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"Speak thou the things which become sound doctrine."

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General News.

London

One of the most terrific occurrences of the age was the dynamite explosions in the old solid capital of England last Saturday, one in the House of Parliament, and the other in the old Tower. The former was thought at first to be very seriously injured, and the latter well nigh destroyed. And there was an effort at the same time to destroy Westminster Hall. Many parties were injured, several very seriously. How the destructible substances were carried in and by whom are questions not yet decided. London was never in a greater fever of excitement, and the end is not yet. All efforts are being put forth by police and detectives to find the guilty parties. A man by the name of Cunningham and several others have been arrested and their trials are now progressing. Various rumors are afloat. One that it originated in Paris, and others that it is the work of Irishmen and that our country is to blame for harboring such men as O'Donovan Rossa. Much damage has been done the House of Commons as well as Parliament, and the seats of some of the oldest members were blown up. What does all this mean? In the first place it is the harvest being reaped from the seeds of Fenianism, Socialism, Nihilism and Communism. And where do these spring from? We answer, infidelity. Christianity cannot in the very nature of her principles and doctrines create or cause lawlessness. Infidelity is the mother of crime, and that form of infidelity is the most dangerous which seeks to use all the worst elements of society to injure society itself. Trace it all back and it comes from the saloon and gambling hell. How to suppress lawlessness and destroy crime, is now the question before all people. Away with your metaphysical nothings, and come ye men of brain and will power and grapple with this great question.

Our Own Country.

Our national halls of legislation are still disturbed over Inter-State Commerce and other questions of public policy. The Blair Education Bill is still pending, and many see in it the Trojan Horse, filled with armed enemies such as Consolidation and Concentration. Well, we can only quote Washington, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," and say to our countrymen, "Beware of the Greeks when they come bearing gifts in their hands." Washington City is flooded with office seekers. The "outs" and "ins" are having a fearful scramble after the loaves and fishes. Heavy failures are still being reported and the financial sky is no clearer. The New Orleans Exposition increases in greatness and wonder every day, and will be worth millions to our Southern people. The papers are still pursuing Ex-Gov. St. John, but he is still ahead in this fight. Both parties ignored the prohibition element, and now they claim that a very small corps of the Great Temperance Army controlled the last Presidential election. All right, gentlemen, all right; and if your party men don't quit running your party organizations under and by the influence of whisky dealers, then we will simply take charge of this country and run it ourselves. Mark it, we mean business, and we now say to you that alcohol shall go down and stay down.

Franco-Chinese Troubles.

Very little news is reported from the land of the Celestials. The governor of China has gone to the front to look into matters, and perchance there may be greater activities very soon. The French people are in a strange way, neither peace at home or abroad. The most miserable farce in the world to be called a Republic. It is simply a masquerade and a fearful misnomer.

State News.

Our legislature is still making haste slowly. A masterly inactivity seems to pervade the body. It grows out of the fact that the senatorial election is overspreading and absorbing both houses. It is a wet blanket hanging over and dropping chilling drops on the members. Come, gentlemen; master the situation. Either do one of two things, pick that lock or throw it away. You are wasting too much time and consuming too much money on a matter of that sort. We are not aware of the passage of but two bills of a general nature. One donates \$5000 to the New Orleans Exposition, and the other to pay the members. The Fishback Amendment is counted in all right, but still our public debt is not provided for. Several bills are introduced to fund the debt and some looking to an additional 3 mills or 1-1-2 mill tax to meet it. It seems to us that we have taxes enough in all conscience to pay now, and a few more straws in that line will break the camel's back. One or two bills have been introduced to increase the number of judges on the Supreme Bench from three to five, which we heartily endorse. Another has been or will be introduced to improve the Supreme Court room, which is sadly needed. Several to add to the Blind and Deaf Mute buildings, and other great interests of the State. Several hundred more in both branches of the legislature, little, less and indifferent, many of which will be strangled in committee rooms, and many more will find a burial on the table. But we pause as we see some of our Selons are becoming very sensitive and are beginning to resent any suggestions from the press, either secular or religious, as the spirit of dictation and an interference with their legitimate work. Well, gentlemen, if you will let the three-mile liquor law alone, elect a senator, call a constitutional convention, give us a prohibition amendment, we will say you are the wisest and best men that have ever assembled in that capitol. "So mote it be."

Some of our cotemporaries are complaining at the price paid by the State for the Little Rock Dailies for the members. All wrong. That is money well spent. It keeps every man posted as to what is done and what is doing, and causes them to think of what ought to be done.

Prosecuting Attorney Lea holds the fort in Little Rock, and has at last found a jury who will even convict a Jew for selling liquor on Sunday. Go forward, Mr. Prosecuting Attorney, and all good people will stand by you.

Hot Springs still has prohibition, and Circuit Judge Wood and Probate Judge Howell will stand by the law even if it kills the town. All right, gentlemen, any town that can't live without whiskey ought to die. This paper will stand by you.

Blackburn's Free South, of the 24th, hits a good lick on the caricatures of our great men, appearing in the Gazette. Such things purchase a very cheap notoriety and they will certainly damage Arkansas. The men ought to be sued who put in that one of Senator Garland. It is simply hideous. He is a fine looking man and should not be made to appear thus.

J. F. Trumpler's claim is before the legislature and should be paid; and also the one of W. A. Bevens, of Batesville. They are just, and justice ought to be given.

Rev. B. T. Crews has opened up a hotel at Booneville, and we hope he will have it always full of clever and paying guests. Booneville is a nice town and Moore & Co. are furnishing a nice, clean and cozy paper.

Sad catastrophe reported near old Rockport, and it is said several men, women and children were drowned.

Personal.

A teacher from Memphis, Tenn., sends a severe criticism of one of our Field hands, but he forgot to give his name. Remember our rule. We admit no anonymous communications. We must have a responsible name for everything we publish.

Rev. M. H. Wells, of Weatherford, Texas, has been quite sick, but is convalescent we are glad to say. His numerous friends in Arkansas would be glad to hear from him through these columns.

Mr. E. W. Coxhead, Sec'y of the Y. M. C. A. for this State, called on us. We bid him God-speed in his good work.

Rev. L. G. Johnson has made a fine start on his work. Amity circuit will move up, for Johnson is a moving man.

Rev. Joseph Cook will commence his usual course of lectures in Boston next month.

