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### CHRISTMAS.

epoch in all history. In prophecy, as well as in tulfillment, it is the day of all days. The birthday of the greatest being who ever entered this world. The creation of the first Adam was a marvel and an astonishment to all the host of heaven. He was the first being ever made in the image of God. Neither angel or arch angel had ever possessed this high honor. All the host of heaven, as well as all the clustering glories and wonders of earth, had been made, but after none of these would God make man. There was no pattern found in heaven or earth after which to make him, and God said. "Lef us make him after our own image." What higher honor could have been bestowed upon him? He was made master and ruler of the new born earth, and all things were presented to him as a bridal gift with the help meet God had provided. A bright and beautiful home was made for him, and only one law given him, and that only as a test of obedience; and nothing denied him that was in have been, and how very sweet must chimed in the choral strains of the orchestra of creation as the song of praise arose from Nature's tongue to Nature's God. But scarcely had the echoes died away amid the bowers of throw the mantle of forgiveness over ship and temple glory, in poetic stirring words of Isaiah, the lamentations of Jeremiah, the visions of through the words of major and minor prophets, 'till the lens can contain no more, and then Malachi closes with the final word and immediately the world is startled by the cry of a strange child in the land of Palestine. It was the son of the dumb, unbelieving Zacharias and the pious Elizabeth. The little Emmaus is still pointed out to toruists in this wonderful old land where he was born. A few months and even the Roman government is moved by a still more wonderful birth. All the ages had hung their lanterns up at Bethlehem and were waiting that very night for the appearance of the long expected Messiah. He came at the very moment that Jewish type and prophecy said he would come. Judaism had hung her lights all along the stream of time for over 1500 years, and there could be no mistake. Had he come a day sooner or a day later, all would have been lost; but our God makes no mistakes.

hurt by any opposition, she is too Our busy, bustling world calls an- well fortified by facts and prophecy. other halt to enter upon the festivi- Long expected night! How bright ties of another Christian holiday. the stars were shining on the Judean This day stands alone in the calendar hills, while the watching angels were of the ages, and marks the greatest looking out from the towers and turretts of glory and ksking:"Watchman what of the night?" The answer is "The morning dawneth," and immediately all earth and heaven is filled with angelic bands come down to greet earth with the heavenly song, 'Glory to God in the highest." "Behold we bring you good news and glad tidings of great joy." "Unto you this day is born a Saviour." Blessed tidings! The Star of Bethlehem blazes on the doom of night. Over four thousand years the world was preparing for it; over 1800 have gone by since, and to today millions multiplied will sing, "Joy to the world, the Lord has come." Christmas ought never to pass by unobsered, and it never will. Suppose the children are a little noisy and full of youthful glee, and imagine that Santa Claus has come to enrich them; let them shout, laugh and still they will learn that it is Jesus's birth-day, and many of them will make him a birth-day present if they are asked, and Jesus won't forget it either, for any way essential to his good. How he loved little chille children. Don't beautiful the new born world must let the older people devote the day to earthly joy and plsasure; oh no! let it have been the hymnal of the moving be a day of great religious rejoicing. spheres when all the great systems Praise God for the gift of his Son Rejoice in the light that he brought. Do you doubt that he came? Then doubt all history and close the book, for there is no truth, either in creation or life, without this fact. The Eden, 'till the wail of sorrow and birth of Christ is the pivotal fast in death was heard. The sorrowful tale all history, and the very beginning of of man's fall is briefly told, as the the Christian era. We must go to angel of the covenant would fain Bethlehem to take all our reconings and make all our calculations. There a scene so sad and fraught with ruin is no room to doubt. To-day in old to man. It was a dark moment, but Jerusalem, as well as at Bethlehem, one provided for ere man was made, they are celebrating this day with and the word of promise follows right great pomp and parade. Christians, after the sentence of puunishment. let your faith grow to-day. Mingle The serpent had done his fearful work, your song with the angle choir, and but his do m is pronounced. "The praise God with heart and tongue. seed of the woman is to bruise his Oh blessed Son of God! born in a head." The centuries take up their Manger without any of the pageanline of march; but all these moving | try of earth or the distinctions of roycenturies are marked with the pros- alty; thy name is the wonder of angels pective light of the Star of Bethle-hem, whether under patriarchal, ju-the child of Mary has become the dicial or regal form of government most potent factor in all civilization all governments, as well as all the and all governments. It pioneers all histories of our world, have only sig- thought and is the pass word to all nificance when we see the hands on that is good upon the earth and all the great clock of the world pointing that is glorious in heaven. It vill to Bethlehem. The truth of a prom- soon be world wide in its influence, ised and coming Christ shines in all and ere another century passes its rathe facts of the pentateuch; the cam-diance will illuminate the world, then that city. It is a real gem. We conpaign of Joshua, the lives of the cometh the end, when the Son of Judges, the gleanings of Ruth, the Joseph will be the universal king, wars of the Kings, the tabernacle wor- and all the nations will crown him the ability to furnish the readers of Lord of all. May all the readers of lines of pastoral song, in the bold and this article have a partin that universal song of triumph that will greet him on his second coming to claim Ezediel, in fact the light fairly streams the kingdoms promised him by his father when he undertook the worlds redemption and then indeed peace will be to all people and joy will possess every soul. Eighteen hundred and eighty-four years ago, the wail of the new born Redeemer was, heard among the the bleating sheep and lowing cattle in Bethlehem: stable today, thousands of bells from St. Peters, in the old Seven Hilled City of Rome, to the newly made chapel on the pickett line of our advancing host in heathen lands, proclaim from their iron tongues, in eloquent, tones, that the Messiah reigns. A happy Christ-

