to our Lord and his workwould have produced far greater results.

These figures represent an immense fund of material resources for the Lord's uses. We can no longer plead poverty. The increase of wealth in our territory, in which our members have shared as largely as any other section of the com-munity, has been unprecedented. We have enough upon which the Son of God may rightfully make claim to multiply many times over the work we have in

Moreover, these more than a million members present a vast array of every order o. mind and form of character which, devoted, not informally and irregularly, but systematically, to the interregularly, but systematically, to the inter-ests and uses of the church, would give intelligence to the faith of all our people, elevate the standard of Christian life in general estsmation, set up an impregnable defense against the encroachments of infidel thought, and expose the hollow pretensions of arrogant and truculent worldliness. In truth, nothing is wanting in the providential and gracious pro-vision for our church. The one thing needful is the baptism of the Holy Ghost

and of fire upon the entire body.

The various departments of activity in which the life of the church finds ex-pression will be duly reported to you in the details of their management and results.

Our mission work is first in importance. and, beyond question, demands the best thought and the most skillful and thorough treatment that can be given to it. proportions of the enterprise are but im-periectly apprehended. If the greatness of the numbers and the depth and ur-gency of the need of those in foreign lands to whom, in the providence of God, our church is called to minister the gospel, were fully known, our apathy would surely give place to the compassion with which the Lord looked upon the multitudes "scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd." The time is fully come when broader and more vigorous measures should be devised to satisfy this great and growing demand. Evasive pleas of ignorance, poverty, and home vants will no longer relieve us of responsibility; and they find their more than

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Rockport.

W. J. Joyce, May 6: Having removed my family to Rockport for a few weeks, we were agreeably surprised on the evening of the 5th by a visit of my friends and parishioners, with the fullest supply for our larder that it was ever our fortune to receive. Of course the pastor's blessings were poured out on them. Rockport is destined to be one of the best appointments of the conference. It has a glorious future.

of the work. By the grace of God, Methodism is on rising ground here, for which we thank him and take courage. We are greatly indebted to Bros. S. C. Littlepage, E. D. Mouzon, C. A. Hooper and J. B. Cochran for invaluable services rendered.

J. C. Calhoun, May 6: The revival fires are still burning here. The good im-pressions and Godly influence are living and speaking in many homes and hearts. New members being received at every service, and a regular old-fashioned revival

Seth Ward, May 5: Yesterday was a grand day for St. James Church. We held our first service in our completed one church, one prayer-meeting and three held our first service in our completed auditorium, and we devoutly trust that the occasion was the beginning of a new era in the history of this congregation. At 11 o'clock Bro. Solomon preached a strong and stirring sermon to a splendid audience. At four o'clock in the afternoon we had a praise service, which was followed by the administration of the Lord's supper. In the evening Bro. J. M. Wesson preached us an excellent sermon. Our success has exceeded our expectations. We have funds to pay all our bills and money secured to make a snug payment to the Church Extension Board. A few days since a good friend suggested to this preacher that a trip to St. Louis would cost me nothing. I was not slow to take the hint and will start to stake the wint was not slow to take the hint and will start to stake the wint and will start to start the other one once per week. Class meeting once per month at every church. We have received into the cuurch this year thirty-seven members, sixteen by letter and twenty-one by ritual. Dismissed one by letter, and lost three by death. Infants baptized, six. We have just finished ceiling our church on Cedar street, and will paint it soon. When finished it will be worth about fifteen hundered to start the other one once per week. Class-meeting once per month at every appointment. At two of our churches we have prayer-meeting two of our churches we have prayer-meeting twice per week, and at the other one once per week. Class-meeting once

A. G. Scruggs, May 8: The second quar-terly conference for this charge was held April 26 and 27. Our presiding elder was with us, attending closely to the duties of his position; he preached us two good and instructive sermons, and on Sunday, 3 p. m., he addressed the Juvenile Society on the great work they were engaged in, in-teresting all with his description of Mex-ico and what he saw there. His sermon Sunday, 11 a. m., was worthy of attention and remembrance by all. It was a nail driven in a sure place. The reports show an increase along on all lines. Finances up better than first quarter, though behind yet. There was a report from all, but no representative from four of the appointments. Out of nine appointments. pointments. Out of nine appointments we have six Sunday-schools, two prayer-meetings, four Juvenile and one Woman's Missionary Societies, all doing very well. The ADVOCATE has special attention, but not half as many taken as should be. We are working and praying for a revival all over the circuit. There is need of more spiritual power all over the work; yet we feel confident the Lord has many people in this charge.

Chappell Hill. J. M. Armstrong, May 6: Last Sunday night we closed a very interesting meet-ing at this place. Church measurably reing at this place. Church measurably revived; two accessions. Excessive rains and other things helped some to excuse themselves from doing their duty in aiding to press the battle to a grand victory in Jesus' name and in the interest of the in Jesus' name and in the interest of the angels on half rations." But there will as for the salvation and preach the Gospel to every creature. Of course, this assembly does not intend to interfere with any man's religious or denominational few could be made to realize and to will- is plenty for all. ingly assume its share of responsibility to Bro. McClurkin, pastor of the Baptist

Church. his efficient teachers. In the completion or no salary. of the new addition to the boarding-house

HOME CONFERENCES.

Lockhart.

Jno. S. Gillett, May 6: Much rain; some storms. The Baptist church is in ruins.

boarding pupils are entertained (except by special arrangement), is like one well-regulated, well-fed household. These students virtually become members of the president's family on entering college. They are well cared for in every way. Parties interested can get a catalogue on application to the president. Methodists in the Texas Conference should feel a peculiar interest in the Chappell Hill Female College.

J. F. Henderson, May 5: My second quarterly meeting was held on the 3d and 4th instants. Our much beloved presiding 4th instants. Our much beloved presiding elder was present in the power of the Spirit and full of the Holy Ghost, preaching in the Spirit as he lives in the Spirit, looking well into all of the business of the church and after the preacher. We had a very good meeting; received three members by letter on the occasion, and one by faith and baptism. The official attendance was not what it ought to be, but when we take into consideration the size of the territory of the work and the great ance was not what it ought to be, but when we take into consideration the size of istressing accident in our place, on last Saturday evening. Willie Woodson, the five-year-old son of Mr. Ross, was killed and fearfully mangled by the switch engine. The mother's anguish can only be imagined when her dead darling, unannounced, was carried into her presence. This makes the third person I have buried this year who has come to his death by violent means.

J. D. Crockett, May 5: Last Friday night a heavy cloud rose in the northwest and the roaring made us believe a hail storm was coming; so we closed all the window-blinds. No sconer had the cloud dispersed than the sound of another storm greeted our ears. This storm was coming; so we closed all the window-blinds. No sconer had the cloud dispersed than the sound of another storm greeted our ears. This storm was corrected the first of the work and the great want the people will do about it; and if they answer to the tune of as much if they answer to the tune of as

and the roaring made us believe a hallstorm was coming; so we closed all the window-blinds. No sooner had the cloud dispersed than the sound of another storm greeted our ears. This storm was a crowd of boys and girls, young men and women, and Sister McSween, and while we were trying to get a light in the front room for them, they rushed by us into the dining-room and the hallstorm of sugar, coffee, rice, etc., fell on the dining-table by the pound. May the Lord help them to save the unconverted ones. Many thanks.

Rockdale.

F. E. Hammond, May 6: We closed our protracted meeting at this place last night, after continuing four weeks, with twenty conversions and fifteen accessions to the Methodist Church. So deep a work of grace has not occurred here within the history of the present membership. Every sermon was most thorough and evangelical. From the first to the close the church was filled with profoundly attentive congregations, and to-day the whole town feels the hallowed influence of the work. By the grace of God, Methodism is on rising ground here, for which we thank him and take courage. We are greatly indebted to Bros. S. C. Littlepage, E. D. Mouzon, C. A. Hooper and J. B. Cochen for invaluable services rendered. keep us interested.

O. C. Fontaine, May 6: Our second quarterly conference has commenced, and we had a precious time, indeed. Bro. Adams, our presiding elder, was absent on account of having to hold another conference before leaving for St. Louis, but Dr. R. S. Finley was with us and presided. New members being received at every service, and a regular old-fashioned revival promises to continue.

Children's Day was observed last Sabbath and a delightful occasion and profitable time we did have. The collection was fine. I can't refrain from expressing my most sincere thanks to Miss Carrie Cheely and Mrs. J. H. Ball, two precious, good women of our town, for their kind efforts and unexpected presentation of a handsome purse, amply sufficient to pay all expenses to the General Conference at St. Louis and return, with a command to go. Of course I will go, submissively. May God reward these sisters for this kindness, and abundantly bless the town, one and all, for their liberality.

Galveston.

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Seth Ward, May 5: Yesterday was a great day for the people in all of their beauty and simplicity. To say to the brethren of this conference that Bro. Finley was with us and presided. Of course it is useless for me to say that the interests of the church were looked after, and the grand and pure doctrines of our holy religion were held up before the people in all of their beauty and simplicity. To say to the brethren of this conference that Bro. Finley was with us and presided. Of course it is useless for me to say that the interests of the church were looked after, and the grand and pure doctrines of our holy religion were held up before the people in all of their beauty and simplicity. To say to the brethren of this conference that Bro. Finley was with us, is to say all of this and even more. We want to say to the brethren of the conference that Bro. Finley was with us, is to say all of this and even more. We want to say to the brethren of the conference that Bro. Finley was with us, is to say all of this and even more. We want to say to the brethren of the conference that Bro. Finley was with us, is to say all of this and even more. We want to say to the brethren of the conference that Bro. Finley was with us, is to say all of this and even more. We want to say to the brethren of the people in all of t pectations. We have funds to pay all our bills and money secured to make a snug payment to the Church Extension Board.

A few cays since a good friend suggested to this preacher that a trip to St. Louis would cost me nothing. I was not slow to take the hint and will start tomorrow to take a look at our assembled Methodism in its quadrennial convocation.

Alto.

A. G. Scruggs, May 8: The second quarterly conference for this charge was held to ward a toward their hearts. wear and no one to share his pounding. But my people have opened their hearts and homes, and have killed the fatted chickens, and made me feel at home among them. Yes, they have done more than this, though many of them are poor, and work hard in dusty railroad shops, and stand upon the flying locomotive as it glides along the track, and shove the plane, and ring the trowel, they have put their hands into their pockets, and cheer-fully handed this pastor their hard-earned, but honest money, and bid him spend it as he liked. Our assessments will come up all right, we think.

MORE ABOUT BUILDING AND RE-PAIRING CHURCHES.

c. G. SHUTT.

Yes, brother, build that church; by all means build it. You will never do Christians in this State, that as many much good in that community until as will write me, signifying their puryou do build it. People are slow to join a school-house.

Did you say that you were afraid to God bless you, brother, do your duty and trust in God. I believe these ringing words of Sam Jones: "If you do your duty and trust in God he will take care of you if he has to put the sembly from July 1 to July 22, 1890.

The Missionary Convention arranged for the 10th of July is intended for all the workers of all the churches, whose aim in life is to spread the glad tidings of salvation and preach the Gospel to

I tell you the cases are rare where a tories would come to the hosts of Israel.
We are indebted for efficient aid to Bros.
J. T. Browning, J. R. Dunn, E. W. Tarrant, C. H. Brooks, presiding elder, and to Bro. McClurkin, pastor of the Baptist and ponder it well. Deut. xxxiii:27: The Female College here is steadily going on to increased prosperity under the management of Rev. E. W. Tarrant and his efficient teachers. I. W. Tarrant and his efficient teachers.

I have been tempted a little on that the president is enabled to accommodate about thirty more boarders, and it is confidently expected that this capacity will be filled next session. To this end let all where I have built the most churches is intended to stimulate and promote higher education. Two gold where I have built the most churches medals are offered free, and may be required for by students or graduates.

a subscription paper, it might surprise you to see how the people would take hold of it. How can you go up to conference with a clear conscience and report no churches and can't build, when you have reverse stituted the curvities?

HIGHLY THE PUBLIC ASKED TO AID CHRISTIANS OF A STRICKEN CITY.

Whereas, on the third day of May, 1890, our entire community was visited. you have never agitated the question? I am never satisfied with any town or community in my charge without a church, until I send out feelers to see what the people will do about it; and if they appears to the town of the third day of May, 1890, our entire community was visited by a severe storm, at which time our church-house was completely destroyed, also the organ, lamps and furniture; and, Whereas a similar total.

inviting place in the town or commun-ity; but that old ghostly, desolate looking thing! The people can hardly help thinking of hobgoblins every time they

pass it or see it. Did it ever occur to you that the reason why people don't come to church oftener is, that they are afraid a ghost will creep out of the old, rusty walls and frighten them to death? Listen to the crash and thunder of the old, broken window-blinds; hear the rattle of the loose shingles and the flap, flap, of the loose samples and the flap, flap, flap, of the loose weather-boarding! And what is that grating and rubbing on the outside? Oh, keep still my congregation!—no ghost; it is nothing but neighbor Smith's cow rubbing herself against the church. But, "mercy on " what's that the same and the flap, on me," what's that thumping and bumping and grunting under the floor? "Keep still, my neighbors, it is nothing in the world but Bro. Jones' hogs." You have "been there," brother, haven't

Now, look here, brethren, fix up that church; start a subscription at once; gather in every cent you can get-from a hundred dollars to a nickel-and don't let the Lord's house go to waste. Clear off those daubers' nests, cob-webs and wasps' nests. Have a respectable house in which to worship God; then you will not feel embarrassed when you invite the Lord to meet with you and which our church procedure has fallen,

invite the Lord to meet with you and bless you.

Last, but not least, have the man arrested that chews his tobacco in church and leaves a great puddle of spittle under the pews, or in the aisle, deep enough to float lizards in, and piles up his cuds like mole-hills. Suppose an indecent fellow like that should come into your parlor and show such a contempt for you as to soil your nice furniture and carpets in that kind of style. I guess you and him would "mix."

Why should be go "scot-free" after defiling God's house? It is a much more sacred place than anybody's parlor.

which out church procedure has fallen, since the days of our pristine glory. And this he does by boldly bringing to view the Bible-given landmarks of the prophets, Christ and the apostles. If he ever comes to Athens, I wish to look into Bro. Littlepage's face, take him around my family altar, point him out to my boys and say: Ecce homo Dei. Oh, would to the God of our fathers, that for every page of the history of Methodism in America we had just one Littlepage. Then would the Satanic, sounding-brass sentiment, "The filing God's house? It is a much more sacred place than anybody's parlor. sacred place than anybody's parlor. LANCASTER, TEXAS.

EVANGELICAL WORK AT THE CHAU-TAUQUA.

In a recent number of the TEXAS ADVOCATE appears the program of the Texas Chautauqua Assembly, of-fering a feast to the thoughtful in the way of its platform, for therein are announced the names of the most eminent American lecturers, who will, no doubt, discuss in the course of the session many topics of vital interest to every-

body, especially to preachers.

These lecturers are all preachers or laymen of some of the evangelical churches; all under good report, and qualified to instruct those who may hear them. As this is no scheme for money-making, but is intended solely to advance God's kingdom and to preach Christ crucified, and nothing else, I have determined to invite the pastors throughout the State to attend the session of July next. The officers now in this assembly represent nine of the leading denominations in the State. The assembly is therefore not denominational, but distinctly Christian, and so commends itself to Christian people for sup ort and sympathy. It is not run in the interest of any town, corporation or denomina-tion, but of Christ Jesus.

I will, therefore, say to all pastors of every denomination of evangelical pose to attend, will receive a copy of the program and a complimentary pass to all the exercises of the as-

views, but simply to draw these servants of God together for the purpose officers of mission boards who support them, will, upon application, receive complimentary passes to the assembly

for this occasion. The college contest arranged for July 4 is like those which meet at Lincoln Nebraska, and Monteagle, Tenn. It is intended to stimulate and pro-

by far the smallest salary that I have ever received. Church building will revive every other interest of the church. The preacher, or anybody else, that is afraid to do his duty lest his rations be cut short, ought to live on half rations.

Send out feelers, brother, in the shape of subscription papers. Agitate it—I believe in agitating things. You don't know what the people will do until you try. If you were to start a subscription paper, it might surprise

medal, and females for that in elocution. It is intended to form a State association for the promotion of higher education. To this contest all lovers of learning are especially invited. All who desire to compete for these medals, will, by application, have their names enrelled, and receive complimentary passes to this contest.

All communications relating to these matters should be addressed to me at Albany, Texas. C. C. Armstrong.

church; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Methodist Episcopal
Church, South, in church conference
assembled, in Wills Point, with grateful hearts, accept the services of Bro. Boyd, and wish him godspeed; and knowing Bro. Boyd as we do to be in every respect a Christian gentlemen, we heartily commend him to all persons, and we unhesitatingly indorse any and all representations he may make.

Resolved further, that the prayers of this church accompany the brother, and may heavenly blessings be show-ered upon him and his efforts crowned with success.

The above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

HENRY GILCHRIST, WILLS POINT, May 5, 1890.

