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General News.

Our Country will be the scene of great excitement for the next four months. The Democrats have met and put forth two of their strongest men, Hon. Grover Cleveland and Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, for President and Vice-President. Now comes the tug of war. Can our country stand the strain of another heated political campaign. What a wonder this republic of ours is to the nations of the old world. Over one hundred years old, and every four years all her millions decide at the ballot-box who shall rule them for the next four years—and how very often since its formation, has it passed from the government of one party to another. Its possibilities are marvelous—its endurance the marvel of all thinking men. But how long will it continue. That depends entirely on our own action. If we continue to be, as we should be, the asylum of the oppressed, and do not take greater pains to enforce our laws and to protect our civilization, then we are doomed to decay. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." We should never forget the lessons of history. Stick to the Constitution and the laws.

Cholera is raging in Toulon and Marseilles, France, and has again appeared in Alexandria, Egypt. That city seems doomed. It has had a most wonderful history. Named for that ill-fated man of history, Alexander the Great, and at one time the great center of another chieftain's exploits, to-wit: Napoleon Bonaparte; it was also once the seat of the great Alexandrian Library of over 700,000 volumes. We found it in 1881, a city of 250,000 people and the most of it new, and in the European style; but since then it has felt the thunder of English guns and the scourge of cholera. The immortal Pharos is gone, and the once proud harbor is again in ruins. During the twenty-four hours ending July 13th, at 9, p. m., there had been fifty-seven deaths in Marseilles, and thirty-six at Toulon. A few cases of cholera in Paris, but the sanitary condition of the city is good, and not much fear is entertained.

The bill retiring Gen. Grant and pensioning him did not pass; so he will have to live on the interest of that quarter of a million donation from friends. I guess he can do that; it would be a very fine thing for many a Methodist preacher, that has done more good for the world than he ever will.

Our kinsfolks over the blue deep are having some trouble. In England there is a prospect of a breach between the House of Lords and Commons on the franchise bill, and the end is not yet. The compromise offered by the Earl Wymess, on the franchise bill, was rejected by the government.

The Panama Canal is being built at an expense of many millions. It will be a wonderful triumph of mechanical genius and scientific skill, almost equal to the Suez, which connect the Red and the Mediterranean, and pours the wealth of the Indies into the lap of England.

France has presented her ultimatum to China and given her minister two days to consider; and if he refuses, she will immediately open fire on the forts at Shanghai. We hope a general war will be averted.

There is much complaint being entered now against Congress—not so much for what they did, as what they did not do.

Terrible tragedy at Dallas, Texas, in which two noble young Virginians lose their lives. Guess it was bad whisky.

Mr. Moody, the great evangelist, is en route to the United States.

State News.

Monticello is fast improving, and is among our most thrifty little cities.

Primaries all over the State in a few weeks. Look out, temperance folks.

Hon. C. E. Mitchell will make the race for Congress against J. K. Jones.

No epidemic in any portion of the State that we hear of. Health generally good.

Republican Central Committee of this State were in session in this city last week.

The crops in Drew are good but very late. A late autumn, however, will make all well.

Clarendon is calling loudly for a school house. All right—but be certain to build that church.

Pine Bluff is taking the preliminary steps for the establishment of a cotton factory. A step in the right direction.

Arkansas had a noble delegation at Chicago, and our fellow-townsmen, Hon. U. M. Rose, distinguished himself.

Ashley county has not a single saloon within its borders. May all her sister counties imitate her noble example.

Arkansas City has a new Methodist Church that will be a perfect beauty when completed. There is a great future for that city.

Sorry to see a bitter, personal controversy springing up in White county. All such should be avoided. Let the press frown it down.

Ft. Smith will have another Fair in October, and it will be a grand affair, for the great City of the West never does things by halves.

Helena is one of the wealthy cities of our State, and if the old debt could be provided for, it would soon be one of the most prosperous.

Hon. Greenfield Quarles, of Helena, was nominated for prosecuting attorney, at Brinkley, last week. Over 400 ballots. Hot work for hot weather.

Drew county will have a Fair in October, commencing on the 15th, and lasting three days; and it will be a grand occasion. We hope to attend.

Jonesboro, the county site of Craighead county, will soon have a new court house. A step in the right direction. Brother Cobb makes a live paper.

Somebody writing in the Booneville Enterprise; calls Gen. S. P. Hughes a "farmer in a small way." I wish they could see his fine farm on Surrounded Hill.

Prairie county has had a long and bitter fight on the county site question, but I reckon Des Arc will keep it—though she has a powerful rival in Hazen.

District Conference at Booneville this week. Wish we could be there, but our good Brother Boswell will be present, and work for us, and I hope all the brethren will help.

We see a great deal of good likely to grow out of the Wheelers and Brothers of Freedom if they will let politics alone. It will not do to mix these or temperance with party politics.

The Browns had a bad day in Memphis last Sunday. They fell among the roughs. Sorry for you, boys—can't approve such conduct anywhere or at any time, but we advise you to let base ball alone on Sunday.

"Dr. A. R. Winfield and Rev. John H. Dye are editors and proprietors of the ARKANSAS METHODIST. They certainly make a team capable of drawing a heavy load."—Bentonian. Thank you, Brother Womack, but I tell you it will take a strong team and a hard pull.

PERSONAL.

Bishop Pierce is reported as preaching a sermon of great power, at a District Conference in Augusta, last week. A great deal of advice has been wasted on him, for he can and will preach. Bishop, send your old friend a letter for the METHODIST.

Rev. J. B. West has furnished a splendid article to the St. Louis Advocate, on the Doctrinal Integrity of Methodism. He is one of our ablest preachers and best writers. Send me some copy, friend Joseph.

Rev. James A. Heard, D. D., President of La Grange Female College, La Grange, Tenn., was in Jonesboro last week. He had better hurry here and advertise—several are ahead of him. We shall look for you, Doctor.

Rev. E. M. Bounds, of the St. Louis Advocate, will be at Booneville this week, and Springdale next week. He is a very clever gentleman, and will help the ARKANSAS METHODIST.

Jno. P. Lowry, former manager of this paper, has accepted a position with Quinn & Gray, of this city. His numerous friends will call and see him.

Rev. J. S. Brooke, Walnut Ridge and Corning station, sends us some subscribers, kind words and good wishes, to be followed by another list soon. Many thanks.

Judge John W. Slayton is a candidate for the Senate, from Jackson, Poinsette and Mississippi counties. He has been our bosom friend from our early ministry.

Rev. Mr. Willbanks, of the Presbyterian, and Rev. Mr. Eagle, of the Baptist Church, are candidates for the Legislature in Lonoke county.

Bishop Keener is holding District Conferences in the bounds of the Memphis Conference. Bishop, come to Carlisle next week.

Bishop McTeyre is seeing his History of Methodism through the press. It will be the richest donation of Centenary year, I dare say.

Rev. R. P. Wilson made a splendid speech on the Temperance Report at Monticello. O, for more like him, and prohibition would sweep Arkansas.

Rev. H. Jewell has gone to Dorsey county this week. He will return in time to fill his pulpit next Sabbath.

Bishop Hargrove will preside at the Fort Smith District Conference this week, and then on to Springdale.

Rev. E. A. Garrison is playing in a new role—he has turned lecturer. Well, he is a versatile genius.

Rev. J. H. Gold read a splendid report on temperance at the District Conference at Monticello.

Rev. Shelby Deener, one of our Vanderbilt boys, has been preaching in Searcy.

Rev. J. E. Godbey is still attending District Conferences in Arkansas. We wish him success.

Hon. George Thornburg is a candidate for representative in Lawrence county.

Rev. J. B. Hickman preached the Opening Sermon at Booneville this week.

Shade Jno. H. Dye went to Evening-shade last week.

Rev. J. M. Cline passed through our city on Monday.

Rev. T. H. Ware is a born presiding elder.

Rev. Frank Ritter has been preaching in Brinkley—he is a live man.

Rev. P. B. Summers was at Cenway last week. He is a fine worker.

Hon. J. K. Jones has been renominated for Congress in his district.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD.

Rev. Robert Atchley writes a real brotherly note, and remits \$3.00 on account. Very kind and brotherly. May many imitate him.

Rev. S. D. Evans sends two new subscribers, with the cash. He means business—and that of the tright sort. We like Walnut Ridge.

Rev. C. C. Godden, P. F. of this District, was in Tuesday, and reports well from the White River Circuit. See his notice elsewhere.

Rev. Geo. A. Dannelly sends us a sad note. His wife has been very ill—but was improving. He will return soon to his work. Thanks for kind words.

Rev. B. S. Crews has had a fine revival on his work. He reports in the Booneville Enterprise, one meeting where there were fifteen conversions and eleven accessions.