"Be diligent! never be unemployed!" How very wise are these directions! How terrible is a loafing preacher! Going from one house another to indulge in small talk, or sit around, chew and smoke, and lounge away precious hours of Godgiven time. Preachers, put in all your time in either doing or preparing Christianity can never be harmed or to do good.

mas to all the readers of the ARKAN-

SAS METHODIST.

Christmas Greetings.

It is customary for all first-class papers to take a week of Christmas holiday, but as we desire to be an example to the brethren we will not emit alltogether, but as a half loaf is better than none, we will send out a half sheet, and with the beginning of the New Year we will appear in our usual form loaded to the guards with the latest and the best. Now is your time to subscribe for a first-class weekly-\$1.50 per year. How many will end us their names for the next year with \$1.50 in advance? Remember this is the organ for all of the Arkansas Conferences, and Memphis, our Alma Mater, gave us a ringing endorsement. We want several hundred to begin the new year with us. Will not every one of our preachers try to send us at least one subscriber by January is: Send this New Year's gift to your hard working brethren. Let every preacher get one of our premiums. Let no body fail. We must have 5,000 subscribers by January 1, 18-6, then we can give you a paper as large as the South-Western, and not in crease our price. Help brethren. D. & W.

### Our Minutes.

Our brethren of the Little Rock, as well as our dear brethren of the White River Conference, must bear with us in our delay in bringing out the Conference Minutes. We desire to do a good job, and we do not wish to entangle ourselves in debt. Of the White River we can say they are all ready for the press, and the Little Rock soon will be; but we must have a good many more subscribed for in the Little Rock Conference, and our brethren must determine another ques tion: We can bring them out and furnish them to the preachers at 5cts per copy, the same size they were last year; but if I am to put in the short sketches of the lives of our preachers, and a sketch of our Conference, then they will cost, I suppose, from 7 to 8 cents per copy, and can easily be sold at 10cts. What shall I do? Stick to the size of the last year at 5cts, or enlarge at 8 or 7? Will every preacher write me a postal and give his decision on this question, and increase

A. R. WINFIELD.

### Complimentary.

We have noticed in the Pres of Pine Bluff, a very fine serial written by one of the gifted daughters of gratulate our friend, Murray, that he is able to secure such a pen, and has his most excellent paper with the product of such a gifted pen. The authoress has a brilliant future before here. We congratulate her on the success already achieved, and predict greater things for her in the near SENIOR. future.