Rev. J. G. Granbery, D. D., one of the Bishops of our Church, contributes an appetizing missive to our columns this week. We were glad to see what a hearty welcome the St. Louis Methodism gave him. Come down and see us and the City of Roses. We'll give you a rouser. We congratulate the trans-Mississippi department of our Methodistic army in having one of our chief leaders on this side of the Great Branch. Welcome, thrice welcome to all our homes.

Bishop Wilson still lingers at our Baden Baden. We hope the proud eagle will renew his strength, and we must have some of his grand and massive sermons before he returns to the Monumental City, to pay us for the benefit of our healing waters.

Rev. E. J. Stanley, the author of "Rambles in Wonderland" has been visiting the States and working for far-off Montana. He is a great worker, but if there can ever be any fruit from our money and labor, there is no appearance of it to these eyes. Florida, Arkansas, Texas and Mexico are more productive fields. Will the Mission Board and the Board of Church Extension note this fact?

Rev. J. P. Newman, who has made his trip around the world at the expense of the government, has resigned his place as pastor of a Congregational Church in New York, and now goes at his own expense to tell what he saw at the expense of the government. The chaplain of Gen. Grant is about as bad off as the General himself. These wandering stars don't amount to much.

D. L. Moody has stirred up things wonderfully in Richmond, Va., and now goes to our great national capitol to try his hand. Strange thing that called and salaried ministers have to send for a man that is not a minister to do their work. Something wrong. It is the want of spiritual power.

Rev. Sam Jones has to go to Brooklyn to help Mr. Talmage and Mr. Talmage has to come south and west to help in camp meetings. And one of his greatest was in Kentucky a few years ago, of two weeks' duration, with the cornet, and they caught two.

Preachers will attend to their own work after awhile. Look to God for help, and I tell you the old sinners will quake and the young ones surrender. May God hasten the day.

Rev. F. R. Noe has changed his location from Ash Flat to Pineville, and his friends will note it and address him accordingly.

Rev. E. N. Evans and his people are preparing to move out of Spring Street Chapel and build a nice brick church in a more commodious location. It is a large and growing congregation, and if they hold together and build wisely, after selecting a place judiciously, they will be a great power in this city. No mistake, my brethren. It will take a strong pull and a pull altogether, but success is certain if you will.

Field Notes.

We give our Bishop Granbery the post of honor this week, and he must excuse us for giving this brief, kind and brotherly epistle to our readers. Listen to the musical note:

"My dear Dr. Winfield: I believe I have not requested you to change my ARKANSAS METHODIST from Virginia to this city, but I am now settled in this new home and it needs to be brightened by your paper. I have followed your example and exhortation by leaving our dear mother State and becoming a Western man. This brings us nearer each other, and certainly news from the three Arkansas conferences will not lose interest to me by my dwelling on the same side of the Mississippi with them. I think that Methodism has a great future in Arkansas, and I bid you God-speed in your strong efforts for its advancement and the crushing of all the ills that threaten the cause of Christ and of humanity. Our brethren of St. Louis have given us a hearty welcome, and furnished us an admirable residence. Shall we not have the great pleasure of entertaining our friends, Dr. Winfield and wife, in it? Say yes, and send along the piñy, spicy, wholesouled METHODIST to stir us up week after week."

We assure our dearly beloved Bishop that we appreciate his missive, and if our paper will only shed one ray of light upon that happy household we shall feel compensated for much editorial toil. We hope, with our better-half, to accept your hearty invitation and look in upon that sunshiny home sometime in the near future. We welcome you to Arkansas and the great West. The latchet string is on the outside at 818 Cumberland street, City of Roses, Ark., to you and all your family, and we can safely say the same for every Methodist home in Arkansas. You are now in the succession of itinerant pioneers in leaving the old Dominion and going to the frontier, and this puts you among the First Families of Virginia, for all the second are too poor to move. We will send the METHODIST to 3006 Chestnut street, St. Louis, Mo., with great pleasure, and only charge a few of your sparkling letters to enrich its columns.

Next comes an Arkansas physician, J. A. Pipkin, of Prescott, Ark. Here news with \$1.50; and says:

"I am much pleased with your paper. I am taking the Nashville, St. Louis, New Orleans, and I assure you the Methodist is not the least prized among them. If you consider this a compliment you are welcome to it. I wish you great happiness and much prosperity for the new year."

Thank you, Doctor. We do appreciate these words of kindness. They are so much better than a little postal, saying, "Times hard, money scarce and you will please stop my paper." Such as that chills.

Rev. J. L. Massey is having a good time at Clarksville, and writes that our paper is popular and he is going to do much for us. He has made a splendid beginning. His field is a good one, his people are among the best, and we expect much from him. They are treating him well.

Rev. Sam Morris, so well and widely known in Arkansas, writes as follows:

"I see that any time of subscription to the ARKANSAS METHODIST will soon be out, and now ask it to be continued. I will forward subscription as soon as I can, as I presume you exchange with the T. C. A. I cannot afford to be without my old home paper, especially since it is under the supervision and published by my dear old beloved brother, Dr. Winfield. As soon as I have time I will try to write a scrap of early recollections for our

dear old Arkansas friends. I love them all dearly and think of them often, and sometimes with tears in my eyes. Oh! can I never forget the scenes of my boyhood and labors of my early ministry, and the dear fathers and brethren of the happiest days of my life? No, never, never! Sad and lonely, I write these lines, looking alone for rest 'beyond the river.' As ever and ever, your brother in the work of the Lord. Kind regards to all."

Many will read this note with delight, and they will watch with eagerness for the promised recollections. We will be delighted to hear from you, my dear old friend. The memories of the days with you are, to this writer, as a precious ointment poured forth. God bless you and yours. We renew as you requested.

Next comes Rev. J. A. Biggs, of Austin circuit:

"We are at the parsonage on the Austin circuit. We were met at the depot by brothers Park and Perry, with wagons, who conducted us to the parsonage, where we met quite a crowd of ladies and gentlemen who had prepared a table with good things to eat, where we were soon seated. This crowd of good people had brought with them supplies, such as sugar, coffee, flour, molasses, meat and other good things for which we were very thankful. We expect a good time this year."

Happy preacher. Good people. He says they love the ARKANSAS METHODIST. Well, put it in every house and we will try to preach and exhort when you are gone. Pound us with a few subscribers with the cash.