Any contributions will be thankfully received by me, or Henry Gilchrist, at Wills Point, Texas. G. F. BOYD.

BRO. LITTLEPAGE, THE GREAT. REV. J. B. BISHOP

I do not wish to compose, but I do wish to "pitch" into Bro. Littlepage.

In his three-column exposition of May 1 in the ADVOCATE, Bro. Little-

one man can prevail in the kingdom of Methodism" be hushed, and in its stead, "Glory to Gad for salvation to man," would be the happy song of saved souls and a live church. The writer, through the ADVOCATE, sincerely desires a place in the prayers of Bro. S. C.



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(Translation from the German of La Motte-Fouque.)

How the Knight Lived on the Peninsular.

You have perhaps, my dear reader, after many ups and downs in the world, come to a place where it was well with you-there belongs to every one an inborn love for a hearth and fireside-you think the place blossoms with all the flowers of childhood, and of the purest, to him? He should suffer many things, for the following fourteen years of perils should be slain, and raised the third day, and deaths oft. Will heaven's glory be wild your house there. If you should be heartiest love, and you must live and build your house there. If you should be slain, and raised the third day.

7. What did he say they must do? Deny themselves, and take up their cross and follow him.

8. What did he say about losing one's privilege, the question is: What use are privilege, the question is: What use are with the present matter, since I refer not to the bitter after-taste, but that inexpressibly sweet anticipation, that greeting of angelic peace that comes to you. He took Peter and James and John, and

Knight Huldebrand felt during his life on the peninsular. He observed with hearty comfort how the forest stream rolled wilder every day, how it stretched out broader and broader, and the isolation on the island extended always for a longer period. A part of each rusalem. day he hunted with an old cross-bow, which he had found in the corner of the hut and had mended. Lurking after the flying birds, what he could hit helped out with the good bread in the kitchen.

When he brought back his prey Undine who stood with him.

14. What did they see when they had given to them fresh stindids and incitement to added toils and trials. The more we know of God's truth, the heavier the burdens that we must bear, is good for us to be here: and let us mad the fuller our strength for their hearing. scolded him for taking so heartlessly three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias."

18 good for us to be here, and the dark three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias."

16. Did he know what he said? No. often wept bitterly at the sight of the dead birds. But if he came back and had shot nothing she scolded him no as they entered into the cloud." less earnestly, because on account of his awkwardness and carelessness they must hear him.

live on fish and crabs. Her lovely anger live on fish and crabs. Her lovely anger 20. What happened when the voice was pleased him, because she always sought past? They were alone with Jesus. to atone for her bad humor with the most delightful caresses. The old people were in the confidence of both the young people. They looked upon them as an engaged pair, or indeed as a married pair, that would live on the deserted island to comfort them in their old age. This (It is an evidence that all three Gospels isolation made the young Huldebrand quite satisfied. He was in thought already Undine's bridegroom. He felt closely in order, Luke begins to deviate glad that the rising river separated him from both, though hitherto Mark and Luke from the world, and forbade any connection with other men. If his pasturing horse neighed to him, asking and remind-ing him of knightly deeds, or his es-remarkable discourse at Capernaum folcutcheon glittered from the embroidery of the saddle, and the trappings of the horse, or his beautiful sword flashed from the sheath in its fall from the nail where sult of hostility. Our Lord was attacked it hung, he calmed his doubting thoughts with-Undine is no fisher's daughter; she is much more, in all probability born Tyre and Sidon, where the daughter of from a wonderful princely house of the Syro-Phonician woman was healed strangers. It was repugnant to him if the old woman scolded Undine in his presDecapolis, a deaf and dumb man was ence. The light-hearted maiden laughed quite carelessly about it, but he felt as if one touched his honor, and yet he knew the old woman did no wrong, for Undine

always merited ten times as many scold-ings as she received, and he always in the end favored the housewife in his heart; and then the life glided on in its still, agreeable way. But at last there came an interruption; the fisher and the knight had been accus-tomed at noon and also in the evening, when the wind howled outside, as it was always accustomed to do toward the night, to amuse themselves with a jug of wine. But now the whole stock, which the fisher had brought from the city was exhausted and both the men were now wholly ill-humored. Undine laughed all day at the sorrowful ones, who, heretofore, had joined in her sport so happily. Toward evening she went out of the house in order to get away from the two long, sad faces, she said. As now in the twilight it seemed like a storm, and the water al-ready howled and waved, the knight and the fisher sprang, frightened, before the the fisher sprang, frightened, before the door, in order to bring back the maiden, thinking with fear of that night when Huldebrand was seen for the first time on the island. But Undine approached them, joyfully clapping her little hands: "What will you give me if I procure some wine for you? No I want you to give me nothing. I am already satisfied now that you look brighter than through this last long, dreary day. Only come with last long, dreary day. Only come with me; the fresh stream has thrown a cask upon the bank, and I will be condemned to sleep a whole week long if it is not a wine cask." The men followed after her, and really found a cask on an embushed spot of the bank, which gave them hopes that they might now enjoy the noble drink for which they longed. They rolled it before them in a short time into the house; then bad weather came again from the evening sky and one could be a second of the state from the evening sky, and one could perceive in the twilight how the waves of the sea directed their white heads upward, as if they would meet the rain which would soon come down. Undine helped them with all her power, and said, as the rain suddenly fell from the threatening black clouds, "You, you—take care that you do not make us wet: take care that you do not make us wet; we are still not under a roof." The old man reproved her for such a sinful bold-ness, but she danced lightly before him, and no harm happened to any one for it. Much more, all three arrived, against their expectations, with their booty dry at the comfortable hearth. One of them opened the cask and proved that it held a wonderfully excellent wine; then the rain fell and the storm waved through branches of the trees and over the uprisen waves of the sea. A flask was soon drawn from the great cask that promised a stock for many days. They sat together in the glow of the hearth, drinking and joking, and safe from the bad weather. Then the old fisher said, apparently with great earnestness: "Ah drinking and joking, and safe from the bad weather. Then the old fisher said, apparently with great earnestness: "Ah great God, we are enjoying the noble gift, while he to whom it first belonged has lost his dear life." The knight answered, "Upon my honor, old father could be leaver.

Jesus felt the need of prayer as a means of personal communion with God. Who of us would venture to live without this help to right being and doing? It was while Jesus was in prayer that his face and form were transfigured gloriously. "Upon my honor, old father, could I find and rescue him, nothing would tempt

#### About the Lesson.

LESSON VII., SUNDAY, MAY 18.

THE TRANSFIGURATION. Luke ix:28-36.

"And there came a voice out of the cloud saying: This is my beloved Son: hear him. (Verse 35.)

(MEMORY VERSES 33-35.)

#### QUESTIONS ON THE LESSON.

3. Where was the place at which they were? Probably Mount Hermon.
4. What had Jesus asked his disciples?
"Whom say the people that I am?"
5. What did Peter say? "The Christ of God." 6. What did Jesus say should happen

9. What did he do eight days after this?

Think of this and you will know how the Knight Huldebrand felt during his life on 10. What happened as he prayed? The fashion of his face was changed, and his with us in our prayers and in our toils,

talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias." 12. What did they speak of? "His decease, which he should accomplish at Je-

13. What is said of Peter? "Peter and they that were with him were heavy with

17. What came over them? A cloud,

19. What came out of the cloud? A voice, saying: "This is my beloved Son:

#### LESSON SURROUNDINGS.

Intervening Events .- Luke's narrative omits a number of events recorded by Matthew and Mark between the miracle of feeding the multitude and the interview are not limited to the contents of an earlier document; that just here, where Mat-thew and Mark for the first time agree corresponded most closely.) After the five thousand were fed, our Lord walks on the water of the Sea of Galilee, to join the lowed (John vi : 22-71), which led many to cease from following Jesus. The tide of popularity in Galilee turned. Hencebecause his disciples ate with unwashed hands (Matt. xv : 1-20; Mark vii : 1-23). This led to a withdrawa! to the regions of healed (Mark vii : 31-37), and the four thousand fed (Matt. xv : 29-38; Mark viii: 1-9). Near Magadan, on the west side of the lake, the Pharisees and others asked for a sign (Matt. xvi : 1-4; Mark viii : 10-12). The little party recrossed the lake, and the disciples were warned against the leaven of the Pharisees (Matt. xvi : 4-12; Mark viii : 13-21). Near Bethsaida Julias, a blind man was healed (Mark viii: 22-26). Then came the long journey to the region of Casarea Philippi, where the disciples confess their faith in Jesus as the Messiah, Peter being specially com-mended by our Lord, but afterwards rebuked, when he objects to the predicted death of his Master (Matt. xvi: 13-28; Mark viii: 27; 9:1; Luke ix: 18, 21.) A week afterwards the transfiguration oc-

curs. Place.-Most probably Mount Hermon Place.—Most probably Mount Hermon, the highest peak of the range called Anti-Libanus. It lies east of north from Casarea Philippi. In favor of this locality may be urged: The height of the mountain, its proximity to Casarea Philippi, the reference to "snow" (Mark; omitted in Rev. Ver.), its uninhabited condition. the subsequent notice of a journey through Galilee. The presence of scribes at the foot of the mountain is, however, an objection, since Hermon was remote from an exclusively Jewish population. This traditional site is Tabor; but this was inhabited, and very remote from the scene of the preceding incidents. The tradition was current in the days of Jerome.

Time. - An interval of some length must be made between the Passover (the feeding of the five thousand) and the trans-figuration. On the other hand, the Feast of Tabernaeles (in October) occurred some little time after the transfiguration. The date is therefore in the summer of A. U. C. 782; that is, A. D. 29. The transfigur-

ation probably occurred at night.

Persons.—Our Lord, Peter and John and James: two men, which were "Moses and Elijah:" God the Father speaking out of the cloud.

Incidents .- The ascent of the mountain Jesus, while praying, is transfigured; the two men appear in glory; the three dis-ciples are aroused from their drowsiness; Peter proposes to build three tabernacles; a cloud overshadows the principal persons; an attesting voice comes from the cloud; after this Jesus is found alone; the disciples are silent concerning the transfiguration, as the Lord commanded them to be (Matthew, Mark).

Parallel Passages .- Matthew xvii : 1-9; Mark ix : 2-10.

### LESSON SUMMARY.

Although the central figure in this lesson is the transfigured Christ, there are practical teachings to be drawn from it for the every-day life of the Christian

our communion with God was fuller and freer, our very faces would give evidence me out such a night; but I promise you, should I ever come to an inhabited land again, I will find out him or his heirs and will repay him double and treble for this wine." This pleased the old man, he nodded approvingly to the knight and drank his cup of wine with a better conscience.

The promise you, should I ever come to an inhabited land again, I will find out him or his heirs and communion, with God will imprint a glory on a homely face, yet, which, though it be nowise miraculous, does none the less show where the man has been. If we lived more habitually in the less church.

If we lived more habitually in the less church. If we lived more habitually in the less church. secret place of the Most High, our faces

and a pure and quiet heart would make itself seen there."

Special privileges of vision were granted to those who kept near Jesus in the hour of personal prayer. Thus it is always. There are gains from following Jesus in our home life, in our school duties, in our business activities, in our social enjoy-ments; but there are added gains that come only through being with Jesus in spiritual communion with God, in the closet, in the praying circle, in the sanctuary, or at the table spread in commemora-

tion of his dying love.
In that hour of the transfiguration, God 1. What is the subject of the lesson?
The Transfiguration.
2. What is the Golden Text? "And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying: This is my beloved Son: hear him."

Where was the place at which they

that glimpse of glory, not in order that they should rest in its enjoyments, but that they should be fitted for sore trials and hard work to come. "Transfigurations come to men," says Bishop Warren, "as preparations for great trials—as in this case, or in Paul's third-heaven ecstasies."

we to make of our experiences there, in the coming conflicts on the plain below? All of us can have transfiguring experiences through loving communion with God. All of us have work to do in scenes where there is no present gleam of glory to cheer us. All of us can have Jesus raiment became very white and shining. and can obey his voice as if it were the 11. Who came to him? "Behold, there very voice of God. What more practical teachings than these could we ask from any Bible lesson?

#### ADDED POINTS.

Progress in experience brings progress in privilege and progress in trials. When the disciples had gained a new conception sleep."
of the character and mission of Jesus,
14. What did they see when they they had given to them fresh stimulus

Not merely our faces, but our very garments, may become an indication of our spiritual attainments. What we are and hat we feel sometimes stands out before others in our looks and in our dress, as they see us in our daily life among them. If those whom we had known and loved

here, and who are now in glory, were to come back to earth this evening, would they find us in a state of mind and in modes of conduct that would prompt them to freest loving intercourse with us? It is well for us always to be where we think they would be glad to find us. How much more apt we are to be sleepy when we are praying, or when we

listening to some one else in prayer, than we are at any other time of duty-doing! We are not often sleepy while reading, or conversing with a friend, or sight-seeing; but we are sometimes sleepy at church, or in our devotions. Is the difference in the relative importance of these things. or because of our measure of interest in them severally?

It is always good for us to be where we belong; but the place that is best for us now, may be a very poor place for us an hour hence. In bed is a good place for us when sleep is our chief duty. On our knees is a good position for us when we are in private prayer. But when we have hard work to do, earning our bread or helping others out of present difficulty, it is not good for us to be on our knees or in bed. Then it is our duty to be doing something else than praying or sleeping.

We are more likely to be afraid of things that will not harm us, than of those that may. Our fears and our fancies are a poor guide for our conduct. But the words of Jesus can be safely trusted-in cheer or n warning

Some of our choicest spiritual experi-ences are not to be talked of to others. They are for our own instruction or encouragement, and they are to be held sacred and confidential accordingly .- Sunday School Times.

### Old and Poung.

SEARCHING FOR THE GOLDEN STREET. "Please, Mr. Policeman, we're tired, We walked 'most all the day: We want to find the golden street, But we don't know the way.

"We haven't any shoes, you see, But just what's most worn through; The snow comes in at the bottom, And at the corners, too.

"But mother told us both last night (She's sick in bed, you know,) Sometime we would not need our shoes To keep away the snow. For when we'd found the golden street There'd be no wind nor rain

Nor any stones to hurt our feet— So they'd not ache again. "This morning mother was asleep;

As sound as sound could be; So I said to little brother, dear 'Get your cap and come with me. "We'll find the lovely golden street

Where children's feet go bare: Then we'll come back for mother, dear, And live together there. "We'll leave our shoes in the alley For some poor little feet Who cannot go with us to live

Upon the golden street. "So we've walked through all the city, Without a thing to eat,

Mister Policeman, if you please, Where is the golden street? 'Don't know, my chickens, cannot say, It isn't on my beat,
'ou'd bet er run back to your home:
I don't know such a street."

"He does not know-so Harry, We'll go to sleep, I guess, And you shall lay your little head Close down upon my dress.

"And I will take good care of you-I'm bigger than you be: For I shall be six next b rthday. And you are only three.

. . . . . .

Very early in the morning. Ere the city was astir.

Walked a red-faced, stout policeman,
Muffled closely in his fur.

"Dead! froze stark! The very same That talked about their feet— The blessed lambs—but, then, I guess They've found the golden street."

He told the beautiful story
To stores of men that day
Who sathered around the courthouse Wherein the children lay. And a tenderness, sweetly solemn.

Came down upon every soul.

As they tho't of the fair young seekers,
Now safe at the journey's goal.

### A LETTER TO CHILDREN.

DIAR CHILDREN: According to promse, I make a monthly report for the 'Coral Builders." I am grieved to say that I have not as

vetreceived anything at all for the Eagle

would oftener seem like those of angels, tions from two little boys, for which we

are truly thankful; may God bless them and sanctify the gift. Dear me! How many Methodist children there are in Texas who could easily spare a small amount and persuade other friends to join them, with very little trouble or self-denial. I cannot believe that they will turn a deaf ear to my appeal, when they can do much good with

I shall confidently expect to have a long list to report the first of June. Please, children, don't disappoint me. May God incline your hearts to render your very est service to him.

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#### THE BOY WHO SAVED A KING.

More than a hundred and fifty years ago a little boy was born in a palace in Berlin, and, though he was afterward known as Fredrick the Great, his childhood and youth were made very unhappy by the cruelty of his father. Sometimes while eating his dinner the unatural fath-er would hurl plates at his son's head, and often he would kick him to the floor, and then drag him round the room by the hair. Once, while the boy-prince was practicing on a flute, the old king snatched the instrument from him and snapped it in two across the astonished child's shoulders. His life was somiserable that he once attempted to run away, but before he had gone far he was captured and cast into prison; and, more cruel than all, from a window in his cell he was compelled to watch the execution of the dear young friend who had assisted him to make his

At the age of twenty-eight, the old king having died, Fredrick himself became King of Prussia. Heretofore his time had been spent in studying the language and literature of France; but now his books were laid aside for the sword, and busied himself in building up his own kingdom. He was a very frugal, industrious king, not caring for fine garments and it is said that he was actually buried in his valet's shirt, as he did not possess a presentable one of his own.