Rev. H. B. McNeil writes from Brinkley, that this senior is needed for a Temperance speech; and Bro. J. J. Jenkins ditto, from Malvern. All right, I will come after awhile—and will spare neither maker, seller nor drinker.

Rev. Jno. R. Sanders writes us a brotherly letter from Washington; sending us a subscriber and saying some good things about our paper. We appreciate this, as our brother has been a newspaper man, and knows whereof he affirms. We will do our best, and hope to merit and receive your continued help.

Rev. T. J. Reynolds sends us happy greetings from Prairie Grove, and a very kind invitation to preach, and to go on to Springdale; but duty compels us to decline both. Sorry my dear little friend, Nora, has been sick; glad she is better. Tell her that she must help her brother, and send us a long list of subscribers.

Rev. Frank Ritter thus writes from Newport station: "We have had seventeen accessions to our church since Conference, and our people are improving spiritually. We are not keeping up with our finances, but the pastor is well cared for, and the good people of this place would not allow it to be otherwise. They pounded us so heavily when we commenced house-keeping, that we shall possibly feel the effects of it for ten years; but they still pound a little to this day—one at a time, but it doesn't hurt us. ARKANSAS METHODIST is bound to succeed largely. May it cease to change hands." Selah.

Rev. E. L. Beard sends the following cheering note from his work, the Toledo circuit;

"As yet, I have sent you nothing from my field of labor, for the reason that I had nothing of special or general interest to write. I have not cleared the decks yet, but am doing what I can. We are rejoicing over the prospect of building a new church here (Toledo.) I have \$415.00 pledged and enough money in hand to pay for the lumber. Hope to have it ready to worship in by the first of September. I have met many good people here; been kindly received. I have not missed an appointment since I took charge of my work, except on account of rain and high water. I am thankful. I am praying and working for a revival all along the line. Want pungent conviction for sin, sound and radical conversions, giving clear heads, warm hearts, and consecrated purses. Query—If it is wrong for Republican, moral, prohibition Kansas to prevent bull-fights, is it right for Democratic Arkansas to encourage base ball playing on Sunday?"

He sends us an invitation to Toledo to Lecture on Palestine, &c., and then adds, he will stand by us. All right! We will never surrender or quit fighting till we gain the victory.

The Centennial Methodist Conference.

The Executive Committee of the Centennial Methodist Conference, to be held in Baltimore, Dec. 9-17, 1884, met in Philadelphia at the Methodist Book Rooms, Thursday, June 29, and organized as follows: President, Bishop E. G. Andrews; Vice-President, Samuel Rodgers, D. D.; Secretary, H. K. Carroll; Treasurer, T. J. Magruder.

The Committee spent four hours in a pleasant, harmonious session, and adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

Following is the list of topics for the various sessions of the conference, and the time allotted each:

- FIRST DAY,
1. Work of the Christmas Conference..... 1 hour
 2. Personnel of the Christmas Conference..... 1 "
- SECOND DAY.
3. The Superintendency of Asbury, and What it did for Methodism..... ¾ "
 4. The Relations of John Wesley to American Methodism ¾ "
 6. Statistical Results—Membership, etc..... ½ "
 6. Statistical Results—Educational and Financial, General discussion, 1 "
- THIRD DAY.
7. Methodism in 1784, and its Outlook, ¾ "
 8. Methodism in 1884, and its Outlook, ¾ "
 - General discussion, ½ "
 9. Causes of the Success of Methodism, ½ "
 10. Possible Dangers to Future Methodism, ½ "
 - General discussion, 1 "
- FOURTH DAY.
11. Rise and Progress of Methodism in Canada, ¾ "
 12. Methodist Pioneers and Their Work, ¾ "
 - General discussion, ½ "
 13. Is Methodism Losing its Power over the Masses? ¾ "
 - General discussion, 1 ¼ "
- FIFTH DAY.
14. The Aim and Character of Methodist Preaching, ¾ "
 15. Methodist Means of Grace, ¾ "
 - General Discussion, ½ "
 16. The Doctrinal Unity of Methodism, ½ "
 17. Guards to the Purity of our Doctrinal Teaching, ¾ "
 - General discussion, ¾ "
- SIXTH DAY.
18. The Four Points of Methodism—Heart Conversion, Assurance, Christian Experience, and Sanctification, ¾ "
 16. The Influence of Methodism on Other Denominations, ¾ "
 - General discussion, ½ "
 20. Value of the Press to Methodism, ¾ "
 21. Value of the Periodical Press to Methodism, ¾ "
 - General Discussion, ½ "
- SEVENTH DAY.
22. Place and Power of the Lay Element in Methodism, ¾ "
 23. What Methodism Owes to Women, ¾ "
 - General discussion, ½ "
- Public meetings will be held in the evening as follows: Wednesday evening, topic, Missions. Thursday evening, Session of the Conference for Reception of Fraternal Delegates. Friday evening, topic, The Educational work and Spirit of Methodism. Monday evening, topic, the Sunday-school. Tuesday evening, topic, The Mission of Methodism to the Extremes of Society.
- It is expected that several churches will be open each evening, except Thursday, and the various topics will be treated by invited speakers.

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Editorial Correspondence.

It is certain that a page filled by editorial correspondence, can and ought to be one of the most interesting in any paper, and where three such pens as Boswell, Brown and Withers, are employed, it should be peculiarly so: but now when the thermometer is over 100 in the shade, our printer comes forward and says that he is out of copy. Where are our corresponding editors? Echo answers, where? Our good Brother Withers don't rejoice over his honors long, or at least he is resting on them. Take notice, brethren, that we expect you to fill your page. Give us a full benefit, Withers from Washington District Conference and our Brother Boswell will do the same from Fort Smith and Bro. Brown will write up just who and what he pleases; but all of you remember we must have copy.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—The third quarterly Conference for Searcy Circuit was held at Salem July 5th and 6th. Our Presiding Elder was with us in the spirit of the Master. All the appointments on the work were represented. The business of the session was dispatched with great satisfaction to both, the members and visitors in attendance. The reports showed progress in all the departments of church work; owing, I think, in a large measure to faithful work by my predecessor, Rev. B. Harris. Our finances are somewhat lower than we would wish; but we are hopeful. The METHODIST was not forgotten, I sent you eighteen, and I now send two more. Making in all from this circuit, this year, twenty-nine subscribers.

Our people are taking more church papers this year, and reading more, than they have since I have known the circuit.

Success to you and the ARKANSAS METHODIST. Yours in Christ
A. S. BLACKWOOD.
Searcy, Ark., July 10, 1884.

DEAR METHODIST:—Bishop McTyeire's idea that the promise of our Lord that the church being built upon the rock, the gates of hades, i. e. death should never prevail against it, is peculiarly applicable to our Methodist annals in Arkansas. Although God buries the workmen in the various departments of church work, yet he raises up others who take their places, and the great harvest is furnished with suitable laborers. In this state we have had many attempts to establish a Methodist paper, and all have had severe difficulties of financial and other sorts to contend with. And just as we felt that we had in our lamented Colburn the very man to lead us on in this department, lo! he is removed by death.

But how wonderfully recuperative is our peculiar system! Behold today two of our best and well tried men, Winfield and Dye, step to the front and take up our trailing banner and cry: "Rally! rally! men and women of Arkansas Methodism!" Supported on the right and left by Boswell, Brown, Jewell, "Beta," Withers, Hunter and our godly women, and cheered on by the music of the little helpers, they are bound to succeed.

No Centenary enterprise could be more important—save the main one, a glorious and universal revival of religion—than to put our home paper on a permanent basis. For twenty-five years I have always been ready to put in my little mite to aid our general interests, especially our papers, and I may be allowed this one word of exhortation. Let us all, by our labor to get new subscribers for the paper, endorse the hand of that kind Providence which has given us these men to go before us, and once for all make this paper a grand success. Turn out and get ten subscribers for a year, or twenty for six months, and forward the money now. Earnestly,
H. M. GRANADE.

Arkadelphia District Conference Session.

Our Conference, meeting at an unexpected time, in order to have Bishop Hargrove with us, was not so fully attended as it would have been if better advertised. Many of the members arrived on Saturday and worshiped Sunday with the Okolona church, it being also a quarterly meeting occasion for Clark Circuit. The Sunday morning love-feast, not loudly emotional, but exhibiting a deep-under current of power, was followed by a sermon from the Bishop, a regular Centenary discourse, the effect of which was to enlighten our people, as well as those of other denominations, who were largely in attendance, as to the growth and power of Methodism, and its comparative standing throughout the United States to-day; it being largely in advance—so far as members are concerned—of all denominations. "Go and tell him the things ye see and hear and that the poor have the Gospel preached to them," was the theme. How grandly did he trace a Divine Providence in the growth of our Methodism, developing into a church polity, almost superhuman, and an itineracy system, pre-eminently adapted above that of all other organizations, to "preach the Gospel to the poor." As we walked about Zion and noted her bulwarks, and beholding point after point the development of "the Christ" that was in it we felt impelled to say that "we need not look for another." The proof of Christ's ministry are here. The power has been with us, the work is truly wonderful, miraculous! Oh! how we praised God for his wonderful works and prayed for a larger Baptism of the Holy Ghost. At night the sacrament of the Lords Supper again brought to our remembrance that Jesus died to save.