Here comes that sterling man and preacher, Rev. A. D. Jenkins, of Carlisle circuit, with Carlisle paragraphs. He is ever a welcome visitor. Read:

"The Carlisle circuit, under its new plan, has but four appointments. The Carlisle Church has preaching three Sundays in the month, morning and night. The other appointments have monthly preaching. The stewards of the circuit, save three, met recently and made an assessment on the circuit for ministerial support, of \$675. If they can collect as well, that will be a second good thing. Rev. N. Futrell, recently of the White River conference, has located at Carlisle, and it was my privilege to receive yesterday the certificate of Church membership of his wife and two of his sons. He expects to present his certificate of location at our next quarterly conference. Our Sunday school at Carlisle, under its new organization, has made a fine start. Why not every preacher take hold of our Sunday school work with such a determination and persistency as will demand success. Our Sunday school statistics should exceed our Church statistics. Why do they not? There is a reason somewhere. Let the preachers find it."

We close this week with a good letter from Rev. G. W. Logan, the working preacher of Falcon circuit:

"While reading McVeyre's History of Methodism in Missouri and Arkansas, my mind reverted to the early days of Arkansas. While at conference in your city, I stood on the Little Rock and thought of my great grandfather, grandfather and my father (then a little boy), who crossed the Arkansas river at that point in the year 1817, their wagon being the first crossed over in the ferry boat. At that time there was no improvement where the beautiful city of Little Rock now stands, the capital of the Territory being at Arkansas Post; the vast territory lying southwest of the Arkansas river being almost entirely unoccupied. But as it begins to settle up, the Methodist preacher, with Bible in hand, is here to spread holiness through these lands. Perhaps among the first were the twins, Green and Washington Orr, Henry Stephenson and old Uncle John Henry. And by them the ground was broken, the seed sown, and thanks be to God the yield has been abundant. And now look at our great State, with her churches and colleges, interesting Sabbath schools, and our ARKANSAS METHODIST making its weekly visits to many families, doing good everywhere. To God be all the glory."

ARKANSAS METHODIST

ADVOCATE FAMILY.

SATURDAY, JANUARY, 31, 1885

The Pleasures of Religious Inter-
course.

BY REV. S. CORNELIUS, D. D.

NUMBER I.

"Sir, I wish you to love God, and go to heaven; remember, you cannot serve him alone, you must, therefore, find companions, or make them; the Bible knows nothing of solitary religion."—(Advice of a friend to John Wesley.

Man is a social being. By the very constitution of his nature he is made for association and intercourse with his fellow-beings. The bird, the fish, the beast, each of them is adapted to its proper element and condition. So is man to society; and to this principle of our nature Christianity does no violence. On the contrary, it seizes upon it and turns it to the best account. That is a false and perverted Christianity that makes monks and nuns, that imprisons human souls in cloisters and convents, shutting them from the world under the pretense of peculiar sanctity. Satan never was shut out of nunneries, and monasteries. The Christian is not to retire into some hermit's cave. He is not to be a religious recluse, gloomy, austere, and sorrowfully sentimental. True, retirement is often eminently advantageous to the Christian, but it is especially so as it fits him for active life; for intercourse with the world, the busy world of thought and action. Christianity then, instead of destroying or enfeebling, elevates, purifies and ennoble the social principle. The Christian lives for others and with others, and he is the better adapted to this because he is a Christian. But while he thus mingle with all the world, those companions are peculiarly dear to him that are like-minded with himself. With the psalmist he can say, "I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts."

COMMUNION OF SOULS.

There is such a thing as communion of souls. There are substances that attract each other, and there are those that repel each other. So it is with minds. Minds of the same class and order have an affinity for each other. It is said that if two lutes, each strung alike, be placed in the same room, and one of them be touched, the other will send back a responsive vibration. So it is with that harp of a thousand strings, the immortal soul. It has symphonies in common with kindred souls. Now, no very strong friendship can be formed between the man that loves God and the man that hates him and sets at naught his commandments. There are no common opinions, no favorite subjects between them. There is no common electric fluid of feeling flowing from the one heart into the other, and thus joining their hearts into one. How difficult, how almost impossible would have been the formation of a friendship between John Howard and Voltaire, or between Martin Luther and Napoleon Bonaparte. But Napoleon could sit down and be happy with the fiery-hearted Murat, or with his friend Duroc, while talking about battles and sieges, or forming plans of campaigns. So Luther could sit down and be happy with his friend Melancthon in talking about the progress of the Reformation, and the glorious truths by which it has been effected. In each case there was something believed or felt in common that drew the two hearts into one. When Peter and John were let go by the council they went to their own company, just as birds escaping from the snare betake themselves to their fellow-songsters of the grove. When Paul and Silas were at Philippi they went out of the city to a place of prayer and spake to the God-fearing women that resorted thither. Just so it was with David's friendships and companions. Thus his favorite friend and chief companion was Jonathan. It could not be otherwise than that they should be friends. They were naturally, irresistibly attracted and attached to each other. At first sight "the soul of Jonathan was knit to the

soul of David and he loved him as his own soul." Now, no real, or lasting friendship could have been formed between David and Saul. Even if Saul had not been his sworn enemy David could not have loved him, for their souls were uncongenial. But David and Jonathan were kindred souls. Each of them was possessed of a loving and tender heart, each of them feared and obeyed God. Hence it was that their souls were united together by a strong and enduring bond. Ruth and Naomi seem to have been bound heart to heart in like manner. Naomi appears to have possessed a lovely character, kind, amiable, and affectionate. But she had a loveliness beyond this. She was a child of God, an Israelite indeed in whom there was no guile. It is a well known fact that the worshiper will assimilate to the object he worships. Naomi doubtless appeared all the purer and nobler in contrast with the idolatrous people among whom she dwelt. Ruth could not but perceive the marked difference between the Israelitish matron and the women of Moab. Hence, while Orpah was easily persuaded to forsake her mother-in-law, Ruth clave to her.

That saying has been proven true in all ages and periods, "The righteous is more excellent than his neighbor." What a contrast between Saul and David, Ahab and Elijah, Naemi and Jezebel, the wife of Herod and the sisters of Lazarus. What a contrast between Mrs. Siddons receiving the applause of the crowded theatre, and Ann Hasseltine Judson hovering like an angel of mercy around the prison walls of Oungpenla, that she may seize the propitious moment to carry in a morsel of food to her fettered husband, and how much in favor of the missionary's wife! What a contrast between Madame DeStael, admired though she was by statesman and philosophers, yet intent only upon the gratification of ambition, and Ann and Jane Taylor writing their "Hymns for Infant Minds," and intent only upon the attainment of usefulness. What a contrast between Eugenie, the French Empress, with a nation of flatterers at her feet, and Florence Nightengale, ministering to the sick and wounded soldiers in the hospitals of the Crimea, and how much in favor of the disinterested and Christian benevolence of the one over the peerless beauty and soulless display of the other! If it be thought that this is contrasting extremes, we say let amiability, refinement and cultivation all meet in the same individual, but unassociated with the grace of God; and let that grace be found in one humble station, uncultivated mind, and unpolished manners, and we maintain that the contrast is immeasurably in favor of the latter.