He was a great admirer of Washington, and to show his esteem, sent him a Prussian sword of honor with the inscrip-

'From the oldest general to the great-

It was this famous king whose life was oncesaved by a little boy he had befriended. During the seven years' war, the Prussian troops were one winter stationed in Dresden; and it was here, while pacing back and forth on the terrace along the river bank, that the king met a wretched-looking little boy. The child was very ragged and carried a box as big as him-

"Oh, sir, wouldn't you like to see my marionettes?" asked the boy, in his simple fashion. 'Are they in the box?" inquired the

"Yes; and they can perform very nicely. You ought to see them dance. Shall show them to you, sir?" repeated the

child, eagerly.
The king shook his head, but gently laid his hand on the boy's shoulder and asked why he was so anxious to earn a few pen-

"I wish to earn enough money to buy a flute," was the child's answer. "Are you so very anxious to become a musician?" inquired the king. Such a beseeching look came into the little upturned face that the king's heart was

deeply touched. Perhaps he remembered his own broken flute, for he said: "Well, my boy, if you are industrious and will prove that you really wish to learn, you shall have a flute and a teacher,

Little Antonia seized the royal hand in his own brown paws, and kissed it over was made for him to come to the palace the next day to arrange for his lessons. The boy was taken in charge by the court capellmeister and studied so well that he was soon able to play before the

The little fellow became strongly attached to his benefactor and longed for a chance to give proof of his devotion. Strangely enough, the desired opportuni-ty came sooner than was expected.

One evening little Antonia noticed a great deal of whispering among the servants of the palace. Afraid that some thing was wrong, he rose long before it was light next morning and hid himself in a dark corner in the kitchen. At last, through a crack, he saw one of the cooks go by with a folded paper in his hand. Straining his eyes to see what it was, he caught a glimpse of a fine white powder just as it was sifted into a pot of chocolate, ready to be carried to the king.

Rushing from his dark corner, the little fellow ran as fast he could to the king's apartment, and, forgetting his manners, cried out: "Oh, sir! forgive for coming in so roughly, but mind what I say and do not drink your chocolate this morning. I

saw the cook put poison in it."

Then he calmed himself and told his story to the astonished king. Just as he had finished speaking, the servant entered with the king's breakfast. At almost tered with the king's breakfast. At almost city."

There was no mirage, no holy city to be seen!" angrily declared Abouk. against his life had been planned. Presently the servant poured out a cup of chocolate and offered it to the king. Frederick eyed him so keenly that the man turned pale and began to tremble.

"What ails you?" asked his master, in quiet voice. "Are you ill?"

a quiet voice. "Are you ill?"
"No, your Majesty, but I—I"—
"Possibly if you drink a cup of this warm chocolate it may do you good," said the king, kindly.

Throwing himself at the king's feet, the

man cried out in terror, "have mercy on me, oh, noble king!" "Wretch! this cup is poisoned, and you know it," exclaimed Fredrick in

The man said that the powder would not destroy life, that it was only intended to induce sleep. For answer, the king gave the chocolate to a dog, and in a few minutes pointed it out to the servant-

The devoted boy had saved the life of the king, the man who had been kind to him in his helplessness.—Presbyterian

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#### A GIRL'S LETTERS.

"Why don't you write to ask me why I haven't written?" one girl commences her letter, with piquant unexpectedness. haven't written?" The ingenuous question may be provoking, but it is far better than the time-worn

but it is far better than the time-worn cloak of apology a girl usually affects at the beginning of her letters. Why must a girl always apologize for haste, for delay, for pens, ink and paper? "This ink." writes one witty girl, "is pale, and futile to express my customary

Another girl says, "I write in such a tearing hurry, I have not time to express myself properly." A letter is a little visit, a compliment to your friend. How would it sound, in making a call, to say,

"I rushed off in such haste I had no time to dress myself properly, so I came in this ragged gown, with my shoes untied and my hair flying."

An apology at the beginning or close of a letter is nearly always commonplace. Emerson says, "Common people are made of apologies." Emerson says, "made of apologies."

Love needs no apologies to come and go with. "My child," writes Madame de Sevigne, "this letter becomes infinite; it is a torrent I cannot keep back." Mrs. Pendarves writes to that "extraordinary darling," Ann Granville: "I could

not live longer without speaking to you, my dearest sister."

Eugenie de Guerin, looking over some of her old letters, says wistfully: "I see my girlhood as in a mirror."

How often does a girl consider that her letter is a mirror, not of her face, but of her soul? If she spends the greater part her soul? If she spends the greater part of the letter in discoursing upon her own affairs, and only refers to her friend's commencement of the Christian era there health and happines casually on the last was in the world \$427,000,000 in gold. page, we see selfishness. If she complains This is an estimate based on careful calof the dullness of the town or country, we see that her mind is dull and vacant. we see that her mind is dull and vacant. But gold is very soft, and wears away to If she is constantly apologizing, there is an astonishing extent; in consequence, affectation and subtle conceit in the this amount had diminished to \$57,000,000 mirror.

No girl ever wished deliberately to be selfish, conceited, affected or stupid. It is not becoming. Every young heart longs for beauty. If a girl strives to keep selfishness, fretful complaining, and affec-tation out of her letters, it will help in a great measure to remove these faults from her character. For this reason there is no culture of mind and heart like that of writing the best letters to one's best friends.

Schumann threw so much musical feeling into his letters that he used to say he could not write letters to Clara Wieck and compose music at the same time. Clara herself must have written charming letters, for in them Schumann could thirteen cubic yards.

Now, suppose you had a room twentysee her laughing, jesting, rushing from fun to earnest, diplomatically playing with her veil, and he says: "The letter is Clara herself, her double."

The fascination of a girl's letter is always in the personality, the "me" she puts into it; but it must be her best self. It is a good plan to be silent once in a while. "Wait," as Louisa Alcott says, "and fill up your idea box." Then drop thirty-seven out of the forty correspondents. It is more creditable to write three sensible letters in a week than to send forty scrambling notes lamenting that one has no time.

As to silver, that is a different affair. In all the world there is probably a very respectable hill of silver; but all the gold, as you have seen, might be estilved.

Read the letters of polished men and women; of Madame de Sevigne, whose letters are considered the most brilliant of their kind in literature; of Mrs. De-lany, who was called the highest bred woman in the world; and the letters of

woman in the world; and the letters of William Cowper, of Eugenie de Guerin, Princess Alice, Lady Dufferin, Motley, and Washington Irving.

Let your words fit your thought. Don't say that a caramel is "splendid," and sunset "sweet." Above all, use easy, talking words. It has been said of Mrs.

Browning's correspondence, "It was really talk—fireside talk." It must be confessed that a girl's letter can seldom be parsed, the punctuation is often missing, and the metaphors desperately mixed. But when a letter with all these unpardonable faults is pressed from the young heart by some warm impulse of love or gladness—when it comes to us fresh, sweet, and in-nocent as blossoms in Maytime, sparkling and shining with happiness-one cannot

But let this dear girl remember, as she sits down to write a scribbly letter to her "most bosom friend," that it is not an affair of light and triffing moment. The destiny of her whole lifetime may turn upon a letter like a wicked book "is every like a wicked book "is every like a wicked book." upon a letter, like a wicked book, so much wickeder because it cannot repent."-Francis Bennett Callawag, in the

### Christian Age.

AN ARAB LEGEND. There is a quaint Arabian legend which tells of the pilgrimage to Mecca of two de-vout followers of the Prophet. Abouk journeyed on foot; Selim was mounted on a camel. At nightfall both the pilgrims had reached a spring of water in the desert, where grew a few palm trees. "It is a long and tedious journey," said

Abouk. "On the contrary, it is short and pleas-ant," answered Selim. "I was cheered by a mirage on the horizon, wherein I



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'There were, instead, legions of venomous ants in the sand that bit and poisoned

my flesh."
"Not a single ant was on the desert,"

rejoined Selim.

The two pilgrims were quarreling fiercely when a good priest, also journeying toward Mecca, came up. He listened to them patiently.
"Peace, my brethren," he said at last.

"Let us leave these questions until to-morrow night to decide. In the mean-time, let Selim go on foot and Abouk ride the camel."

They consented to this exchange of places. On the next night it was Abouk who had seen the glorious visions and found the journey pleasant, and it was Selim who had been bitten by the ants.

"My brothers," said the priest, we are all going to Mecca, whether we walk or ride; but Selim cannot see what Abouk sees unless he stands where Abouk stands. It is well to change places occasionally.

#### ALL THE GOLD IN THE WORLD.

People as a rule are greatly given to exaggeration. We hear of armies "countless as the sands of the seashore," mountains far above the clouds," "unfathom-

able lakes," and so on. In regard to money, the popular notion my dearest sister."

If the heart is full of love, it will overflow. If it is empty, then we begin to is wonderfully erroneous, and seems to be founded on fairy stories, which speaks recklessly of mountains of gold and silver, and rooms full of guineas. To these people, who think that all the gold in the world, if gathered into one heap, would make a respectable-sized mountain, it will be a suprise to hear that it would not

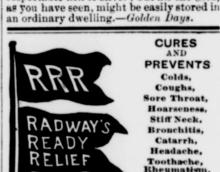
make a small hill. culations, and must be very nearly correct.

at the time America was discovered. Then it began to increase. Peru and Mexico added to the world's supply. California increased it still further, and finally came Australia and South Africa. With all these sources of supply, the amount of gold increased, until at the present day it is estimated at \$6,000,000,-

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Now, suppose you had a room twenty-six feet each way, length, breadth and height—that is to say, a cube of twenty-six feet. This cube would contain six hundred and fifty-one cubic yards, within a fraction, and in this room you could put all the gold in the world!

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Cuero district, at Gonzales	.June	25
San Saba district, at Brady	June	25
Austin district. at Weimar	June	26
Cameron district, at Cameron	June	26
Sulphur district, at Cooper	June	26
Marshall district, at Overton	June	26
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San Augustine district, at Center	June	26
Palestine district, at Jacksonville	June	26
Brownwood district, at Brownwood	June	26
Abilene district, at Cisco.	July	2
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BISHOPS ADDRESS.

The bishops' address is a strong paper, and we commend it to the careful and prayerful reading of our members. There is one point, however, at which we cannot give the address our hearty approval, viz: the elaborate mention of Vanderbilt University. We are gratified that the church has a so-well-endowed institution as the Vanderbilt, and we rejoice in the great work the institution is doing, but we have no use for a connectional university for the whole church with a theological department, where every preacher will be expected to finish his education, and in time may be required to take a theological course, is entirely too centralizing. The bishops, or connectional officers, they have accepted places on the Board of Trustees for the university, and now, in their address to the General Conference, it is brought before the church in a connectional way. It is true that a school in Oregon is also mentioned, but the circumstances there were peculiar. Such does not exist in the case of the Vanderbilt. There was no more reason that the university at Nashville should have been specially mentioned than any other of our institutions of learning, inasmuch as the Vanderbilt sustains no different relation to the church from the others. Its only point of difference is in and is the result of its rich endowment. Methodism needs neither a Vatican nor a Mecca. But read the address.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

We died in the last ditch on the Texas & Pacific Route, but when informed at the depot that there was no telling when a train could leave Texarkana on the Iron Mountain, we pulled for the Houston & Texas Central, where we learned that that road was off on the excursion tickets. It had been published that all roads would sell tickets from the 3d to the 8th, but the Houston & Texas Central shut off with the 4th (Sunday.) This is the same road which refused to do what all other roads did-give excursion rates to the Sam Jones

meetings at Fort Worth. We got a ticket to Denison and thence a round trip over the Missouri Kansas & clusions drawn from that process of rea- if he were calling a young lady whose

Texas to St. Louis. At the depot we found Rev. T. R. Pierce, wife and son, of Corsicana. Dr. Jas. knows Bro. Briggs well asserts that being and Calla lilies, while within, making a rial relation—and that a layman must not

company, and so also was Sister Barrett, enough; but as to all the grand scenery dian Territory, we did not see it. There was in sight nothing scarcely but prairie and timber land, similar to the crosstimbers of Texas. These lands, from appearance, cannot be compared with Texas lands for richness of soil, etc. The scenery was monotonous, except now and then a few hills appeared to relieve the tired eye. The most interesting and picturesque scenery lies along the Missouri Pacific railroad, between Sedalia and St. Louis, as you descend the valley of the Missouri river. Let this suffice about the trip.

It is a blessing to the people when legislatures adjourn without making serious changes in statutory laws. It is very good proof of the excellence of a system, when representatives, fresh from the people, after carefully looking over the petitions, memorials, etc., from every quarter of the State, fail to see the necessity for fundamental changes. The cry that the body has been in session so many weeks and has done nothing is sheer demagogism. If nothing is needed then it should be done.

The General Conference, in St. Louis, will probably attempt very few changes most respects it is good enough. The Conference will hear patiently all applications, and investigate the ground of them, through painstaking committees. with the sound of Dr. Peterson's voice resonantly ringing out the recommendaquarter.

There will be some changes which denote progress. Probably more missionary

that the sixth restrictive rule ought not to filled by prominent delegates. be repealed. Of course the superannuates fund will be looked after, and it will be of the Sunday-school were discussed and found that the veterans on the roll of their management was placed in the honor, like those of the army, are retired | hands of a committee. on half pay. If political economy is a science, full pay was never enough. In fact, half pay ought to mean just what full pay does mean in dollars and cents. But from the days of John the Baptist, until now, preachers have been in the habit of exploding the theories of Matthus and Henry George.

The autonomy movement in Japan bodes much good to Methodism in foreign fields, and we devoutly trust the example of the Japs will soon be followed by the Celestials, the Mexicans and the Brazilians.

### THE COLLECTION.

ALL the bishops were present at roll call Wednesday morning. Bishop Keener looks older, but otherwise in good health. He presided the first day, and evidently does not believe in suppressing free discussion by parliamentary technicalities.

BISHOP WILSON shows marks of hard work, but his prayer opening the General Conference, and the bishops' address, written and read by him, show that neither his spiritual nor intellectual strength have abated.

BISHOPS GRANBURY and Hargrove are elcted to the episcopacy.

THE younger band, consisting of Bishops Duncan, Hendrix, Galloway and Key, have stood the four years well, and seem to thrive on hard work.

THE St. Louis Republic, in its issue of May 4th, gave cuts of the bishops and sev- of these denominations, setting themeral of the delegates, among whom figured conspicuously the Rev. Horace Bishop, and in their narrowness unchurching all of the Northwest Texas Conference, and others. All who honestly serve Christ as Dr. J. J. Lafferty, editor of the Richmond Advocate. The cut of Bro. Bishop was all bigoted claims to the contrary are ununique. Horace wore a nice little goatee popular in America. on the end of his chin and the upper part of a swallow-tail coat. He came up in the conference room Monday morning, the recognition of each denomination as however, in his usual appearance. Dr. Lafferty declares that the cut represent-

THE General Conference, in its make-up, is an enlargement of annual conference in many respects. If any one thinks that by visiting this body he will see a convention of gods, he will not have remained long until he will discover that he is still among men. If he is at all human, he will feel himself to be quite at home.

BRO, BOYD, of Wills Point, sends us communication which we publish on the second page. It is a plea for money to restore their church-house, destroyed by the recent storm. The whole town was injured financially and hence the members of our own and the other churches. The plea is just, and if friends throughout the State would contribute, the burden would be lifted. Let Bro. Boyd hear

A VERY common mistake is that similar things are the same. Reasoning from Lt. Louis avenue and Nineteenth street, analogy is good and forcible to the extent F. Vordenbaumen. of reaching probable conclusions, but it does not reach demonstration. It is there- nounces the name of the State in which fore well not to be too certain of our con- the General Conference is being held as soning. There should be also great care name is "Oory." taken to discern between real analogies -The floral decorations of Centenary the beloved P. E. of Dallas district, grip in and mere similarities. A case in point: are very beautiful indeed. It is the work hand; on the train, the Rev. E. L. Arm- The presiding elder of the Kansas district of Young & Co., florists. A row of palms strong and daughter, Rev. J. P. Mussett, of the Southwest Missouri Conference is in pots, stand around the chancel, re-Mrs. Vest, of Ennis; Geo. T. Jester, named Briggs. A Baptist preacher who lieved at intervals by Chinese primroses

son, and we picked up a delegate or vis- and to his chagrin he discovered that he itor every now and then on to St. Louis. had only spoken to a sign-dummy in front Commodore Jones and wife, of Dallas, of a dry goods store. It evidently did one of the Advocate boys, was also in the not follow that because the dummy favored Bro. Briggs it was therefore him, of Dallas. The journey was pleasant but it may follow that as all such dummies are very much alike, a good picture we had heard so much about in the In- of him may be seen in most any town, steins" should be taken out and dehorned. Bro. King, the presiding elder of the Ne- for they were dangerous. Pardon her, vada district, is responsible for this "yarn."