On Monday morning at 6 A. M., Conference opened, Bishop R. K. Hargrove in the chair. Our Conference is 117 strong, composed respectively of fourteen traveling preachers, forty-seven local preachers, fifty-six lay delegates. There were present eleven traveling preachers, three local preachers and twenty-four lay delegates.

Five committees were raised at morning session, all reported on second day.

Afternoon session—Arkadelphia was selected as the place to hold the next session of District Conference, also the following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: W. T. Crouch, S. Winsted, T. M. East, E. B. Hotchkiss. Reserves—H. A. Butler and L. N. Runyan.

The following facts and figures we glean from the report on the State of the Church: The number who attend upon our ministry, 6820; the number of church members, 2899; number who habitually attend upon preaching, 1575; number who habitually attend upon Sunday-school, 694; number who habitually attend upon prayer meeting, 562; number who habitually attend upon class meeting; 387; number who habitually attend upon love feast, 791; about one-tenth of our families take church papers; one-third hold family prayers; one-half have their children baptised. The above facts are fit subjects for study.

The Sunday-School report gives us the following: Number of Sunday-school, 33; number of pupils, 1915; number of pupils belonging to the church, 693. Not one of our schools is reported as giving steadily to any benevolent object. One-half of the charges report no conversions in Sunday-school, the other half report variously.

Report of the committee on finances shows collections for support of the ministry behind about 48 per cent; the general collections behind about 50 per cent.

The report of the committee on Quarterly Conference records should be printed in full and read by all the official members in order to improvement—a condensed statement would be of little use. One thing, however, might be mentioned, that is, that very few contain a written report of the work of the local preachers, the query is, do they work any or does the Presiding Elder always excuse them. Their work is lost to history.

The report of the Centenary committee recommended a vigorous circu-

lation of the centenary medal.

The following resolutions were passed:

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby heartily tendered to the citizens of Okolona for the elegant hospitality which they have so generously dispensed to this Conference.

Resolved, That we return our grateful thanks to Bishop Hargrove for his presence among us, and for his kind and impartial presidency over us, and that we assure him that our prayers shall follow him, and that we will welcome him at any time into our midst.

J. R. MOORE,
E. H. VANCE, JR.

A complimentary vote of thanks was given the Secretary, to which was added the personal thanks of the Bishop, when the minutes were read from and signed in our new record book before adjournment by

R. K. HARGROVE,
E. B. HOTCHKISS, President.
Secretary.

Morrilton District Conference.

The fourteenth session of the Morrilton District Conference—Arkansas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South—met in Conway, Ark., July 7, 1884. Rev. T. J. Smith, P. E., presiding.

The Conference was organized and all the preliminary regulations were made during the morning session.

Bishop Hargrove arrived in time to preside over the deliberations of the body during the evening session. Which he did to the satisfaction of all to the close of the Conference.

The Bishop greatly endeared himself to the Conference and friends of the Master by his wise counsels, and able and efficient labors.

About forty-two clerical and lay brethren, and several elect ladies were present.

The sisters are getting to be quite a factor in the success of christianity; and their presence and influence is more and more felt; and with less and less difficulty we are enabled to get homes for them at Conference. One of the most hopeful signs of the times is that woman is coming up to her noble sphere of usefulness which was a significant characteristic of the women in the apostolic age. The hope of the church and the world is holy mothers, wives and sisters.

There were several visiting brethren with us. Among these were Drs. Bounds and Godbey, of St. Louis Conference, Dr. Winfield, of Little Rock Conference, J. A. Anderson, of White River Conference, and P. B. Summers and A. P. Melton, of Dardanelle District Arkansas Conference. A more genial set of brethren never graced a Conference with their presence. They were all full of sunshine, and shed joy and gladness all around. We pray God that the scintillations of divine influence may pour from them ever more as it did here. We were sorry we did not get to hear all of them preach; but those of them we did hear, preached "not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the spirit and of power;" and we felt that it was good to sit under their ministry. In this regard the people—our people—were highly favored, and their appreciation was equal to the rich feast of fat things, as well as the very cream of the gospel with which these servants of the Most High fed them.

This was evidenced by the presence and breathless attention of the vast crowds that thronged our new but unfinished house of worship.

All the editors—Bounds, Godbey and Winfield—addressed the Conference in the interest of their respective papers. This they did in a very graceful, unselfish manner, and if the editors of our church papers will keep up this spirit it will be a long step toward rising to a higher plane of christian enjoyment and activity during the next century. Use the scissors freely brethren when our communications are too raspy, and if that remedy will not help us to write kindly consign them to the waste-basket. The press is powerful for good or evil. I feel like doing more in the way of trying to get the people to take these papers.

Bishop Hargrove, who listened very profoundly and patiently to these brethren, (for he is a very forbearing

and patient hearer) spoke in the interest, not of the Nashville Advocate, but in the interest of the Christian Advocate, at Nashville. Our Advocate. His remarks were pointed, and will do the Christian Advocate much good.

The session was remarkably harmonious. There was not a jar; another sign of Christian advancement.

W. M. Clifton, Geo. T. Clifton, W. D. Laffis, local preacher, and Dr. W. E. Jamison were elected delegates to the ensuing Annual Conference, and J. W. Duncan and W. W. Garland, alternates.

The Conference past a vote of thanks for the princely manner in which the citizens of Conway entertained the Conference; and this vote was no sham, for every man, woman and child among us felt that Conway had done her best to make us feel pleasant. Springfield was selected as the place where the next District Conference will be held.

J. F. HULL,
Secretary.

Conway, Ark., July 10, 1884.

Dardanelle District Conference.

The first session of the Dardanelle District Conference—Arkansas Annual Conference, was held in the town of Atkins, Pope, county, Ark., July 3-5, 1884. Bishop Hargrove presided. He is a scrutinizing officer. Very few things escape his watchful eye. We think his administrative abilities in the chair equal to the best, and his

pulpit ministrations are full of Gospel power and spirit. He made favorable impressions on the preachers, laymen and citizens of this part of our state. All the charges in the district were represented but one. Twelve traveling preachers, out of thirteen, were present; four local preachers, out of thirty-four, were present; twenty lay delegates, out of thirty-nine, were present. Reports show prosperity throughout the district. Revs. J. E. Godbey and E. M. Bounds, of St. Louis, and B. H. Greathouse, of Morrilton, were visitors. These brethren had on the harness and they worked. Steps were taken to build a district parsonage. The following brethren constitute the District parsonage committee; John F. Choate, Z. P. Ford, W. A. Clement, M. B. Harner, J. S. Massey, J. Bost, J. F. Munday, A. J. Dyer, P. J. Rollow, J. L. Cravens. Now push the work, brethren. The district has nine parsonages. We want four more and a district parsonage this centenary year. The District Centenary Committee reported. Stirring speeches were made by Bishop Hargrove and others. Six hundred and ten dollars were subscribed to purchase Central Collegiate Institute for a church school. A. M. Gibson, A. J. Dyer, John S. Massey, (L. P.) J. F. Munday, were elected delegates to the Annual Conference. W. J. Briggs and John L. Cravens were elected alternates. Next session of the District Conference to be held at Dardanelle, Yell county, Ark. The kind people of Atkins entertained the Conference with commendable hospitality, and they were thanked.

W. H. METHENY, Sec'y.
Prairie View, Ark., July 7, 1884.

A Vital Matter.

(Richmond Advocate.)

Bishop Keener found the solution to the retrogression of Methodism in Kentucky where once it held the field. In an evil hour, years ago, our Church, then in the van, allowed their College to fall into decay and death. The Presbyterians and the Cambelites saw the vantage-ground and fostered their schools. They began to educate Methodist children. The communities by this means came under the influence of rival denominations. These Churches gained on us and after awhile took the lead. We by degrees fell to the rear. As the years went on the men of culture and influence were in other Communions. Methodist boys at the best schools receive a slant from the faith of their fathers.

Our Church in Kentucky recognizes now the fatal mistake. Once we were foremost, successful, and almost without rivals in that Commonwealth. We made the blunder of the century, and will never recover from the false step.