Yes, when man lost the favor of his Maker, the crown fell from off his head; and now he who, through grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, has that favor bestowed upon him, once more appears as a crowned king, and all others are his inferiors. Has any Christless reader Christian friends? If so, how incomparably they outshine all other friends that you possess! They are kings and priests unto God. They are the sons and daughters of the Most High; and they show their heavenly lineage; they prove their title to citizenship in heaven. Where they go do you go with them whenever you may; move not away from the holy atmosphere which surrounds them, and you will enjoy the choicest companionship known to earth. Get within the circle of their friendship, and you will find no moroseness there, no gloom there; but that cheerful hope, that holy joy, and that trustful faith which make them the happiest, the best, and the most blessed people on earth.

Dr. Anderson resigned his position as one of the committee of publication provided for in the above report. His resignation was accepted and the vacancy filled by the election of F. A. Jeffett. Dr. Winfield addressed the Conference on the ARKANSAS METHODIST. The following report of a majority of the committee on the case of C. B. Hinton was received and rejected, viz:

know they are proverbially jocund. Come up, then, into the sunlight of Christian society. The sweetest jonic grapes grow in the Lord's garden; the largest grapes are from the vineyards of Canaan; and the most sparkling floods break forth from the Rock of ages."

DEFERRED MATTER OF WHITE
RIVER CONFERENCE.

Report No. 1.

EXPLANATION.

For good and sufficient reasons the following proceedings of the White River Conference have been delayed till the present time. We could not put these proceedings in the minutes of the Conference and we were unwilling that they should be neglected entirely. So we put them in the paper that everybody may know the action of the Conference on these important matters. Our Junior was appointed one of the editors of this paper by the request of his Conference, and his appointment to Argenta Mission, was given in view of his relation to the paper. Read the proceedings, and remember that we pursued a similar course with the Little Rock, and we hope all concerned will be satisfied.

SENIOR.

Your committee to whom was referred the paper pertaining to the ARKANSAS METHODIST, have considered the same and respectfully report that Messrs. Dye & Winfield have made the following proposition to this Conference, viz:

We come to tender you the paper, requesting you to continue it as your Special Organ on the following conditions:

First—The Conference is not to be responsible for ONE DOLLAR, either to purchase the property or continue its existence.

Second—We only ask the preachers to act as our agents in securing and collecting subscriptions. We promise you a live, religious, Christian newspaper, which shall be devoted to the interests of the Church. We ask you to work for it, and help to put it in every household in Arkansas. We desire the Conference to appoint a Publishing Committee to act with the committees of the other Conferences in Arkansas. The committee shall have power to supervise the columns of the METHODIST, and whenever the paper is not conducted in a manner satisfactory to them, they may, during the interim of the Conference, dissolve your connection with it. And in case of the death of either one of the editors they shall have power to fill the vacancy, giving the surviving partner the right of nomination; and, in case of the death of both, they shall elect editors till the meeting of the Conferences.

We think these propositions should be accepted, and heartily recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st., That we accept the ARKANSAS METHODIST upon the terms stated herein, and plight our faith and the work of our hands for its active circulation.

2nd., That we decline to elect any associate or corresponding editor. We recommend that the editors for the Children's, the Women's Missionary, and the Temperance Union departments be dispensed with, and that the columns be set apart for these special subjects to be filled with the best matter obtainable.

3rd., That Julian C. Brown, Josephus Anderson and H. M. Granade are hereby appointed to represent this Conference as a committee of publication. Respectfully submitted. Dr. Anderson moved to amend the report by striking out the third resolution, which motion was lost. The report was adopted.

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We, your committee on the case of Bro. C. B. Hinton, beg leave to present the following: While we are satisfied that Bro. Hinton has ex-

pressed himself inadvertently upon some abstract questions of theology, we do not think there is sufficient ground for trial.

J. M. TALKINGTON,
B. HARRIS.

Geo. M. Hill, a minority of the committee on the case of C. B. Hinton, made the following report which was laid on the table to-wit:

As the minority of the committee appointed to investigate the charges involving the ministerial character of the Rev. C. B. Hinton, I most respectfully dissent from the report of the majority. From the testimony of the brethren, it appears to me that Bro. Hinton did at different times give utterance to words, the common meaning of which would convey ideas contrary to our doctrines. Although Bro. Hinton denies being in conflict with our doctrines, we can but consider the common acceptance of the language he confesses to have used is in conflict with the doctrines of Methodism, as contained in the discipline. Respectfully Submitted,

GEO. M. HILL.

The time of the Conference was extended indefinitely.

On motion of H. M. Granade, C. B. Hinton's case was referred to a new committee. And the chair appointed Josephus Anderson, Frank Ritter and M. C. Morris, to compose the committee.

The Board of education made the following report, which after discussion was laid upon the table subject to call:

The Board of Education, ask leave to make the following report: The only communication referred to the Board was one from the Arkansas Conference setting forth the action of that Conference with reference to Central Collegiate Institute at Altus, Ark. In that communication a request is made that the Little Rock and White River Conferences become joint purchasers with them of the said property for a male college, to be owned and controlled by the entire Methodism of the State. The paper has been carefully considered. We have been reliably informed that the Little Rock Conference, at their recent session, accepted the proposition made by the Arkansas, and since we are satisfied that the Institution is eminently adapted to the object contemplated, viz:

The founding of an educational institution of large proportions, which will meet all the demands of moral literary and religious education, so much needed in our great and growing State; therefore your Board recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That we accept the proposition of the Arkansas Conference, to become with them and the Little Rock Conference joint purchasers of Central Collegiate Institute.

2nd., That this Conference appoint a board of five trustees, who are hereby authorized to take such legal steps as will secure to us joint possession and control of said institution.

3rd., That an agent be appointed, who in connection with his other work, shall be authorized to act in conjunction with with Rev. V. V. Harlan, of the Arkansas Conference, Dr. H. R. Withers, of the Little Rock Conference, agents, V. V. Harlan being regarded as chairman or general agent.