In this week's ADVOCATE is advertised a movement to start a series of publication in New Orleans, to be known as the "Crescent City Anti-Series." The advertisement says: "They are to be antilottery, anti-whisky, anti-monopoly, antisin and anti-devil in character, and redhot in disposition. No favors will be asked from the evils that threaten the speedy destruction of our social and religious systems, and none will be shown."

The first number of the series (to be out May 15) will be "red-hot anti-lottery." It will contain two addresses by the Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., with an addenda of facts, figures, home thrusts, etc., that will make it particularly interesting to the enemies of the Louisiana State Lottery, and particularly horrifying to its friends. It will contain 100 12mo. pages, sixteen full-page illustrations, novel and very striking.

THE Southern Baptist Convention me in Fort Worth, Friday, May 9, and adin our Discipline. It is good as it is. In about 700 delegates were present-among subject of dancing, card-playing, theatrewhom are the prominent Baptist ministers of the South. On Friday the convention organized. Judge Jonathan Haralson, of Alabama, was elected president. Then in about ten days after the opening Reports were read from the missionary the church will again become familiar secretaries. Saturday morning was devoted to the discussion of the Southern Theological Seminary. Of the \$50,000 tion, "Non-concurence." That will mean, needed to complete the \$400,000 endow-The old ship is still seaworthy. No ment, \$16,225 was subscribed by the conbarnacles on this plank. No leak in that vention. Dr. J. A. Smith, of Chicago, reported that \$1,200,000 had been raised for the Chicago University. The evening session was devoted to a discussion of secretaries will be elected than hitherto. missionary work among the Indians and The Publishing House cash balance will colored people. On Sunday the pulpits be inquired after, when it will be found of Fort Worth and adjacent towns were

On Monday morning the publications

The evening session was a general mass meeting in the interest of foreign missions.

THE DECAY OF DENOMINATIONALISM .- If it is often distressing to hear from respected ministers of religion the emphatic expression of their approval of the shameful divisions by which all Christian effort is crippled and the great mass of the urban populations of the land surrendered to practical heathenism, it is comfortable to know that those estimable and esteemed gentlemen do not represent the thought of their own people. They are far behind the times, and are really is natural to an American to see that as Discipline in such cases. in the republic all men alike are citizens archy must reign if they were not, so all loyal followers of Christ ought to belong to one visible kingdom of God. All that is needful is that an American should have his attention drawn to this analogy, and he sees at once that denomination alism is a practical repudiation of the primary idea of a kingdom of God. In the kingdom of God, as in the republi there may be provinces corresponding to the States; but neither in the republic nor in the kingdom of God is there any room for rival communes in one and the same place claiming superiority each over the other and hindering good government by any and all of them. The whole thing is manifestly wrong and absurd as well. said to look just as they did when It is utterly uncatholic, and an American readily sees, when he takes time to think about it, that it is un-American. If the truth could be known, we are persuaded that the average American is sick of the whole business of denominationalism.-

What Americans are tired of is the arrogant claims of some of the smallest selves up to be "the kingdom of God." their king belong to "the kingdom," and

There is a dying out of sectarian bitterness among us; but this comes from a "State" in the kingdom. Such blatant passed that point when our constitution was adopted.

GENERAL CONFERENCE NOTES, ETC.

-Dr. Warren A. Candler, first assistant secretary of the General Conference, looks exactly one-half like G. W. Briggs and the other half like H. M. DuBose, both ex-Texans. This description should enable you to take his photo at a single sit-

-The following pulpits were filled last Sunday by members of the Texas delegation: Marvin Chapel, 7:45 p. m., Sam'l
P. Wright. Carondelet, 11 a. m., Dr. M.
H. Neely. Clifton Heights, Buckner
Harris. Trinity Methodist, 7:45 p. m.,
James Campbell. Wentzville, Dr. H. A.
Bourland. Tower Grove, 7:45 p. m., E. S. Smith. Y. M. C. A., address to young men, Dr. J. H. McLean. German Branch,

-One of the assistant secretaries pro-

Wilson, of Plano, joined us at that place.
Rev. R. M. Powers, of Texarkana, and Esq. Welsh and wife, of McKinney, got on at McKinney; and then the Rev. M. H. Neely, of Gainesville, got aboard at Denishania.

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-The Holston Conference had been assigned seats in the extreme rear of the house where they could not hear, and made a noble fight for better position. A lady from Texas insisted that those "Holshe is from the land of horns.

-The address of welcome closed with an eloquent peroration ending: "Wel-come bishops and brethren to the me-stantly made bishops for twenty-four come, bishops and brethren, to the metropolis of the West. We extend to you the freedom of the city." A wicked Texas delegate added soto voce: at \$2 a day.

-The livest question before this General Conference, on this its second day, is the function of lay delegates as regard committee work. The question is upon their eligibility to seats in the committees

an uncircumcised little Texas boy about seven years old crept softiy up to our side and whispered, "Ask him if he loves rats."

-The following resolutions, adopted without a dissenting voice by the General Conference, expresses the sense of that journed May 13. At the opening session representative body of our church on the going, etc:

Whereas, the Word of God fordids con-

formity to the world; and. Whereas, the general rules of our church inhibit the same, and the vows of membership assumed by all coming into her fold pledge them to its renunciation and obedience to her Discipline;

Whereas, our bishops in their annual addresses, from time to time, emphasize and Bessie; Dr. McLean was accompanied these facts and the damage to the spirituality of the church on account of worldliness; and,

Whereas, as itinerant preachers, we promised "to keep and not to mend our rules," and in our ordination vows pledged | Flora, Dr. Philpott and Miss Eloise, Miss ourselves to banish and drive away all Estelle Snyder with Bro. Bishop's party, erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to the Word of God; and,

Whereas, we regard theatre-going, dancng and card-playing and the like, so eign work; Dr. Bourland and Sister B., often indulged in by many of our members, as in clear violation of their religious vows, and the failure of some of lion-dollar baby; Bro. Maule and wife our pastors to notice their violation, as (since our last minutes leaves the "a" out inconsistent with ministerial vows; there-

Resolved, that we greatly deplore the danger that comes to the purity and power of our beloved church from this state of affairs.

Resolved, that we urge our pastors to give all diligence in warning our people the representatives of an age that has passed away forever. The American temper resents sectarian distinctions. It

Resolved, that we regard the impres-sions made on the minds of our young the old scientific formula that "nature Resolved, that we regard the imprespeople by the use of such expressions as "reformed theatres," "legitimate drama" our preachers as hurtful to the cause.

Another resolution of importance is that which makes laymen eligible to appointment on all committees. After much debate the resolution as offered by D. C. Kelley was adopted.

Resolved, that it is the sense of this General Conference that lay members of this body are eligible to appointment on all of its committees.

LAY DELEGATES.

Speech of Judge Thomas Advocating Their Eligibility on Certain Committees.

In a heated debate upon the eligibility of laymen to seats in the Committee on Episcopacy and that on Appeals, Judge J. D. Thomas, of Oak Cliff, lay delegate from the Northwest Texas Conference, spoke as follows:

This question, in my judgment, is a very important one. It involves the duties and the privileges of lay delegates in this body. Brethren say a layman cannot serve on the Committee on Episcosectarianism as the Churchman shows in pacy, because that committee passes upon ing him was the cut of John L. Sullivan. the above, is a back number-the world the official conduct of the bishops. And they insist that a layman can cast no vote, can take no action, bearing on the character or ministerial relation of a clergyman. That in these respects the minister is amenable to his peers alone. But the question is, under the law, does not the due election of a layman to this body make him the peer of any other member

on this floor? It is true the law provides that a layman, in the annual conference, shall not vote on a question involving the character or ministerial relation of a preacher. But there is in the law no such provision in relation to lay delegates to the General

Now, the General Conference, ever since there has been lay representatives in it, has constantly recognized the right of lay delegates to participate in all its deliberations. A lay brother has just stated that eight years ago he served on this same Committee on Episcopacy without objection

I never heard of the right of a layman

to vote on any question arising in this body being challenged till to-day. They say the Committee on Episcopacy might provide for the trial of a bishop, in certain emergencies, or might report facts And they think that would be monstrous, for it would bear on the bishop's ministe-

much freedom by the one class of representatives as by the other. Not a man has been elevated to the episcopacy since 1866 who has not been dependent on the votes of the laity for his elevation. The bishops now in the Episcopal College, and here before us, elected since that date,

bishop? I had supposed that competency to make involved competency to unmake, should occasion demand it. I have no ambition about this thing; but certain I am that to deprive the laity of their equal rights with the ministry, on this floor, will be a violation of the law which has operated so harmoniously since 1866, and it will be an injustice which cannot lead to good. The ministry alone made, he on episcopacy and appeals, as these involve ministerial character. A Texas lady present, fails to see how "a layman or anybody else, can sit upon a standing committee."

—This reporter was having a pleasant little tete-a-tete with Dr. C. K. Marshal, our native China mission delegate, when an uncircumcised little Texas boy about ing one-half, and the most important half, of your action. And you begin to talk to us about your peers, and to look down upon us as an inferior order of semi-mem-bers of the General Conference. You never could have brought us here on such terms. And if you want the laity to be of value to you, you should permit them to hold the position assigned by the law.

> OUR EXODUS. REV. SAM P. WRIGHT.

Like that of Israel, ours was northward, and some of us made it like theirs, in that we insisted upon going "with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters," for Horace Bishop had wife and Tabbie, Linnie and Bam; Fred Cox was superintended by his best seveneighths; Buck Harris had Sister Harris by Miss Eunice, while Mary and "two of the Wright girls" were along to protect this faber. And still I have mentioned only a few of our many, for time would fail me to tell of Judge Thomas and Miss Miss Lucy Harper, of the Southwestern University, who comes to offer herself to the Woman's Missionary Board for forand Miss Estelle, Bro. Heartsell and wife; Bro. Daniel, his wife and that milof his name we try to keep in front of him), Schutt, Little, and Ramsey Armstrong, and the rest, whose names crowd so thick upon me that I must leave men-tion of each until he or she shall dis-tinguish himself by getting elected bishop or something. Then you will get

his picture.

This scribe embarked at Lorena, and was glad to embark to get out of the mud. abhors a vacuum," it will stop now, for everything is full about Lorena.

and the like, as misleading and dangerous, and the more so if they emanate from a preacher of the Gospel, and we heartily condemn the use of these expressions by our preachers as hurtful to the cause.

The promised reclining-chair was just in front of a Pullman, and in it, looking as comfortable as could be, was that part of the delegations which comes from the South. Mr. W. B. Lawson, the affable agent of the M., K. and T., was aboard to escort the excursionists to St. Louis. At Waco our party was augmented by Bro. Bourland, wife and daughter. At Fort Worth we found Bro. Cox and wife, Little and others. Here we found a Pullman sleeper, which, with the chair car, gave us abundance of room for seventy or more us abundance of room for seventy or more excursionists. We did not reach Denison entil about midnight—an hour late. This scribe had already gone to bed and did not know until Tuesday morning who were added to our party at that place. We had heard that a number of the delegates and others had gone on Monday morning. The route through Arkansas morning. The route through Arkans was not practicable on account of high water, there being, as we heard, some ten or twelve miles of the Iron Mountain track submerged by the Red River. This fact threw the whole excursion over the M., K. and T. Railway, whose track, after we left the rainy region, we found in excellent condition. I think I never saw a party enjoy itself so much. The girls were wild with delight, and were almost sorry when they reached the end of their journey. Our breakfast station at Muscogee did not feed more than a dozen, so sumptuously had all feasted from their well-ladened lunch baskets.

What a wild waste of good grass and rich land is the Indian Territory. Hardly a sign of civilized life in sight of the railroad. Within five minutes after we ran into Kansas every passen ger knew we were getting somewhere. Joseph Cook in a Monday lecture says that one can tell to a narrow limit when he passes from a Moslem to a Christian land by the improvement in the looks of everything. So it was here. If the world wasn't so wide a philosopher might be tempted to ask how long "poor Lo" will be allowed to play the farce of the dog in the manger to the rest of man-

Before we ran into St. Louis Wednes day morning the excursionists were called to order, and Bro. Bishop offered the fol-lowing resolutions, which were unani-mously adopted; Whereas, the Texas delegates and

visitors to the General Conference did select the route by the M., K. and T. Railway; and

Whereas, that corporation, through its Sedalia and Texas representatives, have exerted themselves to secure every con-venience and comfort the excursionists

venience and comfort the excursionists could wish; therefore,
Resolved, that our thanks are hereby tendered the M., K. and T. Railway, especially Mr. Hughes, of Fort Worth,
Texas, and most especially Mr. W. D.
Lawson, which latter accompanied the excursion, and by his wise forethought and constant care anticipated every need of the excursionists.

Resolved, that a copy of this paper be sent to the Sedalia office of the road and another be handed to Mr. Lawson, and a third be published in the TEXAS CHRIS-TIAN ADVOCATE.

At the depot in St. Louis there was a general rush for quarters. Hotels, first-class, second-class, and unclassified, are

occupied by Methodists and Methodist preachers from all over our Zion. I have learned that the Advocate's man is in the fifth story of the Laclede. If this be so, you are getting up in the world. I will give a line every week if I can get time.

APPEALS. REV. W. H. HUGHES. COU

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In the ADVOCATE, of May 1st, Bro. Allen, in reply to my article on appeals, agrees with me fully so far as the right of here before us, elected since that date, hold their position by virtue of the votes of laymen. It has all been done as a matter of course, because the law in no way prohibits it—and never a voice has been raised against it.

Making a man a bishop changes his ministerial relation as much as to reverse the process. And when we have constitution to members and ministers is precisely the same—the language is verbatim: and the members and ministers is precisely the same—the language is verbatim; and the very thing against which I protest is the years, how can it seem so monstrous for unconstitutional law which takes from us to look into the official action of a the preacher the right of appeal which it is compelled to recognize in the member. In other words, I object to the law which locates a preacher without his consent, denying him a trial by a committee and of an appeal, both of which are guaranteed by the constitution. None can deny the partineness of the above it the the pertinency of the above, if the process of law by which a traveling preacher is located is a trial and the location itself a penalty of law. Neither of which will be denied. Bishop McTyeire, in the Pickett case, in answer to a question asked by my good Bro. Allen, decided "that the rubric in the Discipline had the force of law." This rubric calls it the "Trial of a traveling preacher." Then, at the end of the chapter, comes in that abominable, unconstitutional law denying him the right of appeal, and in the language of Bro. Allen leaves the character in the "arbitrary power of the conference," and at the "mercy of a bare majority of a body that might, at the moment, be swayed by

passion."
Bro. Allen says: "I do not think the Bro. Allen says: "I do not think the constitutional provision requires any appeal in these cases." If not, then it cannot be a trial, nor location a penalty. Again he says: "But it is well to have the limits of the conference arbitrary power clearly defined," which we think is done in the fifth restrictive rule, which says: "They shall not deprive our ministers or members of trial by a committee and of an appeal," and yet this arbitrary power is exercised in the very face of the constitution, which Bro. Allen very correctly says is "unequivocal."

rectly says is "unequivocal."

Bro. Allen seems to think the location of a preacher without his consent is a small matter and not of sufficient importance to demand an appeal, but if membership in the church is in anywise involved, then an appeal ought to be allowed. Now I regard the privileges given a minister when he is received into the itinerancy in our church as among the most sacred in the church. It changes his relation both as to membership and ministry. It removes his membership from the church roll to the conference roll and his ministry from the local ranks to that of pastor and his amenability from quarterly to annual conference. from quarterly to annual conference.

Now locate him and is not his member-

Now locate him and is not his membership very materially affected? Is he not practically out of the church? Does not the law require him within six months to renew his membership? And if he fails so to do, does not that law unfrock him? And then if he ever gets back into the church at all, will he not have to join de nore? We think the General Conference, now

in session, should conform the law to the constitution and remove the stigma of any arbitrary power from all our church courts, for in the language of Bro. Allen: "Is for in the language of Bro. Allen: "Is is a matter of great importance to every itinerant to nave it clearly understood This scribe embarked at Lorena, and was glad to embark to get out of the mud. What a storm we did have Sunday night! For hours the heavens presented one continuous outpour of electricity—as Mark Twain would put it, "The grandest pyrotechnic display of the centuries." And what a rain! I wonder where all the water is coming from? If it is to prove members refusing to go to his work, by a mere vote," and that he hopes that

brother will appeal, etc.

Now, I ask, what is the difference bctween expulsion and locating a brother without his consent? Absolutely none. except the degree of the penalty. And I assume that the granting of appeals in cases of the most flagrant crimes and refusing this sacred right in cases of smaller turpitude, is to set a premium on the

Finally, substituting one word, I adopt Bro. Allen's conclusion, "All cases affect-ing ministerial standing (instead of 'cre-dentials,' as he has it) and membership in the church must be referred to a committee and go through a regular trial-if for no other reason than that the constitutional right of appeal may be preserved. Otherwise, our constitution is no protectection, for its meaning is unequivocal." DALLAS, TEXAS.

TEXAS PERSONALS.