Israel sounded the lowest depth of

degradation when there was no smith, nor forge, nor anvil, throughout its territory, when "all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coulter, and his ax, and his mattoch." Of course they were defenseless. And "it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people."

The Church that allows hostile neighbors to control and monopolize schools, where the wits of the youth are hammered and sharpened, soon finds itself as impotent and ignoble as the base Jew, without a weapon and without manhood.

Methodism in Virginia, North Carolina and the South, in the decades past, had the good fortune of a College. Minister and layman were trained there. That institution gave the Church, in the years gone by, a dominating career in the Southern States. Subtract its influence, and you would cut the core out of the glorious past. Bishops, scholars, statesmen, and orators receive their training in its halls. A hundred living ministers in the Virginia Conference were educated there. Fifty in the Baltimore Conference. Such is the grand history of Randolph-Macon.

This is the Centenary year. Gratitue for the work of the College has achieved for the Church, and its potency for the future, ought to arouse our Methodism to a grand rally for endowment. The future of our Methodism in Virginia will be dwarfed or enlarged by the enthusiasm or supineness of this year. The hand on the dial will go back and back if indifference or inertness mark our conduct toward this venerable institution.

Beware, brethren, lest a dry-rot beginning now at the core leave us, in the years to come, a fragile, withered shell of dust. Kentucky Methodism receive blood-pollion from their dead College. May the Virginia Church "profit by their example."

Partizan Praying.

Recent political conventions have developed some new features in the character of public prayer. Enterprising newspapers have given them full and wide publicity together with all other proceedings. At the National Republican Convention, on successive days, distinguished ministers of unquestioned political orthodoxy, offered prayer invoking Divine blessing upon the "grand old party." Like petitions have been made by preachers at several State Democratic Conventions. As we have read these proceedings, thoughts have been suggested that may be of general profit.

Much praying, so-called, is for the ears of man rather than the throne of God. In rhetorical phrase, the relation of local incidents, and expressions of opinion upon matters purely secular and partizan, the purpose of the performance is perfectly manifest. The papers pronounce it "very eloquent," and the prayer-orator reads the tribute with genuine satisfaction. Every such notice offends the spiritual propriety of true Christians and wounds the cause of Christ. Prayer—"the soul's sincere desire"—is only for the throne of grace and may be as true efficacious "unuttered" as "expressed." When offered in public, it should simply lead the devotions of the congregation for needed blessing, and not entertain the people with devotional stump-speaking. "Beautiful and eloquent" prayers are a delusion and a snare. They should not be voiced in incorrect or infelicitous language, but their intellectuality should not be prominent. The spirit should breathe through the words and not the words shroud and conceal the spirit.

Prayers for party and by partisans have the odor of secularity rather than the fragrance of true piety. They prophesy party success in the form of prayer, and in that attitude stir up the faithful to an active campaign. We doubt the propriety of praying for the triumph or defeat of any party as such. We may and should ask that all party conclusions be directed to the general good, and that divine blessings dwell upon the entire laud. But to pray for Republican success or Democratic defeat, or vice versa, is more partizan than pious—an unseemly, if not unscriptural, performance. An entire elimination of selfish purpose or ambition is necessary to true prayer. We need pious rather than partizan praying.—[N. O. Advocate.

THE ARKANSAS METHODIST.

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1884.

Temperance.

Difference of Administration--But All for the Same.

We present below the Preamble and Resolutions offered at the Helena District Conference, and ruled out of order by Bishop Hargrove. The Bishop announced himself strongly in favor of prohibition, but ruled that this was out of order in a District Conference. Bishop Pierce entertained some which were stronger, in Georgia, which we publish below. The brethren signed the paper to go out as their utterance--

WHEREAS, in a portion of our District our people have availed themselves of the protection offered against the whiskey curses by the Three-Mile Law, and

WHEREAS, the prosperity of these portions under this law has been very marked; therefore be it

Resolved, That as ministers and members of the M. E. Church, South, we will use our influence to extend it over our entire territory and hold what we now occupy.

Signed, J. C. Brown, W. E. Rutledge, Geo. M. Hill, N. E. Skinner, A. M. R. Branson, C. H. Ford, M. C. Morris, J. H. Miller, J. M. Clark, J. N. Burns, G. W. Bonner, W. H. Hughes, Thos. J. Brickett, W. S. Brookes, W. F. Derrick, J. L. Robertson, S. J. Lentz, James A. Garnett, W. H. Harrison, A. J. Johnson, T. N. Stogdon, J. C. Ritter, N. B. Fizer, W. D. Kerr, Wm. Allen, J. K. Pope, John Unken.

Motion prevailed in the Augusta District Conference, in session at St. John's Church, Augusta, the following resolutions on temperance be sent to the Wesleyan Christian Advocate for publication:

Resolved, That it is the duty of the members of this District Conference, and of every private member of the Church as well, to put the weight of their influence on the side of temperance, and to stand together in sustaining the law of the Church against such as may have a disposition to violate it.

Resolved 2, That it is the duty of every member of the Methodist Church to enter his or her protest--not only against drunkenness--but against the manufacture and sale of liquor also.

Resolved 3, That every preacher in the District be, and is hereby requested to preach well prepared sermons at each of their churches, on temperance.

Resolved 4, That we are much gratified at the zeal manifested by the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and that we heartily endorse them in their work of faith and labor of love.

Resolved 5, That we hope to see the whisky traffic forever blotted out of our country. This Conference is in favor not of "high license," but of prohibition, now and always, and we hereby pledge ourselves to work to this end.

T. N. POOL,
T. O. RORIE,
W. D. TUTT,
Committee.

M. H. DILLARD, Secretary.

Raleigh Christian Advocate:--It is right hard to tell what the liquor traffic does cost this country, but its enormous cost may be realized to some extent by a comparison with the cost of some other things. According to the census of 1880, the people of the United States spend \$155,000,000 per annum for sugar and molasses; \$196,000,000 for boots and shoes; dry goods and lumber about \$200,000,000; for iron and steel, \$300,000,000; bread, \$505,000,000; for education, \$85,000,000; and for home and foreign missions, \$5,500,000. But for intoxicating liquors of all kinds, \$900,000,000 are spent! On a basis of fifty millions of population, this averages \$18 for every man, woman and child in the country. But the pecuniary cost--great as it is--is the least evil connected with this destructive traffic. If the moral ruin, suffering, crime and death which it causes

are considered, the magnitude of the curse rises above all adequate expression. Thus its extermination becomes the most important of all questions. Our statesmen will so regard it some day it is to be hoped.

Another Bloody Tragedy

A bloody tragedy was enacted at Rison, three and a half miles west of here on the 8th inst., in which Arkansas had another good citizen shot to death, and a criminal left on her hands to clog her courts. The man who did the shooting was drinking. The man who was killed was a peaceable, quiet citizen; and his gory corpse appeals in mute eloquence for prohibition. E. L. BEARD.

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Will all the preachers of the Little Rock District see that their Quarterly Conference Records are at the District Conference for examination.
C. C. GODDEN.

Facts and figures are coming to the front in our district conferences and they frequently produce quite a stir, and they are becoming a great power for good.

Our friends will please bear with us with much patience, making all the allowance you can for irregular mails, mistakes, &c., &c.; remembering that we are doing our best to get the paper out on time, and to all of its subscribers at the very earliest moment possible. Keep cool, beloved; and if any thing goes wrong; notify us and we will do our best to rectify. We will try very hard to please everybody—and ourselves in particular.
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"Unsanctified wealth is a curse to any church," said Rev. E. N. Evans, in a splendid speech at the District Conference at Monticello last week. Dr. Haygood is enthusing his boys on missions. May all our college presidents imitate him.

Rev. R. P. Wilson said at the Monticello District Conference, among many other good things, that every man and woman in the church should attend the Sunday-school, and if they did no other good, they would make a track in the right direction, and that would be a great influence on the side of truth." It was a fine speech.

We heard Bishop Hargrove say at a District Conference the other day that "he hoped to live to see the day when men will clap their hands for joy at the mention of a collection." A brother responded that many clap their hands now; but, it is on their pockets." Let the time come when people will rejoice over a collection, and the millennium will be near at hand. May we live to see it.

Renew your subscription to the ARKANSAS METHODIST.

Revival of Discipline.