J. F. Troy was put upon the committee on Church property in place of L. L. Mack, absent.

The committee on public worship announced that B. Harris would preach at 3 o'clock this afternoon and N. B. Fizer at 7 o'clock this evening.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by the president.

Rev. Jno. H. Dye at the Batesville District Conference.

EDITOR METHODIST:—The Junior editor of the ARKANSAS METHODIST is now one of the most popular divines in the State.

This sweet spirited man came to our District Conference, at Evening Shade, and a great many of his old friends hearing that he would be there rode and walked far and near to see and hear him preach. Among these was a colored man, Geo. Shaver, who took his stand near the Church door early Friday morning to see and howdy with "Bro. Dye." By-and-by Bro. Dye came up, and George ex-

tended his hand and said howdy. Bro. Dye said: "Howdy George—God bless you." I tell you what's de fac, said George, I wuz jest about as glad to see Bro. Dye as if he had been my own brother.

A man so popular with all all classes is certainly worthy the position he fills in the Church, and is destined to do great good as editor of the ARKANSAS METHODIST. F. R. NOE.

OUR SCHOOLS.

M. C. F. INSTITUTE.
Jackson, Tenn.

The Fortieth Collegiate year begins September 1st, 1884, with additional buildings and increased advantages. For further information, address Prof. G. C. Jones, M. A., or the President. aug2-ly A. W. JONES.

MESSRS. WEBB'S SCHOOL.
CULLEOKA, TENN.

Opens August 25, 1884.

Dr. Garland, of the Vanderbilt, says: "The Academy of the Messrs. Webb has no superior within my knowledge in the Southern States."

Bishop McTyeire says: I know not its superior; its equal would be hard to find for all the parts of education."

Prof. Humphreys, formerly of Vanderbilt, now of the University of Texas, says: "The young men who come to the Vanderbilt University from the school of the Messrs. Webb, at Culleoka, exhibit as thorough preparation in Greek as any students I have ever met with, whether in this institution or in Washington and Lee University, where for several years I taught students prepared in the best classical schools in Virginia, as well as in many other States of the Union." july19-

CENTRAL

COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE,
ALTUS,

FRANKLIN COUNTY, ARKANSAS,

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Temperance.

EDITORS METHODIST:—Dear brother Winfield: As this is a new year, I thought it would not be out of place to give you a few notes from this place. When you visited the district conference here last summer, there was a saloon here. But this year Raineyville has no saloon. We want to get up a temperance society here. Will you be kind enough to inform us either by mail or in your next issue where and how we can get a charter, and oblige your brother, etc.,

W. D. RAINY.

Rainey, Ark.

Report for the Temperance Work of Dallas County, Ark.

We are happy to say we have no saloons in this county. We have only one temperance organization. We have an interesting temperance union near Mt. Carmel church. We use the N. C. T. U. pledge. We have women officers altogether. While we feel thankful for what has been done, yet we do regret that more has not been accomplished, and that there is as much whisky used as reported at some localities. It is reported that about 75 gallons of whisky was used at Fordyce during Christmas. Oh! let us work and pray that this great evil may be entirely banished out of our country.

MARY E. TAYLOR,

Vice President.

Princeton, Dallas Co., Ark.

BRO. A. R. WINEFIELD:—Dear brother, I write to inform you that we are at last victorious in our efforts to abolish the sale of whisky and other intoxicating drinks under the three-mile law. I think I wrote you about our petition having failed last year (and thereby hangs a tale), but thank God we are successful for the next two years. But I am sorry to say I saw a petition a few days ago for the renewal of the sale of whisky at this place. I hope though it will not amount to anything. I have just received a card of invitation from Bro. Palmer, calling me to attend the Annual Convention of the State Christian Temperance Union and Prohibition Alliance. It gives me great joy to know there are so many wide-awake men and women that are fighting against this great evil. There are so few temperance men in our community that we would feel almost alone if we did not read of the large army that is fighting in this war, and we know "the wolf can never devour unless he first divide." I am proud and thankful that we have such a brave and useful paper to represent the Churches and temperance cause of this conference. I see that its editors do not hesitate to condemn evil in every shape and form in that bold and manly style such as it should be, for the keeping of society and the Church in all its purity. Hope that our circuit will be greatly benefited this year, as we have a good preacher, Bro. J. W. Berry. Pray for it. Success to the METHODIST.

JNO. H. HAMILTON.

Walnut Hills, Lafayette Co., Ark.

EDITORS METHODIST:—Senate Resolution No. 2, introduced the first day after the organization of the Tennessee legislature last week, was to provide for a constitutional amendment for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of any intoxicating liquors. It has passed one or two readings. Yesterday the same senator introduced another resolution which passed, appointing a committee on "The Suppression of Intemperance." He gave as a reason that the committee on "Tippling" was only to regulate the traffic, and that fifty thousand petitioners were praying the legislature to provide for the suppression of the evil, and that they should be heard, as the State has the same right to suppress as to repress or regulate the traffic. There is another bill before the body to extend the four-mile law so as to include all towns under five thousand population. The five-mile law has accomplished a vast deal in suppressing intemperance in the rural portions of the State and in villages and small towns. I shall always, by

voice and vote, by the pen and pulpit, in private and public, do all in my power to suppress the liquor scourge. But owing to the strength of the enemy, especially among the colored voters, I doubt the wisdom of a popular vote on prohibition for a few years yet. But I shall preach and pray, and whenever and wherever I can vote for prohibition, my suffrage shall be cast for the good cause.

A temperance column has been suggested for the Nashville Christian Advocate. The editor will consider the matter. He has been very faithful in his pungent paragraphs, portraying the evil of strong drink in the past.

A resolution is being warmly discussed in both the Senate and House, instructing our congressmen from Tennessee to use their influence and vote for the Blair Education Bill, now pending in congress. I observe that the republican members generally favor the resolution, but the democratic speakers oppose it, taking care to explain that they are not opposed to public education, but regard the Blair bill as unconstitutional. I think it is strange that such men of the Tennessee legislature as I happen to know personally would presume to sit in judgment on the constitutionality of such a bill before our national congress. I have just read a very able address by Major Robert Bingham, of the renowned Bingham School, N. C., delivered before the National Convention of School Superintendents in Working City and the National Educational Association at Madison, Michigan, last year, in which he sets forth in clear, strong terms the educational needs of the South, and the struggles we are making to educate both races, and the various difficulties we encounter in the great work, and the imperative need of national aid. He plainly points out the constitutionality and justice of such greatly needed assistance. Why is it that so many of our would-be statesmen claim that legislation for the general good of the people, such as the friends of temperance ask, is unconstitutional? State or national constitutions, which foster illiteracy and intemperance, need speedy and thorough amendment. The legislatures of Tennessee and Alabama begin well their temperance work. Let Arkansas law-makers excel them.