-Rev. J. R. Allen had the misfortune to lose \$50 as he was purchasing his ticket to St. Louis. -Bro. Haywood Harris and lady, of

Pirtle, Texas, paid the Advocate office pleasant visit this week. -We had calls this week from J. R. Allen, Sam Hay, G. W. Boyd, J. W. Blackburn, T. W. Rogers.

-Rev. T. J. Pope, superannuate mem-ber of the Holston Conference, and wife have left Honey Grove to spend a month with their daughter, Mrs. A. C. Benson, at Daingerfield, Texas. When their visit is out they will go and live with their two sons in Vernon, Texas.

> OUR SCHOOLS. encement Exercises Waco Female College, May 20 to June 3, 1890

Thursday, May 29 .- 8:30 p. m .- Art levee and gymnastic drill. Friday, May 30.—8:30 p. m.—Kindergarten and preparatory entertainment. Saturday, May 31.—8:30 p. m.—Select reading for gold medal.

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Sunday, June 1.—11 a. m.—Annual commencement sermon by Rev. W. W. Pinson, of San Antonio. 8:30 p. m.—Annual sermon on Christian education by Rev. E. W. Solomon, of Houston.

Monday, June 2.—9 a. m.—Instrumental and vocal contests—gymnastic drill.

10 a. m.—Annual meeting of Board of Trustees. 8:30 p. m.—An ovening with

Trustees. 8:30 p. m.—An evening with the senior class. (Class numbers twenty-Tuesday, June 3 .- 10 a. m .- Graduating

Tuesday, June 3.—10 a. m.—Graduating exercises. 11 a. m.—Annual literary address by Rev. D. F. C. Timmons, of Tyler; reports of committees on gold medals and delivery of diplomas. 4 p. m.—Annual meeting of Alumnæ Association. 9 p. m.—Senior reception.

Admittance at night will be by ticket. Patrons, trustees and visitors from abroad will be furnished tickets at the college. Friends of education are invited to attend these exercises and attest the work of the

these exercises and attest the work of the college. R. O. ROUNSAVALL, President.

Austin, Texas, C. A. H.: Warren Hooper, son of Geo. E. and Maria L. Hooper, died at Rockport, Texas, May 3, 1890, at 10 o'clock p. m., aged three months and sixteen days. menorgai they Meth pend been prop form actio A move chur It miss erect supp payn inter aries of th

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce D. A. WILLIAMS as a candidate for re-election to the office of COUNTY ATTORNEY OF DALLAS COUNTY

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#### GENERAL CONFERENCE.

(Continued from first page.)

sufficient answer in the abundant and constantly increasing wealth and luxury of our homes and the immense investments and skillfully planned and farreaching business projects in which so many of the professed followers of Christ are concerned. It is the standing reproach of our Lord and leader that "the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." At this late day in the church's history it is more than a reproach; in the face of the demands and opportunities of the age it assumes the proportions of a crime. it assumes the proportions of a crime. The foresight, skill, boldness, energy and self-sacrifice devoted to secular uses would, if turned to the purposes of the gospel, in a little while change the thought and heart of the world. The endeavors of our church thus far have been scarcely more than tentative, just disclosing the breadth of the field and the conditions under which the work must be carried forward, with enough of practical result to give assurance of complete success so soon as we shall make hearty and adequate re-sponse to the call of God.

The last General Conference directed

the College of Bishops to include the foreign missions in their plan of visitation, and to give them, in common with the church at home, immediate supervision. In compliance with this requirement, China, Japan and Brazil have each been visited twice, and Mexico annually. The results have justified this measure. Dif-ficulties that threaten the harmony and progress of the work have been adjusted, our brethren abroad have been brought our brethren abroad have been brought into closer sympathy with us, and their hopefulness and zeal have been stimu-lated afresh by these touches of home life, while the more immediate report to the churches at home has given greater confidence in our mission work, and en-

hanced the interest in our operations.

The missions in China and Brazil have. ecording to the order of the last General Conference, been erected into annual con-ferences. The mission in Japan has taken on very compact form, and has vindicated the wisdom of its establishment by the number and character of its converts and its extended and growing influence upon Japanese life.

In China, our oldest, and we must con-In China, our oldest, and we must consider it, our most important mission, we are suffering for want of men. The extent of that densely populated field and the enormous exactions made upon our laborers under most trying conditions of climate and life call imperatively for large accessions to the force. We are not adequately furnished in any department—educational, medical, or evangelistic. The changes going on in China will undoubtedly create a greatly increased demand for edly create a greatly increased demand for the education given by Christian mission aries. Other mission establishments are of the success of our regular mission are preparing on a large scale, with heavy endowments, or appropriations and full staff of teachers, to keep up with the demand. Our faculties are not equal to the present necessities, and must be strongly reinforced before we can hope to offer our fair contribution to the educational agencies of the empire. A plan to bring our institutions in China into the unity of a system is now under consideration. It promises advantage to the work. With this effected, and a sufficient increase of teaching force provided, we shall have a powerful adjunct to our evangelical ministry, insuring stability, permanency and preparing on a large scale, with heavy service is due to their efforts, and in many service is due to their efforts, and in many places this form of work has occome mand to their efforts, and in many places this form of work has occome mand their cellours at home.

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The committee ordered by the last their real has provoked many; and a wider and more intelligent interest in the extension of the kingdom of Christ the interest in the extension of the work and home and ended upon the organization and duty. The result is before the church in the shape of a collection of hymns retaining all the best characteristics, lyrical and doctrinal, of its predecessor, while of the buildings on the grounds and fulty. The result is before the church in the shape of a collection of hymns retaining all the best characteristics, lyrical and doctrinal, of its predec istry, insuring stability, permanency and steady growth to our church in China. Still sarger additions should be made to the regular ministerial force, until, with as to include non-Protestant lands, with the native helpers in our service, we shall the Mexicans of the border and Indians

compactly and effectively organized, and has wrought so successfully, that its members feel impelled to ask that it be erected into an annual conference. The thorough- Conference, asking that they be authoring so much depends upon local and inness of their administration and the ized to send their funds direct to the misreasons given in their memorial seem to us to justify the petition. We recommend that it be granted. Beyond the organization of the annual conference, they anticipate the union of the various Methodist bodies of Japan in one independent native church. Overtures have pendent native church. Overtures have been made looking to this end, and the case of their funds direct to the missions by their own treasurer. This request may be safely granted, with a proposition for quarterly and annual examination and the reasurers are dividual influences that our laws wisely constituted the quarterly conference a Board of Managers for the Sunday-school, thus putting its operation and control in their memorial seem to justify the petition. We recommend that it be granted. Beyond the organization of the annual conference, they anticipate the union of the various accounts by the parent board. Every proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the processions by their own treasurer. This request may be safely granted, with a proposition for quarterly and annual examination of the treasurer's accounts by the parent board. Every proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women for the proper facility should be afforded these faithful women facility and annual examination of the quarterly conference at the proper facility pendent native church. Overtures have faithful women for the prosecution of their been made looking to this end, and the work, and every reasonable precaution

of an annual conference will be of service in training our mission for the wider movements of an independent native

It ought to be observed that in mission no grants have been made for the erection of churches or the education or support of native preachers. The only payments to natives are those made to interpreters and teachers for our missionary interaction. Some means to their own meager resources the funds necessary for the training of their ministry, and are building according to their power shuch churches as will suit their uses. A bequest of the late Thomas Branch, of Richmond, Va., enabled the Board of Missions, represented our establishment of a school of high grade at Kobi—an institution much needed in this region where Buddhism has taken a strongly aggressive attitude, and brought to itsaid the appliances of modern thought and and christian civilization. It is very wise of the amounts of gainsayers. Indeed, though much has been done in Japan calling for yairing allow the substitute of the tenting of the control of the control of the coming generation. All the worst and vilest eigher to interpret every part according to the church of the chu support of native preachers. The only and, learning wisdom from their adversaries, are industriously employing the agencies of education and propagandism to check the advancing power of the Christian faith. They have allies in the various forms of infidel thought and teaching, which have grown up in the midst of our Christian civilization, and are now seeking to enshrine and intrench themselves in the heart of heathendom. They must be met with all the weapons that the armory of God will supply, and no sluggish, defensive attitude will avail.

Only eager, determined, aggressive movement, with all the forces at our command, generous outlay in this direction. The

will insure success in the final conflict.

The missions in Mexico and Brazil are

these lands that obstructions to the work | ceived the attention that it merits. The of the gospel have, for the most part, been taken out of the way, and among even the prejudiced masses our pure Protestant faith and worship are supplanting the superstitions which have so long had rule

ver them. Indeed, in every land the hand of God has so evidently prepared the way for the introduction of the gospel that the refusal of the church to enter with its message and witness to the truth must involve the guilt of deliberate disobedience to the heavenly call; while the aroused antagon-ism of the old faiths dreading their overism of the old faiths dreading their overthrow calls for the energetic forward
movement of all the available forces of the
church of God under alert, skillful, enterprising leaders. This is not a skirmish
of picket lines. It is the collision of
hostile worlds. A general conscription
is the demand of our day. The great
and effectual door is open to us, but the
many adversaries confront us.

All the conditions abroad call for the
inauguration of plans more liberal and
more positive in our treatment of the
church's relation to missions. A timid,

more positive in our treatment of the church's relation to missions. A timid, hesitating, vacillating policy defeats itself. To put work demanding the brain and energy of half a dozen of the best of God's elect upon one man and then tie his hands by the restrictions of a narrow economy is to proclaim want of faith in our avowed purpose and invite the indifference of the church to our enterprise. Parsimony and illiberality on one side are as hurtful and sinful as profligacy and extravagance on the other. Your Board of Missions—a body of prudent, earnest, prayerful men—has been constantly embarrassed in its endeavor to provide for present and pressing need by the insufficiency of its means of commanication with and appeal to our people. To the majority—we venture to say—this Board is a remote and ineffective agency, out of sympathy with the real struggling life of the church and known chiefly by its occasional vecifacts and shown chiefly by its occasional vecifacts are not a more thorough knowledge of this movement and extend to it a more liberal hand.

The church in the West, aided by both boards, has made gratifying progress. In the face of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the older conference of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the obards, has made gratifying progress. In the face of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the obards, has made gratifying progress. In the face of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the obards, has made gratifying progress. In the face of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the obards, has made gratifying progress. In the face of difficulties hardly appreciable by our brethren in the wes sympathy with the real struggling life of the church and known chiefly by its occasional vociferous clamor for moneys to be expended in visionary and fruitless undertaking in foreign lands. It belongs to this General Conference to make ampler provision for bringing this supreme purpose of the Lord and Head of the church closer to the understanding and sympathy of his people. We beg you, brethren, to

tions, proved itself worthy of the confidence reposed in it.

The work of the Woman's Board of Missions deserves your attention. With great patience and zeal these fellow-helpers of ours in the gospel of Christ have prosecuted their labors with no small measure of success. In China and Brazil, in Mexico and on the border, and in the Indian Territory, in the schools under their care, through Bible-women and by hospital work they have diligently ministered to the wants of women and children and prepared the way of the Lord. Much of the success of our regular mission ary places this form of work has occome in-

the action taken by them heretofore be

present arrangement moved the Woman's Board, at its annual meeting in May. 1889, to adopt a memorial to this General pendent native church. Overthe proposal will be submitted to you in due form, but we deem it inexpedient to take against unnecessary interference with their plans. The church has had much benefit from them, and may, withsetion.

The international series of lessons is generally, if not universally, adopted, and, in so far, furnishes a bond of unity between the schools of the entire church. out distrust, anticipate greater results from their services in the future. The publications of both the parent and the Woman's Board have been useful to the cause and are indispensable to the wider diffusion of information. The more

astonishing result from the energetic and wise management of comparatively generous outlay in this direction. The work is so well organized and skillfully conducted that nothing seems to be re-quired for its continued and enlarging success beyond provision for ampler sup-

annual contributions have been insignificant, and the interest in its purpose and plans so slight that much difficulty has been found in establishing the necessary local societies and enlisting the services of the women of the church in this behalf. The same objections have been raised to its operation that have been encountered at the inception of every other enterprise of the church—objections answered in each recurring instance by the swered in each recurring instance by the event, and which should long since have lost their force with godly and unpreju-diced men and women. Due considera-ticn of what has been done by this agency with very small means will show great benefit conferred and to be conferred by it upon many weak charges and destitute preachers, who without it would hardly be able to provide homes of any sort for their families. The funds of this depart-ment are distributed by the Board of Church Extension with the same caution and sound judgment that mark its other transactions. We trust that the church may come to a more thorough knowl-

of his people. We beg you, brethren, to give wise and thorough consideration to this great need and to the best methods of furnishing for it adequate supply. furnishing for it adequate supply.

The election of two secretaries, instead of one, is, in our judgment, required for this service; and it would tend to secure sinking fund sufficient to take up all outsinking fund sufficient more general and more generous contri-butions if the General Conference should presented, the absence of any new indebtinsist that this collection be made in con-nection with no other. edness, and the distribution under the restrictive rule of a considerable propornection with no other.

The Board of Missions chosen by the last General Conference has, by the fidelity, painstaking and practical wisdom with which it has discharged its functions, proved itself worthy of the confidence represed in it.

move all embarrassment, we suggest that ably with the hymn books of other dethe action taken by them heretofore be nominations, and supply the wants of our church of our Southern country and ratified, and their constitution so changed the church for at least another generations.

The Sunday-school department shows be able to occupy the commanding points in the province, to which our present work is confined.

Japan, our latest mission, has been so Japan, our latest mission, has been so Japan and J whose precise character and relations to the general work have hardly yet been finally determined. In its efficient ordercommunity, and fettering them with no the aid of very able counsel, the church

Such an assembly, gathered under such auspices, is itself notice to the world that the work begun and brought to such proportions will be carried on to completion. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do it.

The Board of Church Extension has proven a valuable adjunct to the Board of Missions in our Western territory, and has aided in no insignificant degree in conserving and building up much of our work in the older conferences. The statspars was a widely current. There is in these more of loose, unscriptural expressions and maudlin sentiment, damaging to be althful faith, than can be compensated by the satisfaction of the demand for novelty and the attractiveness of the music.

Under the gracious guidance of the Holy Spirit and the wise and firm administration of the men charged with this responsibility, we doubt not these evils will conserving and building up much of our work in the older conferences. The statistics and reports of this board, which are worthy of careful study, exhibit an increase and more a sound and strong saving agency for the young of the church. spiritual quality inproves steadily. The number of conversions in the Sundaynumber of conversions in the Sunday-school is larger in the present report than in any previous year. The church and the Sunday-school are being compacted together, having the same aims, moved by the same spirit. It is impossible to foresee the final form of this institution, but it requires no prophetic vision to an-ticipate that in it will be seen the last and fullest expression of the church's fatherly making steady progress. The forms of opposition encountered here are widely different from those of heathenism, but hardly less fanatical and malignant. Yet the providence of God has so directed the affairs of government and society in both

who love our Lord Jesus Christ, and in its turn, like childhood in the home, will evoke and cultivate the highest and finest qualities of our nature. In view of the great interest attached to this cause and the far-reaching results anticipated, it may be wise to put the Sunday-school department upon a broader foundation and give added force to the editorial staff.

The general prosperity of the church has been shared in their measure by our educational institutions. Debts have been removed, endowments secured, facilities provided for larger and more liberal as well as more thorough education, and opportunity given to greater numbers of our young people, whose conditions in life forbid them without such help, to seek scholastic training. At the same time the spiritual life is not subordinated to the requirements of intellectual growth. Christ is set forth as the life of men and the light of the world, and his supremacy over every side of our composite nature is constantly asserted. Increasing numbers of young men are preparing in our schools for the ministry, giving promise of such trained faculty for the pulpit and pastorate as will, under the baptism of the Holy Spirit greatly enlarge the of pastorate as will, under the baptism of the Holy Spirit, greatly enhance the ef-ficiency of those functions. All our schools labor under the embarrassment of sharp competition with other institutions which, by reason of State aid or heavy endowments, can offer the advantages of secular education at very little or no cost for tuition. Our successes have been achieved in spite of these disadvantages, and speak well for the fidelity to the church and the cause of Christian education of the faculties and trustees of our schools. The incalculable importance of educating our young under the causing educating our young under the auspices and within the atmosphere of our own church ought to commend large benefac-tions for the full endowment of our

schools.