"Bear the infirmities of the weak." Oh, mei how many weak there are. Weak in body, weak in mind, weak in spirit, weak in faith, weak in all ability to good, but many of these weak ones are powerful to talk about others, and prevent them from doing

### Notice.

Will our brethren of all the Conferences please be careful in writing to us, either on business or for our columns, to put on postage enough to carry their letters and not have them held for more. We cannot afford this extra postage, and besides it causes much delay. Please pay attention to this and don't delay us in our business and burden us with unnecessary expense.

DYE & WINFIELD.

### Field Notes.

OLD SANTA CLAUS BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

The pilot of this pen has often read and heard of "poundings," but never knew, until recently, how loud it would make one smile to witness such a pleasing sight.

We had just moved home, and, after a toilsome day's work of fixing up, had retired early. We had not been in bed long before we heard the sound of something in our kitchen, and it appeared to us like the sound of old Santa putting good things on our destitute table. And as we were taught from childhood to be quite when old Santa was about, we remembered the lesson and were governed accordingly. But we were so thankful that we forgot ourselves, just as Santa was leaving, and shouted: "We appreciate this in the fullest extent."

Like children on Christmas morning, we were soon prying into the bundles which old santa brought. After summing all up, we found that old Santa had given us forty-seven articles of food, etc., and enough of some things to do us a year (one of these being coffee.) On the following morning we learned that 'old Santa proved to be a company of the leading men of Paris. Such treatment encourages us very much, hence we start out with new vim. May God bless the good people of Paris and put it into the hearts of others to go and do 'BENJ. C. MATTHEWS. likewise.

Dr. Withers writes: "I have tried for years to reach my new work the first Sunday after Conference. I was at Hot Springs on time. Leaving Little Rock Tuesday after Conference adjourned, rand down to Monticello. paying a brief visit to relations and to solemnize the rites of matrimony between Rev. Moses B. Hill, of the Little Rock Conference, and Miss Emma Lambert. Now the y ung missionary is ready for China work. May God's blessings rest on the young and devoted couple.

While in that community the sad intelligence of the death of Col. Trippe, of Trippe's Station, reached me. He was an old and honored member of the Church, long a leading Steward—a member of the somewhat celebrated McGehee family.

Arriving at Hot Springs Saturday after Conference, found a good welcome, and a fine audience. Monday ments preparatory to removal. It and weeping without rest or interiude. But appointments are made and work must go on. Every thing is pell mell. Saws, hammers, boxes, ropes, twine, find lively exercise and all hands are busy. But the end comes. Goods are in the depot, marked, tagged and ready. Now all set in the coach ready for the first real rest in three days. And still it rains. Five hours run, and we touch the platform in the great city of health, when behold! there is Hotchkiss Shippy, Sammons. Parker, Stewards, waiting to receive us. A walk of one block under the umbrellas of friends, and the nice, new parsonage; wherein never mortal lived, is reached; brilliantly lighted and filled with ladies and gentlemen, who have already laid the carpets, heated the stoves, arranged furniture. cooked the supper, spread the table filled the cupbord and store room with flour, hams, vegetables, coffee, sugar, and canned goods. A royal welcome, a hearty supper, good cheer, and the company leave us to the rest of comfortable rooms and warm beds. the ladies we are specially indebted for this genuine and agreeable surprise."