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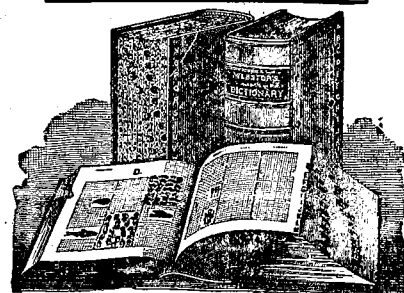
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Other Personals.

Misses Jennie and Lucy Jones, the accomplished sisters of Hon. Jas. K. Jones, are the guests of the Senior Editor's family at 818 Cumberland street.

Hon. Geo. Thornburgh is one of the coming men of North Arkansas, and is mentioned as the probable successor of Hon. Poindexter Dunn, when his people call him higher.

Hon. J. K. Jones, the able Representative of the 2d district, is still in the city, and is making a splendid race for the Senate.

Covetousness is one of the most dangerous sins of the Church. Our people are anxious to be rich. They covet wealth and do not scruple at either ways or means to secure it. Judas sold the Master for thirty pieces of silver, and had as much when the rope had done its work as any of our Methodists will have who have sold their souls for thousands.

Avarice is a first cousin of covetousness, and where they possess the same person, it is almost as hopeless a case as the demoniac in the tombs of the Gadarenes.

Bishop Granbery said "covetousness is a bloated dropsy." It is always ready to receive but has nothing to give. Always absorbing and never imparting.

Bishop Keener says the Macedonians were in the possession of the grace of giving, and hence they stretched themselves beyond measure. So much so that "their poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality."

"Search the Scriptures," was the command of the Great Master. "For in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify of me." Search as if you were exploring a mine or looking for hid treasure. It is the only book that can make wise unto salvation.

Look not upon evil. The eye is the window of the soul, and it will not do for the soul to look out of that window upon that which is forbidden. Eve paused to look, and the curse lingers in the world for it to-day. Close the blinds when evil is near.

Stop the ears and listen neither to slander or to the world's intoxicating music, for both are dangerous, and the ear is the inlet to the soul. Keep away from the place of sweet sounds, though they charm ever so sweetly, for it is nigh unto death.

Riches are deceitful and the love of money is the root of all evil, still men are willing to risk their souls for the hope of gain. We need much preaching on the danger of riches and the love of money. Who will make a beginning?

How pleasant it is to be at home on a winter's night, and enjoy the rest, quiet, comfort and peace of the sacred sanctuary of one's own chamber, where love holds sway, and dull care is forgotten. The very burning of the fire is cheerful. But don't forget the poor, and when you kneel to pray for them, be certain to determine to help answer your own prayers with with a few bushels of coal and a cord of wood.

The preacher who begins his collections at the first, and holds on to them through the year, is certain to be the one to report, that the collections are all full. Never put off your collections till you are preparing to start to Conference. Begin early, work late, and then look for success.

Christian purity, like an angel's garb, will not bear being rubbed against the dingy, dirty walls of sinful dwellings, and is too easily soiled to be brought in contact with the polluting touch of voluptuous passion.

See to it, that the wires are never down between heaven and thy soul, but send a message every day.

OUR DUTY.

We come now to notice our duty in relation to our Church. And we assume, first, that it is the duty of every man to belong to some Church, that we have no right to live out of it. The Church is not a human institution that a man may go into or come out of at will. It is a divine institution, God-given and God-perpetuated. It is the earthly home of Deity. Our God originated the Church in the house of Abraham, and has never had but the one Church in the world, and he has made it obligatory upon all men to join it; we have no right to live out of it. All the children of Israel were to come into it by the right of membership offered and the condition prescribed. Christ made no alteration only to substitute one thing for another. Out of the Church we are out of covenant relation with God. Our children must be brought into covenant relation with him, and they must be brought into the Church. Marriage is a divine institution, and is intended to represent Christ and his Church. How can it be done by parties out side of the Church? Once in the Church, we must begin to search for our duty. Church membership means something. It implies obligation, and calls for work. Every member owes something to his or her Church. If one person has the right to live in the Church without work or pay, all would have the same right and the exercise of this supposed right would ruin the Church. Duty to the Church means, first, that we are to so live as not to injure the Church, and then we are to perform whatever work the Church gives us to do, and pay according to our ability. Of course church membership must mean a separation from the world, for the Church and the world are distinct. We join the Church to be helped in working out our soul's salvation. We do not join the church as the Masons or Odd Fellows do a lodge, simply for pleasure, and a help to ourselves and families. It is neither a hospital or an insurance corporation, either for our lives or homes. It is to find the path to heaven. To join the militant to help to the triumphant. Of course our life must change or we must imagine that all people will be unconditionally saved. A mere church membership without a change of heart and life amount to nothing. It can do the person no good and is a curse to the Church. Come out from among them. Be ye separate. Here is our duty. Let the world see that our church membership means something. Our churches are being filled with unconverted, unholy people, and they are cursing the Church. Our duty demands that our light shall shine, and that our salt never lose its savor. A worldly church is the bane of society. It is a mockery. A painted sepulchre—beauty without and rotteness within. A vanity fair where the children of the world mingle on equal terms and without distinction or discount with worldly professors. Duty demands work. The Sabbath-school needs earnest teachers, full of piety, devotion, and a burning zeal for the salvation of the children. Every man and woman must fill their places in the social meetings of the Church. No one has a right to absent themselves unless it is unavoidable. It is not a matter of choice, but duty demands attendance. All must enter the vineyard to be workmen and working women. The fields are white unto harvest, and laborers is what the Church wants. She does not need either idlers or dress circle dudes, or flashy belles. Pious, devoted workers is the demand of the times, and duty calls for them. Duty demands giving as well as working. There are thousands of people who never give anything to the church, and never seem to think it is their duty to do so. Giving is neither a luxury or duty to them, it is always forced, and no matter to whom or for what the contribution, it is charity. To support the minister is to them pure charity, and it is just the same to help build a house of worship for themselves and their families. If they give to missions, foreign or domestic, it is charity. Or if they give to the Conference Fund or Church Extension, it is charity, and they never find the place where it is duty to give. It is

time to educate our people to duty. Make them feel that church membership means working and giving. That it has weighty obligations that cannot be ignored, and must be met. The church has a right to demand the faithful performance of duty as she finds that duty recorded in the word of God. Study your bible and your discipline as a Methodist to learn your duty and then perform it in the fear of God. The path of duty is the only path of safety, and all Christians should make it a matter of conscientious duty to walk in it at all times. Napoleon had for his watchword glory, and Wellington had for his duty. The former went down when his sun was at meridian, the latter caused his sun to set in utter darkness, and his own to shine with increasing lustre as the ages move along. If the readers of this paper have a clearer sense of duty and a greater determination to perform it, we will have our reward.