This is certainly one great need of our Methodism in this Centennial year. In many places our discipline is not only not enforced, but actually it is an obsolete book. Many of our preachers do not even read the General Rules to their people. Some of them think these rules should be left out of the book, others affirm that "Our Fathers" were mistaken when they affirmed the divine authority for them in these words: "All of which we are taught in the word of God," and "that they are written on the conscience of every truly awakened person." These rules are made obligatory on every person seeking admission into our church. They are required not only to give their assent to them, as an expression of the sentiments of the church and a portion of the divine record, but they are to keep them for conscience sake. Now take up your discipline and read these rules over and look at the condition of your charge as it really is, both in relation to them and the specific requirements of God's word. How many who dance? How many who attend the theatre? How many who are regular dram drinkers? How many who are really injuring themselves with strong drink? Are there not a few who are actually killing themselves with strong drink? How many swearers? How many Sabbath breakers? How many who make the Sacred Day one only of pleasure? How many habitually neglect the ordinances of God in almost every respect and in every way. How few attend the weekly prayer meeting, and how very few have a family altar? How many disciplines do you think there are in the bounds of your charge? How many of your people have ever read it? How many who read the bible daily? Don't you feel ashamed to call church roll in public? Is it not very mortifying to see the names of your members in the daily papers as floor managers and committeemen at a public ball? Don't it make you blush to see your members coming out of saloons and returning from games and parks on the Sabbath? Who is to blame for this want of discipline, and such an amount of non-conformity to our church polity and prudential regulations. Do not begin to accuse or excuse each other, but as we love the church of God, bought with the Savior's blood, let us go to work to correct the evil. Are we not all convinced that a deep and thorough revival of religion, such as the "Fathers" witnessed, can never take place till there is a purifying of the church. The vine must be pruned, and all the dead branches lopped off, if we are to expect a good spiritual development and a healthy growth. If a revival could take place, and young converts brought into the church in its present spiritual state, they would soon either fall away or grow up in an abnormal way that could never profit them or assist the church. God could neither bless or help Israel while Achan was in the camp with stolen wedge and garments. Iniquity must be cast out if we desire the presence and blessing of God. David said, "if I regard iniquity in my heart God will not hear me." We think it is no stretch of construction or violation of the law of exegesis to apply it to the church as such. How then can we expect God to hear us, or cause his face to shine on us? But no doubt a strict, cautious pains taking investigation will give trouble to many of our preachers who are serving worldly—and churches that appear ungovernable, to help such we recommend to you the following advice from Bishop Parker to the pastor of our church in Sherman, Texas. Please read, in wordly digest, and act upon it. It is timely, and the utterance is that of a man who has been a successful pastor, and knows whereof he affirms. Let our preachers act on this advice and the revival of discipline will begin and will be followed by one of the most wonderful revivals of spiritual power that the church has experienced in the past century:

"The stat of the church at Sherman seems to be discouraging. I know of but one course, and that is, to enforce the discipline in regard to things unlawful. Every pastor should do his duty without regard to the negligence of those who have gone before him. There must be prudence and firmness;

but if members will not give up horse-racing, dancing and the like, they should be brought before a committee, tried, and expelled, unless they choose to withdraw voluntarily. Good discipline and a pure church are of far more value than the money of worldly and irreligious members. The greatest evil in the church, to-day, is this sort of worldliness. It threatens our very life as a church. It may be that the preachers have been to blame. Neglecting discipline, receiving members carelessly without explaining our rules, and then too timid to enforce the rules, the evil has grown. I hope our pastors will at least try to enforce the discipline. If firmly conducted, there will not be much loss in members. Rather it will be the means of saving many who otherwise will go to perdition in the church. There are difficulties in the performance of this duty but they can be surmounted. I would advise a kind, conciliatory, but firm course, only as the last resort bringing delinquents up for trial. May God help you and all our pastors to be faithful in administration, and may we have a purifying revival this year."

Editorial Correspondence.

Batesville District Conference.

The Batesville District Conference convened at Evening Shade July 10, 9 A. M. Rev. H. M. Granada, P. E., presiding. Col. Geo. Thornburg was elected secretary; Dr. Josephus Anderson was appointed to preach the opening sermon, but was detained at home on account of sickness. His absence was much regretted. Rev. R. D. Moon occupied the pulpit at that hour, but I had not the pleasure of hearing him, as I did not arrive till after Rev. Thomas Vincent was preaching at night. I did not hear the text and only a part of the sermon, but judging it by the effect produced, it was a good one, a gospel sermon. Many of the preachers and laity were happy. Rev. H. T. Gregory invited penitents to the altar, three or four responded, and one dear little girl, daughter of Bro. Thornburg, was happily converted. The only conference proceedings I had the pleasure of witnessing, was the morning session of the second day. "The spiritual condition of the church," was the subject of investigation and discussion. The reports of the preachers of their respective charges, in many respects, were very encouraging, and in some others, distressing. Most all preach to large and attentive congregations, and most of their membership partake of the Lord's supper when opportunity is offered. The spirit of building churches and parsonages is abroad, and all are hopeful of refreshing seasons from the presence of the Lord. But finances are low, and only a few have raised all their collections, and very few have been paid to date; but a small per centage hold family prayer, or attend class meeting, and many neglect the baptism of their children; and our church literature is not circulated and read as it should be. But I am sorry to believe that this is not peculiar to the Batesville district, but obtains largely throughout the State. The more's the pity. The secretary promised me a summary of the entire proceedings for this issue. Bro. Granada kindly invited me to represent the Centenary and Church Extension interests committed to me, and to wind up on the ARKANSAS METHODIST. I think most of the preachers of that district will send you a list of subscribers soon, and so will a few laymen. The audience was given two minutes intermission, and this writer was notified that he could utilize the time, in resting, fanning, and in finding a text and hymns, &c., after which preaching would begin. The sermon and service ended, with old friends, D. P. Tunstall, sheriff of Fulton county, and Dr. O. T. Hunt, small in stature, but big in soul, of Lacrosse, we repaired to the hospitable home of "mine host," Charles Shaver. "Bro. Charley" as he is familiarly called, is a worthy son of a noble sire. His father, John Wesley Shaver, was a tower of strength in the church and community in his day, and although dead, yet speaks through his sons, Charles, Neill and Carroll. May God bless them and theirs to the latest generation. After dinner we called

on a few old friends at the stores, and made a few new acquaintances, most all of whom subscribed for the ARKANSAS METHODIST. At 3 o'clock, with the thermometer at 101, we started for

SULPHUR ROCK,

twenty-five miles distant, and most of it very rocky, rough road. The buggy was drawn by a large, magnificent mule, driven and owned by my brother-in-law, J. H. Moore, and in due time and order we met two appointments. The first was at the cozy residence of Dr. H. W. Vaughan, where an excellent supper awaited us, and to which ample justice was done; thence to the church, where we found a good congregation assembled. This neat, new church is the product of the energy of that excellent worker, Rev. S. L. Cochran, who lives near the church in a comfortable parsonage, which was also built during his pastorate here. He is entitled to the more credit for his success, as no one believed he could build either one when he began. A lesson for us all.

This is a dear old place to me, as I was born within one mile of here, and the place of my spiritual birth is within fifty feet of the new church, where the old log church stood. I went to the

OLD HOMESTEAD,

and lived life over again, although I only had an hour or two to stay. I got down between the graves of dear ones, and wept, prayed, and praised God. Here sleeps my angel wife and dear little babe, and two only brothers, talented, and who, if they could have lived, promised greater usefulness than I can ever attain; and my dear father, whose struggles for the success of his children, whose patience and Christian fortitude in his last, long, lingering illness, and glorious triumph in death, all which I so vividly recalled. Here, upon this silent and sacred spot, the blessed doctrine of the Resurrection gave me more comfort than ever before. "For the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptible." These graves shall be opened and emptied. Then, from the mouths of these shall leap the glorious acclaim, "O grave where is thy victory."

NEW ARK.

After visiting relatives—spending only a few minutes with each—I started for the above little railroad village, where I find somewhere between 1,000 and 2,000 people. Merriment and fun rule the hour. Some are singing, many are dancing, hundreds looking on and talking. Soda fountains, lemonade stands, photograph galleries, all here, and liberally patronized. Here I met many old friends, some of whom I had not seen for years before, and whom it is always a pleasure to meet, but somehow I did not enjoy my stay here, as my soul was not attuned to the music of that festive occasion. I was relieved somewhat by finding a number of friends who wanted the ARKANSAS METHODIST. I took the afternoon train for

NEWPORT,

which town I have watched with much interest from its establishment till now. I had the honor of giving it its present title, the "City of Mills and Shipping Facilities," and which designation it justly merits. It has two live newspapers, that are doing much to develop the town. The Herald, Tom. T. Ward, Editor and Proprietor; and the News, J. W. Jones, Editor and Proprietor; both of whom I have known long and intimately, and esteem very highly. Many of the merchants are solid and progressive men; two or three of which I will take time to mention, for I have known them so long. E. L. Watson & Son—this is one of the strongest and most reliable firms in the State. They buy extensively and for cash, and sell on time. They move soon into their new double brick, two-story store. The senior Watson is building an elegant residence near his store, and the junior is already occupying his own beautiful home. A. Hirsch & Son, dealers in plantation supplies, family groceries, &c. J. W. Wallace; dry goods. This young gentleman, like the ones referred to, works hard, attends closely to his business. All these deserve success and will have it. Hirsch & Remmell, real estate, insurance and general agents. They are doing much for Newport, and for themselves;

they are prompt, polite and correct; they have our best wishes. Its hotels and other firms must be noticed at some future time. Rev. Frank Ritter is the faithful shepherd of the Methodist flock in this growing town, and will report success at the next Conference. He will send us another list of subscribers and a communication soon. We took the South bound train at 9 p. m. for

JACKSONVILLE,

intending to go to Bethel, Mineral Circuit quarterly meeting next day, but soon after boarding the train we were taken quite sick; and it required some effort to pass Kensett, our home depot, but we did it, and reached Bro. Gray's, near Jacksonville about midnight, and by that time we were violently ill, but by the prompt attention of Dr. Gray, and that sister of mercy, Aunt Nancy, and dear little Effa, and others, I was greatly relieved in about ten hours, though I am still quite feeble. It prevented my getting to my appointment at Bethel, which I deeply regretted, but could not avoid.