Rev. J. C. Carter writes: "I have reached my new field of labor, and

find already that I have plenty of work to do. So much that I feel without the grace of God I cannot accomplish it; yet I trust in him, and pray that with his assistance I may succeed. I will write you occasionally and try also to send you some subscribers,"

Rev. W. D. Matthews, P. E., of Dardanelle District, sends a note of greeting. Our brother has left his former home in Atkins and removed to Dardanelle into the district parsonage. That sounds well, and our brother is well off. Atkins looses by this, but Dardanelle gains. Several other brethren write of grand receptions, poundings &c., but they will have to go over for the New Year. These editers get poundings, too, but they are sharp postals and heavy letters. But how hard they hit! and how sharply they stick! But we had one good one; yes, two-one said he had as soon do without his tobacco as the ARKAN-SAS METHODIST, and the sweetest little girl in Arkansas, a V to buy this editor a hat. The former settles the question that no paper can compete with the ARKANSAS METHODIST, and the other turnished a new hat for the triumphant editor. All right. All we need now is a few turkeys and such like for Christmas. Send on, my friends, send on.

### obituaries.

John Stansbury was born in East Jersey, Dec. 25, 1795—died in Batavia, Iowa, Nov. 14, 1884, at the ripe age of

He was converted and joined the M. E. Church in his early life, and remained a faifhful member bil he was called to the Church above. He was twice married—first to Miss Nancy stucker, who was soon taken from him. His second wife was Miss Pathon Price and the marriage core. Esther Price, and the marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Calvin Ruter, October 14, 1830. Soon after his conversion he established a family altar, and it was always kept up with the ares burning. For 64 years he was an active and taithful member of the church, and held the offices of exhorter, steward and class-leader. He was faithful in exhortation for 50 years. He was the father of twenty children, seventeen of whom were raised. His home was truly a Christian one, and the wear stuly a Christian one, and the weary itinerant was every wecome under his shelter and at his board. A noble true and faithful man while on earth, and now he is with the sanctified in heaven. May we all meet him in the home of God.

Mrs. Gertrude McMillin, nee Buchanan, daughter of Wm. A. and Sarah C. Buchanan, and neice of S. C. and ments preparatory to removal. It M. A Buchanan, was born at Camrains. The clouds, low and black, den, May 10, 1849. Both of her pahang over three long days sobbing rents passed away in her early life, leaving her an orphan. She was taken into the family of her Uncle, S. C., and raised with his children, and never knew the real stings of orphanage. She professed religion when quite young and joined the M. E. Church, south, of which she remained a member 'till called to the Church above. She was a sweet, bright child, and grew up to be a lovely wo-man. She was married to Mr. T. P. McMillin, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, September 25, 1872—moved to Nash-ville in 1882. They were blessed with six children. One had gone on before her to await her arrival and announce her coming. She was a true Christian wife and mother and filled both stations with (hristian propriety and a fixed determination to have an entire family in heaven. She fell asleep in Jesus Dec., 6, 1884, and will wake when the last trumpet sounds to be a saint in heaven. A. R. W.

### To the Members of the Little Rock Conference.

BRETHREN:-The Centenary Committee were continued by order of Conference. The time is short for work. We entreat you to present this claim to your people. If they do not give it is not your fault; if you do not present the claim the fault is yours. Don't fear nor lag. Present the claim. Lay hold of the Christmas facilities, press them into the service of Centennial Methodism.
H. R. WITHERS, Ch'm.

### ARKANSAS METHODIST

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1884.

#### MARRIED.

At Hazen, Ark., on the evening of the 4th, by Rev. A. D. Jenkins, Dr. C. C. Stephenson to Miss Grace D. Sleede. Both of that village.

At the residence of the bride, Dec. 7, 1884, near Washington, by Rev. J. R. Sanders, Mr. R. C. Cheek to Mrs. Mary E. Pike; all of Hempstead county, Ark.

At the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. C. T. Doss, near Cotton Plant, Ark., by Rev. T. J. Brickell, Mr. Sam B. Ware to Miss Annie Mitchell.

At the residence of the bride, four miles east of Jacksonville, Ark., Dec. 11, 1884, by Rev. J. W. Bridges, Mr. G. N. Douglass to Miss Ella I. Ram-

At the residence of the bride, in Magnolia, Ark., by Rev. C. D. Mc-Swein, Nov 19, 1884, Rev. W. G. Frey to Mrs. Mattie Dixon.