LEGISLATION NEEDED.

We do not think it is travelling beyond the bounds of propriety for this paper to speak out at this time on the subject indicated by the above heading, and we hope our Legislators will not think that we are speaking to them in the spirit of dictation; but only suggesting to them what we think to be the real necessities of the people, whose servants they are. We are still in some respects, just where governing and being governed have been from time immemorial. The question of labor and capital, and the seeming conflict between them, is nothing new to political economy. The relations of landlord and tenant, master and slave, employers and employees, debtors and creditors, labor and money, are the same now that they have been in all ages. They are mutual and reciprocal, and any legislation that fails to recognize both, and their relations and interests, is sadly defective. What ever affects the capitalist must and will affect the laborer, and when labor suffers or is deficient, capital will suffer. All legislation is a failure, and an injury that panders either to the communistic feeling of labor, or the intolerant spirit of capital. Laws should be so made and administered as to secure the interests of both and bring them to a better understanding of their relations and of their mutual dependence. Capital must not oppress labor, and labor must not be too exacting or complaining. Production and consumption, demand and supply have and will govern trade to the end of time. This is inevitable, and any legislation that fails to recognize it is in error. We need then to create demand, where there is supply, and whenever there is demand, and no supplies, then it is the duty of legislators to look after supplies. Our forests and our mines create the demand for capital. How can we secure capital to our State? Will it be done by the ruinous legislation engendered by the jealousy of poverty toward riches in demanding exorbitant taxation on all capital that seeks to operate in our State. The rich must not be allowed to impose upon the poor, nor must the poor be allowed to destroy the rich, for it is by the wealth of the rich that the poor are to be cared for. Let our Legislature look to the future of Arkansas. We have a great State, but it needs development very badly. Can it be done without capital? "The South must become a manufacturing people or forever be hewers of wood and drawers of water to the North." We cannot and will not invite capital so long as there is a disposition to fight our railroads or tax them beyond endurance. They now have all they can carry. You cannot, gentlemen of the Legislature, regulate railroad prices by legislation. One railroad war will do more to make low rates than all the legislatures that will meet in Arkansas for the next ten years. The Paramore road soon brought the Iron Mountain to 365 a mile, for passengers, and freights in proportion, other roads competing will change the rest in due time. Had the suicidal policy of dirt roads and parsimonious economy of running Arkansas on \$75,000 of thirty years ago, continued Arkansas would have been bankrupt in money and men. We need broad gauge legislation. Look up and down the lines of your railroads

and see thrifty towns and improving farms, and then look into the interior and see the contrast. We hope you will, before your adjournment, look into the question of Sabbath desecration of all these railroads, and see if something cannot be done to preserve the sanctity of this day, and for the relief of the hundreds of over-worked employees. These men ask and even implore you to give them some rest. seven days in a week is too much for any man to work. Humanity will deteriorate under such continuous labor, and mind and morals will suffer. We hope our present legislature will look into this question. If capital put into machinery and manufacturing can be stilled on the Sabbath, why not stop it from running trains, and over working our laborers. If it is right to stop all other classes, then it is right to stop railroads and steamboats and give every man, woman and child a chance to rest on the Sabbath. It is a God-given day of rest. We plead for capital and railroads not to be over-taxed, and we plead that they shall be made to keep our laws.

From a Preacher's Wife.

EDS. METHODIST:—Never before but once, have I tried to write an article for the press, but, being in possession of certain facts, which I think will interest some of your readers at least, I beg you will give me a little space in the columns of your paper.

The world we all know is full of hearsays, but I propose to tell only what I have seen with my own eyes, heard with my own ears and felt with my own heart.

Two years ago last fall we moved to Culleoka in order to give our boys the benefit of this first class training school. We had heard much of its wide spread fame, but after coming and seeing for ourselves, we find the half had not been told.

I did not attend the Centennial in '76 (though my husband did) nor do I expect to look upon the worlds wonders at New Orleans, but being an itinerant preacher's wife, have rolled round considerably over the breezy hills of Middle Tennessee (the garden spot of the State), the fertile valleys of North Alabama, and all through Mississippi. And in all my wanderings have never seen anything to equal the mental and moral training for the young as we find here. When a boy enters the Culleoka school he has to either study and behave himself or leave. The Messrs. Webb do not harbor either moths or drones in their hive. Such high and noble principles do they try, and in most cases succeed in instilling into their pupils that good boys are scarce in Culleoka. So gentlemanly are they in deportment, that save the going and returning from school our little village is as quiet and orderly with our 150 boys as during vacation. I once had a perfect dread of a boy's boarding school, but it they were all conducted as well as this, we mothers would have fewer heart aches when our boys left us. From some of our homes we can hear their happy voices in prayer and praise from the Y. M. C. A. rooms every Friday evening, and at most of their homes those young disciples conduct the family worship. During our prayer and praise meeting my own heart has been strangely warmed with the ardor of their prayers and praises. More than once, Doctor, has your own noble boy shamed me of my neglect of duty, by taking up the cross and speaking for the Master. I tell you this good influence is contagious. Many boys come here with profanity on their lips that has been hushed to silence by the gentle influence and godly example of these noble boys. This is no cheap school—there is no prompting in the class or peeping in the book as there used to be when I went to school; so thorough is the examination at recitation that the boy either answers the question promptly or has the nobility to confess his ignorance. All this is the promptings of a fond mother's heart in the interest of others who have sons to educate.

A MOTHER.