Rev. E. C. Castleberry, P. C., of that work, kindly excuse me to his people, and I am told by a citizen of Little Rock, who heard him, that he delighted the people with his sermon that day, as he did the citizens of Argenta the Sunday before.

Rev. H. M. Granada, P. E. of the Batesville District, was somewhat indisposed during the session of his district conference, but presided in a manner creditable to himself and satisfactory to the conference. Sorry our stay was so short that we could not see more of him, and the brethren generally.

Col. J. L. Abernathy, one of the leading attorneys of North Arkansas, lives at Evening Shade, and greatly enjoyed the conference. We were delighted to meet him again.

Uncle Henry Hays, a venerable local minister of Lacrosse, was warmly welcomed by his many friends at the Batesville District Conference. Long may his bow abide in strength.

Prof. W. E. Randel, of Sulphur Rock, is exceedingly quiet and modest, but was a useful delegate withal.

Dr. J. M. Sanders loves the church sufficiently to leave home, farm and physic, to attend the district conference.

Rev. E. M. Baker, P. C., Evening Shade Circuit, is an incessant sufferer when awake, from his wounded hand, struck by a piece of timber during the terrible cyclone which swept over Lacrosse.

Uncle Tom Vincent, of Bethesda Circuit, is not a D. D. or L. L. D., but has been dubbed P. H. He has had to take the place of more pretentious preachers upon conference and other important occasions, who had to be excused because they did not have their manuscripts with them or were not in good preaching trim; so frequently, that he has been appropriately called, "Pack Horse." He makes no pretensions to exegetics or homiletics, and has never been a member of a Halcyon circle or a Hermesian society, but some how or other he strikes fire every time, and sends his hearers home resolving in their hearts, we can and must be and do better. If this rough blade cuts thus, what might it not have done, polished and smooth?

Bros. Register and Noe were called away from the conference on Friday, to attend the funeral of the child of our old friend, George Rogers. The rich consolations of the gospel of the grace of Jesus Christ, were dispensed to those wounded hearts.

Rev. Mosly, of the Biblical department of the Vanderbilt, has been assigned to Powhatan and Smithville station. His unobtrusive manners impressed us favorably.

Bro. Smith, P. C. Mountain View circuit, and transferred from Missouri, is doing well on his charge.

Rev. H. B. Umstead was an active participant in the work and joy of the conference.

Rev. Mr. Baird, of Lacrosse, minister of the C. P. Church, and our old time friend and neighbor, was a visitor to the conference, and as usual, enjoyed it.

Dr. H. W. Vaughn, a prominent citizen and leading physician of Sulphur Rock, is not a member of any church, but he is happy over the recent, rapid growth of the town, and particularly, the banishing of intoxicants from it, and its consequent improved moral condition. A new hotel, splendid school and church facilities, and new business houses are going up. Dr. V. and his excellent wife will send this paper a list of subscribers soon.

I am glad to report about one hundred subscribers to the ARKANSAS METHODIST gathered during the trip. Do your best, Doctor, there is much expected of you. The brethren all send love and good wishes to you.

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THE ARKANSAS METHODIST

SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1884.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

MRS. LOU A. HOTCHKISS, Editor.
MRS. RUTH HARVEY, Associate.

Substitution.

WRITTEN BY AN INVALID.

Now send in my place; O, Master,
Some one I dearly love
To the people who sit in darkness,
With a message from above.
I have learned my own unfitness
For the task I vainly sought,
And others are willing and ready,
And the work will yet be wrought.
And since in its grand fulfillment
I still would have a share,
Choose one for the blessed service
Whom on my heart I bear.
Her toll and her aspiration,
Her hope, as my own shall be,
And around by the way of heaven
I will reach across the sea.

When her hands are warm with labor,
My knees shall be warm with prayer,
And to one who loves to listen
I will tell her every care.
And when in the field she planted
She sees no quickening sign,
I will enter into my closet
And plead for the power divine.
And if we labor together,
Says one of the chosen band,
We shall reap and rejoice together—
O the joy of the other land!
If I must be one of the number
Whose strength it is to sit still,
Dear Father, through my beloved,
O let me do thy will.

—Selected.

Catherine of Liverpool.

How often do well-meaning persons say: "If I were rich, I would do great things for the poor and the suffering." They forget that to one who has the heart for self-denial and work, the opportunity is never lacking. History is not lacking in illustrations of the blessed work wrought among their fellows by the poor and lowly,—a work which those of a higher class could never have accomplished. In the "Autobiography of Mrs. Fletcher," we find the following tribute to a poor washerwoman who was a benefactor to the poor of Liverpool: "Mrs. Rathbone introduced me to a most remarkable character, "Catherine of Liverpool, the well-known washerwoman, who after helping all her poor neighbors to keep themselves clean, while she herself was toiling for her daily bread, supporting an aged mother, and making her house a refuge for many orphan children, is now, through the influence of Mrs. Rathbone, at the head of a great washing establishment for the poor. Catherine is an Irish woman, and a Methodist, and has all the fluency and cheerfulness of her country women, with all the love of God and her neighbors which John Wesley taught his followers as the main evidence and test of their religion."—Youth's Companion.

Methodism.

The review of the progress of the century past must give joy and honest pride to all who love the Methodist Church, and especially to those who serve at her altars. The plain and undeniable facts are that the Methodist Church started in its life in this country long after the other denominations had entered the field, and found them well established and in compact array. But at the close of the century it finds itself far ahead of them all in numbers and in the attendance upon its administrations. The only Christian sect competing with it is the Baptists, and the Baptists were in the land a century before the Methodists began to work. The growth of the followers of Wesley has been simply marvelous. Growth in numbers has also been accompanied by development of Christian effort in other directions. The Methodist Church has been a missionary Church all through its history, although its work in this respect has not reached the extent or evoked the hearty enthusiasm which the leaders of the Church have desired.—Philadelphia Presbyterian.

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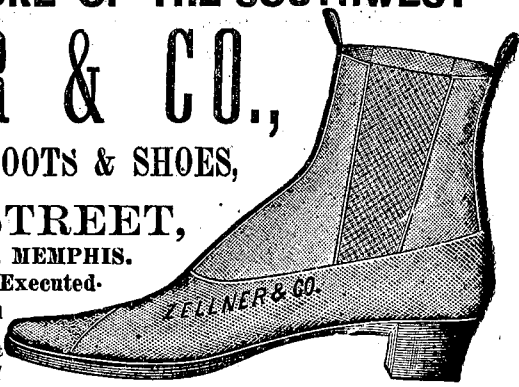
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Little Helpers.

H. M. GRANADE, Editor.
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3rd. Girls organize a quilting society and make a quilt for missions in each pastoral charge in Arkansas.

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5th. Set a hen, and the entire proceeds for missionary work.

6th. Pray every day for God to bless us and our work, and save the world.

7. Write me a little letter, giving your own religious experience from your first recollection.

The Sweet Story of Old.

I think when I read that sweet story of old,

When Jesus was here among men, How he called little children, as lambs to his fold,

I should like to have been with them then.

I wish that his hands had been placed on my head,

That his arms had been thrown around me;

And that I might have seen his kind look when he said,

"Let the little ones come unto me."

Yet still to his footstool in prayer I may go,

And ask for a share in his love;

And if I thus earnestly seek him below,

I shall see him and hear him above.

In that beautiful place he has gone to prepare

For all who are washed and forgiven;

And many dear children are gathering there,

"For of such is the kingdom of heaven.