At the residence of the bride's brother, Dr. John Goode, in Magnolia, Ark., by Rev. C. D. McSwain, Dec. 2, 1884, Hon. Geo. P. Tmoote, of Prescott, Ark., to Mrs. Julia Matthews.

At the residence of the bride, by Rev. J. W. Whaley, Dec. 9, 1884, Mr. T. L. Mann to Miss Mollie Morris; all of Nevada county.

At the residence of Mr. John Honea, Dec. 11, 1884, by Rev. J. W. Whaley, Mr. Robert Honea to Miss Timmy Thomas, of Clark county.

At the residence of Mr. T. A. Potter, Caney, Ark., Dec. 3, 1884, by Rev. H. Armstrong, Mr. Ed. Mitchell to Miss Alva Mendenhall.

December 3, 1884, at the beautiful home of Mrs. M. J. Burch, the bride's mother, by Rev. D. J. Weems, Rev. V. V. Jarlan, of the Arkansas Conference, to Miss Maggie M. Burch, of Oastanaula, Ga.

At Church, Dec. 3, 1884, by Rev. H. C. Jolly, Mr. C. Paul to Miss Mollie I. Dodd; both of Mountain Home, Ark.

At Batesville, Ark., Dec. 3. 1884, by Rev. A. R. Winfield, D. D., Mr. W. P. Weld to Miss Annie M. Granade, daughter of H. M. Granade, P. E., of Batesville District. Of course the bride took the Abkansas Methodist.

At the residence of the bride's father, John M. Ratcliff, Dec. 4, 1884, by Rev J. E. Caldwell, Mr. J. E. J. Amis to Miss Ida C. Ratcliff; all of Dallas county, Ark.

### QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

#### ARKANSAS CONFERENCE. Morrillton Dist--- First round Sidney H. Babcock, P E

Quitman et, Quitman, Dec 13, 14 Mt Vernon ct, Pleasant Valley, 20, 21 Springfield and Hill Creek, Jan 3, 4 Point Remove et, Appleton. 10, 11 Conway et, Conway, 17, 18 Clinton et, Clinton, 24, 25 Pinnacle Springs, Friendship Jan 31, Feb 1

Plummerville, Sardis, 7, 8 Morrillton sta, 14, 15.

District Stewards meeting in Springfield, Jan 2, at 10, a.m. A full attendance is expected.

#### Clarkesville District--First Round. V V. Harlan, P. E.

Alma et, Alma, Jan 3, 4. Van Buren sta, 10, 11. Ozark station, 17, 18. Clarksville station, 24, 25. Cabin Creek et, Cabin Creek, 31, Feb 1. Ozone mission, East Mt Zion, 14, 15, Mulberry ct, Mulberry, 21, 22. Ozark et, Gar Creek, 28, March 1. Altus ct, Altus, March 7, 8. Mountainburg et, Pleasant Grove, 14, 15 Van Buren et, New Bethel, 21, 22,

The District Stewards will please meet at Altus, Friday, December 26, at 10:30, a.m. Let every member of the board be present if possible.

Fayetteville District --- First Round. Jas. A. Anderson, Presiding Elder. Bentonville and Rogers, Dec 13, 14 Maysville, 20, 21 Center Point eircuit. Jan 10, 11

Clifty mission, 17, 18 Bloomfield circuit, 24, 25 Wedington circuit, 31, and Feb 1 Boonsboro circuit, 7, 8 Prairie Grove circuit, 14, 15 Goshen circuit, 21, 22 White River circuit, 28, and March 1 Brentwood circuit, 7, 8

Fayetteville station, 14, 15
District Stewards will receive due notice by mail of the time and place of their meeting

Dardanelle Bistrict --- First Round. Wm. D. Matthews, Presiding Elder.