With great propriety in view of its history and large promise to our church, we may make special mention of Vanderbilt University, a worthy monument of its benefactors and of Bishop McTyeire, who so faithfully and ably administered the trust committed to him by the sagacity of its generous founder, which continues its contributions to the high purpose of Christian education. In its seven departments, with their various schools, all thoroughly equipped, the present register ments, with their various schools, all thoroughly equipped, the present register shows more than seventy professors and other appointees for instruction and service in its different lines, and more than 600 students. It is especially gratifying to note that while larger requirements have been made for admission to the classes, and for the securement of the degrees of its Theological Department. grees of its Theological Department, there has also been an increase in the number of its students. More than fifty young men are now pursuing their studies in the university, preparatory to the work of Christian ministry. Of these twenty-three are A. B. graduates of different colleges. This advancement in the grade and number of its students is due in part to scholarships established and awarded for distinguished attainments to the A. B. graduates of our colleges.

thorough culture to the young men of It is right that mention be made here of another institution closely connected

Corvallis College, which, for twenty years, has conducted, as one of its de-partments, the Agricultural College of Oregon, under a contract formally entered into by its trustees with the legislature of the State, and in specific terms made perpetual, has of late been crippled by an effort to withdraw the funds, now increased to more than \$25,000 per annum, from the institution, and, also to invalidate its title to the Agricultural Farm. purchased by and deeded to the college, for the uses of said department. With has endeavored to maintain its rights under the contract before the courts of Ore gon. It is gratifying to know, from the decisions already rendered by the courts and from the assurances of counsel familiar with all the facts, that there is good ground to believe that our rights will ultimately be vindicated and the col-

will ultimately be vindicated and use-lege be perpetuated with increasing use-fulness to the church and the country. abundant use of the press and distribution of the integrity of the Bible are apparent. Every pupil should be taught to forms for the instruction of the church, compare Scripture with Scripture and generation. All the worst and vilest eleembarrassments shall be removed, Christian education will become the common right of all the children of the church

> erature and science that he holds in the faith of his true disciples.
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> The General Conference of 1882 committed the church (we may say wisely) to the support of the educational under-takings of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church of America. This movement is of grave importance in the present aspect of social affairs and to the future of our country. It represents our attitude upon the question of the rela-tions between ourselves and the colored (Continued on eighth page.)

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Franklin cir, at Beck Prairie May 21, 18
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Rogers Prairie mis, at — May 31, June 1
Boon Prairie mis, at Walnut June 7, 8
Millican and Wellborn, at Millican June 14, 15
Bryan mis, at — June 21, 22

H. M. SEARS, P. E.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.

May 17, 18
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rings cir June 7, 8
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C. L. BALLARD, P. E.

Harold mis.... Benjamin mis... Vernon sta... Chillicothe cir.. Clarendon mis...

# Texas Christian Advocate.

Young wife (at dinner, sobbing)-I think you—you—are just as mean as—as you can be. I made that—that apple dumpling as a pleasant surprise fer you, and—and—now—you want me to bring a hand-saw to cut it in two with. Young husband—Good heavens, Maria, is that a dumpling? I took it for a cocoanut, (with desperate firmness) I'll eat it now, Maria, if it kills me.

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And yet you are not sick enough to consult a doctor, or you refrain from so doing for fear you will alarm yourself and friends—we will tell you just what you need. It is Hood's Sarsaparilla which will lift you out of that uncertain, uncomfortable, dangerous condition, into a state of good health, confidence and cheerfulness. You've no idea how potent this peculiar medicine is in cases

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For Hoarseness, Whooping Cough, Spasms of the Wind-pipe, known as crowing disease, and indeed for all pulmonary aliments most common among the little people. Morley's Two-Bit Cough Syrup of Tolu, Cherry and Tar, is a pleasant and certain cure.

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In order to better human conditions, it is wiser to build up than tear down. Kidney complaints are dangerous, and can only be avoided by keeping the system in perfect order by the use of Cascarine.

Sick Woman.—I'm so appreneasive, dear Doctor, about being buried alive. Doctor— You shan't be, if I can prevent it.

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Tramp—1 say, mister, can't yer gimme a chance to make somethin' to-day? Farmer—Yep. Make yourself scarce!

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A cough or cold, it not promptly attended to, may result in an incurable lung disease. For all diseases of the throat, breast and lungs, bronchial or asthmatic affections, Mortey's Two-Bit Cough Syrup of Tolu, Cherry and Tar is a pleasant and certain cure. It promotes expectoration and removes all diseased matter which obstructs the lungs, the ulccration is healed, and the sufferer is restored to perfect health. Price 25 cents at all dealers.

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Take good care of your beard and keep it clear of gray hairs so as to retain your young looks by using Buckingham's Dye for the

poctor to Gilbert (aged four)—Put your tongue out, dear. Sick little Gilbert feebly pretruded the tip of his tongue. Doctor—No, no; put it right out. The little fellow shook his head weakly, and the tears gathered in his eyes: "I can't doctor; it's fastened on to me."

Pond's Extract. Used alike by the medical profession and the people, it holds a position held by no other medicine in this country, or, perhaps,

Modern Richelieus: American Business Man—Now, sir, you have all the details of my new manufacturing scheme. If we succeed we'll make millions. Timid Capitalist—But if we should fail? American Business Man— Fail? In the bright lexicon of American enterprise there's no such word as fail—because whenever a thing don't pay we can always unload it on an English syndicate.

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"This is about the time of the year," said Mrs. Watts to her neighbor, "that the fishing fever strikes my husband. If he can get out on the banks of some creek, and catch two or three little mud-cats in the course of an afternoon, he is perfectly happy." "Indeed? So he is very fond of fishing, then?" "Fond of fishing? Why, that man is a perfect anglomaniac."

Constitation is a disease-maker to all human beings. The rich and poor, the old and young, male and female, are its regular victims. At the bedside the physician's first question is, "how are your bowels?" This condition has many causes, and leads to many diseases, as follows: Indigestion, acid stomanch, heartburn, fevers, biliousness, sick headache, torpidity of the liver, colic, inflammatory diseases, nervousness, loss of appetite, etc., etc., These conditions can all be removed by the use of "Balley's Saline Aperient," which is a pleasant and sparkling purgative, acting speedily and freely upon the stomach, bowels and liver; relieving indigestion, curing sick headache, relieving indigestion, curing sick headache, heartburn and acid stomach; cools and quiets in fever; never produces pain or nausea

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### INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA.

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"My daughter." remarked a grave and reverend United States Senator to his child, "didn't that young man who called on you last night remain very late?" "Quite late, papa," was the dutiful reply. "Well, my child, I should like to know what was going on that required so much time." "It wasn't that kind of an executive session, papa," she said, with wise precaution. "We never tell."

Needing a tonic, or children that want building up, should take

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.

It is pleasant to take, cures Malaria, Indigestion, and Biliousness. All dealers keep it.

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and t stop, Father; you know the doctor
says that with your heart disease you must
avoid all violent emotions.

The purists,

Whether on pleasure bent or business, should
take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs,
as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on
the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing
fevers, headaches and other forms of sickleast Weatherford mis, at Peaster May 17, 18
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"Miss Laura," said he, "I long have wor-shiped you in silence; but I feel that the time has come when I tell you that your in-comparable beauty your—" "Let me say just one word," she interposed. "What is it?" "Rats."

#### LA GRIPPE, OR INFLUENZA.

REGER, Mo., Feb. 17, 1890.

My customers are using Morley's Two-Bit Cough Syrup for La Grippe. It soon stops the fever and cures every pop.

JOHN CLEMENTS.

A Montreal woman is the mother of twen-ty-two children. If to have numerous proge-ny is godly, she must expect to go to Heav-en by the heir line.

"The ballot is the vital force in a republic, and it is the freeman's best weapon for defense." But health is the vital force of a perfect physical condition. A disordered liver is one of its greatest foes. Cascarine is the greatest of all liver regulators.

"What kind of a memory have you?"
"Bad—very bad." "In what particular?"
"It remembers things that were better for-

#### THE GRIPPE.

DALARK, ARK., Feb. 10, 1890.
The Grippe has struck our town and we have sold out of Morley's Two-Bit Cough Syrup, which is a sure cure. Please send us some more at once. WILSON & CO.

In a Sunday-school class in the neighborhood of Meridian Heights the teacher last Sunday asked who was the first man: "Adam," replied the small boy. "And who was the first woman?" she asked a little girl. The child hesitated for a minute, then her face brightened. "Madam," she sang out, and the teacher hadn't the heart to correct her.

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1	TERRELL DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	Jacksonville mis	
	Floyd cir. at ConcordJune 7, 8 McClendon cir. at Allen's ChapelJune 14, 15	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. PHILIPS. P. E.	
	Terrell sta         June 21, 22           Merritt cir, at Verona.         June 28, 29           Nevada cir, at Josephine         July 5, 6           Poetry cir, at Bright Star         July 12, 13	MONTAGUE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.	
	Wills Point sta. July 19, 20 Kemp cir, at Telosa July 26, 27 Kaufman sta. Aug 2, 3	Alvord cir, at Lone Mound May 17, 18 Post Oak cir, at Antelope May 24, 25 Archer City mis, at May 31 June 1	
	Forney cir, at Lone Star Aug 9, 10 Mesquite cir, at Pleasant Ridge. Aug 16, 17 Rockwall and Royse, at Rockwall. Aug 23, 24	Red River mis, at	ı
'	Garland and Duck Creek.         Aug 30, 31           Allen cir. at         Sept 6, 7           Roberts mis, at         Sept 13, 14	CAMERON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.	ı
	W. L. CLIPTON, P. E.	Maysfield cir, at Port Sullivan. May 24, 25 Deanville, at Purser Chapel May 31, June 1 Davilla cir, at Lebanon. June 7, 8	ı
	AUSTIN DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.  Austin, Twenty-fourth StreetJune 14, 15	Rockdale sta. June 14, 15 FRED L. ALLEN, P. E.	I
,	Austin, First Street. June 14, 15 Manchaca cir, at Moore's School-house June 21, 22 District Conference, at Weimar. June 26-30	JEFFERSON DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND. Eylan cir, at Liberty	ı
•	Merrilltown, at	Kildare cir, at lst Sun in June Mount Pleasant cir, at	ļ
	Cedar Creek, at         July 26, 27           Smithville, at         Aug 2, 3           Austin, Tenth Street         Aug 9, 10	SULPHUR SPRINGS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND	ı
	Winchester, at         Aug 16, 17           Flatonia sta         Aug 30, 31           Flatonia cir, at         Sept 6, 7	Sulphur Springs mis 2d Sun in June	I
	Weimar, at         Sept 10, 11           Columbus sta         Sept 13, 14           LaGrange sta         Sept 20, 21	Lone Oak	I

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Columbus sta Sept 13, 14 LaGrange sta Sept 20, 21	GEO. T. NICHOLS, P E.
E. S. SMITH, P. E.	CHAPPELL HILL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
EL PASO DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.   Demming	Hempstead sta. June 7, 8 Independence cir June 14, 15 C H. Brooks, P. E.
Eddy         1st Sun in July           Pecos City         2d Sun in July           Fort Davis         3d Sun in July           My address will be El Paso, Texas, in care of W.         D. Robinson.           J. M. STEVENSON, P. E.	New York, at Oak Grove June 14, 15 Lawndale, at Philips' Chapel. June 21, 22 Dr. Finley will attend the quarterly conference
FORT WORTH DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND. Fort Worth, at Missouri Avenue. 4th Sun in May	of Tyler mission and of Lindale circuit.  JOHN ADAMS, P. E.

FORT WORTH DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.
Fort Worth, at Missouri Avenue. 4th Sun in May
Mansfield cir, at Gardner's 1st Sun in June
Abbott cir, at Bell Springs 2d Sun in June
taska cir, at Itaska3d Sun in June
Fort Worth cir. at Crowley 4th Sun in June
Grandview cir, at Roberts' Chapel.5th Sun in June
Arlington and Village Creek cir, at
Thomas' Chapel, 1st Sun in July
Marystown cir, at Fairview 2d Sun in July
Alvarado sta3d Sun in July
Hillsboro sta4th Sun in July
West cir, at Wesley let Sun in Aug
Whitney cir. at Badgett's Chapel 2d Sun in Aug
Mulkey Memorial sta. Thursday, 8 p. m., Aug 14
J. FRED COX, P. E.

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SAN MARCOS DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.
Luling cir, at Prairie Lea
Lockhart cir, at Harrison's Church.  Tuesday after 3d Sunday in July, 2 p. m  Kyle cir, at Buda
Dripping Springs mis. at Onion Creek Camp Ground, Tues after 4th Sun. 2 p. m
Blanco mis, at Kendalia
after 1st Sun in Aug, 2 p. m San Marcos District Conference will convene at Luling Thursday before 4th Sunday in June, 9 a.
m. Recording Stewards will please be on hand with their records. W. H. H. Biggs, P. E.

CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-THIRD RO	UND.
Laredo sta. San Diego mis, at San Diego	May 25
Oakville and Tilden cir, at San Miguel	une 1
Rancho cir at Union Valley	une 8
Beeville and Rockport cir. at Beeville	June 29
Kenedy cir, at Pleasant Grove Lavernia cir, at Sandy Elm	July 6
Wesley cir, at Shiloh	July 13
Lagarto cir, at Ramirena	July 20
Helena cir, at Escondida. Corpus Christi sta.	July 27
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larwood cir, at Soda Springs 1st Sun in July	·
Im Grove mis, at Lytton Springs, 2d Sun in July	GATESVILLE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.
an Marcos cir. at Center Point 3d Sun in July	Lampagas sta. at Lampagas 4th Jun in May
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Oripping Springs mis. at Onion Creek	Chirton cir, at Mt. Fleasantad Sun in June
Camp Ground. Tues after 4th Sun, 2 p.m	Crawford and Valley Mills cir. at Valley Mills
Blanco mis, at Kendalia	Wednesday, at 2 p. m., before 4th Sun in June
Blanco sta, at Flat Creek, Tuesday	Meridian sta, at Grapevine5th Sun in June
Sianco sta, at Flat Creek, Tuesday	Bee House cir, at Evant 1st Sun in July
after 1st Sun in Aug, 2 p. m	Copperas Cove cir, at Rock Church. 2d Sun in July
San Marcos District Conference will convene at	Lampasas cir, at Naruna 3d Sun in July
uling Thursday before 4th Sunday in June, 9 a.	Killeen cir. at Pleasant Hill 4th Sun in July
n. Recording Stewards will please be on hand	McGregor cir, at Stockton
with their records. W. H. H. Biggs, P. E.	Jonesboro cir. at
	Hamilton cir. at
CORPUS CHRISTI DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	Shive cir. at the Sun in Aug
	Henson Creek cir. et
aredo sta May 18	The district conference will convene at Valley
an Diego mis, at San Diego May 25	Mills, Wednesday, the 18th of June, at 5 p. m.
Pakville and Tilden cir, at San MiguelJune 1	The pastors will please see that the quarterly con-
tancho cir at Union Valley June 8	ference journals are present for inspection. The
oliad staJune 22	conference sermon will be preached by J. G. Put-
oliad sta	man. Wednesday, at 7:30 p. m.
enedy cir, at Pleasant GroveJuly 6	E. A. BAILEY, P. E.
avernia cir, at Sandy ElmJuly 9	E. A. DAILEY, P. E.
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agarto cir, at RamirenaJuly 20	GALVESTON DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
Ielena cir. at Escondida. July 27	Cedar Bayou cir
orpus Christi sta. Aug. 3 ALANSON BROWN, P. E.	Matagorda cir May 24 25
ALANSON BROWN, P. F.	Matagorda cir May 24, 25 Richmond and Wharton May 31, June 1
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BROWNWOOD DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.	
ottonwood cir, —	GEORGETOWN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
ig Valley mis, May 21, 11 a m	Marble Falls cir. at- May 17, 18
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	ABILENE DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	
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18	Baird cir, at Cedar Grove May 31, June 1	D
1	Albany sta. June 7. 8	Ľ
5	Albany sta. June 7, 8 Big Springs, at Midland June 14, 15	Р
5 8 15	Anson cir, at FairviewJune 21, 22	
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29	Abilene mis, at July 19, 20	L
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6	Snyder mis, at Browning's July 30	П
9	Roby mis, at White FlatAug 2, 3	1
13	Stonewall mis. at Aug 6	
16 20	Abilene sta	
20	District conference will convence in Cisco.	١,
24	July 2, 1890, at 2:30 p. m. Rev. J. H. Chambliss	1
27	will preach the opening sermon Wednesday.	П
	will preach the opening sermon Wednesday, July 2, at 8 p. m. Jehn A. Wallace, P. E.	Ľ
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	BONHAM DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.	ı
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1	CUERO DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	BONHAM DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
	Gonzales sta May 17, 18 <u>Victoria sta May 24, 25</u>	Bonham cir, at Randolph May 17, 1
	Edna cir, at Edna. June 1 Beeville mis, at Rickman June 14, 15	Masey mis
	Hallettsville cir. at county lineJune 21, 22	conference. Would like for all members to be
	Williamsburg cir, at Hope July 5, 6 Wealder cir, at Shiner July 12, 13	present. J. M. BINKLY, P. E.
	Leesville cir, at Floyd's chapel July 19, 20 Weesatche cir, at —	SHERMAN DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
۱	Clear Creek cir, at — August 2, 3 DeWitt cir, at — August 9, 10	Sherman cir, at Pecan May 17,1
	District conformac will be held in Convelor	Pottshoro and Preston, at Georgetown
١	June 25 to 29. Opening sermon Wednesday night by Rev. J. T. Williamson, of Cuero, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Recording	Denison cirMay 31, June
١	the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Recording stewards will please have their books present	Howe cirJune 7,
ı	R. J. DEETS, P. E.	Pilot Grove cir June 14, 1 Anna mis, at Stiffs Chapel June 21, 2 W. D. MOUNTCASTLE, P. E.
ı	VERNON DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	W. D. MOCATCASTES, 1. E.
ı	Harold mis May 17 18	BEAUMONT DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
ı	Benjamin mis May 24, 25 Vernon sta May 31 June 1	Jasper sta
ı	Chillicothe cirJune 7, 8	Orange sta