But thousands and thousands wander and fall,

Who never heard of that heavenly home;

I should like them to know there is room for them all,

And that Jesus has bid them to come.

I long for the joy of that glorious time,

The sweetest, and brightest, and best,

When the dear little children of every clime

Shall crowd to his arms and be blest.

"Feed My Lambs."

To meet the little "Lambs" on their way to the Good Shepherd and give them suitable instruction, encouragement and "food convenient for them," how difficult, delicate and important the work! I fear but few of us understand how to do it for the best. We are so afraid of "men-made Christians" that we neglect the regular catechisms of the church, and leave the little ones to gather their knowledge of religious doctrine by the haphazard process of catching here a little and there a little as they have a chance. Even our Sunday-school teachers too often dismiss their scholars with only a bare outline of the plan of salvation, when perhaps their little souls are hungering for the good bread of life.

Parents teach their children to "be good" in the ordinary sense of that much abused term, to "say their prayers," and so on; but too seldom take loving pains to urge their tender hearts to "come to Jesus just now." And all this time "the world, the flesh and the devil" are busily and

earnestly at work to keep the little one from becoming a true Christian. Just at this juncture how much good a judicious pastor can do! He gets the confidence of the child—which can usually be done on the first visit by a little condescending familiarity—and seeks an opportunity in a little walk, or in a private room, and speaks plainly and earnestly to the little one about his soul; and often finds the place already prepared for Jesus, the child only needing a little encouragement to confess "with the mouth unto salvation," join the church and make a useful Christian. But if neglected now he grows cold, hard, worldly and indifferent, if not wicked. May the Spirit give us wisdom to win these little ones early to Christ and to his church.

Grand-Ma Ryan.

While laboring as a pastor near Helena, Ark., in 1883, it was my privilege to frequently visit that dear old lady so much beloved by young and old. Margaret (Belk) Ryan was born in South Carolina in 1804; lived in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, and came to the Territory of Arkansas in 1832, while it was yet very thinly settled. She remembers hearing her father talk about the war of 1812. When an orphan girl of 12 years of age she went to school to her uncle who was a preacher. "He put a large class of us through the old spelling book, and then through the New Testament," said the old lady, "and I learned to love to read that Book. O, that blessed Book! I never doubted it; but have always tried to live by it." When left a widow, and having out-lived all her early friends, this bright old saint still kept up a cheerful, happy life, reading "that dear Book" and the Church papers, especially the Nashville Christian Advocate, and new books on pure and interesting subjects. She has been a Christian more than fifty years; and remembers John Harrell and Wilson McAlister when they were "boy preachers." Bright and pious, temperate and industrious, hospitable and generous to the poor, liberal to the missionary cause and the ministry, faithful to God's Church in all things, it is a real soul feast to spend an hour at her orderly little home where all alone, (loved ones near by) she awaits with joy the call of the Master to her home above. A living monument of the saving and refining grace of God! what a blessing to this world to have such an heir of heaven still lingering among us! Affectionately,

H. M. GRANADE.
Batesville, Ark.

What Will She Do?

I met a bright girl of 11 years the other day, who told me that she prays, loves the Lord, loves everybody, has been baptized, goes to Sunday-school, tries to be a good girl every day; and yet, when the subject of confessing the Savior and joining the church was mentioned she was not ready. Oh! why not? Are there not thousands of just such tender little hearts in our land, who only need some one to lead them right into the fold of Christ? This little girl's father is not a Christian, and of course there is no family prayer, and but little if any real earnest talk in that home on the subject of religion. The mother belongs to the church, but—well how strange even mothers, Christian mothers do act towards their own little ones. Children, do not wait for parents or any one else. Come on right now. Parents, will you help?

Two Nickels.

One bright evening little Polly came softly into her father's room, with bare feet, and her golden hair falling lightly over white night-gown, for it was bed-time, and she had come to say "good-night." "Father" said the little one, raising her blue eyes to his kind face, "father, may I say my prayers by you to night, for mother is too sick for me to go to her?"

"Yes, pet," answered her father, tenderly stroking her curly head. And reverently the sweet child knelt down beside him, and repeated her evening prayer, adding at the close, with special earnestness:

"God bless my two nickels."

What can the child mean? thought her father, in surprise, and when the little, white-robed figure was gone he went and asked her mother if she knew what their little daughter meant by praying about two nickels. "O, yes," said the mother, "Polly has prayed that prayer every night since she put her two nickels into the missionary collection at the meeting." Dear little children, do you pray God to bless your little mites which you have put into his work? If not, be sure always to do so in the future.—Selected.

Children's Day.

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SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1884.

OBITUARIES.

DIED—In Fort Smith, Ark., June 25th, 1884, Mrs. Alice Rollinson, wife of John Rollinson, and daughter of Oliver and Catherine Lewis. She was born in Shelby county, Tenn., Dec. 13th, 1858; married Sept. 22d, 1875; professed religion under the ministry of Rev. T. J. Settle and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in September, 1878.

Sister Rollinson was a comparative stranger in Ft. Smith, having lived here less than two months, and nearly the whole of that time confined to her bed with consumption. It was our privilege, as pastor, to visit her in her affliction, and pray with her. We found her cheerful and hopeful; and she entered heartily into the Christian worship. She did not fully realize her condition until a day or two before her death, but she had long since made ready for the final hour; and when she knew that her end was nigh she was by no means terrified. She rallied her strength, called her two children, kissed them, gave some instructions concerning them, asked her husband to meet her in heaven, sent a loving message to her absent father and sisters, and also to Brother J. C. Ritter, her old pastor, saying, "tell them I am going to heaven." She then lapsed into unconsciousness, and twenty-four hours after, sweetly "fell asleep in Jesus."

Two days after Bro. Rollinson buried his wife he was called to bury his little baby, Oliver Lewis, who was born in Lee county, Ark., March 7th, 1884. The little sufferer, most of its life without a mother's care, was translated to a healthier clime June 27th, 1884.

Thus, in two short days, was our brother bereaved of wife and child. But he is sustained by the consolations of the gospel. The babe is safe, for Jesus said of little children, "to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Sister Rollinson in life made peace with God, and brought forth the fruits of righteousness. The broken-hearted husband says "there never lived a purer Christian, a kinder or better wife and mother than my dear Alice." Surely there is consolation, and Bro. Rollinson weeps not as those who have no hope. May the good Lord sustain our affectionate brother.

JNO. W. BOSWELL.

Fort Smith, Ark.

Sister Margaret Bushmiaer was born in the Province of Westphalia, Prussia, on the 29th day of March, 1808. She was a member of the Lutheran Church.

She immigrated to the United States in January 1848, landing at Van Buren, Crawford county, Ark., in which county she lived till February 29th, 1884, when God called this aged Christian home. She united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in August, 1872. Six years ago I was her pastor, and I always found her full of faith and good works. May her children and grand children follow her example, and ever be found ready for the summons. Weep not; she is not dead, but sleeps in Jesus.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Little Rock Conference.

ARKADELPHIA DIST.—3D ROUND.
Malvern sta May 30, June 1; Social Hill at Piny Grove, 7, 8; Malvern ct at New Liberty, 14, 15; Clark ct at Okolona, 21, 22; Tulip ct at Bethlehem, 28, 29; Mt Ida at Oak Hill, July 5, 6; Amity at Power's Chappel, 12, 13; Caddo, Friendship, 19, 20; Glades at Center Ridge, 26, 27; Cedar Garden miss, at Nehemiah, August 2, 3; Hot Springs ct, at Wesley's Chapel, 9, 10; Arkadelphia sta, 16, 17; Princeton ct, 23, 24; Hot Springs sta, 30, 31.

H D MCKINNON.

LITTLE ROCK DIST.—THIRD ROUND.
Lonoke, May 31, June 1; Collegeville, 7, 8; First Church 14, 15; Carlisle, 17, 18, Des Arc 21, 22; Liberty and Pleasant Grove, 28, 29; Gallaway, July 5, 6;

White River ct, 12, 13; Benton sta, 19, 20; Maumelle, August 2, 3; Benton ct, 9, 10; Hickory Plains, 16, 17; Spring Street, 23, 24; Austin, 30, 31.

The Little Rock District Conference will convene at Carlisle, Thursday, July 24th, at 9 o'clock, a.m. Rev. J. C. Rhodes will preach the opening sermon Wednesday night before.

C C GODDEN, P E.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—3D ROUND.

Hope, May 24, 25; Prescott sta, 31, June 1; Midway ct, 7, 8; Washington, 14, 15; Fulton ct, 21, 22; Richmond and Rocky Comfort, 25, 26; Texarkana 28, 29; Saline, July 5, 6; Mineral Springs, 12, 13; Murfreesboro, 16, 17; Center Point, 19, 20; Dallas, August 2, 3; Cove Mission, 9, 10; Chapel Hill, 16, 17; Little River ct, 23, 24; Lakesburg, 30, 31.