Danville circuit, New Hope, Dec 6, 7. Dardanelle circuit, Oak Grove, 13, 14. Walnut Tree circuit, Egypt, 20, 21. Dover, circuit, Dover, 27, 28. Dardanelle station, Jan 3, 4 Atkins circuit, Atkins, 17, 18 Perryville station, 24, 25 Russellville station, 31, and Feb 1 Rover circuit, Hunt's Chapel, 7, 8 Gravelly Hill, Gravelly Hill 14, 15

Opelo Mission, Liberty, 21, 22 Oakland mission, Shady Grove, 28, nd March 1 Chichalah mission, Chichalah, 7, 8
Prairie View, Prairie View, 14, 15
The District Stewards will please

meet at the Methodist Church in Dardanelle, December 18 at 1 o'clock p. m.

### Fort Smith District---First Roude.

M. E. Butt. P. E. Charleston, Dec 13 14 Paris, 20, 21 Fort Smith Cuircuit, 27, 28 Fort Smith Station, Jan 3, 4 Waldron, 10, 11 Fourche, 17, 18
Cantham, 24, 25
Booneville, 31, Feb 1
Greenwood, 7, 8
Witcherville, 14, 15
Hackett City, 21, 22
Nutlenel Spring, 28 National Springs, 28, Mar 1 Magazine, 7, 8

Yellville District .-- First Round. T. M. C. Birmingham, P. E.

Yellville and Harrison sta, at Yellville, December 6. Mountain Home, Dec 13. Big Flat circuit, at Big Flat, Dec 20. Copeland ct, Shady Grove, "27. Wiley's Cove circuit, Meguiar Chapel; Jan 3 Valley Springs, at Valley Springs, Jan-

uary 10. Wilcocson, Mt Zion, Jan 17. Lead Hill at Lead Hill, Jan 31. Carrollton, at Carrollton. Feb 7. Berryville, at Dry Fork, Feb 14. Huntsville, at Huntsville, Feb 21.

Eureka Springs sta. Feb 28.
District Stewards Meeting at Yellville,
December 5th, at 11, a. m.

### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE. Pine Bluff District .-- First Round.

J. H. Riggin, P. E .-- P. O., Pine Bluff. Toledo, Mt. Carmel, Dec 13 and 14. Flat Bayou, Flat Bayou, 20, 21.

Pine Bluff Station, 27, 28.

Old River, Bethany, Jan 3, 4.

Pine Bluff Mission, Sulphur Springs,

DeWitt, 17, 18. Arkansas Post, Malcolmi, 24 25. Auburg, Pea Ridge, 31, Feb 1.

New Edinburg, New Edinburg, 7, 8.
Sheridan, Concord, 14, 15.

Lehi, Mt Olivet, 21, 22. The district stewards will please meet

me at Pine Bluff, Friday, Dec 26, at 11 o'clock a. m. They are J W Monk, J A Almond, S M McGehee, Fayette Smith, L Burnett, F A Owens, J V Spring, R Stockton, W D Rainey and M M Kesterson.

#### Little Rock District --- First Round. C. C. Godden, P. E.

Lonoke, Dec 6, 7. Benton Station, 13, 14. First Church; 20, 21. Monmelle, 27, 28

Austin, Jan 3, 4 Spring Street and Little Rock City 1 sion 10 11

Des Arc, 17 18 Hickory Plains, 24, 25 Collegeville 31, Feb 1 Liberty and Pleasant Grove, 7, 8 Benton Circuit, 14, 15 Carlisle, 21, 22 White River, 28, Mar 1 Hazen, 7, 8

Galloway, 14, 15 The district Stewards for the Little Rock district, will meet me at First Church, on Saturday, Dec 20, at 1 o'clock, to make the assessments for the ensuing Conference year

### Monticello District--First Round Thos. H. Ware, P. E.

Monticello sta, December 6, 7. Hamburg sta, 13, 14. Selma et, 20, 21. Selma ct, 20, 21.
Mt Pleasant ct, 27, 28.
Arkansas City sta, Sanuary 3, 4.
Lake Village and Luna, 10, 11. Holly Grove et, 17, 18.
Collins et, 24, 25.
Lacey, 31, Feb 1.
Bartholomew et, 7, 8.
Hamburg et, 14, 15.
Warren et, 21, 22.
Politeira et, 22, March Palistine ct, 28, March 1 District Stewards will please meet me in Monticello on Wednesday, Dec 31, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