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s.	Amarillo misJune 21, 22	Sabine Pass mis June 7.8
1-	Plainview missionJune 28, 29	Liberty cir. June 14, 15
•	Mangum mis July 5, 6	Livingston cir June 21, 22
	Frazier mis. July 12, 13	Moscow cir June 28, 29
	Seymour staJuly 19, 20	Sabine Pass mis. June 7, 8 Liberty cir. June 14, 15 Livingston cir. June 21, 22 Moscow cir. June 28, 29 Remember, brethren, on this round delegates to the district conference will be elected.
,,	Childress and QuanahJuly 26, 27	to the district conference will be elected
r-	Farmer cir. Aug 9, 10	T. V. DROWNING, T. M.
	Farmer cir	PARIS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
	23, and include the following Sunday, the 27th.	TAKIS DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.
	23, and include the following Sunday, the 27th. Bishop Key has promised to be with us then.	Detroit cir May 24, 25
	JEROME HARALSON, P. E.	Detroit cir
		Dalby Springs cirJune 7. 8
re	SAN SABA DISTRICT-THIRD ROUND.	Ingersoll misJune 14, 15
h	SAN SABA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.	
ıs	Oxford cir4th Sun in May	Clarksville misJune 21, 22
13	Mason stalst Sun in June	Clarksville mis June 21, 22 Clarksville sta June 22, 23 District conference will convene In Paris, Lamar
	Llano sta2d Sun in June	District conference will convene in Paris, Lamar
	Junction City mis	Avenue, Thursday, 9 a. m., June 5. Bishop Key is
r-	Sherwood mis Wednesday after 3d Sun in June	Avenue, Thursday, 9 a. m., June 5. Bishop Key is expected. J. R. Wages, P. E.
st	San Angelo sta4th Sun in June	
1:	Garden City mis	DALLAS DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
0	Tuesday after 4th Sun in June Brady cir	Weston cir
1.	Brady cirth sun in June	Potholois 2d Sun in June
r	Richland Springs mis	Bethel cir         2d Sun in June           Lewisville cir         3d Sun in June           Smithfield cir         4th Sun in June
t.	San Saba sta	Smithfield cir 4th Sun in June
et	Cherokee mis	The delegates to the district conference will be
	Pontotoc cir3d Sun in July Fredonia cir3d Sun in July	elected this round T P Prepar P P
_	District conference will meet at Brady, Thurs-	The delegates to the district conference will be elected this round.  T. R. PIERCE, P. E.
=	day morning before fifth Sunday in June. Sermon	TERRELL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
7	Wadnesday night before by Pay I B Denton	TERRELL DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.
	Wednesday night before by Rev. J. B. Denton, followed with the sacrament. Recording stew-	Allen cir, at
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District conference will meet at Brady, Thurs- day morning before fifth Sunday in June. Sermon Wednesday night before by Rev. J. B. Denton, followed with the sacrament. Recording stew- ards must have the quarterly conference journals on hand.  M. A. Black, P. E.	TERRELL DISTRICT—SECOND R. Allen cir, at— Roberts' Mission, at— W. L. CLIF
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HUNTSVILLE DISTRICT-SECOND ROUND.	Pittsburg stationJune 28, 29.
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Shelbyville cir June 21, 22	
Center and TimpsonJune 28, 29	Paris Centenary July 13, at night.
District conference will convene at Center, June	
26th, at 9 o'clock a. m. J. W. Johnson, P. E.	DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

# DISTRICT CONFERENCES.

San Marcos District Conference will convene at Luling, Thursday before fourth Sunday in June, at 9 a. m. Recording stewards will please be on hand with their records. W. H. Biggs, P. E. Chappell Hill District Conference will

convene at Hempstead, Texas, June 12, 1890, at 9 a. m. Pastors are requested to come prepared to stay over Sunday.

C. H. Brooks, P. E.

To the Members of Fort Worth District Confer-

WAXAHACHIE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND.

Ennis sta, at Ennis. May 17, 18
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Italy cir, at Hamlet. May 31, June 1
Irene cir, at Brandon June 7, 8
Bristol cir, at Hines Chapel June 14, 15
Rice and Chatfield cir, at Chatfield June 22, 23
Waxahachie sta, at Waxahachie. June 28, 29
Oak Cliff sta, at Oak Cliff July 5, 6
Reagor cir, Ebenezer July 12, 13
Avalon cir July 19, 20
Sims and Glenwood cir July 25, 27
Waxahachie cir. July 25, 27
Waxahachie cir. Aug 2, 3
Red Oak cir, Bluff Springs. Aug 9, 10
Lancaster and Ferris cir, at Bluff Springs Aug 11
Wesley and Rusk cir. Aug 16, 17
July 3, at 9 o'clock a. m. Recording stewards will please have quarterly conference journals present for inspection. E. L. Armstraono, P. E. DEAR BRETHREN-Will those of you who expect to bring your wives or daugh-ters with you to district conference please notify me by the 15th of May. Also, those of you who expect to come by private conveyance let me know and oblige,
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Advice to the Victims of Real Cancer.

All that is known about the cause and nature of cancer can be told in a few nature of cancer can be told in a few words. The name was selected because of its fancied resemblance to a crab—cancer being the latin for crab. That there is any real difference in the nature of the various growths called cancers is not known, but because they differ in some particulars they are divided into four principal varieties—hard (scirrhus), soft (sarcoma), colloid and epithelial (skin cancer). The hard cancer attacks the breast, skin, rectum, tonsil and eye. The soft cancer occurs in the bones. The soft cancer occurs in the bones, breast, eye, uterus and bladder. The colloid cancer is found in the peritoneum, ovary, breast, limbs, parotid, rectum, and in the alimentary canal. The epithelium cancer locates itself on places where the mucous membrane meets the skin; hence the lips, eye-lids, anus, etc. Whether these four varieties represent each a different disease or the same disease greatly modified no one knows. This much is known, however: that, so far as any treatment is useful for cancer, it is equally applicable to these four kinds. What applicable to these four kinds. cures one kind will cure all four.

It was thought at one time that the It was thought at one time that the discovery of the so-called cancer cell would enable the microscopist to infallibly detect the true cancer. But the cancer cell has had its day, and little or no light is shed on the matter by the microscope. By some any growth that causes lascerating pains, enlargement of the surrounding lymphatic glands, and a tendency to become fixed or immovable, is called a cancer at once, but the numerous misa cancer at once, but the numerous mis-takes which this assumption leads to shows it to be an unreliable indication of true cancer. The uncertainty which hovers over every supposable case of can-cer is largely responsible for the wide-spread fear as to the possible nature of every trivial enlargement for fear it may be cancer. This scare about cancers is doing a vast deal of harm, not only in the incalculable anxiety and needless ex-pense that it causes, but it actually sends to premature graves quite a number of people annually from heroic treatment for alleged cancers. This evil is assum-ing such vast proportions that it becomes

the duty of every regular surgeon to do all he can to warn the masses against it.

No one surgeon has treated a greater number of so-called cancers than I have in the last twenty-five or thirty years, and my experience has taught me that only a very small fraction of the cases treated for cancer are really cancers. A serofulitic sore on the lip is almost intreated for cancer are really cancers. A scrofulitic sore on the lip is almost invariably called smokers' cancer, which, of course, is only aggravated by removing it either with a plaster or knife. The proper constitutional treatment would invariably cure such cases without any surgical interference whatever. Scrofula and tuberculosis often produces a peculiar chronic sore throat, which is hundreds of times mistaken for cancer of the throat; and to treat such a case for cancer by surgical interference is to inevitably saerifice the life of the patient. A few months' use of the treatment already referred to would remove every vestige of this kind of sore throat. Cases called cancer of the stomach are very frequently cancers. A sound large was not as a second with some reluctance, saying, "I cannot say anything, but I will do the best I can."

WEAR WORDS ANISH TREAMORE—Wednesday, May 7, 1800, at the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. W. McCarter, J. W. McC this kind of sore throat. Cases called cancer of the stomach are very frequently chronic ulceration of a catarrhal or possibly scrofulitic origin, and could be cured by faithful internal medication of the proper kind. I have known cases like the above described, after they were given up by very reputable physicians, to get my constitutional remedy—La-cu-pi-a—and cure themselves. Many cases of supposed cancer of the womb have proven to be chronic ulceration (probably catarrhal) which, after waiting for months to die, have obtained La-cu-pi-a and recovered perfectly. I have known what has been treated as cancer of the rectum for

knife or a plaster to remove any growth of scrofulitic origin is simply suicidal. The frightful list of mortality from sup-posed cancerous growths, I believe to be much greater than it would be, because of the heroic treatment that is commonly

to the large number of supposed cancers, which are really some blood disease. I earnestly advise any one so afflicted, no matter how hopeless you may consider yourself, to give La-cu-pi-a a thorough trial. It, after a faithful use of this great alterative treatment, the supposed cancer keeps on growing, you concerns of our immortal souls; if prayer has lost its power, and the divine word cancer to deal with, and you had better put yourself in the care of some our life upon a fearful error, upon a fleetregular surgeon who makes the treatment of cancer a specialty.

The treatment which I have adopted. after very extensive experience in the cure of genuine cancers, can only be successfully carried out at my surgical insti-tute at Columbus, Ohio. I do not under-take the cure of real cancers outside, as my treatment requires the constant vigilance of competent surgeons to properly carry it out. I use neither knife nor plaster, and one of the reasons why my treatment cures so many more than other kinds is, that it causes no pain or loss of blood to reduce the system of the patient. I do not know that any other surgical institute in this country has either the knowledge or facilities necessary to carry out in detail my treatment for cancer, although many cases are successfully treated in some of the surgical hospitals of the larger cities. It was not my purpose in this lecture to speak of my cancer treatment, but rather to call attention to the multitude who are submitments.

And explain to them its meaning so as to make it practical.

Walter Nind Lacy, not yet five years old, was with his parents in Epworth Cottage, Ku Liany, China, for two weeks.

While there he learned several passages of Scripture which were painted on the wall. One of these was:

"Perfect love casteth out fear."

His parents explained it to him, and, to make it simple, told him if he loved God purpose in this lecture to speak of my cancer treatment, but rather to call attention to the multitude who are submitting to cancer treatment who would be curred by a thorough course of La-cu-pi-a. A detailed case of supposed cancer, given up by experienced physicians to die, cured by La-cu-pi-a, will be sent free on application. Address, Columbus, Ohio.

"Perfect love casteth out fear."

His parents explained it to him, and, to make it simple, told him if he loved God with all his heart. he would not be afraid, for he would know God would take care of him. He had always been very timid about going in the dark.

A few evenings since he had occasion to go upstairs into a dark room, and was

#### Devotional.

TWO SECRETS. E, HARRIET HOWE.

What the new best name shall be, And why we do not know, Is still the heavenly seeret, For God will have it so.

He hath another secret, The angels long to see.
Which by His sweet revealings
To every soul is free.

It is the way to find Him, A Savior from all sin; At every heart he knocketh, And waits to enter in.

The soul that Him doth welcome. All other guests above, Shall hear Him softly whisper His precious name of Love.

This is the blessed secret
That surely must be known
Before He can the one reveal I pon the graven stone.

To hear Him call me by that name Will be my highest bliss; "Washed in the blood of Jesus," I know its meaning is. HOW TO LOVE GOD.

A woman once said to her pastor: "I do love God very much, but want to love him more; how can I?" "You must become better acquainted with him," was his reply. "We love those who are worthy of our love in proportion as we become acquainted with them."
"How can I get better acquainted?" she asked.

she asked.

"Study the Bible more," he said. "God speaks to you and reveals himself to you in the Bible. Read in the New Testament the life of Jesus, and imagine you had been with him as John and Peter and Mary were, and pray more. Tell him all your joys and troubles and needs. He will answer you, and every answer. He will answer you, and every answer will draw you closer and closer to him. Then try to please him in everything you do and say. We always love those whom we try to please. Love makes us wish to please the Lord, and love rewards us when we have done it."
The woman followed these rules, simple

The woman followed these rules, simple as they were, and her love to God grew and spread all through her heart.

It made her very happy, so that all who knew her said: "What a bright, cheerful person she is; I don't believe she ever has any trouble." And yet she did have a great deal of trouble, but the love of God so filled her heart that it seemed like wings to lift her up above it all. If she had been asked if she had any trouble, she would have smiled and said: "I don't believe I have: the minute it."

comes Jesus takes it all away."
"Love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God." "He that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God and God in him."

"I don't believe I have; the minute it

The very essence of our religion is love.
The love of God shed abroad in the heart by the Holy Ghost brightens life and prepares for death. Love is the atmosphere of heaven, and none can be admitted there who have not first learned to love. Teach us, Lord, at length to love."-Word and Work.

#### WEAK WORDS A MIGHTY POWER.

and cure themselves. Many cases of supposed cancer of the womb have proven to be chronic ulceration (probably catarrhal) which, after waiting for months to die, have obtained La-cu-pi-a and recovered perfectly. I have known what has been treated as cancer of the rectum for months by the best physicians to turn out to be pelvic abscesses, which a course of treatment with La-cu-pi-a cured completely.

Scrofulous growths so perfectly resemble cancerous growths very frequently that even with the aid of the microscope no difference can be detected. To use the knife or a plaster to remove any growth of scrofulitic origin is simply suicidal. The frightful list of mortality from supposed cancerous growths, I believe to be much greater than it would be, because

of the heroic treatment that is commonly used.

Real cancer is a very rare disease, and is to ally incurable either by knife or plaster. My advice is to all who has any growth suspected to be cancerous, to commence at once theroughly constitutional treatment. I know La-cu-pi-a to be the best remedy for that purpose ever invented. Great numbers have used it after they had been treated years for cancer by the regular surgeon and cancer specialists, and found, to their surprise and joy, that thorough constitutional treatment was all they needed. The reputation that La-cu-pi-a enjoys to-day as a cancer cure is, I believe, entirely due to the large number of supposed cancers.

there quite a while. When he came down, he came to his mother, and said, "Mamma, perfect love casteth out fear."

Is not the memorizing of the word of God too much neglected in our homes and Sabbath-schools? Let us make our children familiar with it every day, in the nursery and around the family altar; so shall it be a light unto their feet and a lamp unto their reth. Mathedist Recorder. lamp unto their path. - Methodist Recorder.

MANY, I fear, look upon death as if it would put a period to our progress; but, in point of fact, it is intended to prevent a period being put to our progress. This life is one step in our being, and but one step; we die that we may take another step; we die that we may take another step. We go as far as we can go in this world; we die that we may go farther, that we may go on to perfection. You would not wonder to hear a child say, "I would not be a child always." And why not? Because you think it natural and reasonable for the child to wish that, as he is prepared for it, he may be admitted to a wider sphere of duty, activity, and enjoyment; but is it not equally natural and reasonable for a man to wish that, as he is prepared for it, he may be also admitted to a still higher sphere of duty, activity, and enjoyment? If the child would not stop with being a child, but hopes to become something more and better, why should not man be unwilling to stop with being a mortal man, but hope to become something more and better? I repeat it, we do not die that we may stop; we die that we may go on.—James Walker. stop; we die that we may go on.—James Walker.

I THINK there is something of meanness on the part of the laymen who seem to believe that because they are laymen they can do things clergymen ought not to do. A woman of my congregation said to me the other day, after describing the performance at a theater she had visited the night before: "Oh, I wish you could have seen it; but then I should have been sorry to see you there." Christian character, Christian duty, and Christian bearter, Christian duty, and Christian bearing in social, political and moral life, is a single rule for all Christian people alike, whether clerical or lay. What is wrong, immoral, or improper for the one is equally so for the other. A clergyman should always be careful and circumspect as to his associations and manner of life—so should the layman. A place unfit for a clergyman to be seen is unequally unfit for a communicant of the church, and an act which is immoral in a clergyman is equally so in a layman. A layman has no business in a place where he would blush to see his pastor present.—The Rev. Dr. Parkhurst.

THERE is a positive value in having some special parties for whose saving we hold ourselves, under God, responsible. Did you ever try this? What was your experience? Are you thus doing this year? If you are not, will you?

#### Marriages.

JARRETTE-BAKER-At the residence of Prof. ones, Valley Mills, Texas, April 29, 1890, by Rev. J. Davis, Dr. J. C. Jarrette and Miss Mattie i. Baker, of the Valley Mills Institute. TAYLOR-GRIFFIN-At Bethany, La., April 23, 890. Mr. Pink Taylor and Miss Fannie Griffin, J.