EDITORS METHODIST:—I have lately returned from Quitman, where I went January 1st, to meet a brother, of Tennessee, whom I had not seen in over twelve years. The trip was rough and the exposure severe, but

the pleasure of a re-union of the family, consisting of three brothers, one sister and our mother, fully compensated for all the troubles of the trip. We have not been together in over twelve years, and all met at the church Jan. 4th, at which time I had the privilege of preaching to all the family for the first, and doubtless the last time in life. The unction of the Holy One came down upon us, and we had a real feast together, and all renewed our consecration and promised to meet in heaven. The next re-union will doubtless be in the great sanctuary above. The parting time soon came and our hearts were pained, but we parted having our hearts animated with the hope of the gospel, fully expecting to meet again in the "sweet bye and bye."

Human life is a "problem," it is true, but take religion out of it and it is of easy solution—it is a failure.

I am now at home in the midst of much work, determined by God's grace to make full proof of my ministry during 1885, and praying for success.

The weather so far has been unfavorable, and but little work has been done as yet. And our spirits have partaken somewhat of the nature of the weather—been gloomy—but the clouds will disperse, the spring time will come, the sun will shine and the birds will sing, and with buoyant heart we will prosecute our work, forgetting all about the gloomy winter that has passed.

May the Great Head of the Church give us all success during this year, and may the ARKANSAS METHODIST live and thrive despite the little objections to which you referred in the last number. Yours in Christ,

ALFRED P. MELTON,
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1885.

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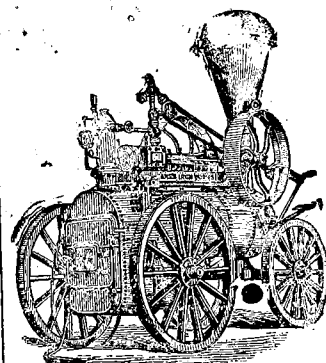
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Little Helpers.

H. M. GRANADE, Editor. Batesville, Ark.

Spelling.

One of the most roguish urchins that ever teased and tormented a pedagogue was Sam G., who attended the town school with us in lang syne, in W——, Maine. Sam's deviltries were so frequent, that hardly a week passed without his receiving a flagellation, which he bore like an ancient stoic; but one day when the verb flagello was conjugated on his back through all its moods and tenses, he inwardly swore vengeance on the knight of the rod. The pedagogue was known by all the school to have "a sneaking notion" towards a pretty girl in the village, known as Sarah Moody; and it was even whispered around that they were "engaged." The next day the class in spelling to which Sam belonged was called up, and the schoolmaster continued to give out the words one after another, till he came to "psalmody, Samuel."

"Spell psalmody, Samuel." "P-s-a-l, Sal, m-o-d-v, Moody—Sal Moody!" slowly and distinctly ejaculated Sam, in tones loud enough to be heard by the whole neighborhood. For that offense, the pedagogue, whose face turned to the deepest crimson, did not deem it expedient to punish him, and Sam walked home in triumph, the idol and envy of all the other boys in the school.—[Ex.]

Beginning a Johnny Cake.

All things have a beginning, and it is well for us sometimes to trace back the stream to the fountain head, and find the beginning of things which we see around us. John Spiker, writing in the Wide Awake, tells a story of a little girl who said to her mother:

"I want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake. How does it begin?" Her mother said, "If you want to begin at the beginning, you must go into the kitchen and begin it with meal." She went to the kitchen and said to Bridget, "Does a johnny cake begin here? I want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake. Please give me some meal." Bridget said, "If you want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake, you must go to the grocer's. Meal comes from the grocer's." She went to the grocer's and asked him, "Does a johnny cake begin here? I want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake." The grocer said, "If you want to begin at the beginning you must go yonder to the miller's. My meal comes to me from the miller." She went to the miller's and said to him, "Does a johnny cake begin here? I want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake." The miller said, "If you want to begin at the beginning, you must run over the fields to the farmers. The farmer brings corn to my mill, my mill grinds it into meal for the grocer, the grocer sells meal to the people living in houses, and the people in houses make the meal into johnny cakes." She ran over the fields to the farmer's and said to him, "Does a johnny cake begin here? I want to begin at the beginning and make a johnny cake." The farmer said, "The beginning was last spring when I planted my corn. From the seed corn sprung up stalks. All summer these grew and grew, taller and taller and taller, and when summer was over there were gathered from them bushels of corn. I sell the corn to the miller, and the miller grinds it to meal, and sells the meal to the grocer; the grocer sells the meal to the people, and the people make it into johnny cakes. But you see if you begin at the beginning it takes all the summer to make a johnny cake. If you want to begin at the beginning, come next spring and plant some seed corn."

This was about as far as the little girl could go, but she was yet a long way from the beginning of the johnny cake. To find that, she must go back through the corn fields year after year, for centuries, tracing the corn crop back to seed and the seed back

to the previous crop, and so on, for hundreds and thousands of years, following it from one end of the land to the other, wherever it has been planted and grown, until she at last finds the first stalk of corn that ever grew, "In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens and every plant before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew."—Gen. ii, 4-5. Here is the beginning of the johnny cake, as here is the beginning of everything else. The first book in the Bible is called Genesis, which signifies "Beginning," and as we open it we read, "In the beginning, God."—[Ex.]

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 1885.

OBITUARIES.

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Our Minutes.

Excuse us, friends and brethren. We thought we would not mention minutes any more, but circumstances forced me to a short notice this week. Our Publishing House informs me that everything is about done, and they will mail at once to many, and I will furnish the rest of Little Rock Conference from here. Col. Thornburgh will mail to the brethren of the White River Conference, who subscribed. Those who did not can be furnished at 70¢ per copy, as we ordered an extra 200. We have had put in section V of Dr. Harrison's Centennial Manual, which alone is worth the price asked. Will many more of the brethren of the White River Conference send an order and take what remains. Will our own Conference send me the money as soon as they receive the minutes. This is a cash job all round. Don't fail brethren. We send you extra large minutes at extra large expense, and we want you to be prompt.

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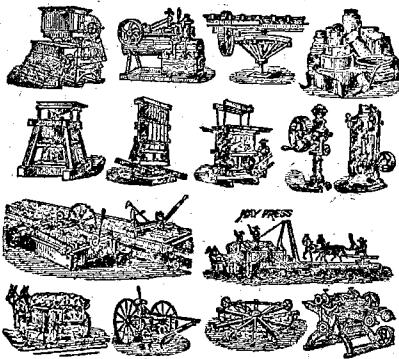
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