### Camden District-First Round.

J. J. Jenkins, P. E. Carolina and Mt Vernon, Jan 3, 4. Caronna and Mr. vernon, van 5, 2.
Camden sta, 10, 11.
Magnolia sta, 17, 18;
Lamden circuit, Union, 24, 25.
Harmony Grove miss, Harmony Grove Jan 31, and Feb 1:

Jan 31, and Feb 1:
Hampton ct, at Chambersville, 7, 8.
Lapile et, Oak Grove, 14, 15.
EiDorado, at El Dorado, 21, 22.
Atlanta ct, Atlanta, 28 and March 1.
Magnolia, at Union, 7, 8.
Falcon ct, Pleasant Grove, 14, 15,
Lewisville ct, at Lewisville, 21, 22.
Bright Star ct, at Olive Branch, 28, 29.
Ouachita ct. New Hone, April 4, 5 Ouachita et, New Hope, April 4, 5.

Magnolia, Jan 19, at 7, p. m. They are J. W. Brown, J. W. Beck, H. E. Head, H. L. Chandler, C. H. Lockheart, M. D. Justice, N. J. Gantt, R. B. Vaughan. J. R March, J. W. Haney, A. D. Wren, S. F. Farley, B. F. Sexton. Brethren, please attend the meeting. My address will be Camden.

### Wasnington District-First Round D. T. Holmes, P. E.

Prescott sta, December 13, 14. Midway, 27, 28, Hope, January 3, 4. Fulton circuit, 10, 11. Texarkana et, 17, 18.
Mineral Springs et, 24, 25.
Center Point et, 31, Feb 1. Saline circuit, Feb 4... Murreesboro ct, 7, 8, Dallas ct, 14, 15. Cove mission, 18. Lockesburg et, 21, 22. Chapel Hill, 25. Little River ct, 26. Richmond and Rocky Comfort, 28,

The District Stewards will please meet at Hope, January 3, 1885, at 2 o'clock, p.m., in the Methodist Church. A full attendance is very desirable.

### Arkadelphia District--First Round.

H. D. McKinnon, r. E. Arkadelphia sta, Dec 13, 14. Caddo ct, Cedar Bluff, 21, 22. Malvern sta, 27, 28. Malvern et, Lowfreight, Jan 3, 4. Clark t, Hopewell, 10, 11. Social Hill et, Social Hill, 17, 18. Gurdon et, Gurdon, 24, 25. Hot Springs sta, 31. Feb 1. Hot Springs et, Morning Star, 7, 8. Tulip et, Pleasant Hill, 14, 15. Amity ct, Amity, 20, 21. Mt Ida, Black Springs, 28, March 1. Cedar Glades, Crystal Springs, 7, 8. Princeton ct, Mt Carmel 14, 15,

District Stewards will please meet me at the church in Arkadelphia, Tuesday, December 16th, at 7 o'clock, p.m. Distriet Parsonage Committee will meet at the same time and place.

#### WHITE RIVER CONFERENCE. Newport District First Round. M, M, Smith, P, E.

Powhattan and Smithville, ct. December 27-28. Imboden ct, January 3 4.

Calamine ct, " 10-11. Walnut Hill et, " 17-18. Pocahontas et, " 24-25. Siloam ct, 31 and Feb., 1. Walnut Ridge et, Feb., 7-8. Corning et, " 14-15. Pleasant Hill ct, " 21-22. Jacksonport et, " 28 and March 1.

Newport sta, March 7-8. . Pleasant Valley ct, "14-15. " 21-22. Oil Trough et,

District Stewards meeting at New Port, January 15th, 1885, at 2 o'clock. p. m. Will the Preachers see that the District Stewards are duly notified of this meeting its importance, and their duty to attend. Let every charge be represented.