BENSON-MCCAFFERY-At the Methodist par-onsge, Vernon, Texas, May 9, 1890, by Rev. Chas. J. Jordan, Mr. George D. Benson and Miss Louise k. McCaffery.

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STEPHENSON.—Died. at the home of her son-in-law. Bro. A. H. Currie, Feb. 23, Sister Mary C. Stephenson, nee Nations. She was born in Alabama. Dec. 27, 1807. Sister stephenson professed religion at about 15 years of age and shortly afterward united with the church of God, of which body she continued a member until the Lord called her from labor to rest. At about 17 she was married to James Stephenson, who, in answer to her prayers, was converted and then led a Christian life until he was called, on Dec. 14, 1882, to dwell forever in the house of God. Sister Stephenson was the mother of twelve children, eight of whom preceded their mother some time ago, but the other four are yet at work in the vineyard of the Master. In 1849 she moved to Tennessee and in 1836 to Texas, where she spent the rest of her life. In the death of Sister Stephenson the family have lost a kind and loving mother, the Methodist Church a faithful member and the world a moble Christian woman. Though dead, yet she lives, and one day we will see her where parting is no more.

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RATHER.—Mrs. Nancy Rather (nee Sherrod) was born in Pickens county, Ala., Aug. 18, 1826, and died in Smith county, Texas, March 20, 1890. Was married to W. D. Rather, Dec. 3, 1846. Sister Rather was converted in 1855, and became a member of Congregational Methodist Church. After coming to Texas, she united with the M. E. Church, South, in 1870, in which she lived until called to rest. She was of a retiring disposition, never rendering herself conspicuous in any circle. But her chaste life was well rounded, and was filled with good to all that knew her. A good wife, a kind and affectionate mother, and an obliging neighbor, she leaves behind her the odor of a good name. Her afflictions were severe, but she bore them with patience and entire resignation to the Divine will. She died easy, and without a murmur. The family remaining, consisting of husband, two daughters and five sons, all grown, are in great sorrow, being doubly afflicted. At the time of the death of the mother, J. H. Rather, a son, and a promising young man, was lying very low with pneumonia, which resulted in his death four days after, on March 24, 1890. He was born June 24th 1850. Johnny was not a member of the church, but admired her principles, and was grieved when her honor was reproached. He was brought up under religious inituences, which had already resulted in a sober, industrious, moral life. His life would compare favorably with the young men of the church. He was a constant attendant upon the revivals held in Tylera few weeks ago by Rev. Sam P. Jones, and expressed himself, after the meeting, as being greatly benefited. So, while we mourn, it is not as those who have no hope. And now, that these loved ones are gone from our midst—have fought the last battle and crossed over the last dark river, let the surviving relatives and friends cherish the fond hope of meeting soon where there is no death. Thank God this is the heaven-born privilege of all, and may his grace sustain and comfort the bereaved.

JAMES.—Elizabeth Amanda James (nee Alcorn) was born in Jackson county. Ga., Aug. 27, 1826, and died in great peace at her home in Hood county, Texas, March 27, 1890. Sister James was converted and joined the Presbyterian Church in her twelfth year; was married to Bro. John Williamson James, in Floyd county, Ga., in the year 1831. She then joined the M. E. Church, South, with her husband. They moved to Texas in 1881, and cast their lot with the good people of Asbury Chapel, Lipan circuit, where her mortal remains now sleep, to await the resurrection of the just. The record Sister James has left upon the minds and hearts of her family, brethren and siste s in the church, is that she denied herself, and took up her cross and followed the blessed Master daily. She was patient, earnest and true, and was a helpmeet to her husband, indeed, who now, in old age, mourns her loss. Her son, J. W. James Gour steward), says in a note before me: "Indeed, I believe she was the best woman I ever knew." Sister James' last illness was short, but her suffering was intense beyond description; yet, in her greatest paroxysms of pain, she never murmured, and never failed to express a kind appreciation for everything done for her, and would even express graitude te relatives and friends for words of sympathy. She shouted and praised the Lord from day to day, and the later the more, until, on the 27th day of March, through the power of gospel grace, she shouted herself up into the association of the angels, around the throne of the blessed kedeemer in heaven. Follow on, dear ones, and meet her there. Her pastor, L. J. Morton.

C. J. MORTON.

FISER.—The excellent of earth are still passing from our fond embrace to the companionship of the angels, and of "the spirits of just men made perfect," and drawing us into a richer, sweeter communion with God through the sufferings we experience in the loss of our friends. On April 30, 1890, about 3 o clock a. m., Grandma Offa Fiser, of Mooreville, Texas, exchanged the sorrows of earth for the joys of eternal life. Her maiden name was Ridgway. She was born in Rutherford county. Tenn. July 15, 1820; grew up to womanhood in Henry county; was married to Willis A. Fiser, Jan. I. 181; removed to Kansas in November, 1875; to Missouri in 1862; to Texas in 1865, locating at Mooreville, Falls county, in December, 1866. Sister Fiser made a most beautiful profession of freligion at Roger's School house, in Weakly county, Tenn., about 1850, and joined the Methodist Church, of which she made a most excellent member. In all the relations of life she performed well her part. As a wife, she was a help-meet indeed; as a mother, she was kind and patient; as a Christian, beautifully consistent and faithful. She was well prepared to die, and begged her children to let her go. When she thought she was dying, she told her children good-bye, asked them to meet her in heaven, and clapped her hands in token of her triumph over the last foe, the peace that filled her soul leaving its impress of sweetness on her face, "Thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Freeman,—Mrs. Frances Rachel Freeman was

Medica Nov. 1, 1:30. In 1854 he moved to Floyd county, Georgia; came to Texas Jan. 17, 1878, and united with the M. E. Church, South, a few years ago. He lived a faithful, Christian life, and died the death of the righteous April 25, 1890. Bro. Hardy was confined to his bed from March 25th to April 27th, suffering untold misery until called from suffering to reward. He leaves several children to mourn his loss. May God sanctify this to their good and reunite them in heaven.

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Wood.—Sister Emma A. Wood (nee White) was born in Van Zandt county, Texas, May 30, 1855, and died April 6, 1890. Sister Wood professed religion many years ago, but not being convenient to the church of her choice, she never, until last year, united with the church. At a meeting held by Bro. Calhoun, in the town of Canton, Van Zandt county, on the 29th day of August, she united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Sister Wood had been a great sufferer for over two years with consumption before she died. I am informed that she was a model Christian lady. Those who visited her in her last sickness say that she talked freely upon the subject of death. She seemed to love to talk upon it, ever expressing herself as being willing to die. She leaves to mourn her departure a husband and six children. May the good Lord bless and comfort the father and the precious children. May the conduct of the father, both by precept and example, be such as to enable him to successfully raise up the children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and may they all, at last, compose an unbroken family in heaven.

McGrew, Mrs. Sarah, Eve. McGrew, wife of L.

McGrew.—Mrs. Sarah Eva McGrew, wife of L. D. McGrew. was born in Lavaca county, Texas, May 28, 1871, and died in Yoakum, March 4, 1890. She leaves a husband and two little boys to mourn for her. Sister McGrew had not connected herself with any church, but had expressed a desire to do so, giving in her life evidences of pure, sound conversion. she died happy and in sight of heaven. May her dying exhortation draw the unconverted husband into the fold of Christ.

T. S. Armstrong.

NEWMAN.—Charles Ray, son of Dr. Geo. W. and Bettie Newman, was born March 31, 1887, and died April 25, 1890, at Pleasant Valley, Dallas county, Texas, after two weeks 'llness. Many relatives and friends assembled at the parents' residence, where the funeral was preached by the writer. The body was then borne to the cemetery, where it awaits the sounding of the last trumpet. A host of friends sympathize with them in their sad bereavement.

J. B. Powers.

ITALY, TEXAS.

King.—Elizabeth King died at her home near Pleasant Valley, Dallas county, Texas, in peace with God, in her fifty-seventh year. She had been a member of the M. E. Church, South, for thirty years. Amid all her trials and misfortunes of life she has ever been true to the church and its ordinances. She leaves behind a son and daughter, who have the sympathy of her many friends.

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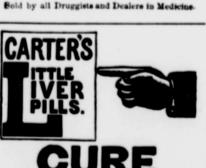
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The district conference of the Austin district, Texas Conference, will meet in Weimar at 9 o'clock a. m., June 26, 1890. The opening sermon will be preached at 11 o'clock, a. m., June 26, by Rev. E. B. Chappell. The following outline of leading topics will aid pastors in getting ready

June 26-Forenoon, Sunday-schools; afternoon, the Spiritual State of the Church Within the District.

June 27—Forenoon, Missions, Domestic and Foreign; afternoon, Church Fnance, Support of the Ministry, Collections, etc. June 28—Fornoon, Education and Our Literary Institutions; Afternoon, Woman's Work for Women.

We earnestly urge a full attendance of members, lay as well as clerical. We also cordially invite the Woman's Missionary Societies within the district to hold their annual meeting at the time and place of the district conference. Saturday afternoon will be given to their work. Let all come in the spirit of the Master, praying for a copicus baptism of the Hely Spirt upon the meeting. E. S. SMITH, P. E.

### Paris District.

All the pastors in Paris district, North Texas Conference, will please write me, at once, the number and names of all delegates to the Paris District Conference from their respective charges, so that ample provision may be made for their entertainment. District conference will onvene June 5 (Thursday), in Lamar Avenue Church, Paris. Also, please state whether you will come by public or private conveyance.

THALES B. REAMS, Pastor, 1 East Houston street, Paris, Texas. No. 821 East Ho

To the Members of the Brownwood District: Members of the Brownwood district who contemplate bringing their wives or daughters with them to the district conference, to be held in Comanche, begin-ing June 26th, will please confer with me at once, that we may have ample time to arrange for their entertainment. SAM J. FRANKS, P. C.

COMANCHE. Texas. To the Preachers of the San Saha District:

Will you please send me the names of all the members of the district conference who will attend, and those of you who intend bringing your wives or daughters will please notify me at once, otherwise homes will not be secured for them When you arrive at Brady please report at the parsonage. Our new church will be dedicated on Sunday, at 11 o'clock, by Bro. Black. Brethren, come praying for a revival.

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#### GENERAL CONFERENCE.

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people. We cannot disregard their claim upon us. We cannot refuse to aid, as far as in us lies, in providing a safe and sound ministry for home in educating and elevating them, and by all Christian means preparing home for a higher life in this world, and for the fellowship of the Kingdom of God. The scope of their schools at Augusta, Ga., and Jackson, Tenn., is limited to the education of teachers and preachers for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church. They are in charge of ministers of our own communion, appointed by your bishops, whose character, together with the oversight by trustees selected from both churches, is guarantee that the work people. We cannot disregard their claim sight by trustees selected from both churches, is guarantee that the work done shall be in agreement with the original purpose, sound and fruitful, such as shall commend itself to the sober judgment of godly, thoughtful men. Both the schools are in need, and are making strong appeal to us for help. Christian principle and the strong bond of Christian fellowship between the two churches move us to commend their interests to your care. your care.

In the establishment and regulation of these agencies the church has been directed by the providence of God, and is thus furnished with a large—we dare not say complete—equipment for the final fulfillment of its mission to the world. For their perfect working and the adequate discharge of their various functions, rejectivements of world works are inforcements of men and means are needed. Their scope requires to be extended and their energies made more intense and multiplied. All the fields of the world lie open before us, and all pos-sible products of the Christian faith and labor are expected of us. The Word of God must not be bound by our ignorance, indolence, covetousness or self-indulg-STANLEY The only cheap and reliable STANLEY in AFRICA. Send 20c. for Outfit. Agents Wanted. E. A. THAYER & CO., 1403 Filbert St., Philadelphia. Pa. come more complex and difficult new and more effective agencies will be required for the entire fulfillment of the purpose of God concerning us. In every such case a living and faithful church will be led by the Holy Spirit, in the divine order of its development, to the recognition of the need and due provision for it. For the church is the only authorized, accredited and empowered agent to do the work of the measure of their subordination to its great purpose and conformity to its law. It omits nothing from its provision that is included in its great commission, and orders its entire system of teaching and training so as most surely to secure the attainments of holiness, "without which no man shall see the Lord." It has not abandoned the truth of entire sanctification taught by its founder, nor turned away from his expressed aim to "spread scriptural holiness through these lands." Nor can it agree that this one purpose of its whole being shall be taken out of its hands by unauthorized, self-constituted agencies, working upon eccentric lines, and claiming exclusive right and power for methods and movements not included in the economy of the church, and not in agreement with its order and administration. It will not delegate its responsibility, nor give its glory to another. It is quite competent to discharge its own

functions; and, until its candlestick is removed out of its place, will not consent that any shall usurp its prerogative and wield its authority.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit upon its ordered and united hosts is the one sufficient guarantee that its labor, in whatever direction expended, shall not be in vain. Let the fires of God be kept burning upon the altars of heart, home and church, and ceaseless and unstinted sacrifice of self, substance and energy be made to the Lord who died for us and is alive forevermore, and then the sacred presence that led Israel through the wilderness, gave his people statute and ordinance from the throne of his holiness, and brought them in triumph to the land which he had sworn to their fathers to give them for a possession, will be our guide and law-giver, and give us an abundant entrance into the everlasting

Since the last General Conference many who were prominent in the councils of the church have gone to their reward. Among them—and some of them were men of renown—none has made a broader men of renown—none has made a broader and more indelible impression in the his tory and economy of the church than our late senior Bishop, Holland N. McTveire. As an able minister of the New Testament, a lucid and cogent writer, a wise and vigorous administrator and sound expositor of Methodist law and usage, he had but few peers. He filled, in due order, the places of pastor, editor and Bishop, and in each and all of them was "blameless in life and official administration." His last word was "Peace." and tion." His last word was "Peace," and with this he entered into rest February 15, 1889. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace." You will provide for due memorial of one so eminently worthy.

The loss thus sustained calls, in our judgment, for the addition of one man to the present College of Bishops.

Finally, brethren, we desire and pray

that all your deliberations may be conducted in the spirit of love and peace, and that your conclusions may be so wise and fruitful that our whole body shall be fitly oined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, and make increase unto the edifying of itself in love.

TEXAS GOMMITTEEMEN.

The following is the disposition of the Texas delegation on the various commit-

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Conference, B. G. Marsh. Christ in the earth. It is the body of Christ, the organ of expression of his truth and its power. Sustaining such relation to its great head, it forms its own agencies and gives to them its sanction in Stone; West Texas Conference, J. Stone; West Texas Conference Stone: West Texas Conference, V. M. West; German Mission Conference, F. Vordenbaumen; Mexican Border Mission Conference, B. G. Marsh.

#### RULES OF ORDER OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1896.

1. The regular hour of meeting shall be 9 a.m., and of adjournment 1:30 p. m. A majority of those present and voting may extend the session temporarily, but the hour of meeting shall not be changed unless by a vote of two thirds.

2. The presiding officer shall cause the session to be opened promptly with divine service; and after reading and approval of the journal, the following shall be the order of business: Reports of standing committees.

Reports of special committees. (3) Appeals, memorials and petitions.
 (4) Resolutions. (The call for resolutions shall be made by conference).
 No new business shall be introduced.

after the tenth day, except by a suspen sion of the rule. 3. Special committees ordered by the

conference shall be appointed by the bishop presiding at the time. A member may decline to serve on more than one such committee.

4. When the report of a committee is under discussion, the chairman of that committee shall have the right to close the discussion, and the call of the pre-vious question shall be subject to that

right. 5. The presiding officer shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the conference. When such appeal is taken, the person appealing shall be allowed to state the ground of his appeal and the chair the ground of his decision. In each case such statement shall not exceed five minutes. Otherwise than this, the vote shall be taken without debate.

6. Every resolution shall be in writing and in duplicate, signed by at least two members; and every substitute or amend-ment shall be in writing and in duplicate. 7. All papers designed to go before com-mittees shall be referred to the committee

named by the mover, unless objection be 8. All papers proposing changes of the Discipline, whether they be reports of committees or original propositions of-fered under rule 2, or otherwise, shall specify by chapter, paragraph, section or page the passage to be affected, and also recite the language as it will read when

 A report or other paper shall be con-sidered in possession of the conference when it has been presented and read by the secretary; but any such paper or reso lution may be withdrawn at any time before action thereon by the conference.

10. In the disposition of matter before

conference, the following motions shall have precedence:
(1) Lie on the table.

(2) The previous question.(3) Postpone to definite time. Commit.

Amend.

(6) Substitute. (7) Indefinite postponement.

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German Mission Conference, F. Vordenbaumen; Mexican Border Conference,
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Address the president, and shall not be interrupted when speaking unless called to order by the president, or by a member of the conference through the president, in which case rule 5 shall not apply.
By permission of the conference a member may explain if he claims to be misrepresented.

12. No member shall speak more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the conference; nor shall any member speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

13. No member, unless unavoidably hindered by sickness or otherwise from 13. No member, unless unavoidably hindered by sickness or otherwise from being present, shall absent himself from the sessions of the conference without

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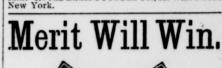
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