District Conference will be held at Washington, beginning Wednesday night, July 23d, with the opening sermon by Rev. R. M. Traylor.

D T HOLMES, P E.

PINE BLUFF DIST.—THIRD ROUND.

Pine Bluff Mission, May 31, June 1; Toledo ct, 7, 8; Old River ct, 14, 15; Auburn ct, 21, 22; De Witt ct, 28, 29; Pine Bluff station, July 5, 6; Arkansas Post ct, 12, 13; New Edinburg, 19, 20; Sheridan ct, 26, 27; Flat Bayou, August 9, 10; Lehl ct, 16, 17.

J H RIGGIN, P E.

MONTICELLO DIST.—3D ROUND.

Selma ct, May 31, June 1; Lacy ct, 7, 8; Hamburg ct, 14, 15; Mt Pleasant, 21, 22; Collins Miss, 28, 29; Holly Grove ct, July 5, 6; Monticello sta, 12, 13; Pallatine ct, 19, 20; Warren ct, 26, 27; Bartholemew ct, August 2, 3; Arkansas City sta, 9, 10; Hamburg sta, 16, 17.

THOS. H. WARE, P E.

CAMDEN DIST.—3D ROUND.

Falcon ct, at Harmony, July 5, 6; Camden sta, 12, 13; Hampton ct, Summerville, 19, 20; Lapile ct, at Soul Chapel, 26, 27; Eldorado, at Eldorado, Aug. 2, 3; Camden ct, at Providence 5, 6; Atlanta ct, at Atlanta, 9, 10; Magnolia ct, 12, 13; Mt Vernon and Caro ina, mis, at Mt. Vernon, 16, 17; Ouachita ct, at Steel Chapel, 19, 20; Magnolia sta, 23, 24; Bright Star ct, 26, 27; Lewisville ct, 30, 31.

The Camden District Conference will convene at Eldorado, on Wednesday night, July 30, 1884; Rev. G. W. Logan to preach the opening sermon.

B G JOHNSON, P E.

Arkansas Conference.

YELLVILLE DIST.—3D ROUND.

Lead Hill, at Oregon Flat, July 12, 13; Harrison a Harrison, 20, 21; Yellville sta, 26, 27; Yellville ct, at Friendship, August 2, 3; Mountain Home, at Pilgrims Rest, 9, 10; Big Flat, at Martin's Spring, 16, 17.

T. M. C. BIRMINGHAM, P E.

DARDAELLE DISTRICT.—3RD ROUND

Dover Circuit, June 7, 8; Dardanelle ct, 14, 15; Perryville ct, 21, 22; Opelo Mission, 28, 29; Dardanelle sta, July 10; Danville ct, 12, 13; Walnut Tree, 19, 20; Russellville, 26, 27; Gravelly Hill, August 2, 3; Rover, 9, 10; Oakland Mission, 14, 15; Atkins, 16, 17, Prairie View 23, 24.

WM D MATHEWS, P E.

MORRILLTON DIST.—3D ROUND.

Mt Vernon, May, 24, 25; Conway sta, 31, June 1; Conway ct, 7, 8; Quitman sta, 14, 15; Quitman ct, 21, 22; Clinton ct, 28, 29; Springfield and Hill Creek, July 12, 13; Center Ridge miss, 19, 20; Morrilton sta, 26, 27; Pinnacle Springs ct, August 2, 3; Point Remove ct, 9, 10; Plumerville, 16, 17.

T J SMITH, P E.

CLARKSVILLE DIST.—3d ROUND.

Ozark sta, at Ozark, May 25, 26; River Bend ct, Brown's Chapel 31, June 1; Pleasant Hill ct, at Valley S. House, 7, 8; Van Buren sta, at Van Buren, 14, 15; Cabin Creek ct, at Salem, 21, 22; Ozark ct, at Holland's Springs, 28, 29; Clarksville sta, Clarksville, July 5, 6; Alma and Mulberry, at Alma, 19, 20; Clarksville ct, at Bethlehem, 26, 27; Ozone mis, at Lena Gap, August 2, 3; Van Buren ct, at New Bethel, 9, 10; Mountainburg ct, at — 16, 17; Altus ct, at —, 23, 24.

V V HARLAN, P E.

White River Conference.

HELENA DIST.—3D ROUND.

LaGrange ct, June 14, 15; Marianas ta, 21, 22; Clarendon and Brinkley sta, 28, 19; Helena sta, July 5, 6; Forest City sta, 12, 13; Forest City ct, Aug. 9, 10; Wheatly ct, 16, 17; De View ct, 23, 24; Holly Grove ct, 30, 31; Goodwin ct., Sept. 6, 7; Cypress Ridge ct, 13, 14.

MISSISSIPPI DIST. 3D.

Marion ct, July 19, 20; Walnut Bend, 26, 27; Hopefield miss, August 2, 3; Frenchman Bayou ct, 9, 10; Tyrzona miss, 16, 17; Osceola ct, 23, 24; Big Lake miss, 30, 31; C hicasawba ct, Sep. 6, 7.

The Mississippi District Conference will convene at Louisa Chapel, Frenchman Bayou ct., August 7, 10. The opening sermon will be preached Thursday at 11 o'clock, by Rev. N. Futrall. Let every member and delegate be present during the entire session. Recording Stewards Journal should be present without fail.

M. M. SMITH.

JONESBORO DISTRICT.—4TH ROUND.

Witsburg ct, August 9, 10; Witsburg sta, 16, 17; Taylor's Creek ct, 23, 24; Harrisburg ct, 30, 31; Jonesboro ct, September 13, 14; Shilo ct, 20, 21; Pleasant Hill ct, 27, 28; Greensboro ct, October 4, 5; Old Town ct, 11, 12; Boydsville ct, 18, 19; Ganesville, 25, 26; Corning ct, Nov. 1, 2; Walnut Ridge ct, 8, 9; Pocahontas ct, 15, 16; Siloam ct, 23, 23; Walnut Ridge and Corning sta., 29, 30.

G A DANNELLY, P E.

BATESVILLE DIST.—3D ROUND.

Bethesda ct, June 28, 29; Jamestown ct, July 3, 4; Batesville sta, 5, 6; Melbourne ct, 15, 16; Newburg ct, 17, 18; Aiola ct, 19, 20; Mammouth Springs ct, 22, 23; Ash Flat ct, 24; Smithville ct, 29; Walnut Hill ct, 26, 27; Calamine miss., 30, 31; Sulphur Rock ct, Aug 1; Powhattan and Smithville sta, 2, 3; Mountain View ct, 6; Evening Shade ct, 8; Salem ct, 10, 11.

H. M. GRANADE, P E.

SEARCY DIST.—3D ROUND.

Pleasant Valley ct, June 28, 29; Searcy ct, July 5, 6; Mineral ct, 12, 13; West Point ct, 16, 17; Searcy sta, 19, 20; Beebe ct, 26, 27; Augusta sta, August 2, 3; Oil Trough ct, 6, 7; Bayou Metre ct, 9, 10; Argenta miss, 9, 10; El Passo ct, 13, 14; Newport sta, 16, 17; Jacksonport sta, 16, 17; Jacksonport ct, 20, 21; Judsonia ct, 23, 24; Cleburn miss, 23, 24.

The Searcy District Conference will convene at Beebe, Wednesday, July 23d, at 8 o'clock, p.m.; opening sermon by Dr. Winfield. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered immediately afterwards. The preachers and lay delegates are expected to be present at the opening, and prepared for work, as the Discipline directs. Bishop Hargrove has been invited to be present and preside.

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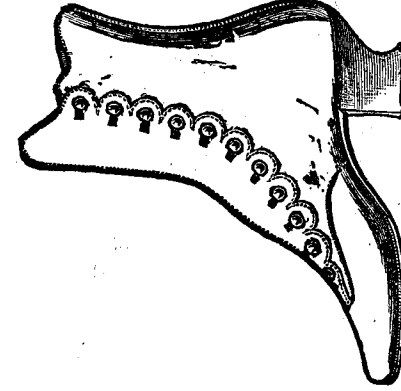
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SATURDAY, JULY 19, 1884.

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Little Rock, Ark., June 27, 1884.

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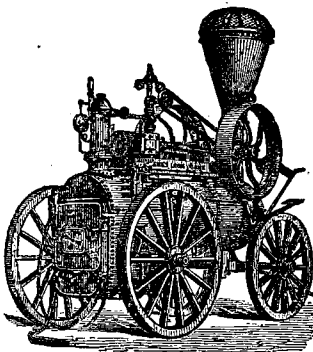
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