### Helena District-First Round:

J. M. Clark, P. E. Marianna sta, Dec 20, 21. Forrest City ct, 27, 28. Forrest City sta, Jan 3, 4. LaGrange et, 10, 11. Helena sta. 17, 18 Marvel et, 24, 25. Spring Creek et, 31 and Feb 1. Wheatley ct, Feb 7, 8.

Brinkley, Clarenden and Holly Grove, 14. 15.

De View et, 21, 22. Cypress Ridge et, 28, 29.

The Recording Stewards will please see to it that the Quarterly Conference Journals are on hand at the Quarterly Conterences, as no business will be attended to without them.

The board of District Stewards will please meet me at Forrest City on Saturday, Dec 20, at 2 o'clock, p.m., to make the Presiding Elder's assessment, and distribute the collections ordered by the Annual Conference to the several pastoral charges within the district.

### Batesville District--First Round. H, M. Granade, P. E. Bethesdact, Pleasant Valley, Dec 13, 14. Evening Shade ct, Barren Fork, 20 21.

Melbourne ct, Bethlehem, 21, 22. Viola et, Union Ridge, Dec 24, 25. Iuka et, Waylands, 26, 27. Newburg et, Pleasant Grove, Sunday & Monday, 28, 29.

Ash Flat et, Bethlehem, Jan 34; preaching at Ash Flat, Monday, Jan 5, 11 a.m. Preaching at Sharp's Mill, Monday night, Jan 5; Mammoth Spring, Tuesday and Wednesday, 6, 7; Burke's

Thursday, 8, at 3 p.m. The District Stewards will meet me at |Q M., Manmoth Spring ct., Wisdom

Hill, Fricay and Saturday, 9, 10. Salem et, Salem, Sun and Mon. 11, 12. Mountain View et, changed to Marce.la,

Jamestown ct, at Jamestown, Tuesday day and Wednesday, 20, 21. District Stewards meeting, LaCrosse,

Monday night, Dec 22. Batesville sta, Thursday & Friday, 22, 23 Sulphur Rock et, Buck's Chapel, 24, 25.

A full attendance of all officials is earnestly requested. Collectors for District Parsonage will please bring or send at least one-half their assessments to District Stewards meeting at LaCrosso Monday, Dec 22.

#### Searcy District-First Round F. A Jeffett, P. E.

Searcy et, Dec 12, 14. Bebee ct, 20, 21. Augusta sta, 27 28. Gum Springs et, Jan 3, 4. Searcy sta, 10. 11.

Judsonia et, 17, 18. Argenta sta, 24, 25. El Passo ct, Jan 31, Feb 1. Mineral ct, 7, 8. Bayou Meto et, 14, 15. Cieburne ct, 21, 22. Union and Revels, 28, 29.

The District Stewards will meet at the Methodist Church in Bebee, Dec 20, at 213 Main street, Stark Block, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

#### Jonesboro Circuit--First Round. S. L. Cochran, P. E. Wittsburg et, December 20, 21.

Gainesville et, 27, 28. Jonesboro et, January 3, 4. Lake City miss, 10, 11. Tyrongee miss, 17, 18. Marion et, 24, 25. Greensboro et, Jan 31, Feb 1. Harrisburg, February 7, 8. L'Angui e miss, 14, 15. Buffalo Island, 21, 22, Osceola ct. 28, March 1. Chickasawba ct, March 7, 8. Boydsville et, 14, 15.

Taylor's Creek et, 21, 22. District Stewards will please meet nie at Jonesboro on Friday, Jan 2, 1885, at 2 o'clock, p.m, for the purpose of making the assessments for the district.

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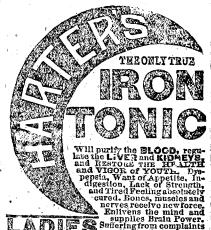
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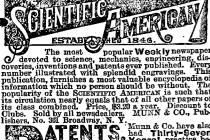
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